

Christchurch

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Christchurch when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Christchurch when compared to any previous May.
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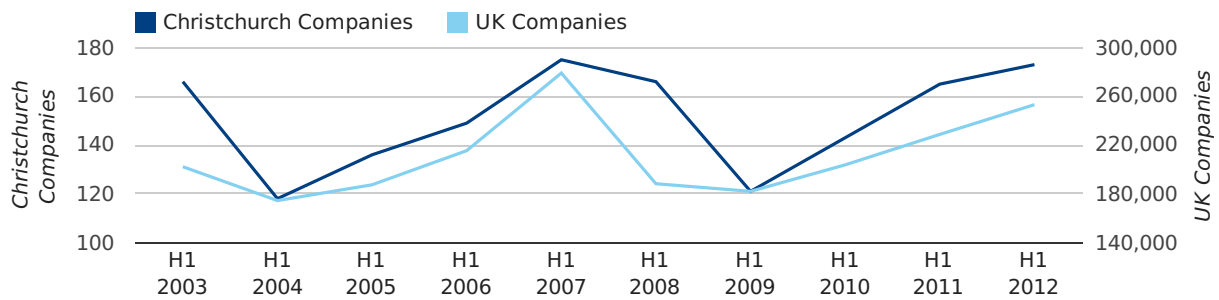
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 173 companies were formed in Christchurch. This figure is 4.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Christchurch occurred in 2007 when a total of 175 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	173	253,150
2011	165	228,735
% CHANGE	4.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (175)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

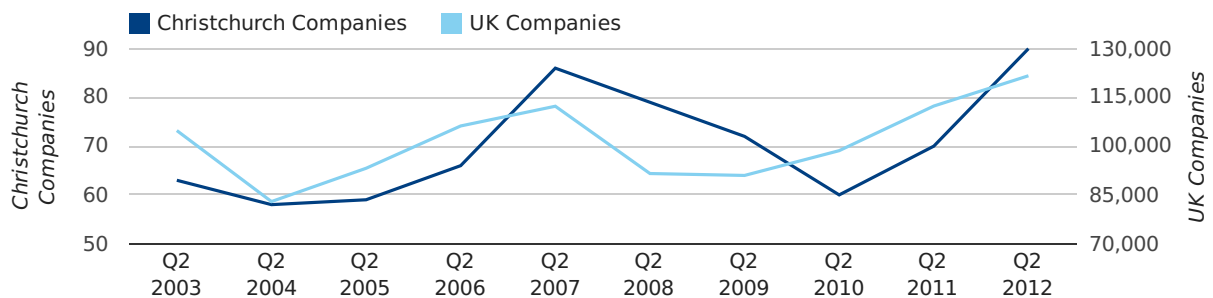
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Christchurch when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 90 companies were registered in Christchurch during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 28.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well 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)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	90	121,659
2011	70	112,344
% CHANGE	28.6%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (90)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter

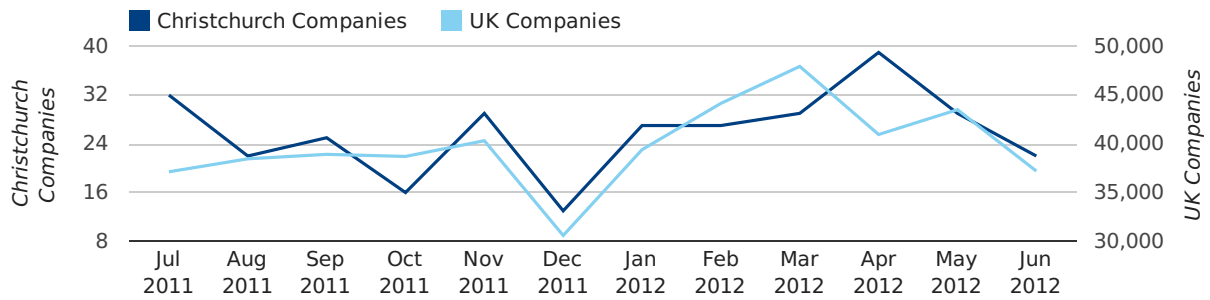


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Christchurch when compared to any previous May.

