

Milton Keynes

q1 2011 business confidence report



headlines

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- February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous January.
- February 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous January.
- Q1 2011 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous Q1.

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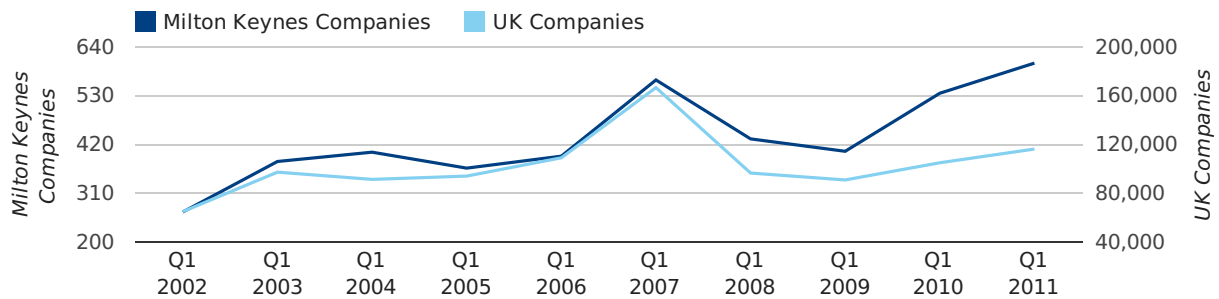
Q1 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous Q1.

A total of 604 companies were registered in Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 12.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares equally 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)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2011	604	116,391
2010	536	105,137
% CHANGE	12.7%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (604)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter

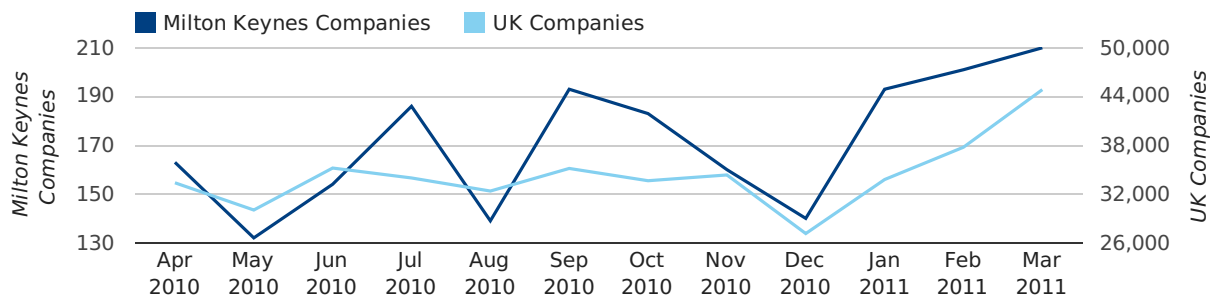


Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous January.

new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	193	201	210
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	134	168	234
% CHANGE	44.0%	19.6%	-10.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (193)	2011 (201)	2007 (283)

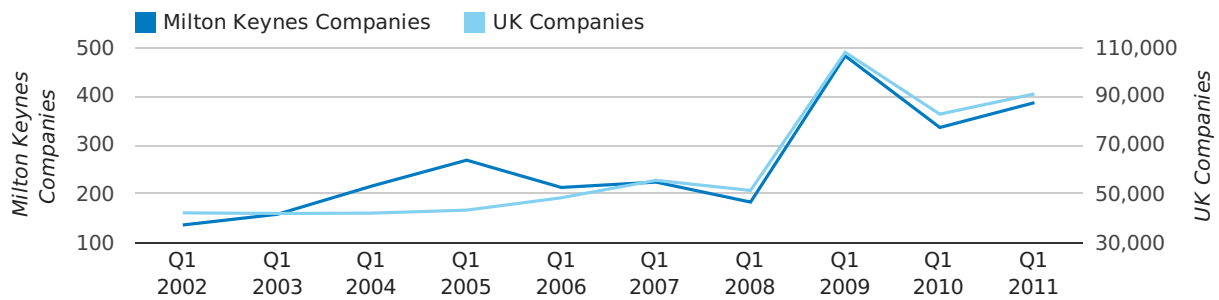
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 387 companies were dissolved in Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 15.2% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares poorly 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)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2011	387	90,986
2010	336	82,677
% CHANGE	15.2%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (483)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter

