

# Pontefract

2011 annual business confidence report



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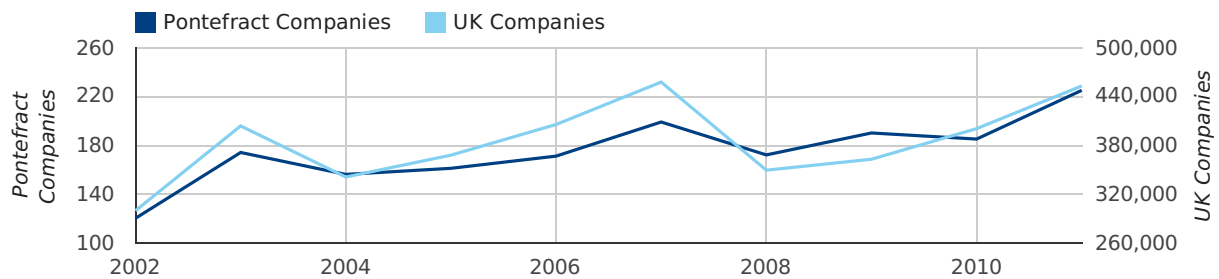
## Annual Data (2011)

2011 was a record year for company registrations in Pontefract when compared to any year in history.

A total of 225 companies were formed in Pontefract in 2011. This total is 21.6% higher than in 2010 and compares poorly to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	225	452,870
2010	185	400,358
2009	190	362,675
2008	172	349,203
2007	199	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (225)	2007 (457,649)

### new companies by year



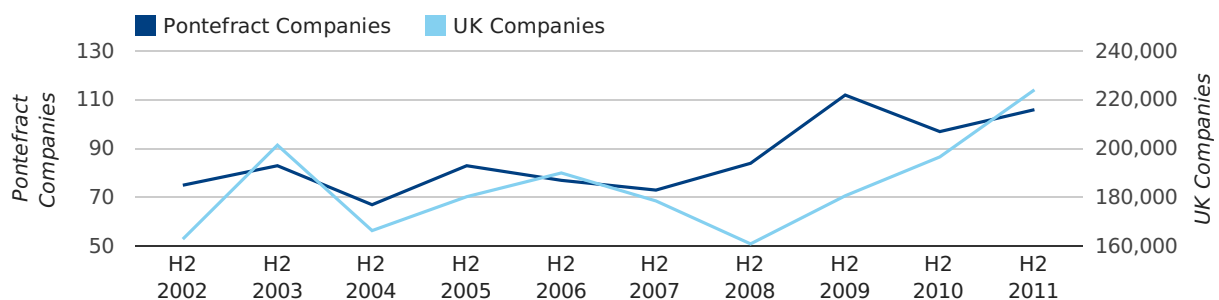
## Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 106 companies were formed in Pontefract. This figure is 9.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Pontefract occurred in 2009 when a total of 112 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	106	224,135
2010	97	196,609
% CHANGE	9.3%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (112)	2011 (224,135)

### new companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

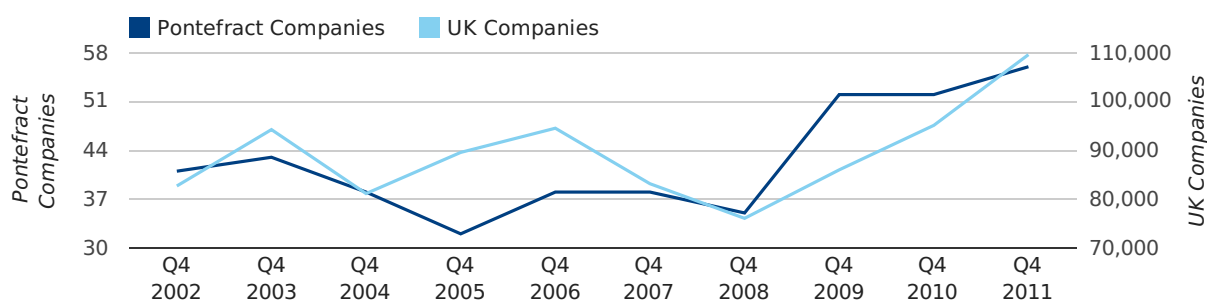
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Pontefract when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 56 companies were registered in Pontefract during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 7.7% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

