

Macclesfield

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous Q2.
- April 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous April.
- April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous April.

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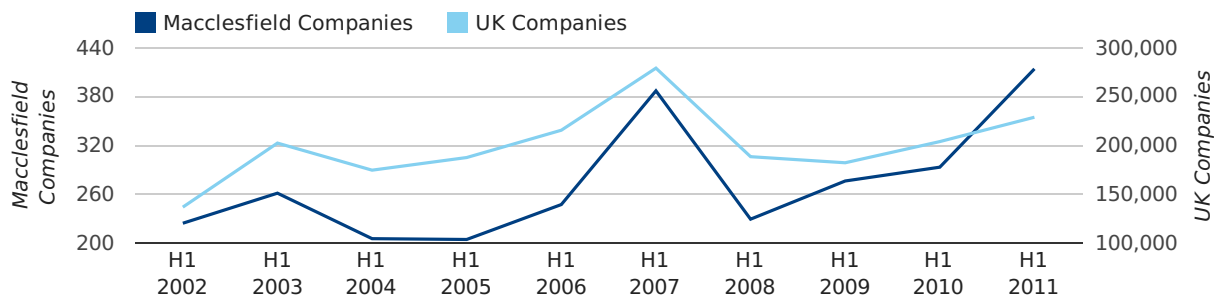
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 414 companies were formed in Macclesfield. This figure is 41.3% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Macclesfield occurred in 2011 when a total of 414 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	414	228,735
2010	293	203,749
% CHANGE	41.3%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (414)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

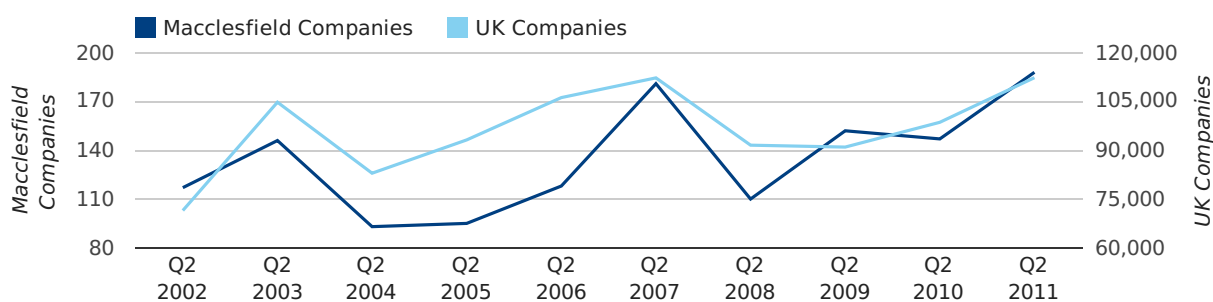
Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 188 companies were registered in Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 27.9% 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)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	188	112,344
2010	147	98,612
% CHANGE	27.9%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (188)	2011 (112,344)

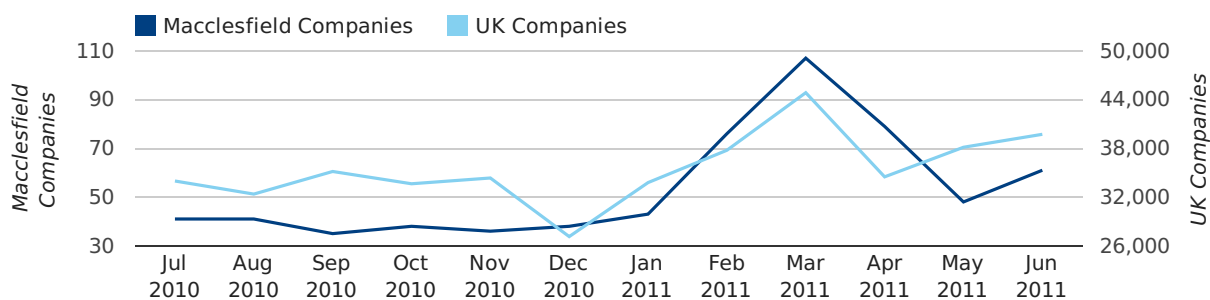
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

