

Harrogate

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 Harrogate when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q2.
- Q2 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any quarter in history.
- June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous June.
- April 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous April.
- April 2011 was a record month for company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any month in history.
- Q2 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q2.
- June 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous June.
- April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous April.

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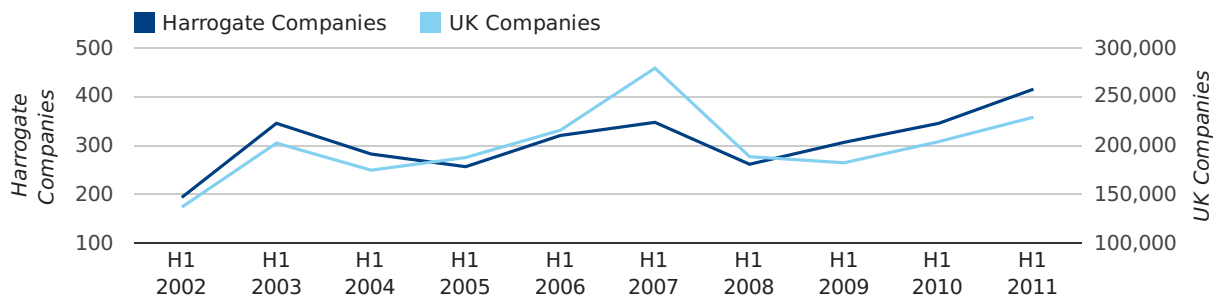
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 415 companies were formed in Harrogate. This figure is 20.3% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Harrogate occurred in 2011 when a total of 415 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	415	228,735
2010	345	203,749
% CHANGE	20.3%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (415)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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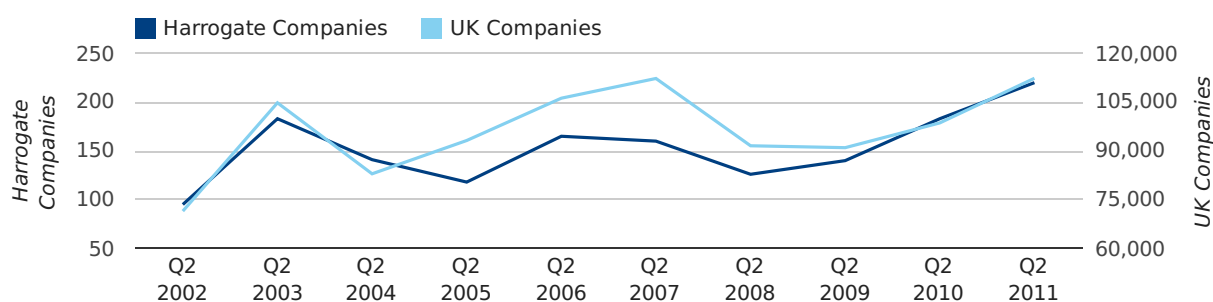
Q2 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 220 companies were registered in Harrogate during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 20.2% 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)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	220	112,344
2010	183	98,612
% CHANGE	20.2%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (220)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



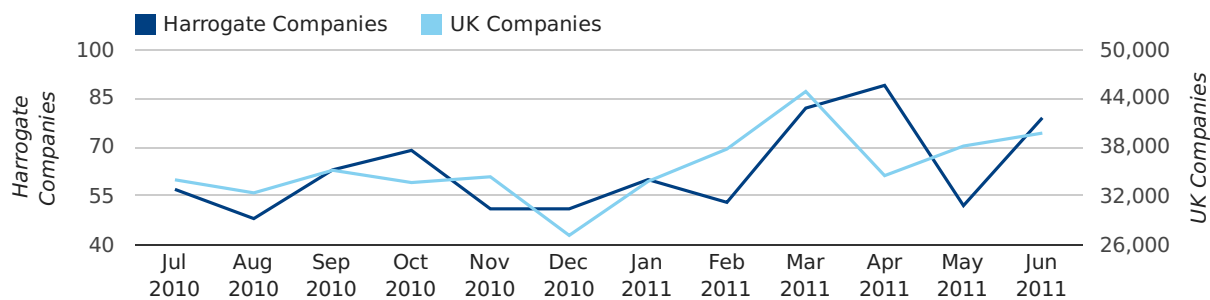
Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

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

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

April 2011 was a record month for company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any month in history.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	89	52	79
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	76	46	61
% CHANGE	17.1%	13.0%	29.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (89)	2003 (64)	2011 (79)

