

Durham

2011 half year business confidence report



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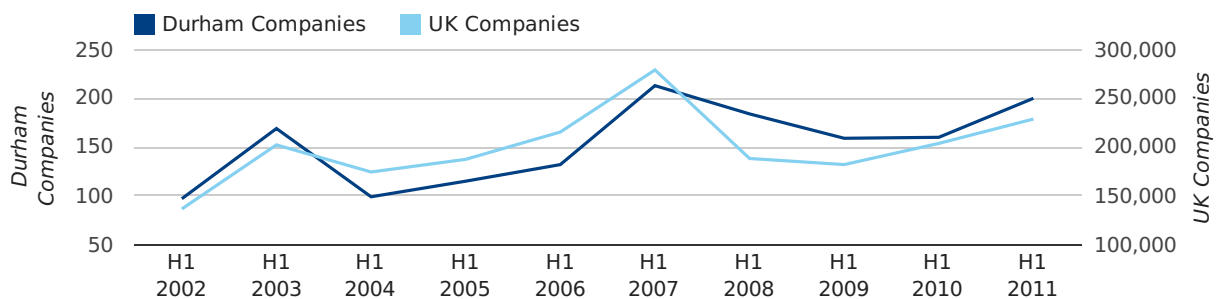
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 200 companies were formed in Durham. This figure is 25.0% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Durham occurred in 2007 when a total of 213 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DURHAM	UK
2011	200	228,735
2010	160	203,749
% CHANGE	25.0%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (213)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



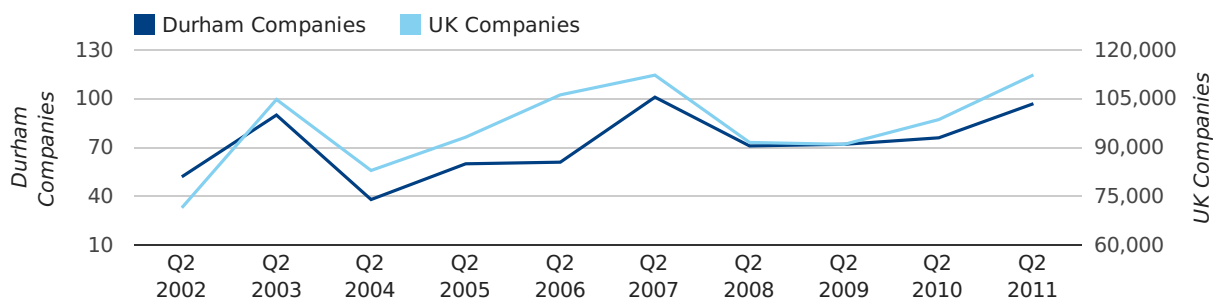
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 97 companies were registered in Durham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 27.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

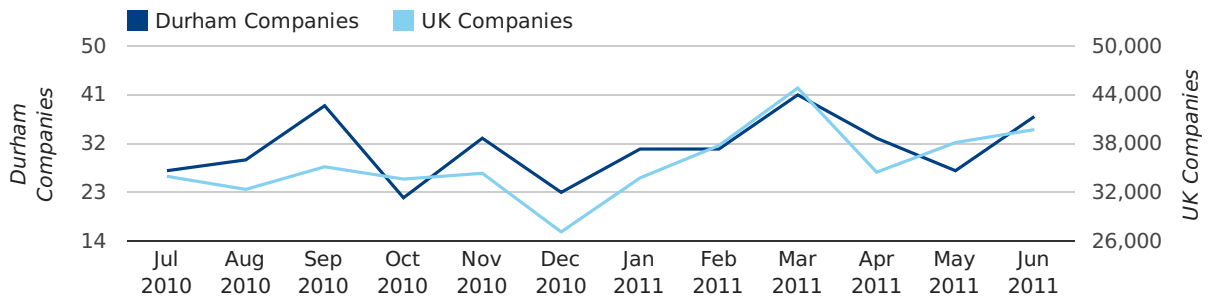
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	DURHAM	UK
2011	97	112,344
2010	76	98,612
% CHANGE	27.6%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (101)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	33	27	37
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	21	25	30
% CHANGE	57.1%	8.0%	23.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (34)	2003 (30)	2007 (42)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 101 companies were dissolved in Durham. This figure is 9.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Durham occurred in 2009 when a total of 182 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DURHAM	UK
2011	101	162,310
2010	92	177,631
% CHANGE	9.8%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (182)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



