Plymouth

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any previous May.

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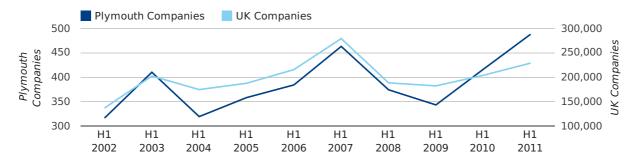
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 488 companies were formed in Plymouth. This figure is 17.3% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Plymouth occurred in 2011 when a total of 488 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	488	228,735
2010	416	203,749
% CHANGE	17.3%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (488)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

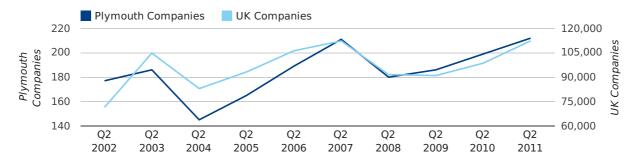
Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 212 companies were registered in Plymouth during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 6.5% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	212	112,344
2010	199	98,612
% CHANGE	6.5%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (212)	2011 (112,344)

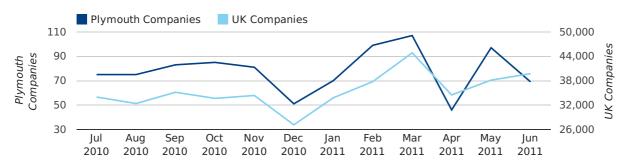
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

May 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Plymouth when compared to any previous May.

new companies by month



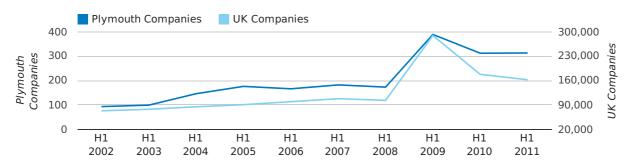
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	46	97	69
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	63	63	73
% CHANGE	-27.0%	54.0%	-5.5%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (80)	2011 (97)	2010 (73)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 313 companies were dissolved in Plymouth. This figure is 0.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Plymouth occurred in 2009 when a total of 389 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	313	162,310
2010	312	177,631
% CHANGE	0.3%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (389)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



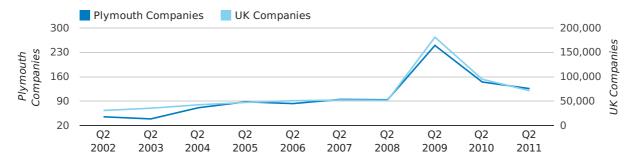
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 126 companies were dissolved in Plymouth during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 13.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

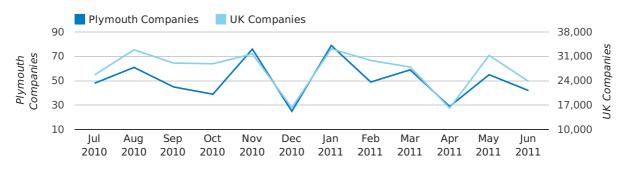
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	126	71,324
2010	145	94,954
% CHANGE	-13.1%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (250)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month

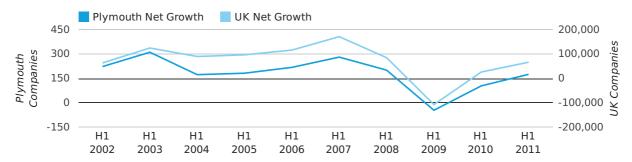


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	29	55	42
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	37	51	57
% CHANGE	-21.6%	7.8%	-26%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (59)	2009 (126)	2009 (65)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Plymouth increased by 175 companies. This figure is 68.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	175	66,425
2010	104	26,118
% CHANGE	68.3%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (311)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



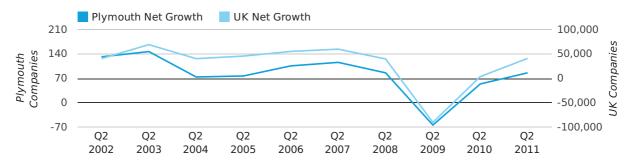
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Plymouth during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 86 companies.

This represents an increase of 59.3% on the same period last year.