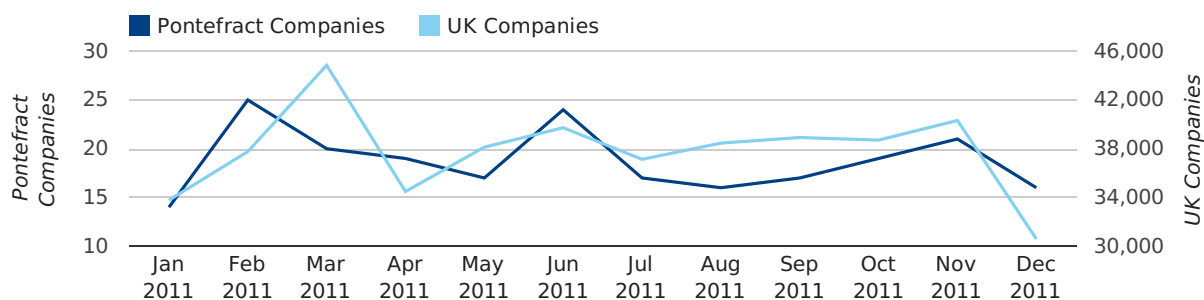
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	56	109,623
2010	52	95,117
% CHANGE	7.7%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (56)	2011 (109,623)

### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### new companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	19	21	16
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	21	25	6
% CHANGE	-9.5%	-16.0%	166.7%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (21)	2010 (25)	2009 (20)

### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 155 companies were dissolved in Pontefract in 2011. This total is 31.4% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	155	314,523
2010	118	342,232
2009	168	533,773
2008	73	237,901
2007	98	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (168)	2009 (533,773)

### dissolved companies by year



### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

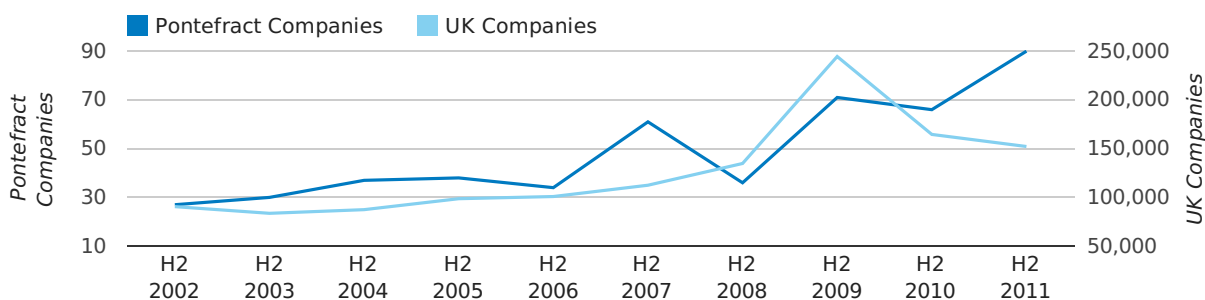
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Pontefract when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 90 companies were dissolved in Pontefract. This figure is 36.4% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Pontefract occurred in 2011 when a total of 90 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	90	152,213
2010	66	164,601
% CHANGE	36.4%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (90)	2009 (244,537)

### dissolved companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Pontefract when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 55 companies were dissolved in Pontefract during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 77.4% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	55	79,983
2010	31	76,896
% CHANGE	77.4%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (55)	2009 (85,136)

