

Milton Keynes

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

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- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any half year in history.
- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous first half year.

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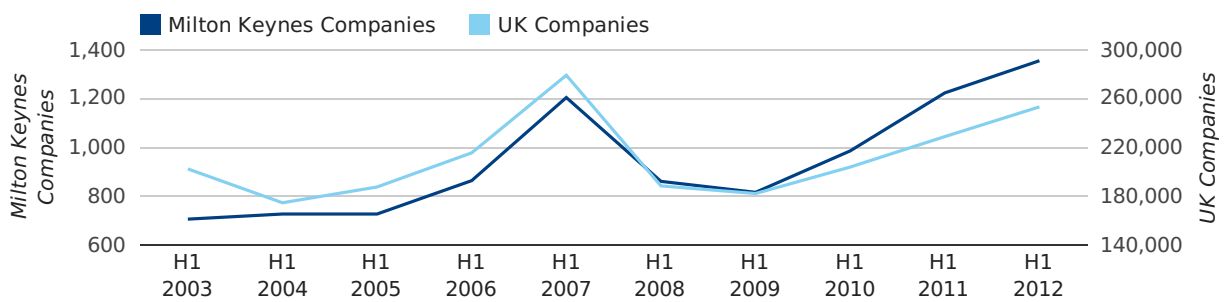
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Milton Keynes when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 1,355 companies were formed in Milton Keynes. This figure is 10.8% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Milton Keynes occurred in 2012 when a total of 1,355 were formed.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2012 | 1,355 | 253,150 |
| 2011 | 1,223 | 228,735 |
| % CHANGE | 10.8% | 10.7% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2012 (1,355) | 2007 (279,097) |

new companies by half year



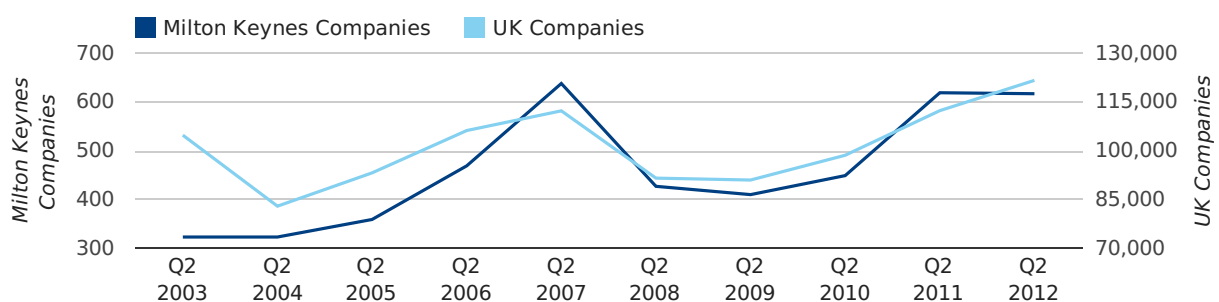
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 617 companies were registered in Milton Keynes during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 0.3% 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.

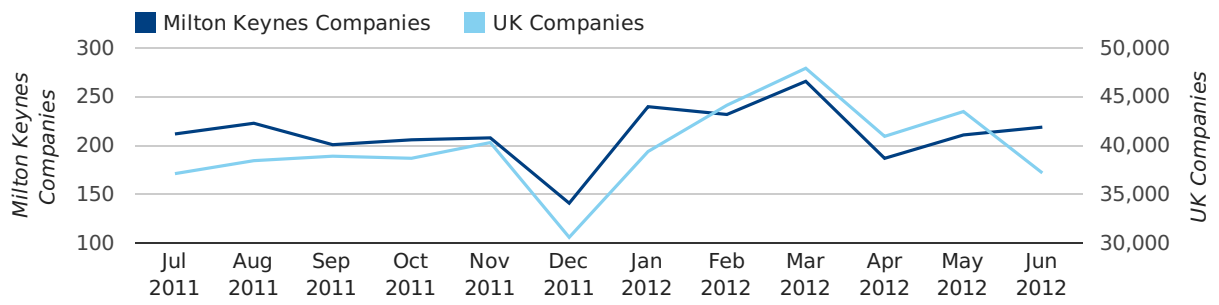
| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2012 | 617 | 121,659 |
| 2011 | 619 | 112,344 |
| % CHANGE | -0.3% | 8.3% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (638) | 2012 (121,659) |

