

Orpington

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 Orpington when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Orpington when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Orpington when compared to any previous May.
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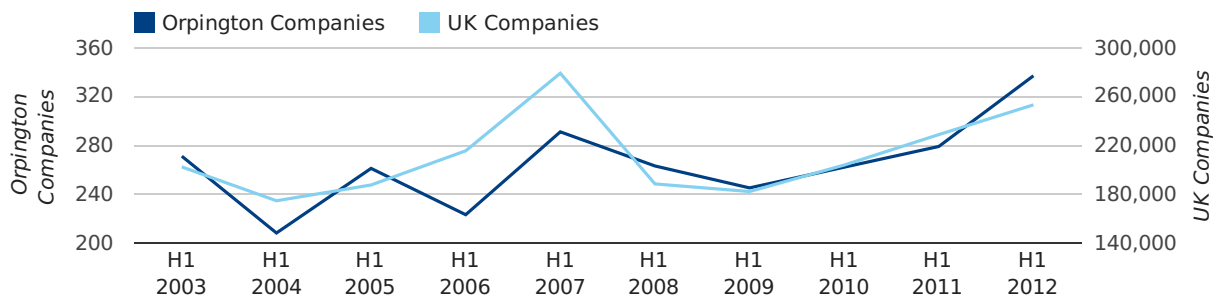
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Orpington when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 337 companies were formed in Orpington. This figure is 20.8% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Orpington occurred in 2012 when a total of 337 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	337	253,150
2011	279	228,735
% CHANGE	20.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (337)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

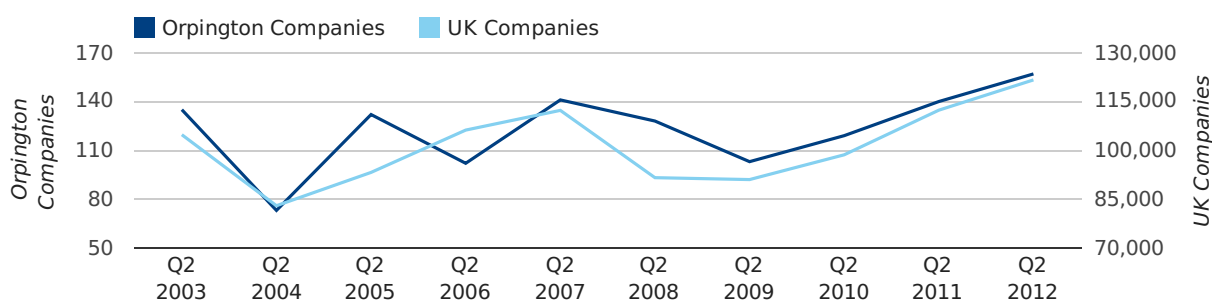
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Orpington when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 157 companies were registered in Orpington during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 12.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	157	121,659
2011	140	112,344
% CHANGE	12.1%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (157)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter

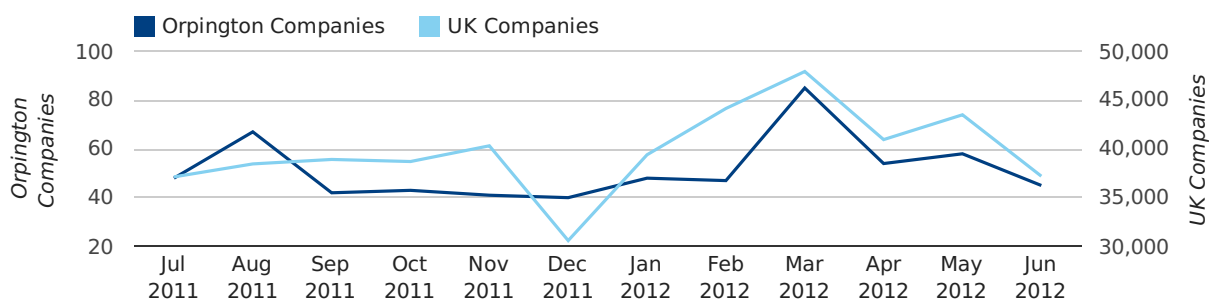


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Orpington when compared to any previous May.

