Derbyshire

q1 2012 business confidence report



headlines

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- Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any quarter in history.
- February 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any previous February.
- January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any previous January.
- February 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Derbyshire when compared to any previous February.

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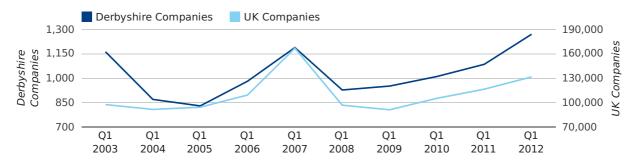
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 1,270 companies were registered in Derbyshire during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 17.1% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DERBYSHIRE	UK
2012	1,270	131,491
2011	1,085	116,391
% CHANGE	17.1%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (1,270)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter

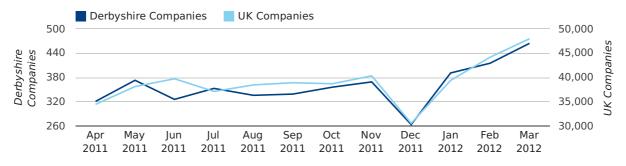


Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

February 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any previous February.

January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Derbyshire when compared to any previous January.

new companies by month



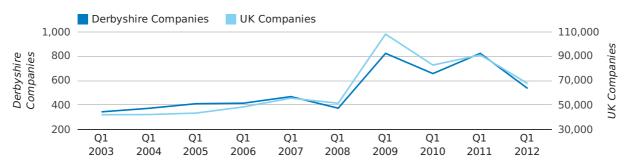
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	391	415	464
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	299	350	436
% CHANGE	30.8%	18.6%	6.4%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (391)	2012 (415)	2000 (628)
RECORD TEAR	2012 (391)	2012 (413)	2000 (026)

A total of 535 companies were dissolved in Derbyshire during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 35.0% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

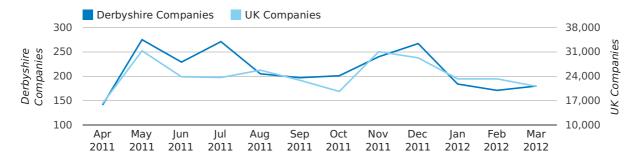
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DERBYSHIRE	UK
2012	535	67,576
2011	823	90,986
% CHANGE	-35.0%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (823)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

dissolved companies by month



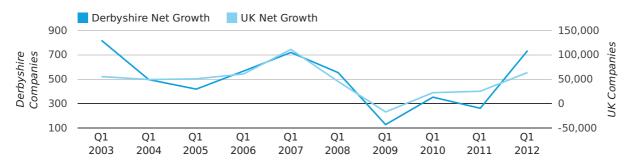
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	184	171	180
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	319	248	256
% CHANGE	-42.3%	-31.0%	-30%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (319)	2011 (248)	2009 (496)

Net company growth for Derbyshire during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 735 companies.

This represents an increase of 180.5% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DERBYSHIRE	UK
2012	735	63,915
2011	262	25,405
% CHANGE	180.5%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (819)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

February 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Derbyshire when compared to any previous February.

net growth by month

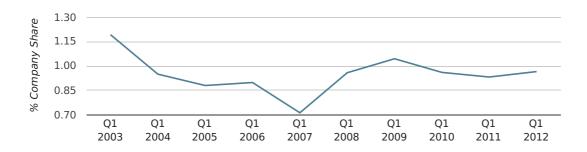


	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	207	244	284
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-20	102	180
% CHANGE	-1,135.0%	139.2%	57.8%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (229)	2012 (244)	2000 (556)

In the first quarter of 2012, Derbyshire formed 1.0% of all UK companies.

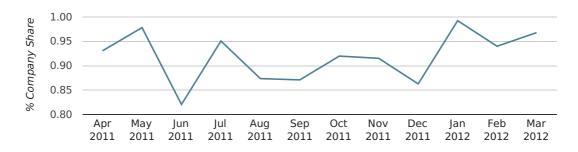
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DERBYSHIRE
2012	1.0%
2011	0.9%
2010	1.0%
2009	1.0%
2008	1.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2000 (1.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

company share by month



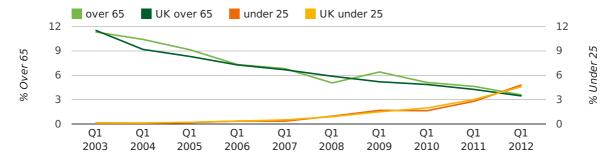
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.0%	0.9%	1.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%
% CHANGE	12.1%	1.4%	-0.4%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (1.8%)	1970 (1.7%)	2000 (2.4%)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 43.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

director age by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

 ${\sf Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, \&, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.}\\$

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.76%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	1.41%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTING	1.38%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
J	1.15%	PROPERTY	2.37%
ENGINEERING	1.15%	TRADING	2.07%
DERBY	1.05%	DESIGN	1.93%
DESIGN	1.01%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
PROPERTY	0.86%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
TRAINING	0.84%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
CONSTRUCTION	0.80%	BUSINESS	1.73%
S	0.80%	MEDIA	1.72%
BUSINESS	0.76%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
(DERBY)	0.75%	LONDON	1.66%
R	0.69%	J	1.54%
PEAK	0.67%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
М	0.67%	GLOBAL	1.50%
ELECTRICAL	0.63%	IT	1.40%
ASSOCIATES	0.63%	CARE	1.34%
IT	0.61%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
D	0.61%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
ENTERPRISES	0.59%	М	1.27%
SYSTEMS	0.59%	BUILDING	1.24%
CONSULTANTS	0.59%	ENERGY	1.20%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.57%	S	1.20%
CARE	0.57%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,600	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	406	52,735
99999 - Dormant Company	209	25,084
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	201	19,704
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	197	35,233
9999 - Dormant Company	146	18,617
7414 - Business & management consultancy	127	12,113
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	105	13,637
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	103	5,169
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	100	14,303
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	91	9,892
56302 - Public houses and bars	66	2,795
49410 - Freight transport by road	64	2,781
62090 - Other information technology service activities	64	8,145
43210 - Electrical installation	62	3,573
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	62	3,931
7499 - Non-trading company	58	9,102
41100 - Development of building projects	57	4,984
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	56	6,934
74990 - Non-trading company	56	9,729