

Gloucestershire

2012 half year business confidence report



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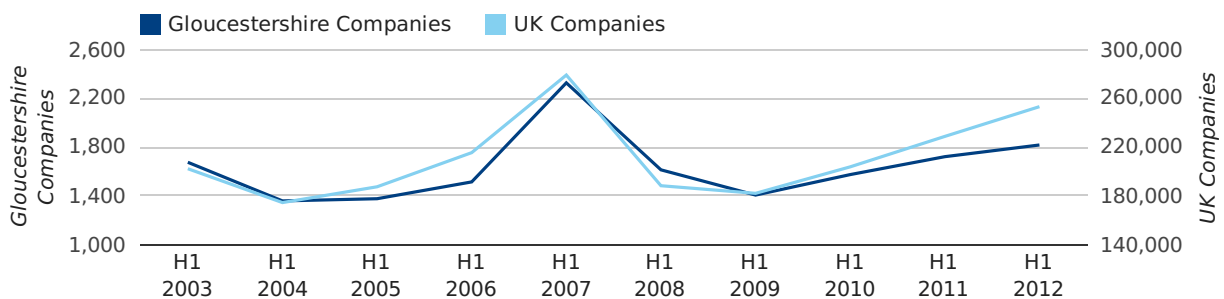
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 1,817 companies were formed in Gloucestershire. This figure is 5.6% higher than last year, which compares equally to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Gloucestershire occurred in 2007 when a total of 2,327 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	1,817	253,150
2011	1,721	228,735
% CHANGE	5.6%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (2,327)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



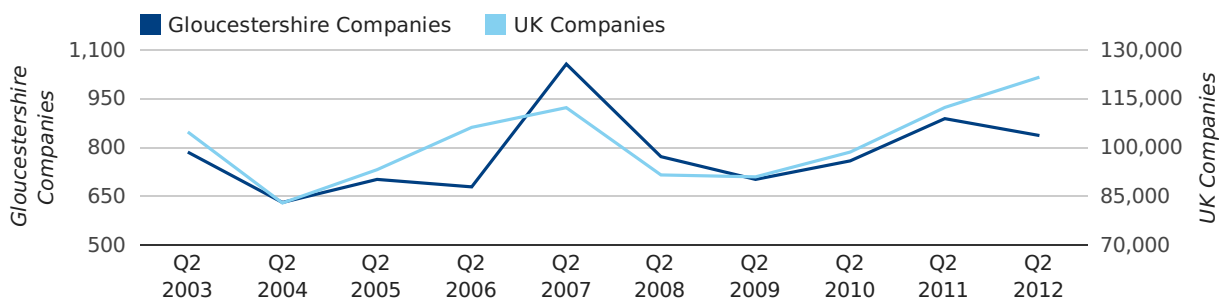
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 837 companies were registered in Gloucestershire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 5.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

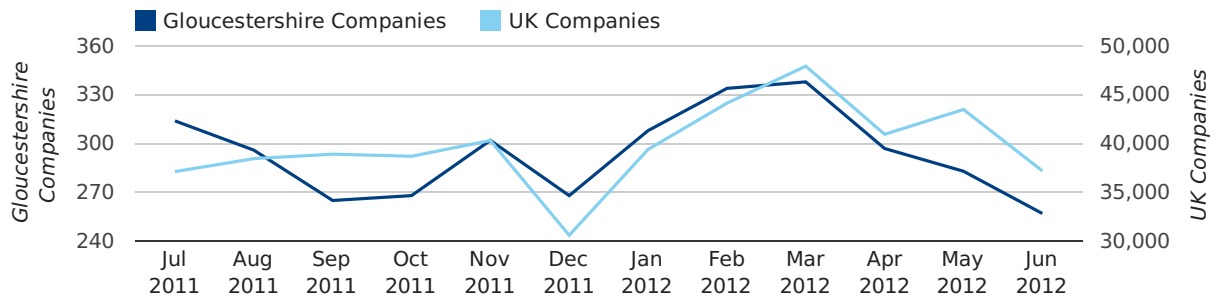
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	837	121,659
2011	889	112,344
% CHANGE	-5.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,057)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	297	283	257
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	306	279	304
% CHANGE	-2.9%	1.4%	-15.5%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (405)	2007 (344)	2007 (308)

