

# Harrogate

2011 annual business confidence report



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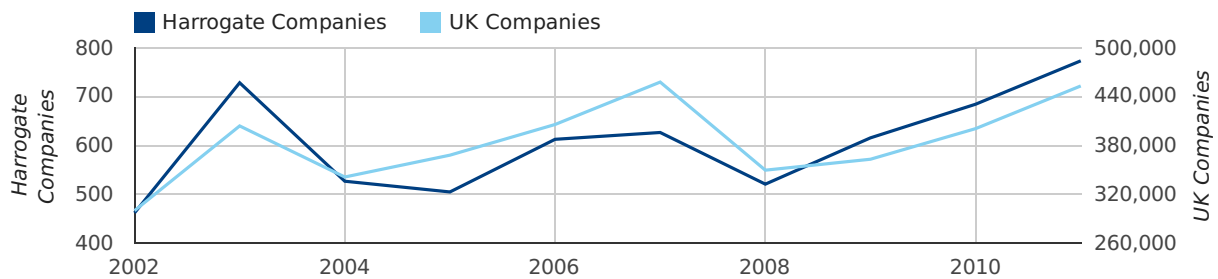
## Annual Data (2011)

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

A total of 773 companies were formed in Harrogate in 2011. This total is 13.0% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	HARROGATE	UK
2011	773	452,870
2010	684	400,358
2009	615	362,675
2008	520	349,203
2007	626	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (773)	2007 (457,649)

### new companies by year



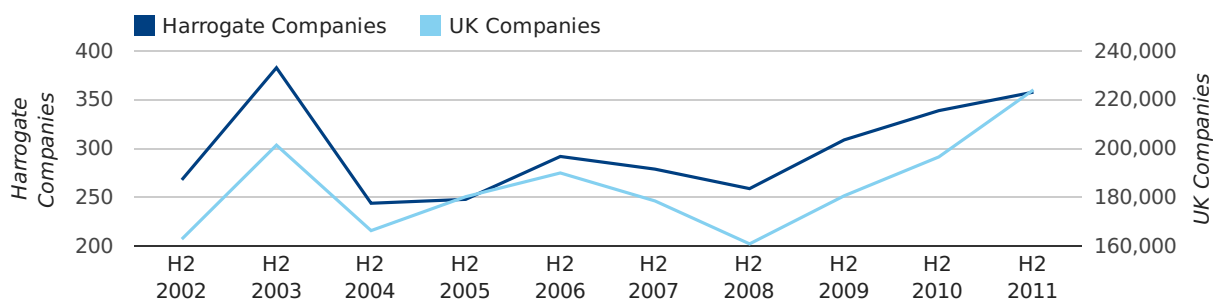
## Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 358 companies were formed in Harrogate. This figure is 5.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Harrogate occurred in 2003 when a total of 383 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	358	224,135
2010	339	196,609
% CHANGE	5.6%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (383)	2011 (224,135)

### new companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

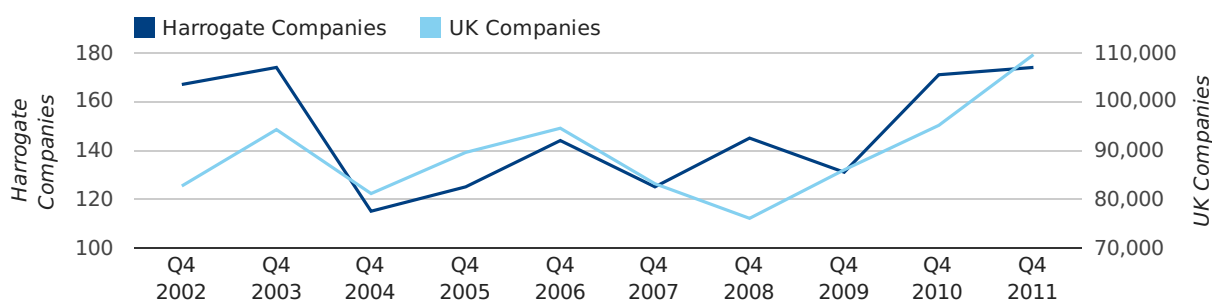
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 174 companies were registered in Harrogate during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 1.8% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	174	109,623
2010	171	95,117
% CHANGE	1.8%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (174)	2011 (109,623)