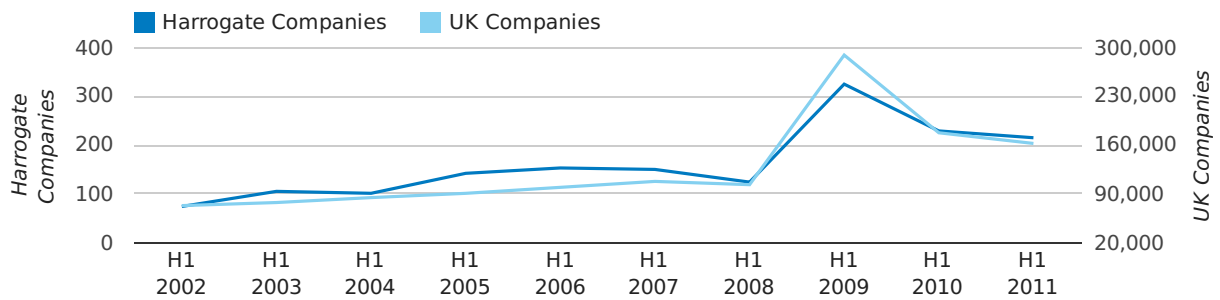
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 215 companies were dissolved in Harrogate. This figure is 6.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Harrogate occurred in 2009 when a total of 325 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	215	162,310
2010	229	177,631
% CHANGE	-6.1%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (325)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



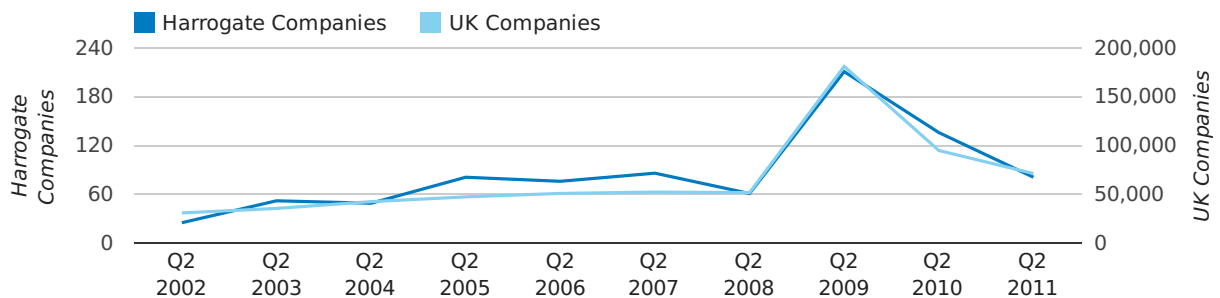
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 81 companies were dissolved in Harrogate during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 40.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

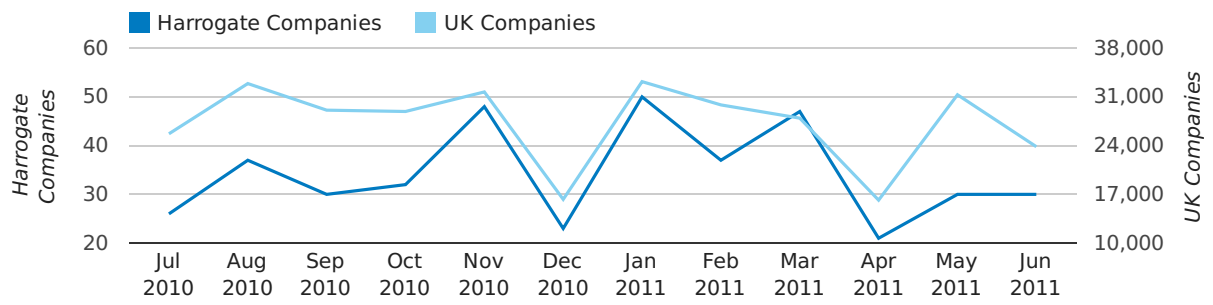
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	81	71,324
2010	136	94,954
% CHANGE	-40.4%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (211)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



