

# Leicester

q1 2011 business confidence report



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- Q1 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous Q1.
- Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Leicester when compared to any quarter in history.
- March 2011 was a record month for company registrations in Leicester when compared to any month in history.
- February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous January.
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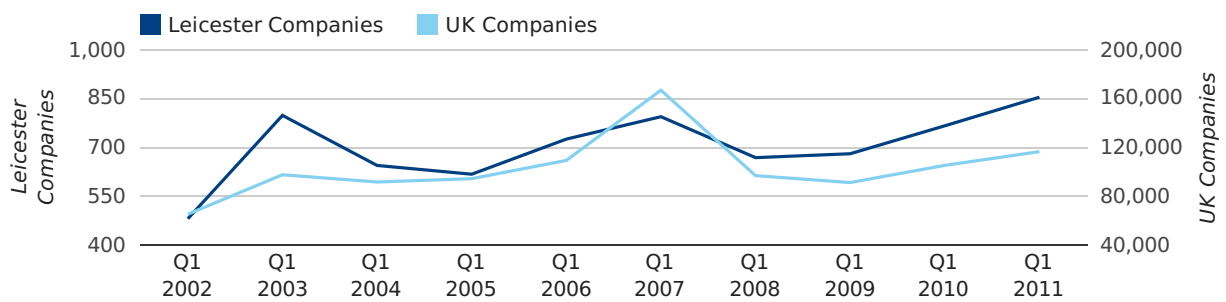
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Leicester when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 854 companies were registered in Leicester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 11.5% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	854	116,391
2010	766	105,137
% CHANGE	11.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (854)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



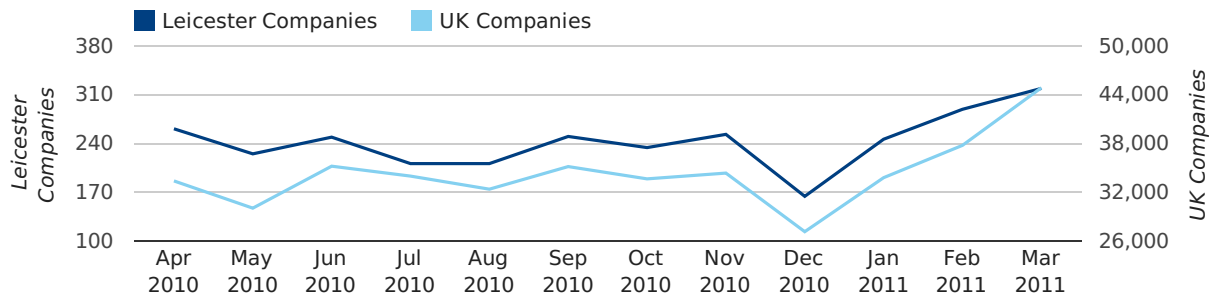
## Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

March 2011 was a record month for company registrations in Leicester when compared to any month in history.

February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous January.

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	246	289	319
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	207	243	316
% CHANGE	18.8%	18.9%	0.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (246)	2011 (289)	2009 (319)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

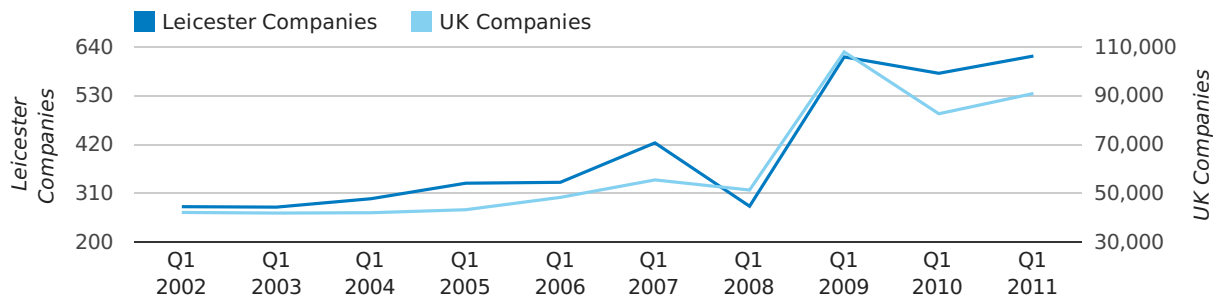
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Leicester when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 620 companies were dissolved in Leicester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 6.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	620	90,986
2010	581	82,677
% CHANGE	6.7%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (620)	2009 (108,060)

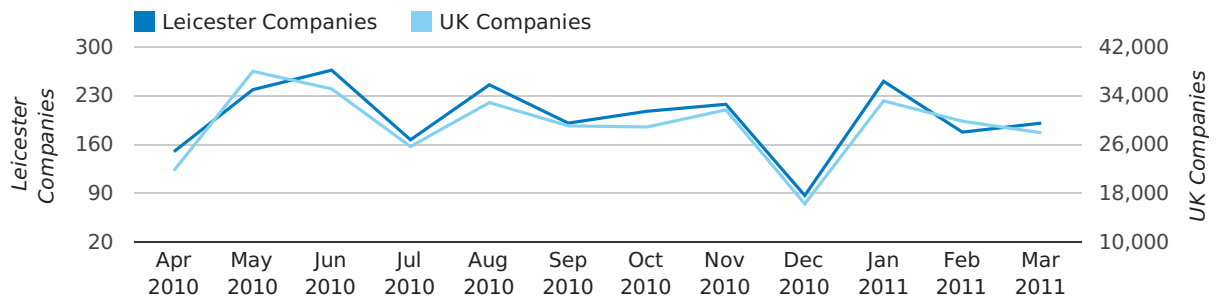
### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Leicester when compared to any previous January.

