

Maidstone

2012 half year business confidence report



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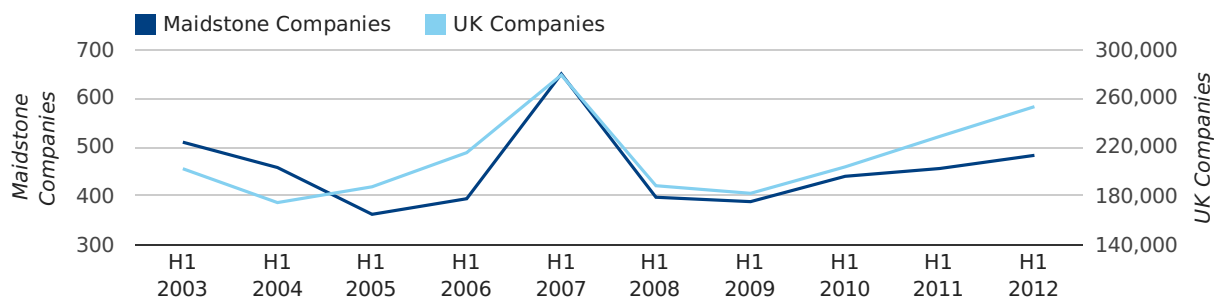
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 483 companies were formed in Maidstone. This figure is 5.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Maidstone occurred in 2007 when a total of 650 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	483	253,150
2011	456	228,735
% CHANGE	5.9%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (650)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



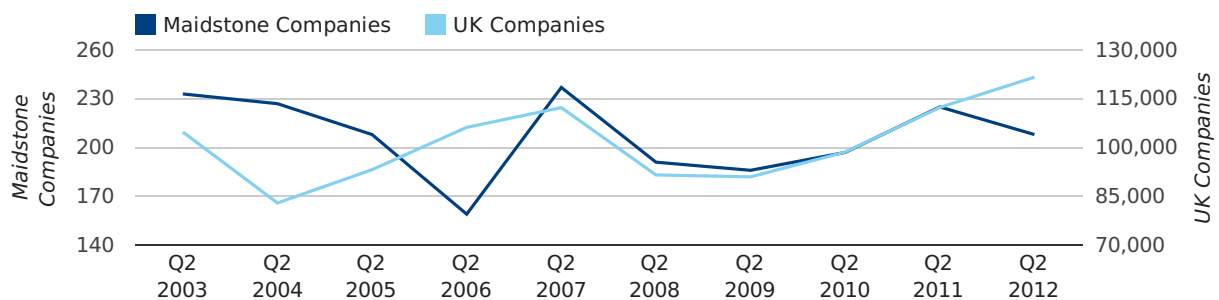
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 208 companies were registered in Maidstone during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 7.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly 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)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	208	121,659
2011	225	112,344
% CHANGE	-7.6%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (237)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	73	73	62
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	65	88	72
% CHANGE	12.3%	-17.0%	-13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (86)	2011 (88)	2004 (97)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 277 companies were dissolved in Maidstone. This figure is 10.9% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Maidstone occurred in 2009 when a total of 549 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	277	147,793
2011	311	162,310
% CHANGE	-10.9%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (549)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



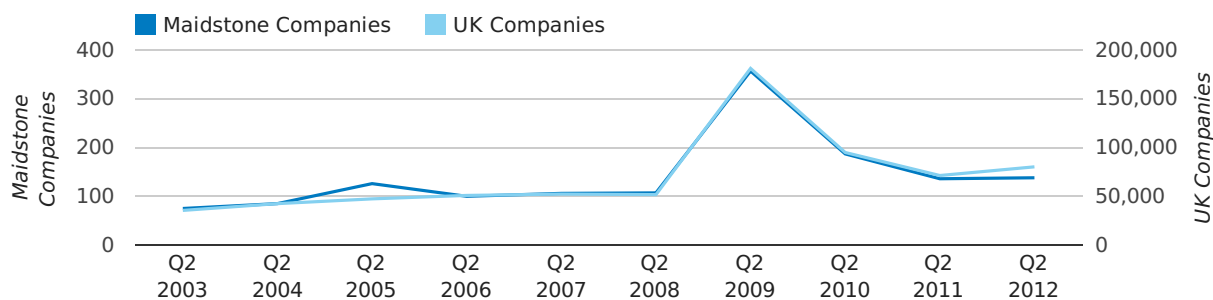
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 138 companies were dissolved in Maidstone during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 1.5% 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.

