

Ipswich

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

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

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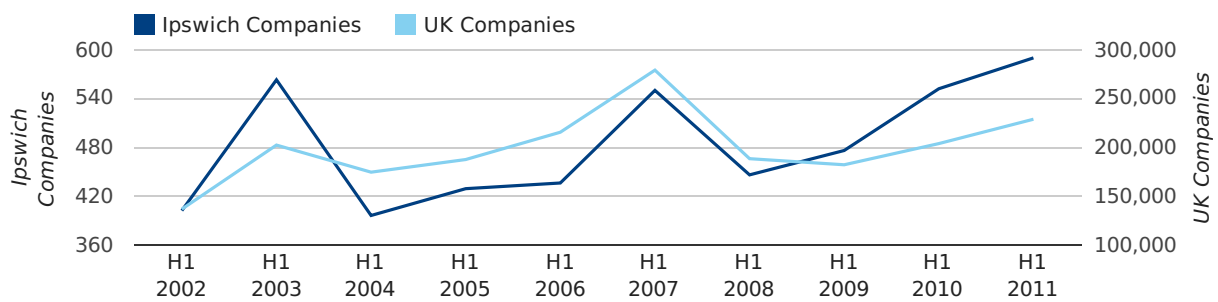
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Ipswich when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 590 companies were formed in Ipswich. This figure is 6.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Ipswich occurred in 2011 when a total of 590 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	590	228,735
2010	552	203,749
% CHANGE	6.9%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (590)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



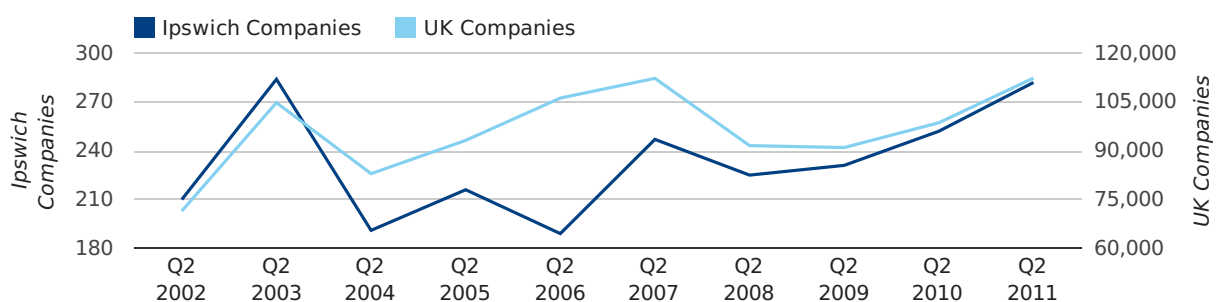
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 282 companies were registered in Ipswich during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 11.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally 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)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	282	112,344
2010	252	98,612
% CHANGE	11.9%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (284)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	78	105	99
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	93	82	77
% CHANGE	-16.1%	28.0%	28.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (102)	2000 (118)	2011 (99)

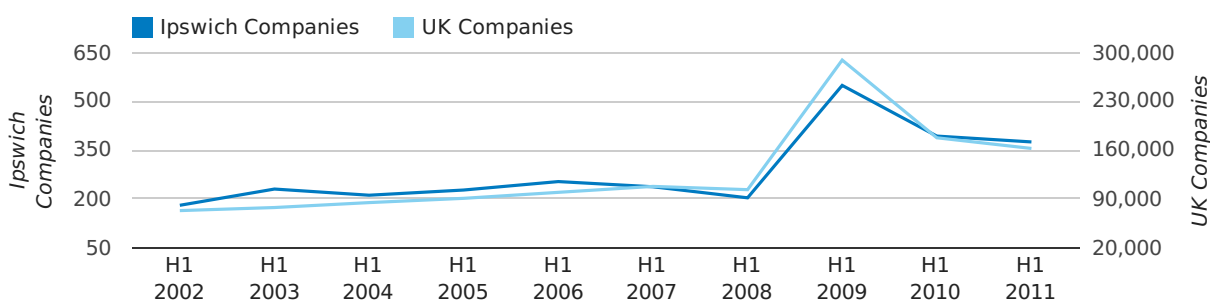
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 375 companies were dissolved in Ipswich. This figure is 4.6% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Ipswich occurred in 2009 when a total of 549 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	375	162,310
2010	393	177,631
% CHANGE	-4.6%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (549)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



