

Harrogate

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

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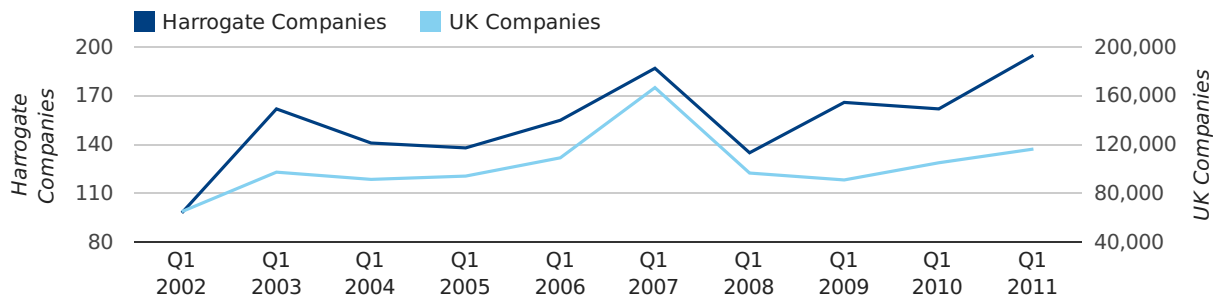
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 195 companies were registered in Harrogate during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 20.4% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	195	116,391
2010	162	105,137
% CHANGE	20.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (195)	2007 (166,814)

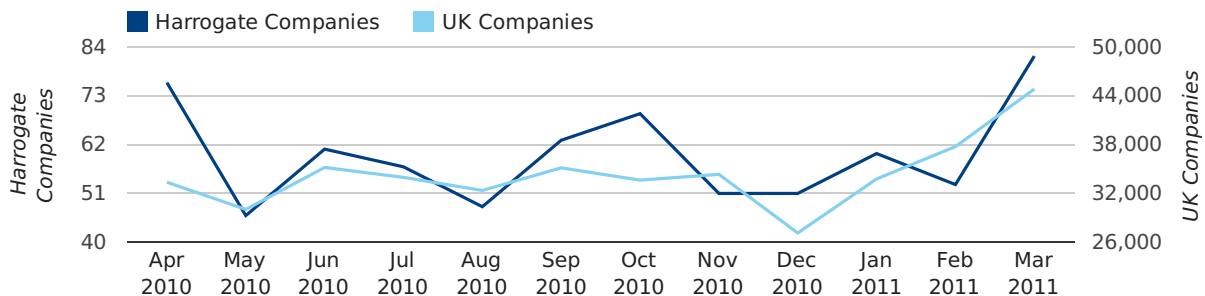
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous January.

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	60	53	82
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	33	61	68
% CHANGE	81.8%	-13.1%	20.6%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (60)	2010 (61)	2007 (87)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

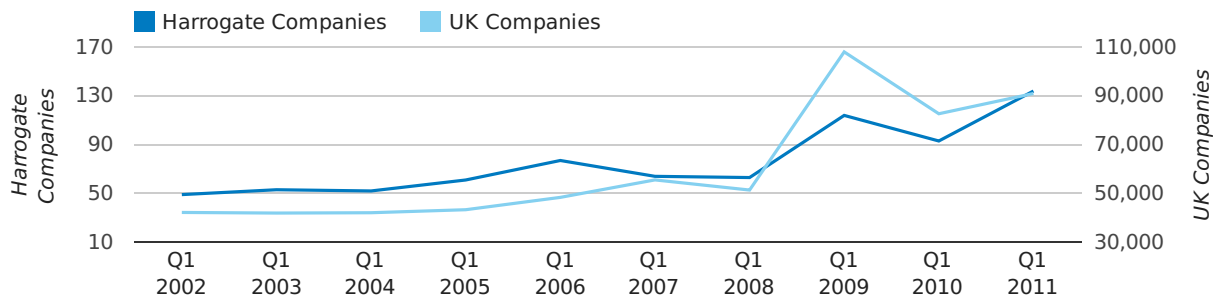
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 134 companies were dissolved in Harrogate during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 44.1% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	134	90,986
2010	93	82,677
% CHANGE	44.1%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (134)	2009 (108,060)

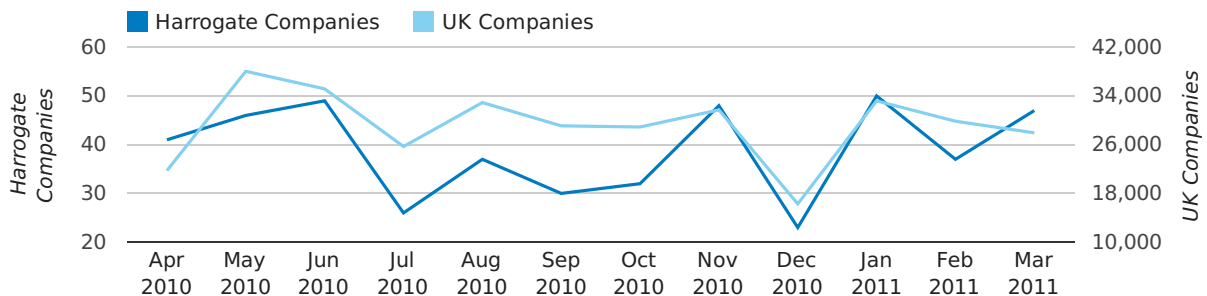
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Harrogate when compared to any previous January.

