

Chorley

2012 half year business confidence report



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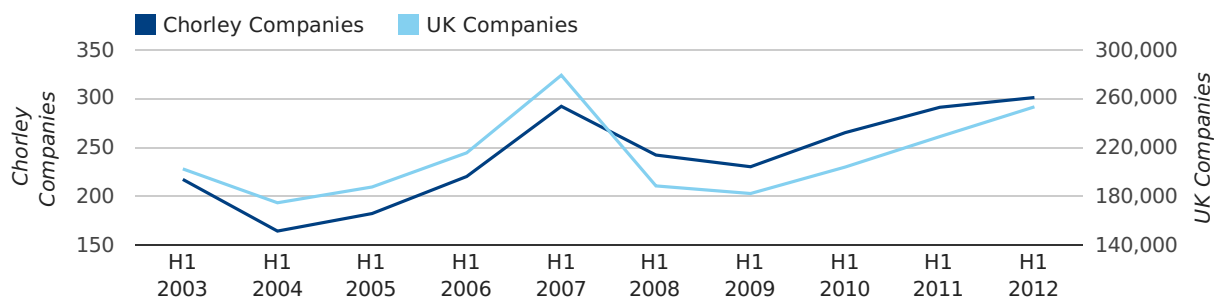
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Chorley when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 301 companies were formed in Chorley. This figure is 3.4% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Chorley occurred in 2012 when a total of 301 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	301	253,150
2011	291	228,735
% CHANGE	3.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (301)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



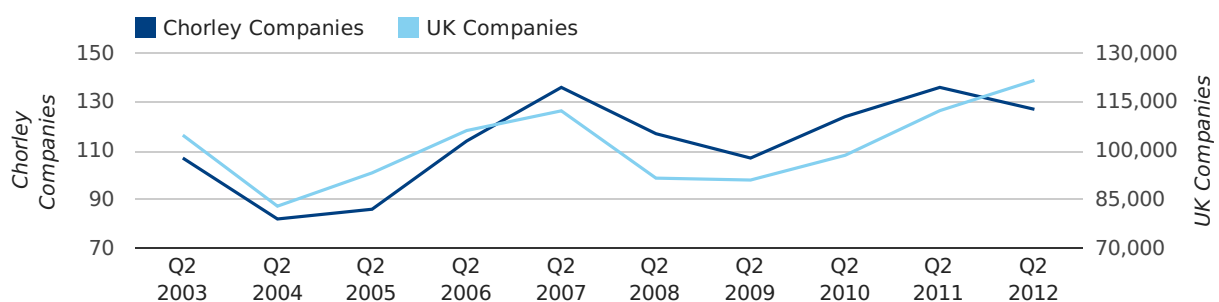
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 127 companies were registered in Chorley during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 6.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	127	121,659
2011	136	112,344
% CHANGE	-6.6%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (136)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	50	38	39
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	41	47	48
% CHANGE	22.0%	-19.1%	-18.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (52)	2007 (50)	2010 (56)

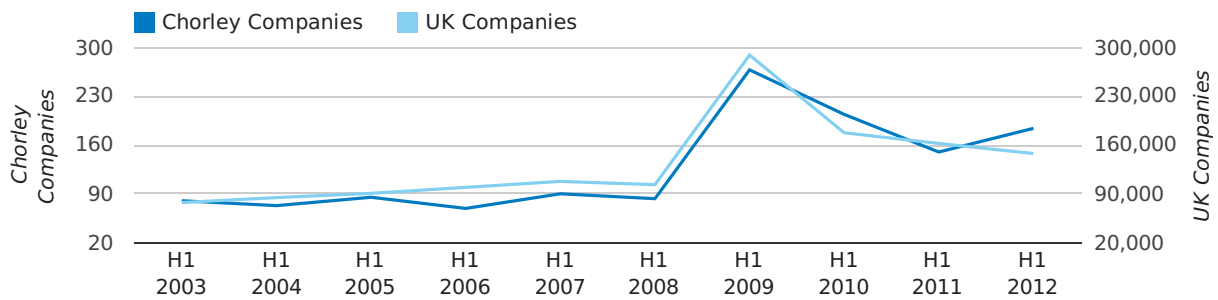
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 184 companies were dissolved in Chorley. This figure is 22.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Chorley occurred in 2009 when a total of 268 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	184	147,793
2011	150	162,310
% CHANGE	22.7%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (268)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



