

Grays

2011 half year business confidence report



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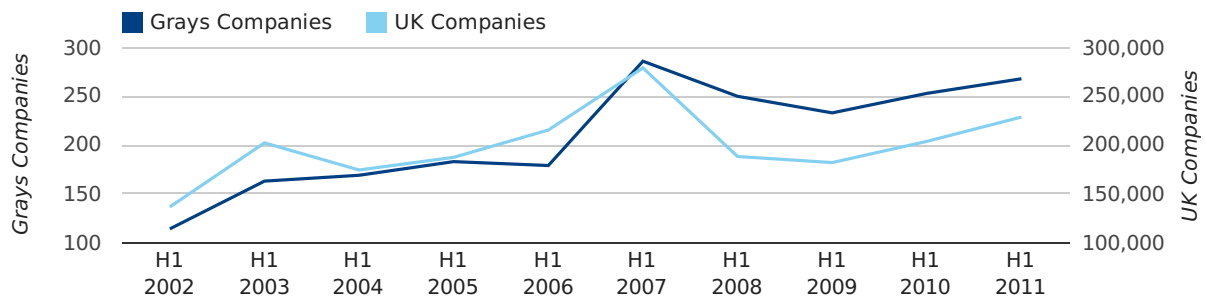
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 268 companies were formed in Grays. This figure is 5.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Grays occurred in 2007 when a total of 286 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRAYS	UK
2011	268	228,735
2010	253	203,749
% CHANGE	5.9%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (286)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



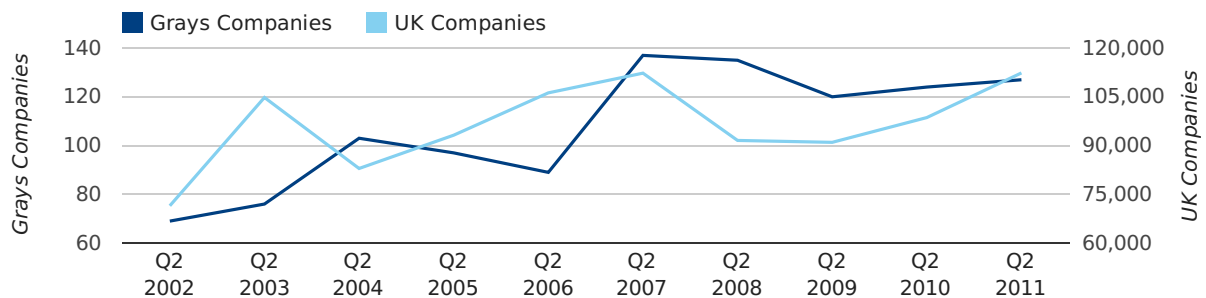
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 127 companies were registered in Grays during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 2.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares badly 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)	GRAYS	UK
2011	127	112,344
2010	124	98,612
% CHANGE	2.4%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (137)	2011 (112,344)

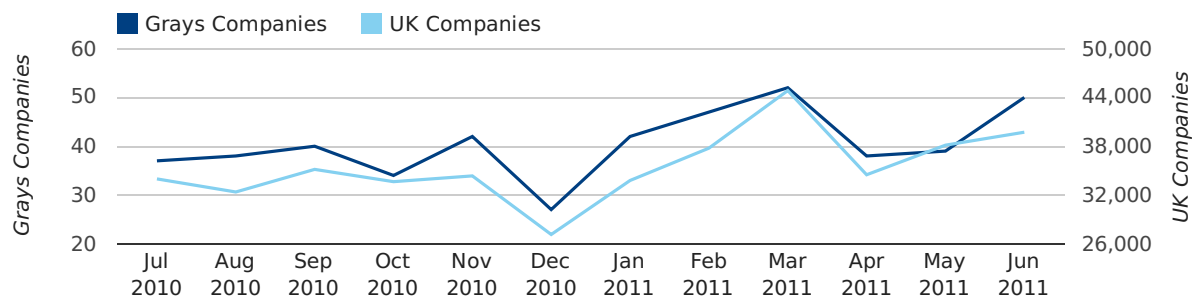
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	38	39	50
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	49	41	34
% CHANGE	-22.4%	-4.9%	47.1%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (51)	2007 (50)	2011 (50)

