

Oxford

q3 2011 business confidence report



headlines

- Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous Q3.
- August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous August.
- August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Oxford when compared to any previous August.

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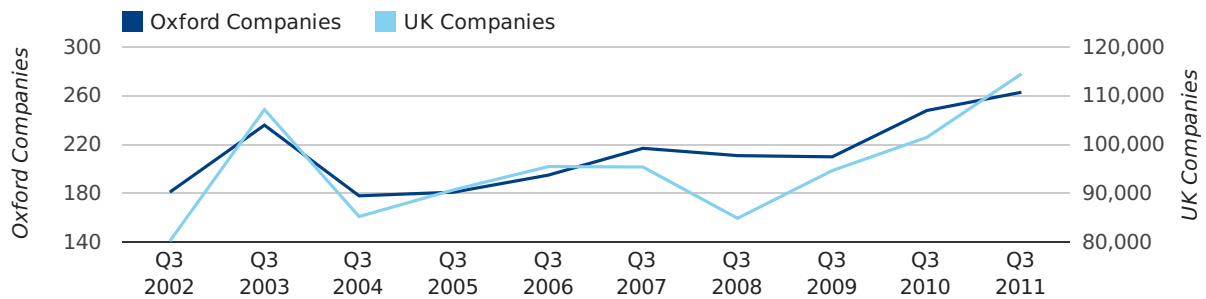
Q3 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous Q3.

A total of 263 companies were registered in Oxford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 6.0% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	OXFORD	UK
2011	263	114,512
2010	248	101,492
% CHANGE	6.0%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (263)	2011 (114,512)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

August 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous August.

new companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	85	100	78
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	84	72	92
% CHANGE	1.2%	38.9%	-15.2%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (93)	2011 (100)	2010 (92)

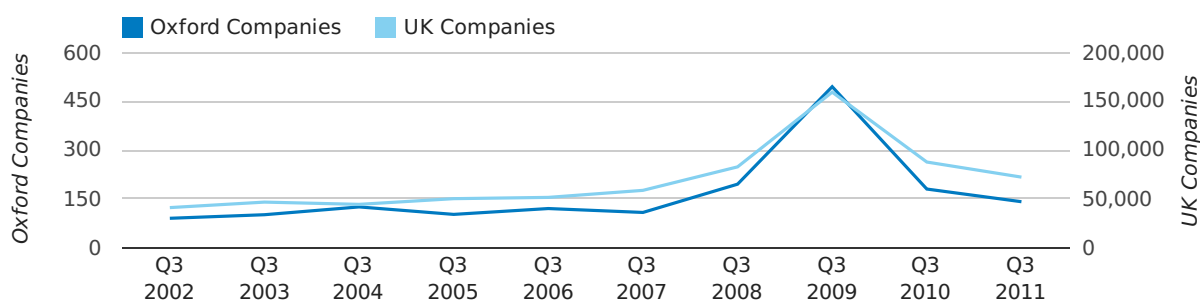
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

A total of 141 companies were dissolved in Oxford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 21.7% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

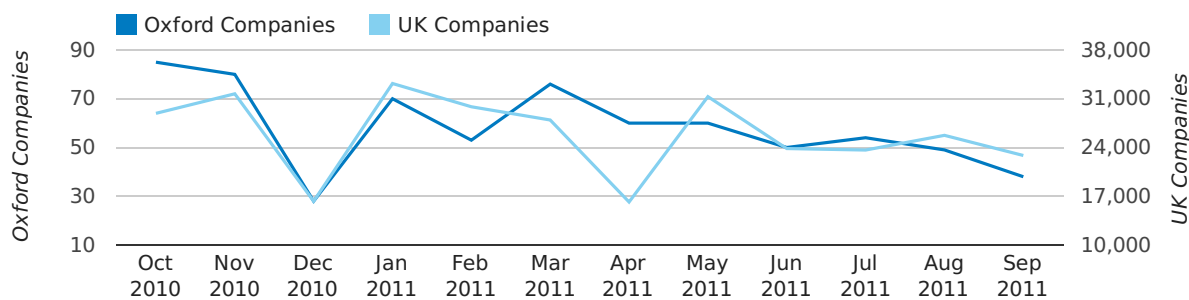
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	OXFORD	UK
2011	141	72,230
2010	180	87,705
% CHANGE	-21.7%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (495)	2009 (159,401)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	54	49	38
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	55	67	58
% CHANGE	-1.8%	-26.9%	-34%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (167)	2009 (215)	2009 (113)