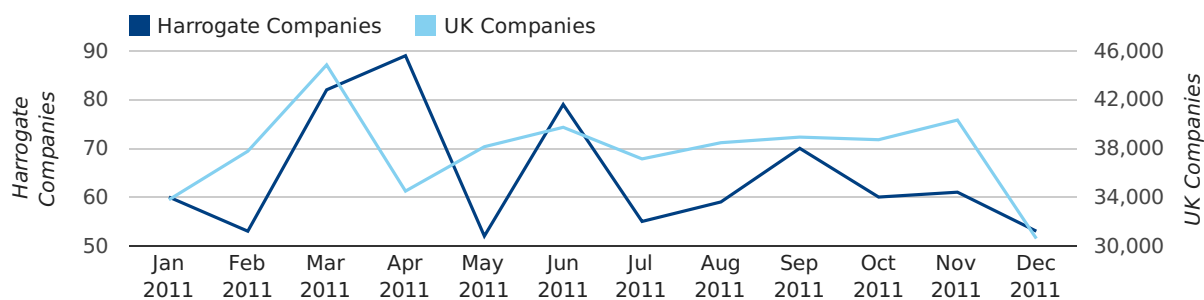
### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

### new companies by month



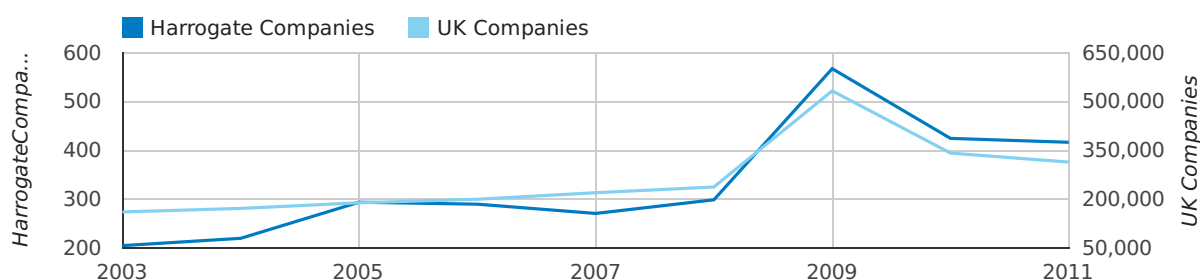
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	60	61	53
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	69	51	51
% CHANGE	-13.0%	19.6%	3.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (69)	2002 (65)	2011 (53)

### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 417 companies were dissolved in Harrogate in 2011. This total is 1.9% lower than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	HARROGATE	UK
2011	417	314,523
2010	425	342,232
2009	568	533,773
2008	299	237,901
2007	271	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (568)	2009 (533,773)

### dissolved companies by year



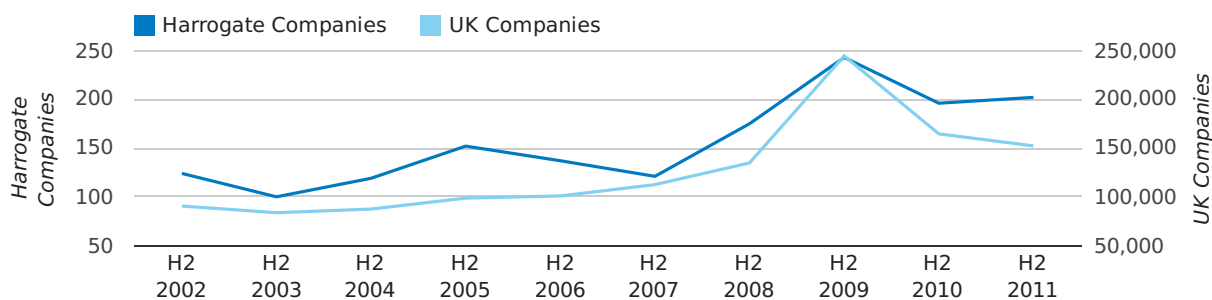
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 202 companies were dissolved in Harrogate. This figure is 3.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Harrogate occurred in 2009 when a total of 243 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	202	152,213
2010	196	164,601
% CHANGE	3.1%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (243)	2009 (244,537)

