

Lanarkshire

2012 half year business confidence report



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

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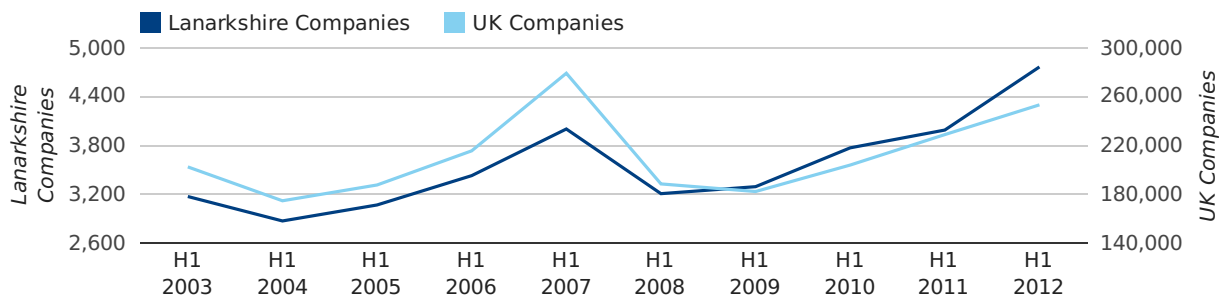
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Lanarkshire when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 4,764 companies were formed in Lanarkshire. This figure is 19.5% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Lanarkshire occurred in 2012 when a total of 4,764 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	4,764	253,150
2011	3,987	228,735
% CHANGE	19.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (4,764)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

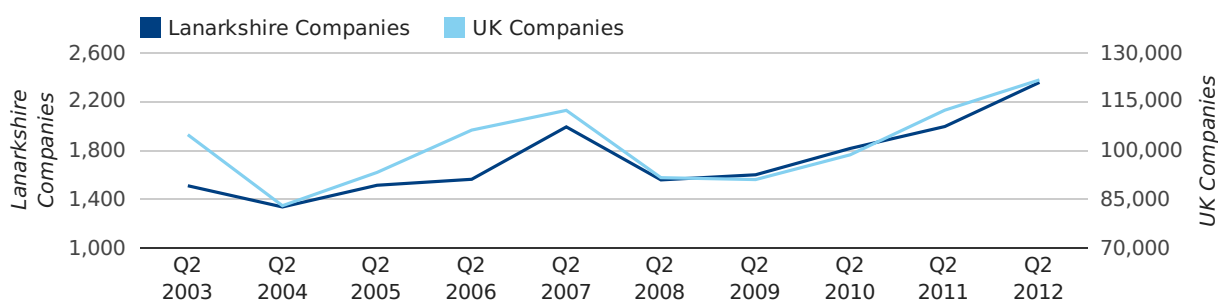
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Lanarkshire when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 2,357 companies were registered in Lanarkshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 18.1% 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)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	2,357	121,659
2011	1,995	112,344
% CHANGE	18.1%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (2,357)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	795	865	697
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	627	661	707
% CHANGE	26.8%	30.9%	-1.4%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (795)	2012 (865)	2011 (707)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Lanarkshire when compared to any previous first half year.

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

In the first half of 2012 a total of 3,616 companies were dissolved in Lanarkshire. This figure is 57.4% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Lanarkshire occurred in 2012 when a total of 3,616 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	3,616	147,793
2011	2,298	162,310
% CHANGE	57.4%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (3,616)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



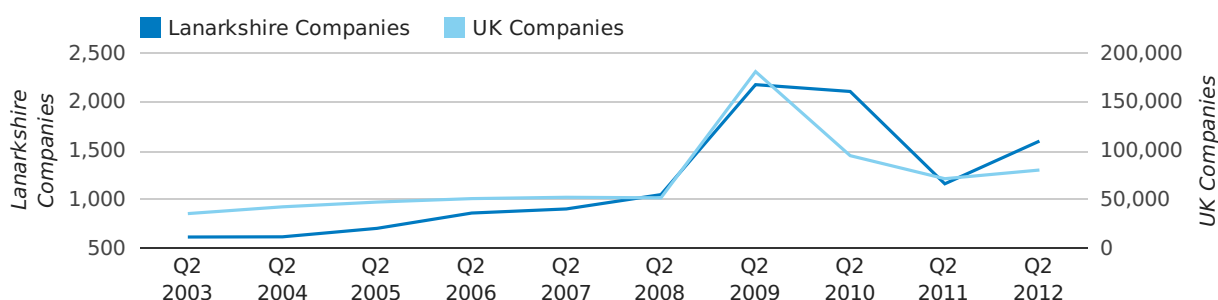
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 1,599 companies were dissolved in Lanarkshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 37.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly 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)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	1,599	80,217
2011	1,161	71,324
% CHANGE	37.7%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (2,178)	2009 (181,176)