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



| | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2012 | 187 | 211 | 219 |
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2011 | 180 | 213 | 226 |
| % CHANGE | 3.9% | -0.9% | -3.1% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (316) | 2011 (213) | 2011 (226) |

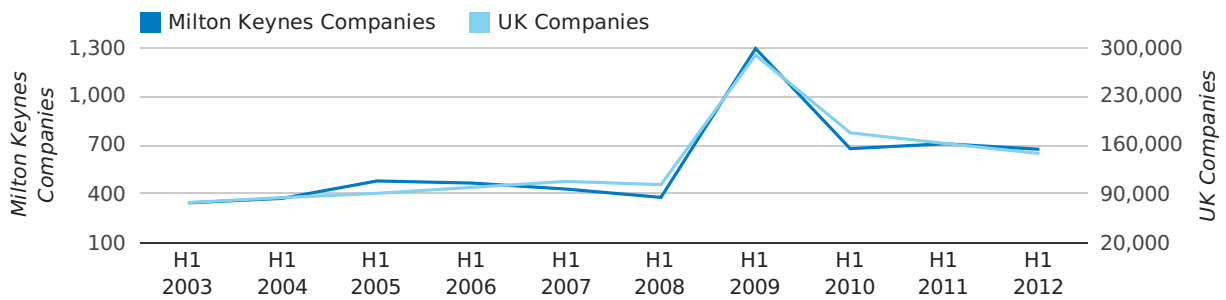
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 674 companies were dissolved in Milton Keynes. This figure is 4.8% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Milton Keynes occurred in 2009 when a total of 1,294 were closed.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2012 | 674 | 147,793 |
| 2011 | 708 | 162,310 |
| % CHANGE | -4.8% | -8.9% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2009 (1,294) | 2009 (289,236) |

dissolved companies by half year



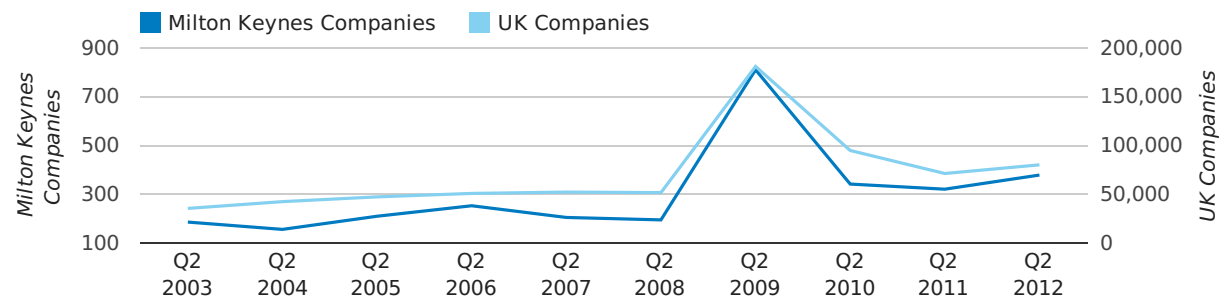
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 379 companies were dissolved in Milton Keynes during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 18.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

