Hampshire

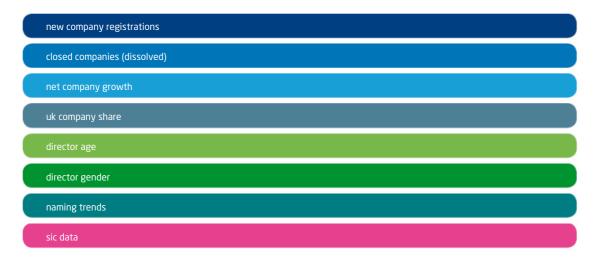
2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Hampshire when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Hampshire when compared to any previous May.

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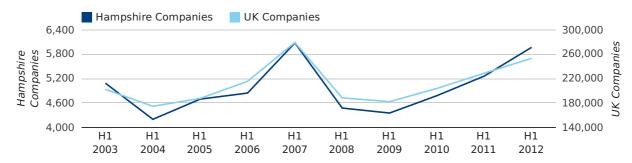


In the first half of 2012 a total of 5,968 companies were formed in Hampshire. This figure is 13.5% higher than last year, which compares equally to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Hampshire occurred in 2007 when a total of 6,077 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	5,968	253,150
2011	5,260	228,735
% CHANGE	13.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (6,077)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

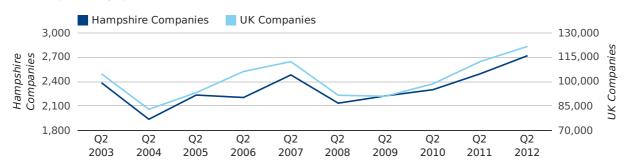
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Hampshire when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 2,719 companies were registered in Hampshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 8.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

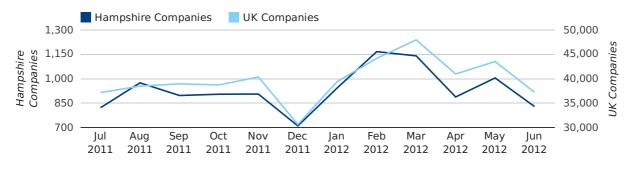
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	2,719	121,659
2011	2,496	112,344
% CHANGE	8.9%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (2,719)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Hampshire when compared to any previous May.

new companies by month



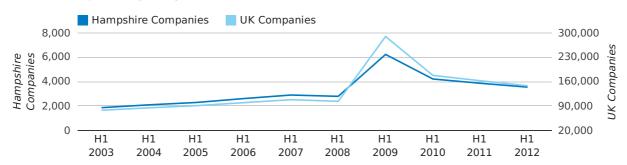
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	887	1,004	828
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	767	847	882
% CHANGE	15.6%	18.5%	-6.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (898)	2012 (1,004)	2011 (882)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 3,540 companies were dissolved in Hampshire. This figure is 8.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Hampshire occurred in 2009 when a total of 6,224 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	3,540	147,793
2011	3,858	162,310
% CHANGE	-8.2%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (6,224)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



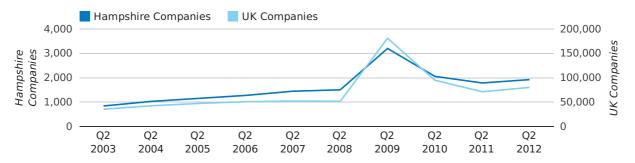
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 1,925 companies were dissolved in Hampshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

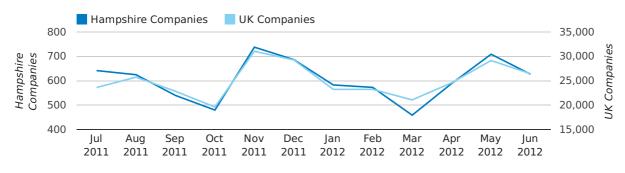
This figure is an increase of 7.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	1,925	80,217
2011	1,787	71,324
% CHANGE	7.7%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (3,202)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

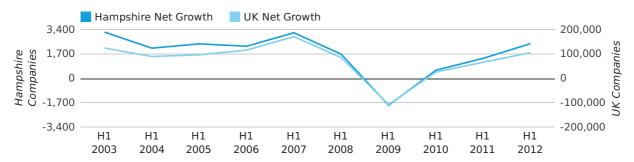


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	589	709	627
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	408	792	587
% CHANGE	44.4%	-10.5%	7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (922)	2009 (1,460)	2009 (939)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Hampshire increased by 2,428 companies. This figure is 73.2% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	2,428	105,357
2011	1,402	66,425
% CHANGE	73.2%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (3,229)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



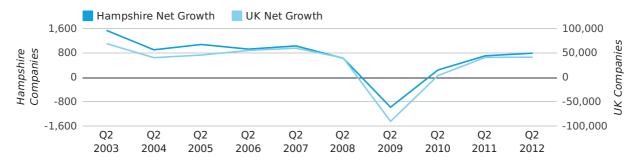
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Hampshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 794 companies.

