Dunstable

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

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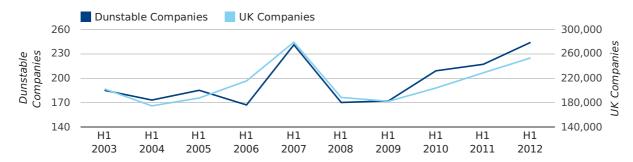
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Dunstable when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 244 companies were formed in Dunstable. This figure is 12.4% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Dunstable occurred in 2012 when a total of 244 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	244	253,150
2011	217	228,735
% CHANGE	12.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (244)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



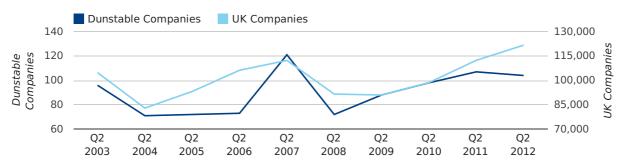
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 104 companies were registered in Dunstable during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

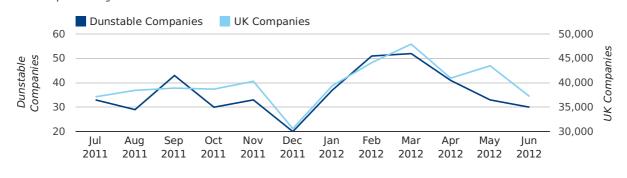
This figure is a decrease of 2.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	104	121,659
2011	107	112,344
% CHANGE	-2.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (125)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



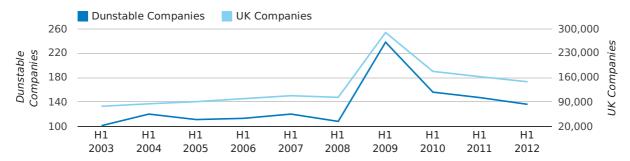
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	41	33	30
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	32	31	44
% CHANGE	28.1%	6.5%	-31.8%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (58)	2007 (47)	2011 (44)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 136 companies were dissolved in Dunstable. This figure is 7.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Dunstable occurred in 2009 when a total of 238 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	136	147,793
2011	147	162,310
% CHANGE	-7.5%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (238)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



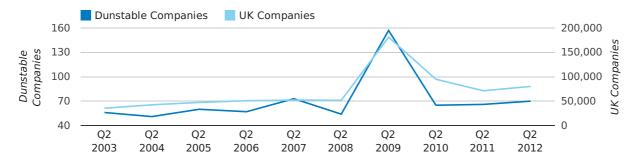
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 70 companies were dissolved in Dunstable during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

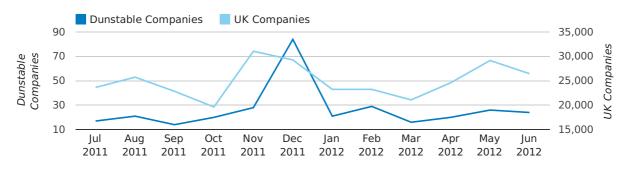
This figure is an increase of 6.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	70	80,217
2011	66	71,324
% CHANGE	6.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (157)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

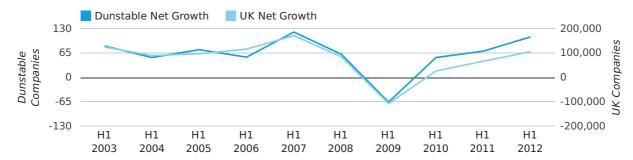


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	20	26	24
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	26	19
% CHANGE	-4.8%	0.0%	26%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (51)	2009 (75)	2007 (37)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Dunstable increased by 108 companies. This figure is 54.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	108	105,357
2011	70	66,425
% CHANGE	54.3%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (153)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



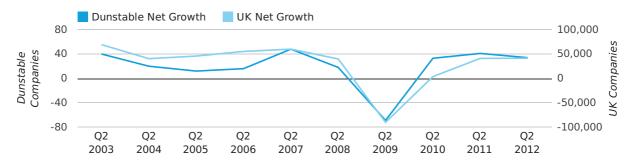
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Dunstable during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 34 companies.

