

Lowestoft

2011 half year business confidence report



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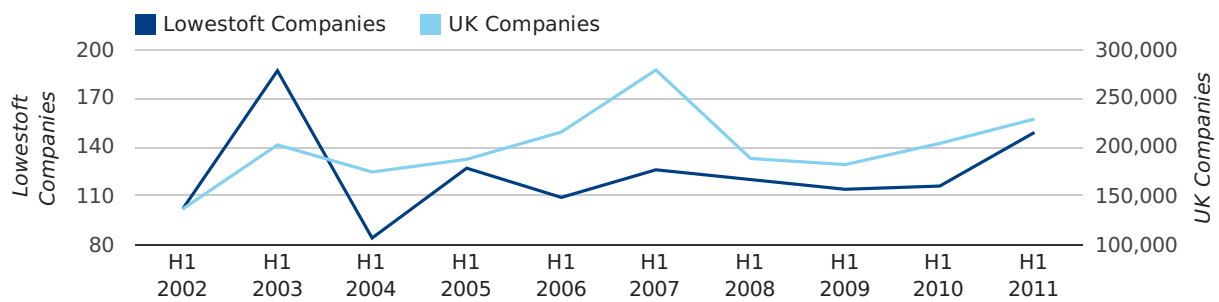
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 149 companies were formed in Lowestoft. This figure is 28.4% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Lowestoft occurred in 2003 when a total of 187 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	149	228,735
2010	116	203,749
% CHANGE	28.4%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (187)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



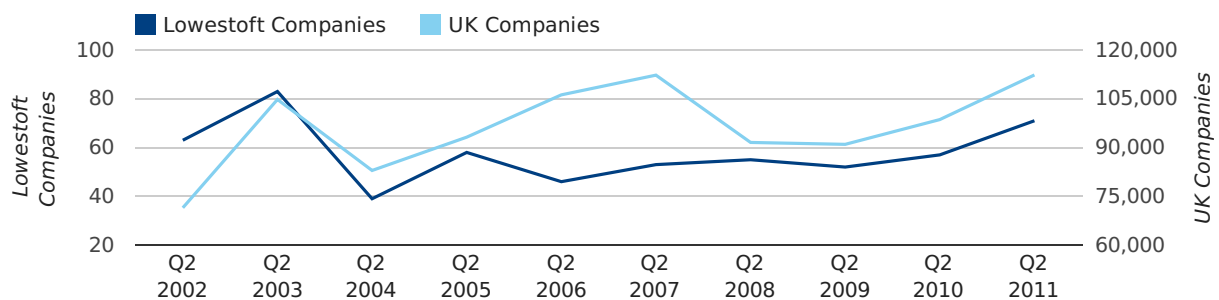
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 71 companies were registered in Lowestoft during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 24.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

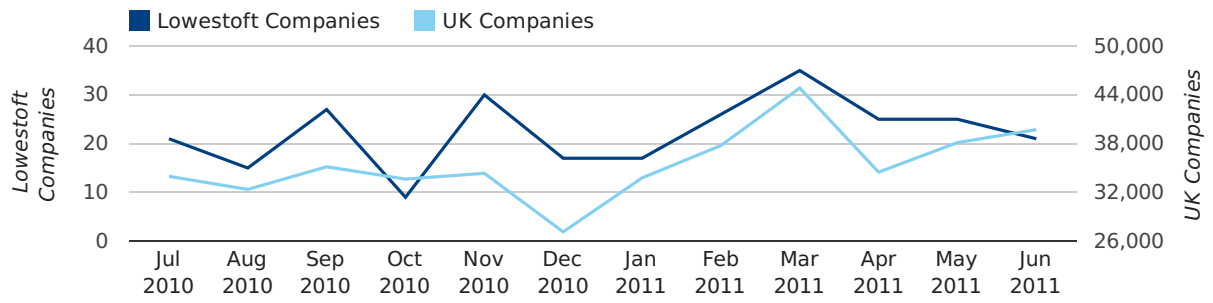
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	71	112,344
2010	57	98,612
% CHANGE	24.6%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (83)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	25	25	21
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	18	21	18
% CHANGE	38.9%	19.0%	16.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (30)	2003 (36)	2002 (25)

