

# Oldham

q1 2012 business confidence report



## headlines

- Q1 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oldham when compared to any previous Q1.
- Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Oldham when compared to any quarter in history.
- March 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oldham when compared to any previous March.
- March 2012 was a record month for company registrations in Oldham when compared to any month in history.
- January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oldham when compared to any previous January.

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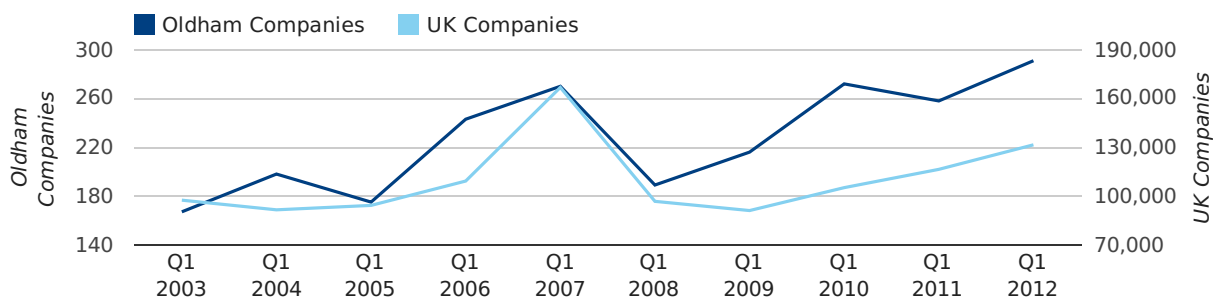
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Oldham when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 291 companies were registered in Oldham during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 12.8% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	OLDHAM	UK
2012	291	131,491
2011	258	116,391
% CHANGE	12.8%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (291)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



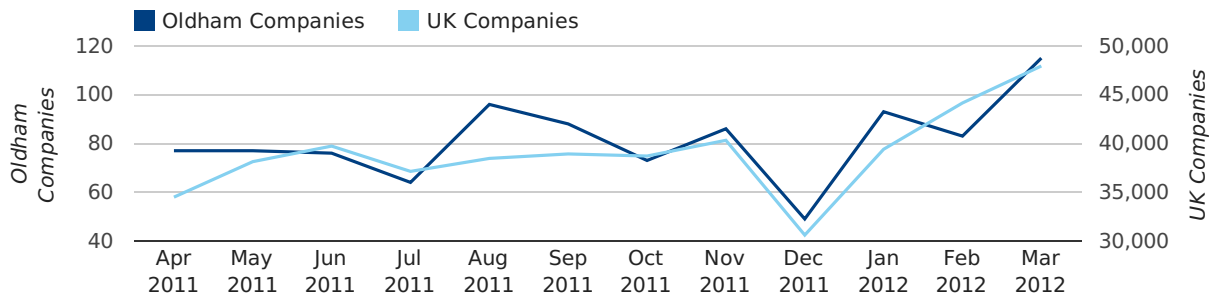
## Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

March 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oldham when compared to any previous March.

March 2012 was a record month for company registrations in Oldham when compared to any month in history.

January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oldham when compared to any previous January.

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	93	83	115
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	78	84	96
% CHANGE	19.2%	-1.2%	19.8%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (93)	2010 (94)	2012 (115)

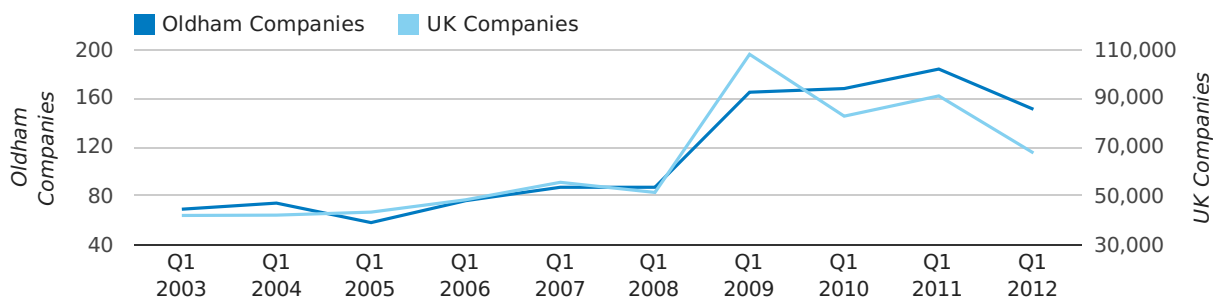
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 151 companies were dissolved in Oldham during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 17.9% 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.