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	50	37	47
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	21	32	40
% CHANGE	138.1%	15.6%	18%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (50)	2008 (41)	2009 (68)

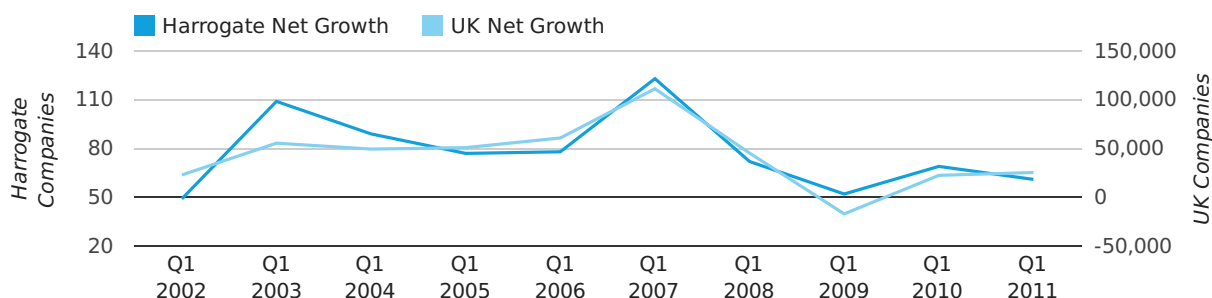
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Harrogate during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 61 companies.

This represents a decrease of 11.6% on the same period last year.

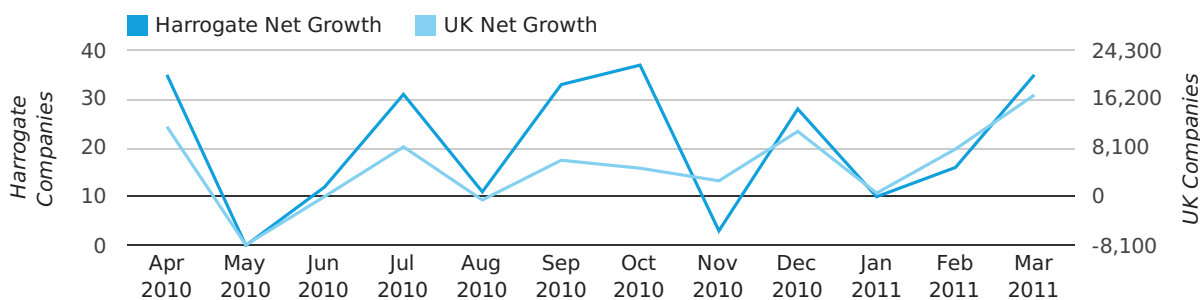
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	61	25,405
2010	69	22,460
% CHANGE	-11.6%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (123)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



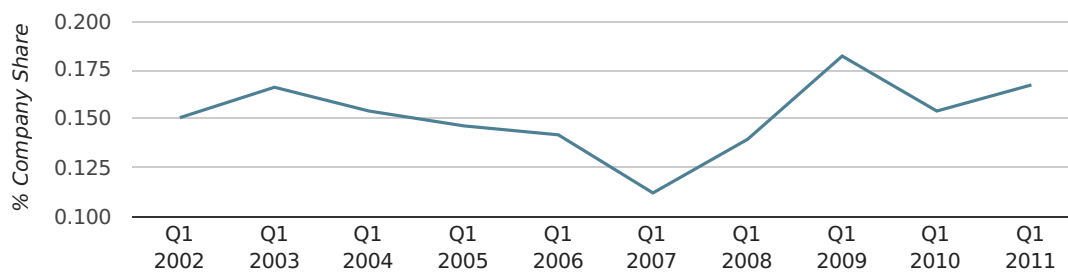
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	10	16	35
NET GROWTH IN 2010	12	29	28
% CHANGE	-16.7%	-44.8%	25.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (34)	2003 (44)	2007 (72)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Harrogate formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

