

Dunfermline

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

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- Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Dunfermline when compared to any quarter in history.
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- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Dunfermline when compared to any previous January.
- Q1 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Dunfermline when compared to any previous Q1.
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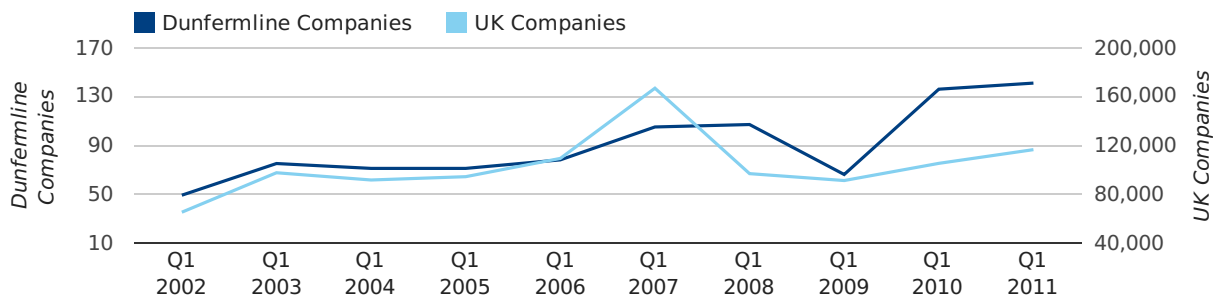
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Dunfermline when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 141 companies were registered in Dunfermline during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 3.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	DUNFERMLINE	UK
2011	141	116,391
2010	136	105,137
% CHANGE	3.7%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (141)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



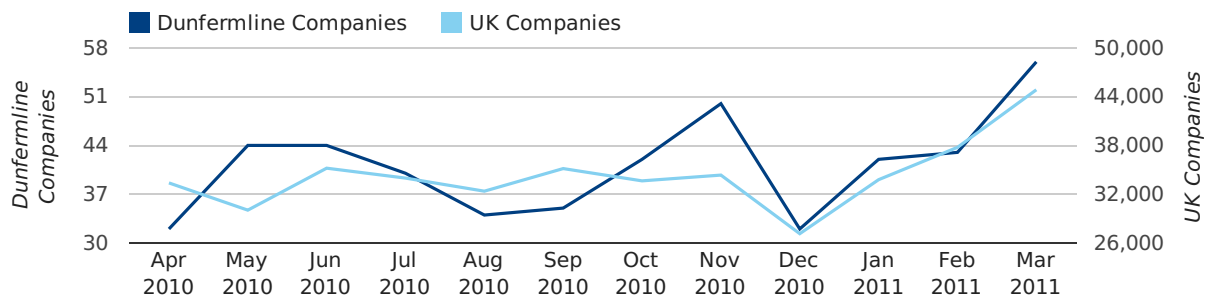
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new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	42	43	56
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	39	44	53
% CHANGE	7.7%	-2.3%	5.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (42)	2010 (44)	2011 (56)

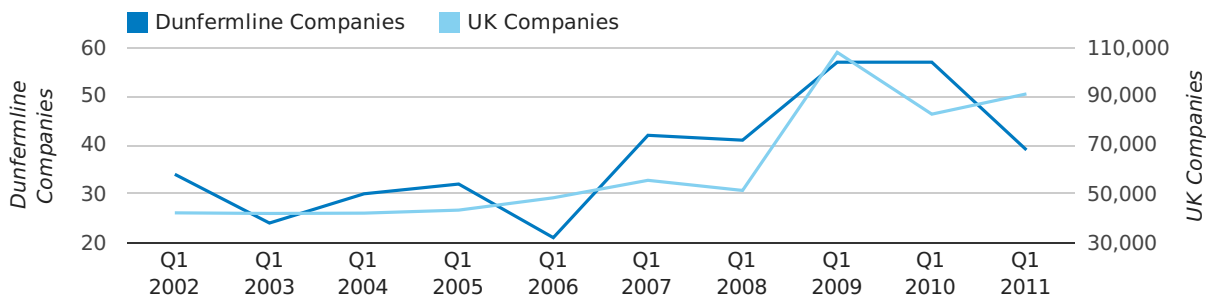
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 39 companies were dissolved in Dunfermline during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 31.6% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