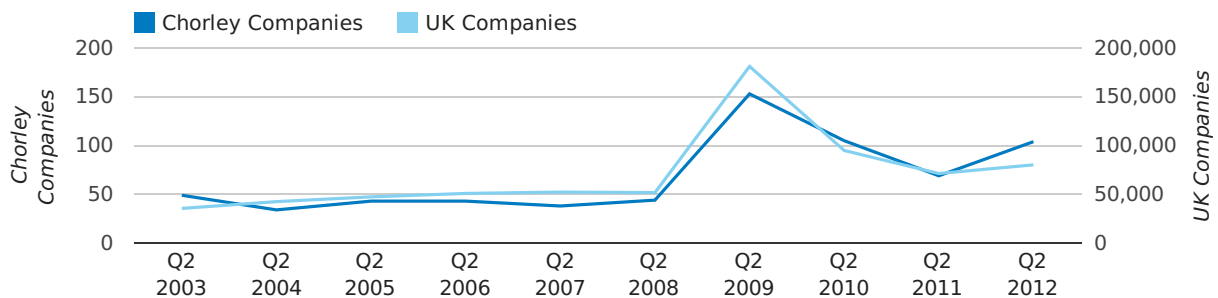
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 104 companies were dissolved in Chorley during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 50.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	104	80,217
2011	69	71,324
% CHANGE	50.7%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (153)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



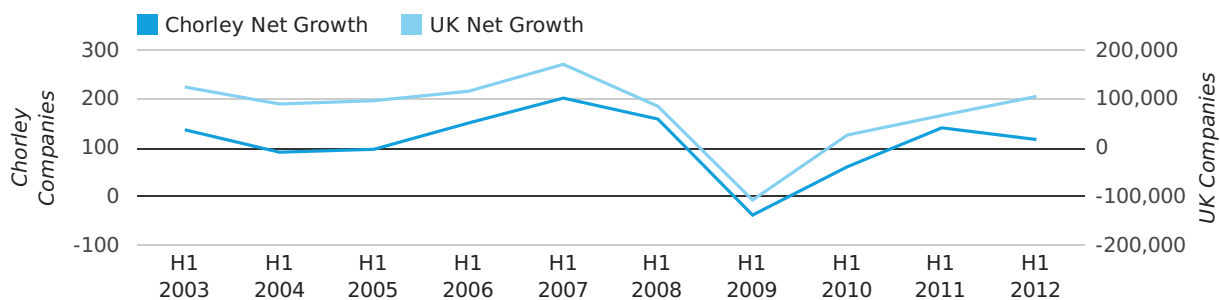
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	35	29	40
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	13	26	30
% CHANGE	169.2%	11.5%	33%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (39)	2009 (52)	2009 (62)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Chorley increased by 117 companies. This figure is 17.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	117	105,357
2011	141	66,425
% CHANGE	-17.0%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (202)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



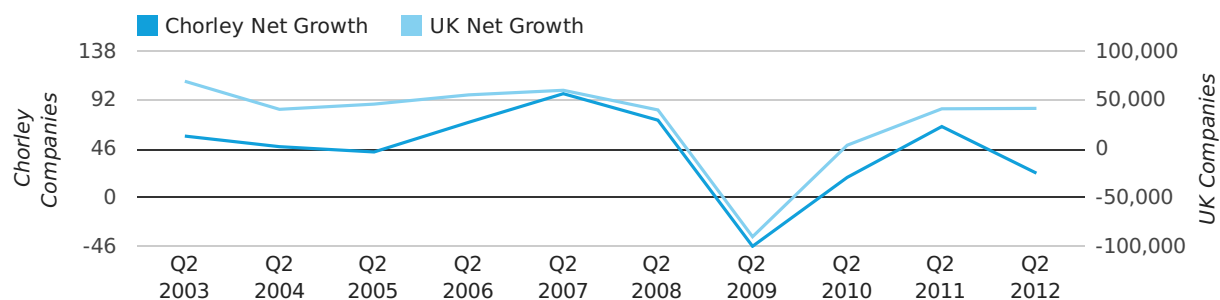
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Chorley during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 23 companies.

This represents a decrease of 65.7% on the same period last year.

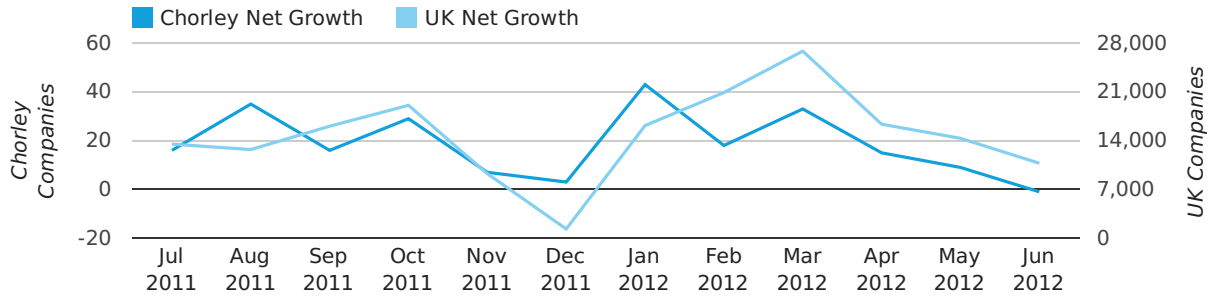
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHORLEY	UK
2012	23	41,442
2011	67	41,020
% CHANGE	-65.7%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (98)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



