Hove

2012 half year business confidence report



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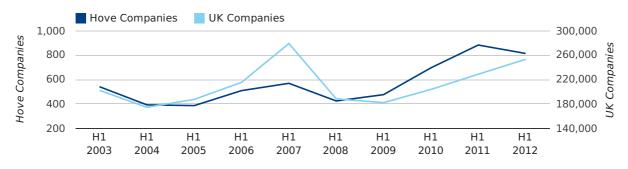
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In the first half of 2012 a total of 814 companies were formed in Hove. This figure is 7.8% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Hove occurred in 2011 when a total of 883 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HOVE	UK
2012	814	253,150
2011	883	228,735
% CHANGE	-7.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (883)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year

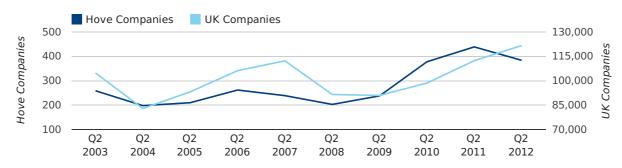


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 384 companies were registered in Hove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

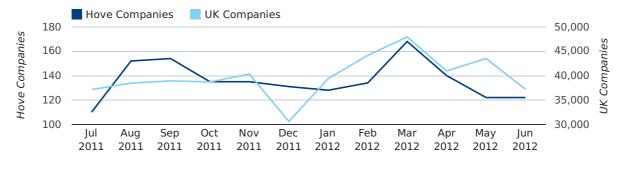
This figure is a decrease of 12.5% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HOVE	UK
2012	384	121,659
2011	439	112,344
% CHANGE	-12.5%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (439)	2012 (121,659)



new companies by quarter

April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Hove when compared to any previous April.



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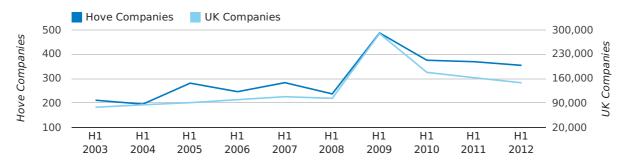
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	140	122	122
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	129	159	151
% CHANGE	8.5%	-23.3%	-19.2%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (140)	2011 (159)	2011 (151)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 354 companies were dissolved in Hove. This figure is 4.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Hove occurred in 2009 when a total of 487 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HOVE	UK
2012	354	147,793
2011	369	162,310
% CHANGE	-4.1%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (487)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year

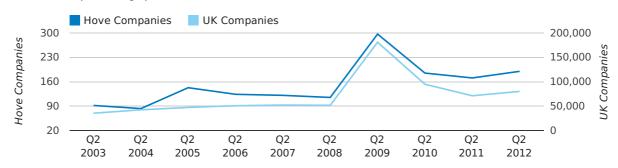


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 190 companies were dissolved in Hove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

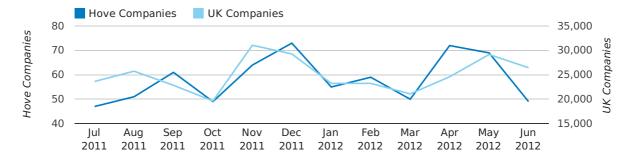
This figure is an increase of 11.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HOVE	UK
2012	190	80,217
2011	171	71,324
% CHANGE	11.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (297)	2009 (181,176)



dissolved companies by quarter

dissolved companies by month

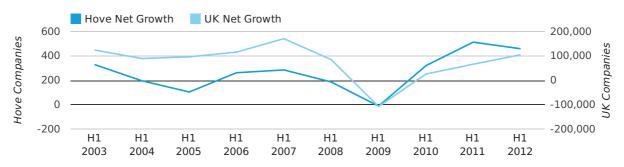


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	72	69	49
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	38	83	50
% CHANGE	89.5%	-16.9%	-2%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (83)	2009 (137)	2009 (77)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Hove increased by 460 companies. This figure is 10.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HOVE	UK
2012	460	105,357
2011	514	66,425
% CHANGE	-10.5%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (514)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year

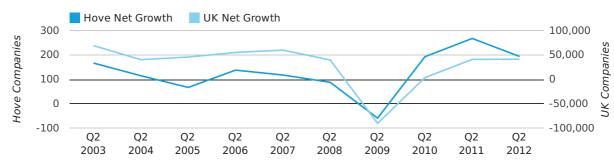


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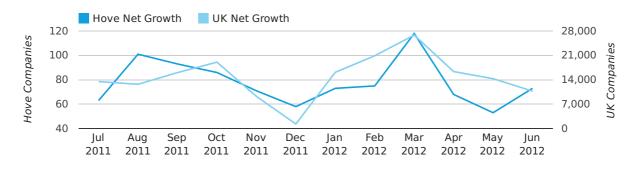
Net company growth for Hove during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 194 companies.