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	251	178	191
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	145	153	283
% CHANGE	73.1%	16.3%	-33%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (251)	2008 (181)	2009 (393)

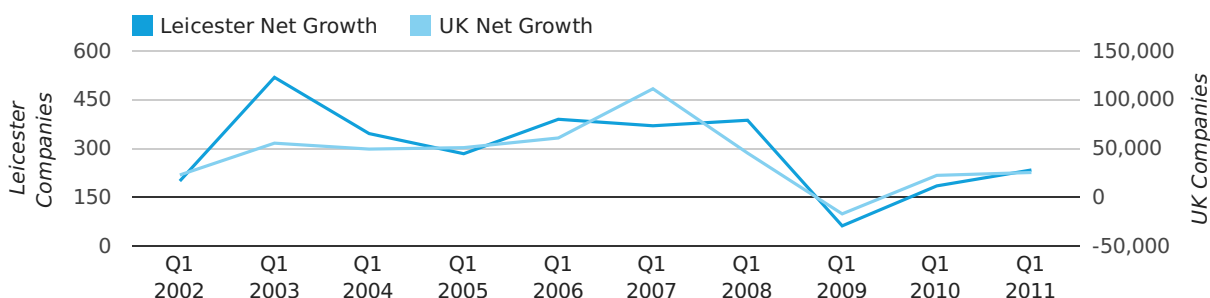
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Leicester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 234 companies.

This represents an increase of 26.5% on the same period last year.

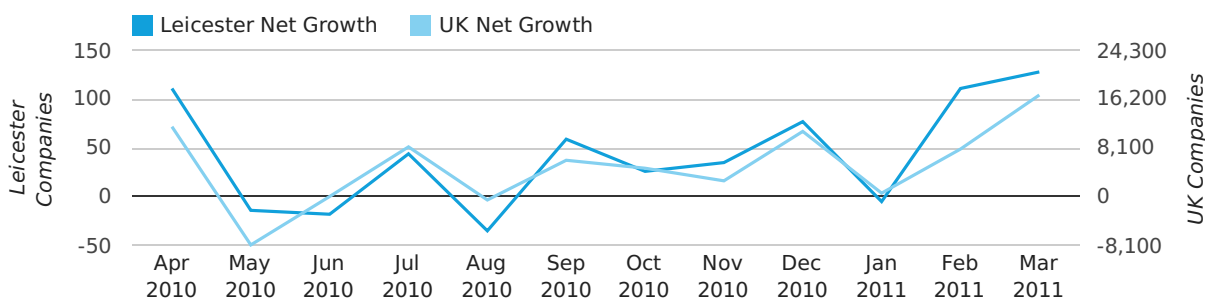
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	234	25,405
2010	185	22,460
% CHANGE	26.5%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (519)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### net growth by month



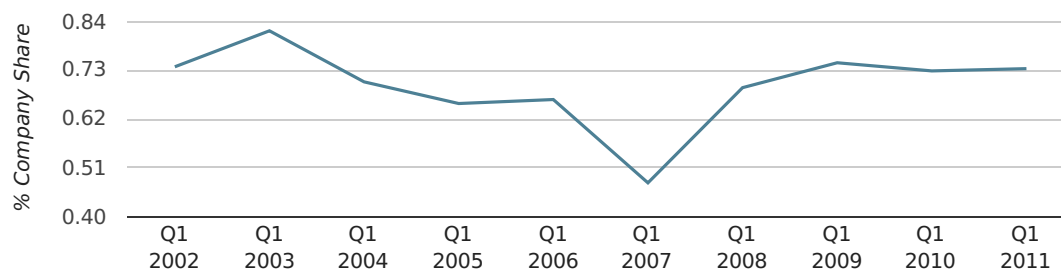
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-5	111	128
NET GROWTH IN 2010	62	90	33
% CHANGE	-108.1%	23.3%	287.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (143)	2003 (168)	2008 (238)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Leicester formed 0.7% of all UK companies.

