

Leicester

q3 2011 business confidence report



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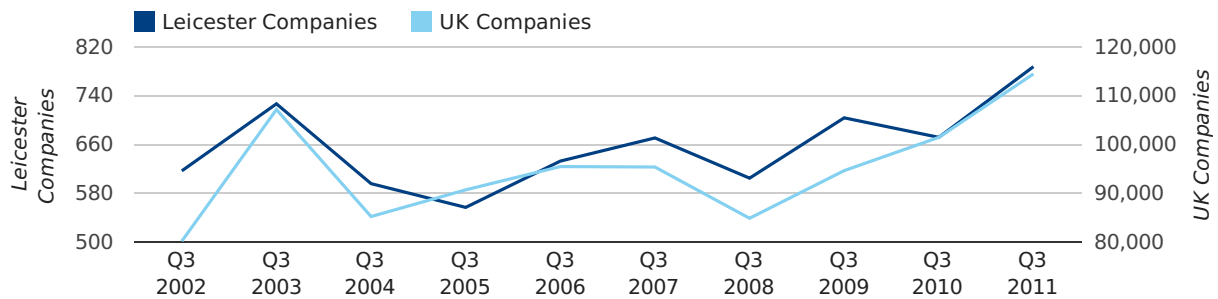
Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Leicester when compared to any previous Q3.

A total of 788 companies were registered in Leicester during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 17.3% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	788	114,512
2010	672	101,492
% CHANGE	17.3%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (788)	2011 (114,512)

new companies by quarter

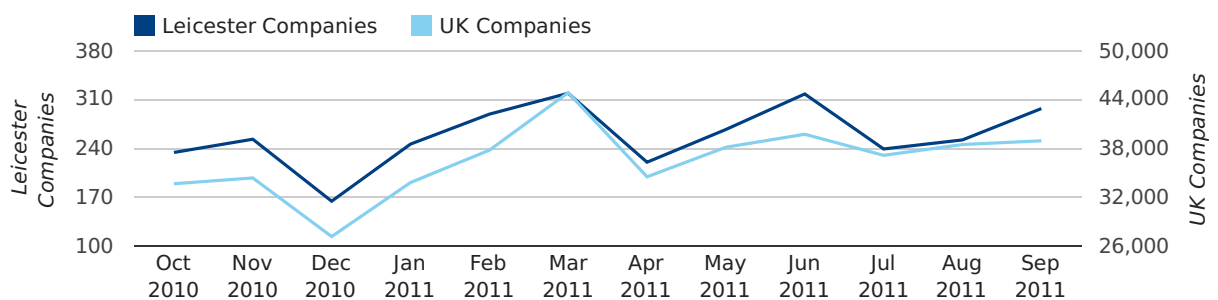


Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

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

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

new companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	239	252	297
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	211	211	250
% CHANGE	13.3%	19.4%	18.8%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (248)	2011 (252)	2011 (297)

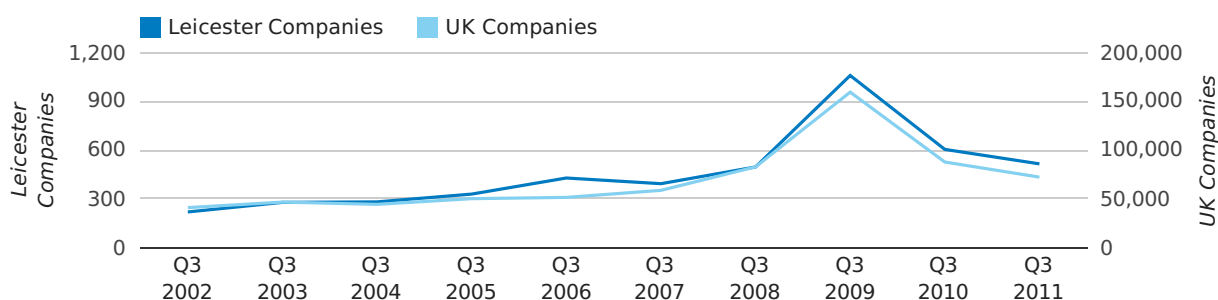
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

A total of 515 companies were dissolved in Leicester during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 14.7% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

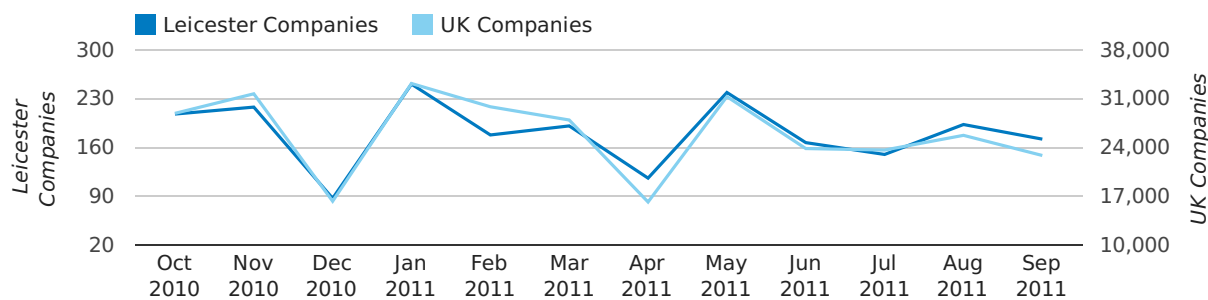
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	515	72,230
2010	604	87,705
% CHANGE	-14.7%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,059)	2009 (159,401)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	150	193	172
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	167	246	191
% CHANGE	-10.2%	-21.5%	-10%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (255)	2008 (375)	2009 (431)