### dissolved companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

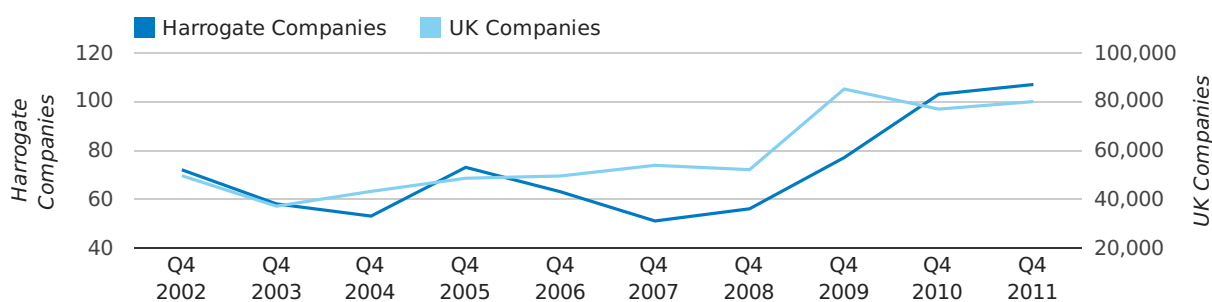
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Harrogate when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 107 companies were dissolved in Harrogate during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 3.9% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	107	79,983
2010	103	76,896
% CHANGE	3.9%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (107)	2009 (85,136)

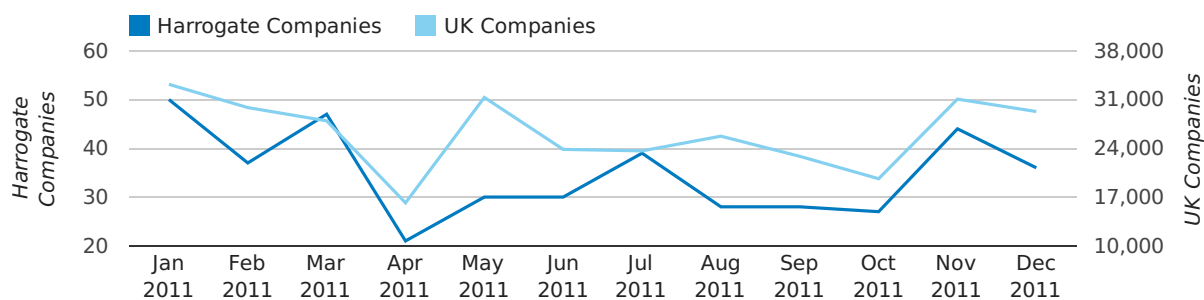
### dissolved companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

### dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	27	44	36
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	32	48	23
% CHANGE	-15.6%	-8.3%	57%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (32)	2010 (48)	2011 (36)

### Annual Data (2011)

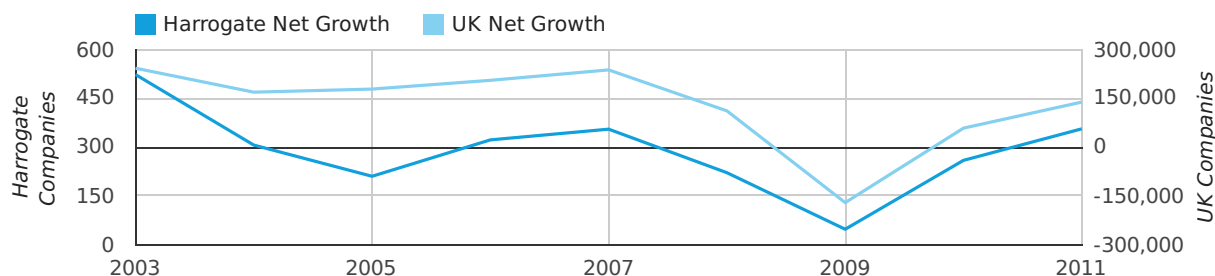
A total of 356 companies were added to the company register for Harrogate in 2011. This number represents growth of 52.0% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 97 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Harrogate company register grew by 523 companies.

