# Milton Keynes

q1 2012 business confidence report



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- Q1 2012 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous Q1.
- March 2012 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous March.

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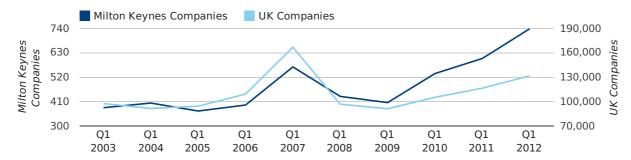
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 738 companies were registered in Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 22.2% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2012	738	131,491
2011	604	116,391
% CHANGE	22.2%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (738)	2007 (166,814)

#### new companies by quarter

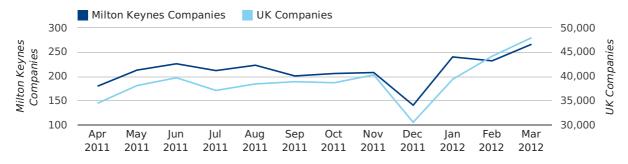


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#### new companies by month



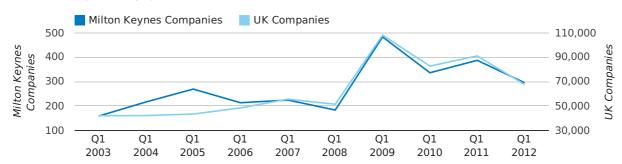
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	240	232	266
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	193	201	210
% CHANGE	24.4%	15.4%	26.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (240)	2012 (232)	2007 (283)

A total of 295 companies were dissolved in Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 23.8% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

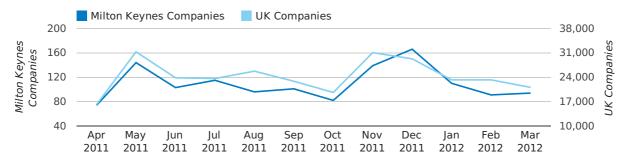
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2012	295	67,576
2011	387	90,986
% CHANGE	-23.8%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (483)	2009 (108,060)

#### dissolved companies by quarter



#### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	110	91	94
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	140	120	127
% CHANGE	-21.4%	-24.2%	-26%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (140)	2011 (120)	2009 (350)

Q1 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous Q1.

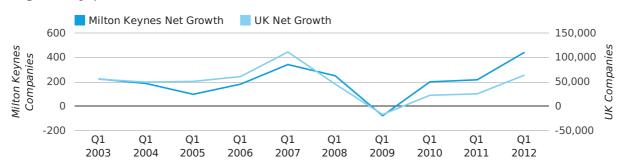
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for net growth in Milton Keynes when compared to any quarter in history.

Net company growth for Milton Keynes during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 443 companies.

This represents an increase of 104.1% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	MILTON KEYNES	UK
2012	443	63,915
2011	217	25,405
% CHANGE	104.1%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (443)	2007 (111,282)

#### net growth by quarter

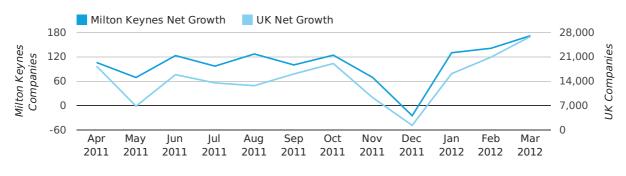


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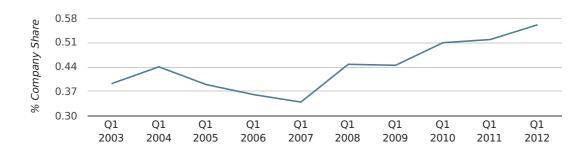


	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	130	141	172
NET GROWTH IN 2011	53	81	83
% CHANGE	145.3%	74.1%	107.2%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (130)	2012 (141)	2007 (202)

In the first quarter of 2012, Milton Keynes formed 0.6% of all UK companies.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	MILTON KEYNES
2012	0.6%
2011	0.5%
2010	0.5%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2012 (0.6%)

#### company share by quarter

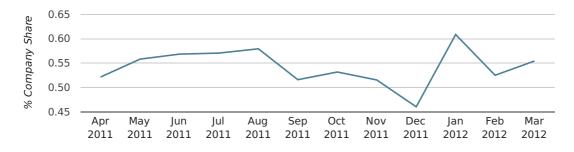


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#### company share by month



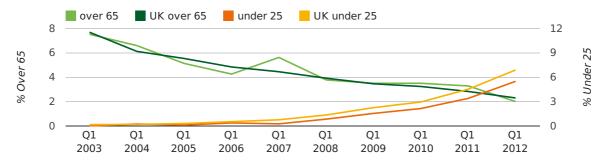
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
% CHANGE	6.6%	-1.3%	18.5%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (1.0%)	1975 (0.9%)	2012 (0.6%)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 40.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

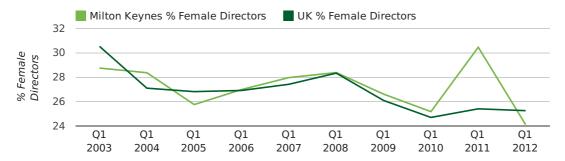
#### director age by quarter



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

24.1% of all director appointments in Milton Keynes in the first quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter



# Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	1.92%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.30%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MK	1.27%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
TRADING	0.98%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTANCY	0.92%	TRADING	2.07%
IT	0.89%	DESIGN	1.93%
SYSTEMS	0.86%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
SALES	0.83%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
PROPERTY	0.83%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
BUSINESS	0.62%	BUSINESS	1.73%
KEYNES	0.62%	MEDIA	1.72%
PROJECT	0.62%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
GLOBAL	0.59%	LONDON	1.66%
ASSOCIATES	0.59%	J	1.54%
MILTON	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
ESTATES	0.56%	GLOBAL	1.50%
CONSULTANTS	0.53%	IT	1.40%
CAPITAL	0.53%	CARE	1.34%
TRADE	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ENTERPRISES	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
ENGINEERING	0.50%	М	1.27%
CARE	0.50%	BUILDING	1.24%
SH00	0.47%	ENERGY	1.20%
SECURITY	0.47%	S	1.20%
MARKETING	0.47%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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# Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,235	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	213	52,735
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	148	35,233
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	136	14,303
99999 - Dormant Company	113	25,084
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	111	19,704
62090 - Other information technology service activities	95	8,145
7414 - Business & management consultancy	84	12,113
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	75	13,637
9999 - Dormant Company	65	18,617
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	58	6,934
74990 - Non-trading company	57	9,729
7499 - Non-trading company	49	9,102
7260 - Other computer related activities	42	7,154
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	37	9,892
9305 - Other service activities	36	8,818
86900 - Other human health activities	24	5,066
49410 - Freight transport by road	24	2,781
70100 - Activities of head offices	22	2,746
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	21	4,132