Gloucester

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous Q2.
- June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous June.
- April 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous April.
- April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Gloucester when compared to any previous April.

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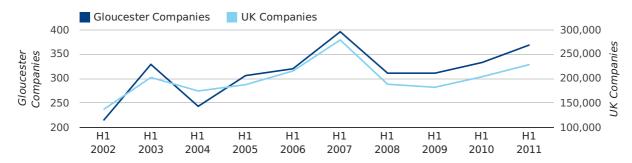
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In the first half of 2011 a total of 369 companies were formed in Gloucester. This figure is 10.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Gloucester occurred in 2007 when a total of 396 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	369	228,735
2010	333	203,749
% CHANGE	10.8%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (396)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 204 companies were registered in Gloucester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 27.5% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	204	112,344
2010	160	98,612
% CHANGE	27.5%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (204)	2011 (112,344)

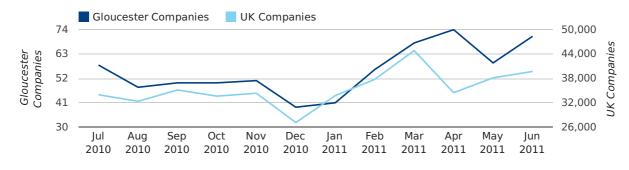
new companies by quarter



June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous June.

April 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Gloucester when compared to any previous April.

new companies by month



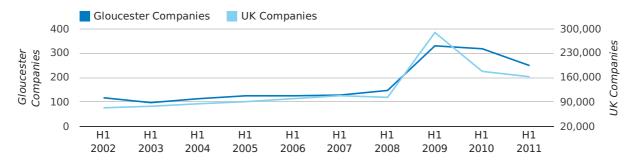
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	74	59	71
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	59	53	48
% CHANGE	25.4%	11.3%	47.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (74)	2007 (67)	2011 (71)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 249 companies were dissolved in Gloucester. This figure is 21.7% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Gloucester occurred in 2009 when a total of 330 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	249	162,310
2010	318	177,631
% CHANGE	-21.7%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (330)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



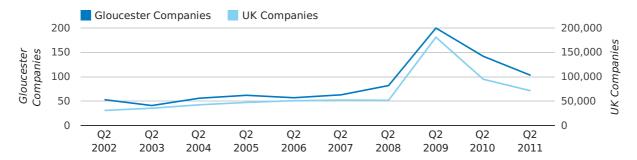
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 103 companies were dissolved in Gloucester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 27.5% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	103	71,324
2010	142	94,954
% CHANGE	-27.5%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (200)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

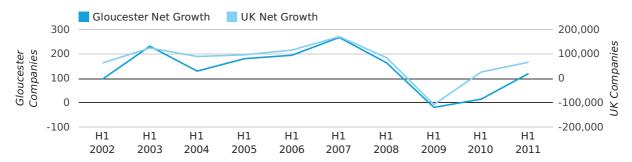


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	22	41	40
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	35	51	56
% CHANGE	-37.1%	-19.6%	-29%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (47)	2009 (96)	2009 (57)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Gloucester increased by 120 companies. This figure is 700.0% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	120	66,425
2010	15	26,118
% CHANGE	700.0%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (268)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



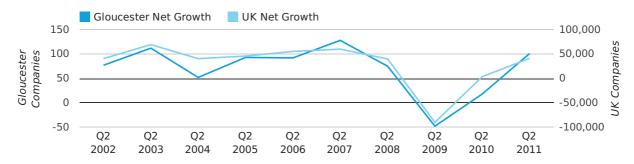
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Gloucester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 101 companies.

This represents an increase of 461.1% on the same period last year.

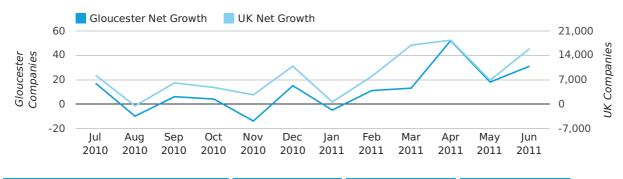
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GLOUCESTER	UK
2011	101	41,020
2010	18	3,658
% CHANGE	461.1%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (128)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Gloucester when compared to any previous April.