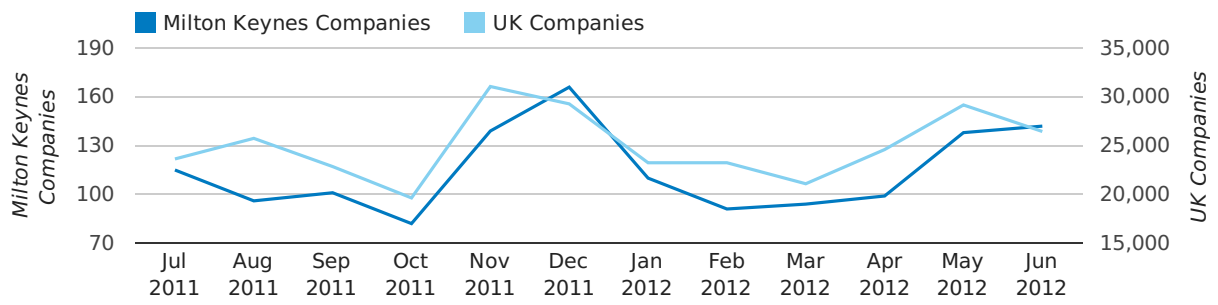
| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2012 | 379 | 80,217 |
| 2011 | 321 | 71,324 |
| % CHANGE | 18.1% | 12.5% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2009 (811) | 2009 (181,176) |

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



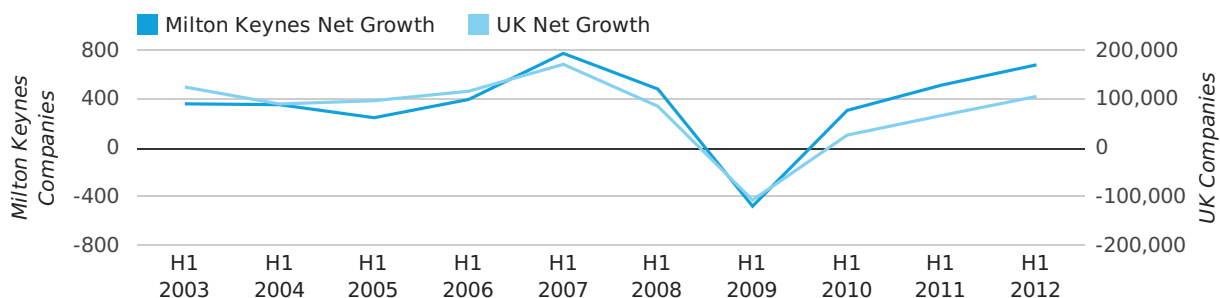
| | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012 | 99 | 138 | 142 |
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011 | 74 | 144 | 103 |
| % CHANGE | 33.8% | -4.2% | 38% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2009 (250) | 2009 (354) | 2009 (207) |

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Milton Keynes increased by 681 companies. This figure is 32.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2012 | 681 | 105,357 |
| 2011 | 515 | 66,425 |
| % CHANGE | 32.2% | 58.6% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (775) | 2007 (171,296) |

net growth by half year



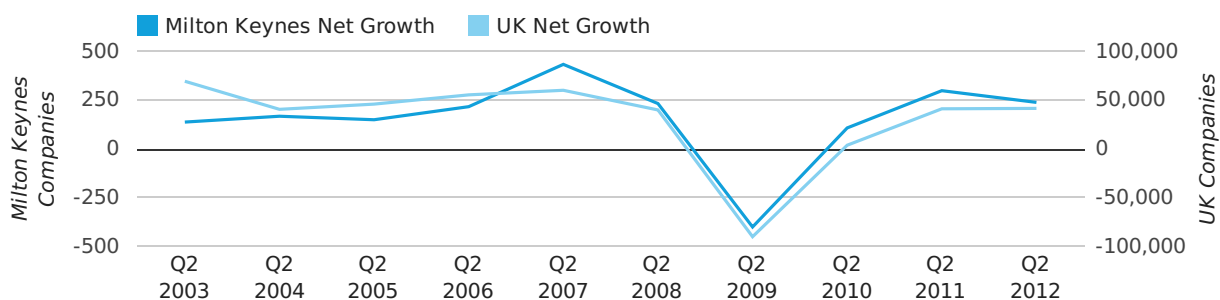
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Milton Keynes during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 238 companies.

This represents a decrease of 20.1% on the same period last year.