April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Christchurch when compared to any previous April.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	39	29	22
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	21	25	24
% CHANGE	85.7%	16.0%	-8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (39)	2012 (29)	2007 (29)

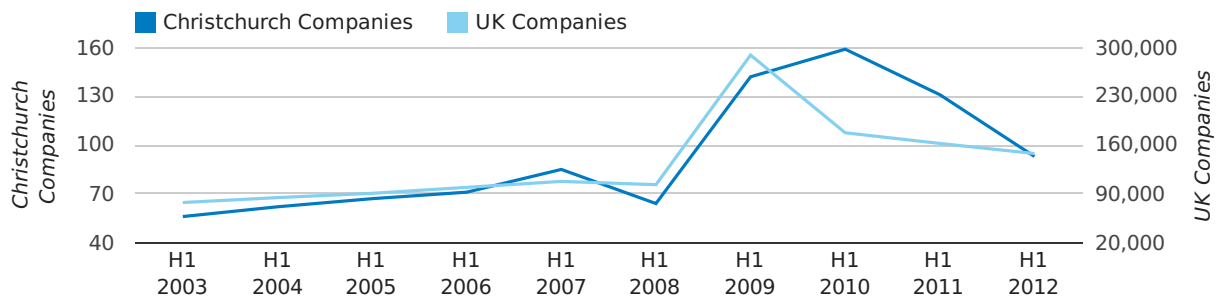
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 93 companies were dissolved in Christchurch. This figure is 29.0% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Christchurch occurred in 2010 when a total of 159 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	93	147,793
2011	131	162,310
% CHANGE	-29.0%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (159)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 65 companies were dissolved in Christchurch during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 4.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

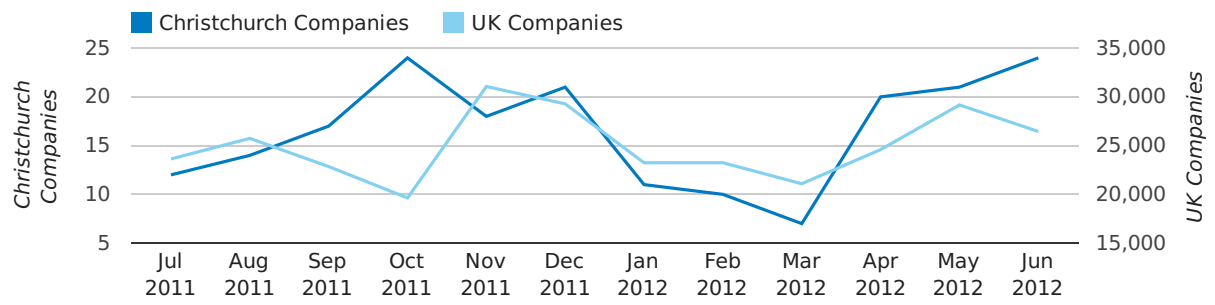
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	65	80,217
2011	62	71,324
% CHANGE	4.8%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (85)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



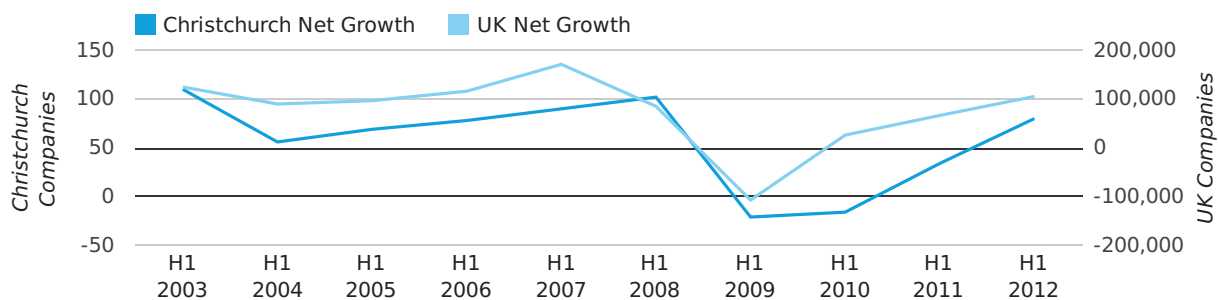
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	20	21	24
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	15	20	27
% CHANGE	33.3%	5.0%	-11%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (26)	2009 (42)	2010 (29)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Christchurch increased by 80 companies. This figure is 135.3% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	80	105,357
2011	34	66,425
% CHANGE	135.3%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (110)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