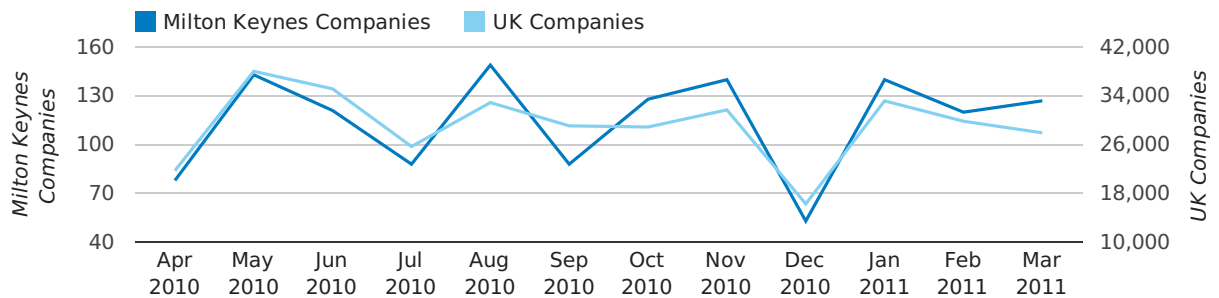


Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

February 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous January.

dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	140	120	127
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	94	95	147
% CHANGE	48.9%	26.3%	-14%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (140)	2011 (120)	2009 (350)

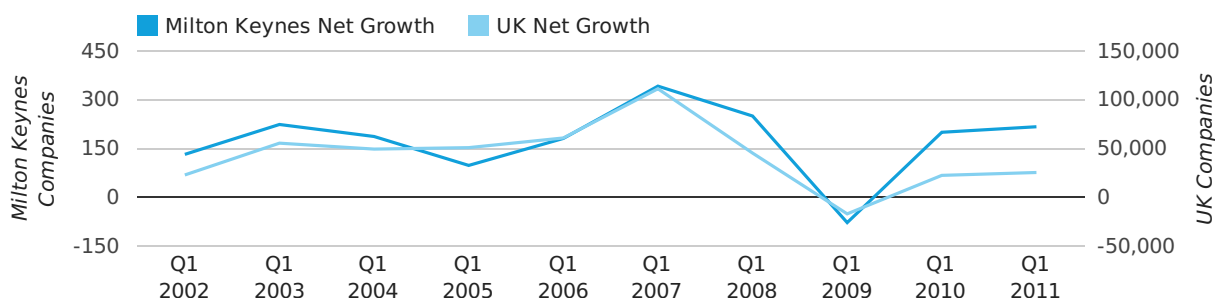
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 217 companies.

This represents an increase of 8.5% on the same period last year.

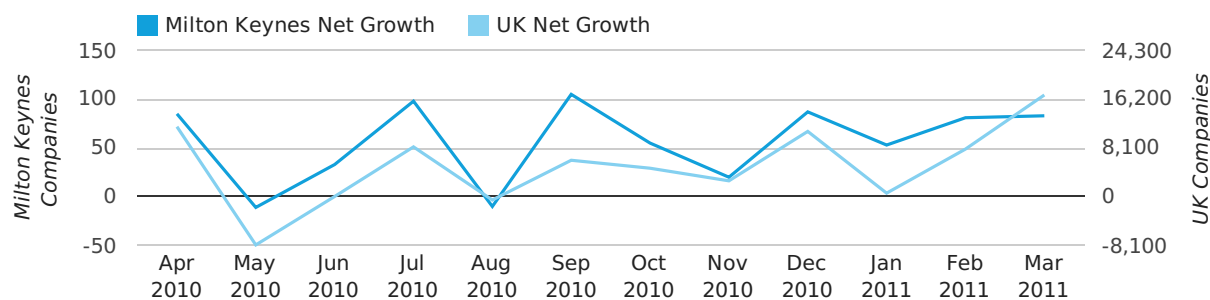
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2011	217	25,405
2010	200	22,460
% CHANGE	8.5%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (342)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

net growth by month



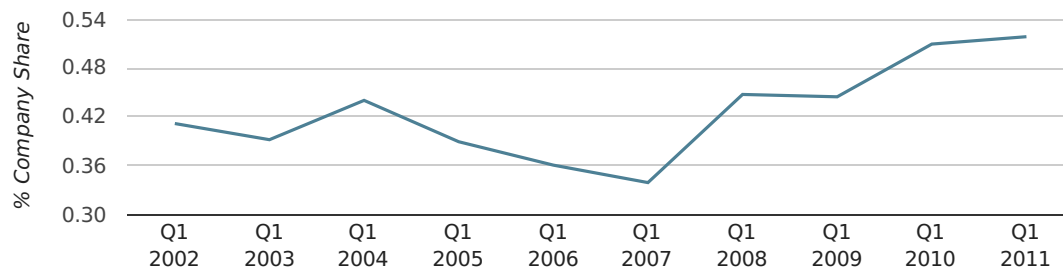
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	53	81	83
NET GROWTH IN 2010	40	73	87
% CHANGE	32.5%	11.0%	-4.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (70)	2007 (93)	2007 (202)

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Milton Keynes formed 0.5% of all UK companies.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	MILTON KEYNES
2011	0.5%
2010	0.5%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2011 (0.5%)