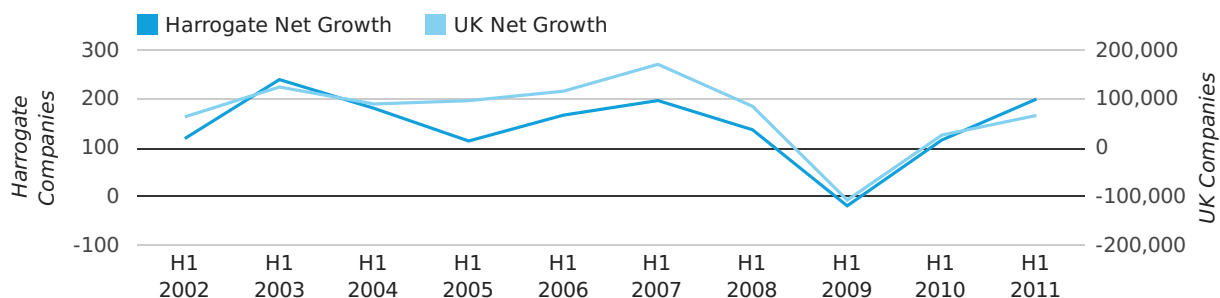
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	30	30
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	41	46	49
% CHANGE	-48.8%	-34.8%	-39%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (55)	2009 (95)	2009 (61)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Harrogate increased by 200 companies. This figure is 72.4% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	200	66,425
2010	116	26,118
% CHANGE	72.4%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (240)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

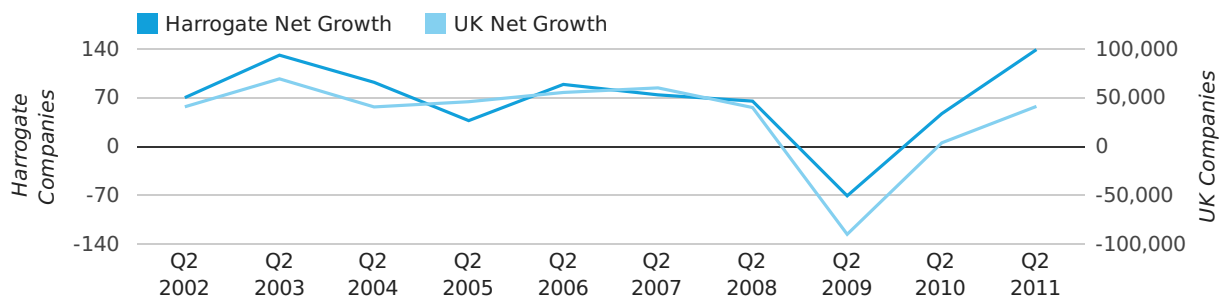
Q2 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q2.

Net company growth for Harrogate during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 139 companies.

This represents an increase of 195.7% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	139	41,020
2010	47	3,658
% CHANGE	195.7%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (139)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter

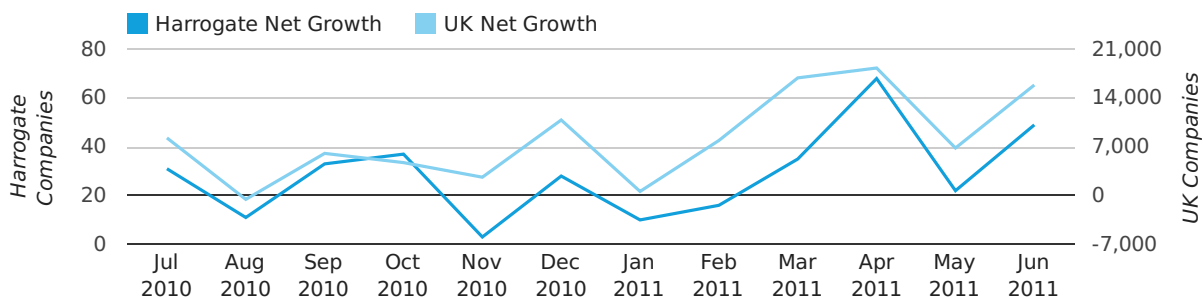


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

June 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous June.

April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Harrogate when compared to any previous April.

net growth by month



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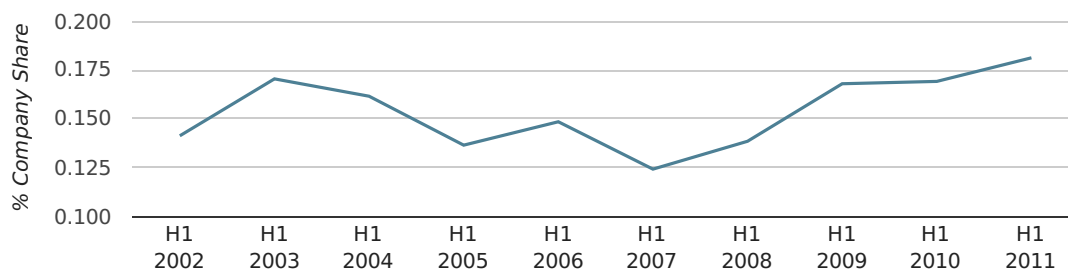
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	68	22	49
NET GROWTH IN 2010	35	0	12
% CHANGE	94.3%	0.0%	308.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (68)	2003 (50)	2011 (49)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Harrogate formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HARROGATE
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1960 (0.3%)