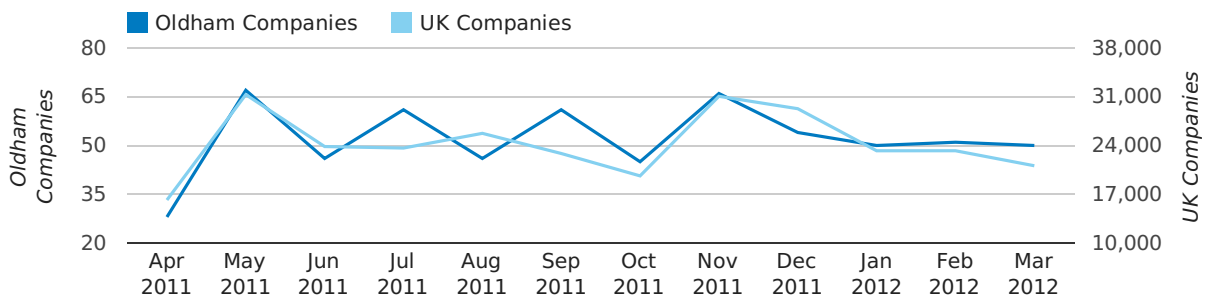
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	OLDHAM	UK
2012	151	67,576
2011	184	90,986
% CHANGE	-17.9%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (184)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



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

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	50	51	50
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	72	59	53
% CHANGE	-30.6%	-13.6%	-6%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (72)	2011 (59)	2009 (105)

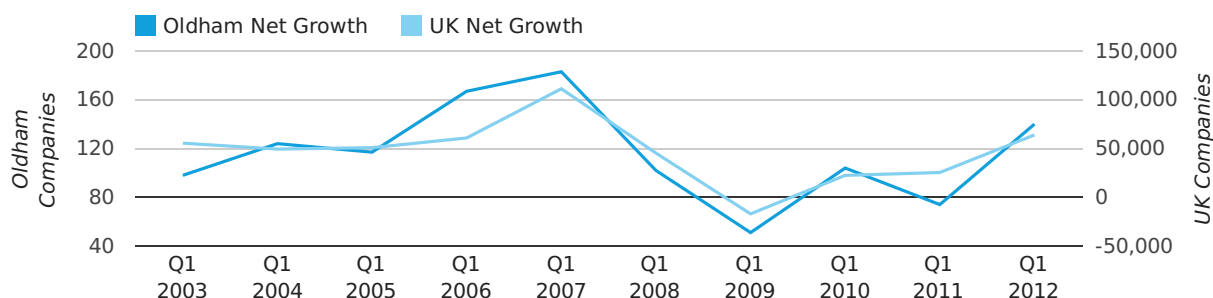
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Net company growth for Oldham during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 140 companies.

This represents an increase of 89.2% on the same period last year.

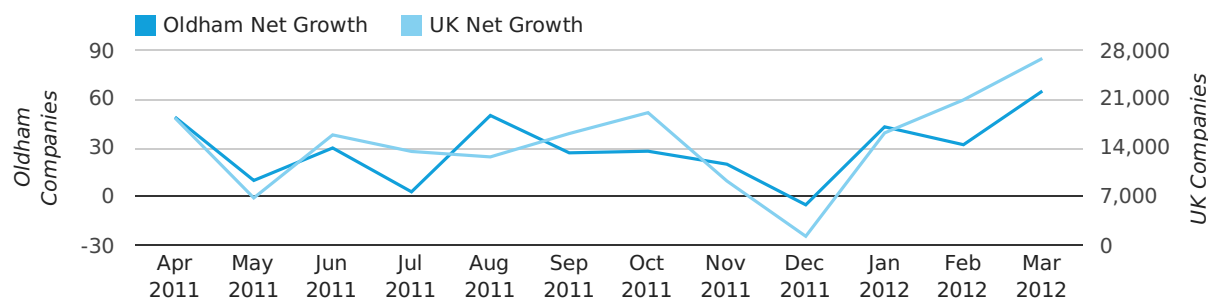
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	OLDHAM	UK
2012	140	63,915
2011	74	25,405
% CHANGE	89.2%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (183)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



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

### net growth by month



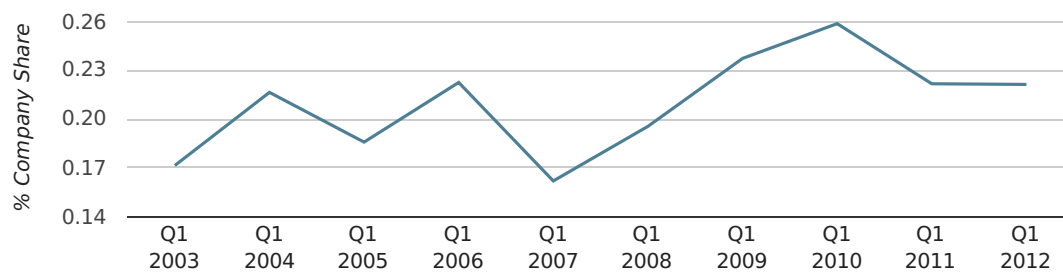
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	43	32	65
NET GROWTH IN 2011	6	25	43
% CHANGE	616.7%	28.0%	51.2%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (53)	2007 (57)	2007 (84)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, Oldham formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