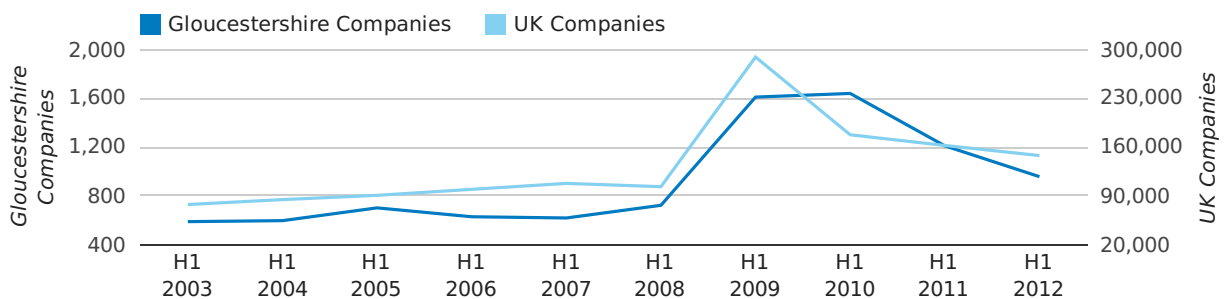
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 957 companies were dissolved in Gloucestershire. This figure is 20.9% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Gloucestershire occurred in 2010 when a total of 1,640 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	957	147,793
2011	1,210	162,310
% CHANGE	-20.9%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (1,640)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



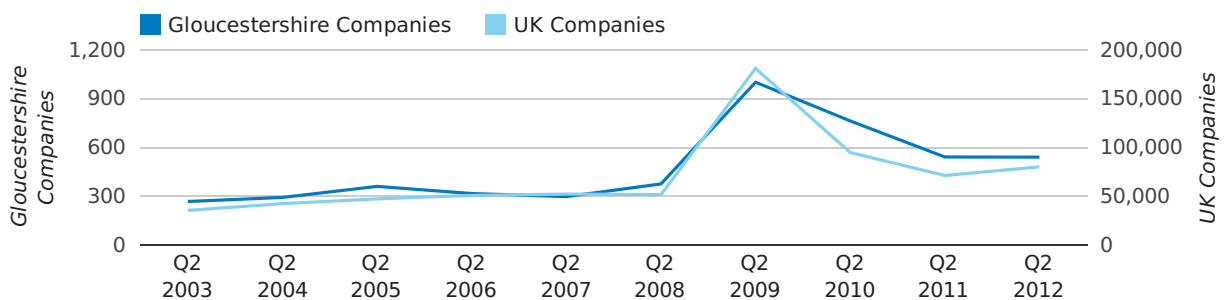
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 541 companies were dissolved in Gloucestershire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 0.2% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	541	80,217
2011	542	71,324
% CHANGE	-0.2%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,002)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



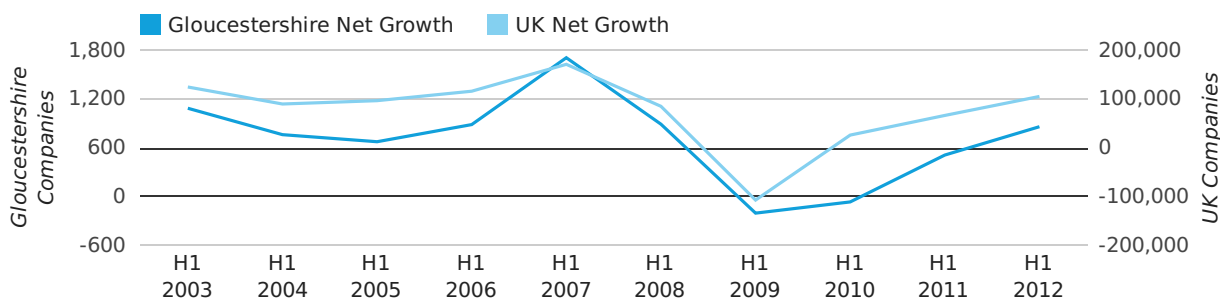
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	153	191	197
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	136	248	158
% CHANGE	12.5%	-23.0%	25%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (216)	2009 (450)	2009 (336)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Gloucestershire increased by 860 companies. This figure is 68.3% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	860	105,357
2011	511	66,425
% CHANGE	68.3%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,709)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