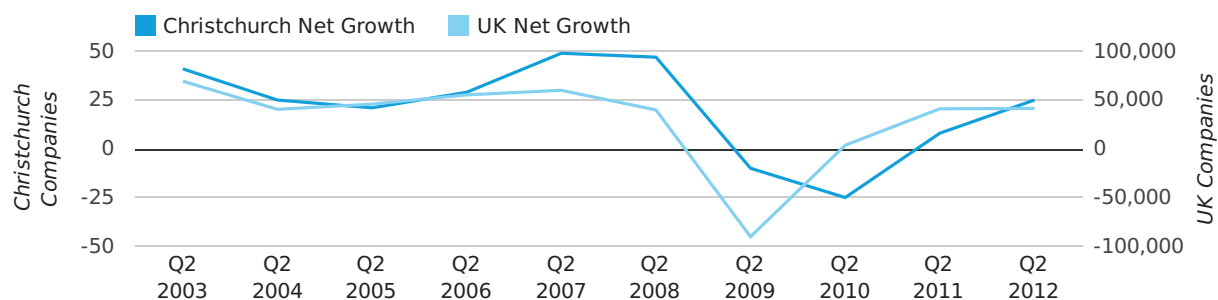
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Christchurch during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 25 companies.

This represents an increase of 212.5% on the same period last year.

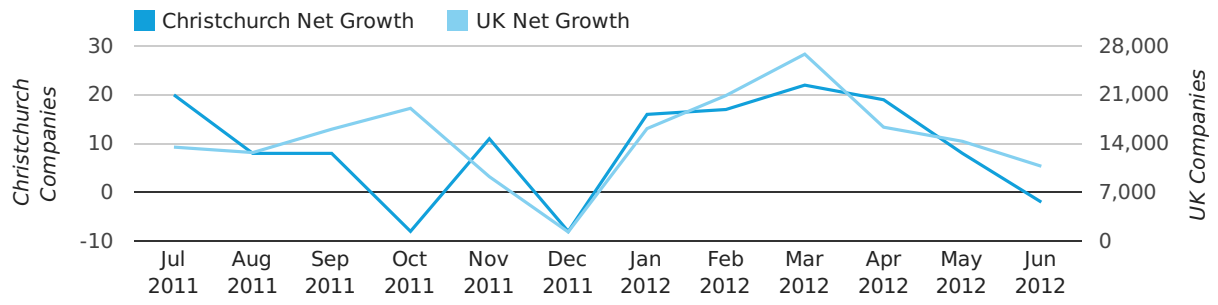
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHRISTCHURCH	UK
2012	25	41,442
2011	8	41,020
% CHANGE	212.5%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (49)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



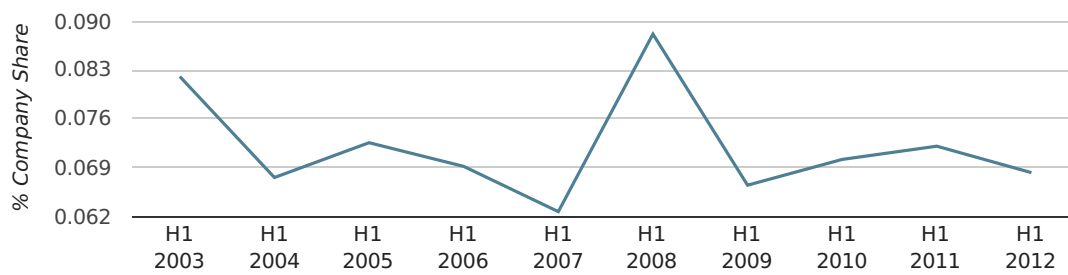
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	19	8	-2
NET GROWTH IN 2011	6	5	-3
% CHANGE	216.7%	60.0%	-33.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (25)	2004 (17)	1999 (16)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	CHRISTCHURCH
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1979 (0.1%)