YEAR	HARROGATE	UK
2011	356	138,347
2010	259	58,126
2009	47	-171,098
2008	221	111,302
2007	355	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (523)	2003 (242,543)

### net growth by year

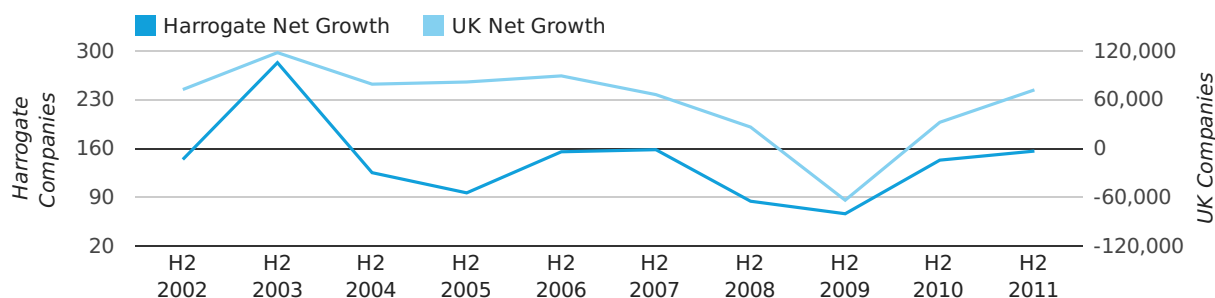


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Harrogate increased by 156 companies. This figure is 9.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	156	71,922
2010	143	32,008
% CHANGE	9.1%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (283)	2003 (117,772)

### net growth by half year



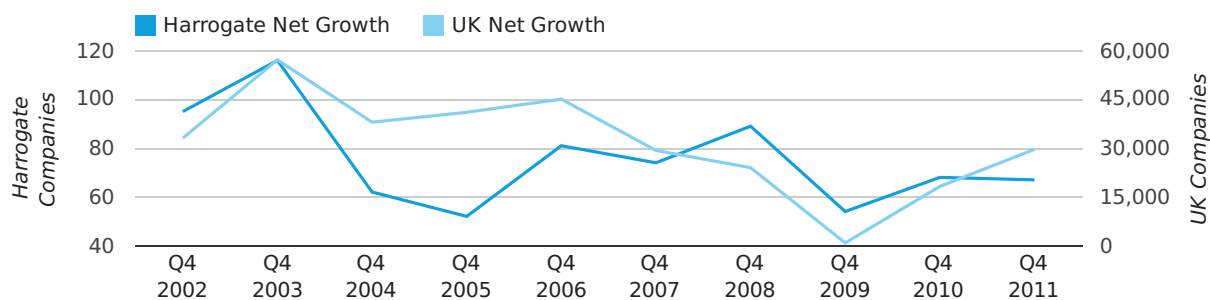
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Harrogate during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 67 companies.

This represents a decrease of 1.5% on the same period last year.

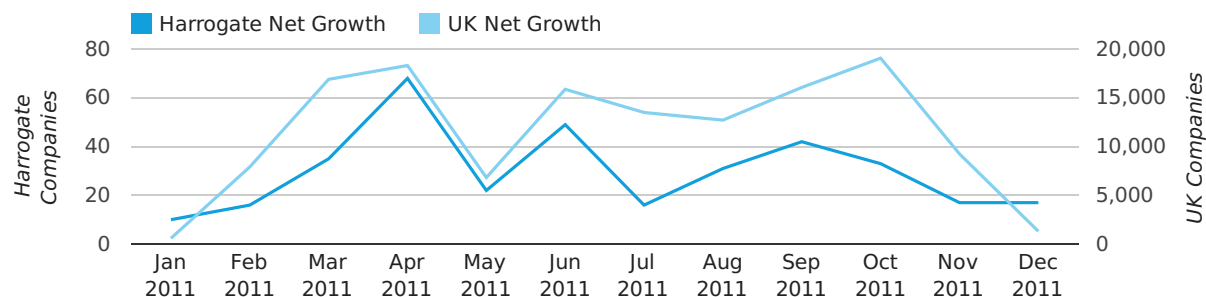
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	HARROGATE	UK
2011	67	29,640
2010	68	18,221
% CHANGE	-1.5%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (116)	2003 (57,175)

### net growth by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### net growth by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	33	17	17
NET GROWTH IN 2010	37	3	28
% CHANGE	-10.8%	466.7%	-39.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (44)	2003 (43)	2002 (29)