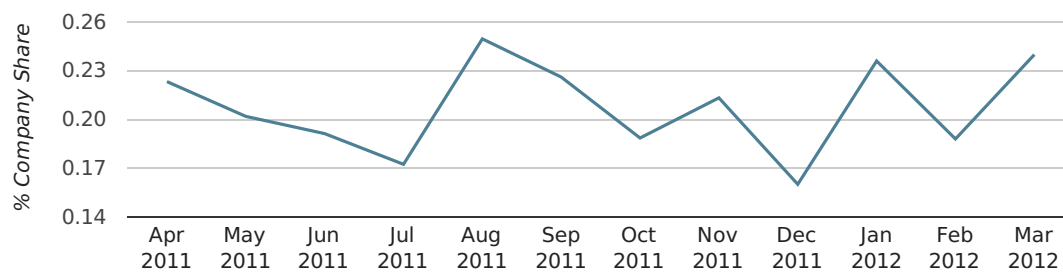
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	OLDHAM
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1977 (0.4%)

### company share by quarter



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

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	2.2%	-15.5%	12.1%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.5%)	1962 (0.6%)	1968 (0.7%)

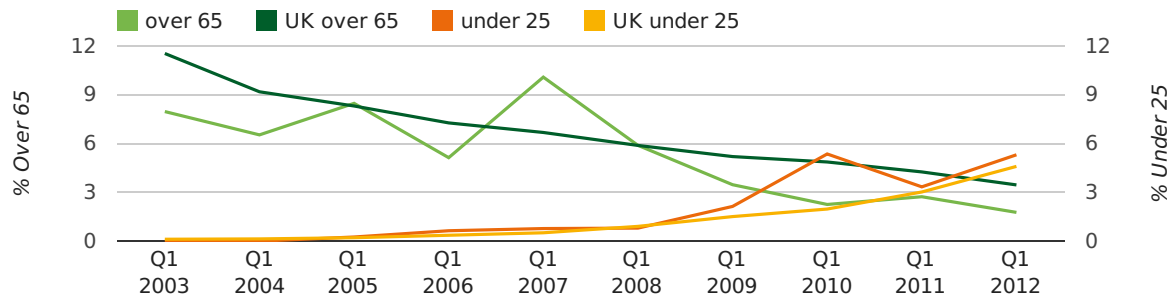
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 40.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

#### director age by quarter



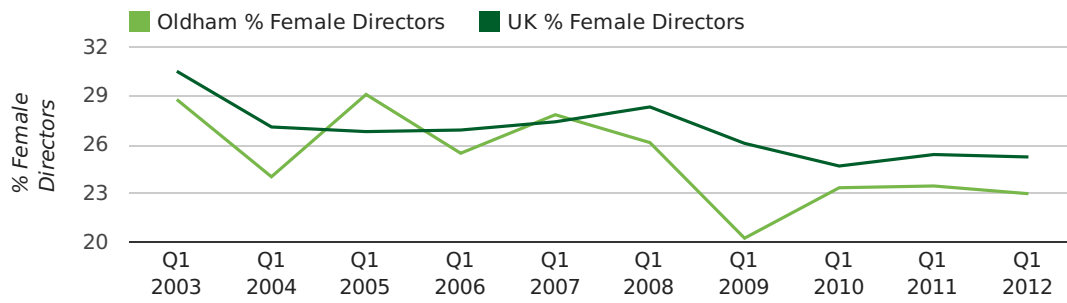


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

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

23.0% of all director appointments in Oldham 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
OLDHAM	1.39%	CONSULTING	5.07%
PROPERTY	0.99%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
PROPERTIES	0.86%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
MANCHESTER	0.86%	PROPERTY	2.37%
MANAGEMENT	0.86%	TRADING	2.07%
CONSTRUCTION	0.79%	DESIGN	1.93%
MEDIA	0.73%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
CARE	0.66%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
CONSULTING	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
(NW)	0.66%	BUSINESS	1.73%
ELECTRICAL	0.60%	MEDIA	1.72%
(OLDHAM)	0.60%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
DIRECT	0.60%	LONDON	1.66%
WEST)	0.60%	J	1.54%
(NORTH	0.60%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
SECURITY	0.53%	GLOBAL	1.50%
COMMUNITY	0.53%	IT	1.40%
CONSULTANCY	0.53%	CARE	1.34%
CONTRACTORS	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
J	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
BUILDING	0.53%	M	1.27%
IT	0.53%	BUILDING	1.24%
DESIGN	0.53%	ENERGY	1.20%
S	0.46%	S	1.20%
MY	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	477	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	99	52,735
86230 - Dental practice activities	68	1,834
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	55	35,233
9999 - Dormant Company	38	18,617
99999 - Dormant Company	38	25,084
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	38	13,637
9305 - Other service activities	32	8,818
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	24	19,704
74990 - Non-trading company	21	9,729
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	21	3,931
86900 - Other human health activities	18	5,066
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	17	5,169
62090 - Other information technology service activities	16	8,145
7414 - Business & management consultancy	16	12,113
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	15	3,228
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	15	9,892
5530 - Restaurants	14	4,633
7260 - Other computer related activities	13	7,154
7011 - Development & sell real estate	12	2,092