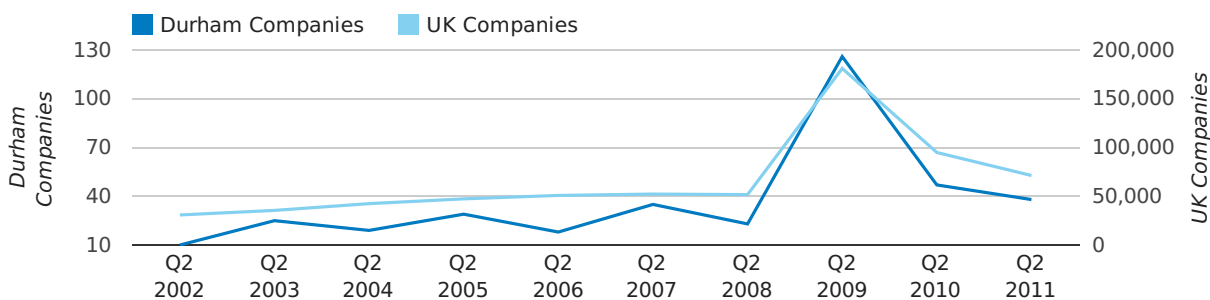
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 38 companies were dissolved in Durham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 19.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

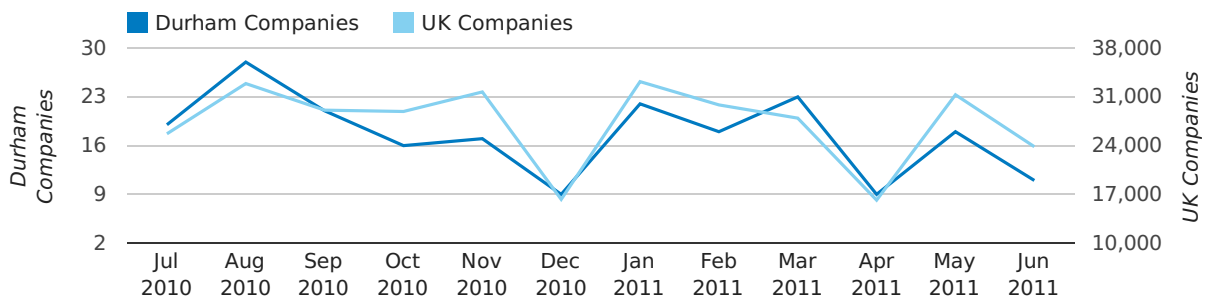
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	DURHAM	UK
2011	38	71,324
2010	47	94,954
% CHANGE	-19.1%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (126)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



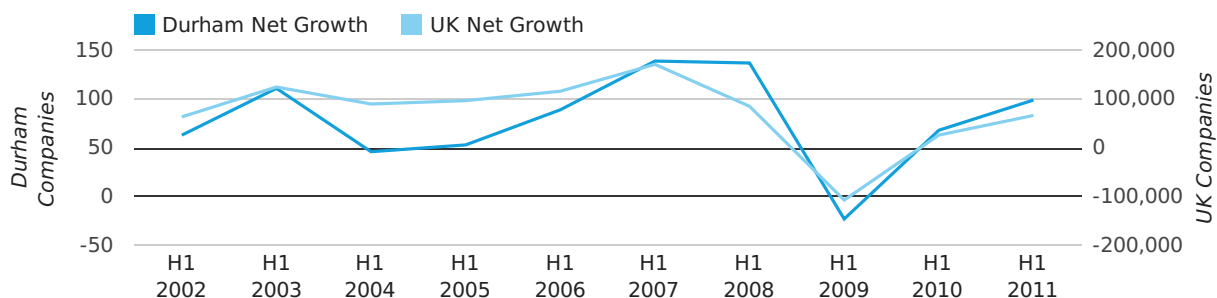
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	9	18	11
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	13	10	24
% CHANGE	-30.8%	80.0%	-54%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (36)	2009 (64)	2009 (26)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Durham increased by 99 companies. This figure is 45.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DURHAM	UK
2011	99	66,425
2010	68	26,118
% CHANGE	45.6%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (139)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