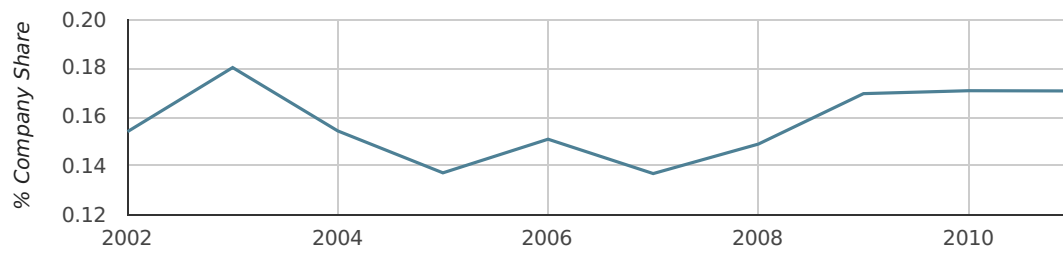


### Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Harrogate formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Harrogate was responsible for 0.2% of all UK companies.

YEAR	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 year

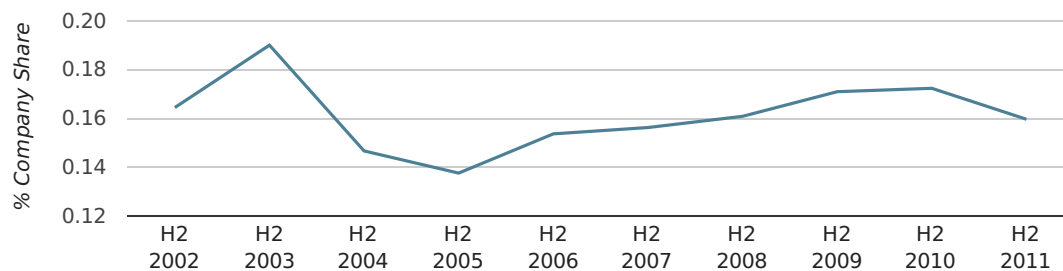


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	HARROGATE
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.4%)

### company share by half year

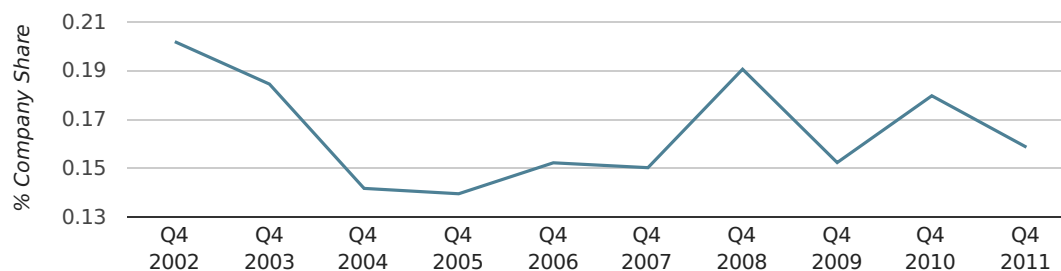


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

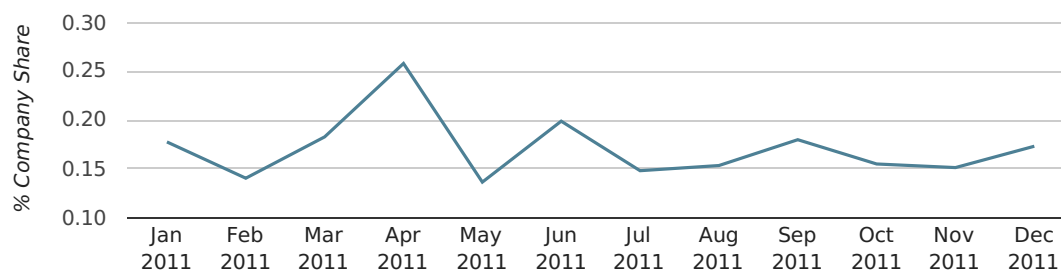
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	HARROGATE
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.4%)

### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-24.4%	1.9%	-7.9%
RECORD YEAR	1978 (0.5%)	1962 (0.5%)	1968 (0.7%)