April 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous April.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	79	48	61
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	44	33	70
% CHANGE	79.5%	45.5%	-12.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (79)	2007 (64)	2010 (70)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 185 companies were dissolved in Macclesfield. This figure is 33.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Macclesfield occurred in 2009 when a total of 279 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	185	162,310
2010	277	177,631
% CHANGE	-33.2%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (279)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



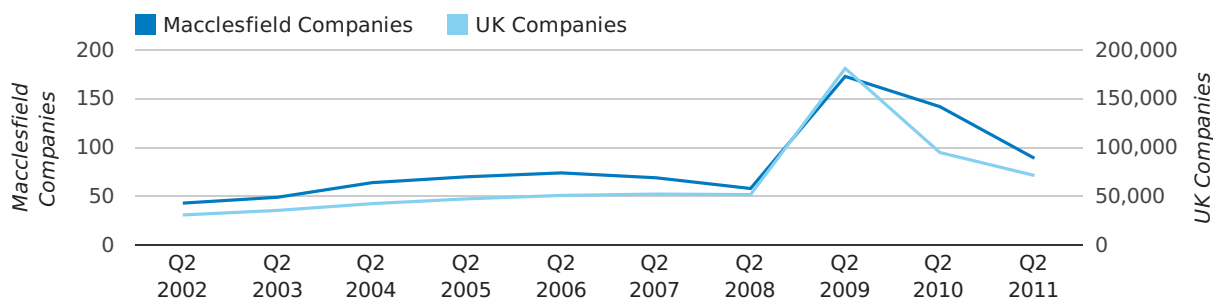
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 89 companies were dissolved in Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 37.3% 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.

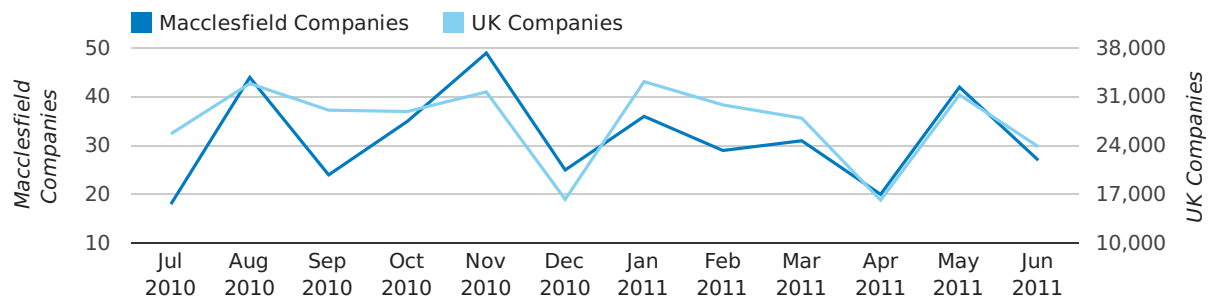
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	89	71,324
2010	142	94,954
% CHANGE	-37.3%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (173)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



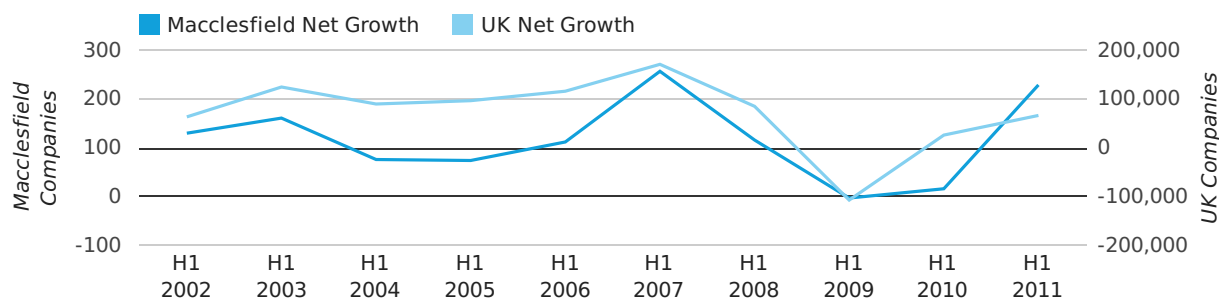
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	20	42	27
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	38	55	49
% CHANGE	-47.4%	-23.6%	-45%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (38)	2009 (90)	2009 (50)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Macclesfield increased by 229 companies. This figure is 1,331.3% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	229	66,425
2010	16	26,118
% CHANGE	1,331.3%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (257)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