This represents a decrease of 27.6% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HOVE	UK
2012	194	41,442
2011	268	41,020
% CHANGE	-27.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (268)	2003 (69,274)



net growth by quarter



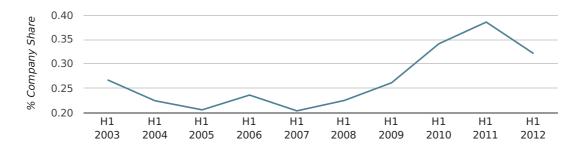
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	68	53	73
NET GROWTH IN 2011	91	76	101
% CHANGE	-25.3%	-30.3%	-27.7%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (96)	2011 (76)	2011 (101)

net growth by month

In the first half of 2012 Hove formed 0.3% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 0.4%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	HOVE
2012	0.3%
2011	0.4%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1960 (0.5%)

company share by half year

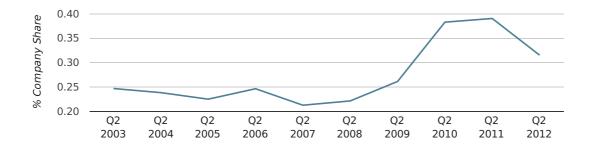


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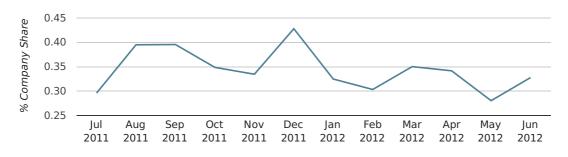
In the second quarter of 2012, Hove formed 0.3% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	HOVE
2012	0.3%
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



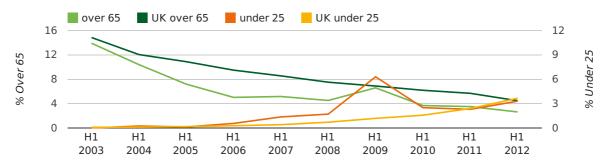
	APRIL	ΜΑΥ	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
% CHANGE	-8.6%	-32.7%	-13.7%
RECORD YEAR	1971 (0.6%)	1960 (0.7%)	1973 (0.6%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 40.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year

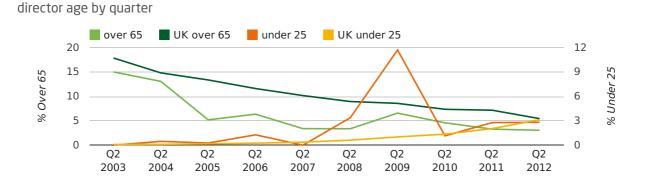


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 40.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

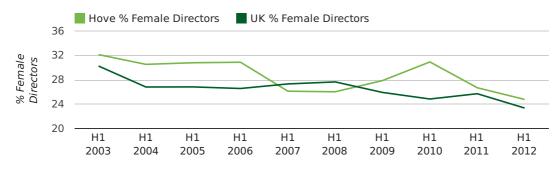
The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.



The record first half year for female directors in Hove was 1857 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

24.8% of all director appointments in Hove 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

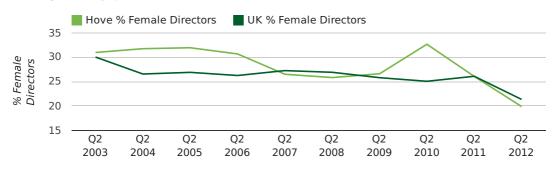


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

19.9% of all director appointments in Hove 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
CONSULTING	3.21%	CONSULTING	5.07%
BRIGHTON	1.27%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.27%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
IT	1.10%	PROPERTY	2.35%
DESIGN	1.10%	TRADING	2.10%
MANAGEMENT	1.01%	DESIGN	1.89%
MEDIA	0.93%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
PROPERTY	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
SOFTWARE	0.68%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANTS	0.59%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
BUSINESS	0.59%	BUSINESS	1.70%
DIGITAL	0.55%	MEDIA	1.69%
SUSSEX	0.55%	LONDON	1.68%
TECHNOLOGY	0.55%	J	1.57%
INVESTMENTS	0.55%	GLOBAL	1.51%
ROAD	0.55%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
SYSTEMS	0.51%	IT	1.42%
ASSOCIATES	0.51%	CARE	1.31%
CREATIVE	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
PRODUCTIONS	0.51%	М	1.26%
R	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
HOVE	0.46%	BUILDING	1.23%
FILMS	0.42%	SECURITY	1.19%
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RTM	0.38%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	536	244,457
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	186	15,280
62090 - Other information technology service activities	184	8,258
7487 - Other business activities	181	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	128	20,390
7260 - Other computer related activities	87	6,456
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	84	35,447
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	81	6,356
62012 - Business and domestic software development	70	4,742
7414 - Business & management consultancy	61	10,978
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	59	10,271
99999 - Dormant Company	57	26,088
7011 - Development & sell real estate	55	1,921
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	41	3,143
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	41	14,220
98000 - Residents property management	31	3,001
9999 - Dormant Company	29	16,469
73110 - Advertising agencies	25	2,052
90030 - Artistic creation	21	2,106
86900 - Other human health activities	21	5,222