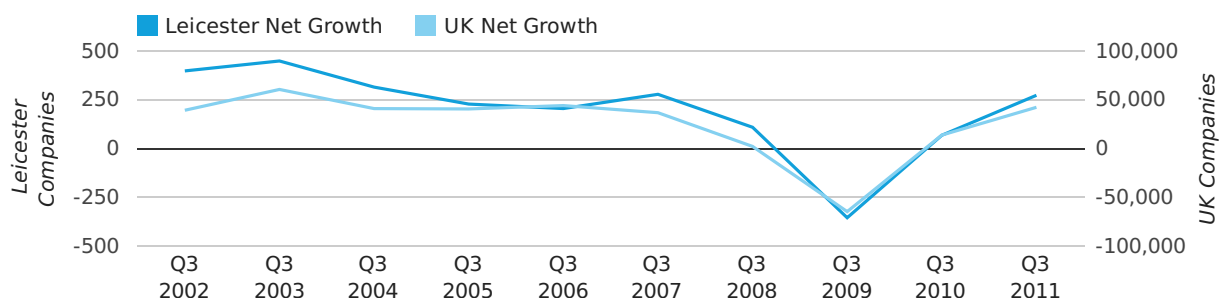
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

Net company growth for Leicester during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 273 companies.

This represents an increase of 301.5% on the same period last year.

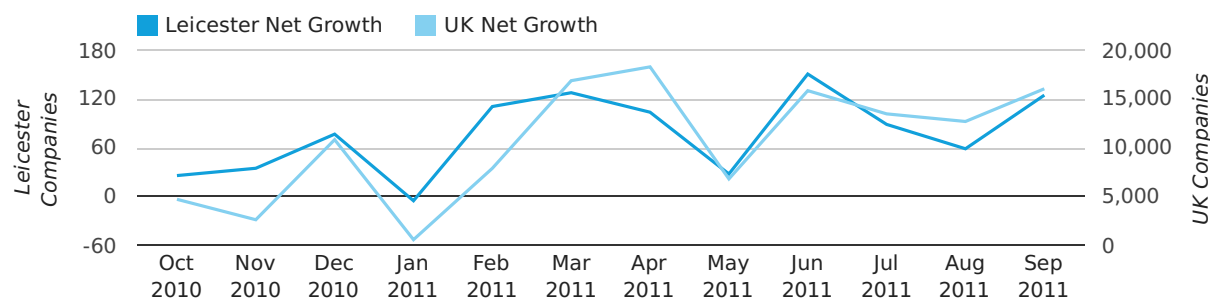
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	LEICESTER	UK
2011	273	42,282
2010	68	13,787
% CHANGE	301.5%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (449)	2003 (60,597)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

net growth by month



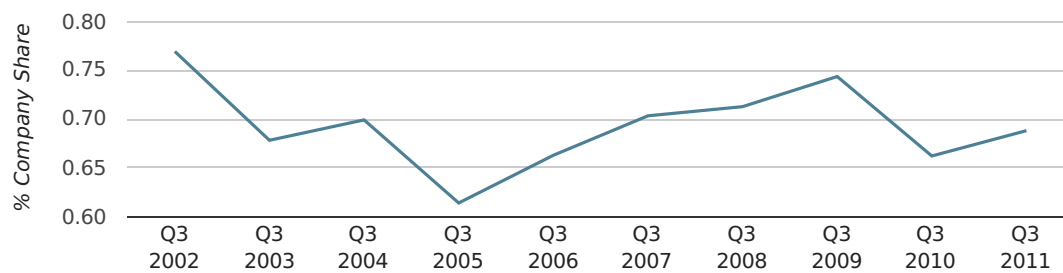
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	89	59	125
NET GROWTH IN 2010	44	-35	59
% CHANGE	102.3%	-268.6%	111.9%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (187)	2003 (157)	2002 (189)

Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

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

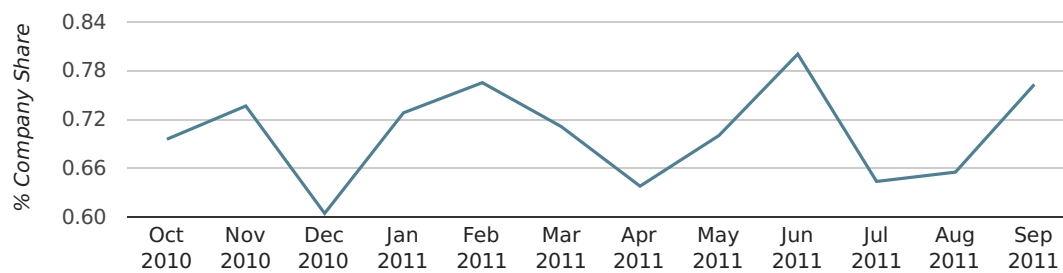
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	LEICESTER
2011	0.7%
2010	0.7%
2009	0.7%
2008	0.7%
2007	0.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (1.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%
% CHANGE	3.7%	0.5%	7.3%
RECORD YEAR	1974 (1.5%)	1965 (1.4%)	1971 (1.3%)

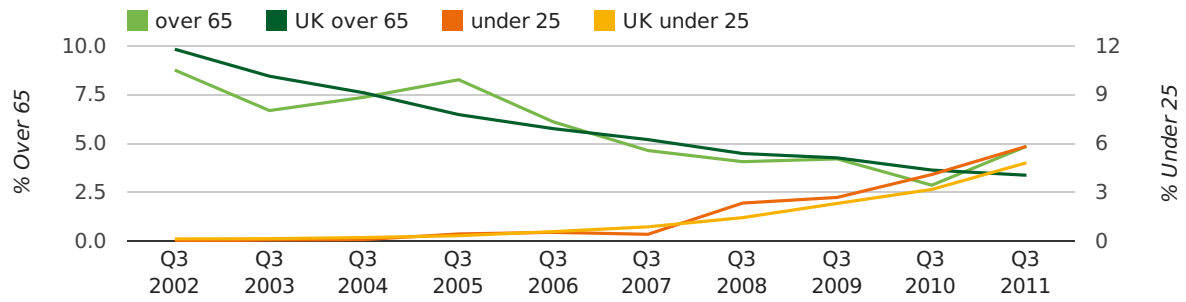
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

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

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

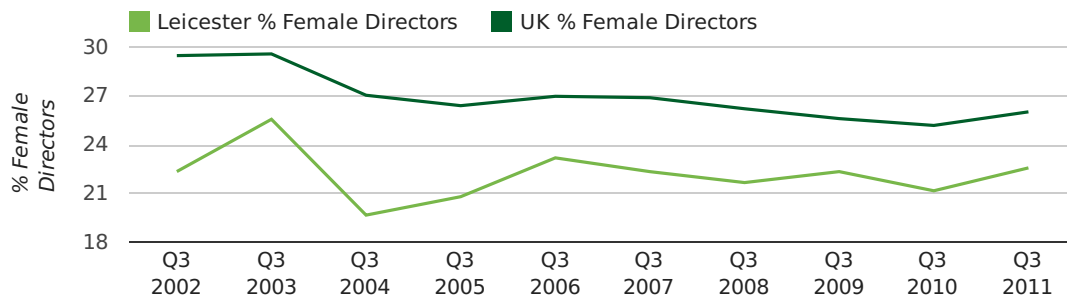


Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The record third quarter for female directors in Leicester was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

22.6% of all director appointments in Leicester in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
LEICESTER	1.74%	CONSULTING	5.11%
(LEICESTER)	1.72%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
MANAGEMENT	1.29%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
CONSULTING	1.04%	PROPERTY	2.41%
TRADING	1.04%	TRADING	2.06%
CONSULTANCY	0.96%	DESIGN	1.94%
J	0.88%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
DESIGN	0.86%	BUSINESS	1.82%
PROPERTY	0.81%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
TRAINING	0.76%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
S	0.71%	MEDIA	1.72%
M	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
R	0.66%	LONDON	1.63%
CARE	0.66%	J	1.47%
PROPERTIES	0.63%	GLOBAL	1.46%
ASSOCIATES	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
ENTERPRISE	0.58%	CARE	1.42%
BUSINESS	0.56%	IT	1.38%
FOODS	0.53%	BUILDING	1.30%
MEDIA	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
IT	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
GLOBAL	0.53%	M	1.25%
INVESTMENTS	0.51%	ENERGY	1.22%
K	0.51%	TRAINING	1.21%
FASHIONS	0.51%	S	1.21%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,419	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	352	65,177
9999 - Dormant Company	150	22,587
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	134	29,245
99999 - Dormant Company	115	18,281
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	100	15,760
9305 - Other service activities	74	10,525
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	68	10,018
7414 - Business & management consultancy	66	14,755
7499 - Non-trading company	66	11,543
7260 - Other computer related activities	57	8,686
86900 - Other human health activities	48	4,019
5530 - Restaurants	47	5,640
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	46	8,345
6024 - Freight transport by road	44	2,601
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	40	10,137
8512 - Medical practice activities	38	2,427
62090 - Other information technology service activities	38	6,798
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	34	7,551
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	32	2,545