

Macclesfield

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

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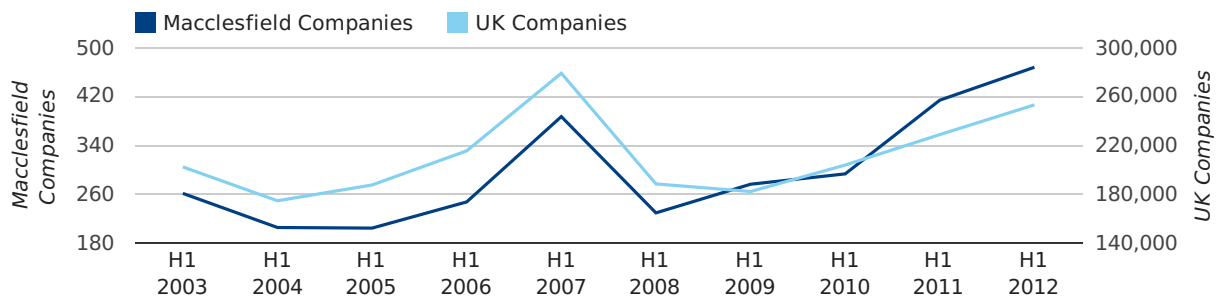
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 468 companies were formed in Macclesfield. This figure is 13.0% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Macclesfield occurred in 2012 when a total of 468 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2012	468	253,150
2011	414	228,735
% CHANGE	13.0%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (468)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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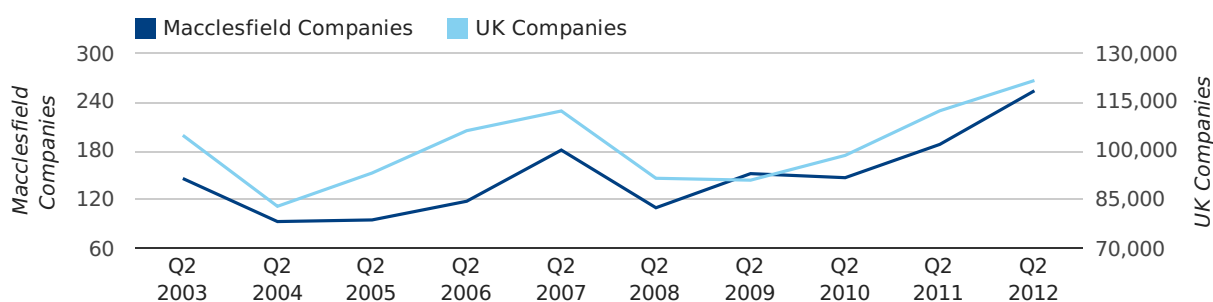
Q2 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 254 companies were registered in Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 35.1% 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)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2012	254	121,659
2011	188	112,344
% CHANGE	35.1%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (254)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter

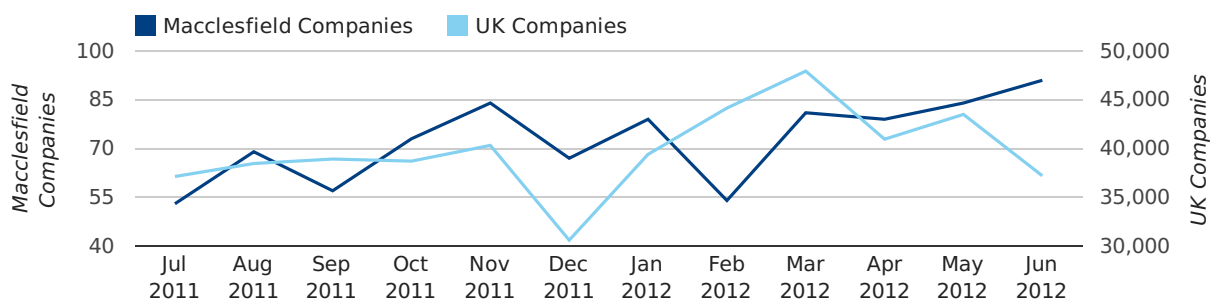


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

June 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Macclesfield when compared to any previous June.

