

Oxford

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous first half year.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous May.
- April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous April.

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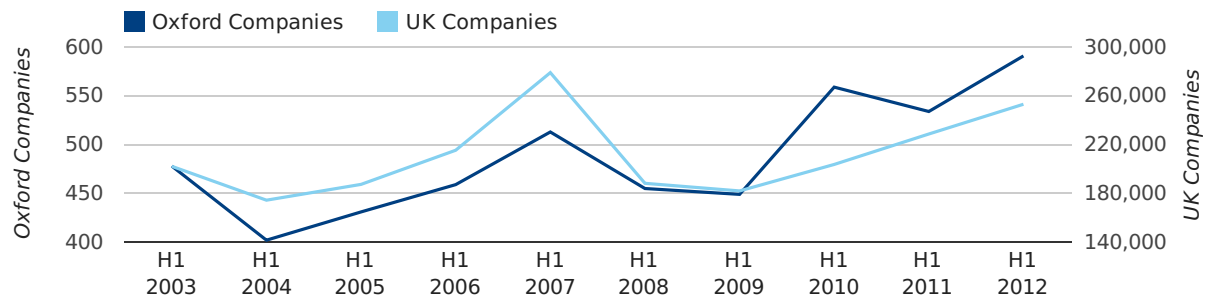
The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous first half year.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 591 companies were formed in Oxford. This figure is 10.7% higher than last year, which compares equally to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Oxford occurred in 2012 when a total of 591 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	OXFORD	UK
2012	591	253,150
2011	534	228,735
% CHANGE	10.7%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (591)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

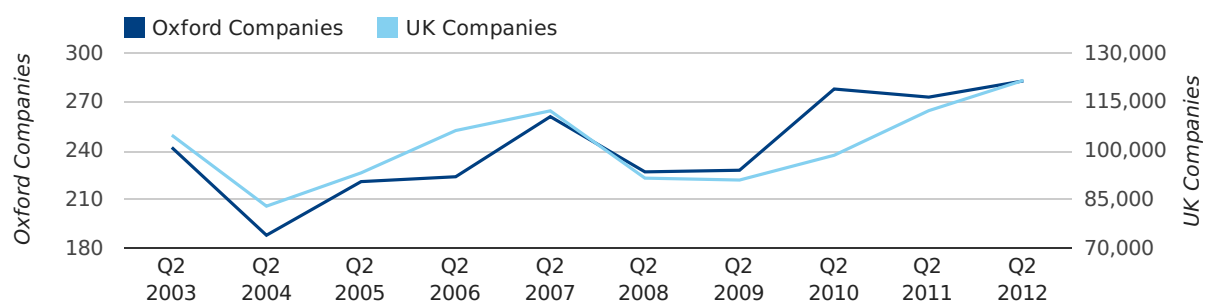
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 283 companies were registered in Oxford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 3.7% 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)	OXFORD	UK
2012	283	121,659
2011	273	112,344
% CHANGE	3.7%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (283)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Oxford when compared to any previous April.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	102	98	83
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	81	98	94
% CHANGE	25.9%	0.0%	-11.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (102)	2012 (98)	2010 (103)

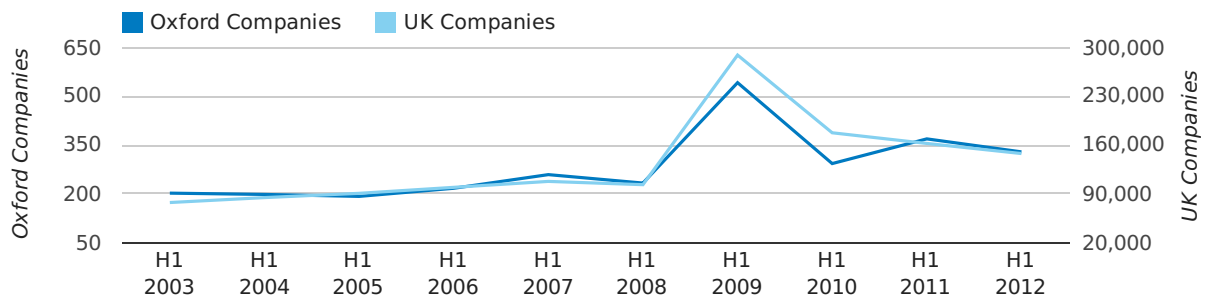
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 329 companies were dissolved in Oxford. This figure is 10.8% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Oxford occurred in 2009 when a total of 542 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	OXFORD	UK
2012	329	147,793
2011	369	162,310
% CHANGE	-10.8%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (542)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 177 companies were dissolved in Oxford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 4.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well 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)	OXFORD	UK
2012	177	80,217
2011	170	71,324
% CHANGE	4.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (329)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



