

Chelmsford

q3 2011 business confidence report



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- Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous Q3.
- Q3 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any quarter in history.
- September 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous September.
- August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous August.
- July 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous July.
- Q3 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous Q3.
- August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous August.
- July 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous July.

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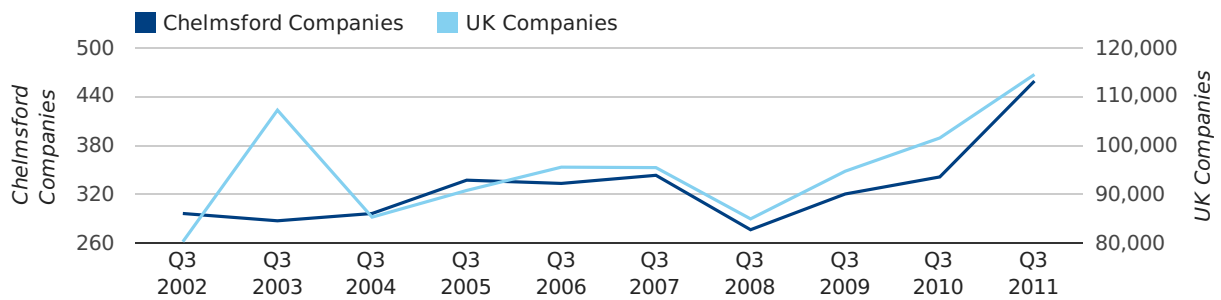
Q3 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 459 companies were registered in Chelmsford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 34.6% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CHELMSFORD	UK
2011	459	114,512
2010	341	101,492
% CHANGE	34.6%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (459)	2011 (114,512)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

September 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous September.

August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous August.

July 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Chelmsford when compared to any previous July.

new companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	163	166	130
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	122	105	114
% CHANGE	33.6%	58.1%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (163)	2011 (166)	2011 (130)

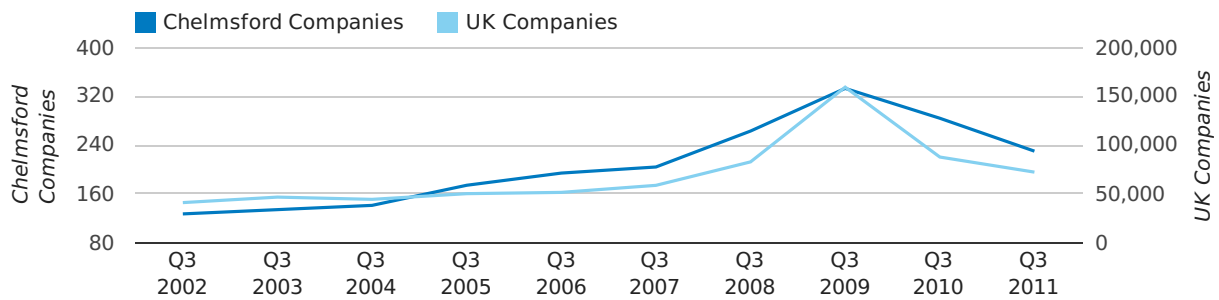
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

A total of 230 companies were dissolved in Chelmsford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 19.0% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

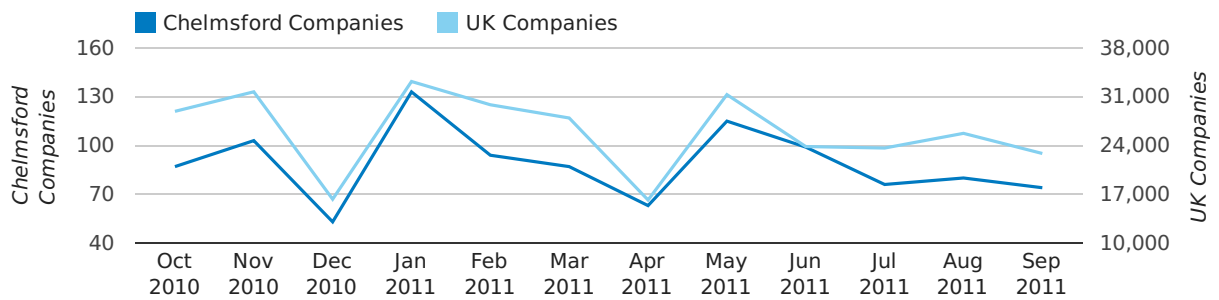
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CHELMSFORD	UK
2011	230	72,230
2010	284	87,705
% CHANGE	-19.0%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (333)	2009 (159,401)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	76	80	74
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	86	116	82
% CHANGE	-11.6%	-31.0%	-10%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (86)	2008 (196)	2009 (156)

Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

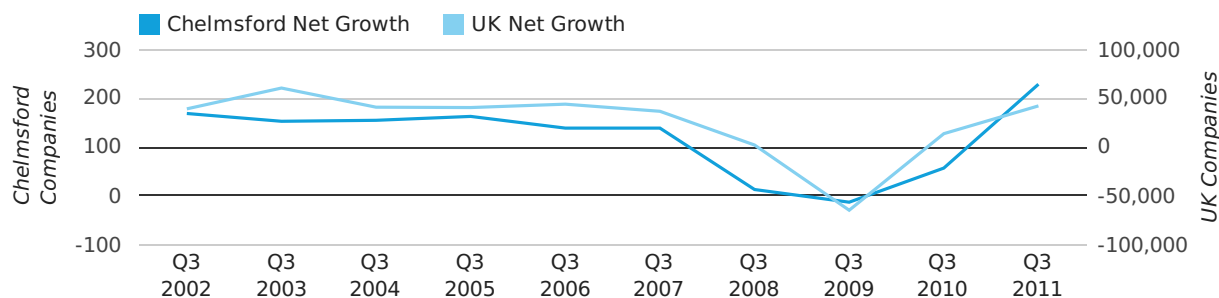
Q3 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous Q3.

Net company growth for Chelmsford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 229 companies.

This represents an increase of 301.8% on the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CHELMSFORD	UK
2011	229	42,282
2010	57	13,787
% CHANGE	301.8%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (229)	2003 (60,597)

net growth by quarter

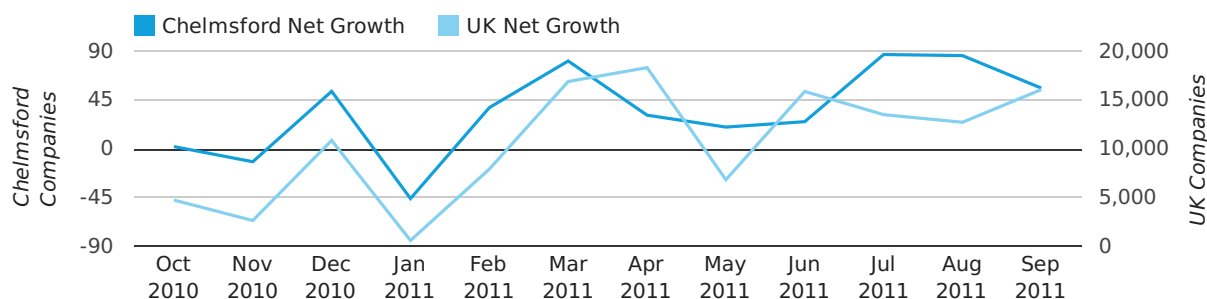


Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous August.

July 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Chelmsford when compared to any previous July.

net growth by month



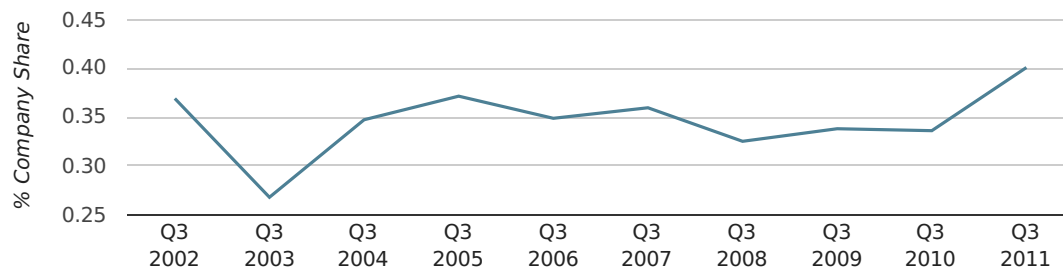
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	87	86	56
NET GROWTH IN 2010	36	-11	32
% CHANGE	141.7%	-881.8%	75.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (87)	2011 (86)	2002 (97)

Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

In the third quarter of 2011, Chelmsford formed 0.4% of all UK companies.