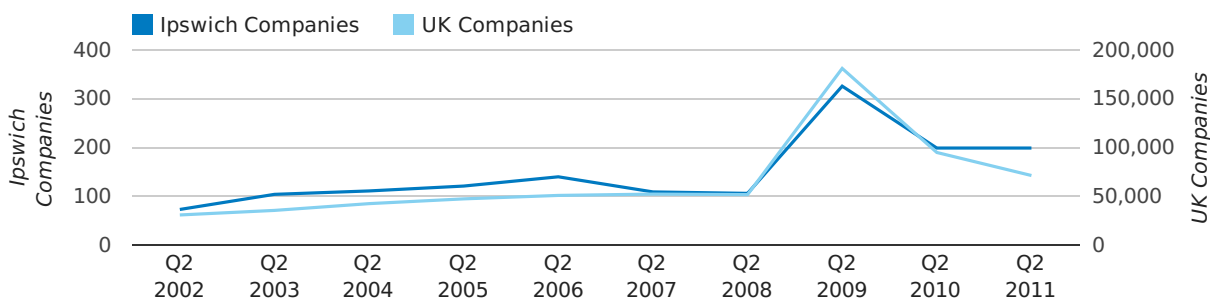
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 199 companies were dissolved in Ipswich during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 0.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

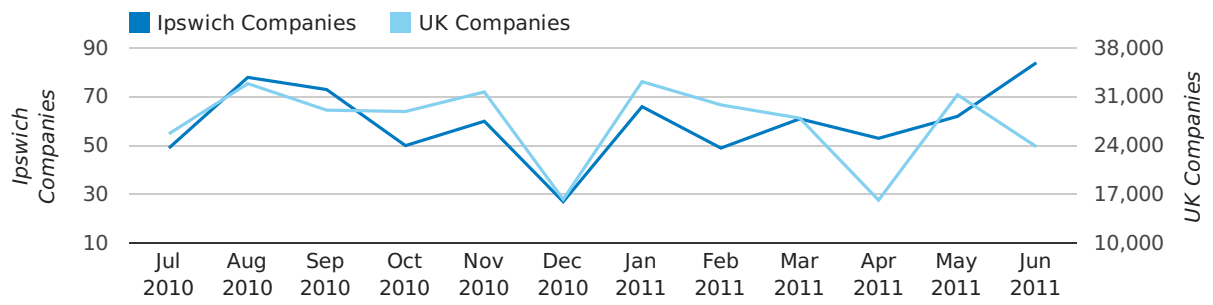
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	199	71,324
2010	199	94,954
% CHANGE	0.0%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (326)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



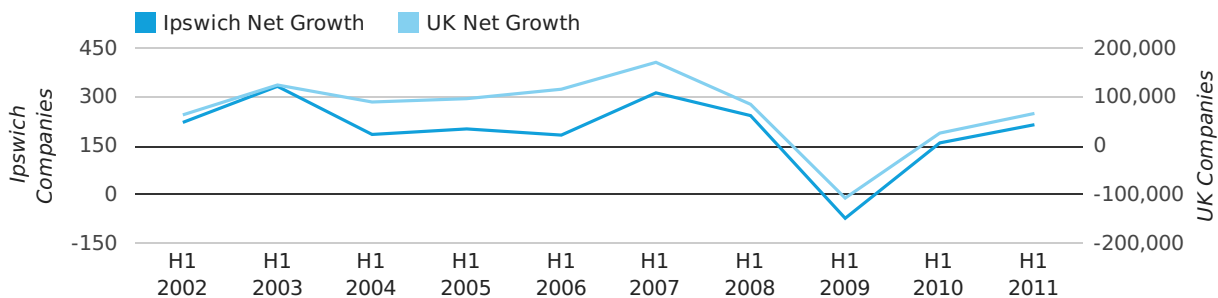
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	53	62	84
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	37	70	92
% CHANGE	43.2%	-11.4%	-9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (88)	2009 (152)	2010 (92)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Ipswich increased by 215 companies. This figure is 35.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	215	66,425
2010	159	26,118
% CHANGE	35.2%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (333)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