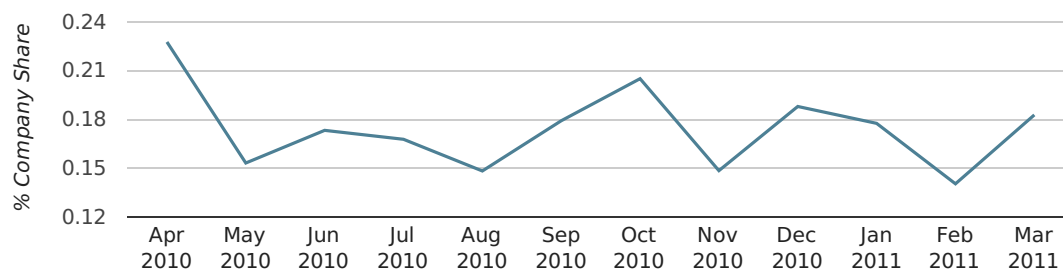
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	HARROGATE
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	56.9%	-23.6%	15.0%
RECORD YEAR	1964 (0.6%)	1968 (0.3%)	1974 (0.7%)

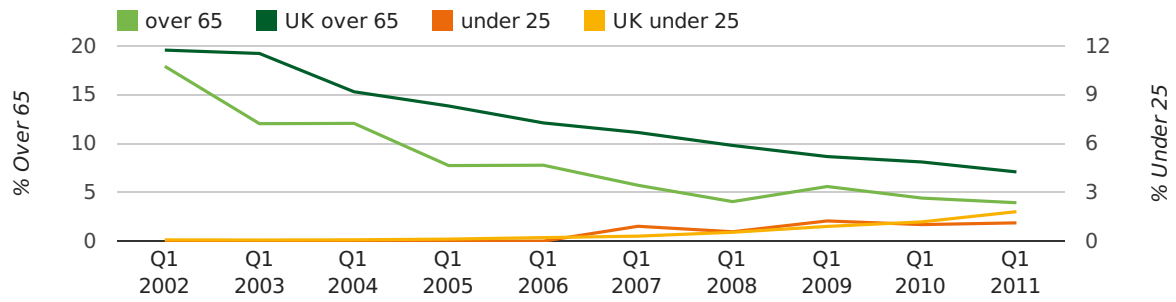
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 46.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

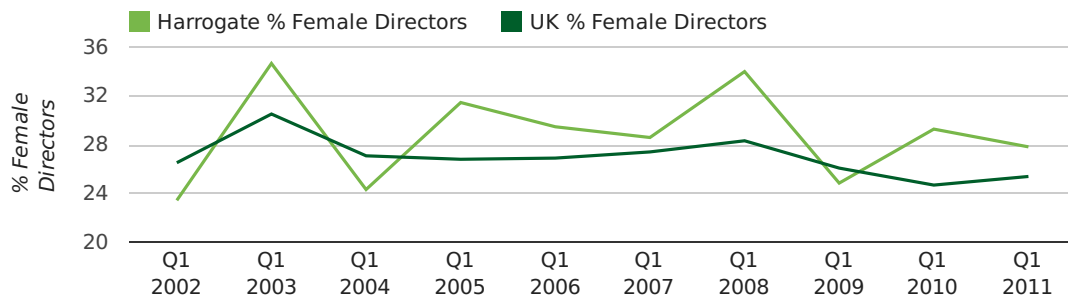


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The record first quarter for female directors in Harrogate was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

27.8% of all director appointments in Harrogate in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
HARROGATE	2.63%	CONSULTING	5.04%
CONSULTING	1.70%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
MANAGEMENT	1.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
ASSOCIATES	1.02%	PROPERTY	2.38%
(HARROGATE)	1.02%	TRADING	2.10%
BUSINESS	0.93%	DESIGN	1.93%
CONSULTANCY	0.85%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
INVESTMENTS	0.85%	BUSINESS	1.87%
R	0.76%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
ONE	0.76%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
D	0.76%	MEDIA	1.69%
J	0.68%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
HOUSE	0.68%	LONDON	1.60%
HAREWOOD	0.68%	CARE	1.45%
MARKETING	0.59%	J	1.45%
YORKSHIRE	0.59%	GLOBAL	1.44%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
M	0.51%	IT	1.41%
SPV	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
4	0.51%	BUILDING	1.34%
PROPERTY	0.51%	M	1.30%
CONSULTANTS	0.51%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
IT	0.51%	S	1.24%
PRODUCTS	0.42%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
CARE	0.42%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	213	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	74	60,968
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	47	16,150
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	40	30,253
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	31	7,788
7414 - Business & management consultancy	30	12,916
99999 - Dormant Company	27	18,336
74990 - Non-trading company	25	8,695
9999 - Dormant Company	24	19,765
7499 - Non-trading company	20	11,316
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	15	7,000
7260 - Other computer related activities	15	7,789
9305 - Other service activities	12	8,740
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	12	10,246
98000 - Residents property management	11	3,154
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	11	3,220
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	10	10,085
7450 - Labour recruitment	10	2,475
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	9	2,247
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	9	6,183