

Gateshead

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

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

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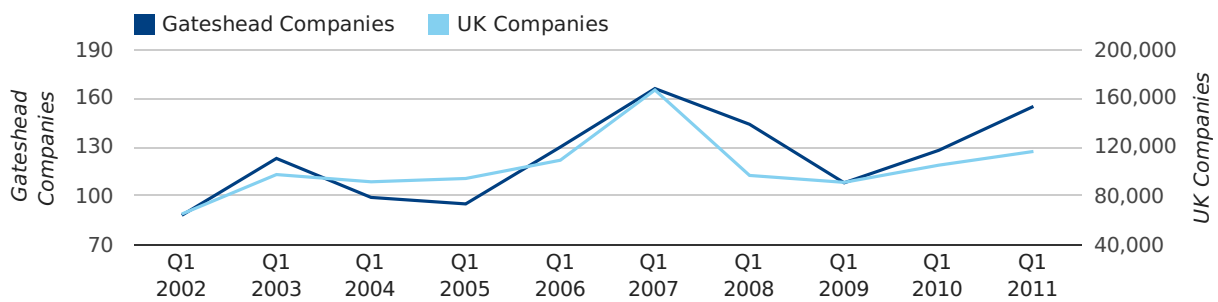
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 155 companies were registered in Gateshead during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 21.1% 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.

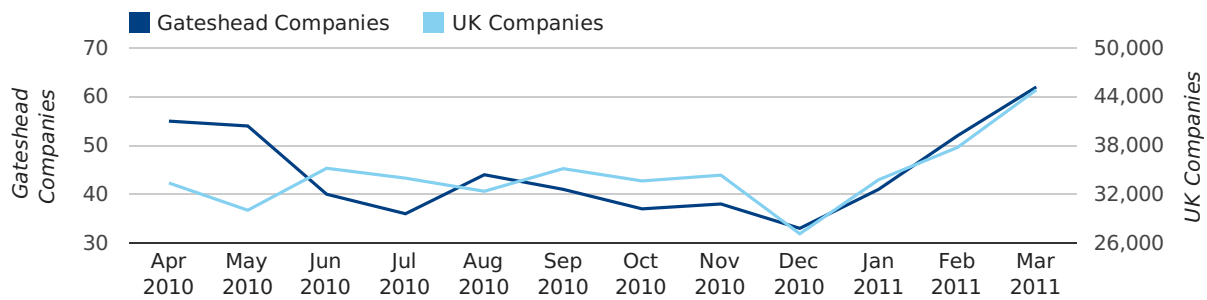
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	155	116,391
2010	128	105,137
% CHANGE	21.1%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (166)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	41	52	62
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	35	38	55
% CHANGE	17.1%	36.8%	12.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (50)	2007 (55)	2007 (68)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

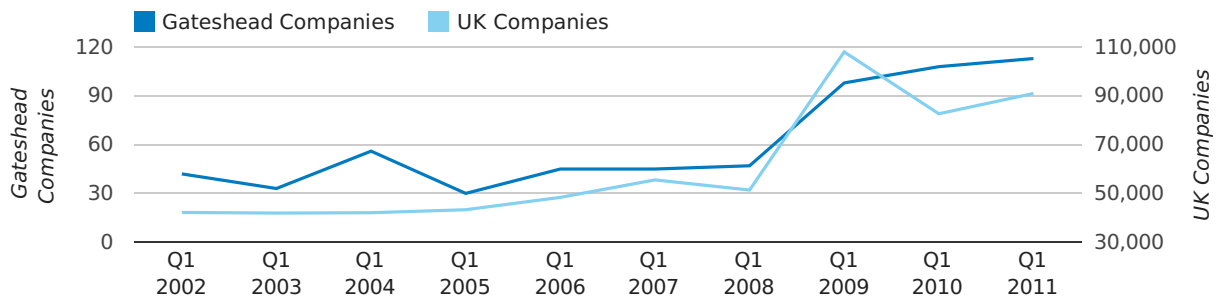
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Gateshead when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 113 companies were dissolved in Gateshead during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 4.6% 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)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	113	90,986
2010	108	82,677
% CHANGE	4.6%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (113)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter

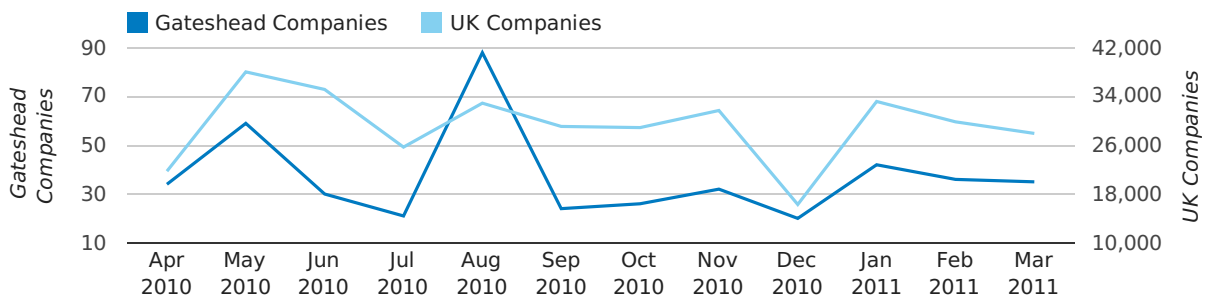


Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

February 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Gateshead when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Gateshead when compared to any previous January.