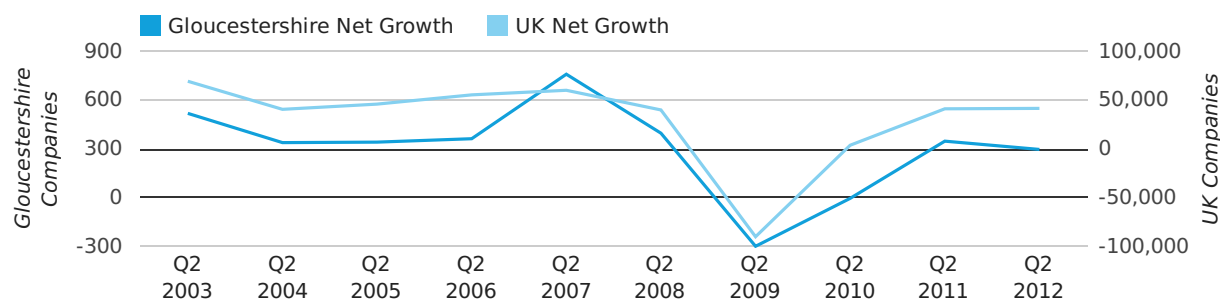
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Gloucestershire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 296 companies.

This represents a decrease of 14.7% on the same period last year.

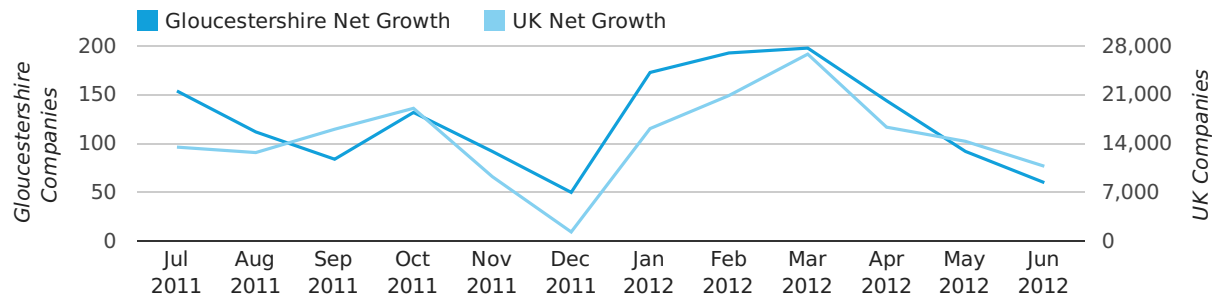
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	UK
2012	296	41,442
2011	347	41,020
% CHANGE	-14.7%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (759)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



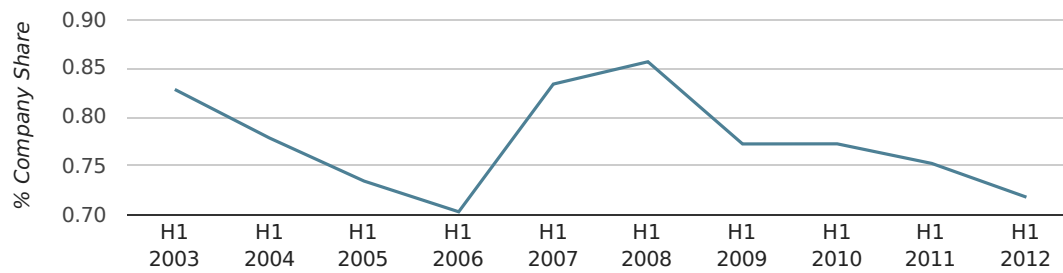
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	144	92	60
NET GROWTH IN 2011	170	31	146
% CHANGE	-15.3%	196.8%	-58.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (354)	2007 (221)	2007 (184)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Gloucestershire formed 0.7% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 0.8%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE
2012	0.7%
2011	0.8%
2010	0.8%
2009	0.8%
2008	0.9%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1967 (1.3%)