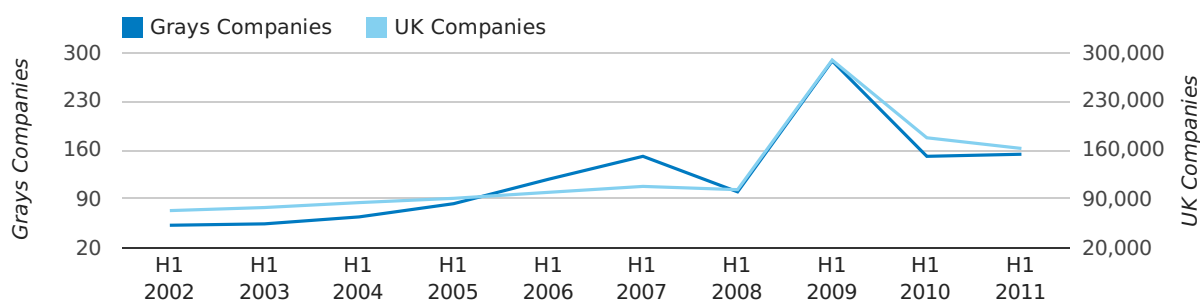
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 154 companies were dissolved in Grays. This figure is 2.0% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Grays occurred in 2009 when a total of 288 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRAYS	UK
2011	154	162,310
2010	151	177,631
% CHANGE	2.0%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (288)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



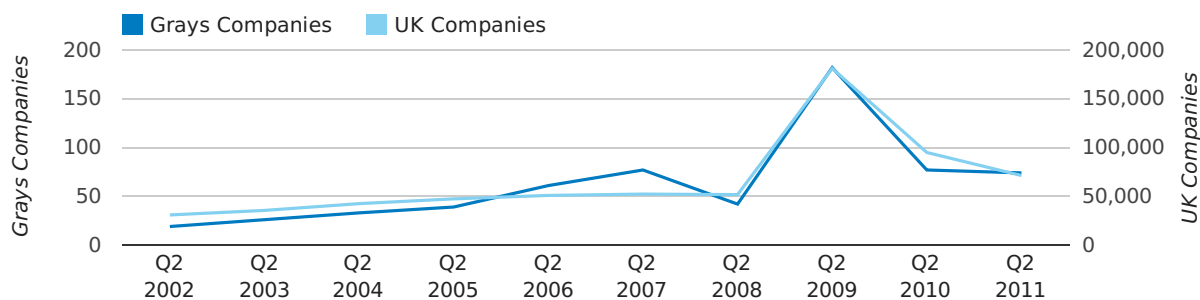
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 74 companies were dissolved in Grays during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 3.9% 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)	GRAYS	UK
2011	74	71,324
2010	77	94,954
% CHANGE	-3.9%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (182)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



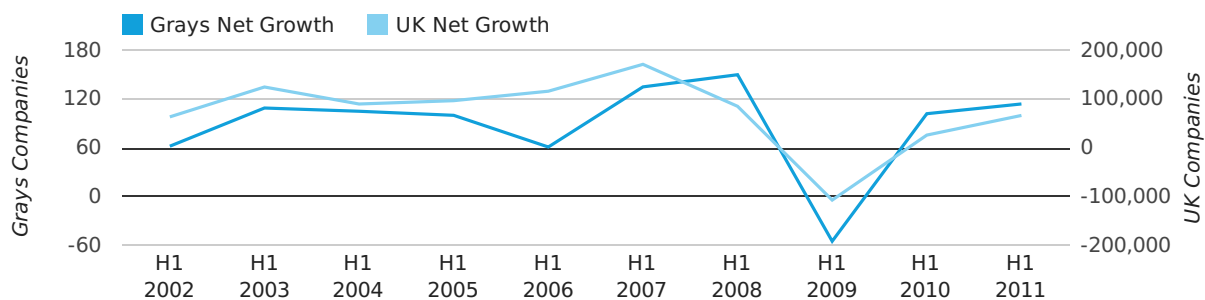
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	10	32	32
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	20	31	26
% CHANGE	-50.0%	3.2%	23%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (49)	2009 (79)	2009 (54)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Grays increased by 114 companies. This figure is 11.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRAYS	UK
2011	114	66,425
2010	102	26,118
% CHANGE	11.8%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (150)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