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	42	36	35
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	36	21	51
% CHANGE	16.7%	71.4%	-31%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (42)	2011 (36)	2009 (56)

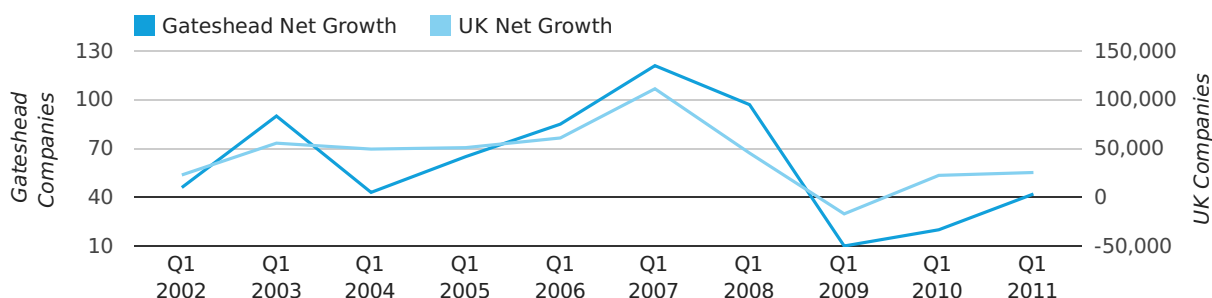
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Gateshead during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 42 companies.

This represents an increase of 110.0% on the same period last year.

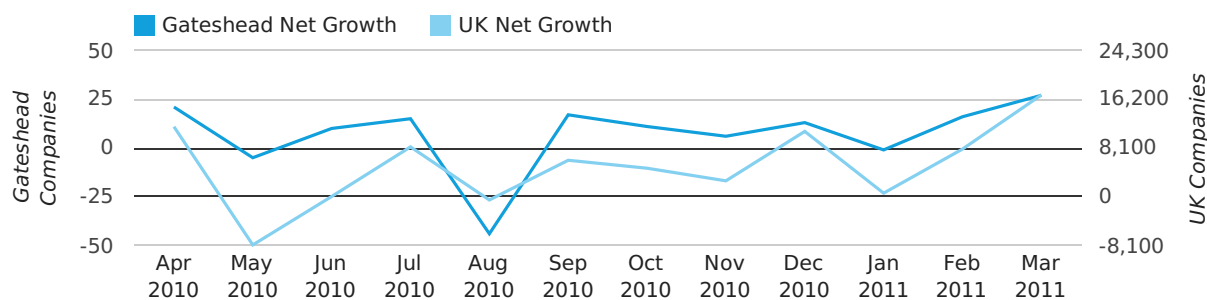
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	42	25,405
2010	20	22,460
% CHANGE	110.0%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (121)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



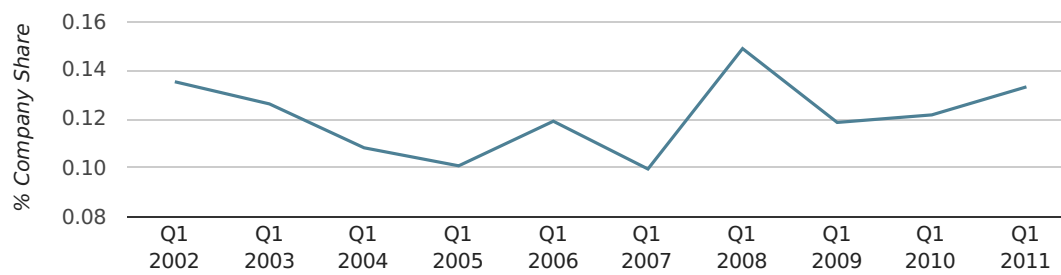
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-1	16	27
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-1	17	4
% CHANGE	0.0%	-5.9%	575.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (33)	2007 (44)	2006 (51)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Gateshead formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

