

Grantham

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

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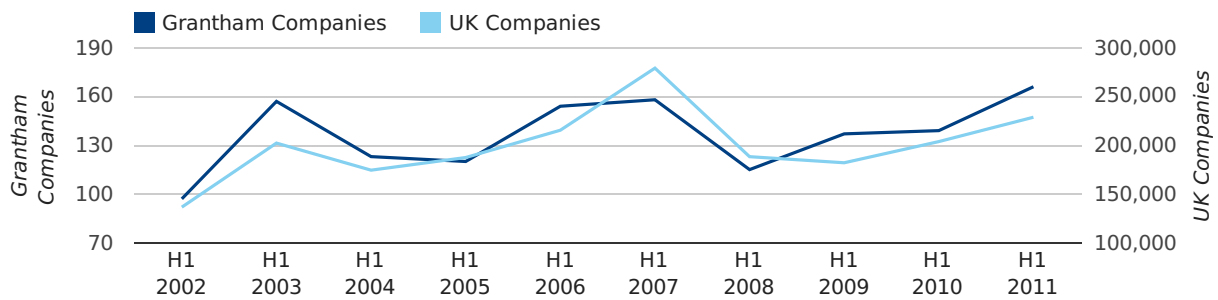
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Grantham when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 166 companies were formed in Grantham. This figure is 19.4% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Grantham occurred in 2011 when a total of 166 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	166	228,735
2010	139	203,749
% CHANGE	19.4%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (166)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



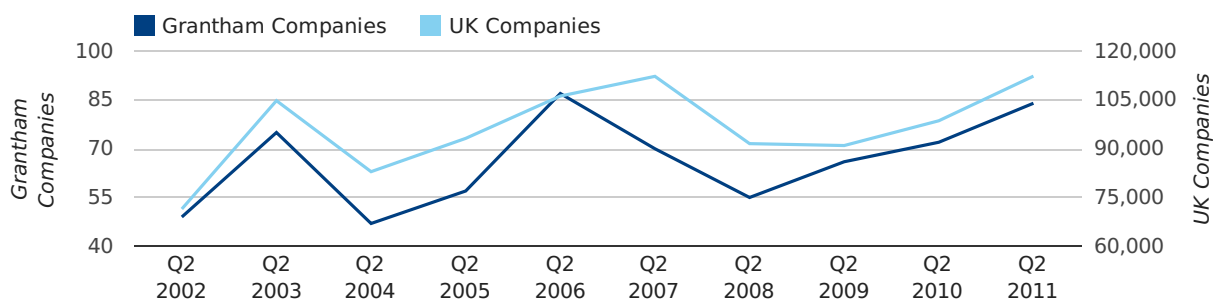
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 84 companies were registered in Grantham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 16.7% 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)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	84	112,344
2010	72	98,612
% CHANGE	16.7%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (87)	2011 (112,344)

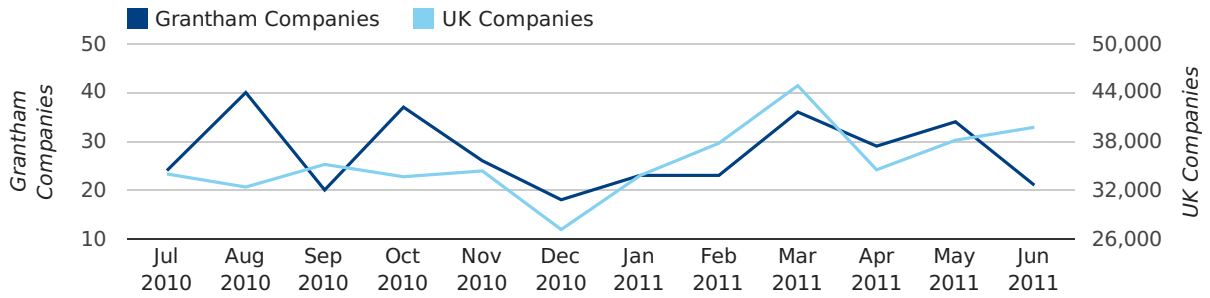
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	29	34	21
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	25	23	24
% CHANGE	16.0%	47.8%	-12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (29)	2006 (41)	2007 (28)