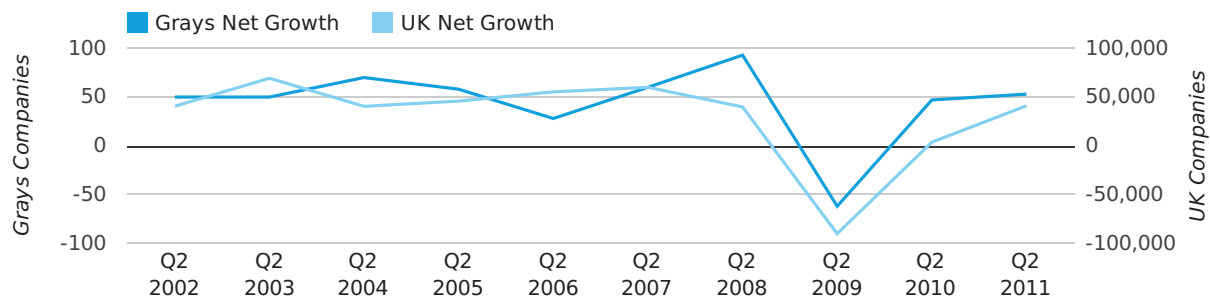
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Grays during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 53 companies.

This represents an increase of 12.8% on the same period last year.

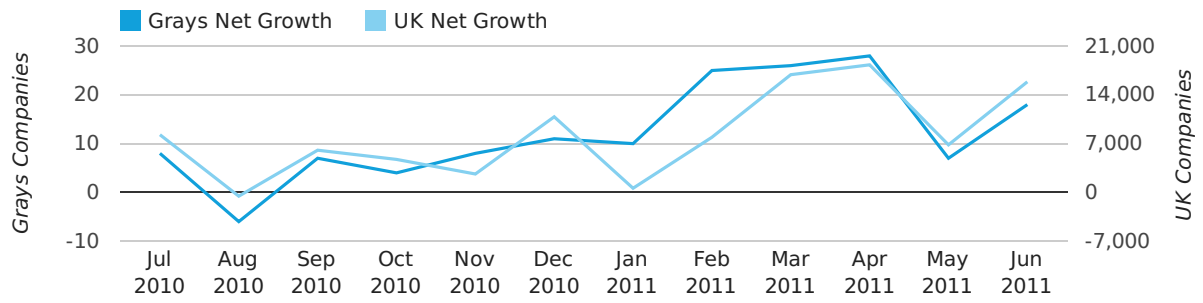
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GRAYS	UK
2011	53	41,020
2010	47	3,658
% CHANGE	12.8%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (93)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



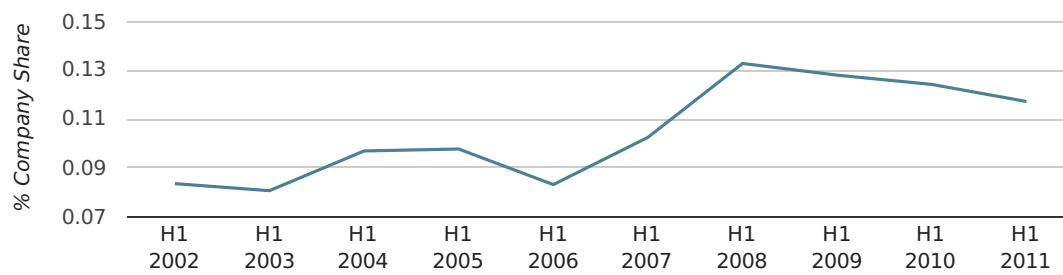
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	28	7	18
NET GROWTH IN 2010	29	10	8
% CHANGE	-3.4%	-30.0%	125.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (32)	2006 (32)	2008 (34)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	GRAYS
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1976 (0.1%)