company share by half year

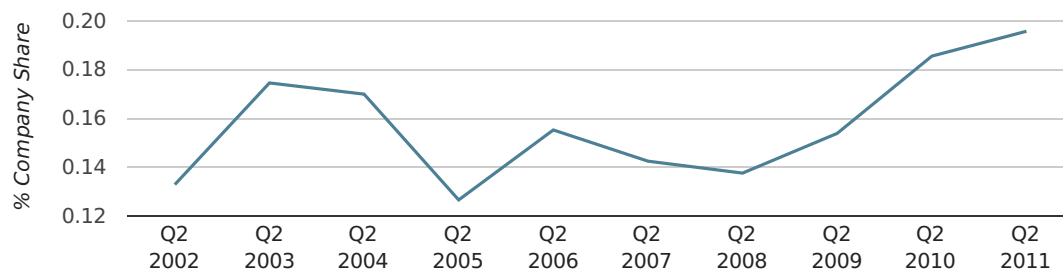


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

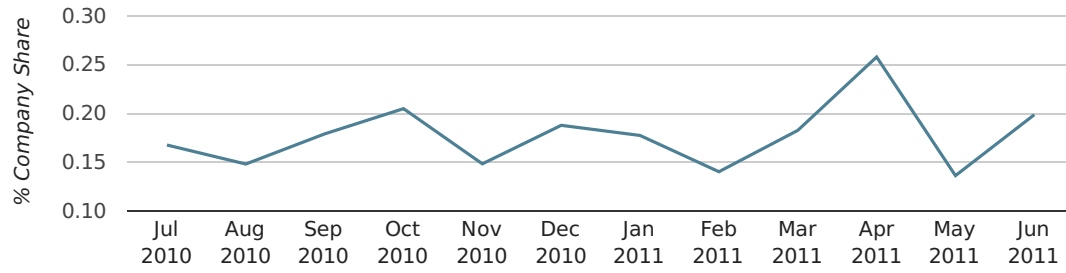
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	HARROGATE
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	13.4%	-11.0%	14.8%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (0.6%)	1965 (0.5%)	1965 (0.6%)

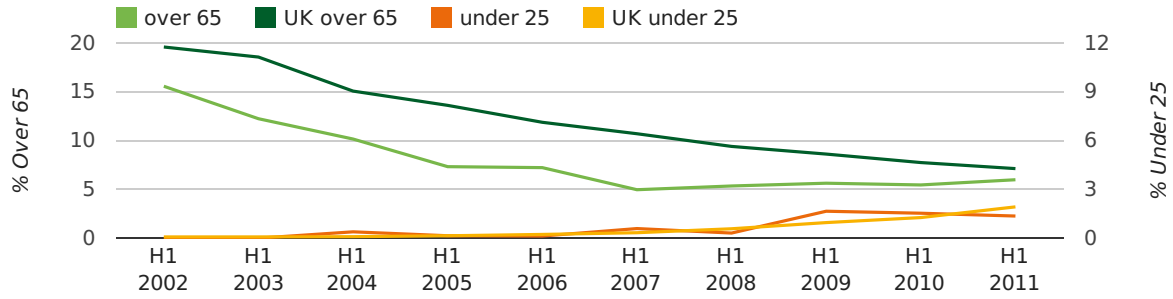
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



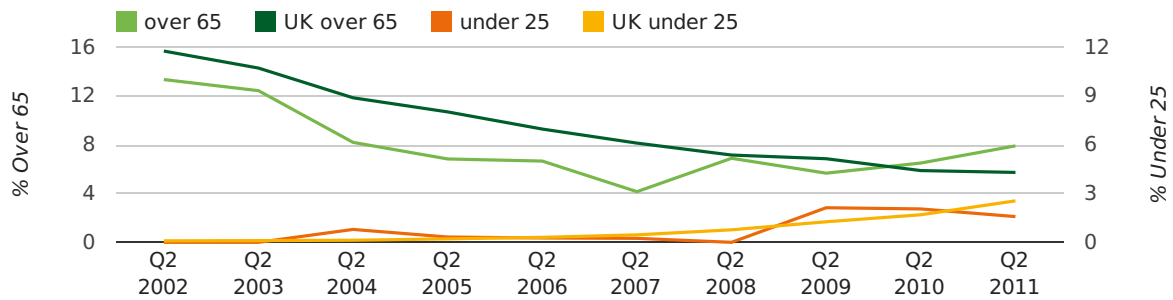
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director age by quarter