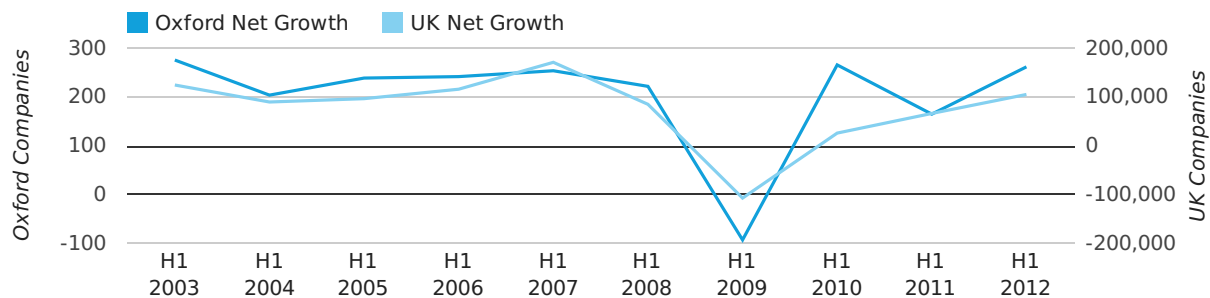
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	59	66	52
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	60	60	50
% CHANGE	-1.7%	10.0%	4%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (96)	2009 (134)	2009 (99)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Oxford increased by 262 companies. This figure is 58.8% higher than last year, which compares equally to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	OXFORD	UK
2012	262	105,357
2011	165	66,425
% CHANGE	58.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (276)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



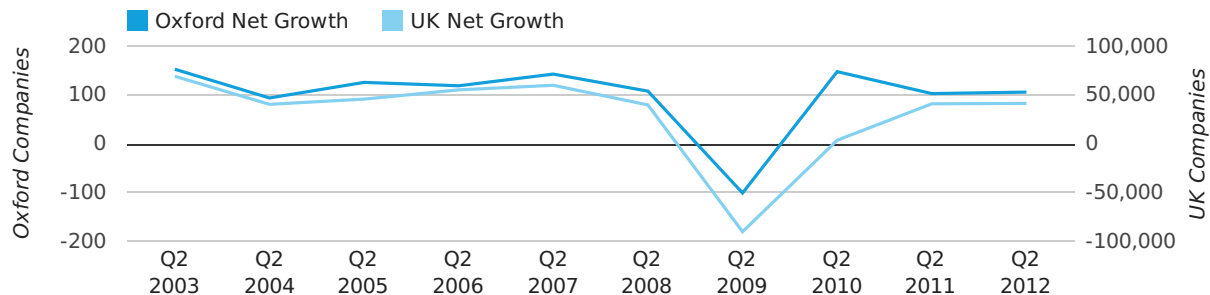
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Oxford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 106 companies.

This represents an increase of 2.9% on the same period last year.

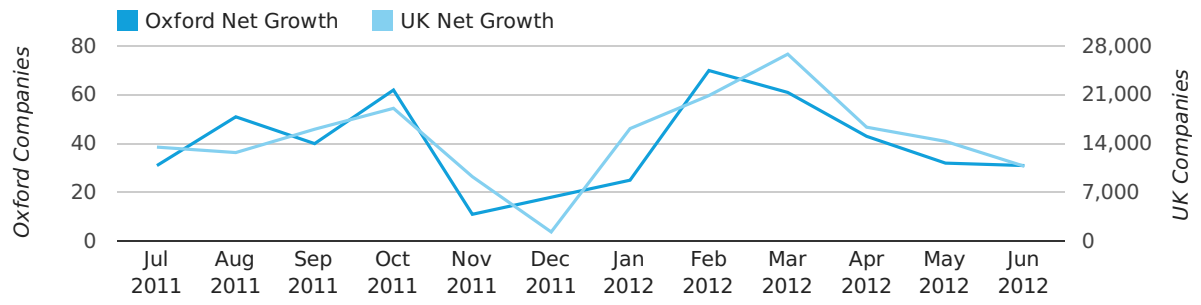
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	OXFORD	UK
2012	106	41,442
2011	103	41,020
% CHANGE	2.9%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (153)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