company share by half year

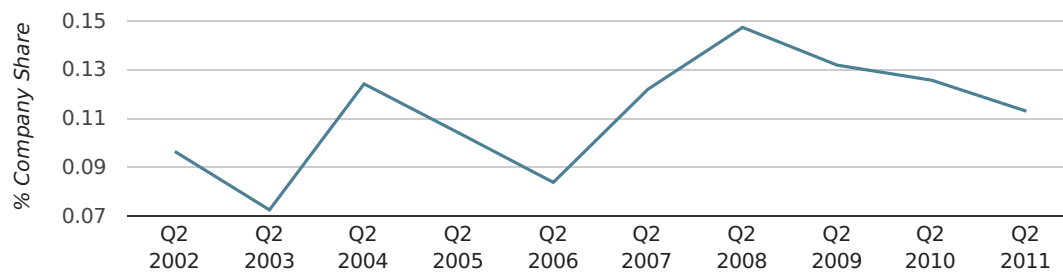


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

In the second quarter of 2011, Grays formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

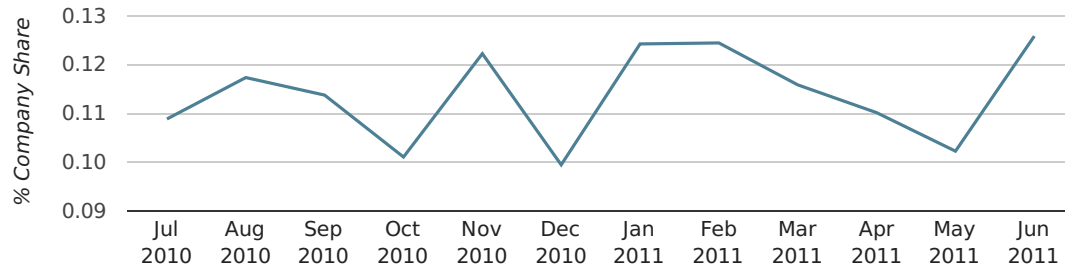
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	GRAYS
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2008 (0.1%)

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	-24.9%	-25.1%	30.3%
RECORD YEAR	1961 (0.3%)	1968 (0.2%)	1982 (0.2%)

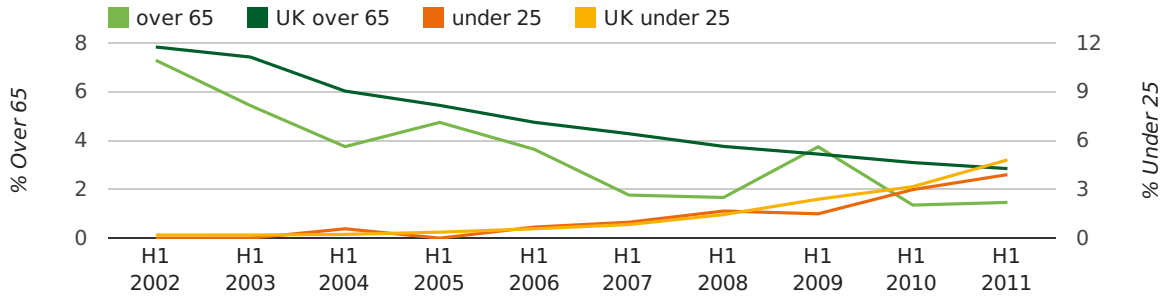
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 40.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



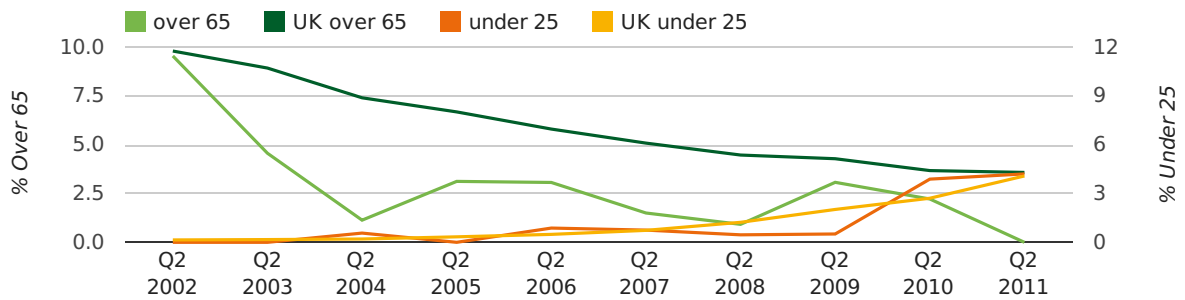
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 39.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 0.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