### dissolved companies by quarter



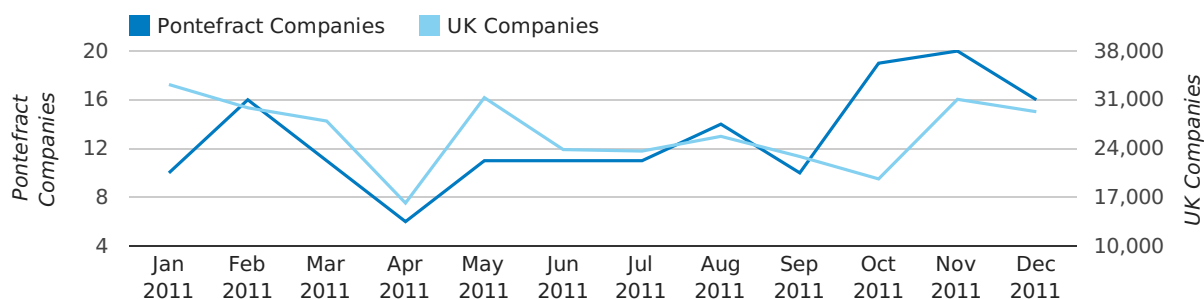
## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Pontefract when compared to any previous December.

November 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Pontefract when compared to any previous November.

October 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Pontefract when compared to any previous October.

### dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	19	20	16
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	11	16	4
% CHANGE	72.7%	25.0%	300%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (19)	2011 (20)	2011 (16)

### Annual Data (2011)

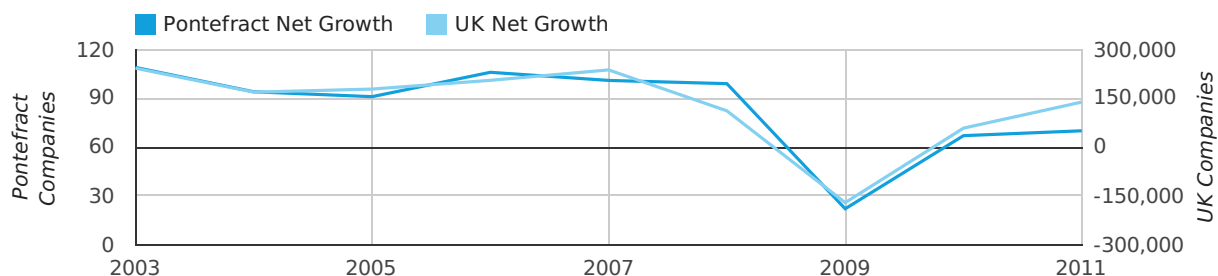
A total of 70 companies were added to the company register for Pontefract in 2011. This number represents growth of 37.8% which compares favourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 3 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Pontefract company register grew by 109 companies.

YEAR	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	70	138,347
2010	67	58,126
2009	22	-171,098
2008	99	111,302
2007	101	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (109)	2003 (242,543)

### net growth by year

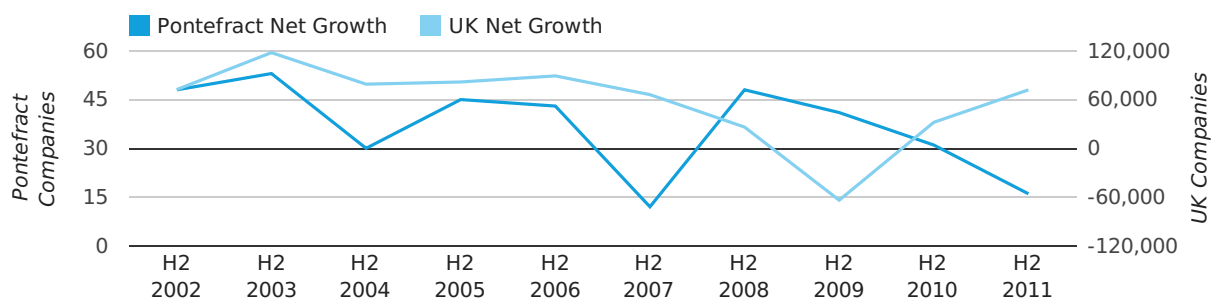


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Pontefract increased by 16 companies. This figure is 48.4% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	16	71,922
2010	31	32,008
% CHANGE	-48.4%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (53)	2003 (117,772)