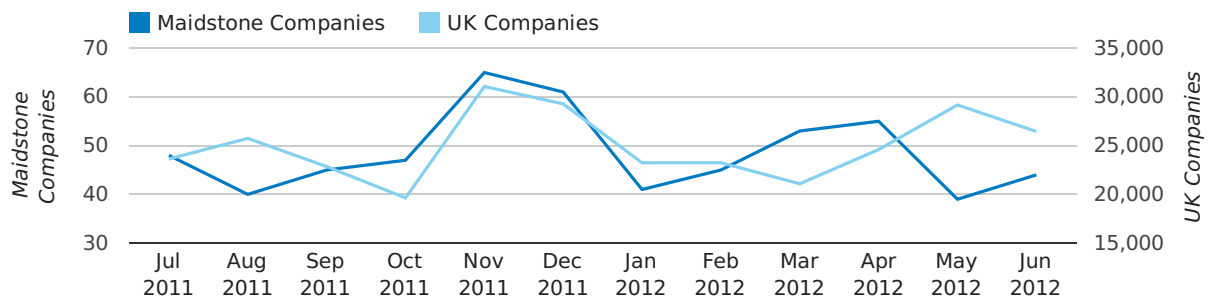
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	138	80,217
2011	136	71,324
% CHANGE	1.5%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (357)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



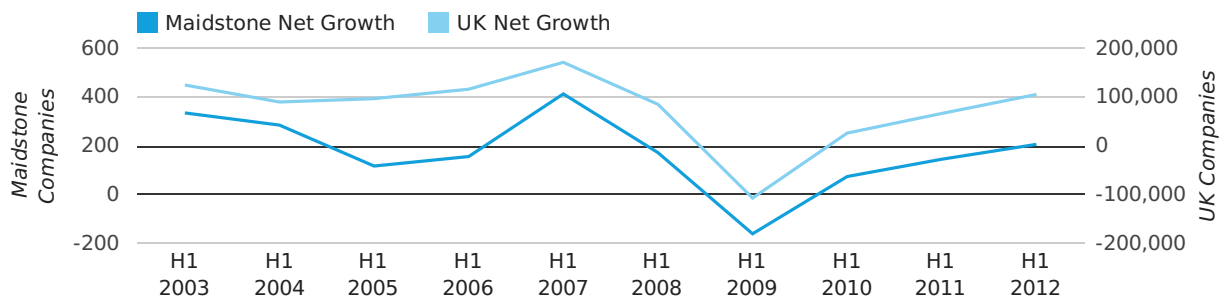
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	55	39	44
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	51	53	32
% CHANGE	7.8%	-26.4%	38%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (112)	2009 (179)	2010 (81)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Maidstone increased by 206 companies. This figure is 42.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	206	105,357
2011	145	66,425
% CHANGE	42.1%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (413)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