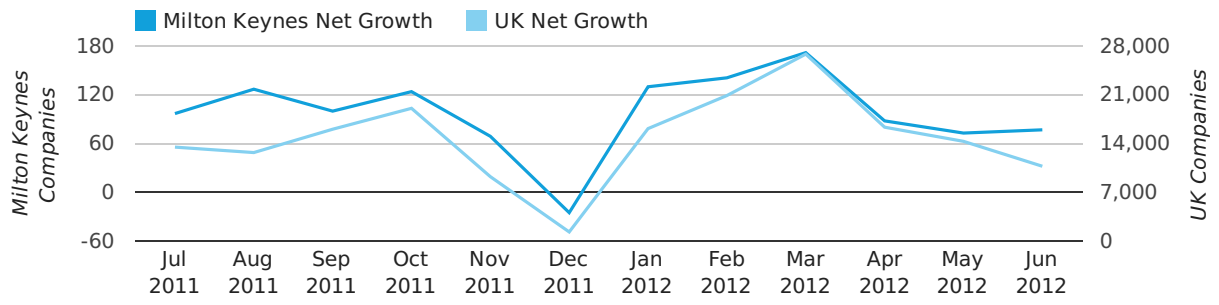
| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012) | MILTON KEYNES | UK |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 2012 | 238 | 41,442 |
| 2011 | 298 | 41,020 |
| % CHANGE | -20.1% | 1.0% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (433) | 2003 (69,274) |

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



| | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| NET GROWTH IN 2012 | 88 | 73 | 77 |
| NET GROWTH IN 2011 | 106 | 69 | 123 |
| % CHANGE | -17.0% | 5.8% | -37.4% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (270) | 2007 (78) | 2011 (123) |

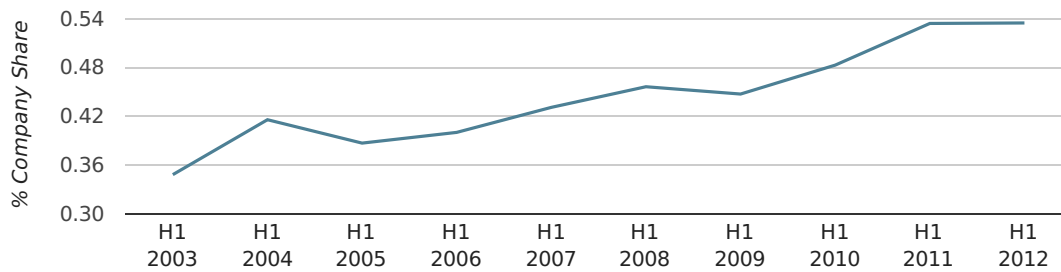
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The first half of 2012 saw a new record in UK company share in Milton Keynes when compared to any previous first half year.

In the first half of 2012 Milton Keynes formed 0.5% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.5%.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | MILTON KEYNES |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| 2012 | 0.5% |
| 2011 | 0.5% |
| 2010 | 0.5% |
| 2009 | 0.4% |
| 2008 | 0.5% |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 2012 (0.5%) |

company share by half year

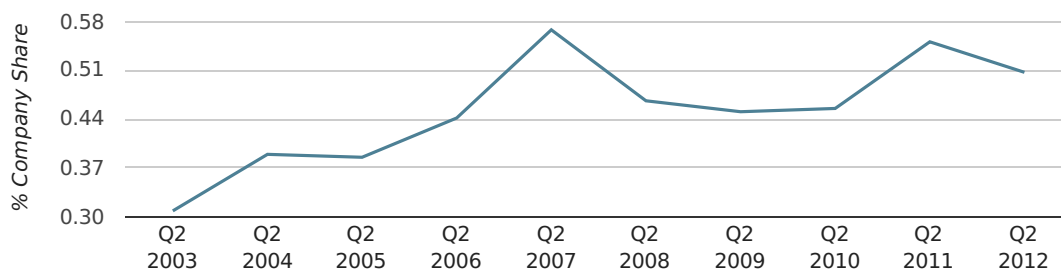


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Milton Keynes formed 0.5% of all UK companies.

| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012) | MILTON KEYNES |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| 2012 | 0.5% |
| 2011 | 0.6% |
| 2010 | 0.5% |
| 2009 | 0.5% |
| 2008 | 0.5% |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 2007 (0.6%) |

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



| | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012 | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.6% |
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011 | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.6% |
| % CHANGE | -12.5% | -13.2% | 3.5% |
| RECORD YEAR | 2007 (0.8%) | 1985 (0.6%) | 1970 (0.8%) |

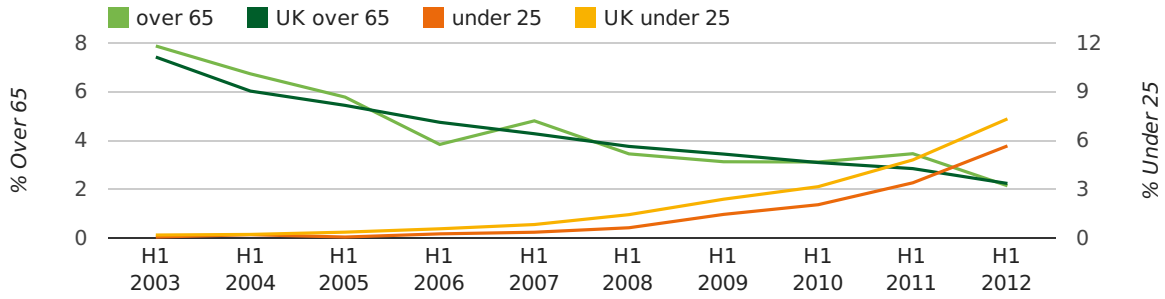
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 41.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



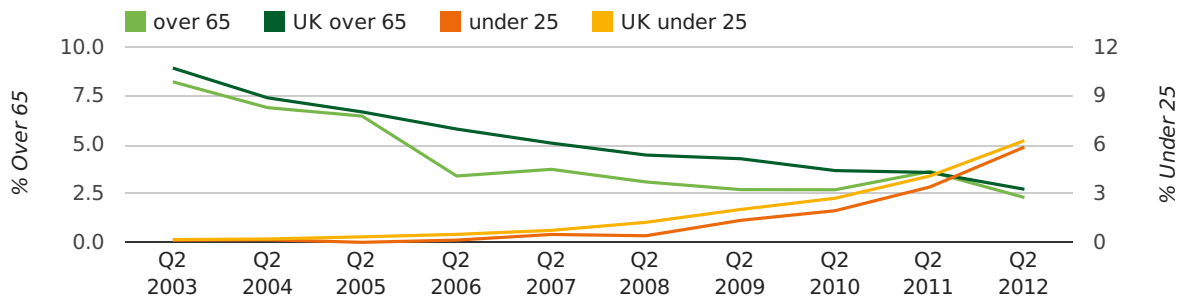
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The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 41.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.9% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

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director age by quarter

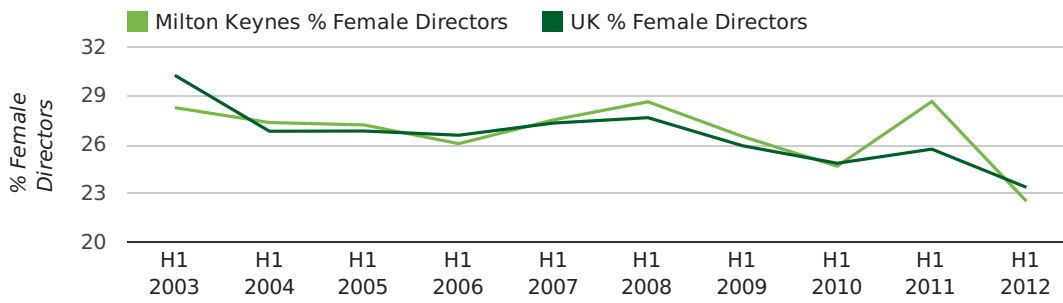


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

22.5% of all director appointments in Milton Keynes 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