### net growth by half year



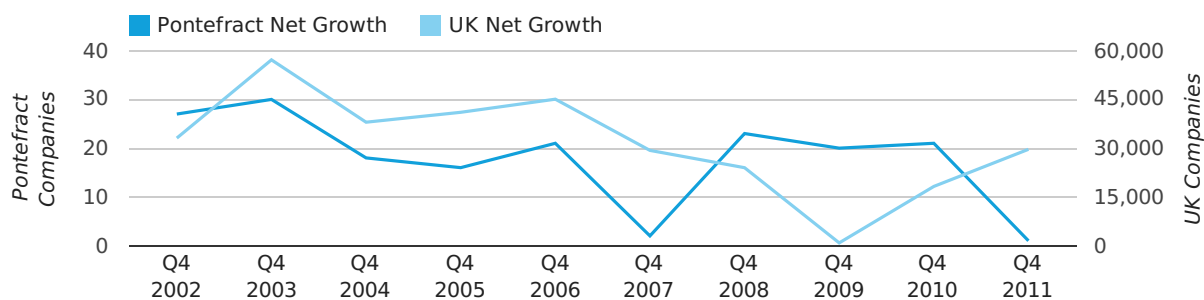
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Pontefract during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 1 companies.

This represents a decrease of 95.2% on the same period last year.

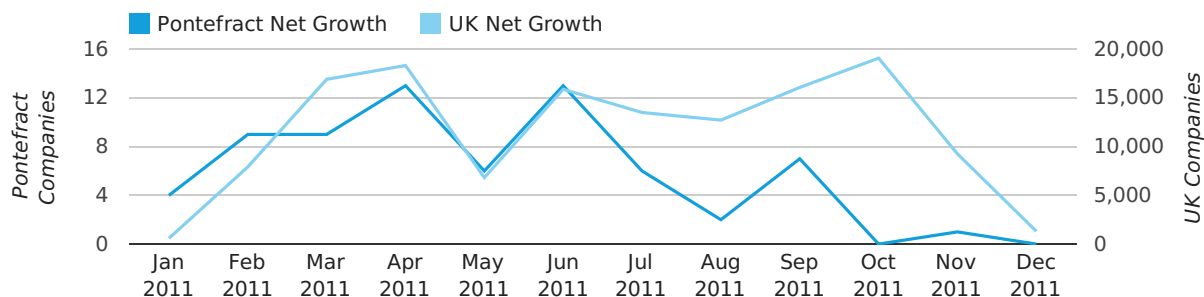
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2011	1	29,640
2010	21	18,221
% CHANGE	-95.2%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (30)	2003 (57,175)

### net growth by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### net growth by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	0	1	0
NET GROWTH IN 2010	10	9	2
% CHANGE	-100.0%	-88.9%	-100.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (16)	2008 (17)	2003 (14)

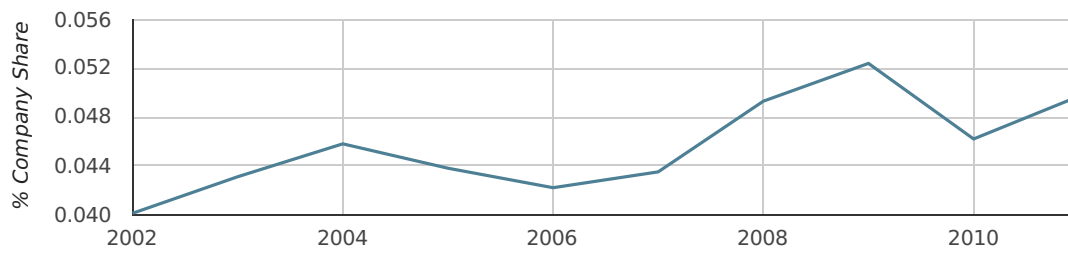


### Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Pontefract formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Pontefract was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	PONTEFRACT
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1960 (0.1%)

