

# Edinburgh

q1 2011 business confidence report



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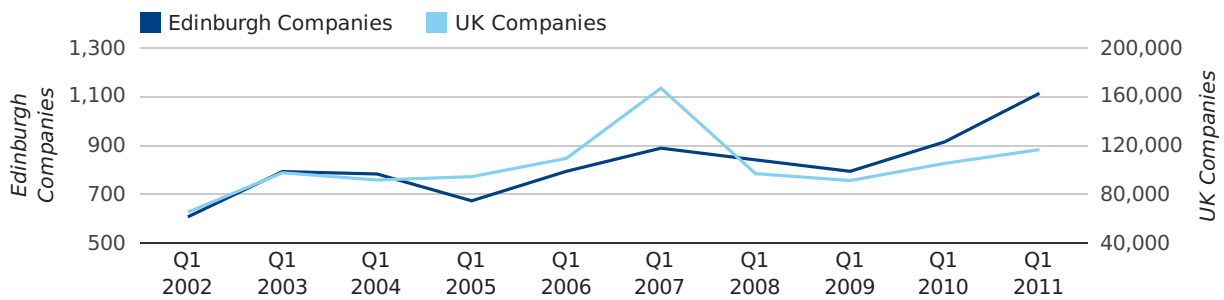
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Edinburgh when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 1,113 companies were registered in Edinburgh during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 21.8% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well 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)	EDINBURGH	UK
2011	1,113	116,391
2010	914	105,137
% CHANGE	21.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (1,113)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

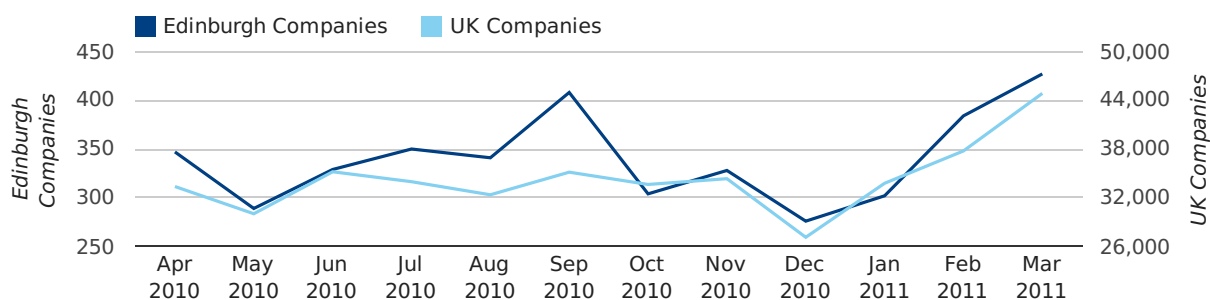
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### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	302	384	427
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	232	304	378
% CHANGE	30.2%	26.3%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (302)	2011 (384)	2011 (427)

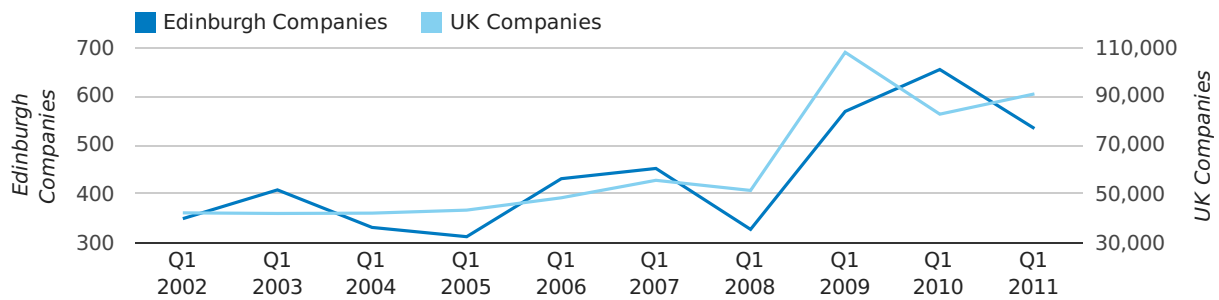
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 534 companies were dissolved in Edinburgh during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 18.5% 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.

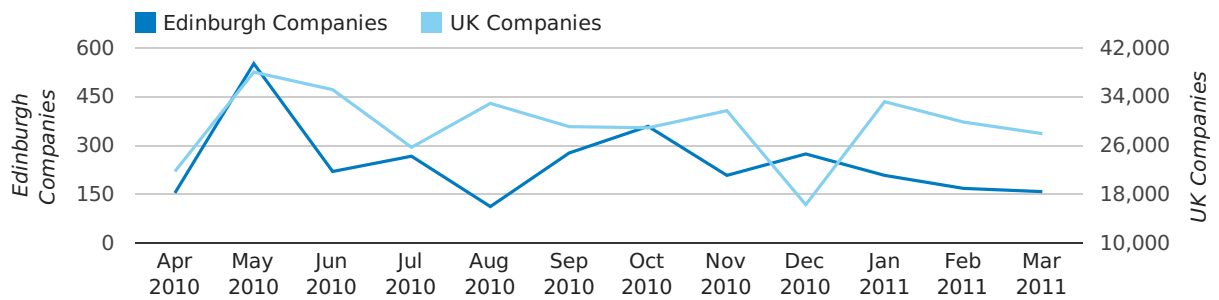
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EDINBURGH	UK
2011	534	90,986
2010	655	82,677
% CHANGE	-18.5%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (655)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

#### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	208	168	158
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	189	219	247
% CHANGE	10.1%	-23.3%	-36%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (228)	2009 (248)	2010 (247)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

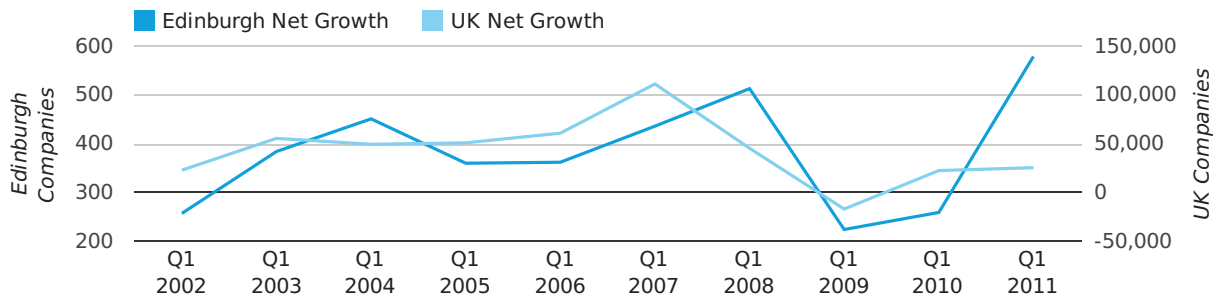
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for net growth in Edinburgh when compared to any quarter in history.

Net company growth for Edinburgh during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 579 companies.

This represents an increase of 123.6% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EDINBURGH	UK
2011	579	25,405
2010	259	22,460
% CHANGE	123.6%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (579)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



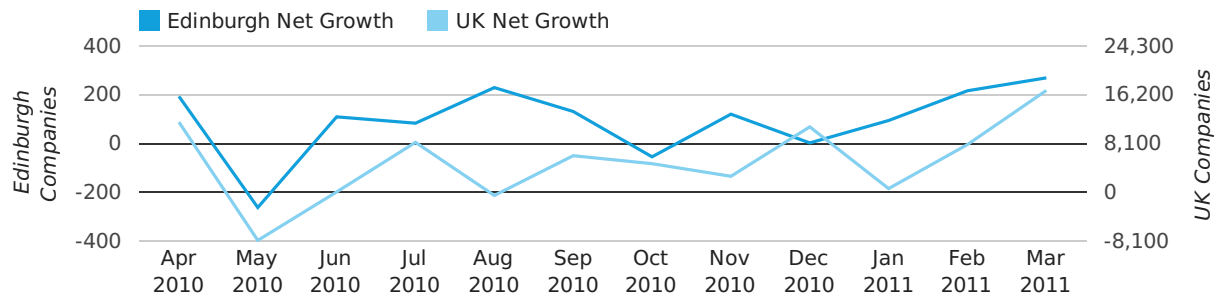
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### net growth by month



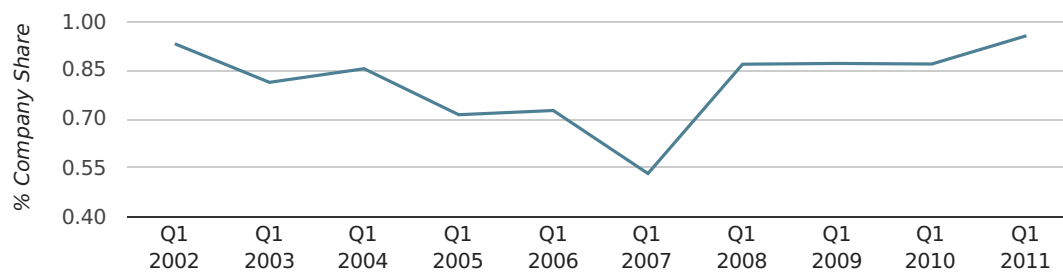
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	94	216	269
NET GROWTH IN 2010	43	85	131
% CHANGE	118.6%	154.1%	105.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (177)	2011 (216)	2011 (269)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Edinburgh formed 1.0% of all UK companies.