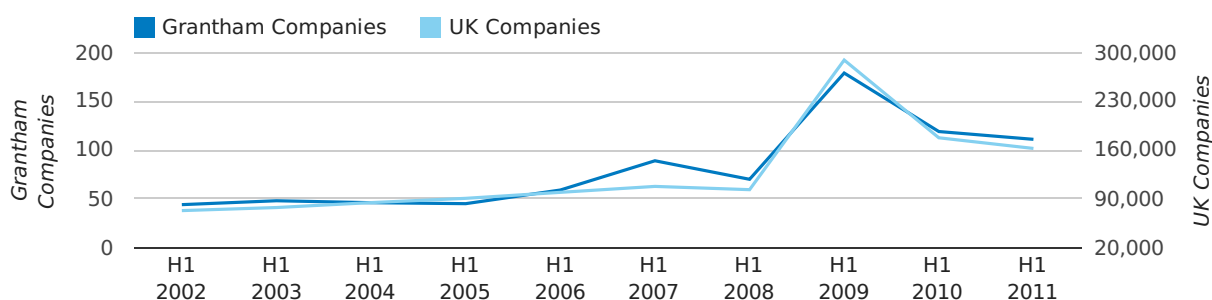
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 111 companies were dissolved in Grantham. This figure is 6.7% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Grantham occurred in 2009 when a total of 179 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	111	162,310
2010	119	177,631
% CHANGE	-6.7%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (179)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



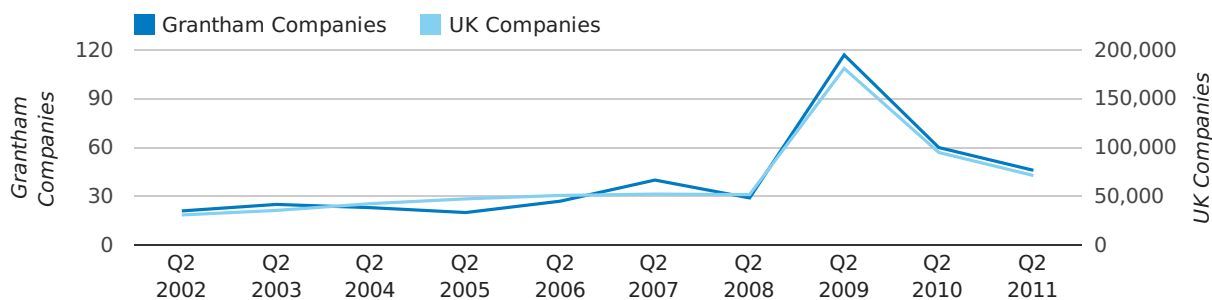
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 46 companies were dissolved in Grantham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 23.3% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

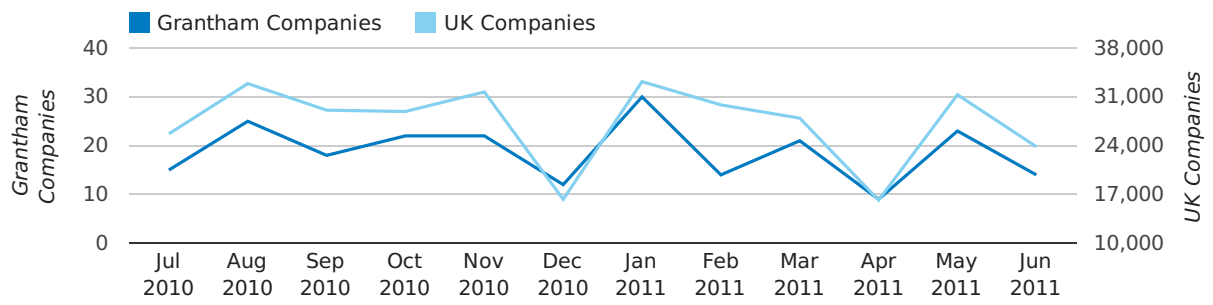
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	46	71,324
2010	60	94,954
% CHANGE	-23.3%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (117)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