company share by half year

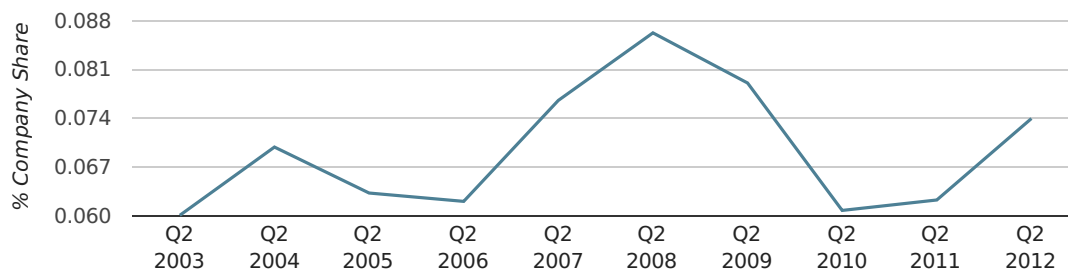


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Christchurch formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

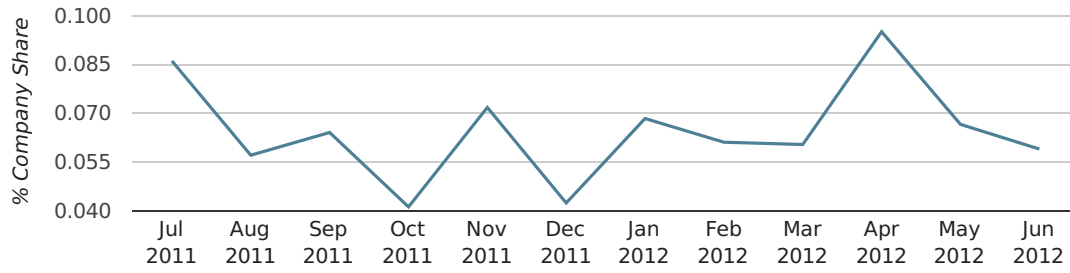
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	CHRISTCHURCH
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1973 (0.2%)

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	56.3%	1.7%	-2.2%
RECORD YEAR	1973 (0.3%)	1960 (0.3%)	1968 (0.3%)

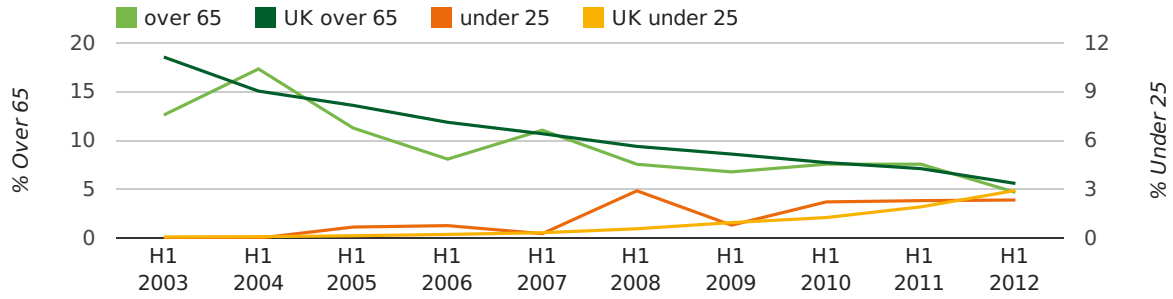
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 46.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



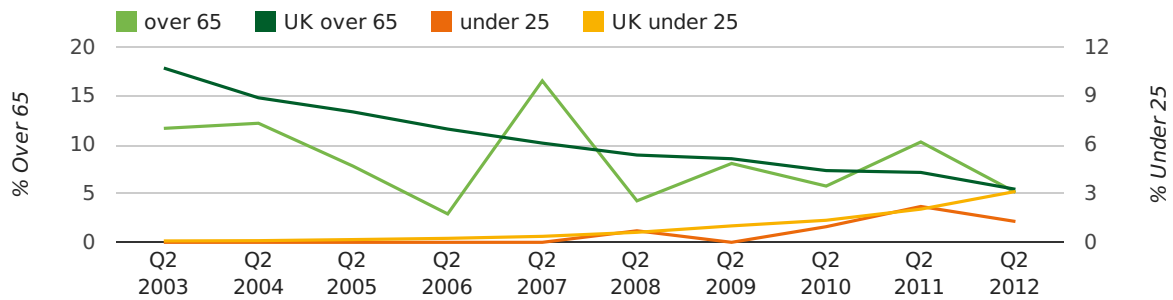
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 47.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.3% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