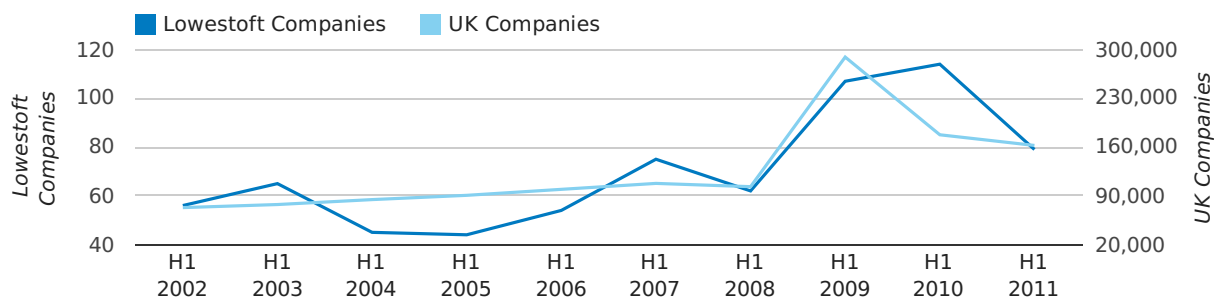
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 79 companies were dissolved in Lowestoft. This figure is 30.7% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Lowestoft occurred in 2010 when a total of 114 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	79	162,310
2010	114	177,631
% CHANGE	-30.7%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (114)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



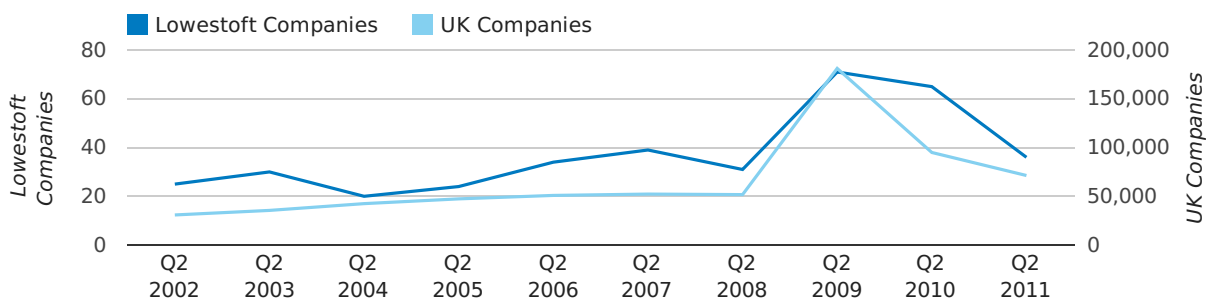
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 36 companies were dissolved in Lowestoft during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 44.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	36	71,324
2010	65	94,954
% CHANGE	-44.6%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (71)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



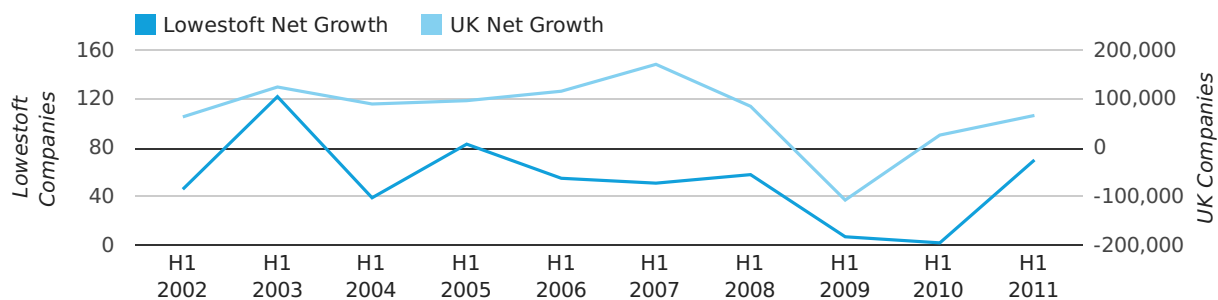
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	3	14	19
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	18	26	21
% CHANGE	-83.3%	-46.2%	-10%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (18)	2009 (37)	2009 (25)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Lowestoft increased by 70 companies. This figure is 3,400.0% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	70	66,425
2010	2	26,118
% CHANGE	3,400.0%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (122)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