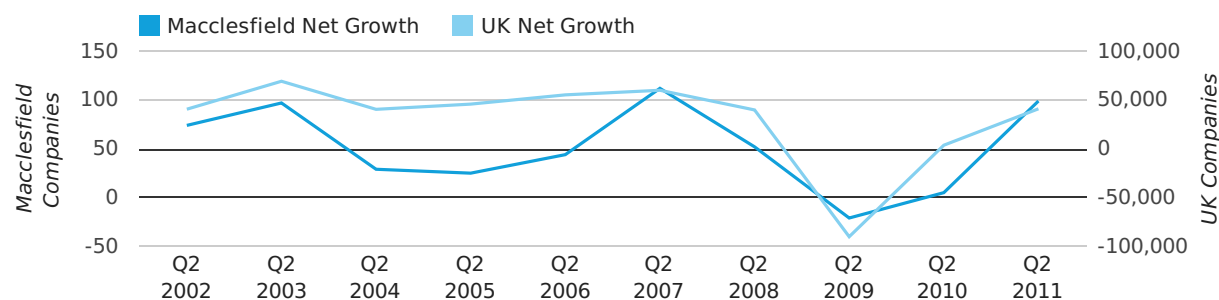
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 99 companies.

This represents an increase of 1,880.0% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2011	99	41,020
2010	5	3,658
% CHANGE	1,880.0%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (112)	2003 (69,274)

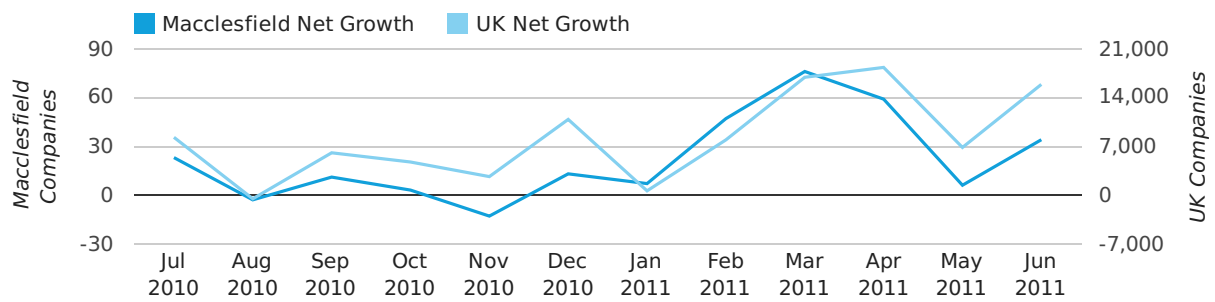
net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

April 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous April.

net growth by month



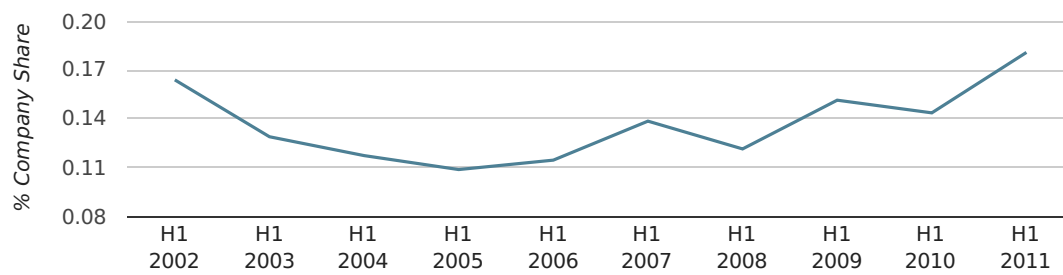
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	59	6	34
NET GROWTH IN 2010	6	-22	21
% CHANGE	883.3%	-127.3%	61.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (59)	2007 (32)	2003 (38)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Macclesfield formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is more than the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.3%)