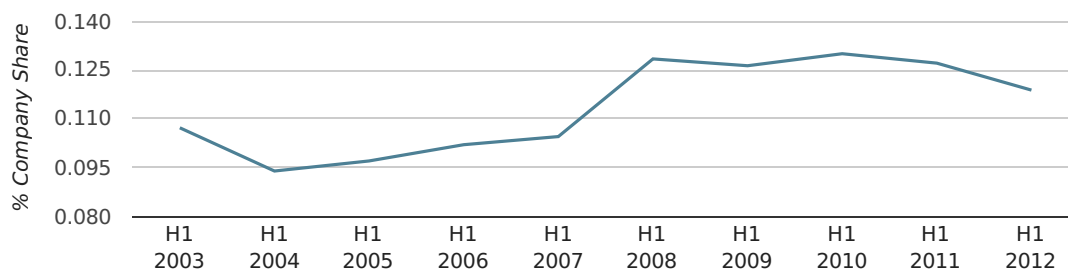
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	15	9	-1
NET GROWTH IN 2011	28	21	18
% CHANGE	-46.4%	-57.1%	-105.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (43)	2007 (37)	2008 (29)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Chorley formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHORLEY
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1990 (0.2%)

company share by half year

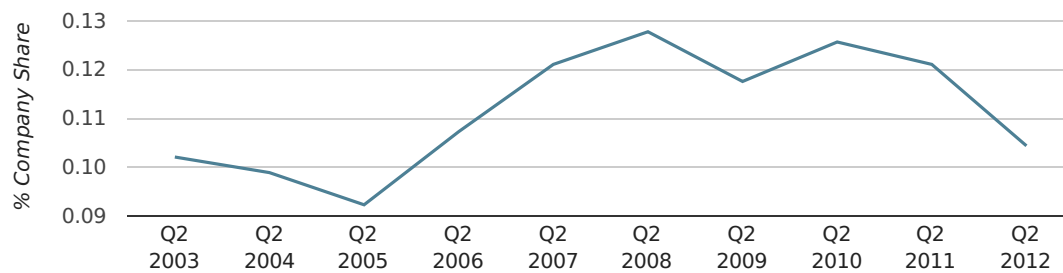


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2010	0.1%
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2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	2.7%	-29.1%	-13.2%
RECORD YEAR	1983 (0.2%)	1974 (0.3%)	1990 (0.2%)

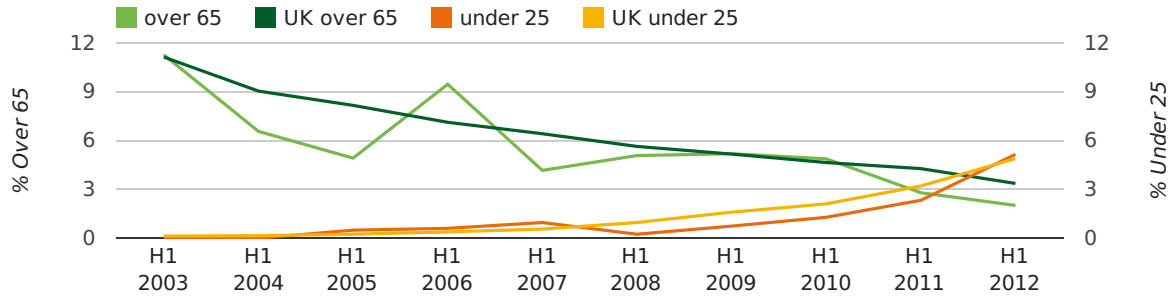
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 42.4.