### company share by year

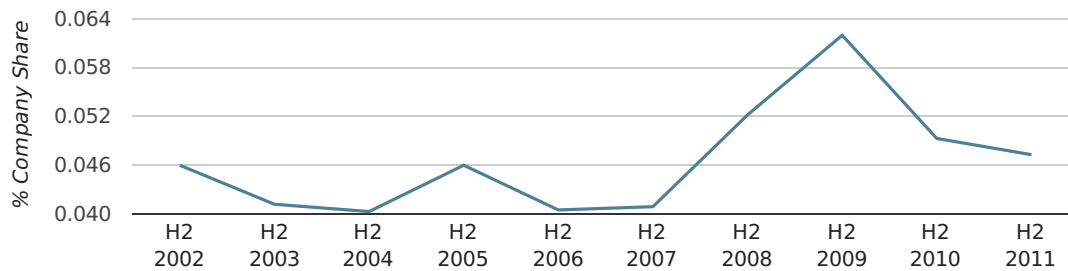


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Pontefract formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	PONTEFRACT
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.1%)

### company share by half year

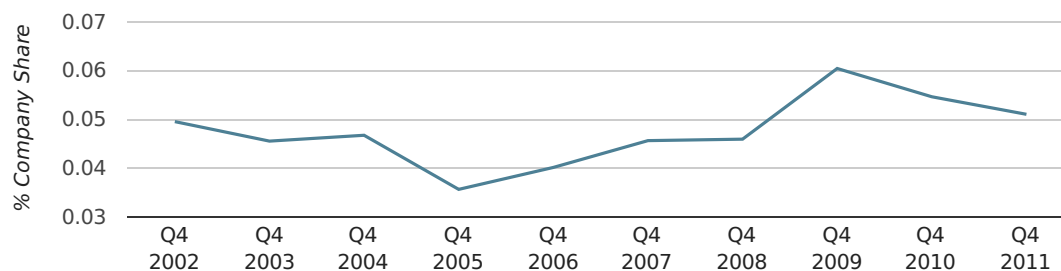


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Pontefract formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

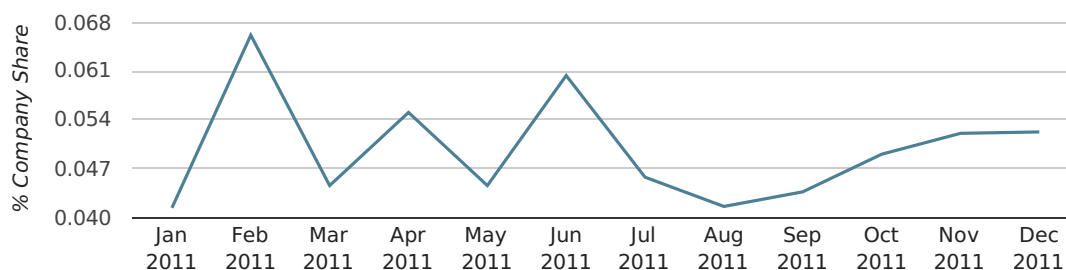
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	PONTEFRACT
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.2%)

### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
% CHANGE	-21.3%	-28.4%	136.7%
RECORD YEAR	1964 (0.3%)	1965 (0.4%)	1961 (0.2%)

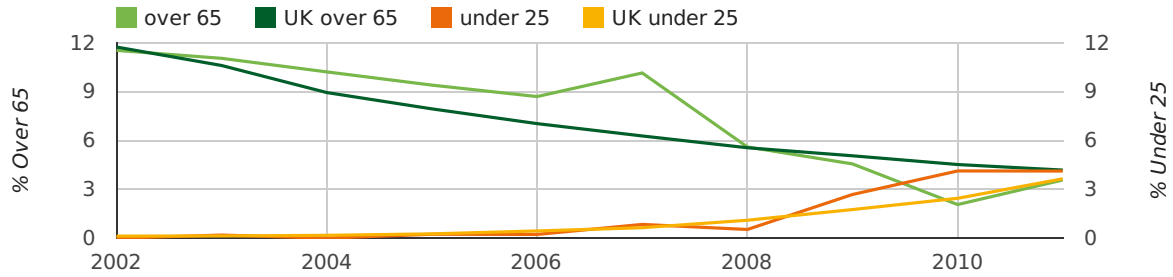
### Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 43.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

