Pontefract

2012 half year business confidence report



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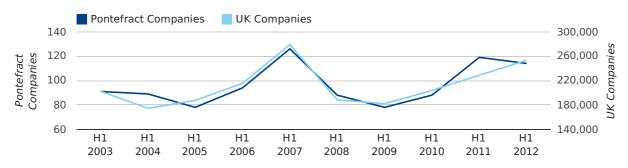
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In the first half of 2012 a total of 114 companies were formed in Pontefract. This figure is 4.2% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Pontefract occurred in 2007 when a total of 126 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	114	253,150
2011	119	228,735
% CHANGE	-4.2%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (126)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year

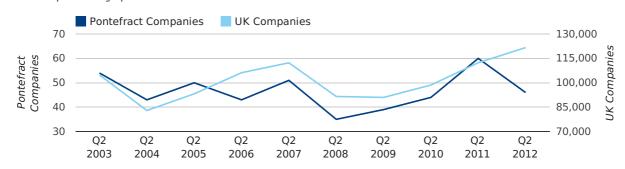


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 46 companies were registered in Pontefract during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 23.3% 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)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	46	121,659
2011	60	112,344
% CHANGE	-23.3%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (60)	2012 (121,659)



new companies by quarter

Pontefract Companies UK Companies 25 50,000 UK Companies 45,000 Pontefract Companies 20 40,000 15 10 35,000 5 30,000 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2012 2012 2012 2012 2012 2012

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	22	8	16
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	19	17	24
% CHANGE	15.8%	-52.9%	-33.3%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (24)	2003 (20)	2011 (24)

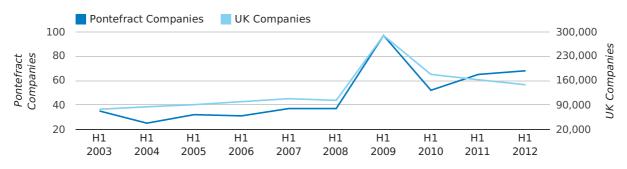
new companies by month

In the first half of 2012 a total of 68 companies were dissolved in Pontefract. This figure is 4.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Pontefract occurred in 2009 when a total of 97 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	68	147,793
2011	65	162,310
% CHANGE	4.6%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (97)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



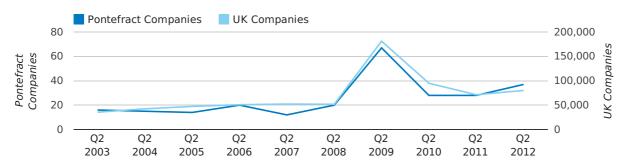
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 37 companies were dissolved in Pontefract during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

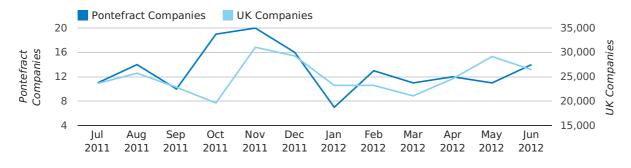
This figure is an increase of 32.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	37	80,217
2011	28	71,324
% CHANGE	32.1%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (67)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

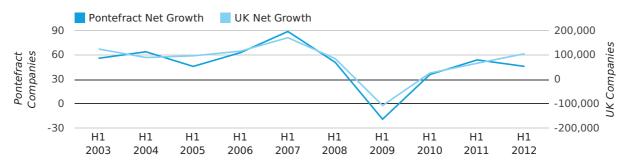


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	12	11	14
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	6	11	11
% CHANGE	100.0%	0.0%	27%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (18)	2009 (34)	2009 (15)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Pontefract increased by 46 companies. This figure is 14.8% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	46	105,357
2011	54	66,425
% CHANGE	-14.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (89)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year

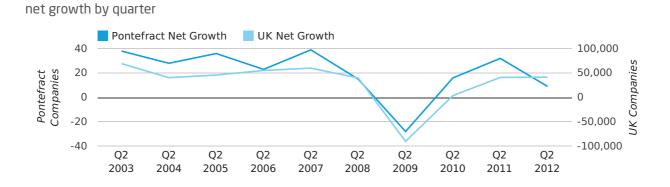


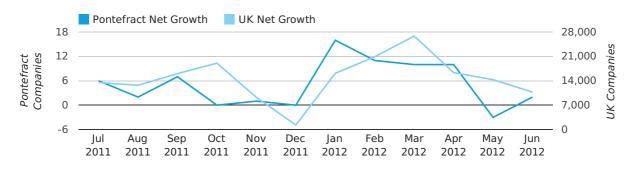
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Pontefract during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 9 companies.