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	79	84	91
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	79	48	61
% CHANGE	0.0%	75.0%	49.2%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (79)	2012 (84)	2012 (91)

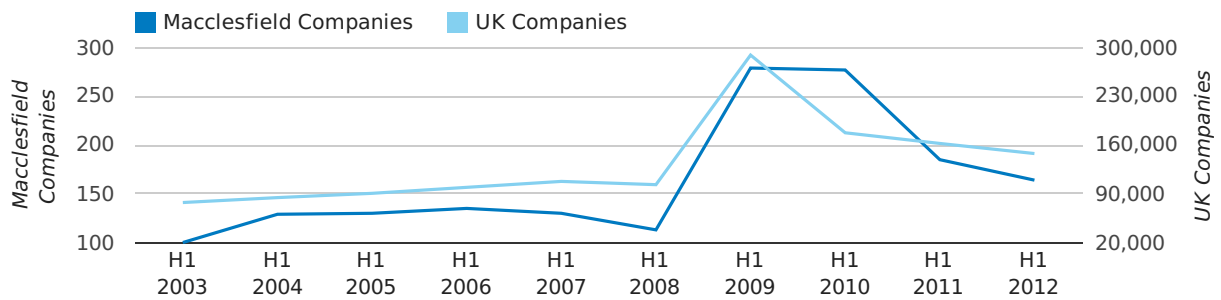
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 164 companies were dissolved in Macclesfield. This figure is 11.4% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

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
2012	164	147,793
2011	185	162,310
% CHANGE	-11.4%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (279)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



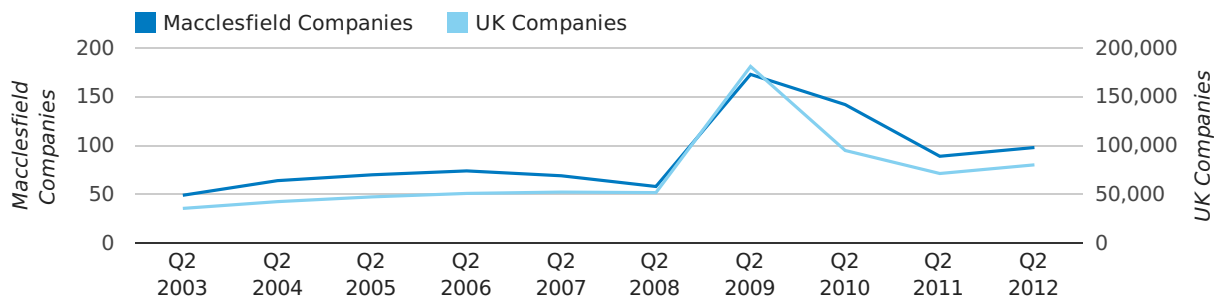
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 98 companies were dissolved in Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 10.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

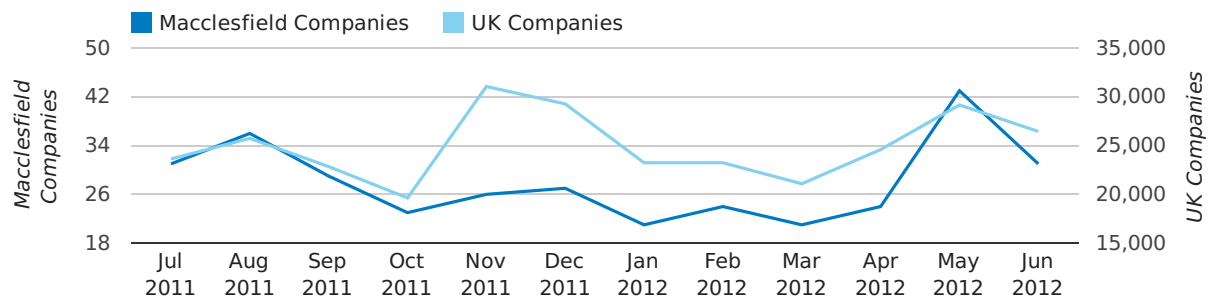
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2012	98	80,217
2011	89	71,324
% CHANGE	10.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (173)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	24	43	31
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	20	42	27
% CHANGE	20.0%	2.4%	15%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (38)	2009 (90)	2009 (50)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