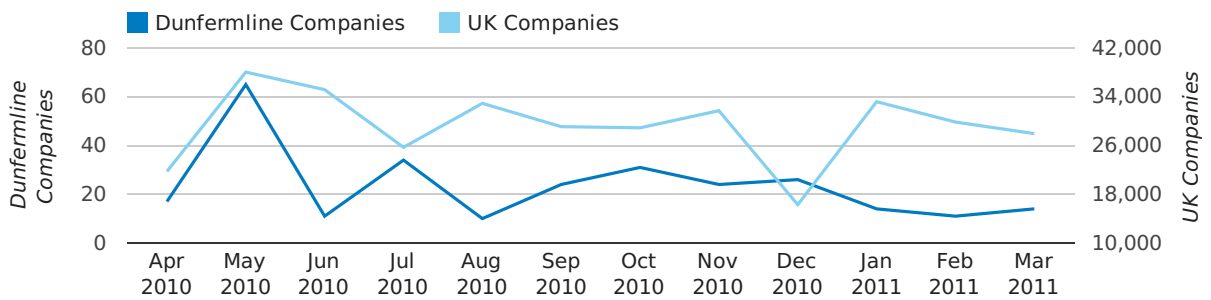
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	DUNFERMLINE	UK
2011	39	90,986
2010	57	82,677
% CHANGE	-31.6%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (57)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	14	11	14
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	15	25	17
% CHANGE	-6.7%	-56.0%	-18%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (22)	2010 (25)	2007 (18)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Q1 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Dunfermline when compared to any previous Q1.

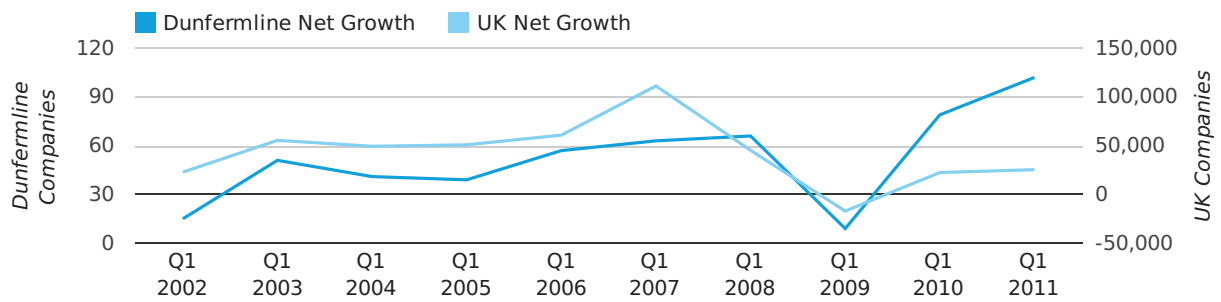
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for net growth in Dunfermline when compared to any quarter in history.

Net company growth for Dunfermline during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 102 companies.

This represents an increase of 29.1% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	DUNFERMLINE	UK
2011	102	25,405
2010	79	22,460
% CHANGE	29.1%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (102)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

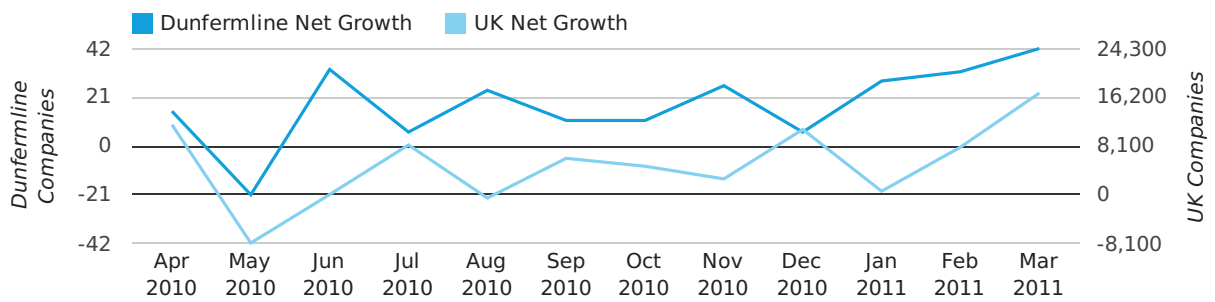
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net growth by month



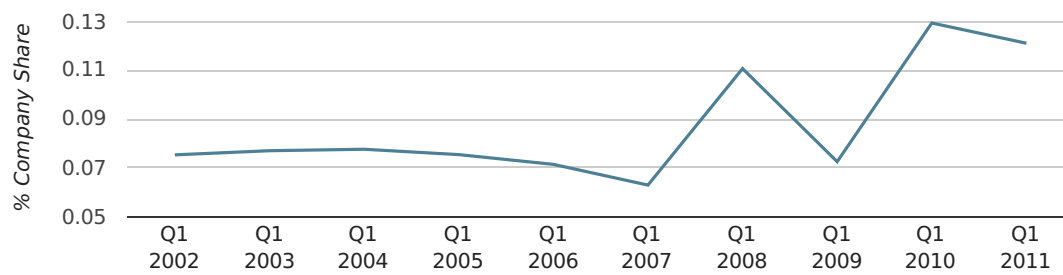
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	28	32	42
NET GROWTH IN 2010	24	19	36
% CHANGE	16.7%	68.4%	16.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (28)	2011 (32)	2011 (42)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Dunfermline formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

