Farnham

2011 annual business confidence report





headlines

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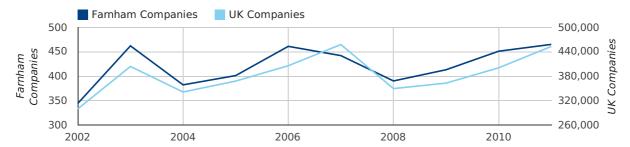
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2011 was a record year for company registrations in Farnham when compared to any year in history.

A total of 465 companies were formed in Farnham in 2011. This total is 3.1% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

| YEAR | FARNHAM | UK |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 465 | 452,870 |
| 2010 | 451 | 400,358 |
| 2009 | 413 | 362,675 |
| 2008 | 390 | 349,203 |
| 2007 | 442 | 457,649 |
| RECORD YEAR | 2011 (465) | 2007 (457,649) |

new companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

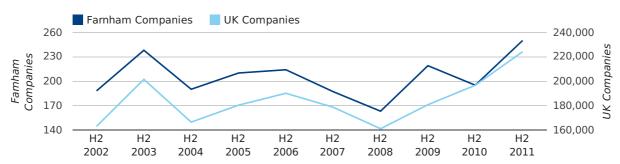
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Farnham when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 250 companies were formed in Farnham. This figure is 28.2% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Farnham occurred in 2011 when a total of 250 were formed.

| HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC) | FARNHAM | UK |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 250 | 224,135 |
| 2010 | 195 | 196,609 |
| % CHANGE | 28.2% | 14.0% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2011 (250) | 2011 (224,135) |

new companies by half year

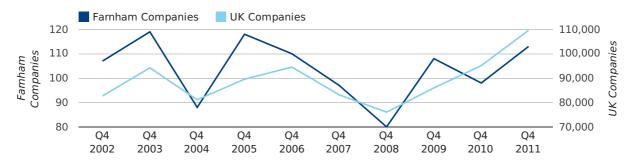


A total of 113 companies were registered in Farnham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 15.3% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

| FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011) | FARNHAM | UK |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 113 | 109,623 |
| 2010 | 98 | 95,117 |
| % CHANGE | 15.3% | 15.3% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (119) | 2011 (109,623) |

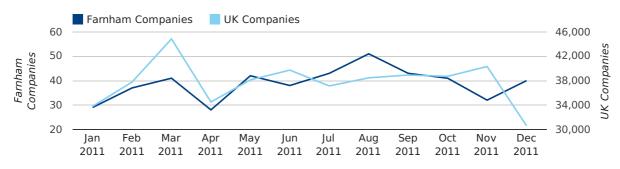
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Farnham when compared to any previous December.

new companies by month

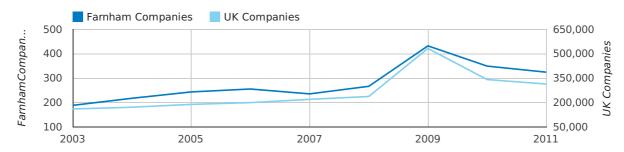


| | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2011 | 41 | 32 | 40 |
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2010 | 34 | 37 | 27 |
| % CHANGE | 20.6% | -13.5% | 48.1% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (51) | 2005 (50) | 2011 (40) |

A total of 325 companies were dissolved in Farnham in 2011. This total is 7.1% lower than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

| YEAR | FARNHAM | UK |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 325 | 314,523 |
| 2010 | 350 | 342,232 |
| 2009 | 433 | 533,773 |
| 2008 | 267 | 237,901 |
| 2007 | 236 | 220,295 |
| RECORD YEAR | 2009 (433) | 2009 (533,773) |

dissolved companies by year



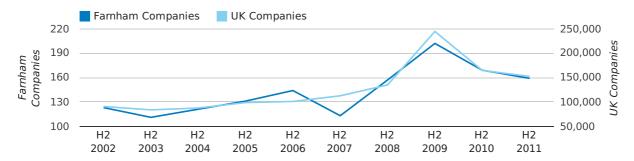
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 159 companies were dissolved in Farnham. This figure is 5.9% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Farnham occurred in 2009 when a total of 202 were closed.

| HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC) | FARNHAM | UK |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 159 | 152,213 |
| 2010 | 169 | 164,601 |
| % CHANGE | -5.9% | -7.5% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2009 (202) | 2009 (244,537) |

dissolved companies by half year



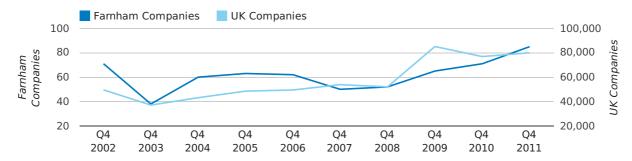
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Farnham when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 85 companies were dissolved in Farnham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 19.7% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

| FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011) | FARNHAM | UK |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| 2011 | 85 | 79,983 |
| 2010 | 71 | 76,896 |
| % CHANGE | 19.7% | 4.0% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2011 (85) | 2009 (85,136) |

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Farnham when compared to any previous December.