This represents an increase of 12.0% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HAMPSHIRE	UK
2012	794	41,442
2011	709	41,020
% CHANGE	12.0%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (1,543)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

% CHANGE

RECORD YEAR



-17.0%

2000 (586)

436.4%

2003 (528)

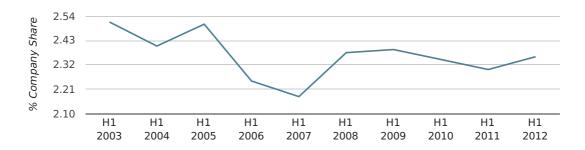
-31.9%

2008 (582)

In the first half of 2012 Hampshire formed 2.4% of all UK companies. This is more than the 2011 figure of 2.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HAMPSHIRE
2012	2.4%
2011	2.3%
2010	2.3%
2009	2.4%
2008	2.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1999 (3.1%)

company share by half year

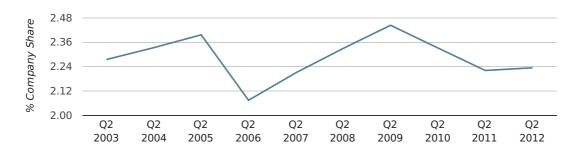


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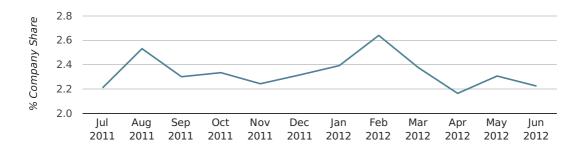
In the second quarter of 2012, Hampshire formed 2.2% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HAMPSHIRE
2012	2.2%
2011	2.2%
2010	2.3%
2009	2.4%
2008	2.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (3.2%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



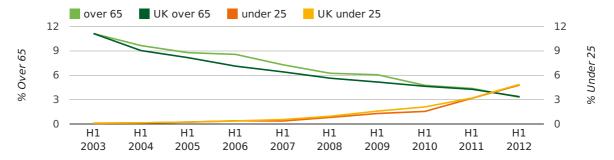
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	2.2%	2.3%	2.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%
% CHANGE	-2.6%	3.9%	0.2%
RECORD YEAR	1970 (3.6%)	1964 (4.2%)	1968 (4.5%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



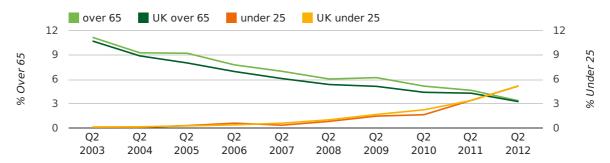
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The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 43.4.

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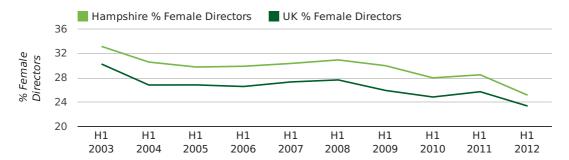
director age by quarter



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

25.2% of all director appointments in Hampshire 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
CONSULTING	4.22%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.22%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	2.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
PROPERTY	1.24%	PROPERTY	2.35%
ENGINEERING	1.16%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANTS	1.04%	DESIGN	1.89%
ASSOCIATES	1.03%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
DESIGN	1.00%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSTRUCTION	0.95%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
IT	0.91%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
J	0.82%	BUSINESS	1.70%
BUILDING	0.81%	MEDIA	1.69%
HAMPSHIRE	0.75%	LONDON	1.68%
BUSINESS	0.72%	J	1.57%
ELECTRICAL	0.71%	GLOBAL	1.51%
SOUTHERN	0.70%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
S	0.68%	IT	1.42%
CARE	0.65%	CARE	1.31%
TRADING	0.62%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
TRAINING	0.62%	М	1.26%
SYSTEMS	0.60%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.60%	BUILDING	1.23%
MEDIA	0.56%	SECURITY	1.19%
М	0.54%	S	1.18%
D	0.51%	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	4,409	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	1,018	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	653	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	605	20,390
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	517	15,280
99999 - Dormant Company	460	26,088
9999 - Dormant Company	337	16,469
7414 - Business & management consultancy	330	10,978
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	312	10,271
62090 - Other information technology service activities	299	8,258
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	283	14,220
74990 - Non-trading company	235	9,706
7260 - Other computer related activities	233	6,456
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	205	6,356
7499 - Non-trading company	178	8,023
9305 - Other service activities	155	7,926
43210 - Electrical installation	142	3,557
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	140	3,233
86900 - Other human health activities	139	5,222
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	136	4,091