Exeter

q1 2011 business confidence report



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- Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Exeter when compared to any previous Q1.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Exeter when compared to any previous January.

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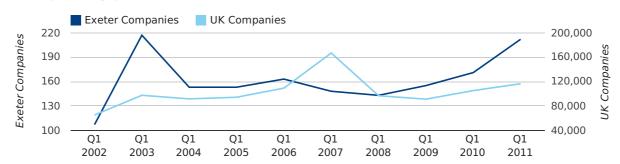
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A total of 212 companies were registered in Exeter during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 24.0% 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.

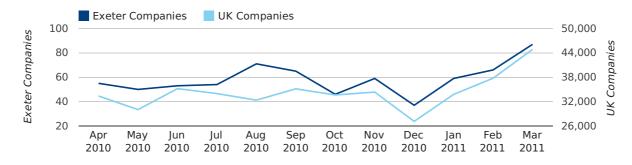
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EXETER	UK
2011	212	116,391
2010	171	105,137
% CHANGE	24.0%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (217)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	59	66	87
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	51	54	66
% CHANGE	15.7%	22.2%	31.8%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (64)	2003 (66)	2003 (87)

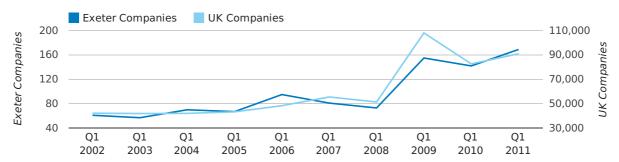
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Exeter when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 169 companies were dissolved in Exeter during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 19.0% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares poorly 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)	EXETER	UK
2011	169	90,986
2010	142	82,677
% CHANGE	19.0%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (169)	2009 (108,060)

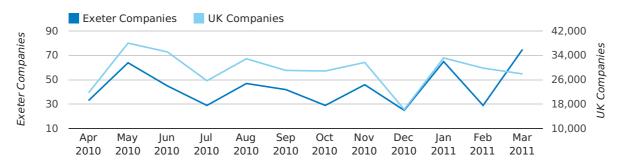
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

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dissolved companies by month



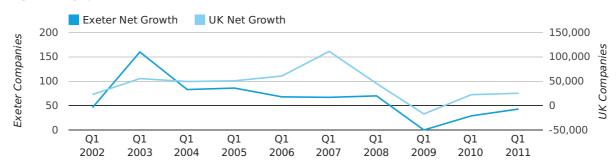
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	65	29	75
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	42	46	54
% CHANGE	54.8%	-37.0%	39%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (65)	2010 (46)	2009 (92)

Net company growth for Exeter during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 43 companies.

This represents an increase of 48.3% on the same period last year.

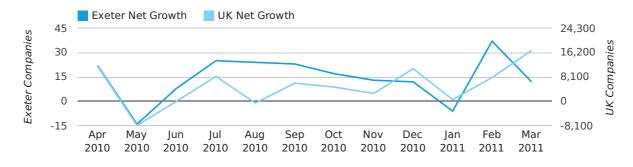
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EXETER	UK
2011	43	25,405
2010	29	22,460
% CHANGE	48.3%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (160)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month

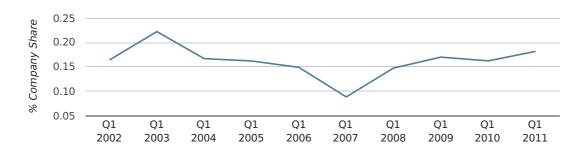


	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-6	37	12
NET GROWTH IN 2010	9	8	12
% CHANGE	-166.7%	362.5%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	2000 (42)	2003 (43)	2003 (77)

In the first quarter of 2011, Exeter formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

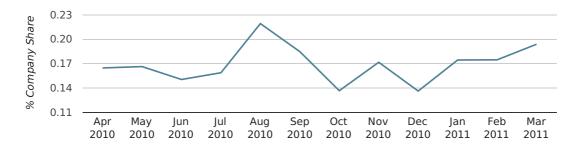
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	EXETER
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



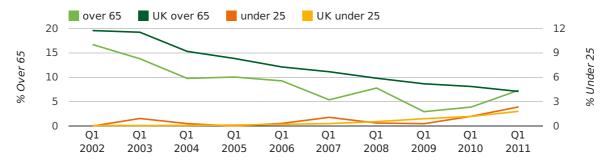
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-0.2%	7.5%	25.7%
RECORD YEAR	1970 (0.6%)	1978 (0.5%)	1961 (0.8%)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 47.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

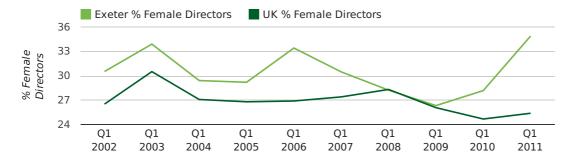
director age by quarter



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

34.9% of all director appointments in Exeter 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



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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
MANAGEMENT	1.88%	CONSULTING	5.04%
EXETER	1.71%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
CONSULTING	1.71%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
WEST	1.37%	PROPERTY	2.38%
DEVON	1.37%	TRADING	2.10%
SOUTH	1.20%	DESIGN	1.93%
CONSULTANCY	0.86%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
CONSULTANTS	0.77%	BUSINESS	1.87%
ENGINEERING	0.77%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
ELECTRICAL	0.77%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
PROPERTY	0.77%	MEDIA	1.69%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.68%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
BUSINESS	0.60%	LONDON	1.60%
(SW)	0.60%	CARE	1.45%
(SOUTH	0.60%	J	1.45%
WEST)	0.60%	GLOBAL	1.44%
(EXETER)	0.60%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
GROUP	0.60%	IT	1.41%
2	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
TRUST	0.51%	BUILDING	1.34%
BUILDING	0.51%	М	1.30%
PRODUCTIONS	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
С	0.51%	S	1.24%
WOOD	0.43%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
MEDIA	0.43%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

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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	57	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	39	30,253
9999 - Dormant Company	32	19,765
99999 - Dormant Company	31	18,336
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	26	16,150
41100 - Development of building projects	21	3,921
7499 - Non-trading company	19	11,316
7414 - Business & management consultancy	17	12,916
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	16	3,220
7260 - Other computer related activities	15	7,789
74990 - Non-trading company	15	8,695
62090 - Other information technology service activities	13	6,996
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	13	7,788
9305 - Other service activities	13	8,740
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	12	10,246
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	11	10,085
81100 - Combined facilities support activities	11	434
7011 - Development & sell real estate	10	2,654
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	9	2,086