Dundee

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

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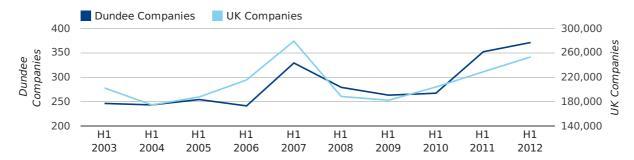
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Dundee when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 371 companies were formed in Dundee. This figure is 5.4% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Dundee occurred in 2012 when a total of 371 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	371	253,150
2011	352	228,735
% CHANGE	5.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (371)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



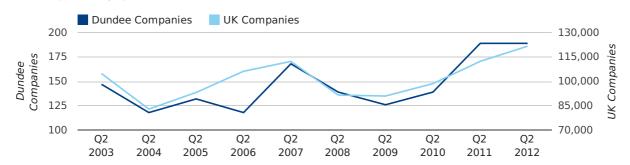
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 189 companies were registered in Dundee during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a difference of 0.0% 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)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	189	121,659
2011	189	112,344
% CHANGE	0.0%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (189)	2012 (121,659)

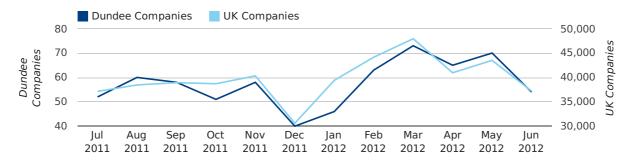
new companies by quarter



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new companies by month



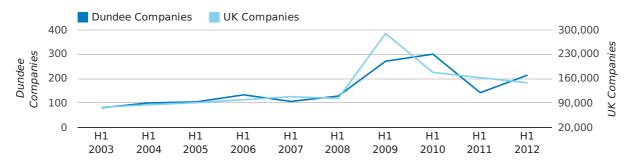
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	65	70	54
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	62	65	62
% CHANGE	4.8%	7.7%	-12.9%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (65)	2012 (70)	2011 (62)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 214 companies were dissolved in Dundee. This figure is 50.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Dundee occurred in 2010 when a total of 300 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	214	147,793
2011	142	162,310
% CHANGE	50.7%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (300)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



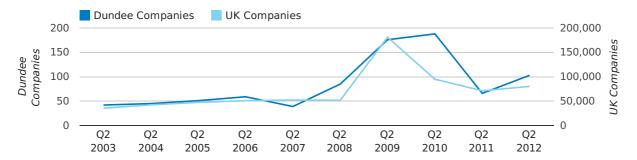
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 103 companies were dissolved in Dundee during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

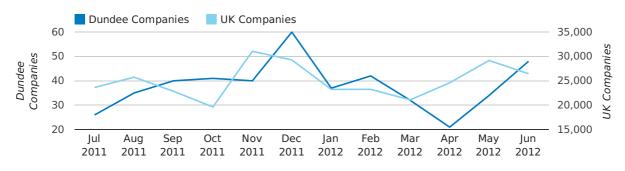
This figure is an increase of 56.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	103	80,217
2011	66	71,324
% CHANGE	56.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (188)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

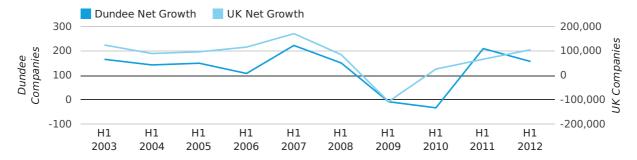


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	21	34	48
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	16	31	19
% CHANGE	31.3%	9.7%	153%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (26)	2010 (130)	2009 (59)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Dundee increased by 157 companies. This figure is 25.2% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	157	105,357
2011	210	66,425
% CHANGE	-25.2%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (223)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



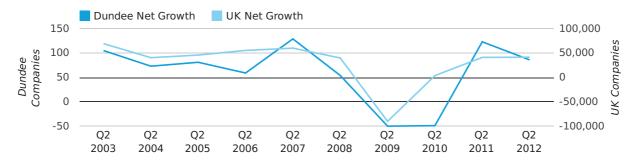
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Dundee during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 86 companies.