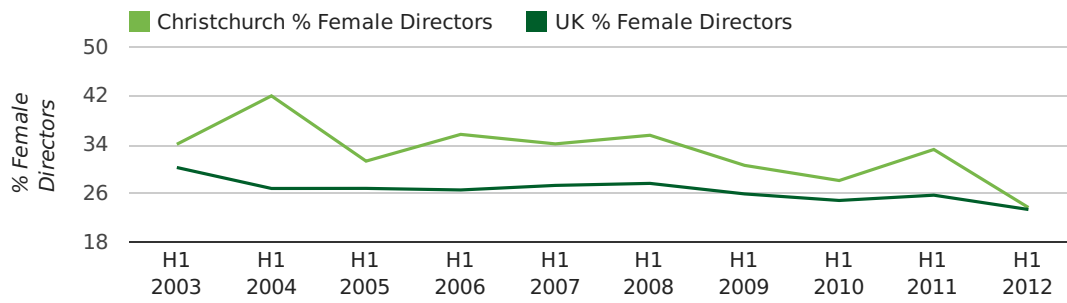


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

23.7% of all director appointments in Christchurch 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

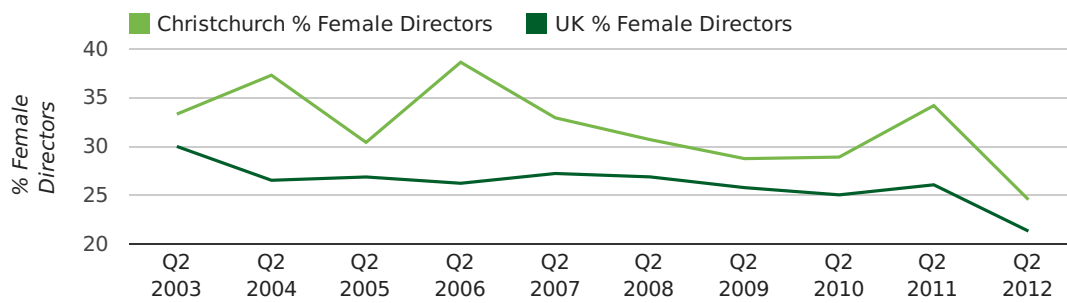


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

24.6% of all director appointments in Christchurch 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
EG	1.83%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.46%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	1.46%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
MAINTENANCE	1.28%	PROPERTY	2.35%
PROPERTY	1.28%	TRADING	2.10%
BEAGLE	1.10%	DESIGN	1.89%
DORSET	0.91%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
BUILDING	0.91%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
MARINE	0.91%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
PROPERTIES	0.73%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
ASK	0.73%	BUSINESS	1.70%
BOURNEMOUTH	0.73%	MEDIA	1.69%
PROJECT	0.73%	LONDON	1.68%
IT	0.73%	J	1.57%
HOMES	0.73%	GLOBAL	1.51%
ENGINEERING	0.73%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CONSULTANTS	0.55%	IT	1.42%
CONSULTANCY	0.55%	CARE	1.31%
PARK	0.55%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
FIRE	0.55%	M	1.26%
HOME	0.55%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
TURBARY	0.55%	BUILDING	1.23%
MY	0.55%	SECURITY	1.19%
IDENTITY	0.55%	S	1.18%
BUILDERS	0.55%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	127	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	31	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	19	35,447
99999 - Dormant Company	17	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	14	20,390
9999 - Dormant Company	12	16,469
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	9	15,280
74990 - Non-trading company	8	9,706
93199 - Other sports activities	7	2,095
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	7	3,185
5530 - Restaurants	6	4,037
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	5	14,220
7414 - Business & management consultancy	5	10,978
9305 - Other service activities	5	7,926
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	5	10,271
7499 - Non-trading company	4	8,023
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	4	2,716
7260 - Other computer related activities	4	6,456
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	4	3,233
9272 - Other recreational activities	4	889