

Kingston Upon Thames

q1 2012 business confidence report



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- February 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Kingston Upon Thames when compared to any previous February.

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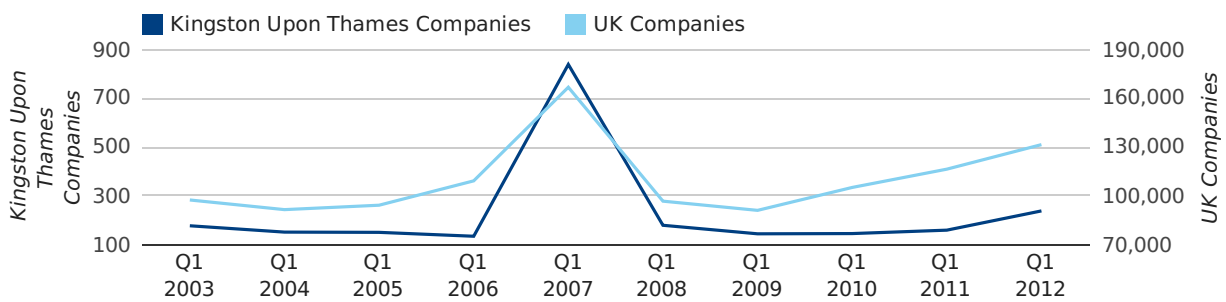
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 238 companies were registered in Kingston Upon Thames during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 49.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

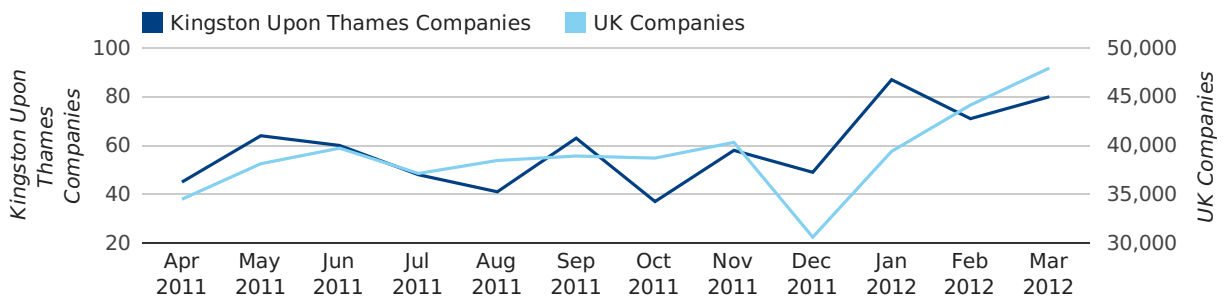
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	KINGSTON UPON THAMES	UK
2012	238	131,491
2011	159	116,391
% CHANGE	49.7%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (839)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	87	71	80
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	50	47	62
% CHANGE	74.0%	51.1%	29.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (322)	2007 (363)	2007 (154)

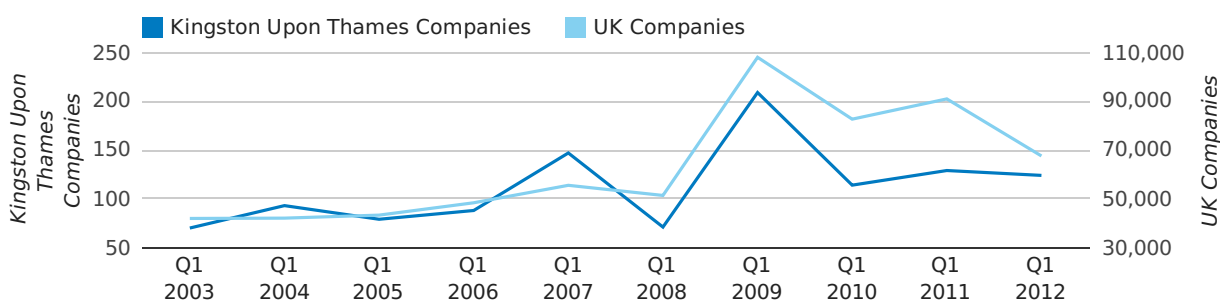
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 124 companies were dissolved in Kingston Upon Thames during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 3.9% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	KINGSTON UPON THAMES	UK
2012	124	67,576
2011	129	90,986
% CHANGE	-3.9%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (209)	2009 (108,060)

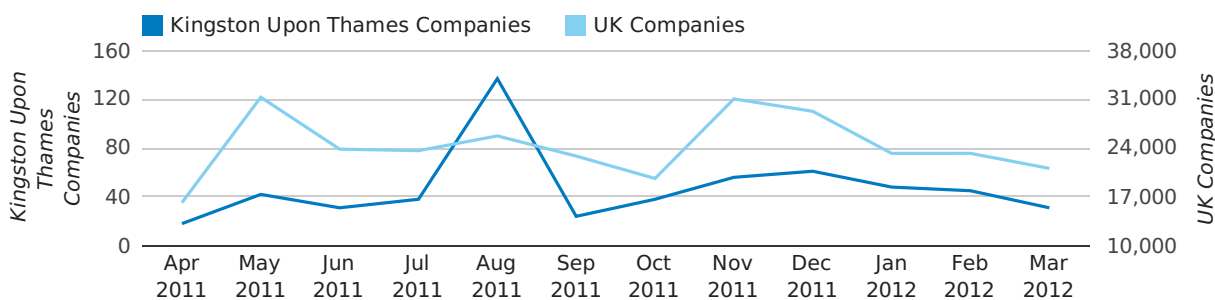
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

February 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Kingston Upon Thames when compared to any previous February.

