Halesowen

2012 half year business confidence report



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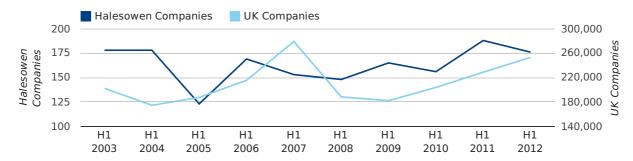
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In the first half of 2012 a total of 176 companies were formed in Halesowen. This figure is 6.4% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Halesowen occurred in 2011 when a total of 188 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	176	253,150
2011	188	228,735
% CHANGE	-6.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (188)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



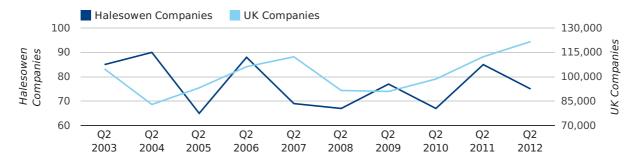
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 75 companies were registered in Halesowen during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

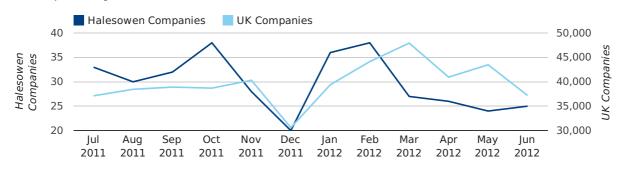
This figure is a decrease of 11.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	75	121,659
2011	85	112,344
% CHANGE	-11.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (90)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



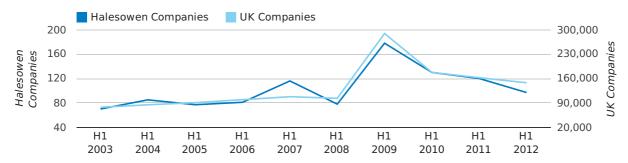
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	26	24	25
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	26	28	31
% CHANGE	0.0%	-14.3%	-19.4%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (48)	2002 (39)	2011 (31)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 97 companies were dissolved in Halesowen. This figure is 19.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Halesowen occurred in 2009 when a total of 178 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	97	147,793
2011	120	162,310
% CHANGE	-19.2%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (178)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



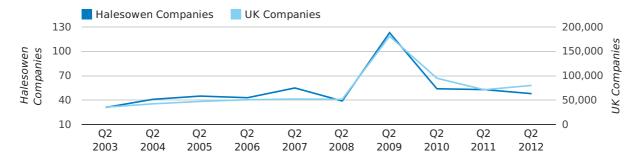
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 48 companies were dissolved in Halesowen during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

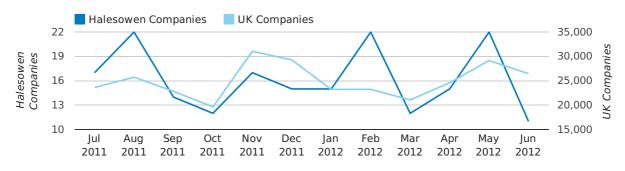
This figure is a decrease of 9.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	48	80,217
2011	53	71,324
% CHANGE	-9.4%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (123)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

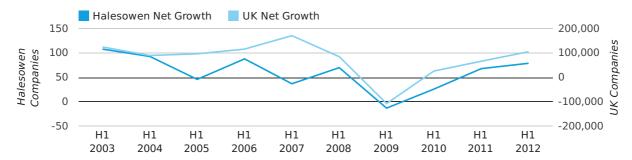


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	15	22	11
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	11	25	17
% CHANGE	36.4%	-12.0%	-35%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (41)	2009 (46)	1997 (37)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Halesowen increased by 79 companies. This figure is 16.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	79	105,357
2011	68	66,425
% CHANGE	16.2%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	1995 (119)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



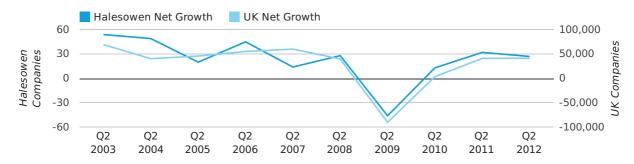
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Halesowen during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 27 companies.