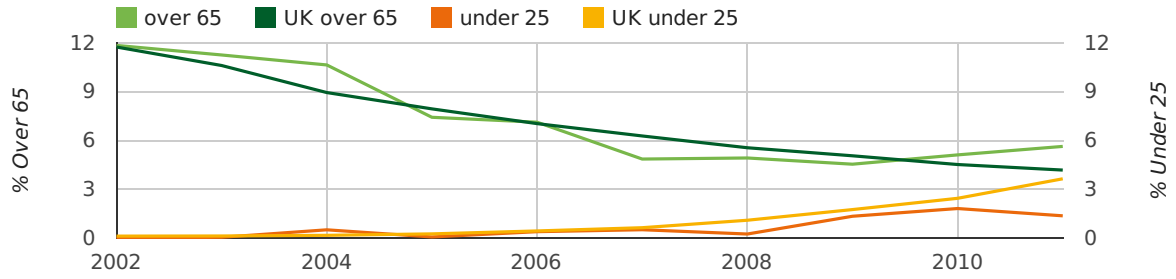
### Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 46.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

#### director age by year



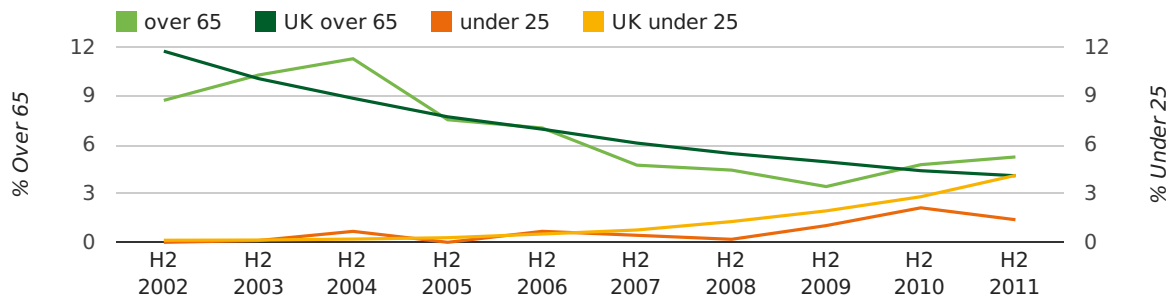
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#### director age by half year



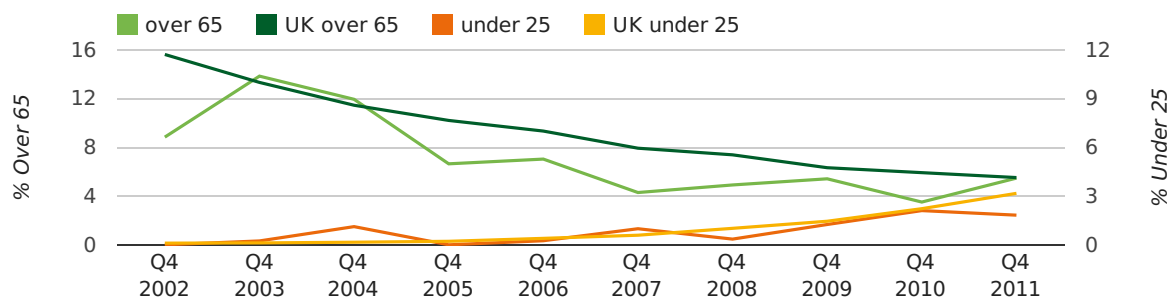
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The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 46.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

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### director age by quarter

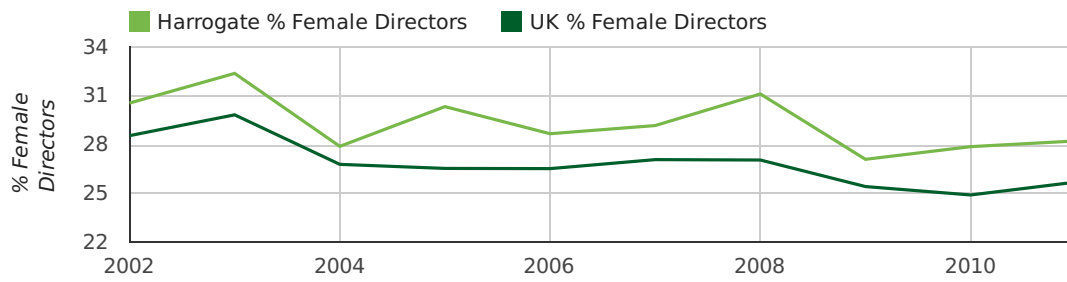


### Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Harrogate was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Harrogate in 2011 was 30.6%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

