North Shields

2011 annual business confidence report



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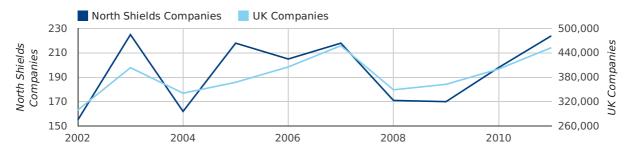
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A total of 224 companies were formed in North Shields in 2011. This total is 13.1% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	224	452,870
2010	198	400,358
2009	170	362,675
2008	171	349,203
2007	218	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (225)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year

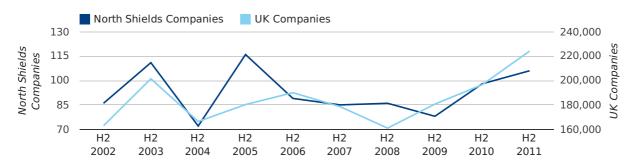


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 106 companies were formed in North Shields. This figure is 8.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in North Shields occurred in 2005 when a total of 116 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	106	224,135
2010	98	196,609
% CHANGE	8.2%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (116)	2011 (224,135)



new companies by half year

A total of 49 companies were registered in North Shields during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a difference of 0.0% 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.

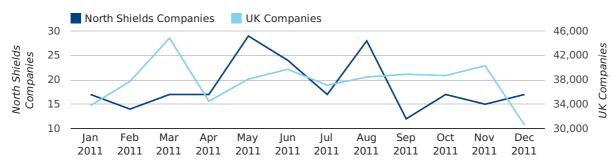
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	49	109,623
2010	49	95,117
% CHANGE	0.0%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (51)	2011 (109,623)

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new companies by quarter

Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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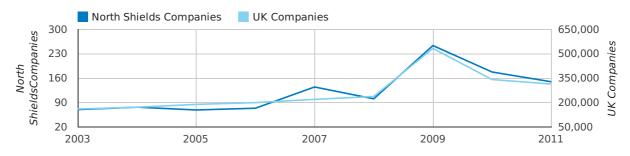
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	17	15	17
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	16	22	11
% CHANGE	6.3%	-31.8%	54.5%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (21)	2010 (22)	2011 (17)

new companies by month

A total of 150 companies were dissolved in North Shields in 2011. This total is 15.7% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	150	314,523
2010	178	342,232
2009	254	533,773
2008	101	237,901
2007	135	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (254)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



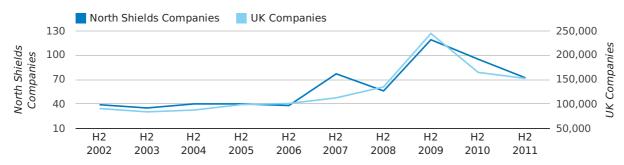
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 72 companies were dissolved in North Shields. This figure is 24.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in North Shields occurred in 2009 when a total of 119 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	72	152,213
2010	95	164,601
% CHANGE	-24.2%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (119)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year

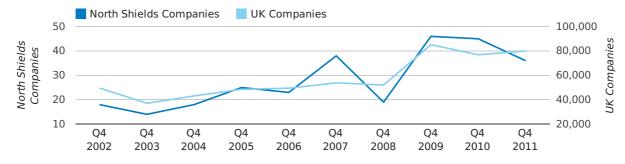


A total of 36 companies were dissolved in North Shields during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 20.0% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well 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)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	36	79,983
2010	45	76,896
% CHANGE	-20.0%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (46)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

dissolved companies by month

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CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	10	12	14
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	24	16	5
% CHANGE	-58.3%	-25.0%	180%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (24)	2007 (17)	2009 (15)

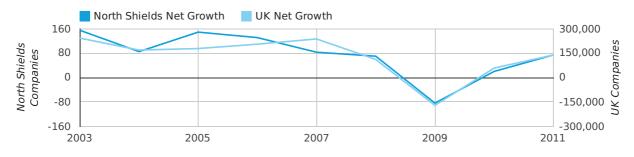
A total of 74 companies were added to the company register for North Shields in 2011. This number represents growth of 37.4% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 54 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the North Shields company register grew by 155 companies.

YEAR	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	74	138,347
2010	20	58,126
2009	-84	-171,098
2008	70	111,302
2007	83	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (155)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

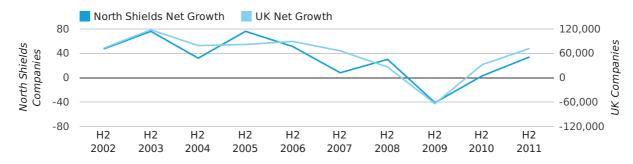


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for North Shields increased by 34 companies. This figure is 1,033.3% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	34	71,922
2010	3	32,008
% CHANGE	1,033.3%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (76)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year

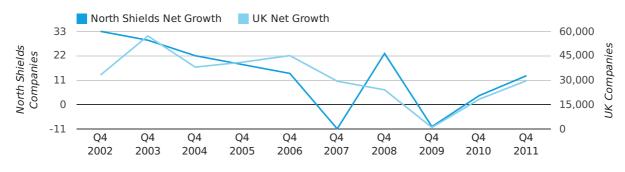


Net company growth for North Shields during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 13 companies.