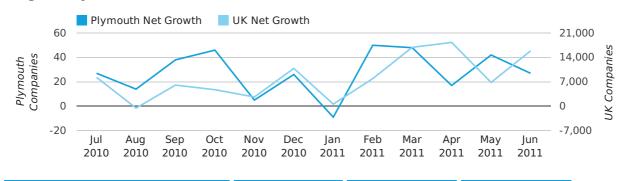
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	PLYMOUTH	UK
2011	86	41,020
2010	54	3,658
% CHANGE	59.3%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (147)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month

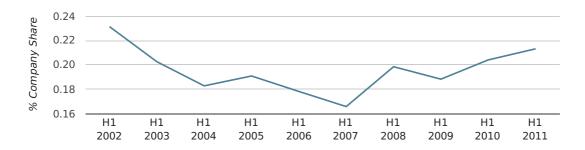


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	17	42	27
NET GROWTH IN 2010	26	12	16
% CHANGE	-34.6%	250.0%	68.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (50)	2003 (53)	2003 (52)

In the first half of 2011 Plymouth formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PLYMOUTH
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.5%)

company share by half year

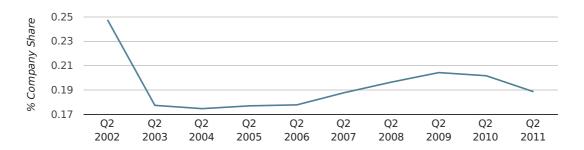


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

In the second quarter of 2011, Plymouth formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

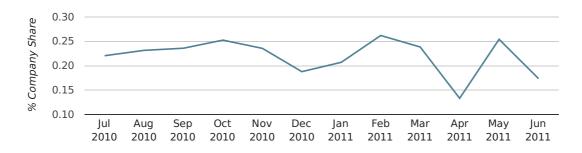
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	PLYMOUTH
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.7%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



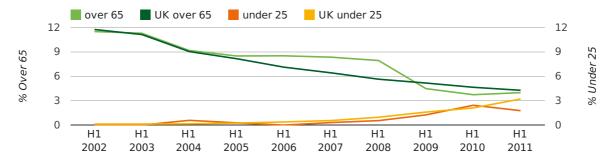
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-29.3%	21.3%	-16.2%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (1.0%)	1968 (0.7%)	1962 (0.8%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



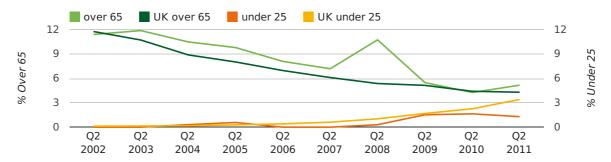
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 46.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter



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

30.8% of all director appointments in Plymouth in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

31.6% of all director appointments in Plymouth in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
PLYMOUTH	2.53%	CONSULTING	5.09%
WEST	1.64%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
SOUTH	1.37%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
MANAGEMENT	1.30%	PROPERTY	2.43%
(SW)	1.30%	TRADING	2.05%
COMMUNITY	0.89%	DESIGN	1.94%
CIC	0.89%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
PROPERTY	0.89%	BUSINESS	1.87%
CARE	0.82%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
(PLYMOUTH)	0.82%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
MAINTENANCE	0.75%	MEDIA	1.73%
J	0.68%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
PLUMBING	0.68%	LONDON	1.60%
ELECTRICAL	0.68%	GLOBAL	1.46%
TRADING	0.68%	J	1.44%
DEVON	0.68%	CARE	1.44%
(SOUTH	0.68%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
WEST)	0.68%	IT	1.39%
CONTRACTORS	0.61%	BUILDING	1.32%
DESIGN	0.61%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
CENTRE	0.61%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
ENTERPRISES	0.61%	М	1.27%
D	0.61%	S	1.23%
TRUST	0.61%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
М	0.55%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	347	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	103	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	44	30,647
99999 - Dormant Company	36	18,918
9999 - Dormant Company	35	20,111
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	23	16,419
43210 - Electrical installation	21	3,085
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	17	10,322
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	17	7,835
41100 - Development of building projects	17	3,852
7499 - Non-trading company	15	10,955
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	14	5,928
9305 - Other service activities	14	9,063
4534 - Other building installation	14	2,274
5540 - Bars	14	2,141
93199 - Other sports activities	13	1,558
7414 - Business & management consultancy	12	13,053
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	12	2,641
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	11	3,095
70100 - Activities of head offices	11	2,632