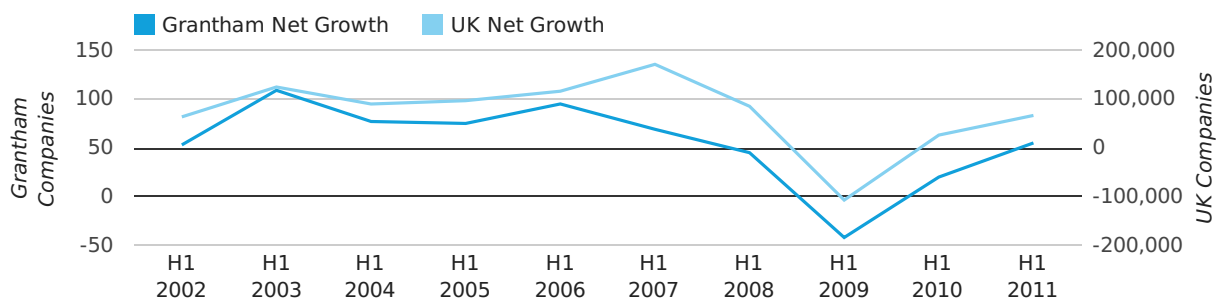
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	9	23	14
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	18	15	27
% CHANGE	-50.0%	53.3%	-48%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (26)	2009 (55)	2009 (36)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Grantham increased by 55 companies. This figure is 175.0% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	55	66,425
2010	20	26,118
% CHANGE	175.0%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (109)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



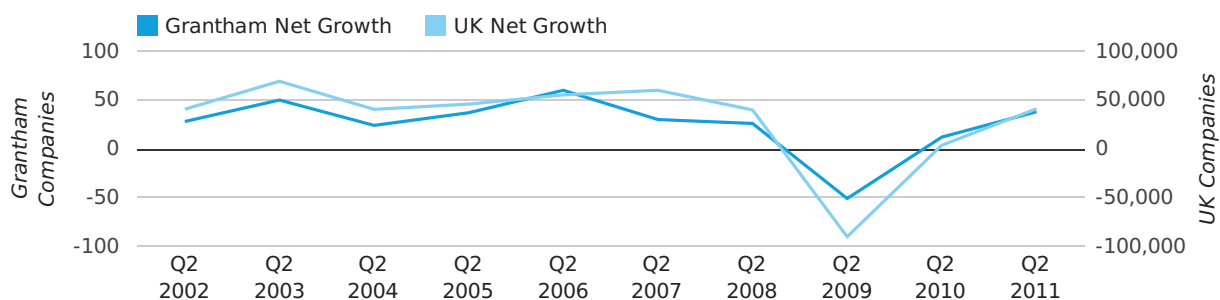
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Grantham during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 38 companies.

This represents an increase of 216.7% on the same period last year.

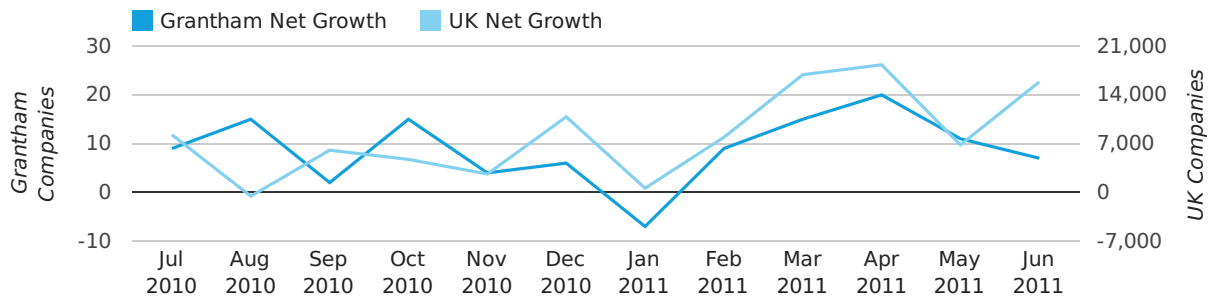
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GRANTHAM	UK
2011	38	41,020
2010	12	3,658
% CHANGE	216.7%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (60)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



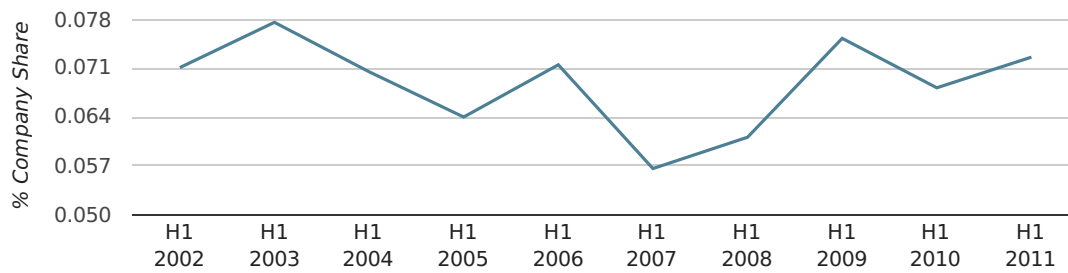
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	20	11	7
NET GROWTH IN 2010	7	8	-3
% CHANGE	185.7%	37.5%	-333.3%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (21)	2006 (30)	2007 (17)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRANTHAM
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 half year