This represents an increase of 225.0% on the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	NORTH SHIELDS	UK
2011	13	29,640
2010	4	18,221
% CHANGE	225.0%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (33)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



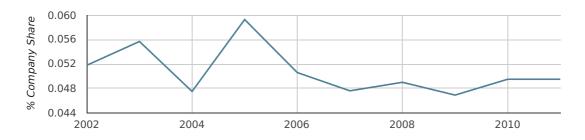
Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)



In 2011 North Shields formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when North Shields was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	NORTH SHIELDS
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.1%)

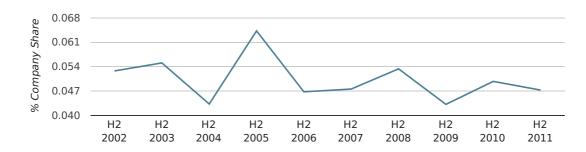
company share by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 North Shields formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	NORTH SHIELDS
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.1%)

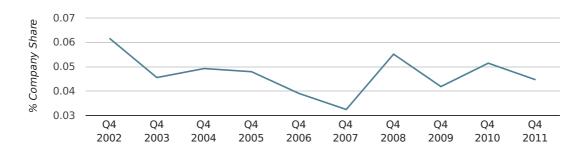


company share by half year

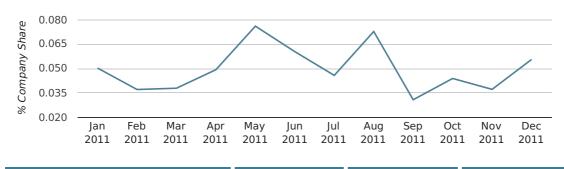
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FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	NORTH SHIELDS
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1987 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
% CHANGE	-7.8%	-42.0%	37.3%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.2%)	1969 (0.2%)	1987 (0.2%)

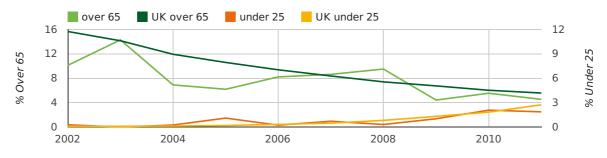
company share by month

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year

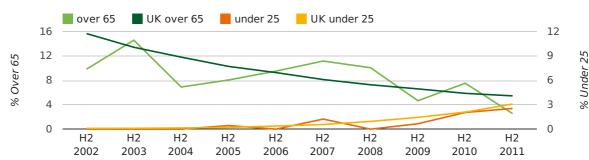


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 44.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.



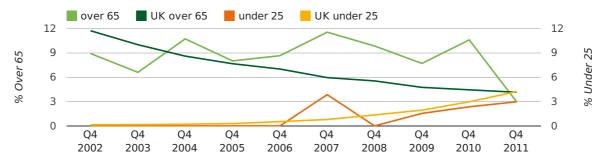
director age by half year

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 44.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter



director gender

Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in North Shields in 2011 was 29.8%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

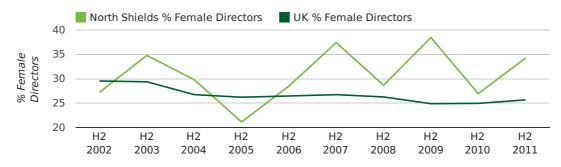


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

34.3% of all director appointments in North Shields 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



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

42.2% of all director appointments in North Shields 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
DEVELOPMENTS	1.37%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	1.37%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
BEAUTY	1.37%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
NAILS	1.14%	PROPERTY	2.37%
EAST	1.14%	TRADING	2.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.14%	DESIGN	1.92%
NORTH	1.14%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
ENGINEERING	0.91%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
SANSEC	0.91%	BUSINESS	1.78%
(NORTH	0.91%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
YOUNG	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
(NUMBER	0.68%	MEDIA	1.71%
NORTHERN	0.68%	LONDON	1.63%
ENTERPRISES	0.68%	J	1.51%
HOME	0.68%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DIGITAL	0.68%	GLOBAL	1.46%
ELECTRICAL	0.68%	IT	1.41%
CO	0.68%	CARE	1.39%
SUPPORT	0.68%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
EAST)	0.68%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
D	0.68%	М	1.27%
R	0.68%	BUILDING	1.26%
PROPERTY	0.46%	ENERGY	1.25%
FLOORING	0.46%	S	1.20%
ENTERTAINMENT	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	79	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	22	57,052
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	12	8,671
74990 - Non-trading company	9	8,929
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	9	11,768
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	9	32,483
9999 - Dormant Company	9	20,199
9305 - Other service activities	8	9,492
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	7	17,765
7414 - Business & management consultancy	7	13,034
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	6	4,082
32990 - Other manufacturing not elsewhere classified	6	1,594
62090 - Other information technology service activities	6	7,493
5530 - Restaurants	6	5,013
99999 - Dormant Company	5	21,846
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	4	2,395
5248 - Other retail specialised stores	4	1,968
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	4	2,598
7260 - Other computer related activities	4	7,667
47789 - Other retail sale of new goods in specialised stores (not commercial art galleries and opticians)	З	1,057