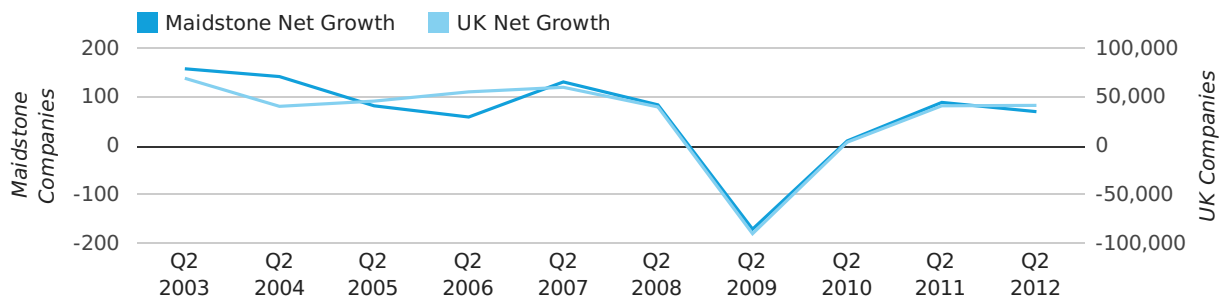
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Maidstone during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 70 companies.

This represents a decrease of 21.3% on the same period last year.

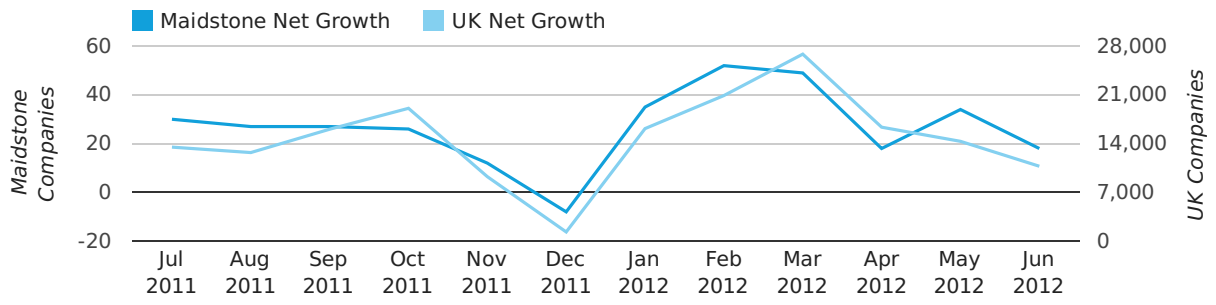
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	MAIDSTONE	UK
2012	70	41,442
2011	89	41,020
% CHANGE	-21.3%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (158)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



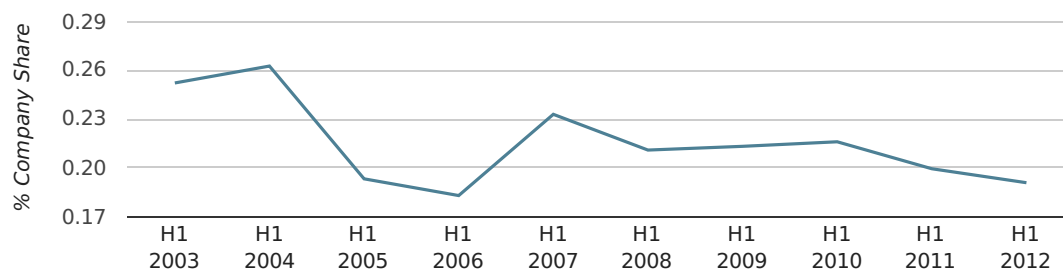
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	18	34	18
NET GROWTH IN 2011	14	35	40
% CHANGE	28.6%	-2.9%	-55.0%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (74)	2003 (54)	2004 (62)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	MAIDSTONE
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.4%)

