

Market Harbourough

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

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- Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Market Harbourough when compared to any previous Q4.
- December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Market Harbourough when compared to any previous December.

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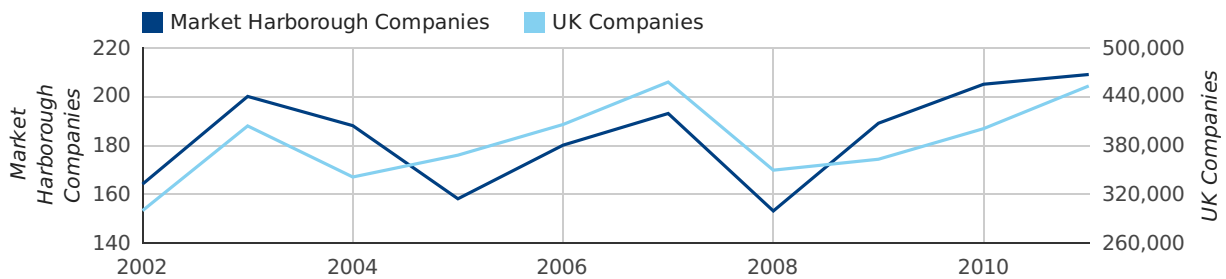
Annual Data (2011)

2011 was a record year for company registrations in Market Harbourough when compared to any year in history.

A total of 209 companies were formed in Market Harbourough in 2011. This total is 2.0% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	209	452,870
2010	205	400,358
2009	189	362,675
2008	153	349,203
2007	193	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (209)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



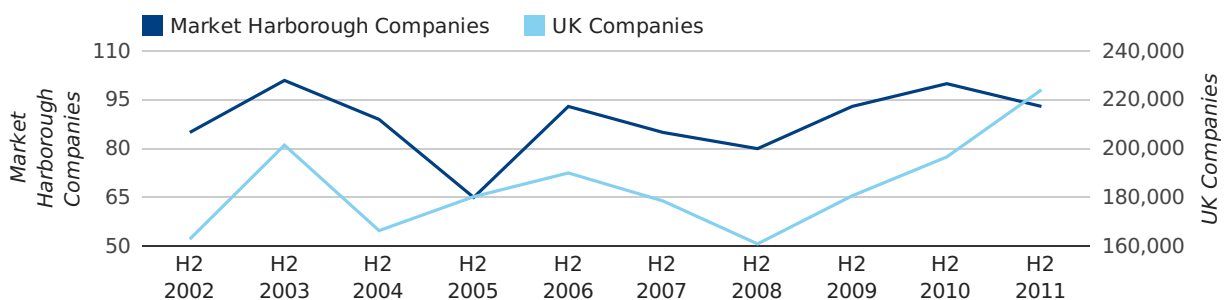
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 93 companies were formed in Market Harbourough. This figure is 7.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Market Harbourough occurred in 2003 when a total of 101 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	93	224,135
2010	100	196,609
% CHANGE	-7.0%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (101)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



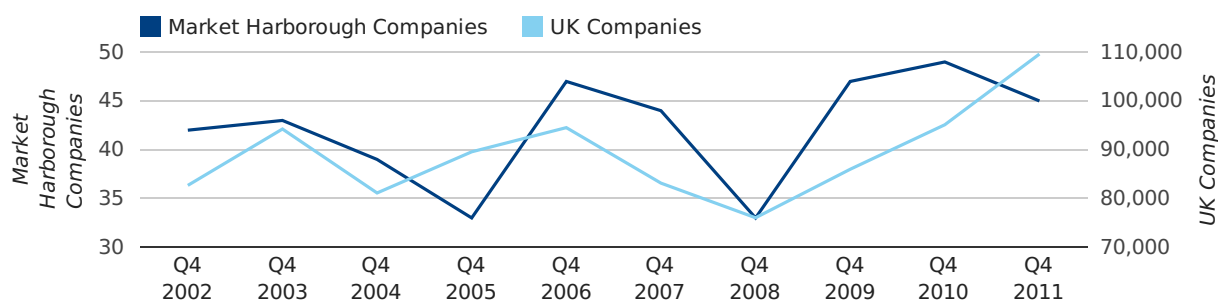
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 45 companies were registered in Market Harborough during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 8.2% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