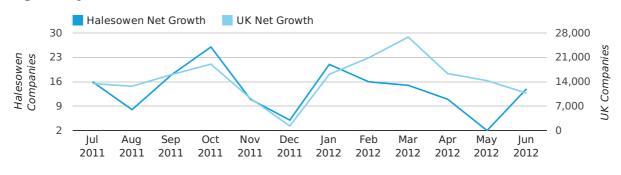
This represents a decrease of 15.6% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HALESOWEN	UK
2012	27	41,442
2011	32	41,020
% CHANGE	-15.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	1995 (67)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

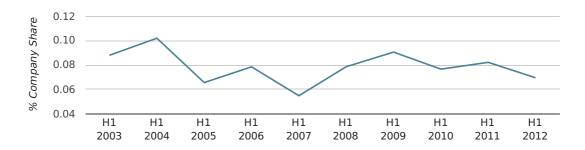


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	11	2	14
NET GROWTH IN 2011	15	3	14
% CHANGE	-26.7%	-33.3%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (41)	2002 (28)	1995 (21)

In the first half of 2012 Halesowen formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HALESOWEN
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.3%)

company share by half year

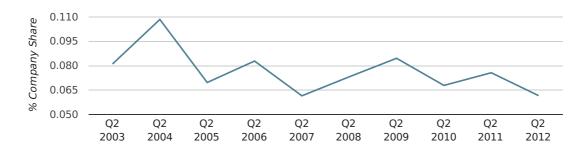


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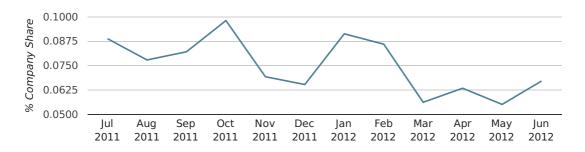
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RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



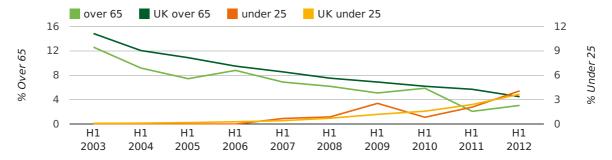
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-15.8%	-24.8%	-13.8%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.5%)	1965 (0.5%)	1972 (0.6%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 44.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



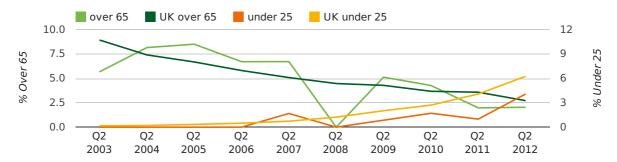
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 44.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

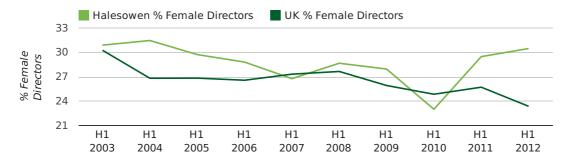
director age by quarter



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

30.5% of all director appointments in Halesowen 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

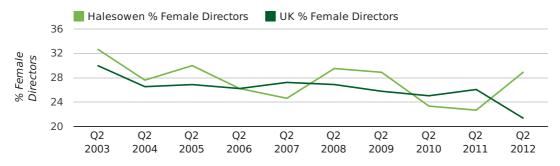


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

29.0% of all director appointments in Halesowen in the second quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 21.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



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
GEAR	1.21%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.21%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTING	1.06%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
HALESOWEN	0.91%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CREATIVE	0.76%	TRADING	2.10%
(MIDLANDS)	0.76%	DESIGN	1.89%
HEALTHCARE	0.76%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANCY	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
HOUSE	0.76%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
IT	0.76%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
SOLID	0.60%	BUSINESS	1.70%
CARE	0.60%	MEDIA	1.69%
WALL	0.60%	LONDON	1.68%
INTERIORS	0.60%	J	1.57%
TRADING	0.60%	GLOBAL	1.51%
DISTRIBUTION	0.60%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
PROPERTIES	0.60%	IT	1.42%
PROPERTY	0.60%	CARE	1.31%
CONSULTANTS	0.60%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
BUILDING	0.60%	M	1.26%
М	0.60%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
DESIGN	0.45%	BUILDING	1.23%
В	0.45%	SECURITY	1.19%
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SUPPLIES	0.45%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	154	244,457
99999 - Dormant Company	35	26,088
9999 - Dormant Company	28	16,469
7487 - Other business activities	15	47,029
86210 - General medical practice activities	11	2,657
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	11	20,390
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	9	2,880
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	8	35,447
7020 - Letting of own property	8	1,458
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	7	2,716
38210 - Treatment and disposal of non-hazardous waste	7	196
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	7	15,280
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	7	10,271
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	6	4,295
62090 - Other information technology service activities	6	8,258
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	6	4,535
7499 - Non-trading company	6	8,023
7260 - Other computer related activities	6	6,456
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	5	14,220
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	5	2,921