Kettering

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Kettering when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous May.
- April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous April.

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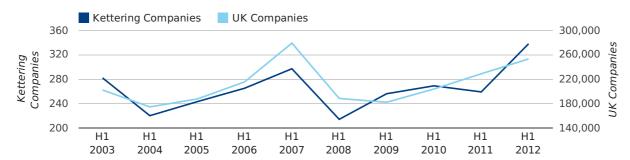
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Kettering when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 338 companies were formed in Kettering. This figure is 30.5% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Kettering occurred in 2012 when a total of 338 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	KETTERING	UK
2012	338	253,150
2011	259	228,735
% CHANGE	30.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (338)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

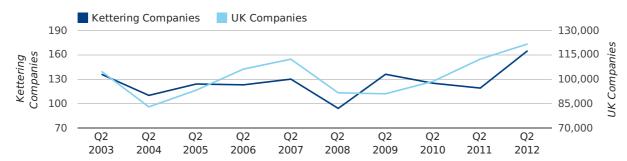
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 165 companies were registered in Kettering during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 38.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well 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)	KETTERING	UK
2012	165	121,659
2011	119	112,344
% CHANGE	38.7%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (165)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter

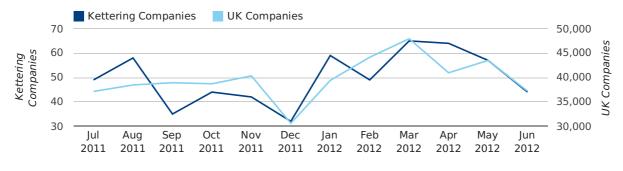


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Kettering when compared to any previous May.

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

new companies by month



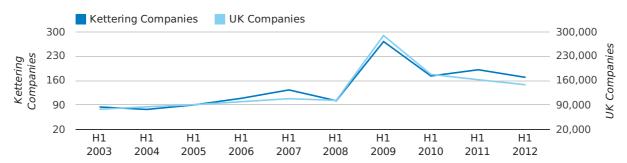
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	64	57	44
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	34	38	47
% CHANGE	88.2%	50.0%	-6.4%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (64)	2012 (57)	2003 (51)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 169 companies were dissolved in Kettering. This figure is 11.5% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Kettering occurred in 2009 when a total of 272 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	KETTERING	UK
2012	169	147,793
2011	191	162,310
% CHANGE	-11.5%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (272)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



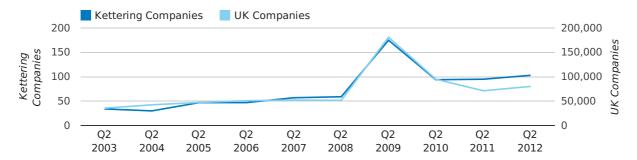
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 103 companies were dissolved in Kettering during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 8.4% 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.

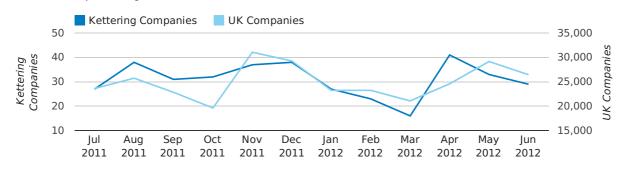
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	KETTERING	UK
2012	103	80,217
2011	95	71,324
% CHANGE	8.4%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (175)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month

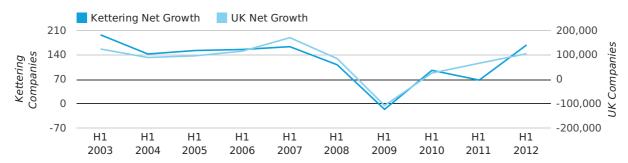


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	41	33	29
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	14	50	31
% CHANGE	192.9%	-34.0%	-6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (42)	2009 (86)	2009 (47)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Kettering increased by 169 companies. This figure is 148.5% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	KETTERING	UK
2012	169	105,357
2011	68	66,425
% CHANGE	148.5%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (198)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



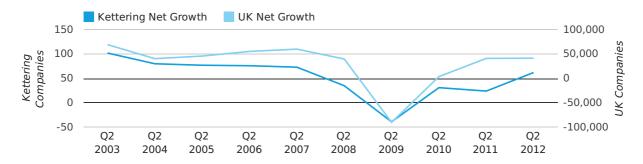
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Kettering during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 62 companies.

This represents an increase of 158.3% on the same period last year.