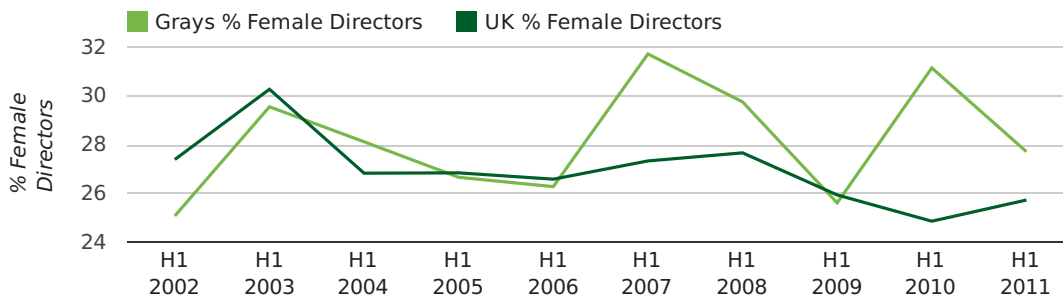


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

27.7% of all director appointments in Grays 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

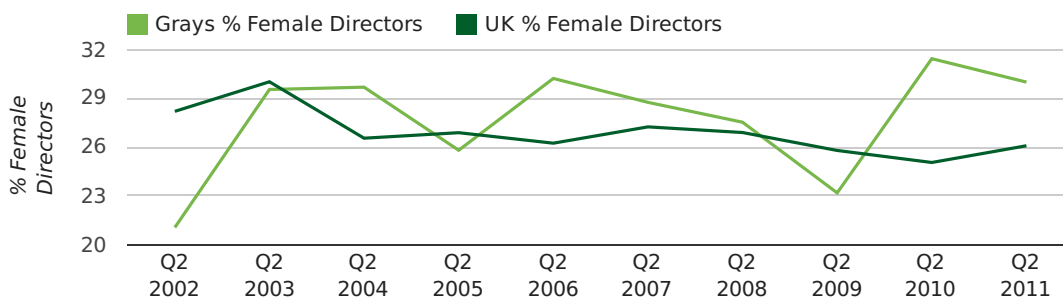


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

30.0% of all director appointments in Grays 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
CONSULTING	1.72%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTANCY	1.60%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
MANAGEMENT	1.23%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
GLOBAL	0.86%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CARE	0.86%	TRADING	2.05%
S	0.86%	DESIGN	1.94%
TRADING	0.86%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
CLEANING	0.74%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CONSULTANTS	0.74%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
R	0.74%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
DESIGN	0.74%	MEDIA	1.73%
M	0.61%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
P	0.61%	LONDON	1.60%
TRANSPORT	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.46%
INTERIORS	0.61%	J	1.44%
CONSTRUCTION	0.61%	CARE	1.44%
MAINTENANCE	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
COMMUNITY	0.49%	IT	1.39%
ENTERPRISES	0.49%	BUILDING	1.32%
L	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
CHAFFORD	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
PROPERTY	0.49%	M	1.27%
J	0.49%	S	1.23%
MEDICAL	0.49%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
MEDIA	0.49%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	264	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	66	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	37	30,647
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	7,835
9305 - Other service activities	19	9,063
9999 - Dormant Company	19	20,111
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	18	16,419
7414 - Business & management consultancy	17	13,053
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	16	10,322
74990 - Non-trading company	14	8,481
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	13	10,545
7260 - Other computer related activities	13	7,849
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	11	7,143
6024 - Freight transport by road	10	2,316
8532 - Social work without accommodation	10	1,175
86101 - Hospital activities	9	1,077
99999 - Dormant Company	9	18,918
7499 - Non-trading company	9	10,955
43210 - Electrical installation	8	3,085
5020 - Maintenance & repair of motors	8	1,432