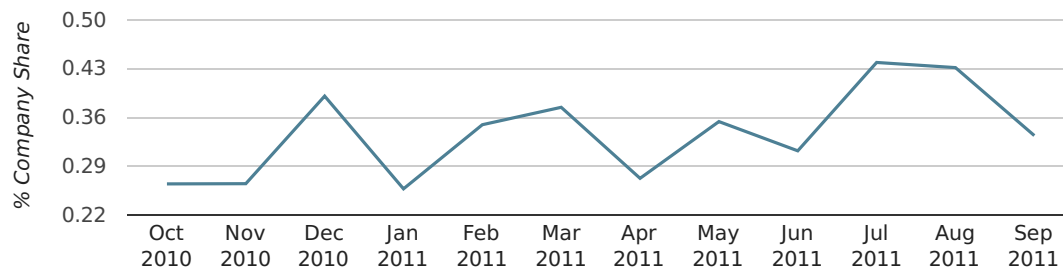
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	CHELMSFORD
2011	0.4%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.6%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
% CHANGE	22.3%	33.0%	3.0%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.6%)	1963 (0.9%)	1961 (0.8%)

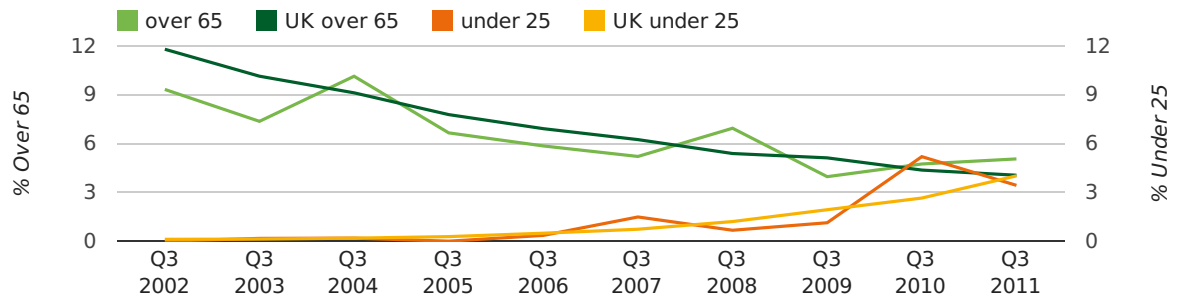
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 44.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

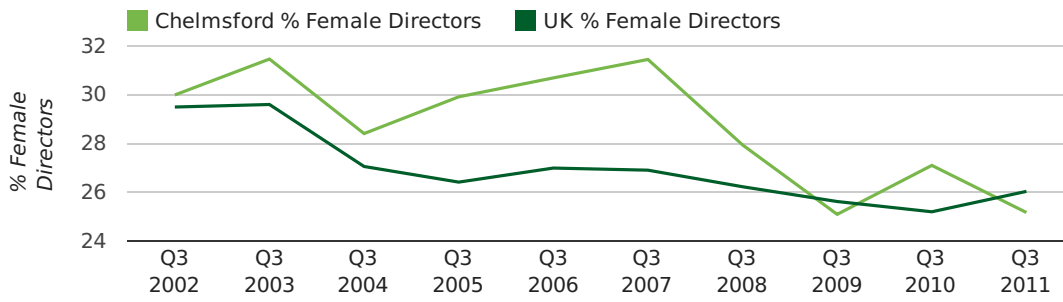


Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The record third quarter for female directors in Chelmsford was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

25.2% of all director appointments in Chelmsford in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	1.46%	CONSULTING	5.11%
PROPERTY	1.37%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
CONSULTANCY	1.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
MANAGEMENT	1.10%	PROPERTY	2.41%
ASSOCIATES	1.05%	TRADING	2.06%
ESSEX	0.96%	DESIGN	1.94%
CHELMSFORD	0.82%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
CAPITAL	0.73%	BUSINESS	1.82%
MEDIA	0.73%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSULTANTS	0.73%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
DESIGN	0.64%	MEDIA	1.72%
ELECTRICAL	0.59%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
GLOBAL	0.59%	LONDON	1.63%
PROPERTIES	0.55%	J	1.47%
BUSINESS	0.55%	GLOBAL	1.46%
CONSTRUCTION	0.55%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
BUILDING	0.50%	CARE	1.42%
INVESTMENTS	0.50%	IT	1.38%
4	0.50%	BUILDING	1.30%
TRADING	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
CONTRACTORS	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
C	0.46%	M	1.25%
RECRUITMENT	0.41%	ENERGY	1.22%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.41%	TRAINING	1.21%
MAINTENANCE	0.41%	S	1.21%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	689	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	194	65,177
99999 - Dormant Company	101	18,281
7499 - Non-trading company	101	11,543
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	91	29,245
9999 - Dormant Company	67	22,587
74990 - Non-trading company	65	8,064
7414 - Business & management consultancy	50	14,755
7260 - Other computer related activities	46	8,686
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	44	10,137
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	43	15,760
9305 - Other service activities	43	10,525
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	31	10,018
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	30	8,345
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	25	7,551
62090 - Other information technology service activities	25	6,798
4545 - Other building completion	19	2,731
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	18	6,321
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	17	2,545
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	17	2,269