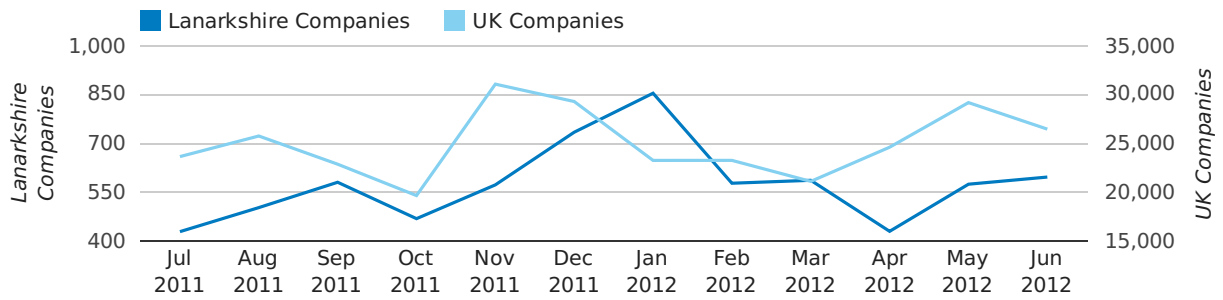
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

April 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Lanarkshire when compared to any previous April.

dissolved companies by month



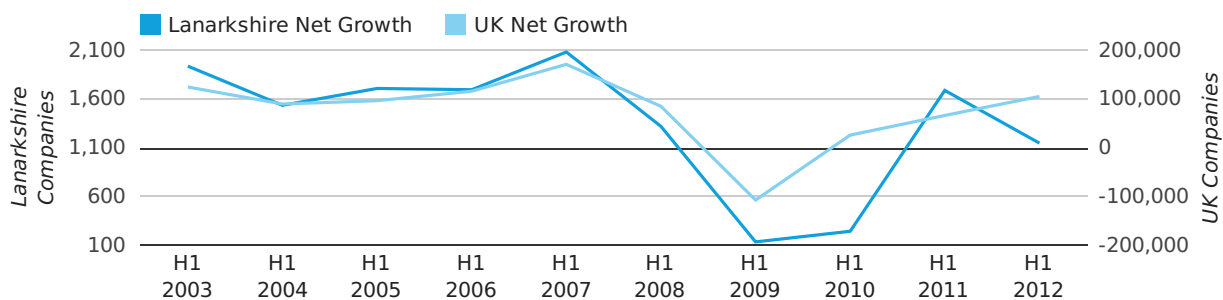
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	429	574	596
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	260	505	396
% CHANGE	65.0%	13.7%	51%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (429)	2009 (1,344)	2009 (796)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Lanarkshire increased by 1,148 companies. This figure is 32.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	1,148	105,357
2011	1,689	66,425
% CHANGE	-32.0%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (2,083)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



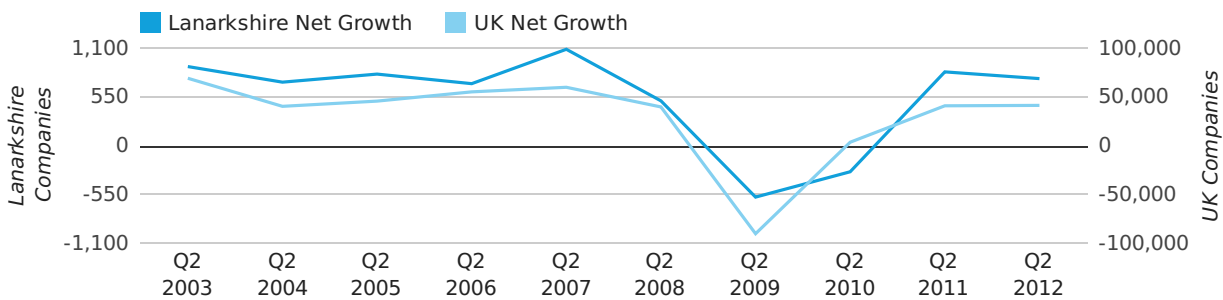
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Lanarkshire during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 758 companies.

This represents a decrease of 9.1% on the same period last year.