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new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	54	58	45
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	40	57	43
% CHANGE	35.0%	1.8%	4.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (54)	2012 (58)	2003 (50)

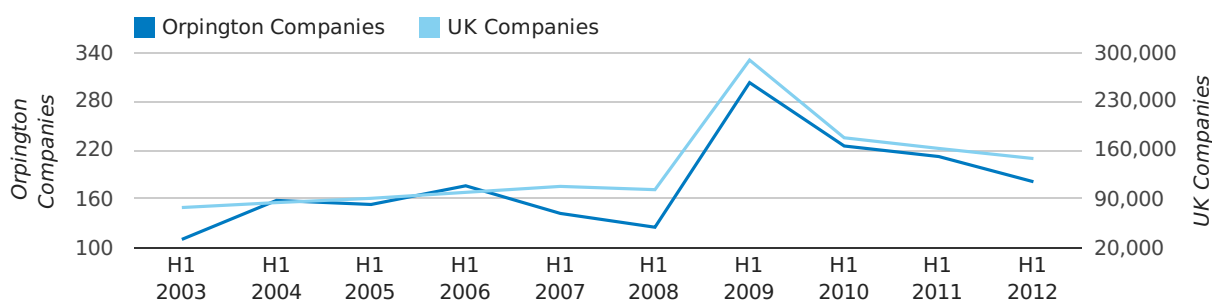
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 181 companies were dissolved in Orpington. This figure is 14.6% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Orpington occurred in 2009 when a total of 303 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	181	147,793
2011	212	162,310
% CHANGE	-14.6%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (303)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



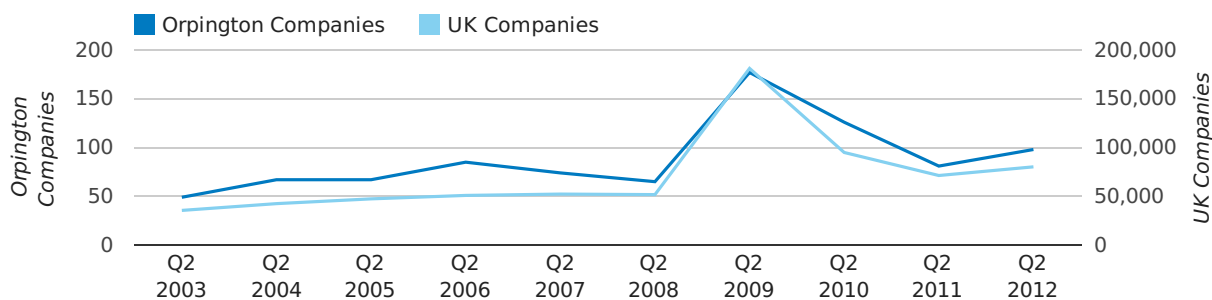
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 98 companies were dissolved in Orpington during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 21.0% 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)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	98	80,217
2011	81	71,324
% CHANGE	21.0%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (177)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



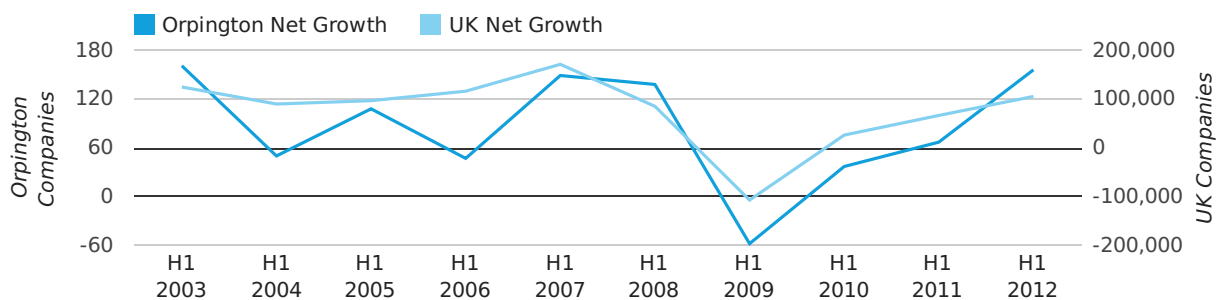
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	29	42	27
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	16	40	25
% CHANGE	81.3%	5.0%	8%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (66)	2009 (72)	2010 (59)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Orpington increased by 156 companies. This figure is 132.8% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	156	105,357
2011	67	66,425
% CHANGE	132.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (161)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



