Gateshead

q3 2011 business confidence report



headlines

- Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gateshead when compared to any previous Q3.
- July 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Gateshead when compared to any previous July.

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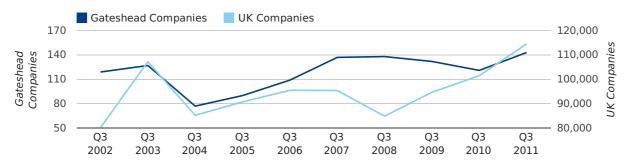
Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gateshead when compared to any previous Q3.

A total of 143 companies were registered in Gateshead during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 18.2% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

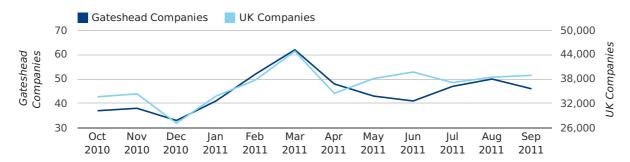
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	143	114,512
2010	121	101,492
% CHANGE	18.2%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (143)	2011 (114,512)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

new companies by month



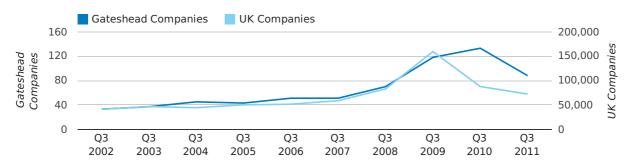
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	47	50	46
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	36	44	41
% CHANGE	30.6%	13.6%	12.2%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (60)	2007 (58)	2008 (50)

A total of 88 companies were dissolved in Gateshead during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 33.8% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	88	72,230
2010	133	87,705
% CHANGE	-33.8%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (133)	2009 (159,401)

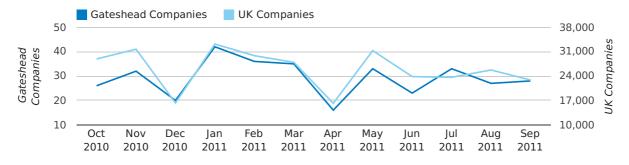
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

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

dissolved companies by month



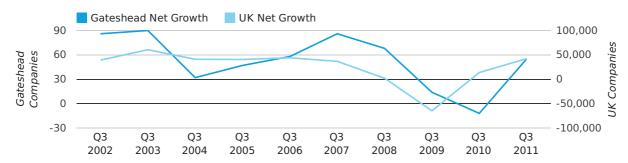
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	33	27	28
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	21	88	24
% CHANGE	57.1%	-69.3%	17%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (33)	2010 (88)	2009 (58)

Net company growth for Gateshead during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 55 companies.

This represents an increase of 558.3% on the same period last year.

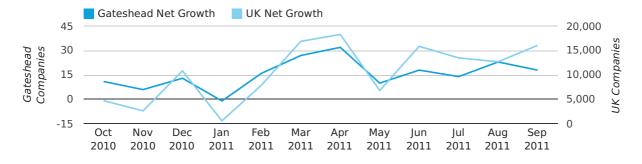
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	GATESHEAD	UK
2011	55	42,282
2010	-12	13,787
% CHANGE	-558.3%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (90)	2003 (60,597)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

net growth by month

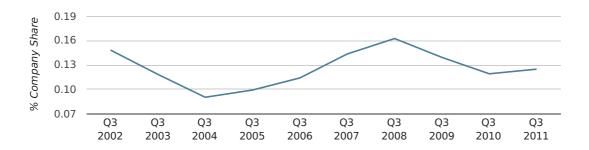


	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	14	23	18
NET GROWTH IN 2010	15	-44	17
% CHANGE	-6.7%	-152.3%	5.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (48)	2007 (44)	2002 (32)

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

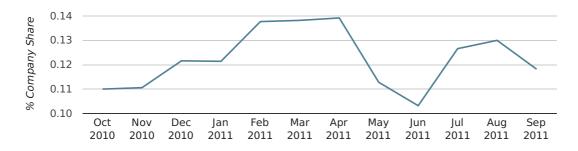
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	GATESHEAD
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	19.4%	-4.3%	1.4%
RECORD YEAR	1960 (0.4%)	1973 (0.4%)	1971 (0.3%)

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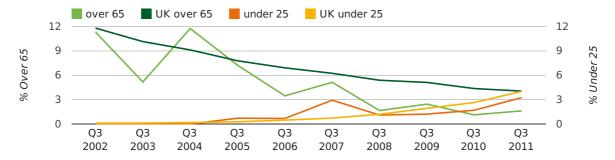
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 41.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter



The record third quarter for female directors in Gateshead was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

25.6% of all director appointments in Gateshead in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



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Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.35%	CONSULTING	5.11%
(NE)	1.04%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
(NORTH	1.04%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
EAST)	0.93%	PROPERTY	2.41%
TRAINING	0.83%	TRADING	2.06%
NORTH	0.83%	DESIGN	1.94%
CENTRE	0.83%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
DESIGN	0.73%	BUSINESS	1.82%
ENGINEERING	0.73%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
S	0.73%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
NE	0.62%	MEDIA	1.72%
HEALTH	0.62%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
NORTHERN	0.62%	LONDON	1.63%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.62%	J	1.47%
EAST	0.62%	GLOBAL	1.46%
GATESHEAD	0.62%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
J	0.52%	CARE	1.42%
GROUP	0.52%	IT	1.38%
PROPERTY	0.52%	BUILDING	1.30%
ELECTRICAL	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
BUILDING	0.52%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
VALLEY	0.52%	M	1.25%
С	0.52%	ENERGY	1.22%
Т	0.52%	TRAINING	1.21%
ESTATES	0.52%	S	1.21%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	313	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	74	65,177
99999 - Dormant Company	31	18,281
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	28	29,245
9999 - Dormant Company	20	22,587
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	16	10,018
7414 - Business & management consultancy	16	14,755
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	14	6,321
9305 - Other service activities	14	10,525
7260 - Other computer related activities	14	8,686
9262 - Other sporting activities	11	1,868
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	10	15,760
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	7,551
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	9	2,426
7499 - Non-trading company	9	11,543
8042 - Adult and other education	9	2,521
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	8,345
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	2,917
41100 - Development of building projects	8	3,697
7470 - Other cleaning activities	7	1,471