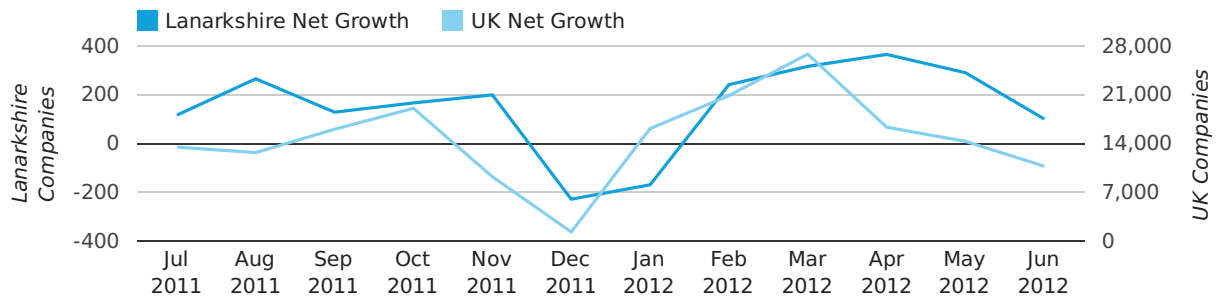
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	LANARKSHIRE	UK
2012	758	41,442
2011	834	41,020
% CHANGE	-9.1%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,089)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



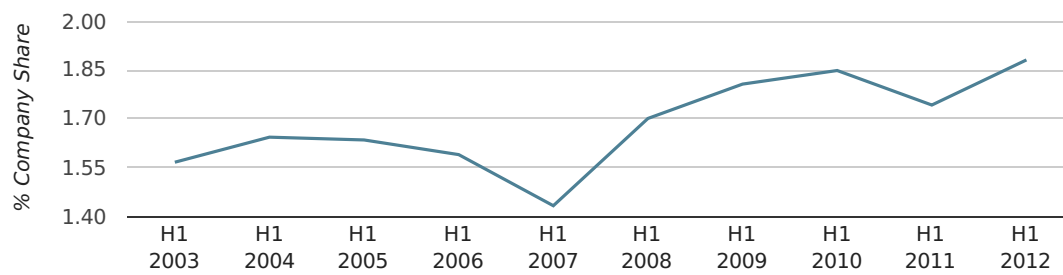
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	366	291	101
NET GROWTH IN 2011	367	156	311
% CHANGE	-0.3%	86.5%	-67.5%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (646)	2007 (306)	2011 (311)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Lanarkshire formed 1.9% of all UK companies. This is more than the 2011 figure of 1.7%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LANARKSHIRE
2012	1.9%
2011	1.7%
2010	1.8%
2009	1.8%
2008	1.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (2.2%)

company share by half year

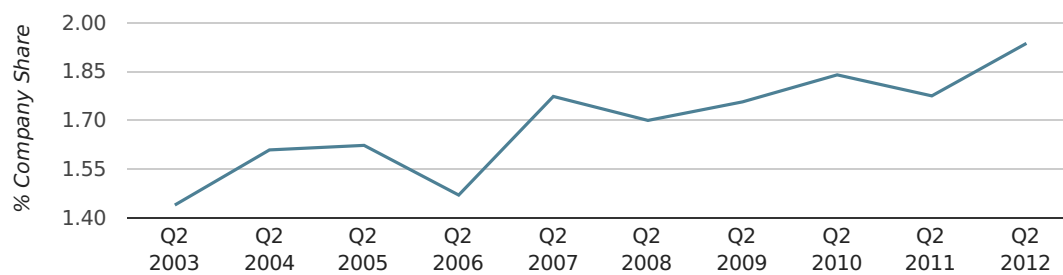


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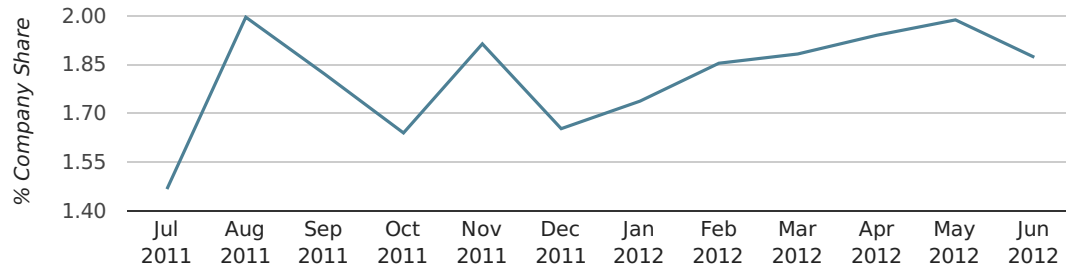
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company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.9%	2.0%	1.9%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	1.8%	1.7%	1.8%
% CHANGE	6.8%	14.7%	5.3%
RECORD YEAR	1979 (22.3%)	1980 (2.8%)	1968 (4.2%)