company share by half year

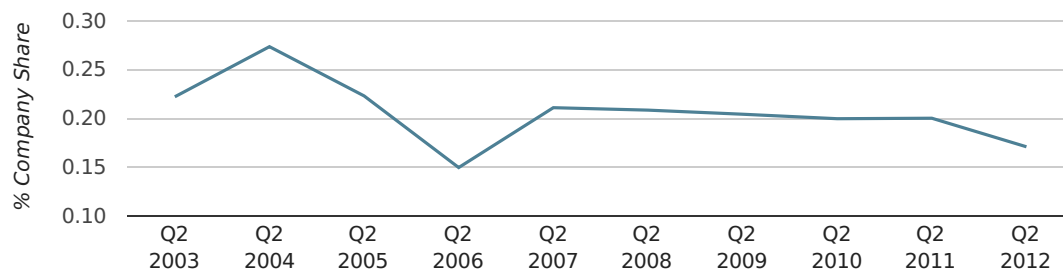


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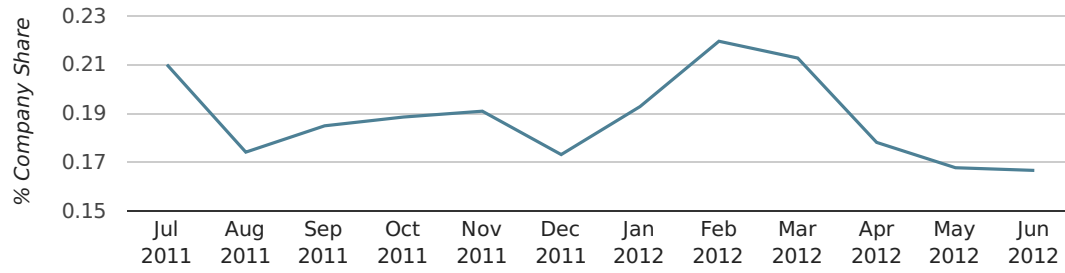
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2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.4%)

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%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-5.5%	-27.3%	-8.0%
RECORD YEAR	1978 (0.6%)	1982 (0.5%)	1966 (0.9%)

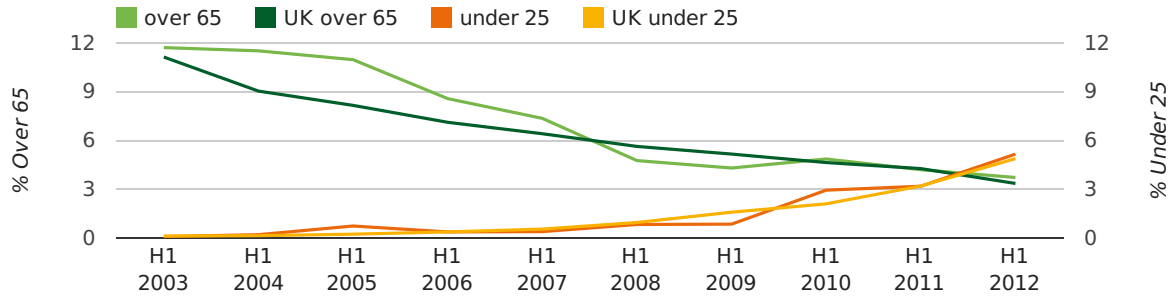
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



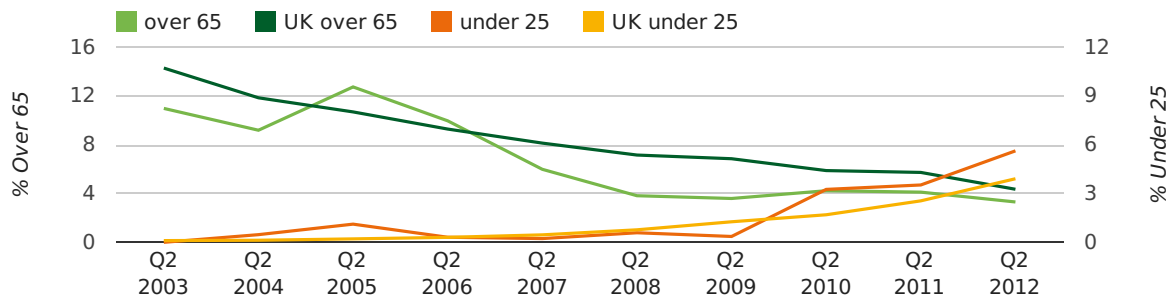
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