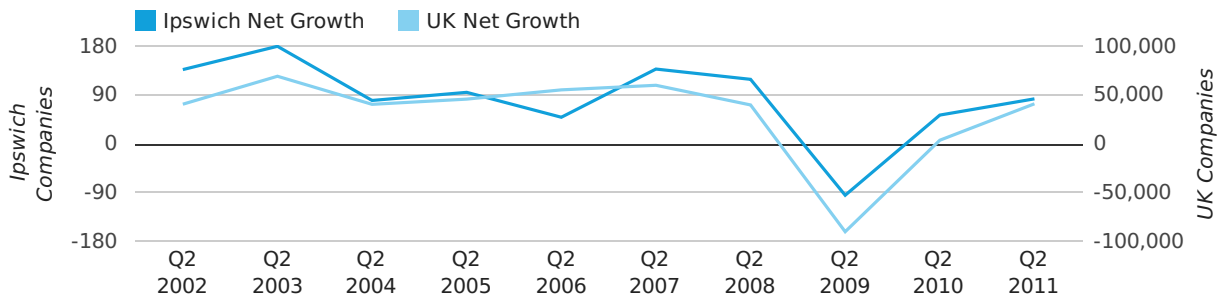
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Ipswich during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 83 companies.

This represents an increase of 56.6% on the same period last year.

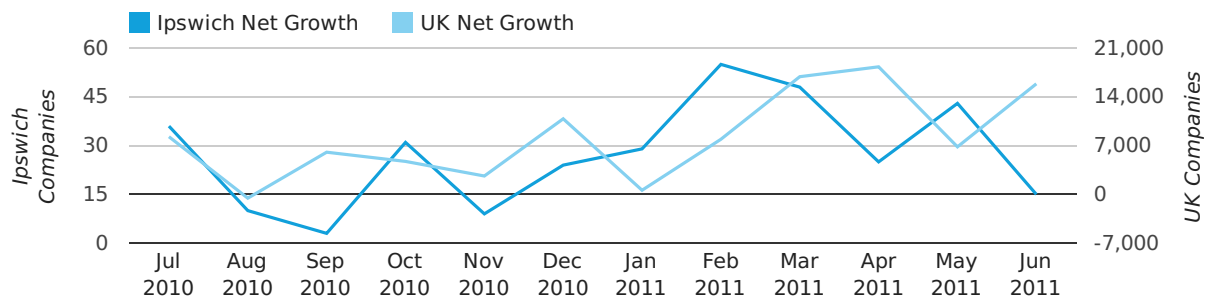
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	IPSWICH	UK
2011	83	41,020
2010	53	3,658
% CHANGE	56.6%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (180)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



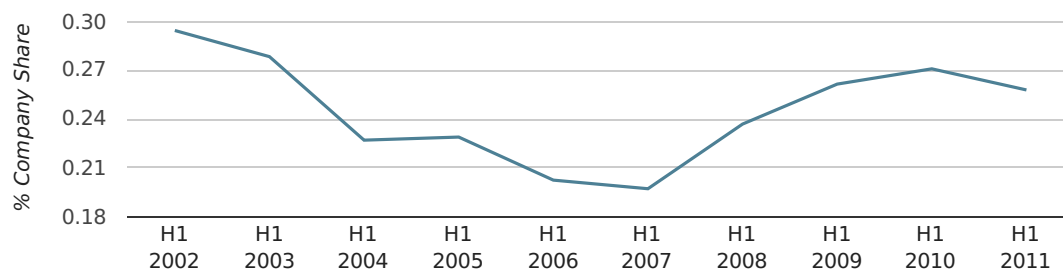
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	25	43	15
NET GROWTH IN 2010	56	12	-15
% CHANGE	-55.4%	258.3%	-200.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (63)	2000 (109)	2002 (61)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Ipswich formed 0.3% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	IPSWICH
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.5%)