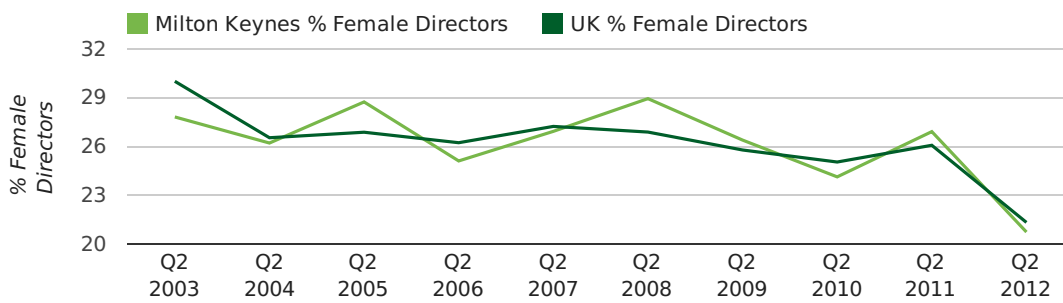


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

20.7% of all director appointments in Milton Keynes 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 |
|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| CONSULTING | 2.09% | CONSULTING | 5.07% |
| MANAGEMENT | 1.56% | MANAGEMENT | 4.74% |
| MK | 1.30% | CONSULTANCY | 3.28% |
| SYSTEMS | 0.91% | PROPERTY | 2.35% |
| PROPERTY | 0.91% | TRADING | 2.10% |
| TRADING | 0.85% | DESIGN | 1.89% |
| CONSULTANCY | 0.85% | ENGINEERING | 1.87% |
| IT | 0.85% | ASSOCIATES | 1.82% |
| BUSINESS | 0.68% | CONSULTANTS | 1.78% |
| SALES | 0.68% | CONSTRUCTION | 1.71% |
| RANIMUL | 0.62% | BUSINESS | 1.70% |
| CAPITAL | 0.62% | MEDIA | 1.69% |
| ASSOCIATES | 0.62% | LONDON | 1.68% |
| CONSULTANTS | 0.62% | J | 1.57% |
| KEYNES | 0.56% | GLOBAL | 1.51% |
| ENGINEERING | 0.56% | INVESTMENTS | 1.48% |
| PROJECT | 0.56% | IT | 1.42% |
| MILTON | 0.53% | CARE | 1.31% |
| GLOBAL | 0.53% | PROPERTIES | 1.31% |
| ESTATES | 0.50% | M | 1.26% |
| SECURITY | 0.50% | ELECTRICAL | 1.23% |
| HOLDINGS | 0.47% | BUILDING | 1.23% |
| MEDICAL | 0.47% | SECURITY | 1.19% |
| CLUB | 0.44% | S | 1.18% |
| TRADE | 0.44% | ENTERPRISES | 1.17% |

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

| SIC CODE | NUMBER OF COMPANIES | UK COMPANIES |
|--|---------------------|--------------|
| None Supplied | 1,460 | 244,457 |
| 7487 - Other business activities | 198 | 47,029 |
| 62020 - Information technology consultancy activities | 149 | 15,280 |
| 82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified | 147 | 35,447 |
| 70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management | 119 | 20,390 |
| 62090 - Other information technology service activities | 96 | 8,258 |
| 99999 - Dormant Company | 94 | 26,088 |
| 96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified | 94 | 14,220 |
| 7414 - Business & management consultancy | 77 | 10,978 |
| 9999 - Dormant Company | 60 | 16,469 |
| 7222 - Other software consultancy and supply | 53 | 6,356 |
| 74990 - Non-trading company | 52 | 9,706 |
| 7499 - Non-trading company | 42 | 8,023 |
| 74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified | 41 | 10,271 |
| 7260 - Other computer related activities | 37 | 6,456 |
| 9305 - Other service activities | 36 | 7,926 |
| 49410 - Freight transport by road | 25 | 2,912 |
| 86900 - Other human health activities | 24 | 5,222 |
| 62012 - Business and domestic software development | 23 | 4,742 |
| 98000 - Residents property management | 18 | 3,001 |