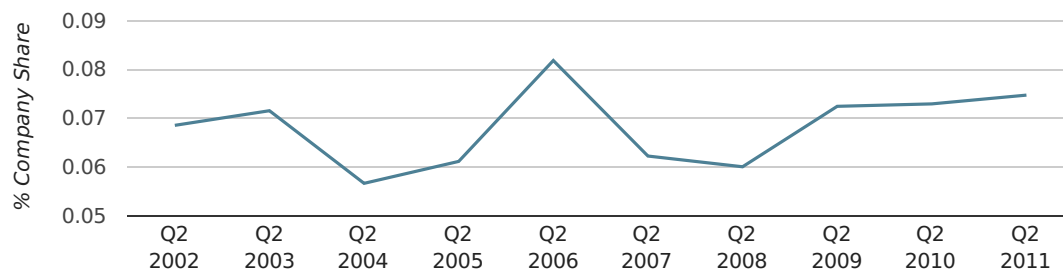


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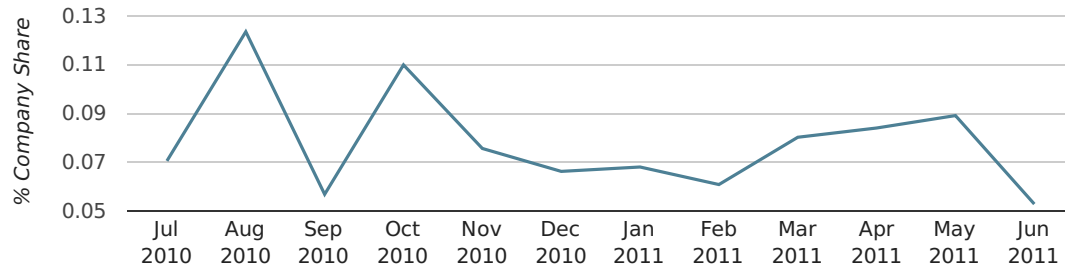
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GRANTHAM
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	12.3%	16.4%	-22.4%
RECORD YEAR	1973 (0.2%)	1971 (0.3%)	1970 (0.3%)

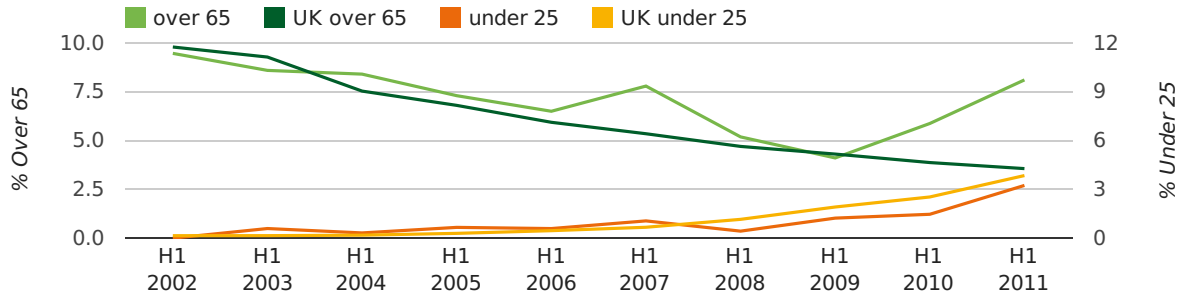
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 47.9.

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

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 8.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



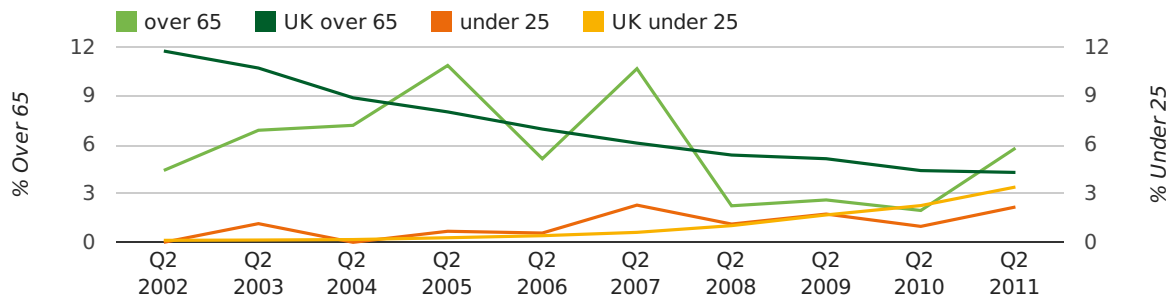
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 47.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