company share by half year

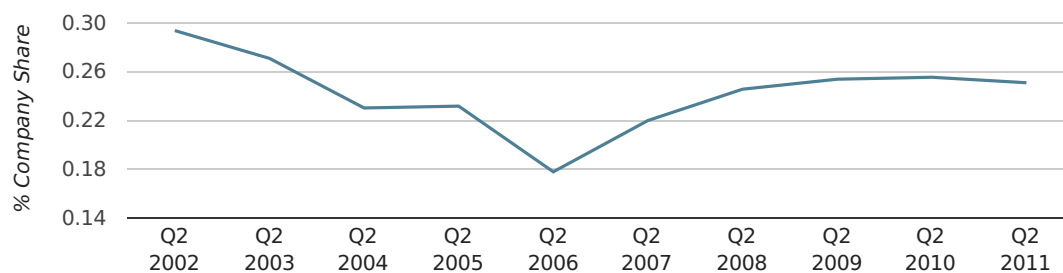


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

In the second quarter of 2011, Ipswich formed 0.3% of all UK companies.

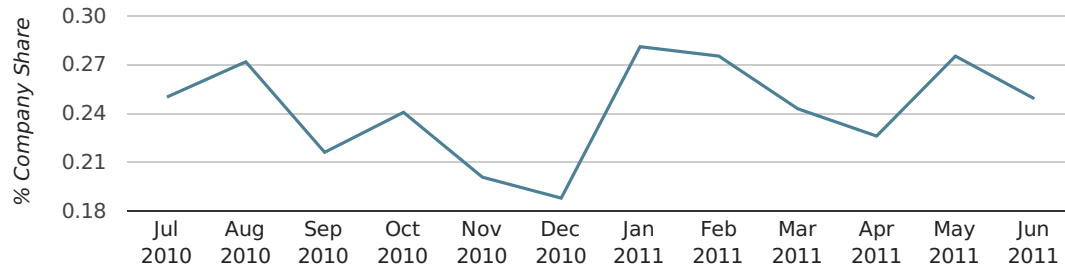
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	IPSWICH
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-18.8%	0.8%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	1964 (0.5%)	1975 (0.6%)	1965 (1.0%)

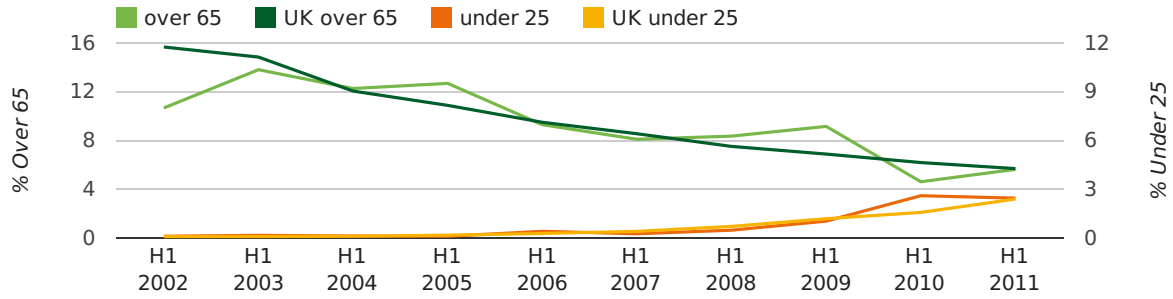
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



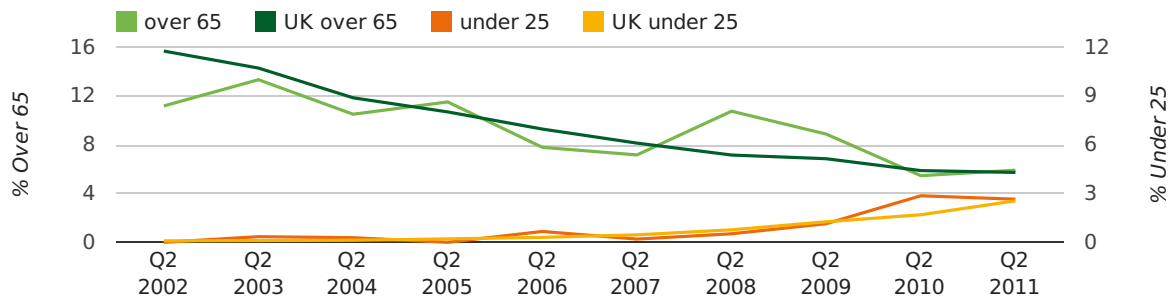
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 45.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