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	48	45	31
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	41	42	46
% CHANGE	17.1%	7.1%	-33%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (54)	2012 (45)	2009 (115)

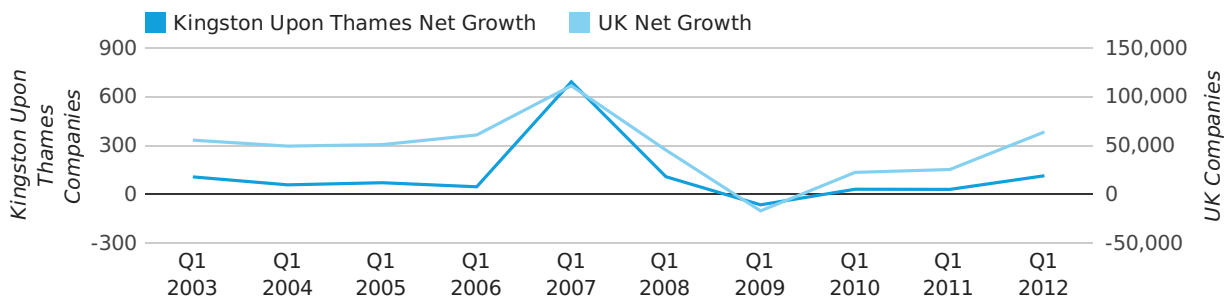
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Net company growth for Kingston Upon Thames during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 114 companies.

This represents an increase of 280.0% on the same period last year.

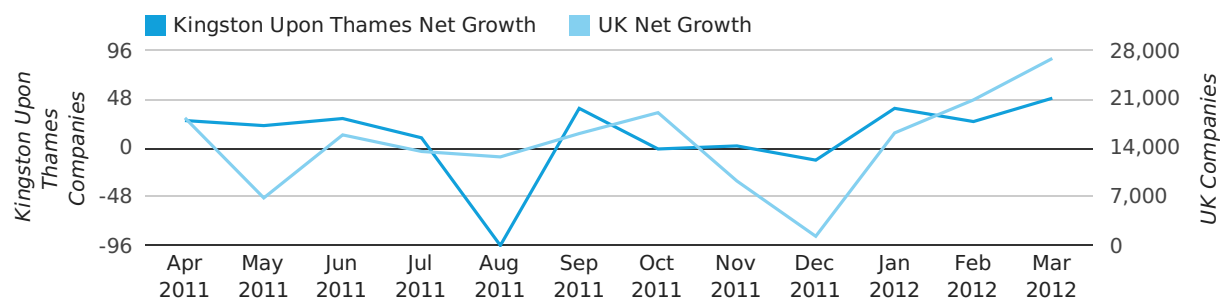
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	KINGSTON UPON THAMES	UK
2012	114	63,915
2011	30	25,405
% CHANGE	280.0%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (692)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

net growth by month



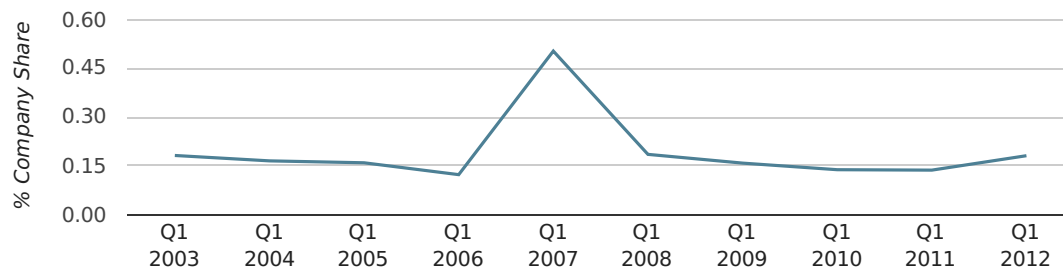
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	39	26	49
NET GROWTH IN 2011	9	5	16
% CHANGE	333.3%	420.0%	206.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (280)	2007 (338)	2007 (74)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, Kingston Upon Thames formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