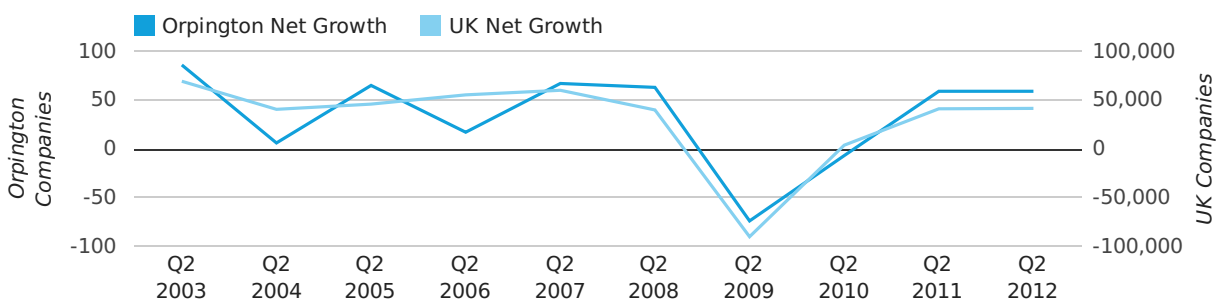
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Orpington during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 59 companies.

This represents an increase of 0.0% on the same period last year.

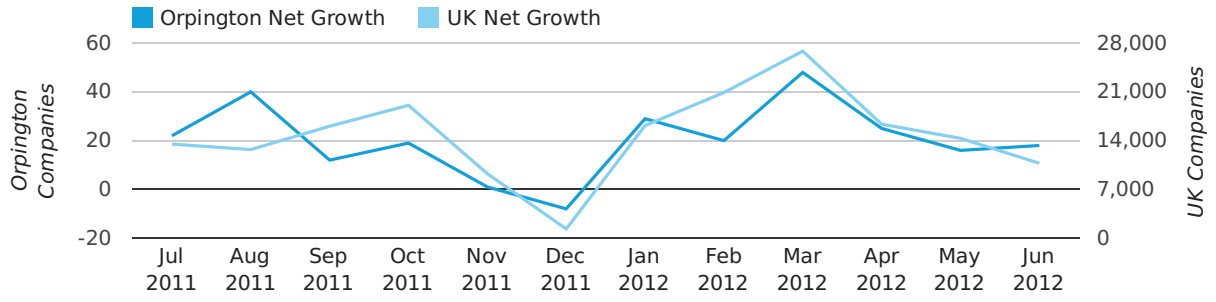
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	ORPINGTON	UK
2012	59	41,442
2011	59	41,020
% CHANGE	0.0%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (86)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



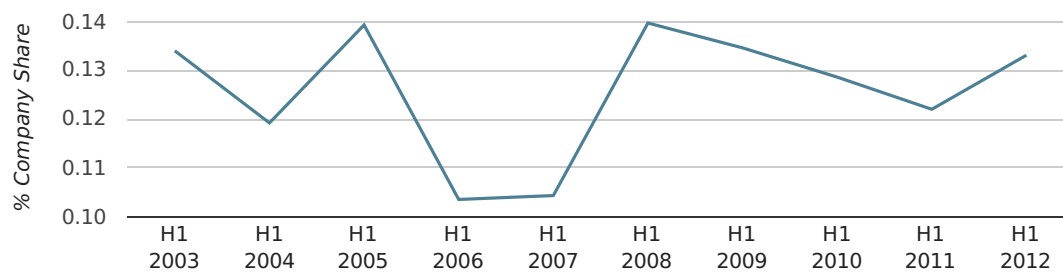
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	25	16	18
NET GROWTH IN 2011	24	17	18
% CHANGE	4.2%	-5.9%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	1997 (36)	2003 (26)	2008 (41)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Orpington formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ORPINGTON
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1976 (0.2%)