#### director gender by year

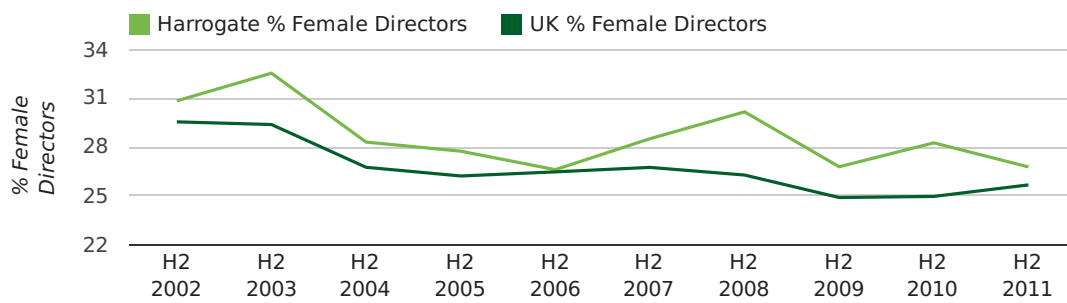


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Harrogate was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

26.8% of all director appointments in Harrogate in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

#### director gender by half year

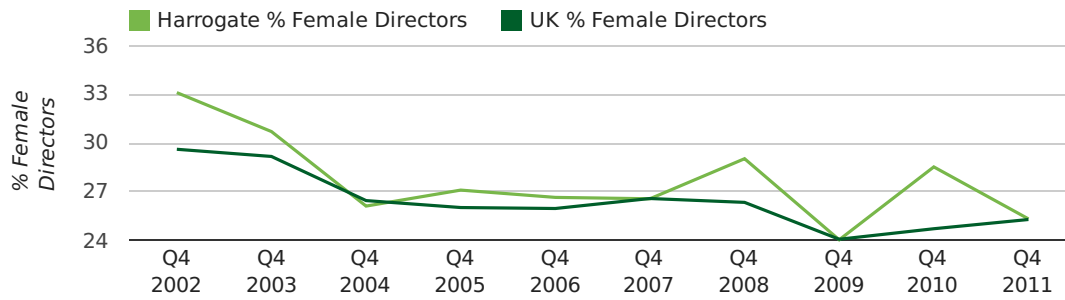


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Harrogate was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

25.3% of all director appointments in Harrogate in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

### director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
HARROGATE	2.78%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.59%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	1.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
YORKSHIRE	1.11%	PROPERTY	2.37%
INVESTMENTS	1.03%	TRADING	2.07%
CONSULTANCY	0.95%	DESIGN	1.92%
(HARROGATE)	0.95%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
ASSOCIATES	0.79%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.71%	BUSINESS	1.78%
CONSULTANTS	0.64%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
J	0.64%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
FOR	0.64%	MEDIA	1.71%
VALUE	0.56%	LONDON	1.63%
HOUSE	0.48%	J	1.51%
DESIGN	0.48%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
LOGISTICS	0.48%	GLOBAL	1.46%
M	0.48%	IT	1.41%
DEVELOPMENT	0.48%	CARE	1.39%
MONEY	0.48%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
CREATIVE	0.40%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
PROPERTY	0.40%	M	1.27%
DIGITAL	0.40%	BUILDING	1.26%
R	0.40%	ENERGY	1.25%
PRODUCTS	0.40%	S	1.20%
PROPERTIES	0.40%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

## Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	251	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	77	57,052
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	52	17,765
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	40	32,483
99999 - Dormant Company	32	21,846
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	31	8,671
7414 - Business & management consultancy	30	13,034
9999 - Dormant Company	24	20,199
74990 - Non-trading company	23	8,929
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	21	12,072
9305 - Other service activities	16	9,492
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	16	11,768
7499 - Non-trading company	15	9,957
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	13	7,398
62012 - Business and domestic software development	11	3,714
9234 - Other entertainment activities	11	1,471
7260 - Other computer related activities	11	7,667
41100 - Development of building projects	11	4,331
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	11	3,194
62090 - Other information technology service activities	10	7,493