dissolved companies by month



| | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011 | 19 | 33 | 33 |
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010 | 26 | 35 | 10 |
| % CHANGE | -26.9% | -5.7% | 230% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2001 (35) | 2010 (35) | 2011 (33) |

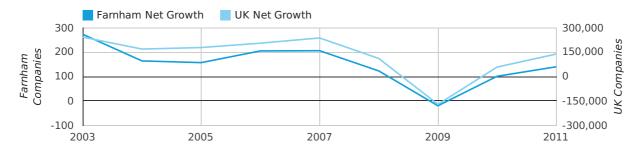
A total of 140 companies were added to the company register for Farnham in 2011. This number represents growth of 31.0% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 39 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Farnham company register grew by 273 companies.

| YEAR | FARNHAM | UK |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 140 | 138,347 |
| 2010 | 101 | 58,126 |
| 2009 | -20 | -171,098 |
| 2008 | 123 | 111,302 |
| 2007 | 206 | 237,354 |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (273) | 2003 (242,543) |

net growth by year

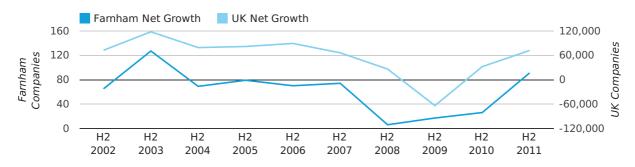


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Farnham increased by 91 companies. This figure is 250.0% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 124.7%.

| HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC) | FARNHAM | UK |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011 | 91 | 71,922 |
| 2010 | 26 | 32,008 |
| % CHANGE | 250.0% | 124.7% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (127) | 2003 (117,772) |

net growth by half year

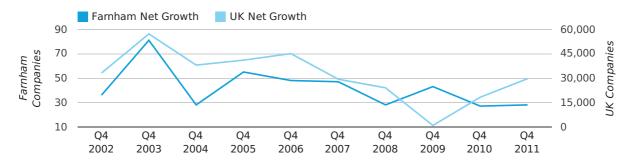


Net company growth for Farnham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 28 companies.

This represents an increase of 3.7% on the same period last year.

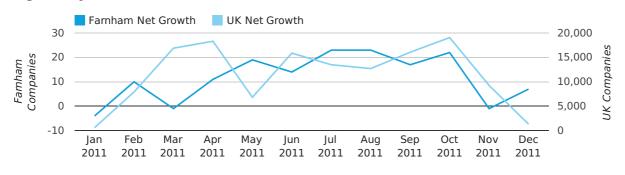
| FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011) | FARNHAM | UK |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| 2011 | 28 | 29,640 |
| 2010 | 27 | 18,221 |
| % CHANGE | 3.7% | 62.7% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (81) | 2003 (57,175) |

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month

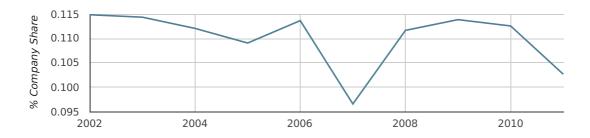


| | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| NET GROWTH IN 2011 | 22 | -1 | 7 |
| NET GROWTH IN 2010 | 8 | 2 | 17 |
| % CHANGE | 175.0% | -150.0% | -58.8% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2003 (44) | 2009 (31) | 2006 (26) |

In 2011 Farnham formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Farnham was responsible for 0.1% of all UK companies.

| YEAR | FARNHAM |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| 2011 | 0.1% |
| 2010 | 0.1% |
| 2009 | 0.1% |
| 2008 | 0.1% |
| 2007 | 0.1% |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 1989 (0.2%) |

company share by year

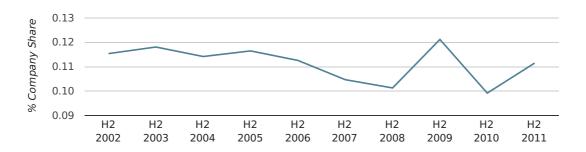


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

| HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC) | FARNHAM |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| 2011 | 0.1% |
| 2010 | 0.1% |
| 2009 | 0.1% |
| 2008 | 0.1% |
| 2007 | 0.1% |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 1961 (0.2%) |

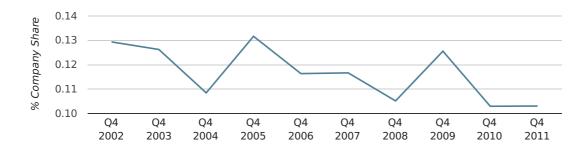
company share by half year



In the fourth quarter of 2011, Farnham formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

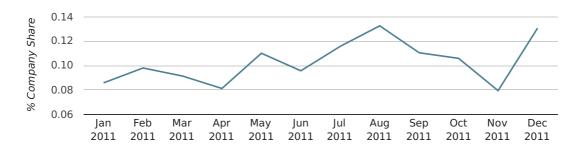
| FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011) | FARNHAM |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 2011 | 0.1% |
| 2010 | 0.1% |
| 2009 | 0.1% |
| 2008 | 0.1% |
| 2007 | 0.1% |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 1961 (0.3%) |