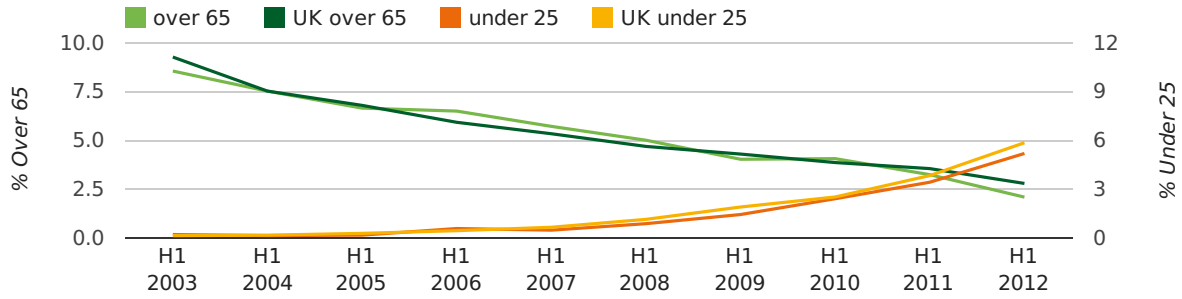
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 42.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



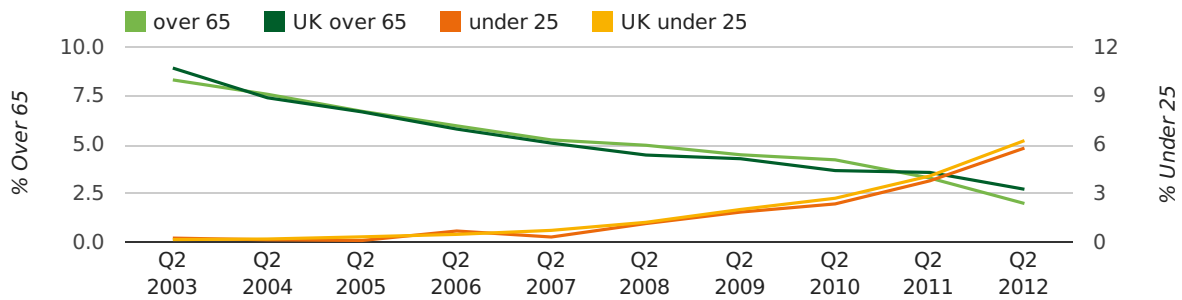
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 41.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.8% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

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director age by quarter

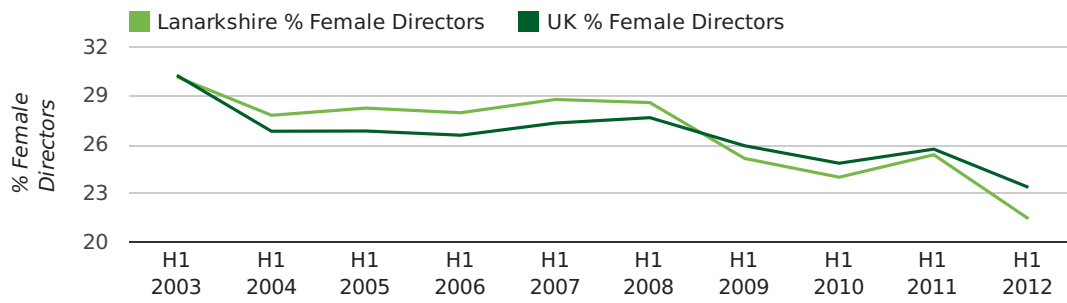


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

21.5% of all director appointments in Lanarkshire 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



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	3.91%	CONSULTING	5.07%
(SCOTLAND)	2.55%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
ILI	2.15%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
GLASGOW	1.66%	PROPERTY	2.35%
SCOTLAND	1.47%	TRADING	2.10%
INVESTMENT	1.32%	DESIGN	1.89%
CONSULTING	1.31%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANCY	1.30%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
PROPERTY	1.07%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
ENGINEERING	0.99%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
DESIGN	0.91%	BUSINESS	1.70%
(GLASGOW)	0.89%	MEDIA	1.69%
TRADING	0.89%	LONDON	1.68%
CONSULTANTS	0.82%	J	1.57%
CONSTRUCTION	0.80%	GLOBAL	1.51%
J	0.80%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
PROPERTIES	0.79%	IT	1.42%
ENERGY	0.75%	CARE	1.31%
M	0.70%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
BUSINESS	0.68%	M	1.26%
CONTRACTS	0.67%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
C	0.65%	BUILDING	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.63%	SECURITY	1.19%
LEISURE	0.61%	S	1.18%
MEDIA	0.60%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	4,365	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	773	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	608	35,447
99999 - Dormant Company	376	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	284	20,390
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	249	15,280
9999 - Dormant Company	226	16,469
56103 - Take-away food shops and mobile food stands	222	3,169
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	217	10,271
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	214	14,220
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	133	4,535
7414 - Business & management consultancy	131	10,978
5530 - Restaurants	131	4,037
62090 - Other information technology service activities	125	8,258
56101 - Licensed restaurants	122	1,551
74990 - Non-trading company	121	9,706
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	111	4,091
7260 - Other computer related activities	106	6,456
56302 - Public houses and bars	104	2,913
9305 - Other service activities	104	7,926