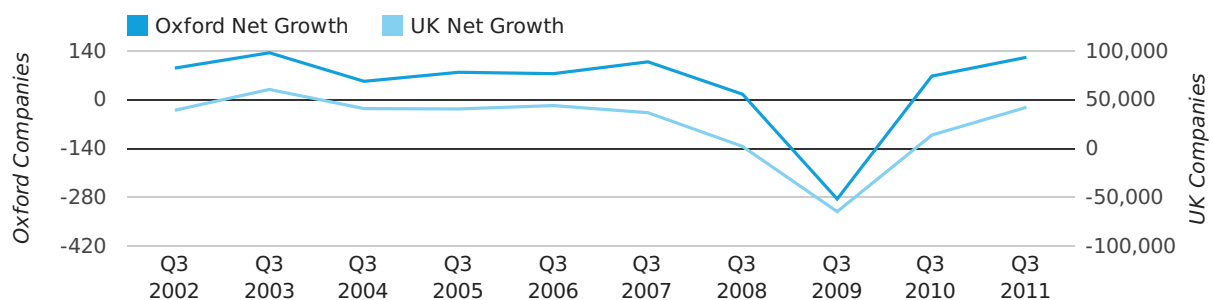
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

Net company growth for Oxford during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 122 companies.

This represents an increase of 79.4% on the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	OXFORD	UK
2011	122	42,282
2010	68	13,787
% CHANGE	79.4%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (135)	2003 (60,597)

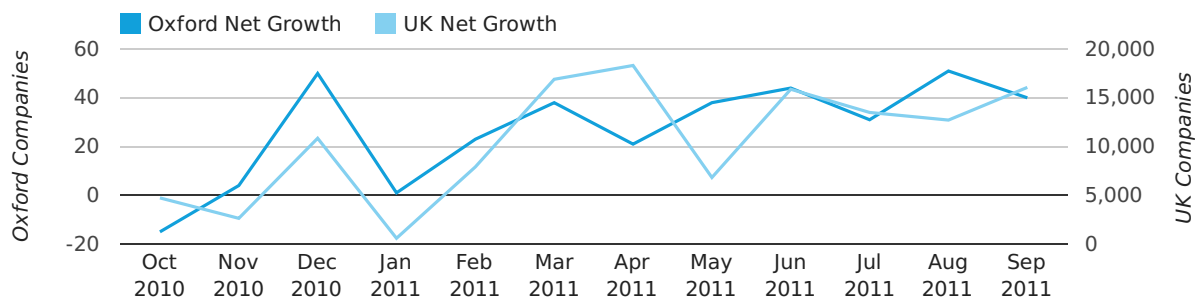
net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

August 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Oxford when compared to any previous August.

net growth by month



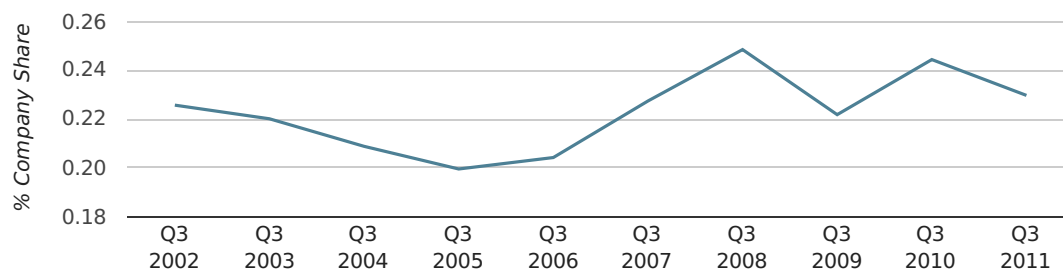
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	31	51	40
NET GROWTH IN 2010	29	5	34
% CHANGE	6.9%	920.0%	17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (68)	2011 (51)	2003 (61)

Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

In the third quarter of 2011, Oxford formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

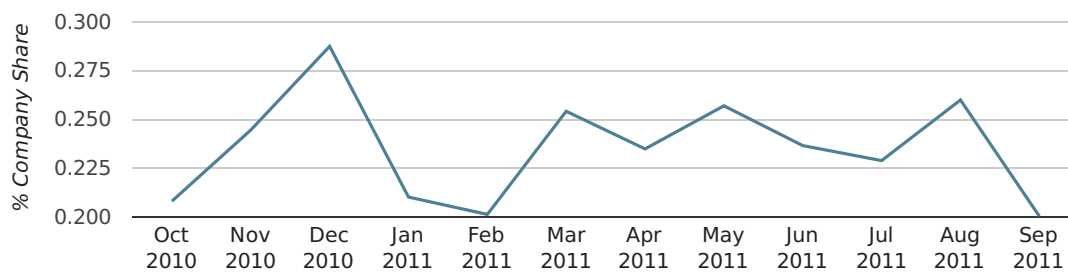
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	OXFORD
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.8%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%
% CHANGE	-7.4%	16.9%	-23.4%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (0.8%)	1966 (1.2%)	1967 (0.6%)