net growth by month

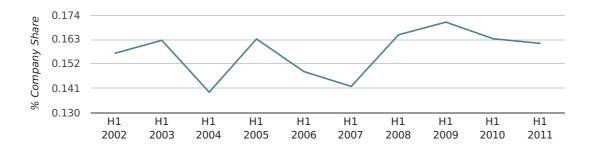


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	52	18	31
NET GROWTH IN 2010	24	2	-8
% CHANGE	116.7%	800.0%	-487.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (52)	2007 (42)	2008 (49)

In the first half of 2011 Gloucester formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTER
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.5%)

company share by half year

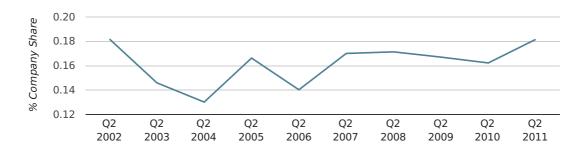


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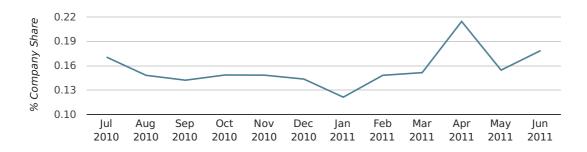
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2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



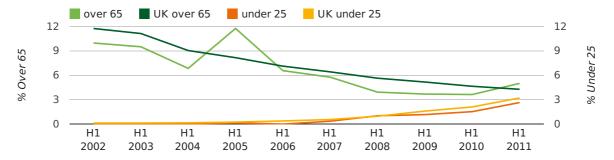
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
% CHANGE	21.4%	-12.4%	31.0%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.8%)	1973 (0.7%)	1970 (0.5%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 45.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



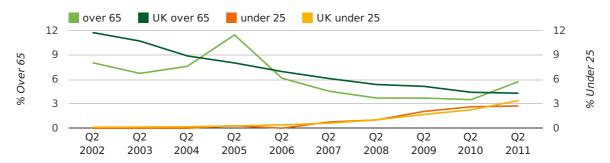
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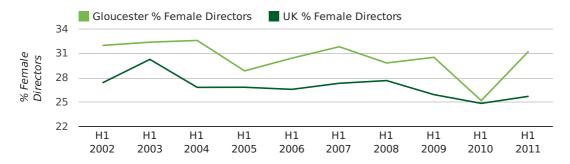
director age by quarter



The record first half year for female directors in Gloucester was 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

31.3% of all director appointments in Gloucester in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

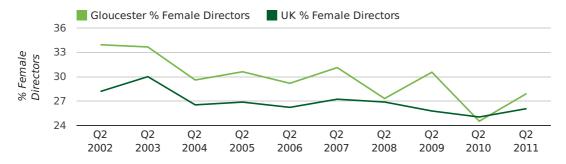


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The record second quarter for female directors in Gloucester was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

27.9% of all director appointments in Gloucester in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



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Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	1.32%	CONSULTING	5.09%
GLOUCESTER	1.32%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CONSULTANCY	1.15%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
MANAGEMENT	1.06%	PROPERTY	2.43%
SCHOOL	0.79%	TRADING	2.05%
ELECTRICAL	0.79%	DESIGN	1.94%
GLOUCESTERSHIRE	0.71%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
PROPERTY	0.71%	BUSINESS	1.87%
BUILDING	0.71%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
(GLOUCESTER)	0.62%	MEDIA	1.73%
BUSINESS	0.62%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
FINANCIAL	0.53%	LONDON	1.60%
LEARNING	0.44%	GLOBAL	1.46%
S	0.44%	J	1.44%
ENGINEERING	0.44%	CARE	1.44%
CENTRE	0.44%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
М	0.44%	IT	1.39%
DESIGN	0.44%	BUILDING	1.32%
GREEN	0.44%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
MEDIA	0.44%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
(GLOS)	0.35%	M	1.27%
EUROPE	0.35%	S	1.23%
ENERGY	0.35%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
SEVERN	0.35%	SYSTEMS	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	291	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	69	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	38	30,647
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	37	16,419
99999 - Dormant Company	36	18,918
9999 - Dormant Company	32	20,111
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	24	10,545
7414 - Business & management consultancy	24	13,053
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	17	5,928
7499 - Non-trading company	15	10,955
43210 - Electrical installation	14	3,085
62090 - Other information technology service activities	12	7,095
74990 - Non-trading company	12	8,481
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	11	3,790
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	11	7,143
49410 - Freight transport by road	11	2,142
41100 - Development of building projects	11	3,852
9305 - Other service activities	10	9,063
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	7,835
7260 - Other computer related activities	9	7,849