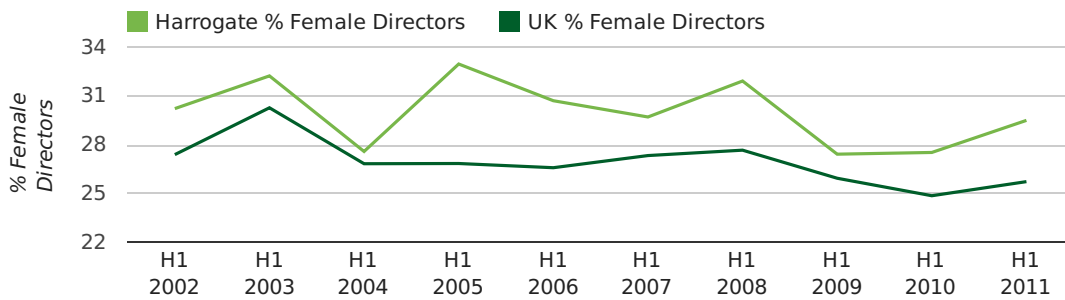


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

29.5% of all director appointments in Harrogate 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

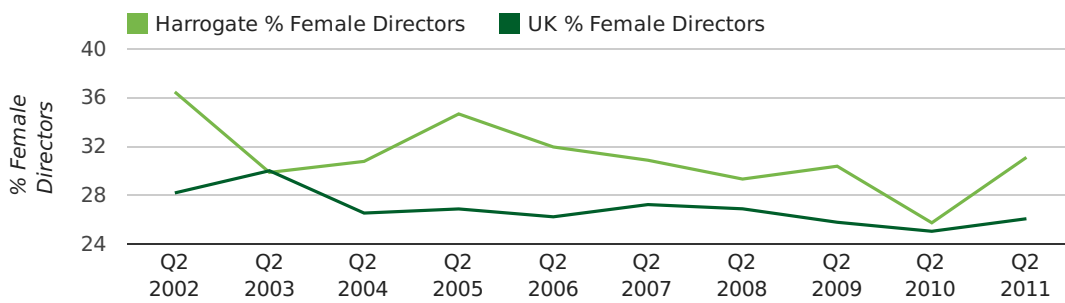


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

31.1% of all director appointments in Harrogate 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
HARROGATE	2.47%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTING	1.48%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
INVESTMENTS	1.15%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
MANAGEMENT	1.07%	PROPERTY	2.43%
(HARROGATE)	1.07%	TRADING	2.05%
YORKSHIRE	0.99%	DESIGN	1.94%
CONSULTANCY	0.91%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
BUSINESS	0.82%	BUSINESS	1.87%
J	0.74%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
ONE	0.74%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
D	0.74%	MEDIA	1.73%
ASSOCIATES	0.74%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
HAREWOOD	0.66%	LONDON	1.60%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.46%
M	0.66%	J	1.44%
4	0.58%	CARE	1.44%
LOGISTICS	0.58%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
MARKETING	0.49%	IT	1.39%
CONSULTANTS	0.49%	BUILDING	1.32%
PRODUCTS	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
VALUE	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
SPV	0.49%	M	1.27%
PROPERTIES	0.49%	S	1.23%
GREEN	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
K	0.41%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	233	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	79	60,758
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	48	16,419
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	36	30,647
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	32	7,835
9999 - Dormant Company	29	20,111
7414 - Business & management consultancy	28	13,053
99999 - Dormant Company	27	18,918
74990 - Non-trading company	24	8,481
7499 - Non-trading company	18	10,955
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	16	7,143
7260 - Other computer related activities	15	7,849
9305 - Other service activities	14	9,063
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	14	10,545
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	12	10,322
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	11	3,095
62090 - Other information technology service activities	10	7,095
62012 - Business and domestic software development	10	3,262
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	9	5,928
41100 - Development of building projects	9	3,852