company share by half year

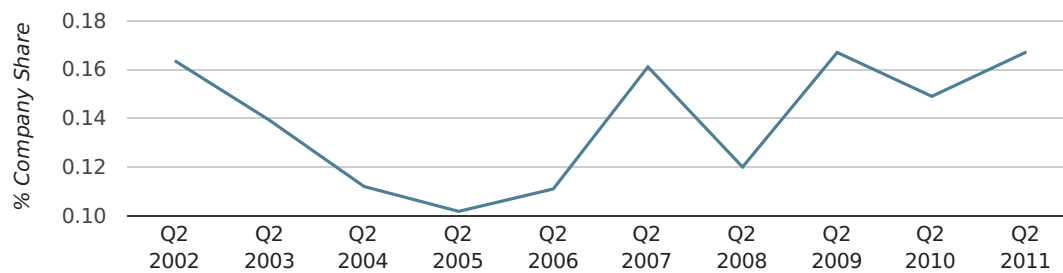


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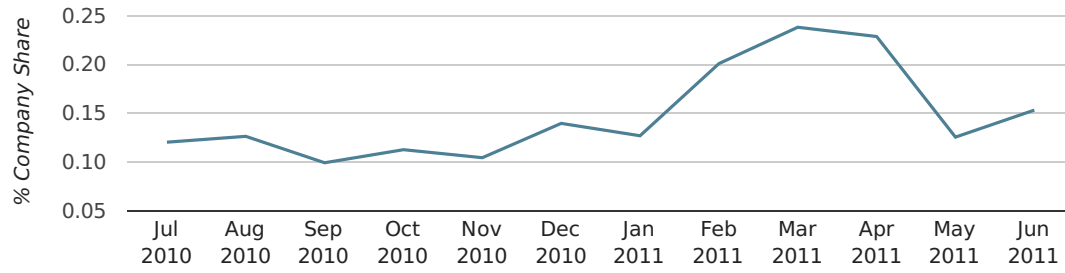
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	MACCLESFIELD
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1978 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	73.8%	14.6%	-22.8%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.6%)	1978 (0.6%)	1961 (0.5%)

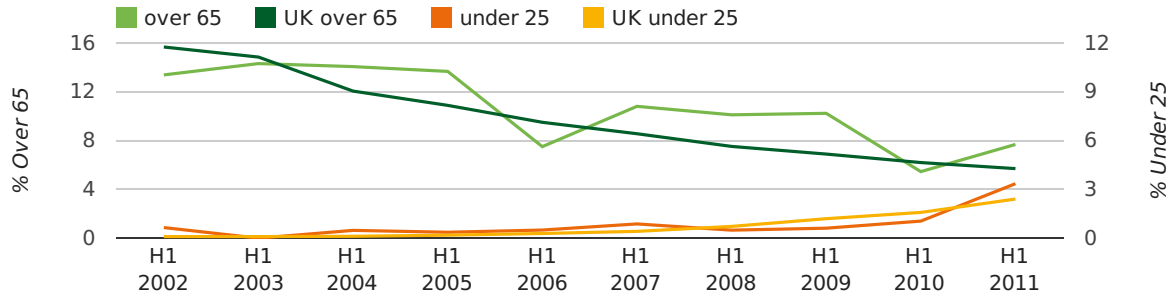
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 45.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



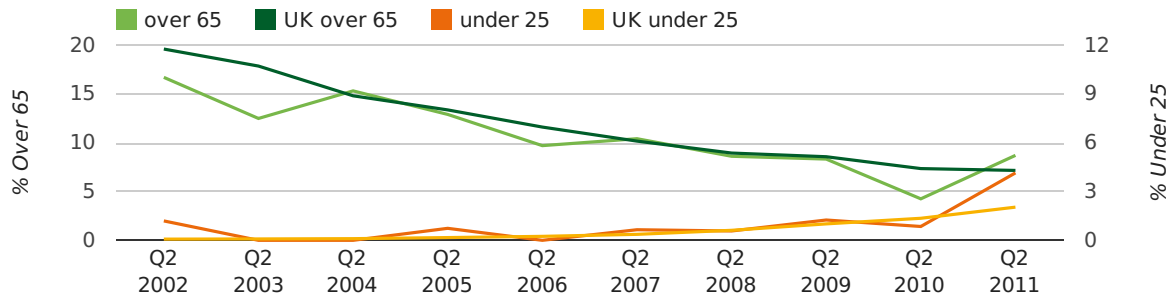
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 45.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 8.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

