

Middlesbrough

q1 2011 business confidence report



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- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Middlesbrough when compared to any previous January.

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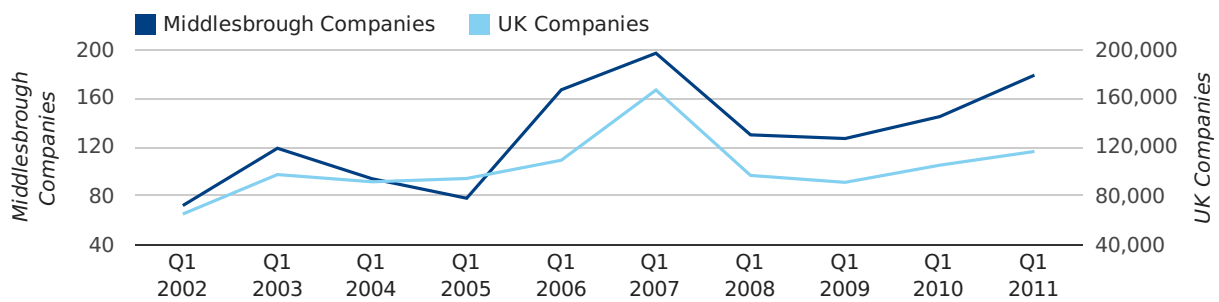
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 179 companies were registered in Middlesbrough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 23.4% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MIDDLESBROUGH	UK
2011	179	116,391
2010	145	105,137
% CHANGE	23.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (197)	2007 (166,814)

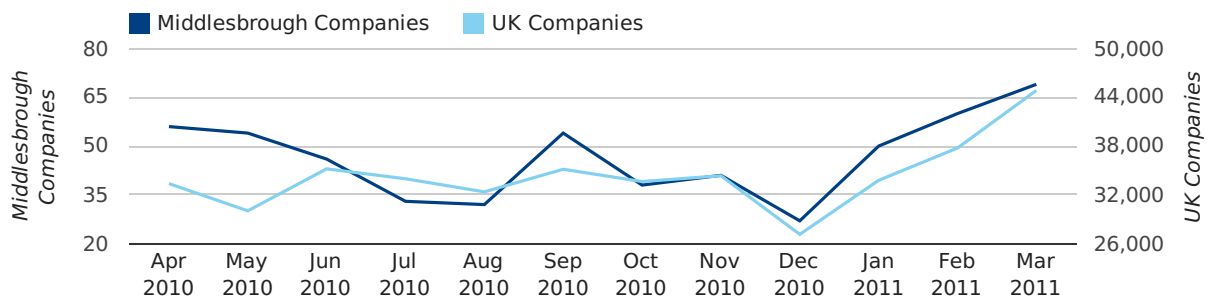
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

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new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	50	60	69
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	32	48	65
% CHANGE	56.3%	25.0%	6.2%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (50)	2007 (70)	2007 (99)

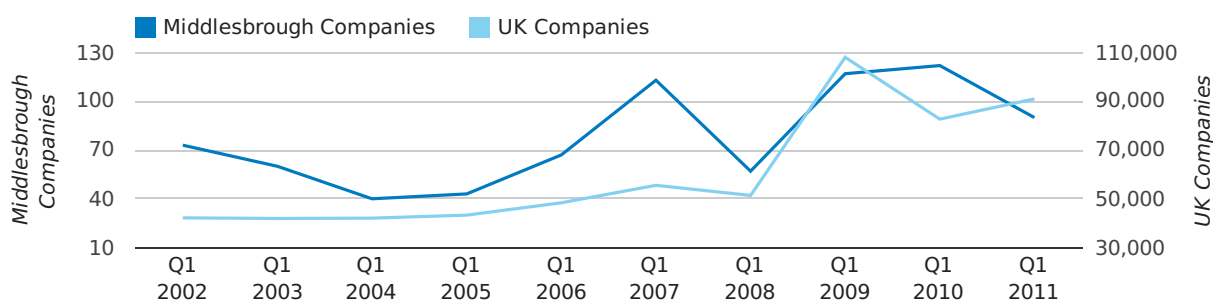
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 90 companies were dissolved in Middlesbrough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 26.2% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