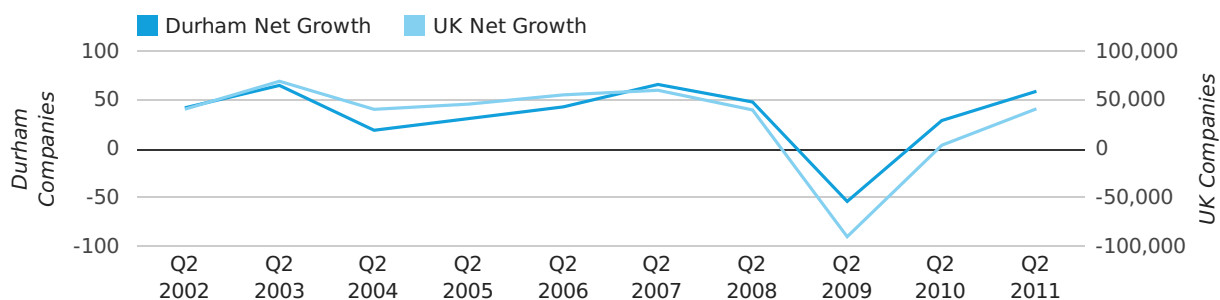
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Durham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 59 companies.

This represents an increase of 103.4% on the same period last year.

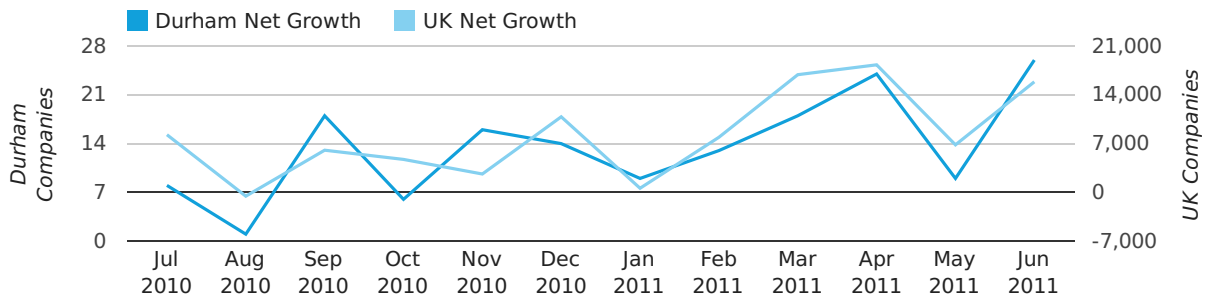
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	DURHAM	UK
2011	59	41,020
2010	29	3,658
% CHANGE	103.4%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (66)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



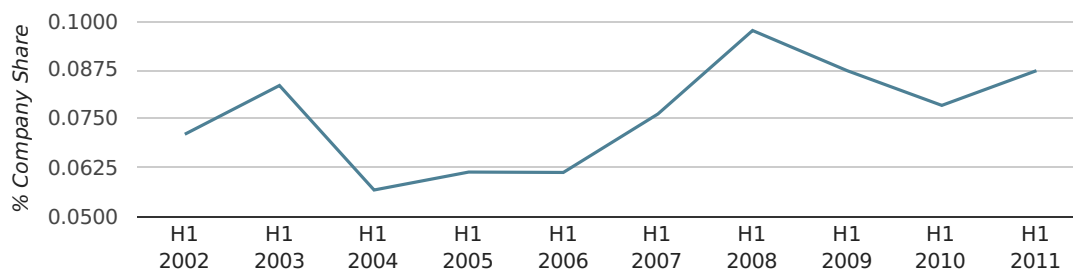
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	24	9	26
NET GROWTH IN 2010	8	15	6
% CHANGE	200.0%	-40.0%	333.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (26)	2003 (23)	2007 (27)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Durham formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	DURHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (0.2%)