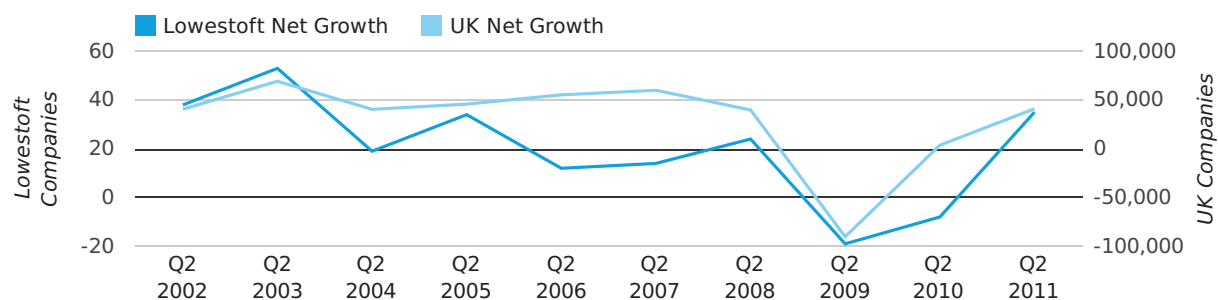
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Lowestoft during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 35 companies.

This represents an increase of 537.5% on the same period last year.

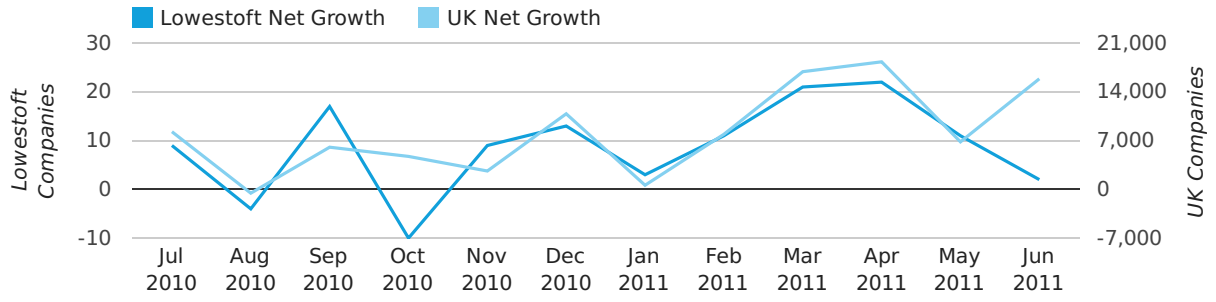
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	LOWESTOFT	UK
2011	35	41,020
2010	-8	3,658
% CHANGE	-537.5%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (53)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



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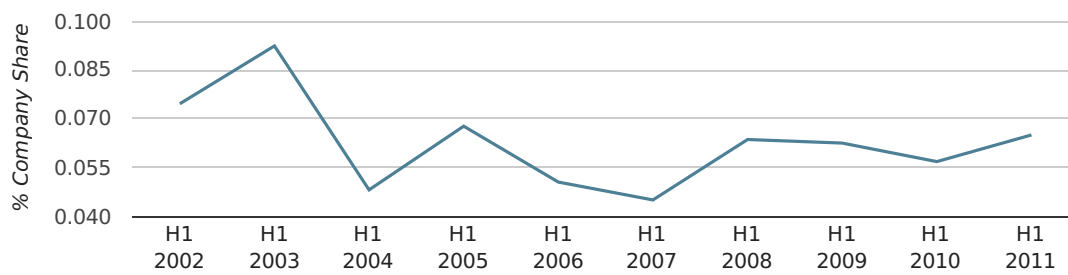
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	22	11	2
NET GROWTH IN 2010	0	-5	-3
% CHANGE	0.0%	-320.0%	-166.7%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (23)	2003 (26)	2002 (17)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Lowestoft formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	LOWESTOFT
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.3%)