This represents a decrease of 30.1% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNDEE	UK
2012	86	41,442
2011	123	41,020
% CHANGE	-30.1%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (129)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



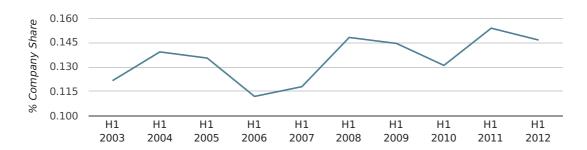
net growth by month



In the first half of 2012 Dundee formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNDEE
2012	0.1%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (0.2%)

company share by half year

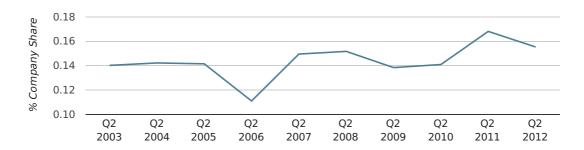


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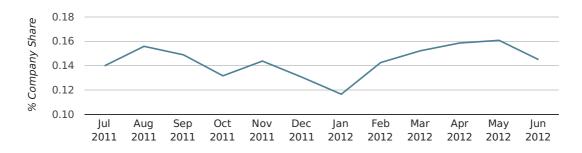
In the second quarter of 2012, Dundee formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNDEE
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1983 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



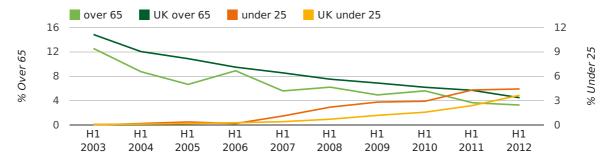
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-11.7%	-5.6%	-7.0%
RECORD YEAR	1979 (2.1%)	1983 (0.4%)	1974 (0.5%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 42.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



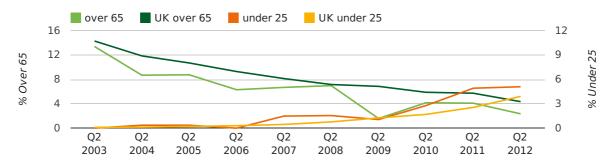
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

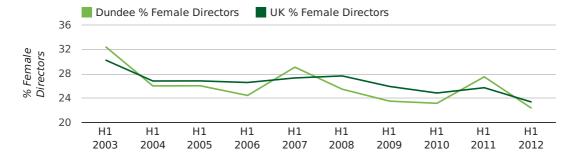
director age by quarter



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

22.4% of all director appointments in Dundee 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 Dundee was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

19.3% of all director appointments in Dundee 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



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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
(DUNDEE)	2.94%	CONSULTING	5.07%
DUNDEE	1.78%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
PROPERTY	1.25%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
(SCOTLAND)	0.98%	PROPERTY	2.35%
MANAGEMENT	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
SCOTLAND	0.89%	DESIGN	1.89%
PROPERTIES	0.80%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.80%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSULTANCY	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
TAYSIDE	0.71%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
ENERGY	0.62%	BUSINESS	1.70%
ENGINEERING	0.62%	MEDIA	1.69%
ASSOCIATES	0.62%	LONDON	1.68%
TAXIS	0.62%	J	1.57%
CONSULTING	0.62%	GLOBAL	1.51%
JOINERY	0.62%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
BUSINESS	0.53%	IT	1.42%
CO	0.53%	CARE	1.31%
CITY	0.45%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
INSPECTION	0.45%	М	1.26%
MAINTENANCE	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
ACCESS	0.45%	BUILDING	1.23%
SECURITY	0.45%	SECURITY	1.19%
CATERING	0.45%	S	1.18%
BAR	0.45%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	357	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	65	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	26	35,447
99999 - Dormant Company	26	26,088
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	25	14,220
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	23	10,271
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	20	15,280
74990 - Non-trading company	19	9,706
56103 - Take-away food shops and mobile food stands	15	3,169
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	15	20,390
56302 - Public houses and bars	14	2,913
9999 - Dormant Company	14	16,469
41100 - Development of building projects	12	5,149
5530 - Restaurants	11	4,037
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	11	3,143
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	10	4,535
62090 - Other information technology service activities	10	8,258
43320 - Joinery installation	10	1,274
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	6,356
71111 - Architectural activities	9	1,805