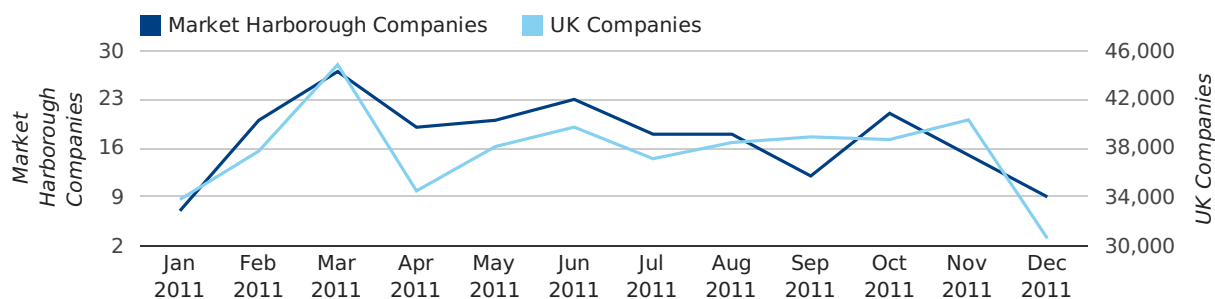
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	45	109,623
2010	49	95,117
% CHANGE	-8.2%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (49)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



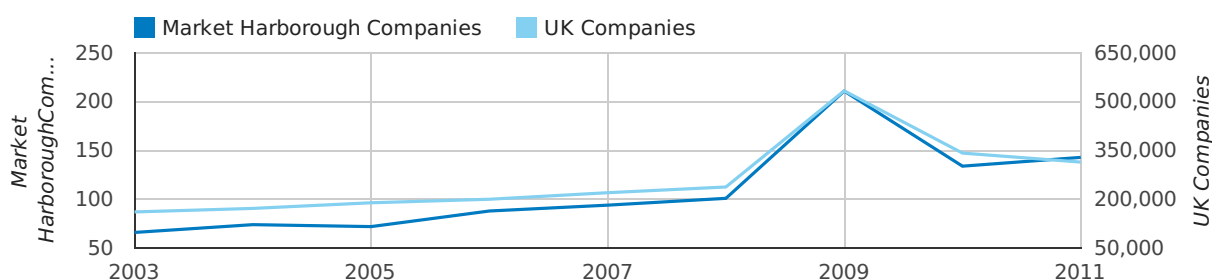
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	21	15	9
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	11	27	11
% CHANGE	90.9%	-44.4%	-18.2%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (25)	2010 (27)	2003 (14)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 143 companies were dissolved in Market Harborough in 2011. This total is 6.7% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	143	314,523
2010	134	342,232
2009	211	533,773
2008	101	237,901
2007	94	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (211)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



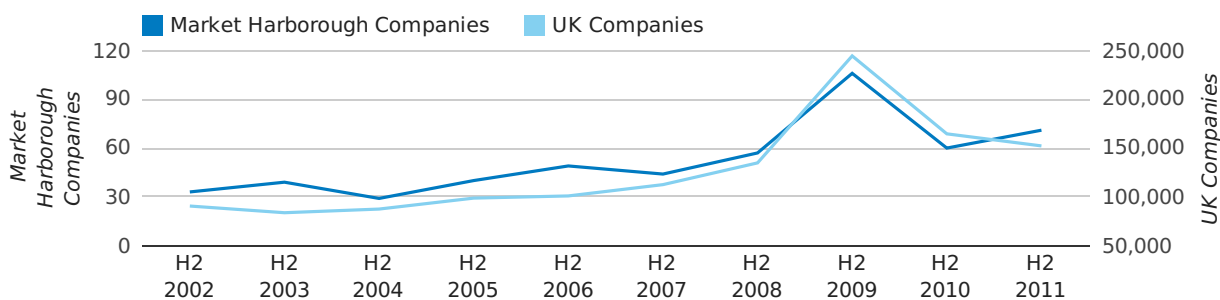
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 71 companies were dissolved in Market Harborough. This figure is 18.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Market Harborough occurred in 2009 when a total of 106 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	71	152,213
2010	60	164,601
% CHANGE	18.3%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (106)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