company share by half year

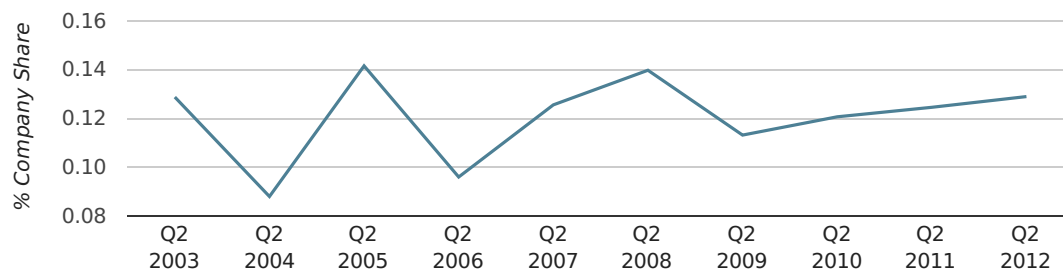


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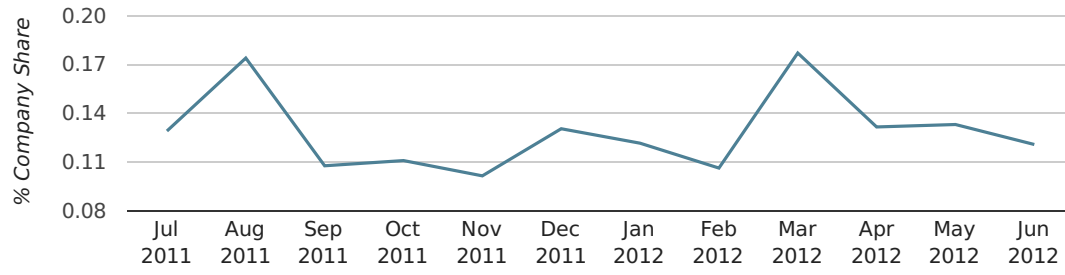
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	ORPINGTON
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
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2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1995 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	13.6%	-10.8%	11.8%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.3%)	1981 (0.3%)	1960 (0.3%)

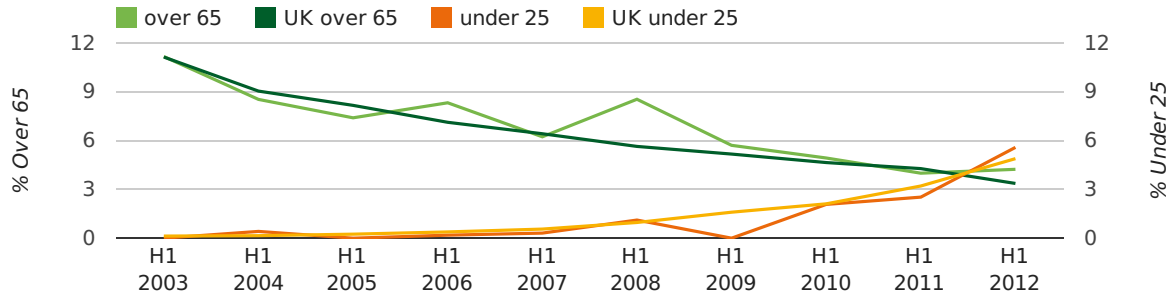
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