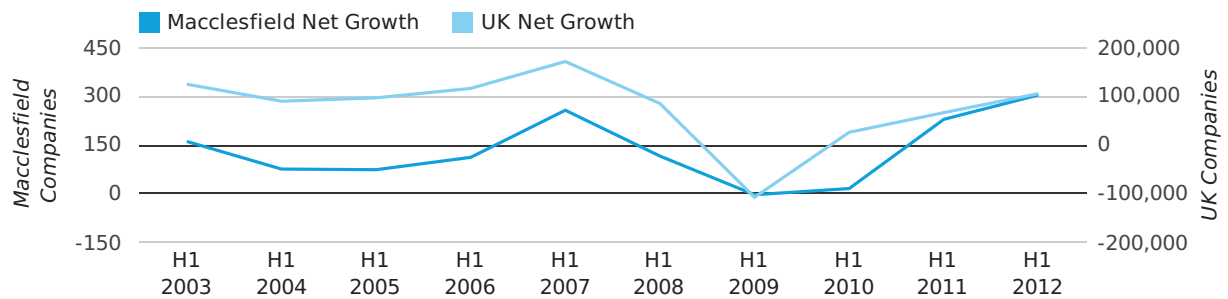
The first half of 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous first half year.

The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Macclesfield increased by 304 companies. This figure is 32.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2012	304	105,357
2011	229	66,425
% CHANGE	32.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (304)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Q2 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous Q2.

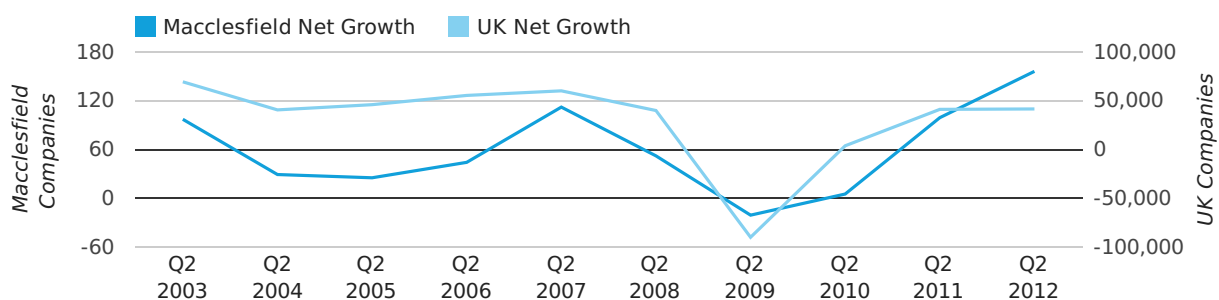
Q2 2012 was a record quarter for net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any quarter in history.

Net company growth for Macclesfield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 156 companies.

This represents an increase of 57.6% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	MACCLESFIELD	UK
2012	156	41,442
2011	99	41,020
% CHANGE	57.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (156)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter

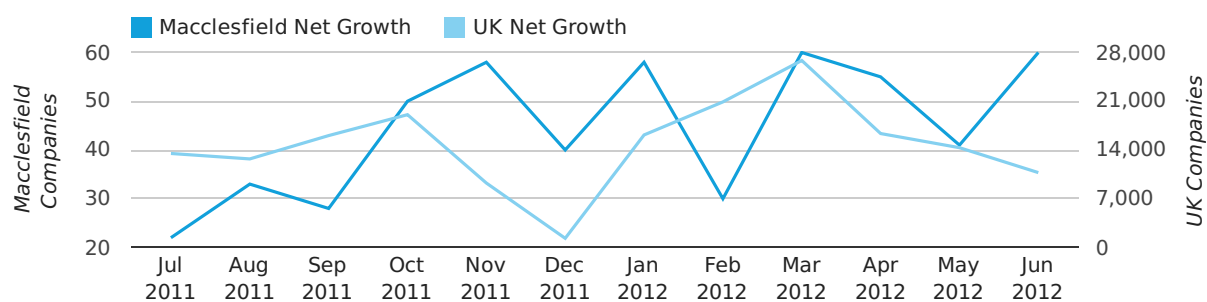


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

June 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous June.

May 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Macclesfield when compared to any previous May.

net growth by month



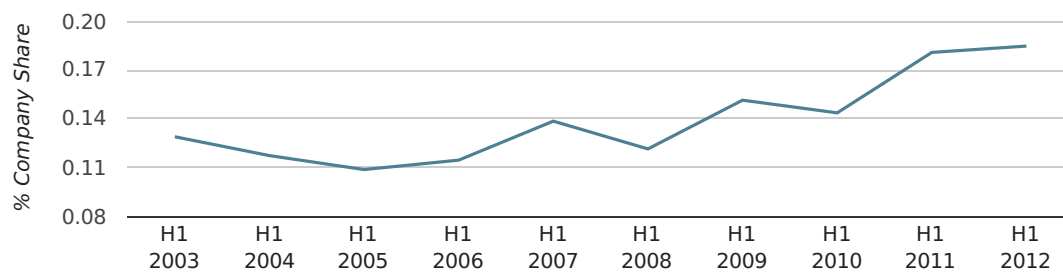
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	55	41	60
NET GROWTH IN 2011	59	6	34
% CHANGE	-6.8%	583.3%	76.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (59)	2012 (41)	2012 (60)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Macclesfield formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MACCLESFIELD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.3%)