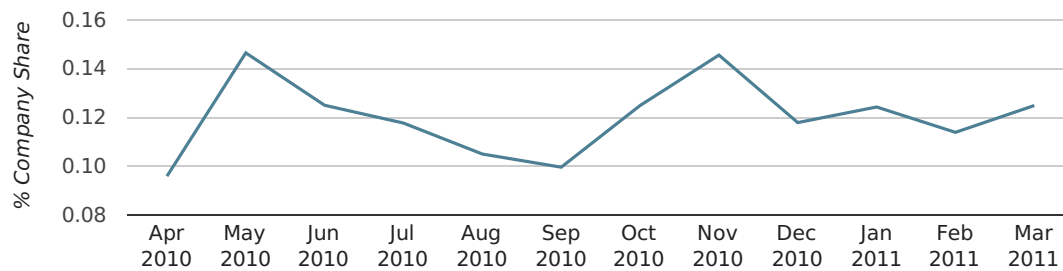
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	DUNFERMLINE
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1988 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-7.1%	-14.0%	0.8%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.2%)	1967 (0.2%)	1979 (0.8%)

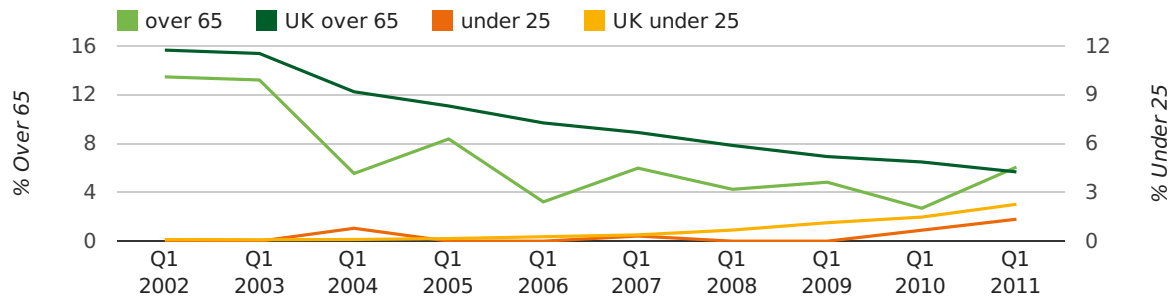
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 43.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

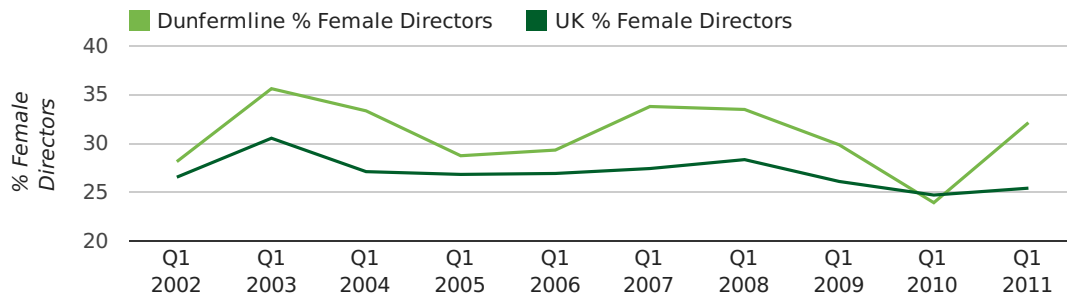


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The record first quarter for female directors in Dunfermline was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

32.1% of all director appointments in Dunfermline in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
LP	3.47%	CONSULTING	5.04%
MANAGEMENT	2.31%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
(SCOTLAND)	1.93%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
CONSULTING	1.67%	PROPERTY	2.38%
TRADE	1.28%	TRADING	2.10%
GROUP	1.16%	DESIGN	1.93%
L.P.	1.03%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
TRADING	1.03%	BUSINESS	1.87%
FIFE	0.90%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
ENGINEERING	0.90%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
GLOBAL	0.77%	MEDIA	1.69%
SCOTLAND	0.77%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
CONSULTANTS	0.77%	LONDON	1.60%
ALLIANCE	0.64%	CARE	1.45%
DESIGN	0.64%	J	1.45%
PARTNERSHIP	0.51%	GLOBAL	1.44%
TECHNOLOGY	0.51%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.51%	IT	1.41%
FORTH	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
OVERSEAS	0.51%	BUILDING	1.34%
ENTERPRISES	0.51%	M	1.30%
CONSULTANCY	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
KINGDOM	0.51%	S	1.24%
BAY	0.39%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
WORLDWIDE	0.39%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	218	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	75	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	43	30,253
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	27	16,150
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	16	7,788
7414 - Business & management consultancy	13	12,916
9999 - Dormant Company	12	19,765
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	10	10,246
7499 - Non-trading company	9	11,316
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	9	2,707
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	8	6,183
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	7	7,000
5530 - Restaurants	7	4,898
74990 - Non-trading company	6	8,695
62012 - Business and domestic software development	6	3,168
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	6	2,290
70100 - Activities of head offices	6	2,849
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	6	10,085
9305 - Other service activities	5	8,740
71129 - Other engineering activities	5	1,590