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director age by quarter

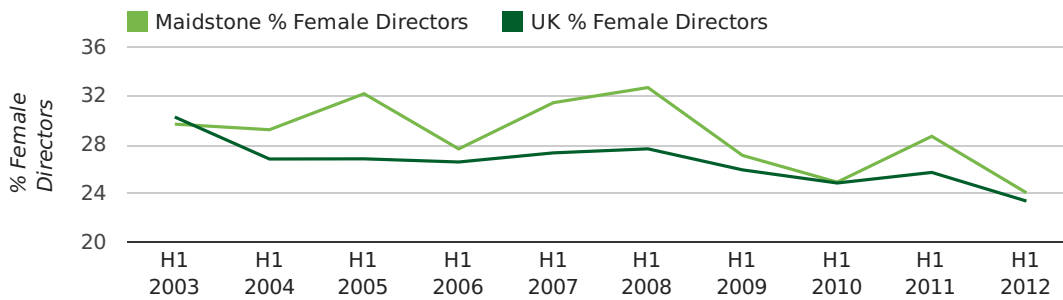


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

24.1% of all director appointments in Maidstone 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

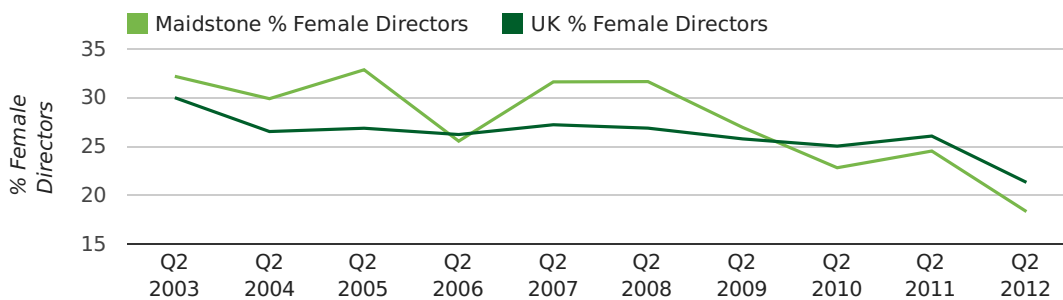


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

18.3% of all director appointments in Maidstone 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
KENT	1.38%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.24%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
PROPERTY	1.24%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
J	1.10%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSULTING	1.03%	TRADING	2.10%
PEGASUS	0.83%	DESIGN	1.89%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.83%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANCY	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSULTANTS	0.76%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSTRUCTION	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
MEDIA	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.70%
BUSINESS	0.62%	MEDIA	1.69%
ASSOCIATES	0.62%	LONDON	1.68%
CONTRACTORS	0.62%	J	1.57%
INVESTMENTS	0.62%	GLOBAL	1.51%
CARE	0.62%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
MAIDSTONE	0.55%	IT	1.42%
(KENT)	0.55%	CARE	1.31%
S	0.55%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
BUILDING	0.55%	M	1.26%
SOUTH	0.48%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
BAR	0.48%	BUILDING	1.23%
MAINTENANCE	0.41%	SECURITY	1.19%
TRAINING	0.41%	S	1.18%
MARKETING	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	431	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	113	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	100	35,447
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	51	14,220
99999 - Dormant Company	46	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	38	20,390
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	24	15,280
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	23	10,271
7414 - Business & management consultancy	20	10,978
41100 - Development of building projects	19	5,149
74990 - Non-trading company	18	9,706
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	18	4,091
9305 - Other service activities	16	7,926
86900 - Other human health activities	16	5,222
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	16	4,644
7499 - Non-trading company	14	8,023
9999 - Dormant Company	13	16,469
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	12	6,356
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	12	3,818
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	11	2,921