company share by half year

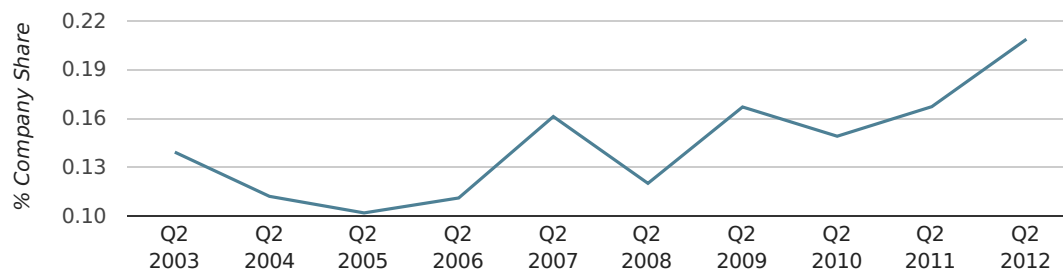


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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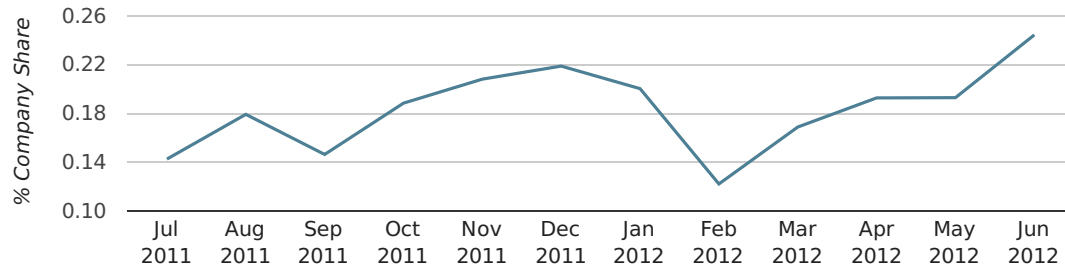
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	MACCLESFIELD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1978 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-15.8%	53.4%	59.2%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.6%)	1978 (0.6%)	1961 (0.5%)

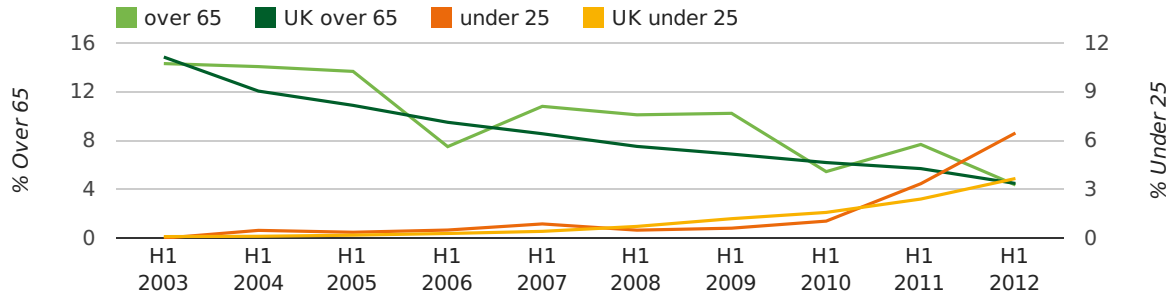
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



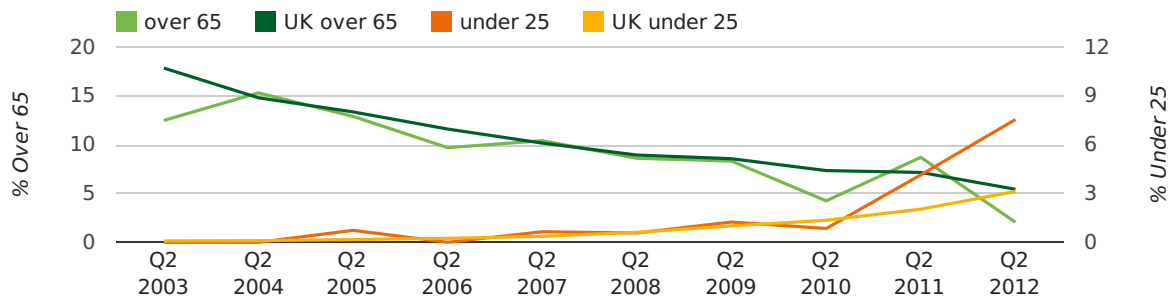
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 41.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 7.6% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