company share by half year

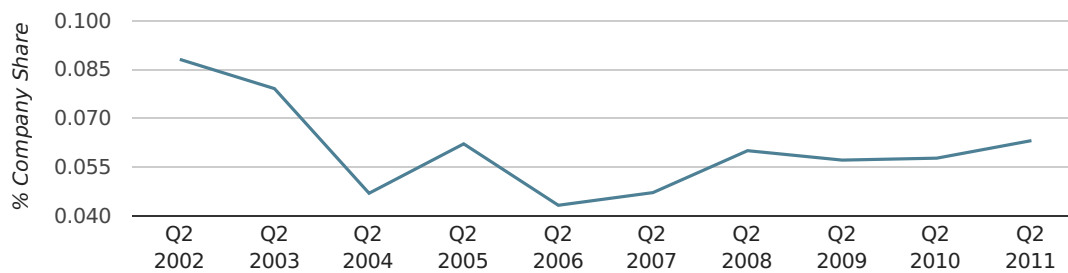


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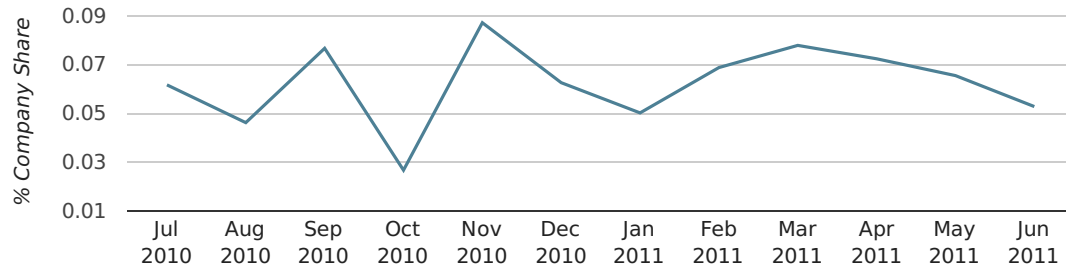
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	LOWESTOFT
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1976 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	34.5%	-6.2%	3.5%
RECORD YEAR	1965 (0.4%)	1966 (0.4%)	1963 (0.4%)

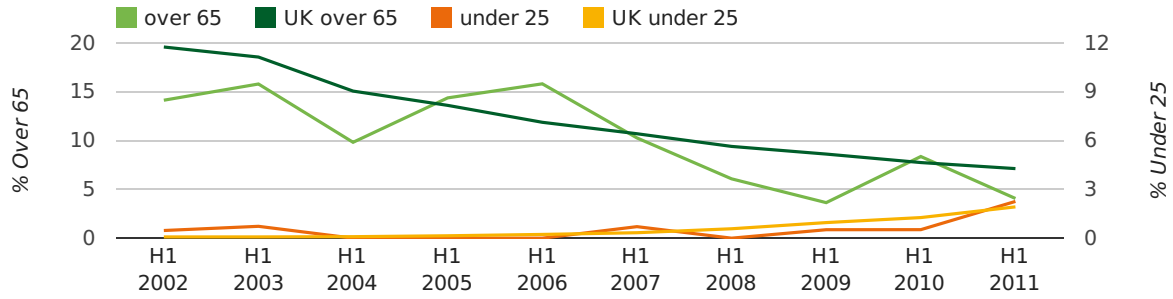
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 45.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