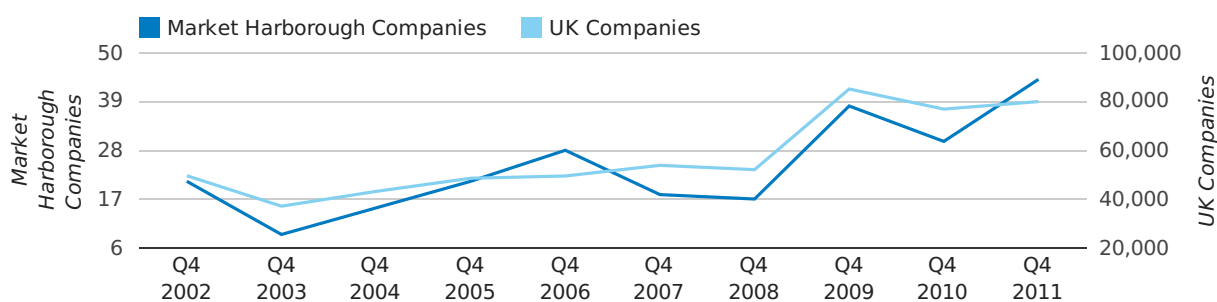
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Market Harborough when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 44 companies were dissolved in Market Harborough during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 46.7% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	44	79,983
2010	30	76,896
% CHANGE	46.7%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (44)	2009 (85,136)

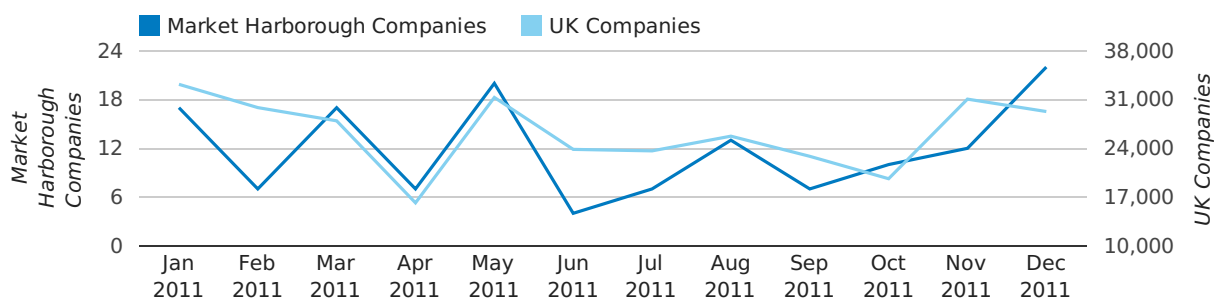
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Market Harborough when compared to any previous December.

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	10	12	22
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	10	14	6
% CHANGE	0.0%	-14.3%	267%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (17)	2010 (14)	2011 (22)

Annual Data (2011)

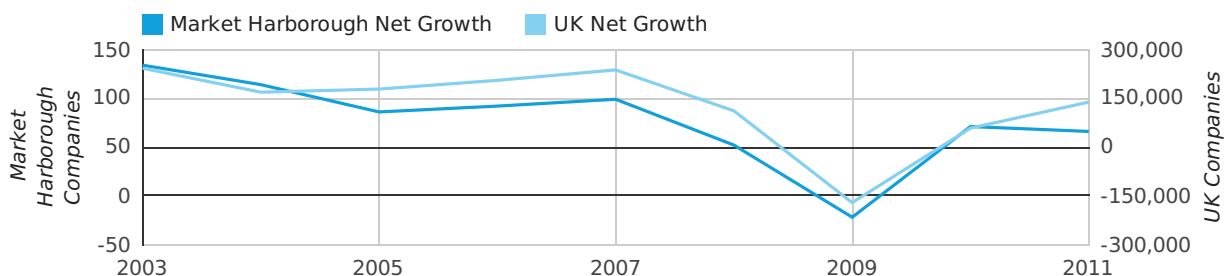
A total of 66 companies were added to the company register for Market Harborough in 2011. This number represents growth of 32.2% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 5 companies lower than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Market Harborough company register grew by 134 companies.