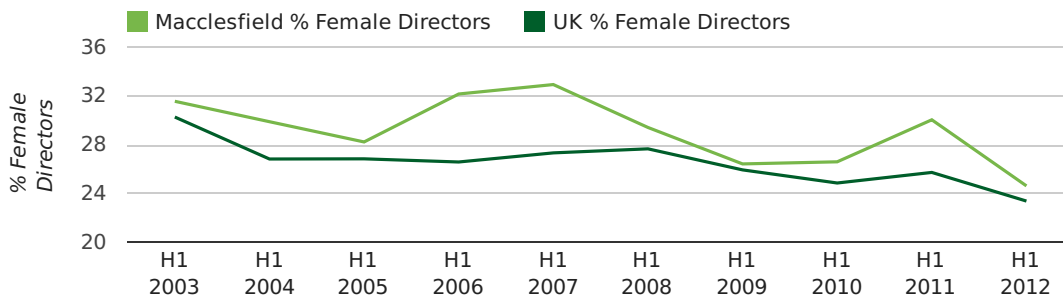


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

24.6% of all director appointments in Macclesfield 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

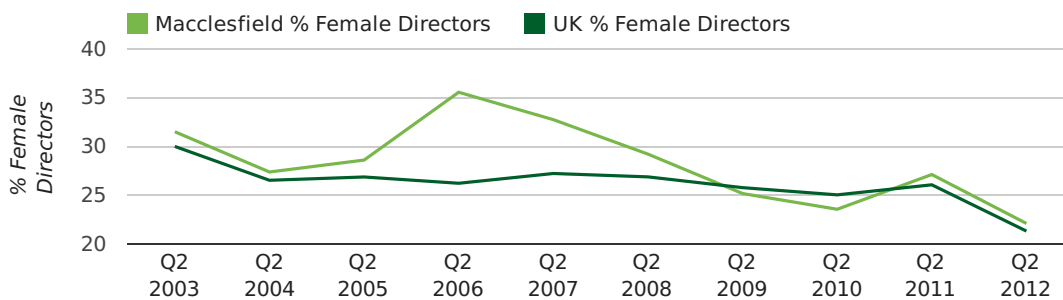


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

22.1% of all director appointments in Macclesfield in the second quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 21.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



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	1.44%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.30%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
PARTNERS	1.08%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
ASSOCIATES	0.86%	PROPERTY	2.35%
TRADING	0.79%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANTS	0.79%	DESIGN	1.89%
PROPERTY	0.72%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
BUSINESS	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CHESHIRE	0.72%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANCY	0.72%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
IT	0.65%	BUSINESS	1.70%
TRAINING	0.65%	MEDIA	1.69%
CORPORATE	0.65%	LONDON	1.68%
INTERNATIONAL	0.65%	J	1.57%
MARKETING	0.65%	GLOBAL	1.51%
GLOBAL	0.65%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DESIGN	0.58%	IT	1.42%
SECURITY	0.58%	CARE	1.31%
HEALTH	0.43%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
FINANCE	0.43%	M	1.26%
SYSTEMS	0.43%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
TOPETAGE	0.43%	BUILDING	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.43%	SECURITY	1.19%
PREMIER	0.43%	S	1.18%
INVEST	0.43%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	380	244,457
99999 - Dormant Company	60	26,088
7487 - Other business activities	49	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	37	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	37	20,390
9999 - Dormant Company	28	16,469
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	26	15,280
7414 - Business & management consultancy	25	10,978
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	10,271
62090 - Other information technology service activities	23	8,258
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	13	14,220
74990 - Non-trading company	13	9,706
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	12	3,185
9305 - Other service activities	11	7,926
7499 - Non-trading company	10	8,023
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	9	4,295
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	6,356
73110 - Advertising agencies	9	2,052
86900 - Other human health activities	8	5,222
7260 - Other computer related activities	8	6,456