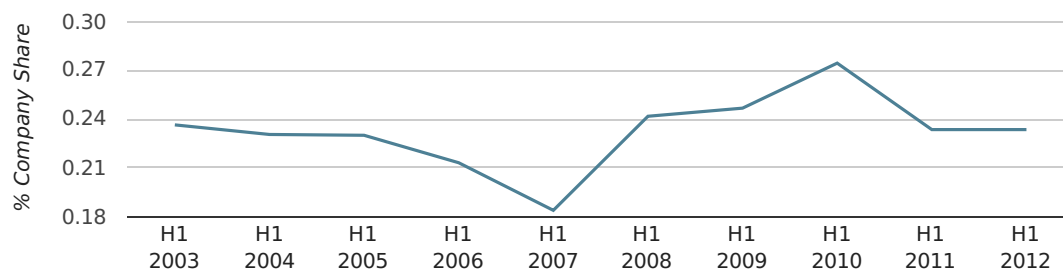
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	43	32	31
NET GROWTH IN 2011	21	38	44
% CHANGE	104.8%	-15.8%	-29.5%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (68)	1997 (59)	2008 (62)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Oxford formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	OXFORD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.5%)

company share by half year

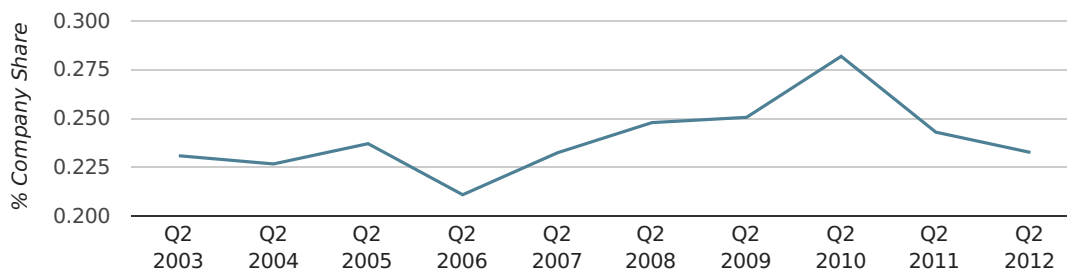


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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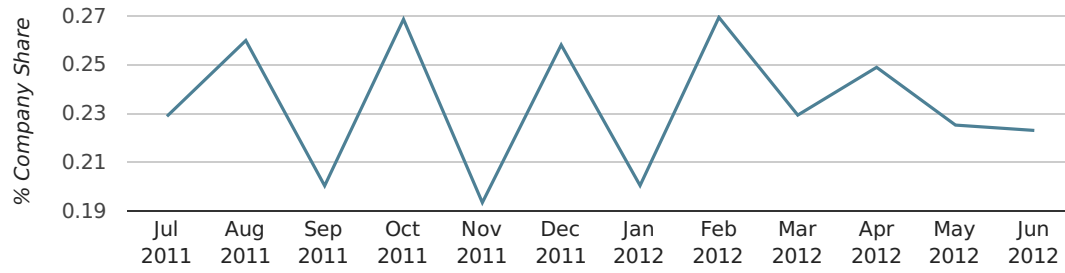
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	OXFORD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
% CHANGE	6.0%	-12.3%	-5.7%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.7%)	1963 (0.7%)	1965 (1.0%)

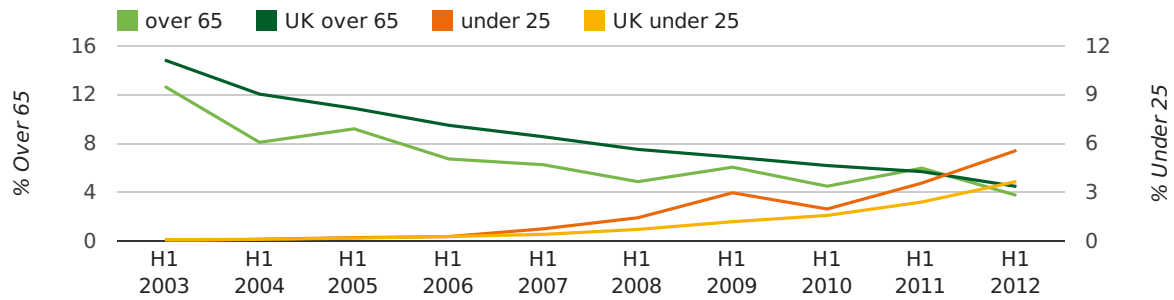
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 42.8.