YEAR	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	66	138,347
2010	71	58,126
2009	-22	-171,098
2008	52	111,302
2007	99	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (134)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

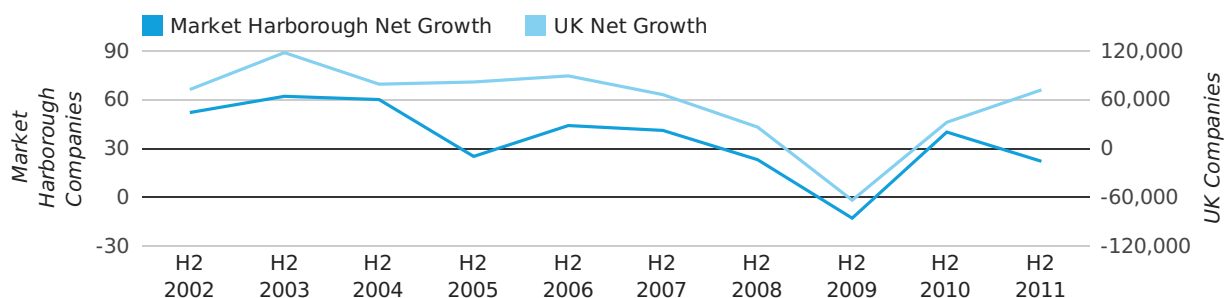


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Market Harborough increased by 22 companies. This figure is 45.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	22	71,922
2010	40	32,008
% CHANGE	-45.0%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (62)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



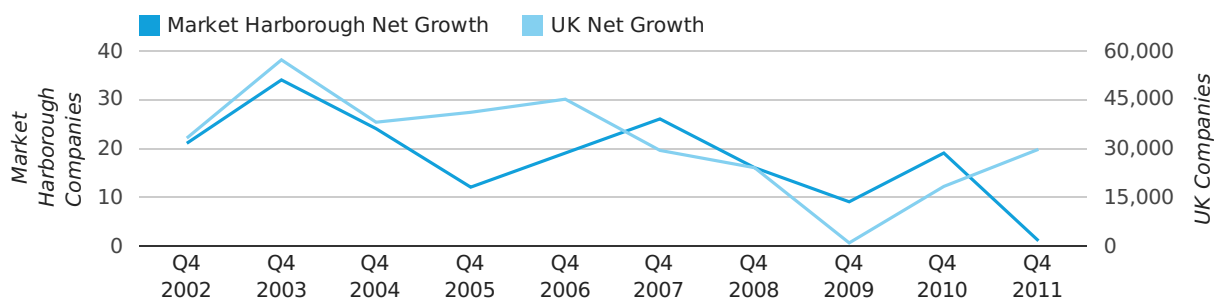
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Market Harborough during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 1 companies.

This represents a decrease of 94.7% on the same period last year.

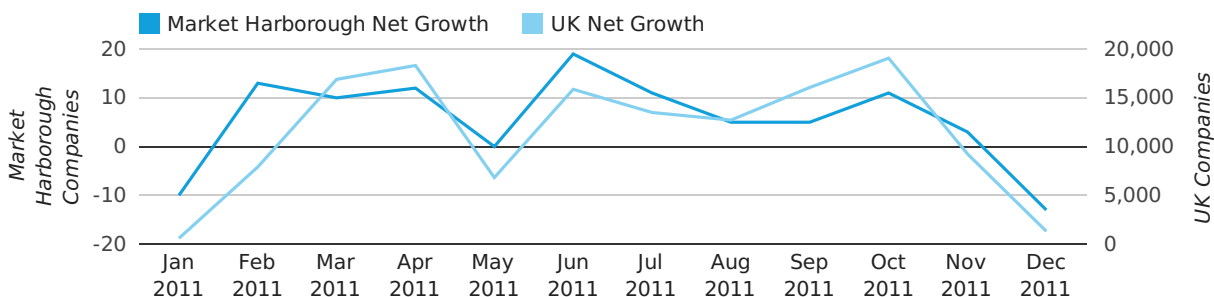
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	MARKET HARBOROUGH	UK
2011	1	29,640
2010	19	18,221
% CHANGE	-94.7%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (34)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