company share by half year

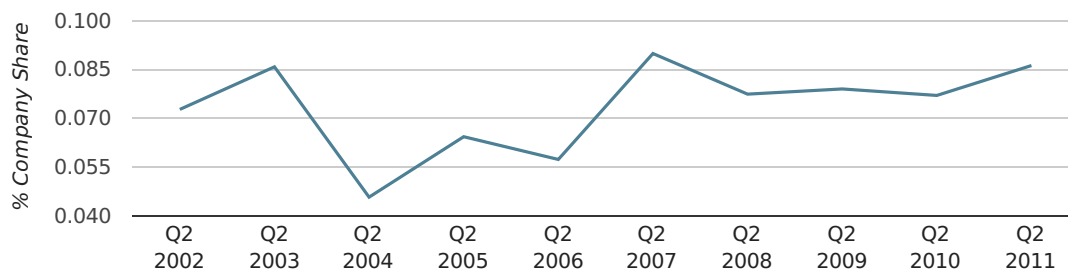


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

In the second quarter of 2011, Durham formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

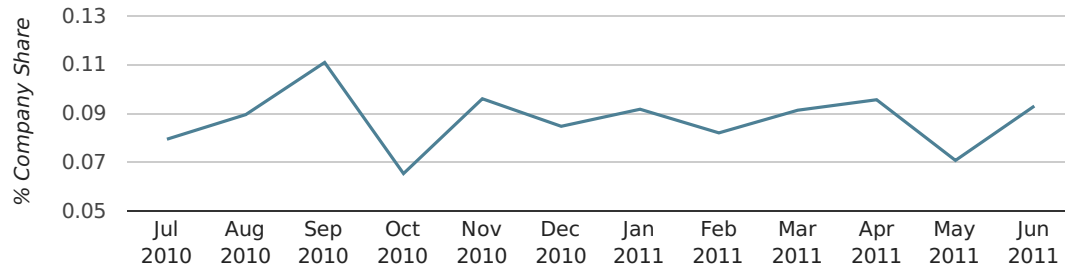
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	DURHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	52.1%	-14.9%	9.3%
RECORD YEAR	1962 (0.2%)	1974 (0.2%)	1971 (0.2%)

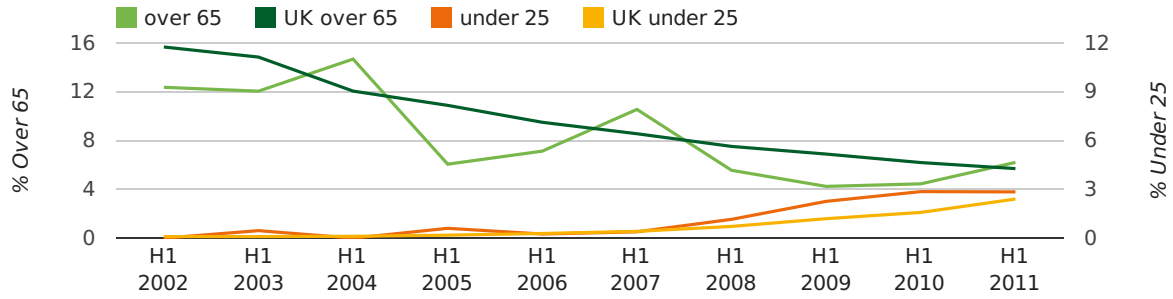
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 43.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



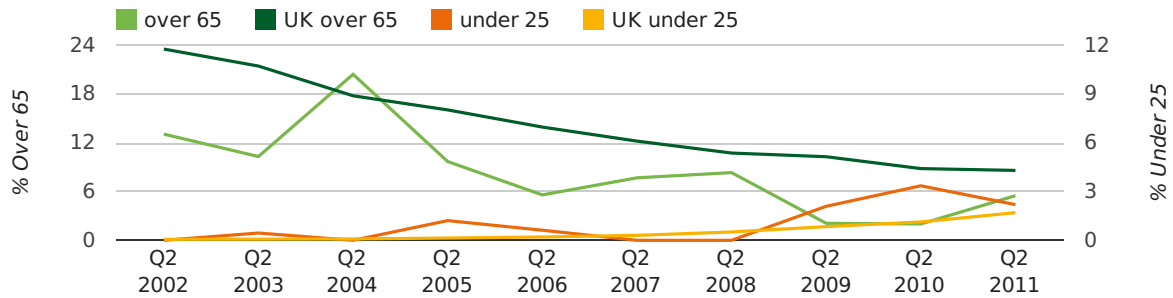
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