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 3.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



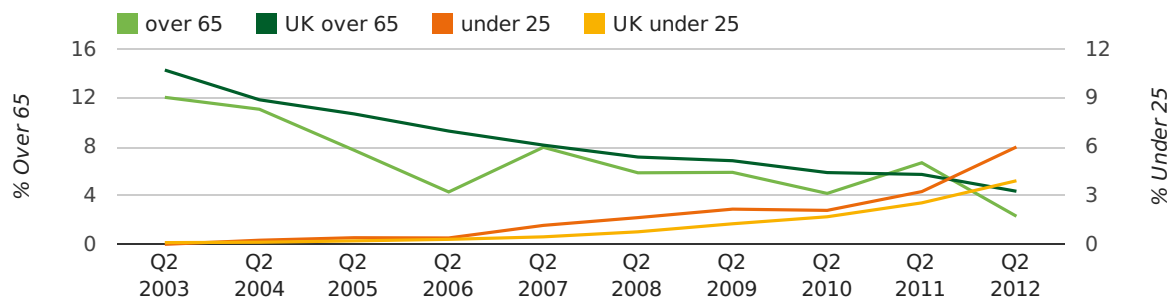
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 41.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.0% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

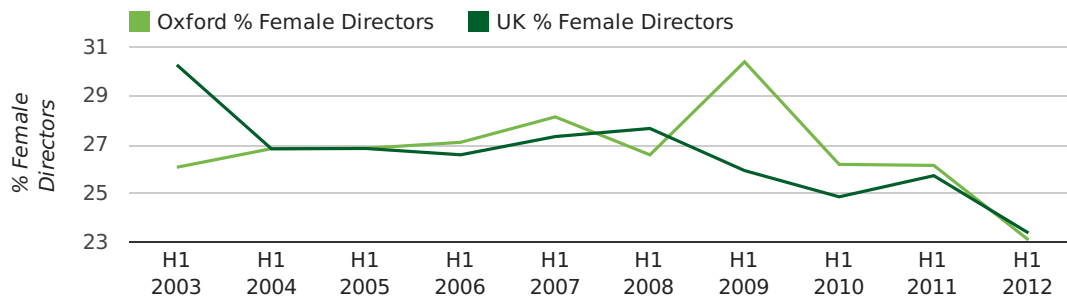


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

23.1% of all director appointments in Oxford 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

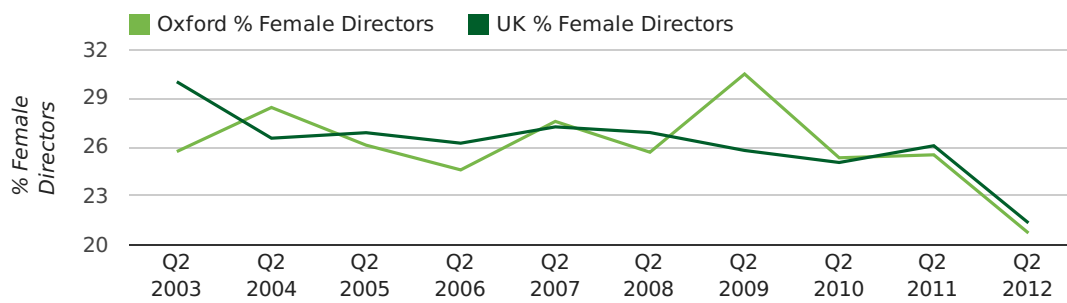


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

20.7% of all director appointments in Oxford 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
OXFORD	5.69%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	2.21%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	1.39%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
HELIOX	1.16%	PROPERTY	2.35%
DESIGN	0.93%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANCY	0.87%	DESIGN	1.89%
TRADING	0.70%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
FOR	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
PROPERTY	0.64%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
EDUCATION	0.64%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
(OXFORD)	0.58%	BUSINESS	1.70%
MEDIA	0.58%	MEDIA	1.69%
INTERNATIONAL	0.58%	LONDON	1.68%
COMMUNITY	0.52%	J	1.57%
ASSOCIATES	0.52%	GLOBAL	1.51%
FILMS	0.52%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
SECURITY	0.52%	IT	1.42%
ACADEMY	0.46%	CARE	1.31%
SCHOOL	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
HOUSE	0.46%	M	1.26%
PRODUCTIONS	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
ENTERPRISES	0.46%	BUILDING	1.23%
IT	0.46%	SECURITY	1.19%
MEDICAL	0.46%	S	1.18%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	532	244,457
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	77	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	74	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	70	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	51	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	42	15,280
74990 - Non-trading company	42	9,706
7414 - Business & management consultancy	37	10,978
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	34	14,220
9999 - Dormant Company	32	16,469
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	29	10,271
9305 - Other service activities	27	7,926
86900 - Other human health activities	25	5,222
62090 - Other information technology service activities	24	8,258
62012 - Business and domestic software development	21	4,742
7260 - Other computer related activities	20	6,456
41100 - Development of building projects	19	5,149
7499 - Non-trading company	18	8,023
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	16	6,356
8042 - Adult and other education	16	1,905