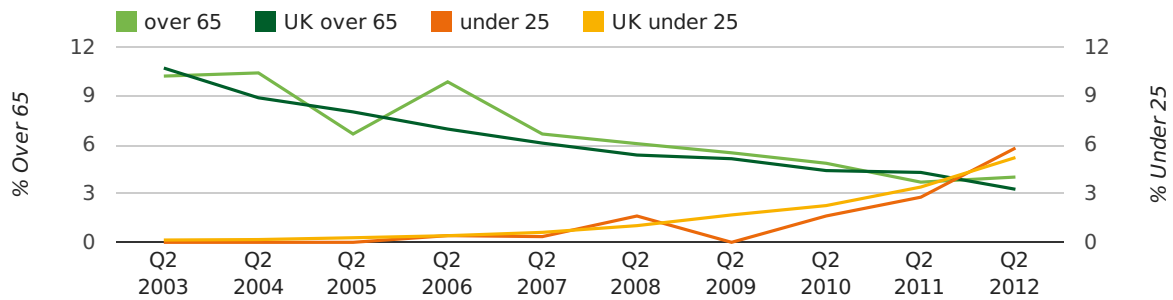
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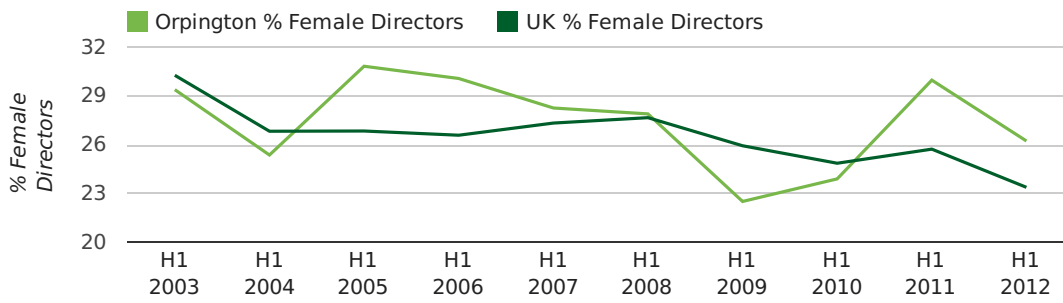


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

26.2% of all director appointments in Orpington 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

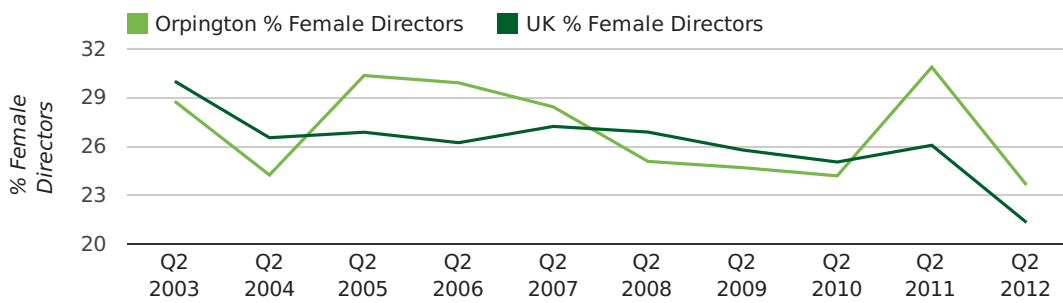


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

23.6% of all director appointments in Orpington 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	2.29%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.19%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.09%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
C	0.99%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSTRUCTION	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
BUILDING	0.80%	DESIGN	1.89%
VIRGIN	0.80%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
J	0.80%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
ASSOCIATES	0.80%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANTS	0.70%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
R	0.70%	BUSINESS	1.70%
ELECTRICAL	0.60%	MEDIA	1.69%
SCHOOL	0.60%	LONDON	1.68%
M	0.60%	J	1.57%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.60%	GLOBAL	1.51%
POTATO	0.60%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
ENERGY	0.60%	IT	1.42%
DESIGN	0.60%	CARE	1.31%
SOLAR	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
WOOD	0.50%	M	1.26%
LOGISTICS	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
FINANCIAL	0.40%	BUILDING	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.40%	SECURITY	1.19%
GLOBAL	0.40%	S	1.18%
P	0.40%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	280	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	57	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	50	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	34	20,390
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	27	15,280
99999 - Dormant Company	21	26,088
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7414 - Business & management consultancy	18	10,978
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	17	10,271
74990 - Non-trading company	16	9,706
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	13	6,356
62090 - Other information technology service activities	13	8,258
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	12	3,241
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	11	14,220
9305 - Other service activities	11	7,926
43210 - Electrical installation	8	3,557
7260 - Other computer related activities	8	6,456
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	7	3,365
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	7	2,716
63990 - Other information service activities not elsewhere classified	7	2,456