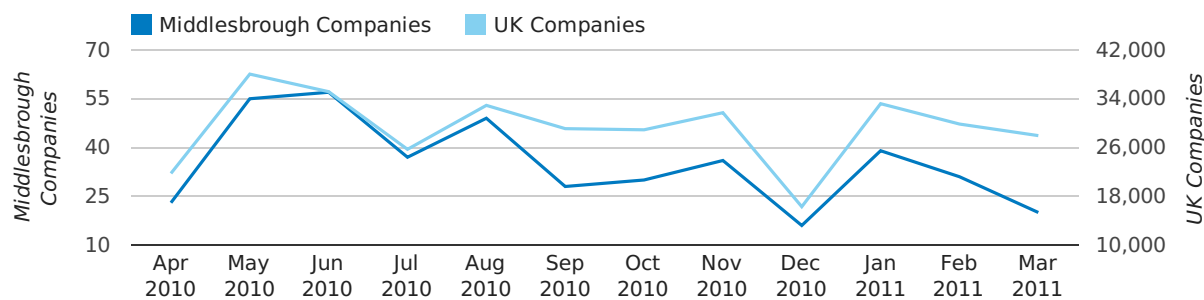
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MIDDLESBROUGH	UK
2011	90	90,986
2010	122	82,677
% CHANGE	-26.2%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (122)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	39	31	20
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	33	30	59
% CHANGE	18.2%	3.3%	-66%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (47)	2007 (41)	2009 (68)

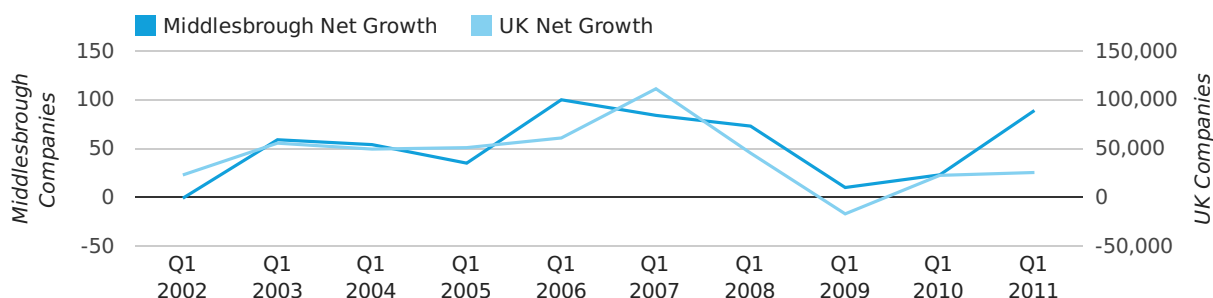
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Middlesbrough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 89 companies.

This represents an increase of 287.0% on the same period last year.

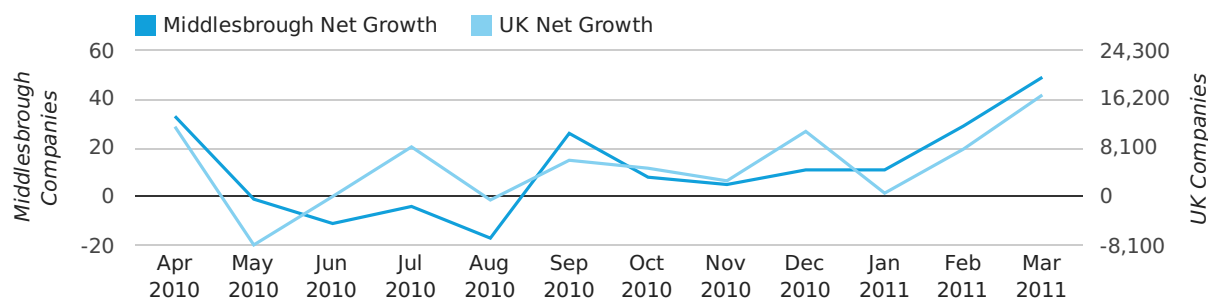
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MIDDLESBROUGH	UK
2011	89	25,405
2010	23	22,460
% CHANGE	287.0%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (100)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



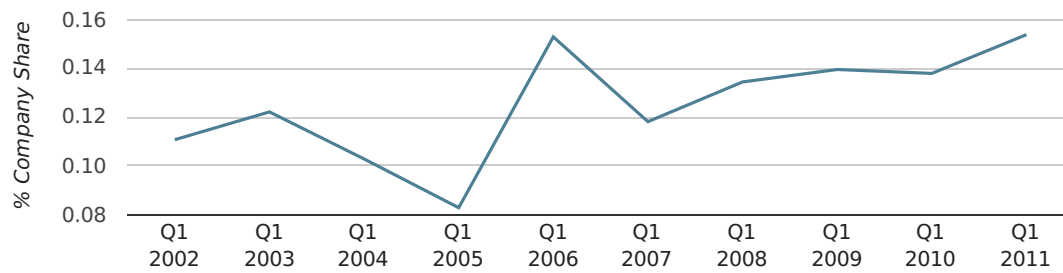
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	11	29	49
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-1	18	6
% CHANGE	-1,200.0%	61.1%	716.7%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (24)	2006 (33)	2007 (74)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Middlesbrough formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