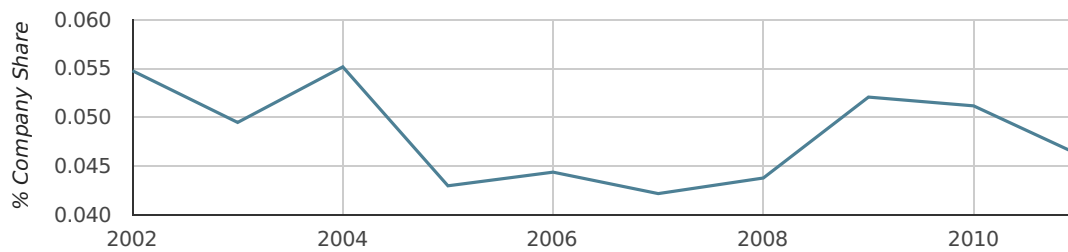
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	11	3	-13
NET GROWTH IN 2010	1	13	5
% CHANGE	1,000.0%	-76.9%	-360.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (16)	2003 (14)	2003 (11)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Market Harborough formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is a decline on 2010 when Market Harborough was responsible for 0.1% of all UK companies.

YEAR	MARKET HARBOROUGH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.1%)

company share by year

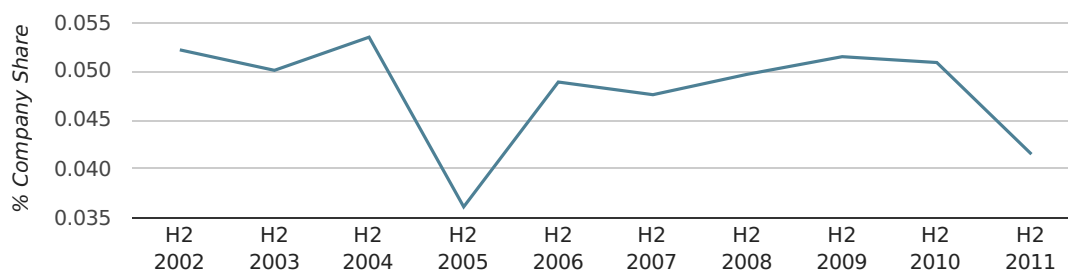


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Market Harborough formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	MARKET HARBOROUGH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.2%)

company share by half year

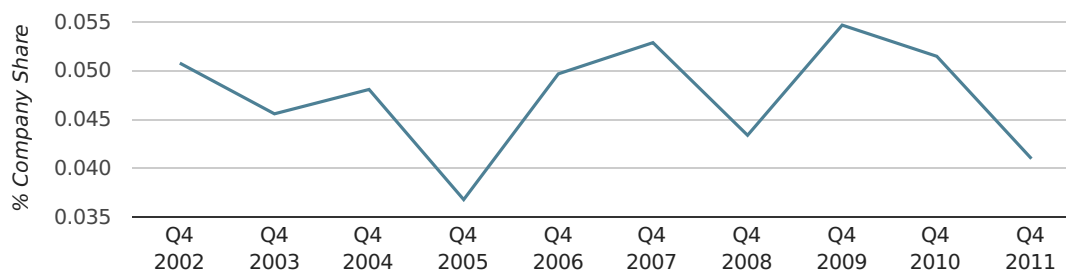


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Market Harborough formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

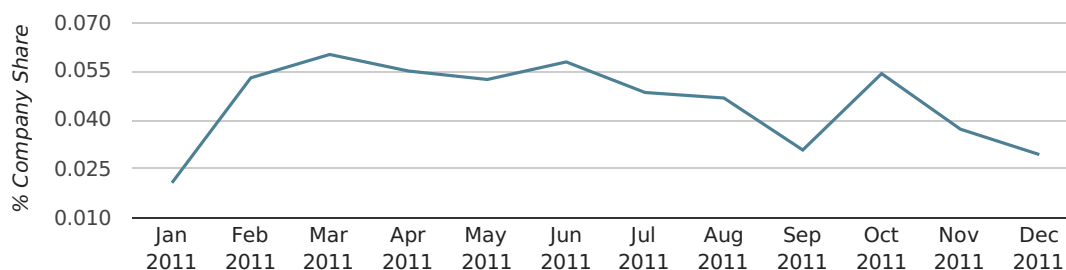
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	MARKET HARBOROUGH
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
% CHANGE	66.1%	-52.7%	-27.4%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.2%)	1969 (0.2%)	1968 (0.4%)