company share by half year

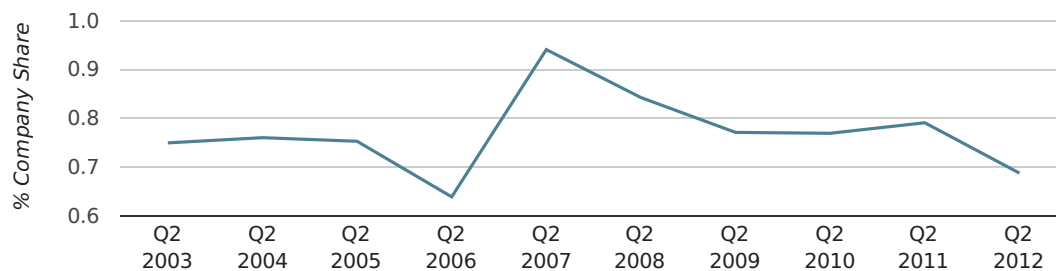


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Gloucestershire formed 0.7% of all UK companies.

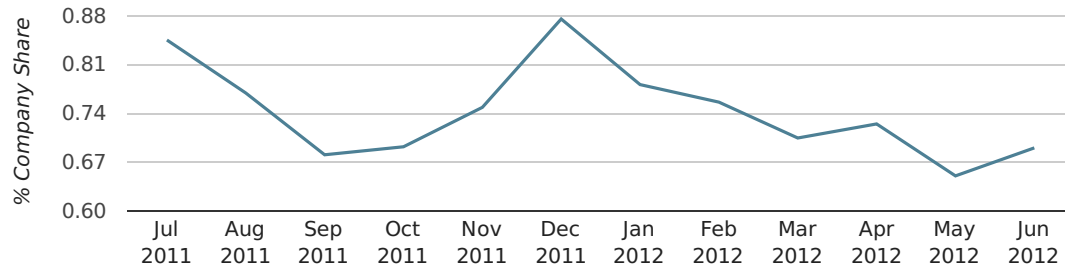
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	GLOUCESTERSHIRE
2012	0.7%
2011	0.8%
2010	0.8%
2009	0.8%
2008	0.8%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (1.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%
% CHANGE	-18.3%	-11.1%	-9.7%
RECORD YEAR	1965 (1.4%)	1969 (1.8%)	1972 (1.4%)

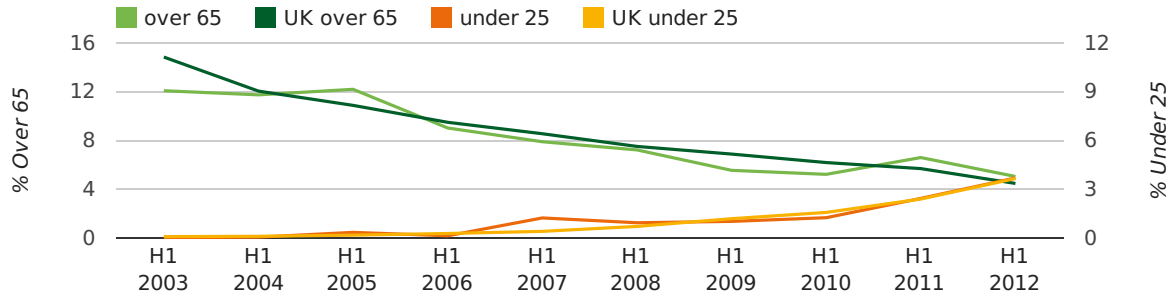
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 45.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