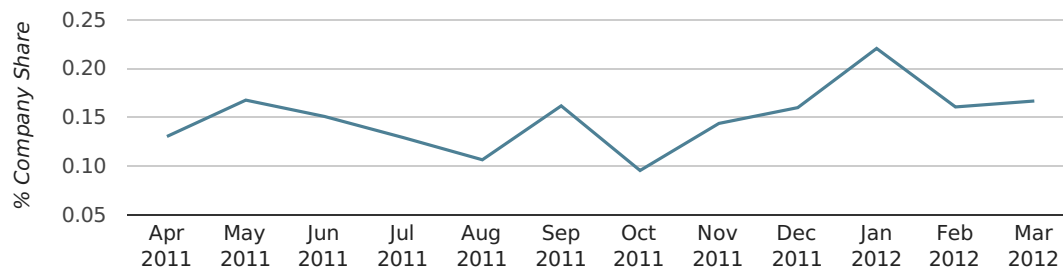
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	KINGSTON UPON THAMES
2012	0.2%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2007 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	49.2%	29.2%	20.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (0.8%)	2007 (0.6%)	1967 (0.7%)

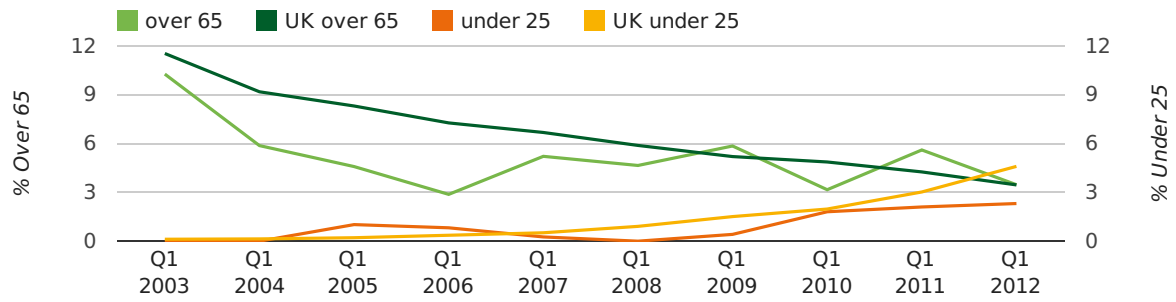
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

director age by quarter

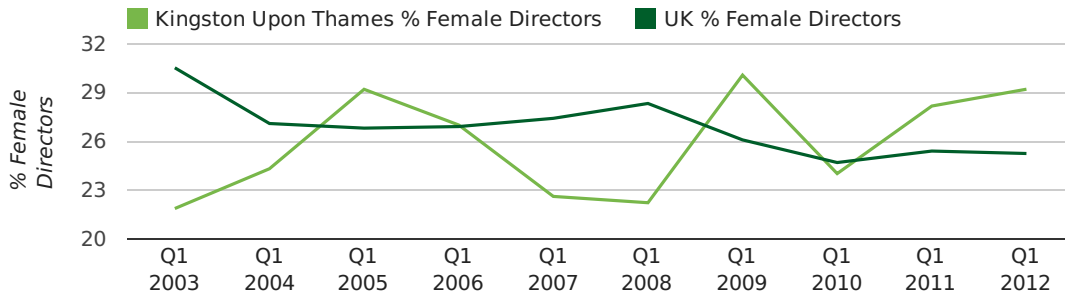


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The record first quarter for female directors in Kingston Upon Thames was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

29.2% of all director appointments in Kingston Upon Thames in the first quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	2.06%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.88%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
KINGSTON	1.43%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
CONSULTANCY	1.07%	PROPERTY	2.37%
MEDIA	0.98%	TRADING	2.07%
CONSTRUCTION	0.72%	DESIGN	1.93%
CO	0.63%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
DESIGN	0.63%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
LONDON	0.63%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
BUILDING	0.63%	BUSINESS	1.73%
EUROPE	0.54%	MEDIA	1.72%
WATTS	0.54%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
INTERNATIONAL	0.54%	LONDON	1.66%
TRADING	0.54%	J	1.54%
HAINES	0.54%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
PROPERTIES	0.54%	GLOBAL	1.50%
WORLDWIDE	0.54%	IT	1.40%
DIGITAL	0.54%	CARE	1.34%
VENTURES	0.45%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
GLOBAL	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
ASSOCIATES	0.45%	M	1.27%
NETWORK	0.45%	BUILDING	1.24%
M	0.45%	ENERGY	1.20%
ENTERPRISES	0.45%	S	1.20%
(LONDON)	0.45%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	256	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	197	52,735
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	109	35,233
7499 - Non-trading company	108	9,102
7414 - Business & management consultancy	34	12,113
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	31	19,704
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	28	14,303
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	21	9,892
99999 - Dormant Company	20	25,084
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	17	13,637
7260 - Other computer related activities	16	7,154
74990 - Non-trading company	14	9,729
62090 - Other information technology service activities	14	8,145
9999 - Dormant Company	12	18,617
41100 - Development of building projects	11	4,984
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	10	4,132
62012 - Business and domestic software development	10	4,356
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	10	6,934
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	8	4,427
71111 - Architectural activities	8	1,757