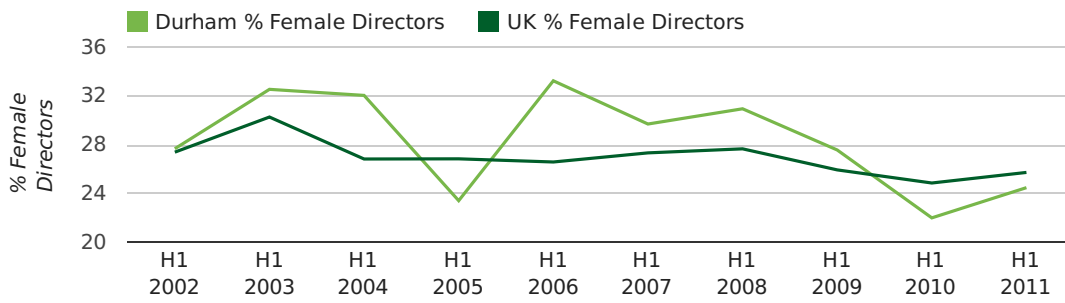


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The record first half year for female directors in Durham was 1857 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

24.5% of all director appointments in Durham in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

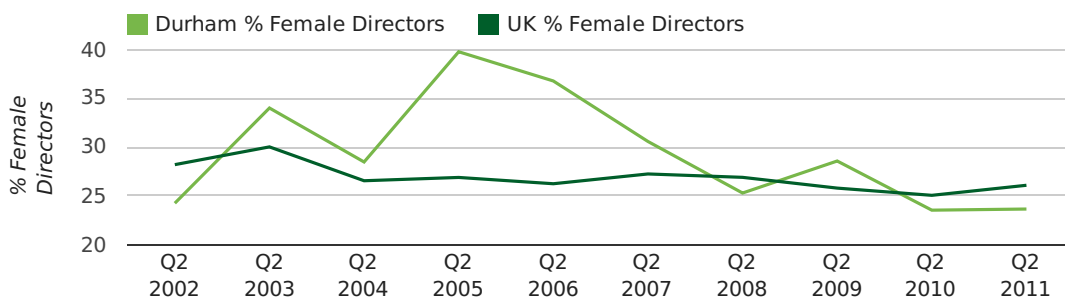


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The record second quarter for female directors in Durham was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

23.6% of all director appointments in Durham in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
DURHAM	1.87%	CONSULTING	5.09%
RENEWABLES	1.58%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
BANKS	1.58%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
(DURHAM)	1.58%	PROPERTY	2.43%
WIND	1.58%	TRADING	2.05%
FARM)	1.58%	DESIGN	1.94%
SCHOOLS	1.15%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
FOR	1.15%	BUSINESS	1.87%
HOUSE	1.01%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
NORTH	0.86%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSULTANCY	0.72%	MEDIA	1.73%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.72%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
CONSULTING	0.72%	LONDON	1.60%
CONSTRUCTION	0.72%	GLOBAL	1.46%
INVESTMENTS	0.72%	J	1.44%
L	0.72%	CARE	1.44%
J	0.72%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
DESIGN	0.57%	IT	1.39%
BUILDING	0.57%	BUILDING	1.32%
IT	0.57%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
(NE)	0.57%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
PROPERTY	0.57%	M	1.27%
VENTURE	0.57%	S	1.23%
TRAINING	0.57%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
ROCKTREE	0.57%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	121	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	41	60,758
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	18	16,419
9999 - Dormant Company	14	20,111
74990 - Non-trading company	11	8,481
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	13,053
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	7,835
62090 - Other information technology service activities	9	7,095
99999 - Dormant Company	8	18,918
7499 - Non-trading company	8	10,955
35110 - Production of electricity	8	528
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	8	10,545
86900 - Other human health activities	7	4,154
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	7	30,647
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	7	2,258
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	6	7,143
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	5	2,543
49410 - Freight transport by road	5	2,142
41100 - Development of building projects	5	3,852
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	5	3,790