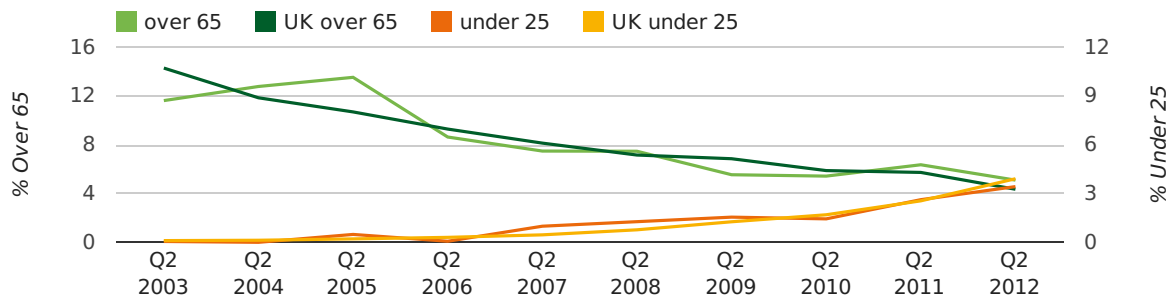
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 45.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

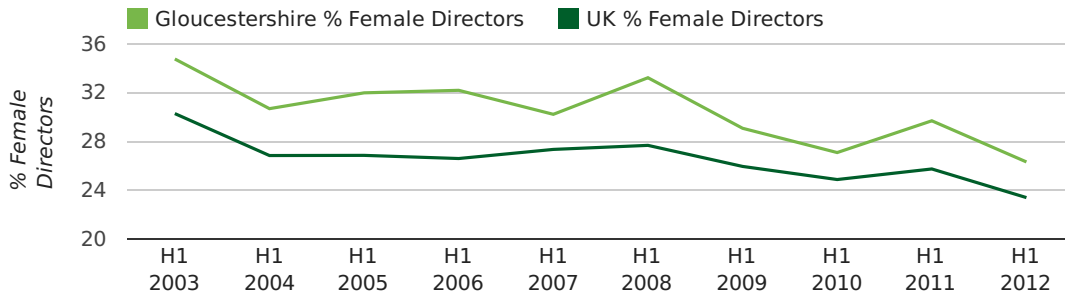


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

26.3% of all director appointments in Gloucestershire in the first half of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 23.4% for the same period.

director gender by half year



Previous 12 months (Jun 2011-Jun 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	2.22%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	2.01%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTING	1.99%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
COTSWOLD	0.98%	PROPERTY	2.35%
ASSOCIATES	0.87%	TRADING	2.10%
TRAINING	0.85%	DESIGN	1.89%
CHELTENHAM	0.83%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
J	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
BUSINESS	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
PROPERTY	0.67%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
BUILDING	0.63%	BUSINESS	1.70%
CONSTRUCTION	0.63%	MEDIA	1.69%
DESIGN	0.58%	LONDON	1.68%
SCHOOL	0.58%	J	1.57%
SECURITY	0.54%	GLOBAL	1.51%
CARE	0.51%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
M	0.51%	IT	1.42%
CENTRE	0.51%	CARE	1.31%
ENGINEERING	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ELECTRICAL	0.49%	M	1.26%
GLOUCESTER	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
MEDIA	0.49%	BUILDING	1.23%
MARKETING	0.49%	SECURITY	1.19%
R	0.47%	S	1.18%
C	0.47%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,406	244,457
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	346	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	281	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	248	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	178	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	165	15,280
7414 - Business & management consultancy	127	10,978
9999 - Dormant Company	107	16,469
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	94	10,271
74990 - Non-trading company	74	9,706
62090 - Other information technology service activities	67	8,258
62012 - Business and domestic software development	63	4,742
9305 - Other service activities	63	7,926
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	57	6,356
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	56	14,220
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	53	4,644
41100 - Development of building projects	50	5,149
7499 - Non-trading company	50	8,023
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	47	4,295
43210 - Electrical installation	45	3,557