#### director age by year



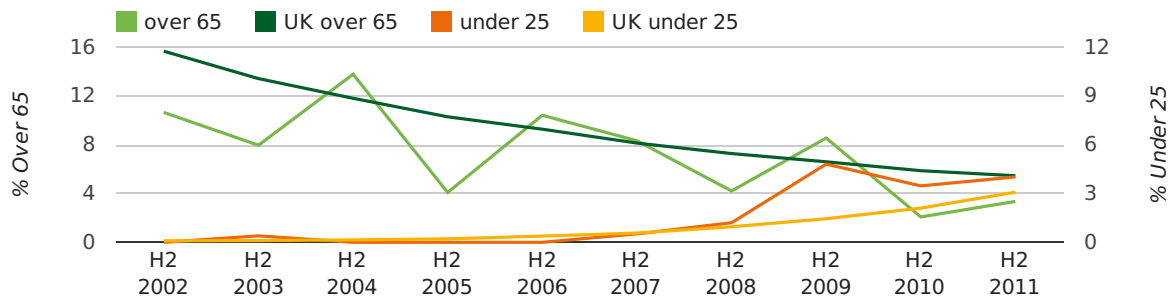
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

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#### director age by half year



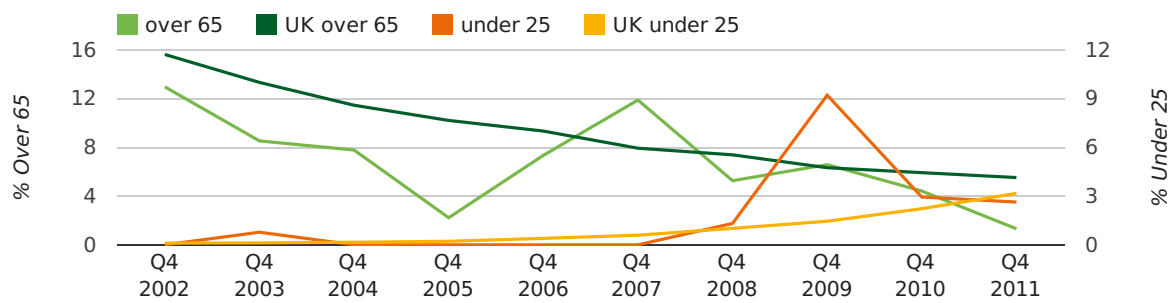
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 42.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

### director age by quarter

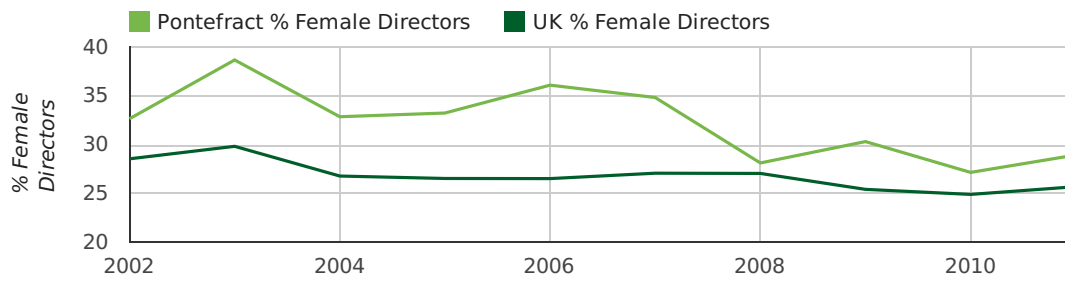


### Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Pontefract was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Pontefract in 2011 was 32.7%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