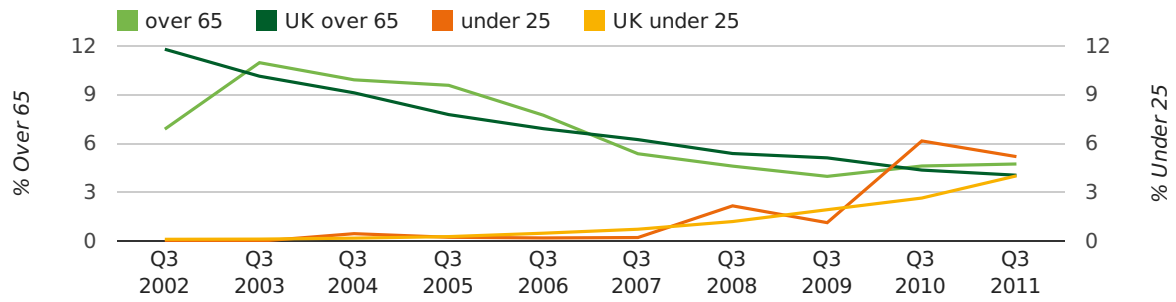
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 44.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

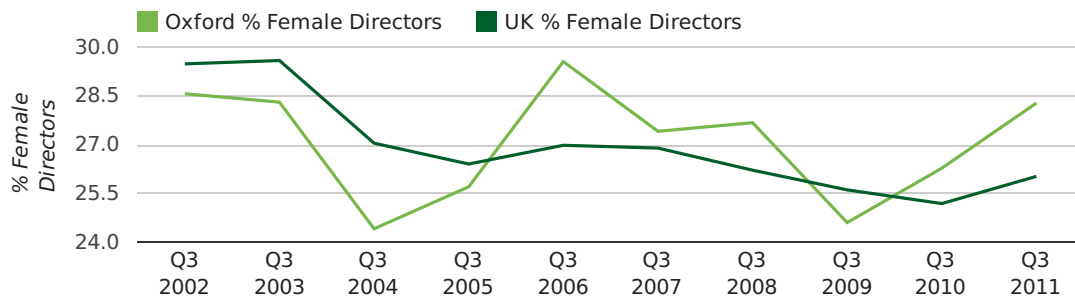


Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The record third quarter for female directors in Oxford was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

28.3% of all director appointments in Oxford in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
OXFORD	5.55%	CONSULTING	5.11%
CONSULTING	1.97%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
MANAGEMENT	1.73%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
CONSULTANCY	1.17%	PROPERTY	2.41%
TRADING	0.92%	TRADING	2.06%
IT	0.86%	DESIGN	1.94%
(OXFORD)	0.80%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
BUSINESS	0.74%	BUSINESS	1.82%
DESIGN	0.74%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSTRUCTION	0.74%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
CONSULTANTS	0.68%	MEDIA	1.72%
PROPERTY	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
COMMUNITY	0.62%	LONDON	1.63%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.55%	J	1.47%
FOR	0.49%	GLOBAL	1.46%
SCHOOL	0.49%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
IN	0.49%	CARE	1.42%
HOUSE	0.43%	IT	1.38%
EDUCATION	0.43%	BUILDING	1.30%
COLLEGE	0.43%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
ELECTRICAL	0.43%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
INTEREST	0.43%	M	1.25%
ACADEMY	0.43%	ENERGY	1.22%
HEALTH	0.43%	TRAINING	1.21%
TRUST	0.43%	S	1.21%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	435	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	108	65,177
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	74	29,245
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	59	15,760
74990 - Non-trading company	51	8,064
9999 - Dormant Company	50	22,587
9305 - Other service activities	50	10,525
7414 - Business & management consultancy	49	14,755
99999 - Dormant Company	34	18,281
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	31	10,137
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	28	10,018
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	25	7,551
8042 - Adult and other education	24	2,521
7260 - Other computer related activities	24	8,686
7499 - Non-trading company	23	11,543
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	21	8,345
5530 - Restaurants	21	5,640
7310 - R & D on nat sciences & engineering	19	820
62090 - Other information technology service activities	18	6,798
86900 - Other human health activities	15	4,019