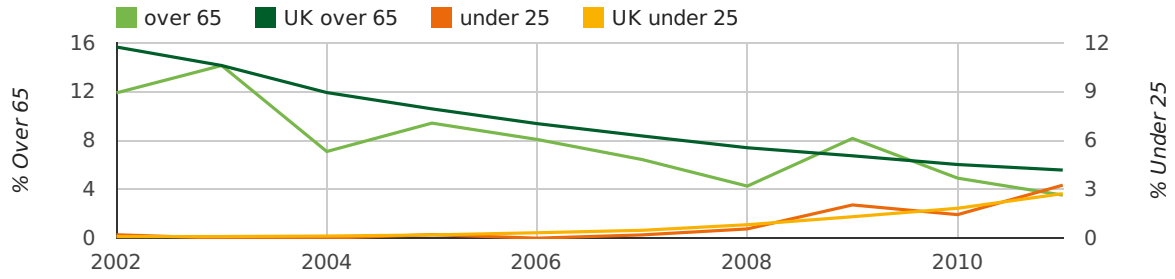
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



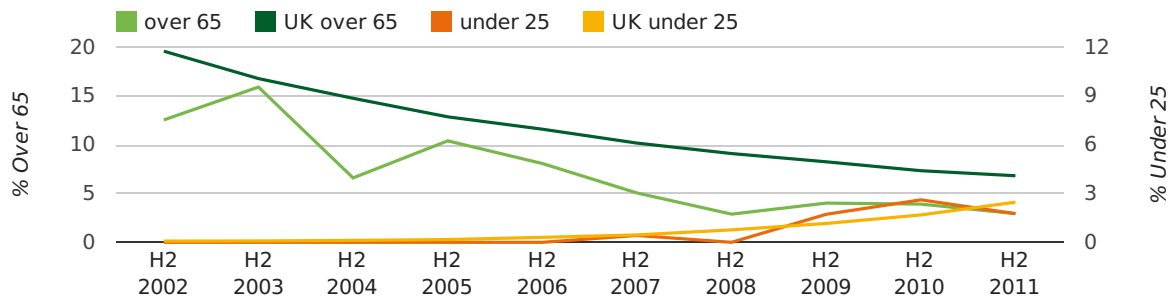
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



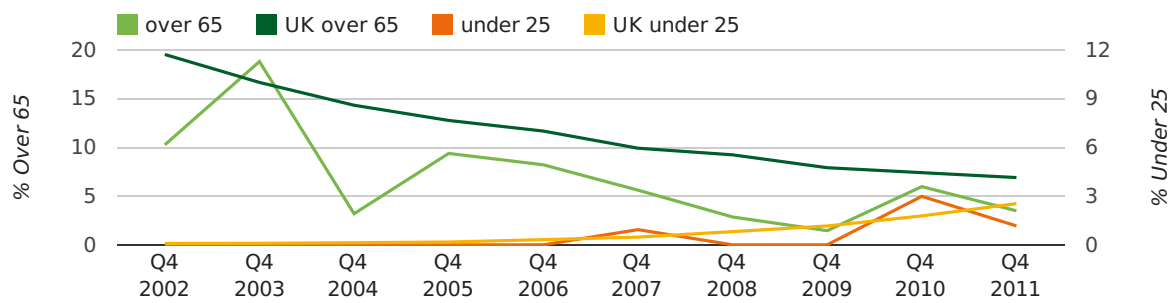
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director age by quarter

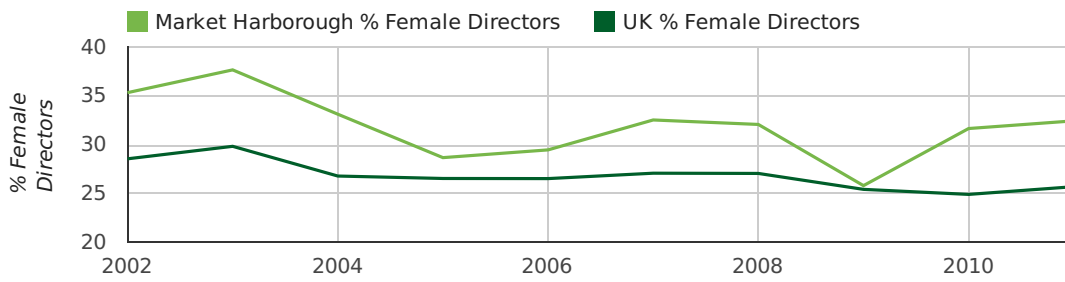


Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Market Harborough was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Market Harborough in 2011 was 35.4%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