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



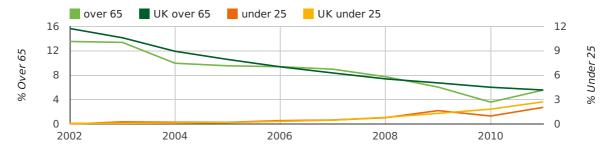
| | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| % CHANGE | 4.7% | -26.3% | 31.4% |
| RECORD YEAR | 1961 (0.6%) | 1972 (0.4%) | 1975 (0.5%) |

The average age of a director in 2011 was 46.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



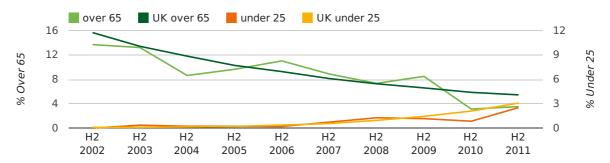
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 44.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year

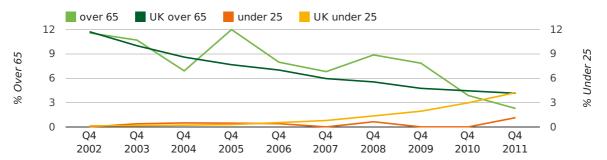


The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 43.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter



The record year for female directors in Farnham was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Farnham in 2011 was 31.7%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Farnham was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

25.3% of all director appointments in Farnham in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

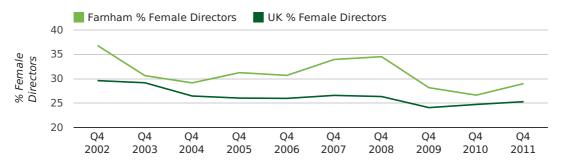


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The record fourth quarter for female directors in Farnham was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

29.0% of all director appointments in Farnham in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



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Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

 ${\sf Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, \&, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.}\\$

| WORD | PERCENTAGE | UK WORD | UK PERCENTAGE |
|---------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| CONSULTING | 2.85% | CONSULTING | 5.07% |
| MANAGEMENT | 1.86% | MANAGEMENT | 4.74% |
| ASSOCIATES | 1.74% | CONSULTANCY | 3.26% |
| FARNHAM | 1.12% | PROPERTY | 2.37% |
| BUSINESS | 0.87% | TRADING | 2.07% |
| CONSULTANCY | 0.87% | DESIGN | 1.92% |
| DESIGN | 0.74% | ASSOCIATES | 1.86% |
| CONSTRUCTION | 0.74% | ENGINEERING | 1.78% |
| PARTNERS | 0.74% | BUSINESS | 1.78% |
| MARKETING | 0.62% | CONSULTANTS | 1.76% |
| CAPITAL | 0.62% | CONSTRUCTION | 1.73% |
| MEDIA | 0.62% | MEDIA | 1.71% |
| DEVELOPMENTS | 0.50% | LONDON | 1.63% |
| IT | 0.50% | J | 1.51% |
| HOUSE | 0.50% | INVESTMENTS | 1.48% |
| SOLAR | 0.50% | GLOBAL | 1.46% |
| 2 | 0.50% | IT | 1.41% |
| HOLDINGS | 0.50% | CARE | 1.39% |
| INTERNATIONAL | 0.37% | PROPERTIES | 1.29% |
| CENTRE | 0.37% | ELECTRICAL | 1.29% |
| CO | 0.37% | М | 1.27% |
| CHRIS | 0.37% | BUILDING | 1.26% |
| С | 0.37% | ENERGY | 1.25% |
| CONSULTANTS | 0.37% | S | 1.20% |
| FORMATIONS | 0.37% | ENTERPRISES | 1.20% |

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

| SIC CODE | NUMBER OF COMPANIES | UK COMPANIES |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| None Supplied | 166 | 205,525 |
| 7487 - Other business activities | 58 | 57,052 |
| 70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management | 41 | 17,765 |
| 82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified | 36 | 32,483 |
| 7414 - Business & management consultancy | 27 | 13,034 |
| 62020 - Information technology consultancy activities | 23 | 12,072 |
| 74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified | 18 | 8,671 |
| 7499 - Non-trading company | 16 | 9,957 |
| 7222 - Other software consultancy and supply | 15 | 7,398 |
| 99999 - Dormant Company | 15 | 21,846 |
| 7260 - Other computer related activities | 12 | 7,667 |
| 74990 - Non-trading company | 12 | 8,929 |
| 62012 - Business and domestic software development | 11 | 3,714 |
| 9999 - Dormant Company | 11 | 20,199 |
| 4521 - General construction & civil engineering | 9 | 5,558 |
| 47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet | 9 | 2,740 |
| 41100 - Development of building projects | 9 | 4,331 |
| 62090 - Other information technology service activities | 9 | 7,493 |
| 70100 - Activities of head offices | 8 | 2,662 |
| 7011 - Development & sell real estate | 7 | 2,287 |