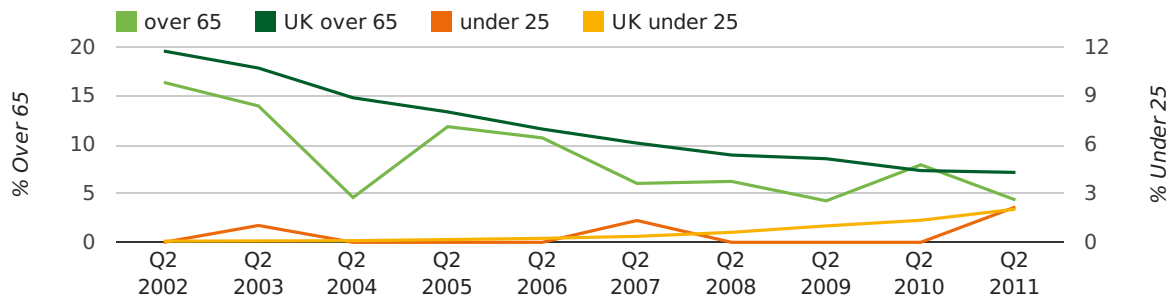
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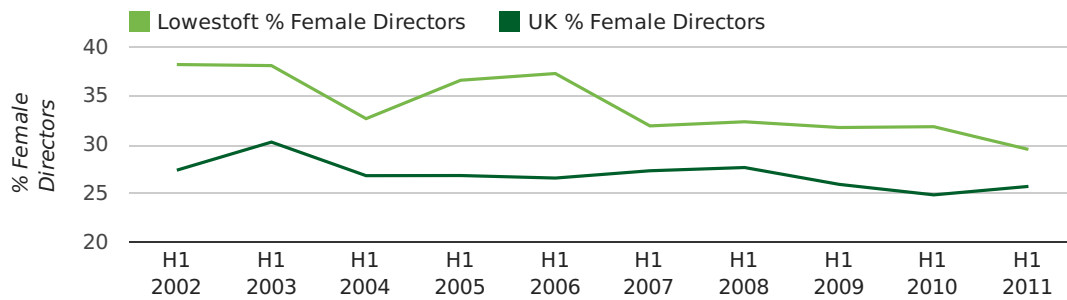


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

29.5% of all director appointments in Lowestoft in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

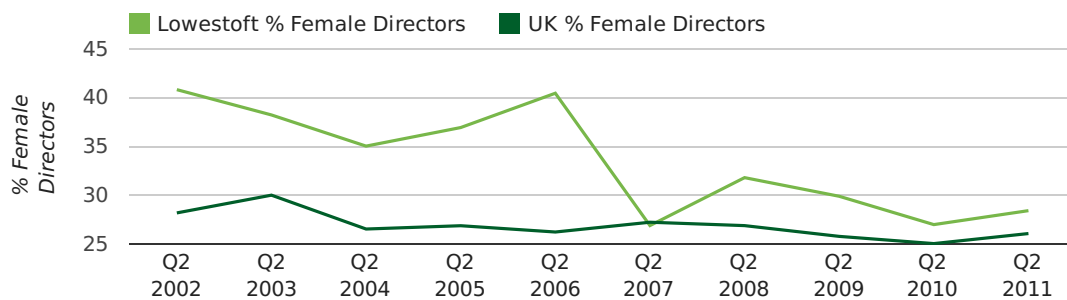


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The record second quarter for female directors in Lowestoft was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

28.4% of all director appointments in Lowestoft in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
EAST	1.80%	CONSULTING	5.09%
ANGLIA	1.20%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
PLUMBING	1.20%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
J	1.00%	PROPERTY	2.43%
ENGINEERING	1.00%	TRADING	2.05%
CONSULTANTS	1.00%	DESIGN	1.94%
MANAGEMENT	1.00%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
R	1.00%	BUSINESS	1.87%
HEATING	1.00%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
FISH	0.80%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ANGLIA)	0.80%	MEDIA	1.73%
CONSULTANCY	0.80%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
ENTERPRISES	0.80%	LONDON	1.60%
HEALTHCARE	0.80%	GLOBAL	1.46%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.80%	J	1.44%
(EAST	0.80%	CARE	1.44%
BLUE	0.60%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
BUSINESS	0.60%	IT	1.39%
M	0.60%	BUILDING	1.32%
LEISURE	0.60%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
WAVENEY	0.60%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
MARINE	0.60%	M	1.27%
(LOWESTOFT)	0.60%	S	1.23%
BUILDERS	0.60%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
CONSULTING	0.60%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	82	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	36	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	16	30,647
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	15	10,322
9305 - Other service activities	11	9,063
9999 - Dormant Company	11	20,111
09100 - Support activities for petroleum and natural gas extraction	11	293
99999 - Dormant Company	10	18,918
1120 - Services to oil and gas extraction	9	251
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	9	7,835
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	7	5,928
43210 - Electrical installation	7	3,085
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	7	16,419
7260 - Other computer related activities	6	7,849
74990 - Non-trading company	6	8,481
62090 - Other information technology service activities	5	7,095
5540 - Bars	5	2,141
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	4	2,641
7499 - Non-trading company	4	10,955
5530 - Restaurants	4	5,086