

# Dorset

q1 2012 business confidence report



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

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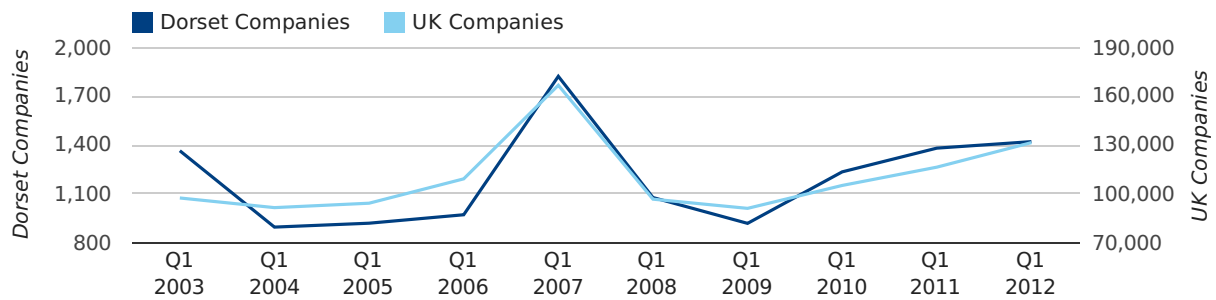
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 1,421 companies were registered in Dorset during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 2.9% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares badly 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)	DORSET	UK
2012	1,421	131,491
2011	1,381	116,391
% CHANGE	2.9%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,823)	2007 (166,814)

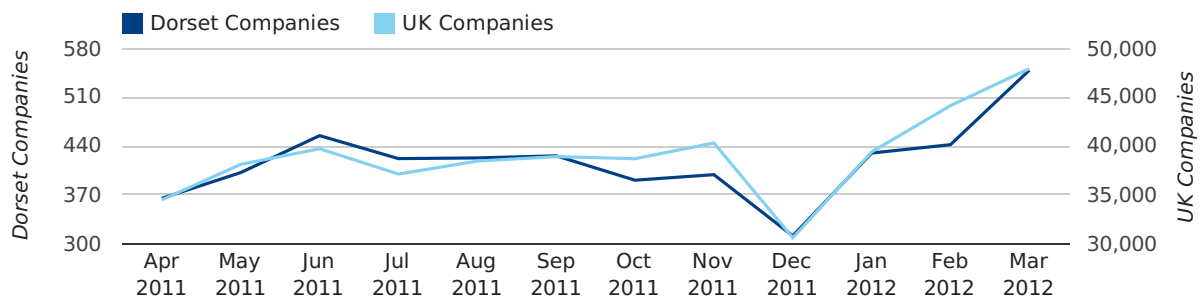
### new companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

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

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	430	442	549
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	388	446	547
% CHANGE	10.8%	-0.9%	0.4%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (430)	2011 (446)	2007 (1,093)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 623 companies were dissolved in Dorset during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 24.8% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

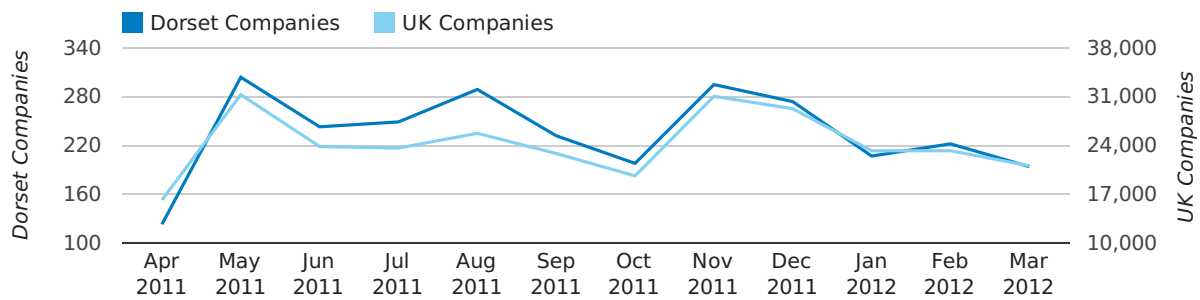
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DORSET	UK
2012	623	67,576
2011	829	90,986
% CHANGE	-24.8%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,080)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	207	222	194
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	304	244	281
% CHANGE	-31.9%	-9.0%	-31%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (304)	2008 (260)	2009 (602)