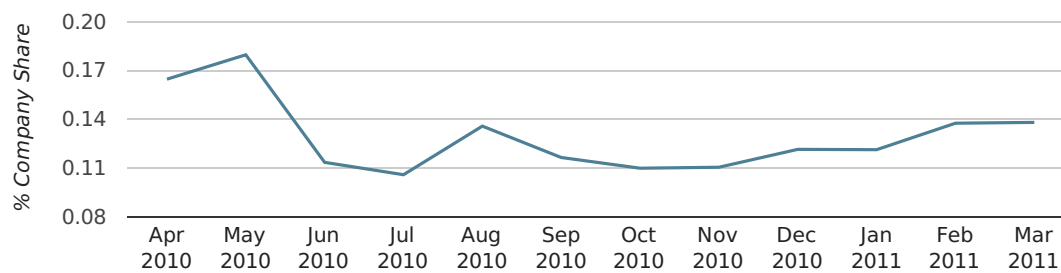
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	GATESHEAD
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	1.1%	20.4%	7.5%
RECORD YEAR	1967 (0.2%)	1964 (0.4%)	1960 (0.4%)

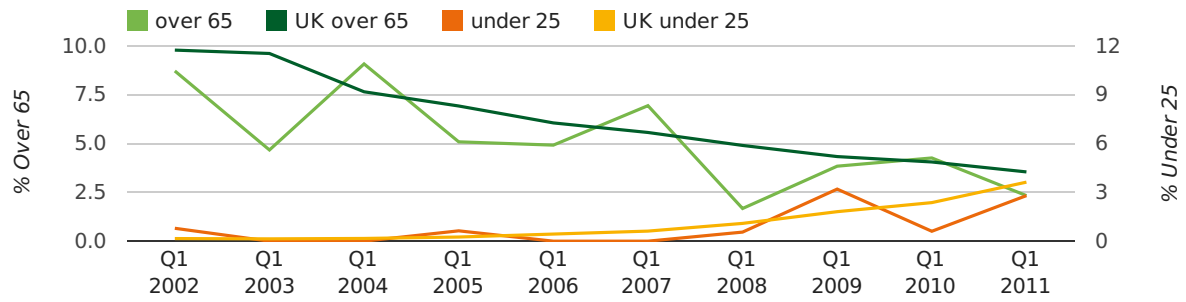
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 43.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

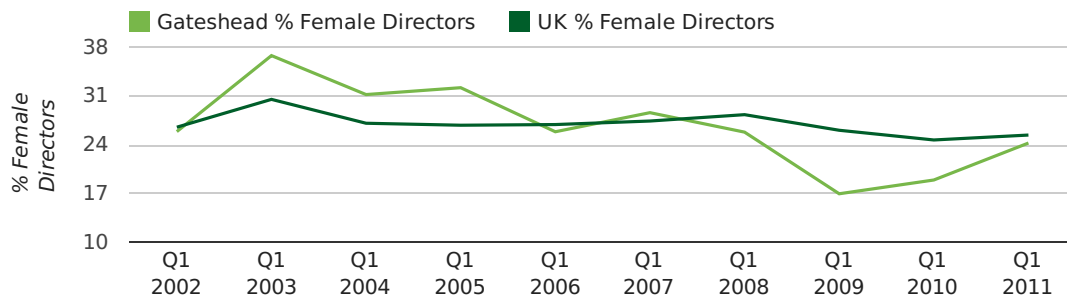


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

24.3% of all director appointments in Gateshead 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, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
(NORTH	1.19%	CONSULTING	5.04%
MANAGEMENT	1.19%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
EAST)	1.08%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
EAST	0.97%	PROPERTY	2.38%
NORTH	0.86%	TRADING	2.10%
MEDIA	0.86%	DESIGN	1.93%
TRAINING	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
T	0.65%	BUSINESS	1.87%
PROPERTY	0.65%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
DESIGN	0.65%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
S	0.65%	MEDIA	1.69%
BUSINESS	0.65%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
(NE)	0.65%	LONDON	1.60%
CENTRE	0.65%	CARE	1.45%
MAINTENANCE	0.54%	J	1.45%
C	0.54%	GLOBAL	1.44%
NE	0.54%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
UTILITIES	0.54%	IT	1.41%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.54%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
LEMON	0.54%	BUILDING	1.34%
D	0.54%	M	1.30%
RECRUITMENT	0.54%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
INVESTMENTS	0.54%	S	1.24%
CONSULTING	0.54%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
GUEST	0.43%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	330	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	69	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	27	30,253
99999 - Dormant Company	27	18,336
9999 - Dormant Company	19	19,765
7414 - Business & management consultancy	14	12,916
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	14	6,183
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	12	7,788
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	12	10,085
9305 - Other service activities	11	8,740
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	11	16,150
9262 - Other sporting activities	10	1,571
7260 - Other computer related activities	10	7,789
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	9	2,528
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	3,097
86900 - Other human health activities	8	4,092
43210 - Electrical installation	7	3,172
56302 - Public houses and bars	7	1,825
74990 - Non-trading company	7	8,695
9302 - Hairdressing & other beauty treatment	7	1,449