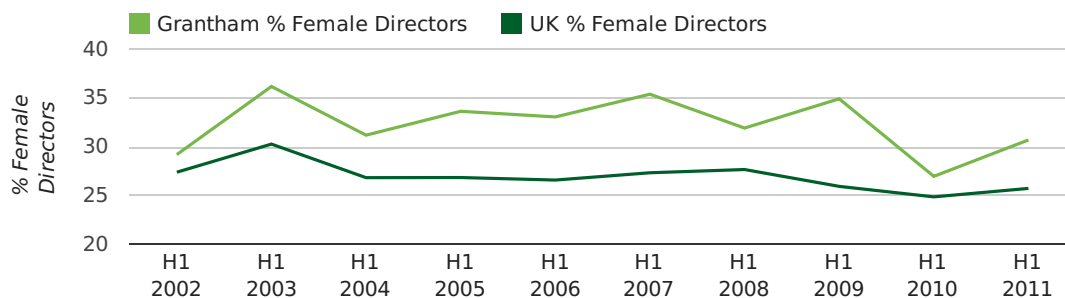


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

30.7% of all director appointments in Grantham 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

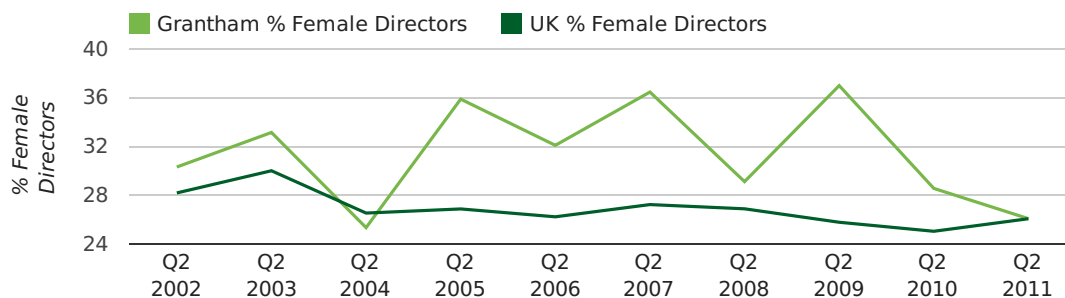


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

26.1% of all director appointments in Grantham 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



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
GRANTHAM	1.33%	CONSULTING	5.09%
INVESTMENTS	1.16%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CAPITAL	1.00%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
ASSOCIATES	1.00%	PROPERTY	2.43%
S	1.00%	TRADING	2.05%
R	1.00%	DESIGN	1.94%
PROPERTY	0.83%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
MANAGEMENT	0.83%	BUSINESS	1.87%
RSD	0.66%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
CONSULTANCY	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.66%	MEDIA	1.73%
STRATEGIC	0.66%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
STAMFORD	0.66%	LONDON	1.60%
TRAINING	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.46%
INTERIORS	0.50%	J	1.44%
INSTALLATIONS	0.50%	CARE	1.44%
BARROWBY	0.50%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
H	0.50%	IT	1.39%
J	0.50%	BUILDING	1.32%
HOUSE	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
(2011)	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
BUILDING	0.50%	M	1.27%
CONSTRUCTION	0.50%	S	1.23%
M	0.50%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
STORE	0.50%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	130	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	33	60,758
65120 - Non-life insurance	32	390
9999 - Dormant Company	19	20,111
99999 - Dormant Company	18	18,918
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	14	16,419
7499 - Non-trading company	12	10,955
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	13,053
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	11	30,647
41100 - Development of building projects	10	3,852
5530 - Restaurants	9	5,086
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	7	5,928
74990 - Non-trading company	6	8,481
86900 - Other human health activities	5	4,154
5540 - Bars	5	2,141
9305 - Other service activities	5	9,063
4533 - Plumbing	5	1,453
5111 - Agents agricultural & textile raw materials	4	176
56101 - Licensed restaurants	4	2,441
62012 - Business and domestic software development	4	3,262