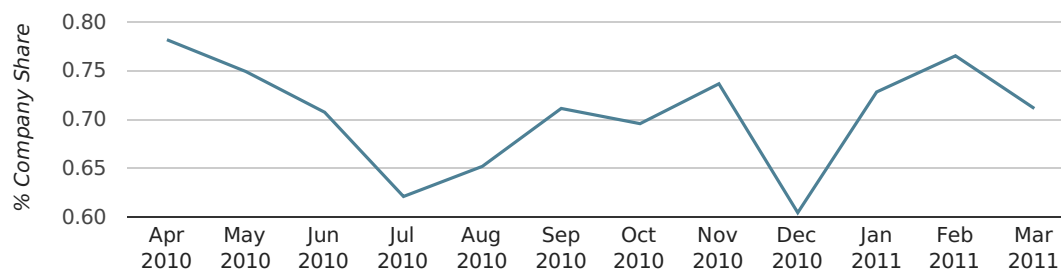
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	LEICESTER
2011	0.7%
2010	0.7%
2009	0.7%
2008	0.7%
2007	0.5%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (1.2%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.7%	0.8%	0.7%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%
% CHANGE	2.5%	4.6%	-3.7%
RECORD YEAR	1971 (1.8%)	1969 (1.7%)	1973 (1.2%)

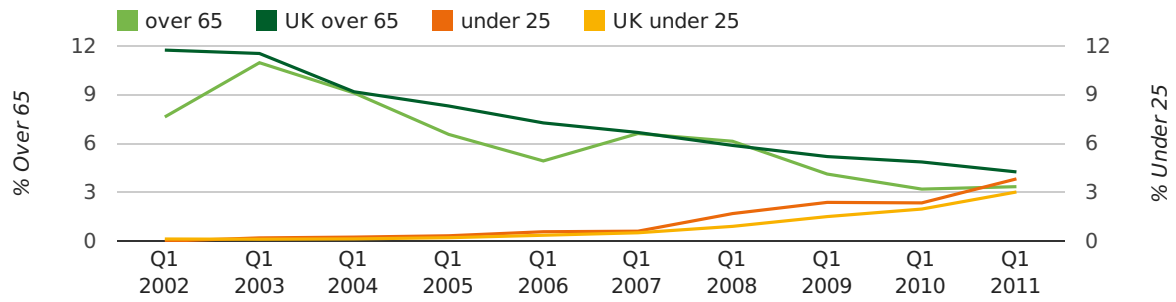
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 42.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by quarter



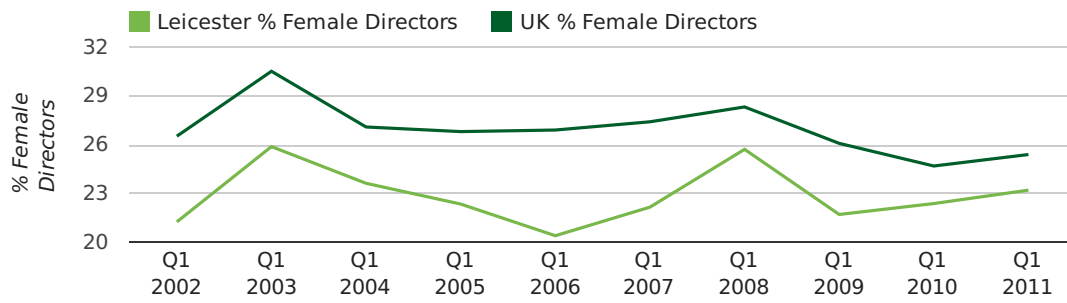


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

23.2% of all director appointments in Leicester in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

### director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
(LEICESTER)	1.75%	CONSULTING	5.04%
LEICESTER	1.56%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
MANAGEMENT	1.26%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
CONSULTANCY	1.05%	PROPERTY	2.38%
DESIGN	0.99%	TRADING	2.10%
TRADING	0.91%	DESIGN	1.93%
PROPERTY	0.89%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
S	0.86%	BUSINESS	1.87%
J	0.81%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
CONSULTING	0.81%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
INVESTMENTS	0.75%	MEDIA	1.69%
M	0.75%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
ENTERPRISE	0.67%	LONDON	1.60%
R	0.67%	CARE	1.45%
CARE	0.67%	J	1.45%
ENTERPRISES	0.62%	GLOBAL	1.44%
PROPERTIES	0.62%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
FOODS	0.62%	IT	1.41%
(LEIC)	0.56%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
ASSOCIATES	0.56%	BUILDING	1.34%
K	0.54%	M	1.30%
MEDIA	0.54%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
G	0.51%	S	1.24%
FASHIONS	0.51%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
TRAINING	0.51%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

## Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,403	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	352	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	144	30,253
9999 - Dormant Company	136	19,765
99999 - Dormant Company	128	18,336
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	96	16,150
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	73	10,085
7499 - Non-trading company	69	11,316
7414 - Business & management consultancy	60	12,916
86900 - Other human health activities	54	4,092
7260 - Other computer related activities	54	7,789
9305 - Other service activities	52	8,740
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	48	7,000
62090 - Other information technology service activities	47	6,996
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	45	10,246
5530 - Restaurants	43	4,898
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	39	7,788
74990 - Non-trading company	35	8,695
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	33	2,707
49410 - Freight transport by road	32	2,167