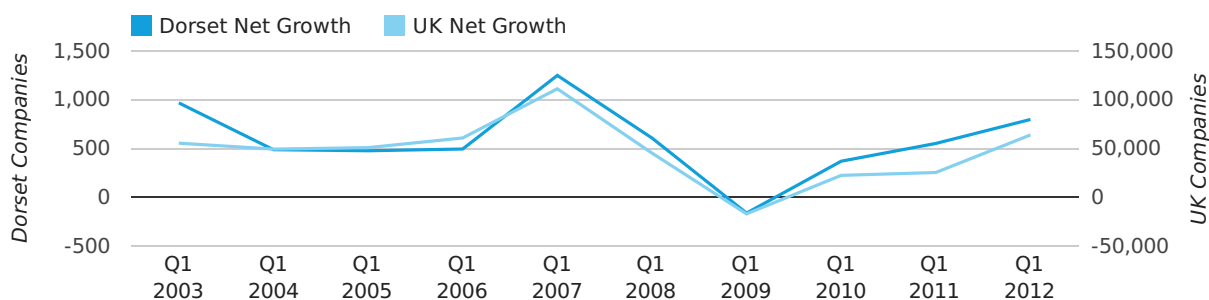
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Net company growth for Dorset during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 798 companies.

This represents an increase of 44.6% on the same period last year.

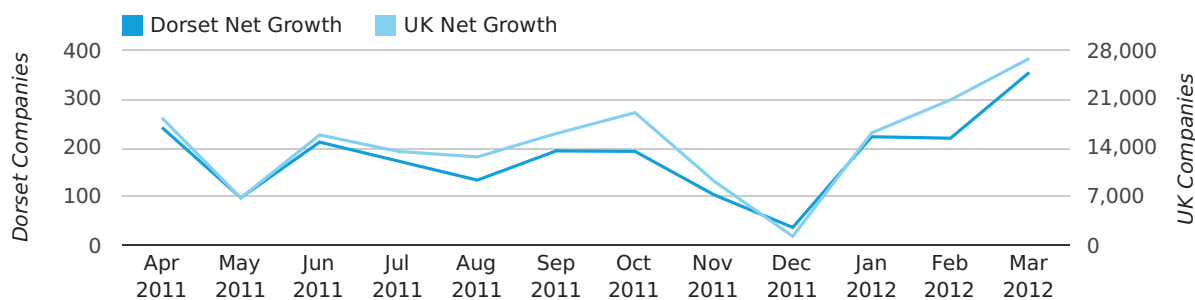
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DORSET	UK
2012	798	63,915
2011	552	25,405
% CHANGE	44.6%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,250)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

#### net growth by month



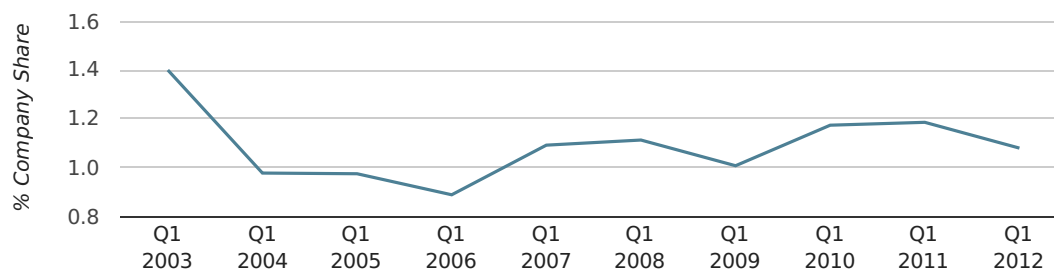
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	223	220	355
NET GROWTH IN 2011	84	202	266
% CHANGE	165.5%	8.9%	33.5%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (264)	2003 (296)	2007 (911)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, Dorset formed 1.1% of all UK companies.