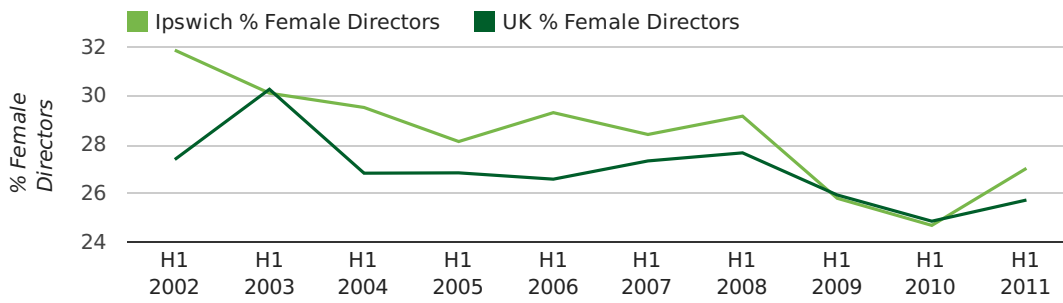


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

27.0% of all director appointments in Ipswich 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

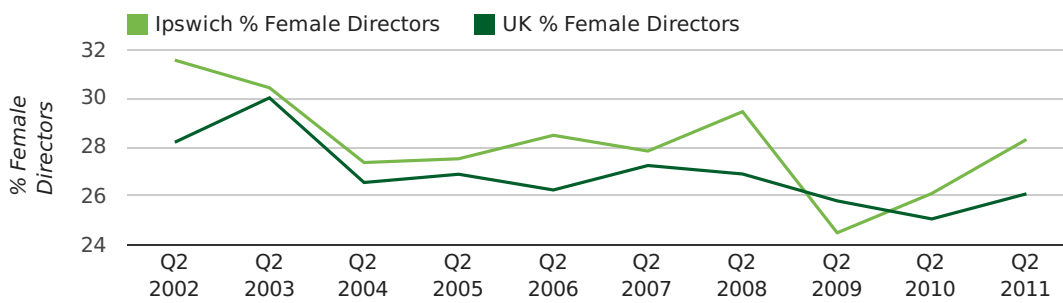


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

28.3% of all director appointments in Ipswich 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
SUFFOLK	1.48%	CONSULTING	5.09%
MANAGEMENT	1.29%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
PROPERTY	1.23%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
IPSWICH	0.99%	PROPERTY	2.43%
ELECTRICAL	0.92%	TRADING	2.05%
(IPSWICH)	0.86%	DESIGN	1.94%
CONSTRUCTION	0.74%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
TRADING	0.68%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CONSULTING	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
M	0.62%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
RECRUITMENT	0.62%	MEDIA	1.73%
ASSOCIATES	0.62%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
BUSINESS	0.55%	LONDON	1.60%
CARE	0.55%	GLOBAL	1.46%
TRANSPORT	0.55%	J	1.44%
HOUSE	0.55%	CARE	1.44%
CONSULTANCY	0.55%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
SECURITY	0.55%	IT	1.39%
J	0.49%	BUILDING	1.32%
ENGINEERING	0.49%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
MEDIA	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
TRAINING	0.49%	M	1.27%
HOMES	0.43%	S	1.23%
PROPERTIES	0.43%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
MARKETING	0.43%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	357	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	128	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	85	30,647
99999 - Dormant Company	52	18,918
9999 - Dormant Company	47	20,111
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	37	16,419
7414 - Business & management consultancy	35	13,053
62090 - Other information technology service activities	32	7,095
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	29	10,322
7260 - Other computer related activities	26	7,849
7499 - Non-trading company	26	10,955
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	25	7,143
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	24	10,545
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	22	5,928
41100 - Development of building projects	20	3,852
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	19	7,835
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	17	2,223
62012 - Business and domestic software development	16	3,262
74990 - Non-trading company	16	8,481
5530 - Restaurants	16	5,086