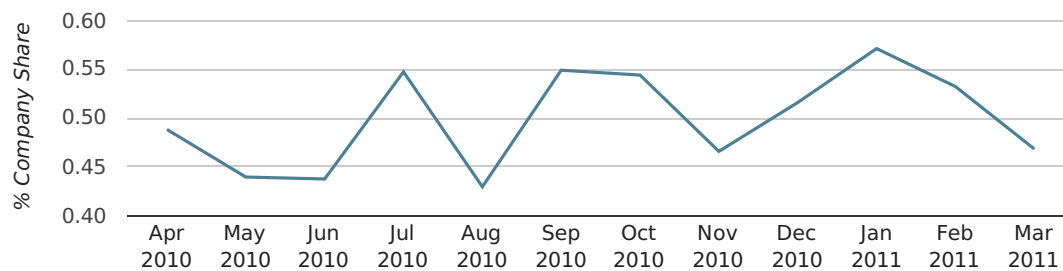
company share by quarter



Q1 2011 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous Q1.

Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
% CHANGE	24.2%	5.2%	-14.4%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (1.0%)	1975 (0.9%)	2010 (0.5%)

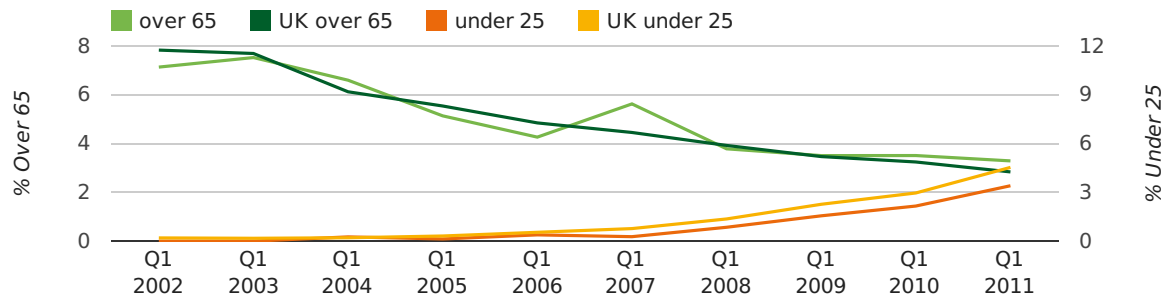
Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

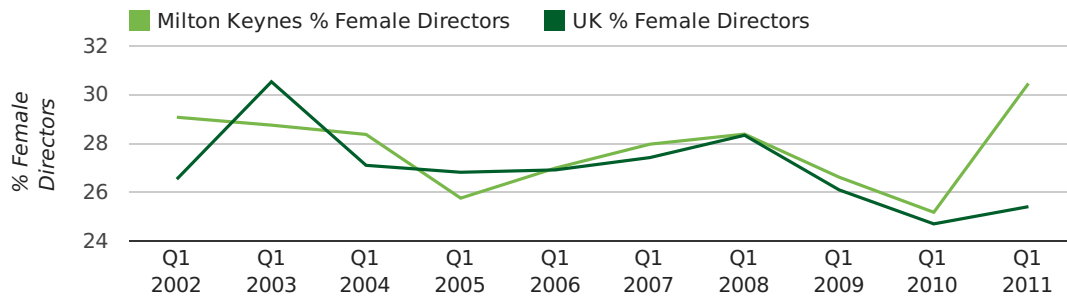


Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

30.5% of all director appointments in Milton Keynes 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
MANAGEMENT	1.95%	CONSULTING	5.04%
CONSULTING	1.88%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
CONSULTANCY	1.24%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
MK	1.17%	PROPERTY	2.38%
BUSINESS	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
ASSOCIATES	0.89%	DESIGN	1.93%
PROPERTY	0.85%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
MILTON	0.78%	BUSINESS	1.87%
TRADING	0.75%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
CAPITAL	0.67%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
KEYNES	0.67%	MEDIA	1.69%
INVESTMENTS	0.64%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
DESIGN	0.64%	LONDON	1.60%
CONSULTANTS	0.64%	CARE	1.45%
SECURITY	0.57%	J	1.45%
IT	0.57%	GLOBAL	1.44%
HOUSE	0.53%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
GLOBAL	0.53%	IT	1.41%
GROUP	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
(MK)	0.50%	BUILDING	1.34%
ENGINEERING	0.50%	M	1.30%
CONSTRUCTION	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
SALES	0.50%	S	1.24%
ENTERPRISES	0.46%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
FINANCIAL	0.46%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,001	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	232	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	133	30,253
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	100	10,246
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	100	16,150
7414 - Business & management consultancy	87	12,916
99999 - Dormant Company	87	18,336
62090 - Other information technology service activities	80	6,996
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	61	7,000
7260 - Other computer related activities	60	7,789
9999 - Dormant Company	57	19,765
7499 - Non-trading company	54	11,316
74990 - Non-trading company	49	8,695
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	37	10,085
9305 - Other service activities	34	8,740
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	32	7,788
70100 - Activities of head offices	28	2,849
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	24	3,220
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	24	6,183
62012 - Business and domestic software development	23	3,168