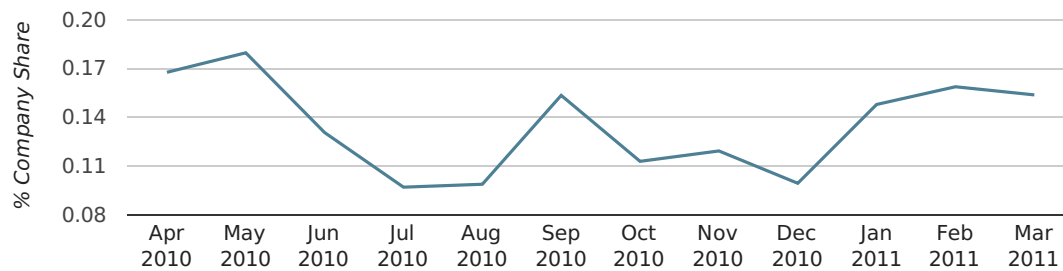
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MIDDLESBROUGH
2011	0.2%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	34.8%	10.0%	1.3%
RECORD YEAR	1985 (0.4%)	1961 (0.4%)	1968 (0.4%)

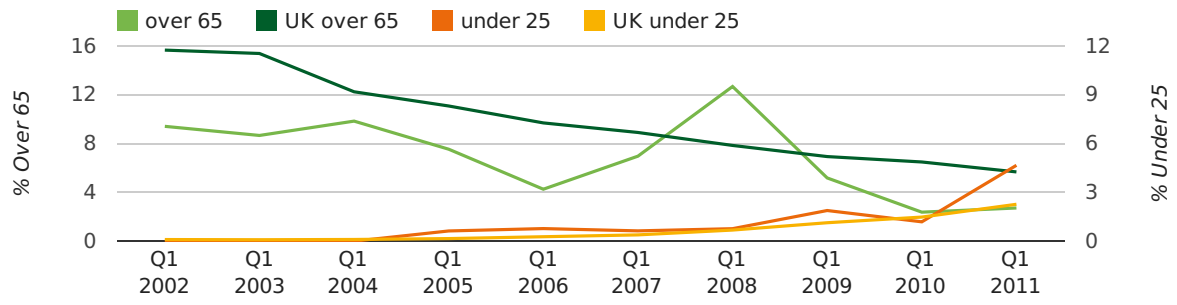
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

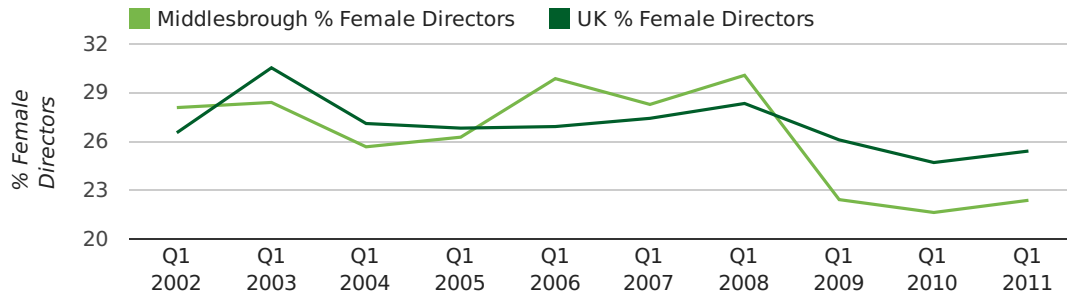


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The record first quarter for female directors in Middlesbrough was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

22.4% of all director appointments in Middlesbrough in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
ENGINEERING	2.03%	CONSULTING	5.04%
COMMUNICATIONS	1.32%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
PROPERTY	1.12%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
CONSTRUCTION	1.12%	PROPERTY	2.38%
MANAGEMENT	1.02%	TRADING	2.10%
(NE)	1.02%	DESIGN	1.93%
(NORTH	1.02%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
EAST)	0.92%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CENTRE	0.71%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
ASSOCIATES	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CLEVELAND	0.71%	MEDIA	1.69%
M	0.71%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
J	0.71%	LONDON	1.60%
S	0.71%	CARE	1.45%
CONSULTANTS	0.71%	J	1.45%
CARE	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.44%
ELECTRICAL	0.61%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
C	0.61%	IT	1.41%
DEVELOPMENT	0.61%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.61%	BUILDING	1.34%
TRAINING	0.61%	M	1.30%
TEES	0.61%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
TRADING	0.61%	S	1.24%
INSPECTION	0.61%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
EAST	0.51%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	256	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	74	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	34	30,253
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	31	16,150
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	7,788
99999 - Dormant Company	21	18,336
7414 - Business & management consultancy	16	12,916
9999 - Dormant Company	14	19,765
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	14	10,085
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	14	6,183
71129 - Other engineering activities	11	1,590
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	11	3,097
74990 - Non-trading company	10	8,695
9305 - Other service activities	9	8,740
7260 - Other computer related activities	9	7,789
43210 - Electrical installation	8	3,172
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	7	2,312
7499 - Non-trading company	7	11,316
4525 - Other special trades construction	7	1,690
7031 - Real estate agencies	6	1,445