#### director gender by year

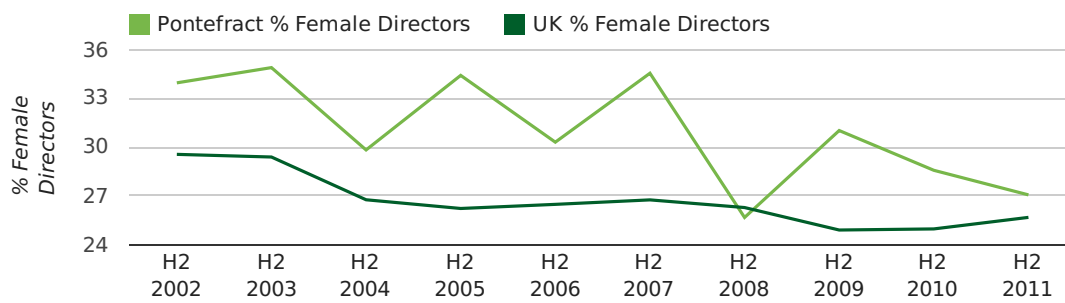


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Pontefract was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

27.1% of all director appointments in Pontefract in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

#### director gender by half year

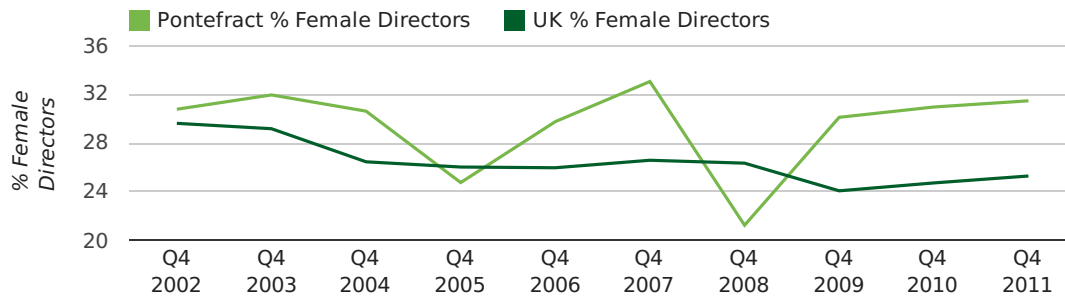


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Pontefract was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

31.5% of all director appointments in Pontefract in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

### director gender by quarter



## Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
ASSOCIATES	1.39%	CONSULTING	5.07%
SYSTEMS	1.16%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
(YORKSHIRE)	1.16%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
PROPERTY	0.93%	PROPERTY	2.37%
PONTEFRACT	0.93%	TRADING	2.07%
ELECTRICAL	0.93%	DESIGN	1.92%
(PONTEFRACT)	0.93%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
BUILDERS	0.70%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
PROPERTIES	0.70%	BUSINESS	1.78%
ENGINEERING	0.70%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
HIRE	0.70%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
SHOP	0.70%	MEDIA	1.71%
ACADEMY	0.70%	LONDON	1.63%
SECURITY	0.70%	J	1.51%
PRINTING	0.46%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
TRUST	0.46%	GLOBAL	1.46%
FITNESS	0.46%	IT	1.41%
COMMISSIONING	0.46%	CARE	1.39%
LETTINGS	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
PAINTBALL	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
BUILDING	0.46%	M	1.27%
YORKSHIRE	0.46%	BUILDING	1.26%
M	0.46%	ENERGY	1.25%
FURNITURE	0.46%	S	1.20%
PHYSIOTHERAPY	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	78	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	16	57,052
7414 - Business & management consultancy	12	13,034
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	11	17,765
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	8	3,342
4525 - Other special trades construction	7	1,651
86900 - Other human health activities	4	4,457
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	4	5,558
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	4	8,671
56302 - Public houses and bars	4	2,308
43210 - Electrical installation	4	3,175
49410 - Freight transport by road	4	2,392
62090 - Other information technology service activities	4	7,493
7260 - Other computer related activities	3	7,667
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	3	4,082
7420 - Architectural, technical consult	3	1,569
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	3	2,740
5540 - Bars	3	2,147
7499 - Non-trading company	3	9,957
7250 - Maintenance office & computing machinery	3	402