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The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



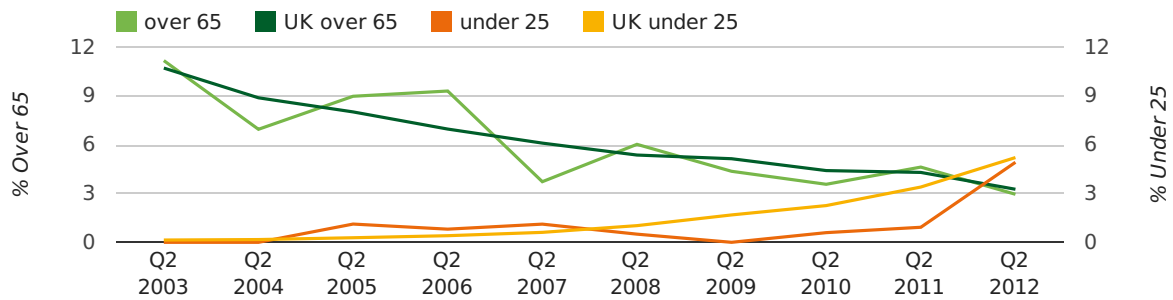
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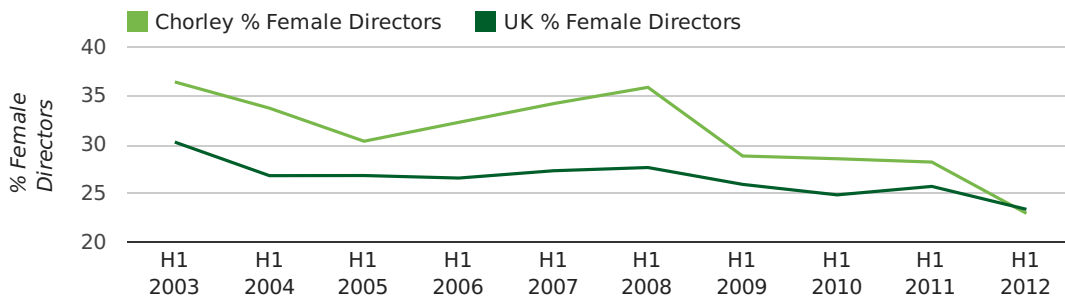


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The record first half year for female directors in Chorley was 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

23.0% of all director appointments in Chorley in the first half of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 23.4% for the same period.

director gender by half year

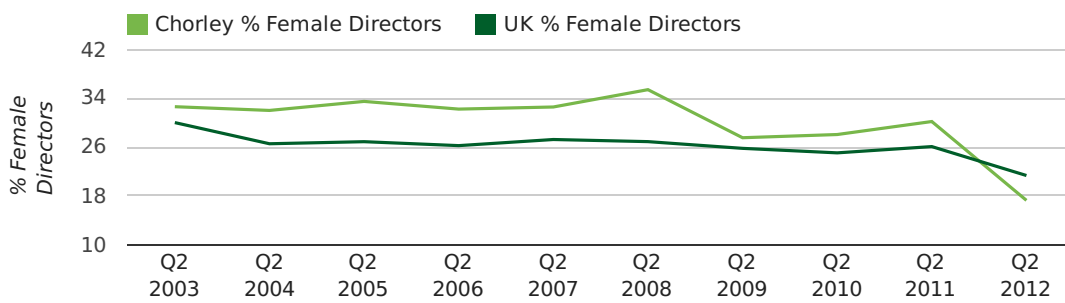


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The record second quarter for female directors in Chorley was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

17.3% of all director appointments in Chorley in the second quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 21.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2011-Jun 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
TRANSPORT	1.42%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.11%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
DESIGN	1.01%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
M	0.81%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSULTING	0.81%	TRADING	2.10%
S	0.81%	DESIGN	1.89%
CHORLEY	0.81%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
PROPERTY	0.81%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
LOGISTICS	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
(NW)	0.71%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
D	0.71%	BUSINESS	1.70%
PLUMBING	0.71%	MEDIA	1.69%
INVESTMENTS	0.71%	LONDON	1.68%
CONSULTANTS	0.61%	J	1.57%
BUSINESS	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.51%
SUPPLY	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
R	0.51%	IT	1.42%
IT	0.51%	CARE	1.31%
HOME	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
CONSULTANCY	0.51%	M	1.26%
ENERGY	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
GREEN	0.51%	BUILDING	1.23%
SECURITY	0.51%	SECURITY	1.19%
BUILDING	0.40%	S	1.18%
HEATING	0.40%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	248	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	54	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	41	35,447
99999 - Dormant Company	36	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	23	20,390
9999 - Dormant Company	20	16,469
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	20	10,271
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	19	14,220
74990 - Non-trading company	14	9,706
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	12	15,280
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	12	3,818
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	11	2,880
9305 - Other service activities	10	7,926
7414 - Business & management consultancy	10	10,978
56101 - Licenced restaurants	10	2,540
49410 - Freight transport by road	9	2,912
7499 - Non-trading company	9	8,023
70100 - Activities of head offices	7	2,678
43320 - Joinery installation	7	1,274
64999 - Financial intermediation not elsewhere classified	7	3,151