This represents a decrease of 17.1% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	DUNSTABLE	UK
2012	34	41,442
2011	41	41,020
% CHANGE	-17.1%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (103)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

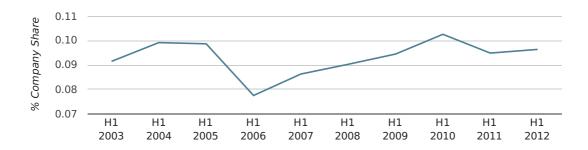


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	21	7	6
NET GROWTH IN 2011	11	5	25
% CHANGE	90.9%	40.0%	-76.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (28)	1997 (35)	2011 (25)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DUNSTABLE
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1977 (0.2%)

company share by half year

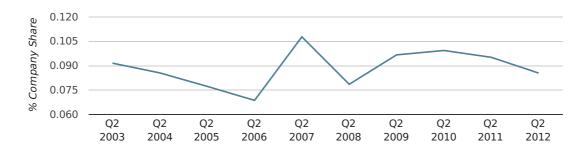


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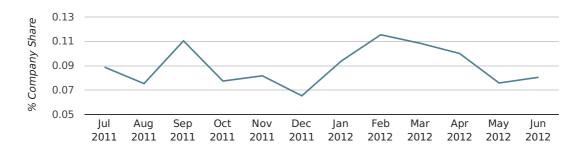
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2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



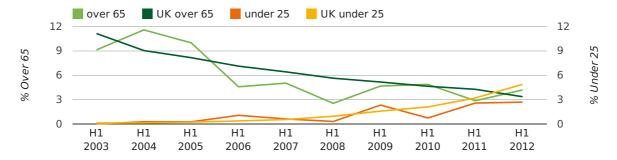
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	7.9%	-6.6%	-27.3%
RECORD YEAR	1967 (0.4%)	1977 (0.4%)	1968 (0.6%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



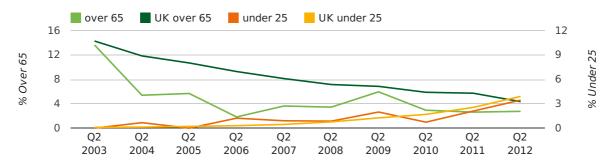
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

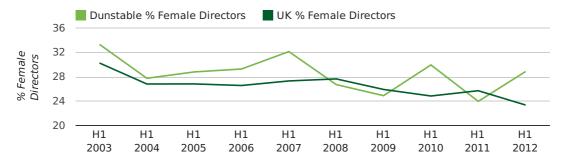
director age by quarter



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

28.9% of all director appointments in Dunstable 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 Dunstable was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

27.7% of all director appointments in Dunstable 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
CONSULTING	1.33%	CONSULTING	5.07%
BUILDING	1.06%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	1.06%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
C	0.93%	PROPERTY	2.35%
ASSOCIATES	0.93%	TRADING	2.10%
S	0.93%	DESIGN	1.89%
TRANSPORT	0.80%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANCY	0.80%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
ELECTRICAL	0.80%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
24SEVEN	0.80%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
J	0.80%	BUSINESS	1.70%
DUNSTABLE	0.80%	MEDIA	1.69%
CLEAN	0.80%	LONDON	1.68%
CONSTRUCTION	0.66%	J	1.57%
ACADEMY	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.51%
PROPERTY	0.66%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CONSULTANTS	0.53%	IT	1.42%
ENGINEERING	0.53%	CARE	1.31%
REGIS	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
DESIGN	0.53%	М	1.26%
TRAINING	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.53%	BUILDING	1.23%
Р	0.53%	SECURITY	1.19%
MEDIA	0.53%	S	1.18%
HEATING	0.53%	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	185	244,457
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	37	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	36	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	30	20,390
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	23	15,280
9999 - Dormant Company	18	16,469
62090 - Other information technology service activities	17	8,258
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	16	14,220
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	15	10,271
99999 - Dormant Company	14	26,088
49410 - Freight transport by road	14	2,912
7414 - Business & management consultancy	12	10,978
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	6,356
7260 - Other computer related activities	9	6,456
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	4,091
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	8	3,185
74990 - Non-trading company	7	9,706
9305 - Other service activities	6	7,926
90030 - Artistic creation	6	2,106
86900 - Other human health activities	6	5,222