This represents a decrease of 71.9% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	PONTEFRACT	UK
2012	9	41,442
2011	32	41,020
% CHANGE	-71.9%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (39)	2003 (69,274)





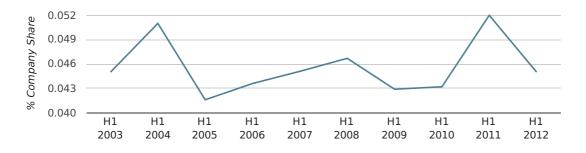
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	10	-3	2
NET GROWTH IN 2011	13	6	13
% CHANGE	-23.1%	-150.0%	-84.6%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (19)	2003 (15)	2003 (15)

net growth by month

In the first half of 2012 Pontefract formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PONTEFRACT
2012	0.0%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.1%)

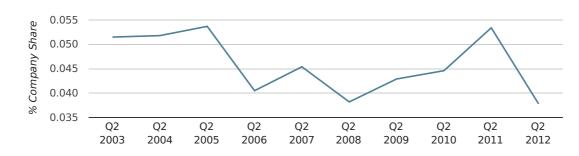
company share by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

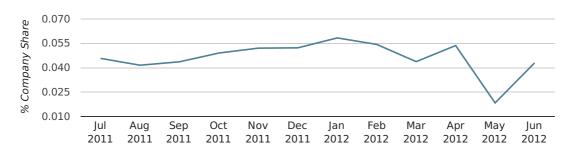
In the second quarter of 2012, Pontefract formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	PONTEFRACT
2012	0.0%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.1%)



company share by quarter

company share by month



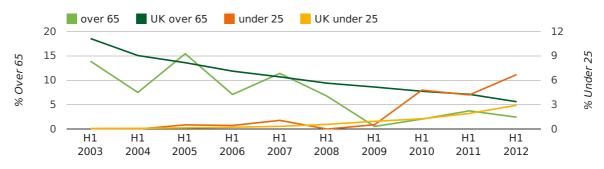
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-2.5%	-58.7%	-28.8%
RECORD YEAR	1962 (0.2%)	1975 (0.3%)	1971 (0.2%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 41.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year

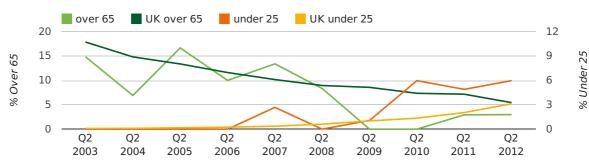


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 43.6.

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 3.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

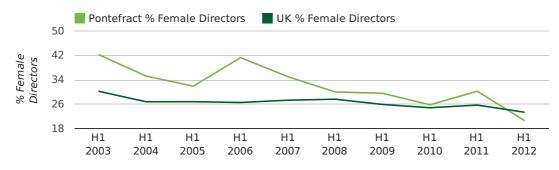


director age by quarter

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

20.6% of all director appointments in Pontefract 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 Pontefract was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

21.8% of all director appointments in Pontefract 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
(YORKSHIRE)	1.42%	CONSULTING	5.07%
ASSOCIATES	1.42%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
SECURITY	1.42%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
MANAGEMENT	1.18%	PROPERTY	2.35%
S	1.18%	TRADING	2.10%
В	1.18%	DESIGN	1.89%
CONSTRUCTION	1.18%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
DESIGN	0.94%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
PROPERTY	0.94%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
ENGINEERING	0.94%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
CONSULTING	0.94%	BUSINESS	1.70%
PONTEFRACT	0.94%	MEDIA	1.69%
HIRE	0.94%	LONDON	1.68%
ELECTRICAL	0.94%	J	1.57%
TRANSPORT	0.71%	GLOBAL	1.51%
PRINT	0.71%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
FITNESS	0.71%	IT	1.42%
J	0.71%	CARE	1.31%
HOUSE	0.71%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
М	0.71%	М	1.26%
CONSULTANCY	0.71%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
COMMUNITY	0.71%	BUILDING	1.23%
PROPERTIES	0.71%	SECURITY	1.19%
L	0.71%	S	1.18%
CENTRE	0.47%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	101	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	13	47,029
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	13	20,390
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	10,978
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	4,091
4525 - Other special trades construction	7	1,411
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	6	4,535
62090 - Other information technology service activities	5	8,258
99999 - Dormant Company	5	26,088
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	5	3,818
43210 - Electrical installation	5	3,557
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	4	10,271
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	4	2,880
47640 - Retail sale of sports goods, fishing gear, camping goods, boats and bicycles	4	588
56302 - Public houses and bars	4	2,913
5540 - Bars	3	1,709
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	3	14,220
7250 - Maintenance office & computing machinery	3	340
4531 - Installation electrical wiring etc.	3	1,631
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	3	3,241