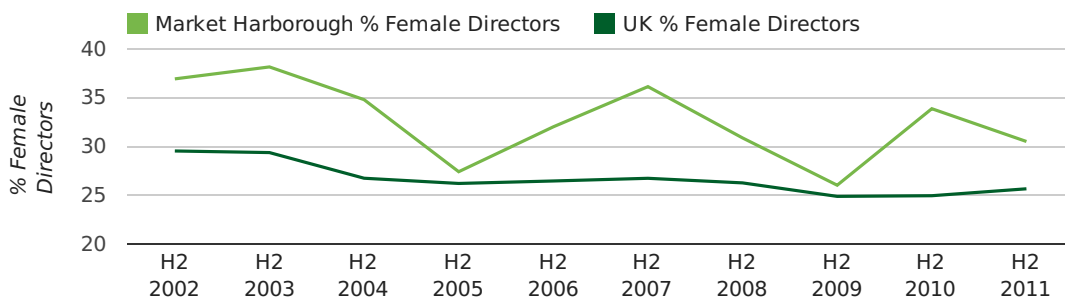


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Market Harborough was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

30.5% of all director appointments in Market Harborough in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

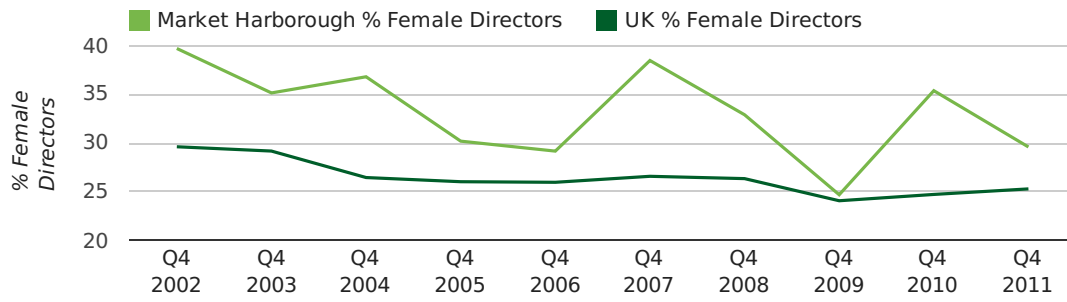


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Market Harborough was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

29.6% of all director appointments in Market Harborough in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTANCY	2.04%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.53%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
HARBOROUGH	1.27%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
S	1.02%	PROPERTY	2.37%
BEAUTY	1.02%	TRADING	2.07%
DESIGN	1.02%	DESIGN	1.92%
PROPERTY	1.02%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
CONSULTANTS	1.02%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
JAMES	1.02%	BUSINESS	1.78%
ACADEMY	0.76%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ASSOCIATES	0.76%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
SECURITY	0.76%	MEDIA	1.71%
INVESTMENTS	0.76%	LONDON	1.63%
T	0.76%	J	1.51%
(GB)	0.76%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
ENERGY	0.76%	GLOBAL	1.46%
IT	0.76%	IT	1.41%
MARKET	0.76%	CARE	1.39%
EVENTS	0.76%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
CITY	0.76%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
2	0.76%	M	1.27%
MANAGEMENT	0.76%	BUILDING	1.26%
ENVIRONMENTAL	0.51%	ENERGY	1.25%
MARKETING	0.51%	S	1.20%
HEALTH	0.51%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	61	205,525
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	27	17,765
7487 - Other business activities	21	57,052
7414 - Business & management consultancy	21	13,034
99999 - Dormant Company	13	21,846
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	10	32,483
9999 - Dormant Company	8	20,199
5530 - Restaurants	7	5,013
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	6	11,768
41201 - Construction of commercial buildings	6	1,500
9305 - Other service activities	5	9,492
56101 - Licenced restaurants	5	1,252
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	5	12,072
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	4	4,082
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	4	2,832
86900 - Other human health activities	4	4,457
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	4	3,342
7499 - Non-trading company	4	9,957
71111 - Architectural activities	4	1,615
47599 - Retail of furniture, lighting, and similar (not musical instruments or scores) in specialised store	3	741