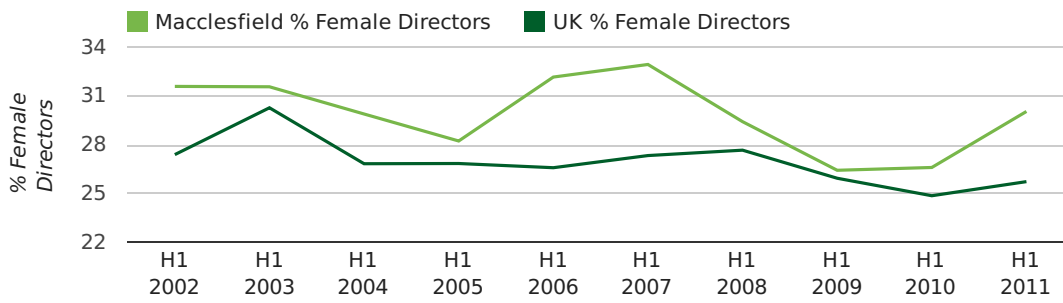


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

30.1% of all director appointments in Macclesfield 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

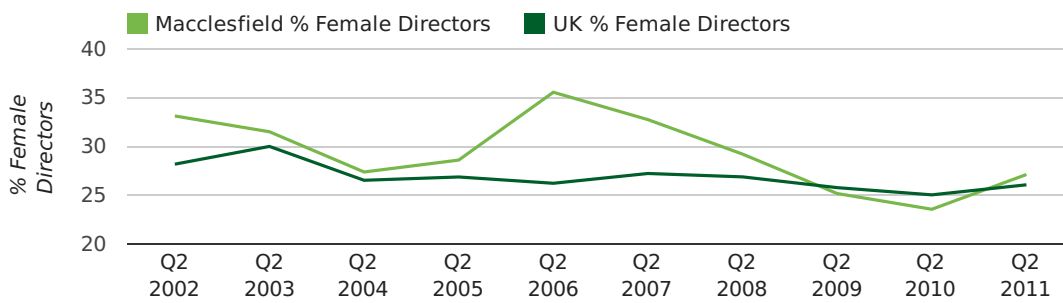


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

27.1% of all director appointments in Macclesfield 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
CONSULTING	1.57%	CONSULTING	5.09%
MANAGEMENT	1.48%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
PROPERTY	1.48%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
PARTNERS	1.11%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CONSULTANTS	0.93%	TRADING	2.05%
ASSOCIATES	0.74%	DESIGN	1.94%
CHESHIRE	0.65%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
MARKETING	0.65%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CONSULTANCY	0.65%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
CORPORATE	0.56%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
FINANCIAL	0.56%	MEDIA	1.73%
BUSINESS	0.56%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
(MACCLESFIELD)	0.56%	LONDON	1.60%
EUROPE	0.56%	GLOBAL	1.46%
MEDIA	0.46%	J	1.44%
DESIGN	0.46%	CARE	1.44%
INTERNATIONAL	0.46%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
IT	0.46%	IT	1.39%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.46%	BUILDING	1.32%
INVESTMENTS	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
VAUXHALL	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
S	0.46%	M	1.27%
CROSS	0.46%	S	1.23%
ACADEMY	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
PARTNERSHIP	0.46%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	281	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	64	60,758
99999 - Dormant Company	58	18,918
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	36	16,419
9999 - Dormant Company	36	20,111
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	27	30,647
7414 - Business & management consultancy	22	13,053
62090 - Other information technology service activities	22	7,095
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	20	10,545
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	17	7,835
74990 - Non-trading company	13	8,481
9305 - Other service activities	12	9,063
7260 - Other computer related activities	11	7,849
7499 - Non-trading company	10	10,955
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	7,143
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	8	2,258
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	8	2,238
64999 - Financial intermediation not elsewhere classified	7	2,739
73110 - Advertising agencies	7	1,633
98000 - Residents property management	7	2,888