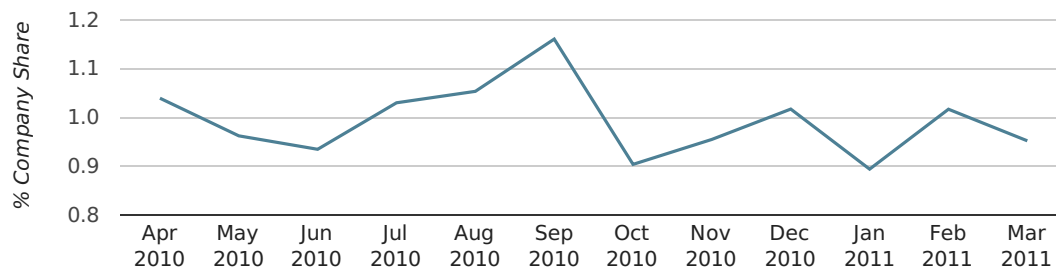
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EDINBURGH
2011	1.0%
2010	0.9%
2009	0.9%
2008	0.9%
2007	0.5%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1993 (1.3%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.9%	1.0%	1.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%
% CHANGE	12.3%	11.1%	7.8%
RECORD YEAR	1960 (1.6%)	1974 (1.7%)	1979 (12.2%)



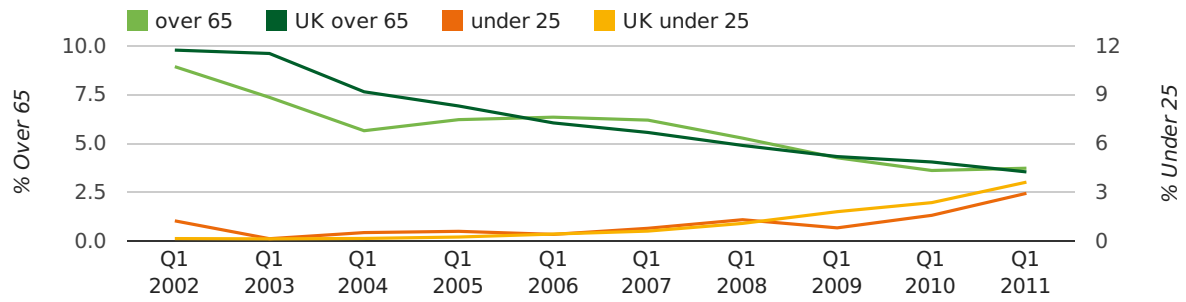
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 44.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by quarter

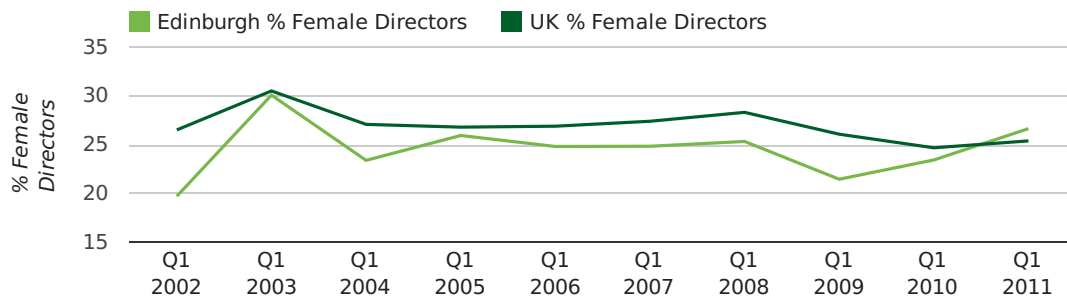


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

26.7% of all director appointments in Edinburgh 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, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
L.P.	14.95%	CONSULTING	5.04%
PARTNERS	4.53%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
GROUP	4.14%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
ACCESS	3.73%	PROPERTY	2.38%
LP	2.99%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTING	2.50%	DESIGN	1.93%
EDINBURGH	1.97%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
INVESTMENTS	1.83%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CORPORATION	1.56%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
(SCOTLAND)	1.48%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
MANAGEMENT	1.46%	MEDIA	1.69%
SCOTLAND	1.39%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
CAPITAL	1.29%	LONDON	1.60%
PARTNERSHIP	1.23%	CARE	1.45%
TRADING	1.07%	J	1.45%
PROPERTY	1.03%	GLOBAL	1.44%
CONSULTANCY	1.01%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
BUSINESS	0.88%	IT	1.41%
GLOBAL	0.88%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
ASSOCIATES	0.80%	BUILDING	1.34%
(EDINBURGH)	0.76%	M	1.30%
GP	0.74%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
CONSULTANTS	0.70%	S	1.24%
EUROPE	0.62%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
ENTERPRISES	0.62%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	2,648	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	467	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	227	30,253
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	137	16,150
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	106	10,246
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	102	7,788
7414 - Business & management consultancy	94	12,916
7499 - Non-trading company	93	11,316
9999 - Dormant Company	91	19,765
74990 - Non-trading company	90	8,695
99999 - Dormant Company	89	18,336
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	87	10,085
5552 - Catering	71	2,128
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	61	7,000
5530 - Restaurants	60	4,898
56103 - Take-away food shops and mobile food stands	58	1,765
62090 - Other information technology service activities	50	6,996
7260 - Other computer related activities	45	7,789
9305 - Other service activities	40	8,740
56101 - Licensed restaurants	39	2,736