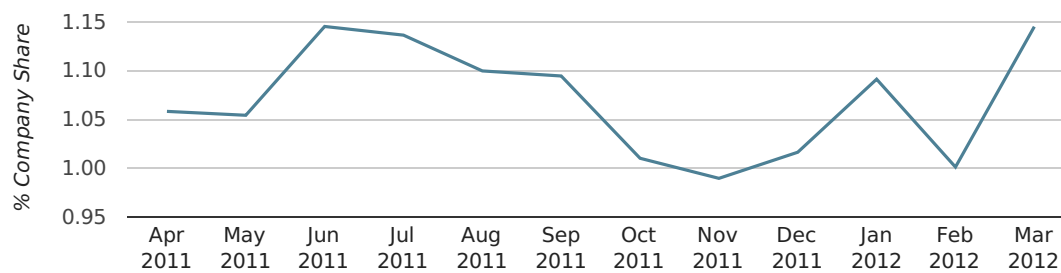
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	DORSET
2012	1.1%
2011	1.2%
2010	1.2%
2009	1.0%
2008	1.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (1.7%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.1%	1.0%	1.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	1.1%	1.2%	1.2%
% CHANGE	-5.0%	-15.2%	-6.1%
RECORD YEAR	1962 (2.5%)	1967 (2.5%)	1961 (2.0%)

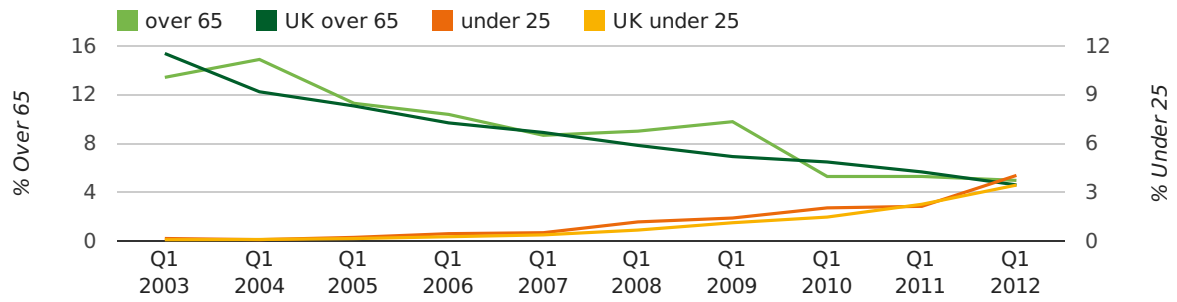
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 44.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

#### director age by quarter



## Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	3.70%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.39%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.81%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
DORSET	1.31%	PROPERTY	2.37%
IT	1.26%	TRADING	2.07%
DESIGN	0.87%	DESIGN	1.93%
PROPERTY	0.87%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
CONSULTANTS	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
BOURNEMOUTH	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
ENGINEERING	0.65%	BUSINESS	1.73%
TRAINING	0.65%	MEDIA	1.72%
BUILDING	0.65%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.65%	LONDON	1.66%
ENERGY	0.63%	J	1.54%
ASSOCIATES	0.63%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
BUSINESS	0.63%	GLOBAL	1.50%
PROJECT	0.60%	IT	1.40%
HOME	0.58%	CARE	1.34%
ELECTRICAL	0.56%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
SOUTH	0.55%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
SYSTEMS	0.55%	M	1.27%
CONSTRUCTION	0.55%	BUILDING	1.24%
CARE	0.51%	ENERGY	1.20%
PROPERTIES	0.48%	S	1.20%
SOLAR	0.48%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%



## Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,706	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	660	52,735
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	322	14,303
63990 - Other information service activities not elsewhere classified	284	2,185
99999 - Dormant Company	266	25,084
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	245	35,233
7260 - Other computer related activities	243	7,154
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	237	13,637
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	189	19,704
9999 - Dormant Company	171	18,617
62090 - Other information technology service activities	120	8,145
9305 - Other service activities	106	8,818
7414 - Business & management consultancy	104	12,113
98000 - Residents property management	87	3,050
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	86	9,892
74990 - Non-trading company	80	9,729
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	72	6,934
41100 - Development of building projects	71	4,984
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	69	3,448
7499 - Non-trading company	68	9,102