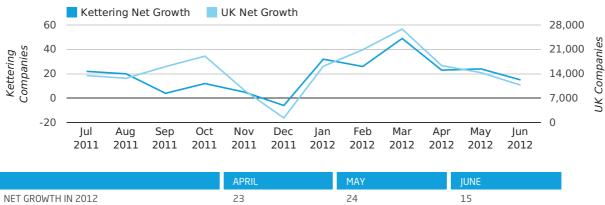
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	KETTERING	UK
2012	62	41,442
2011	24	41,020
% CHANGE	158.3%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (102)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month

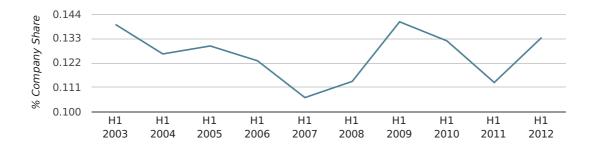


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	23	24	15
NET GROWTH IN 2011	20	-12	16
% CHANGE	15.0%	-300.0%	-6.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (31)	2003 (38)	2003 (44)

In the first half of 2012 Kettering formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	KETTERING
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.3%)

company share by half year

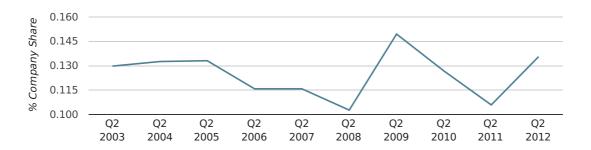


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Kettering formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

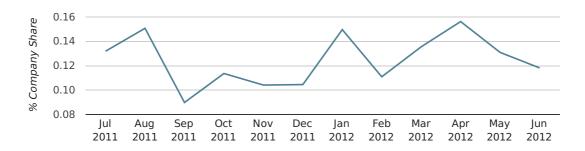
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	KETTERING
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1969 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



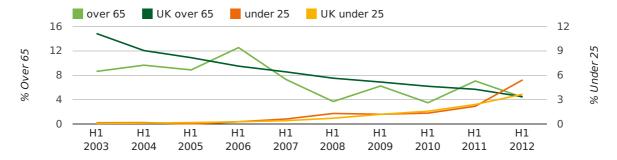
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	58.5%	31.4%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	1960 (0.5%)	1970 (0.3%)	1980 (0.3%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



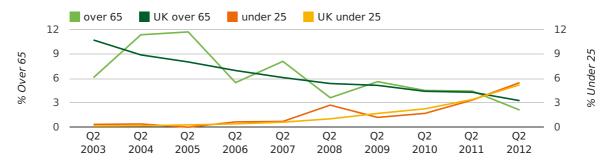
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.5% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter



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

27.4% of all director appointments in Kettering 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 Kettering was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

22.1% of all director appointments in Kettering 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



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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
MANAGEMENT	1.48%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.38%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
KETTERING	0.99%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
TRADING	0.89%	PROPERTY	2.35%
TRANSPORT	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
CARE	0.89%	DESIGN	1.89%
ENGINEERING	0.89%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANTS	0.89%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
J	0.79%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
PLUMBING	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
ASSOCIATES	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.70%
AUTOMOTIVE	0.69%	MEDIA	1.69%
K	0.69%	LONDON	1.68%
BUILDING	0.69%	J	1.57%
(KETTERING)	0.59%	GLOBAL	1.51%
DESIGN	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
NORTHANTS	0.59%	IT	1.42%
ELECTRICAL	0.59%	CARE	1.31%
MEDIA	0.59%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
HOLDINGS	0.59%	М	1.26%
PROPERTY	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
М	0.49%	BUILDING	1.23%
SECURITY	0.49%	SECURITY	1.19%
BUSINESS	0.49%	S	1.18%
CONSULTANCY	0.49%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	229	244,457
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	75	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	71	47,029
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	31	14,220
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	29	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	25	26,088
49410 - Freight transport by road	21	2,912
7414 - Business & management consultancy	19	10,978
9999 - Dormant Company	14	16,469
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	13	15,280
7499 - Non-trading company	13	8,023
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	13	10,271
62090 - Other information technology service activities	11	8,258
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	11	4,644
74990 - Non-trading company	11	9,706
56302 - Public houses and bars	8	2,913
6024 - Freight transport by road	8	1,933
9305 - Other service activities	8	7,926
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	8	2,716
7031 - Real estate agencies	7	1,150