

# Portsmouth

q1 2012 business confidence report



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- January 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Portsmouth when compared to any previous January.
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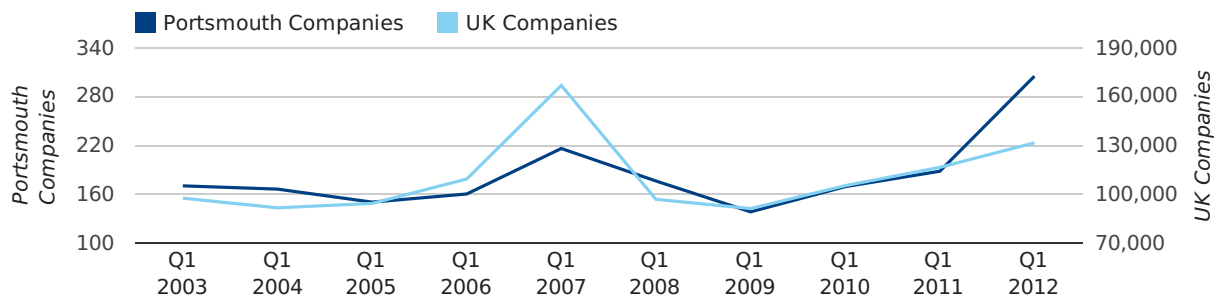
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in Portsmouth when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 305 companies were registered in Portsmouth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 62.2% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	PORTSMOUTH	UK
2012	305	131,491
2011	188	116,391
% CHANGE	62.2%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (305)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

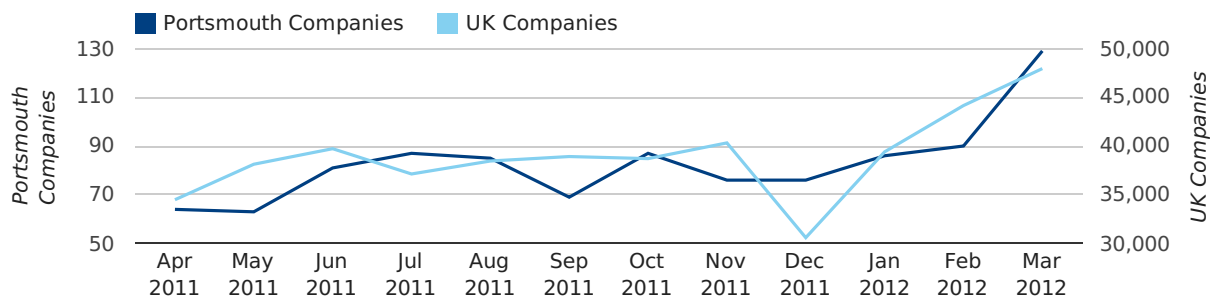
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### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	86	90	129
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	45	72	71
% CHANGE	91.1%	25.0%	81.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (86)	2012 (90)	2012 (129)

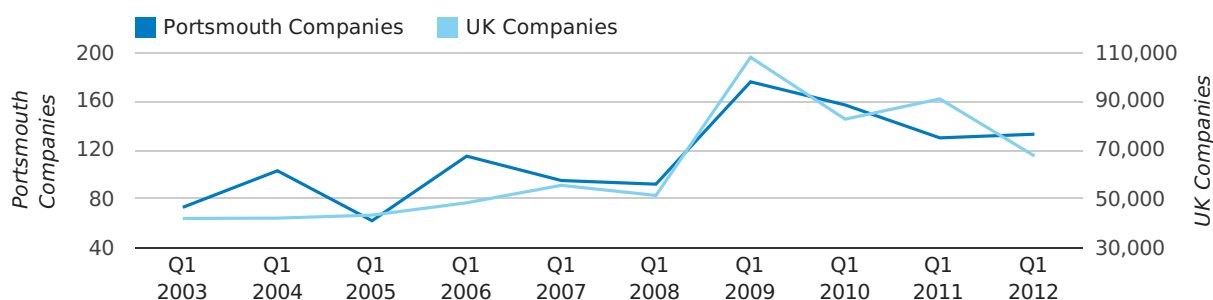
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 133 companies were dissolved in Portsmouth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 2.3% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	PORTSMOUTH	UK
2012	133	67,576
2011	130	90,986
% CHANGE	2.3%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (176)	2009 (108,060)

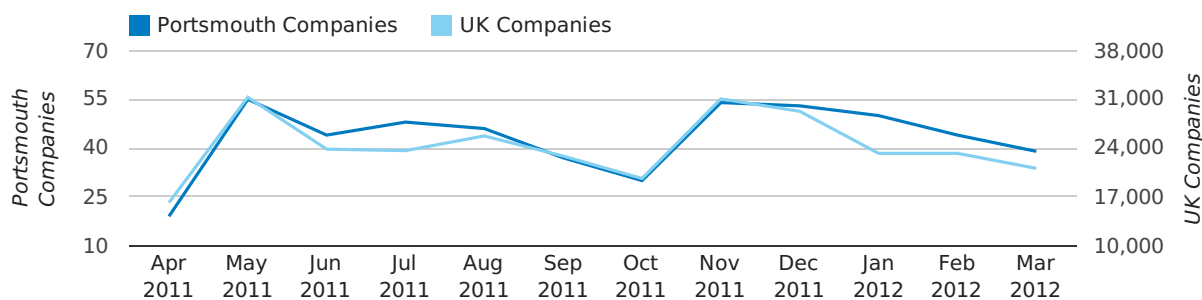
### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

January 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Portsmouth when compared to any previous January.

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	50	44	39
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	44	33	53
% CHANGE	13.6%	33.3%	-26%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (50)	2008 (60)	2009 (93)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Q1 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Portsmouth when compared to any previous Q1.

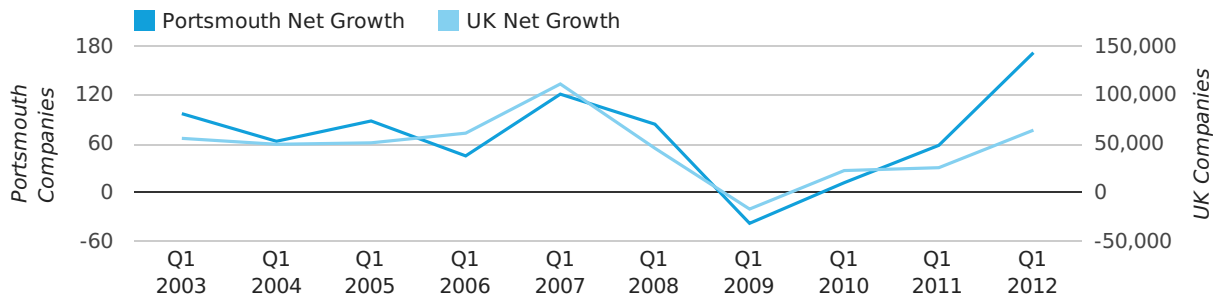
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for net growth in Portsmouth when compared to any quarter in history.

Net company growth for Portsmouth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 172 companies.

This represents an increase of 196.6% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	PORTSMOUTH	UK
2012	172	63,915
2011	58	25,405
% CHANGE	196.6%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (172)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



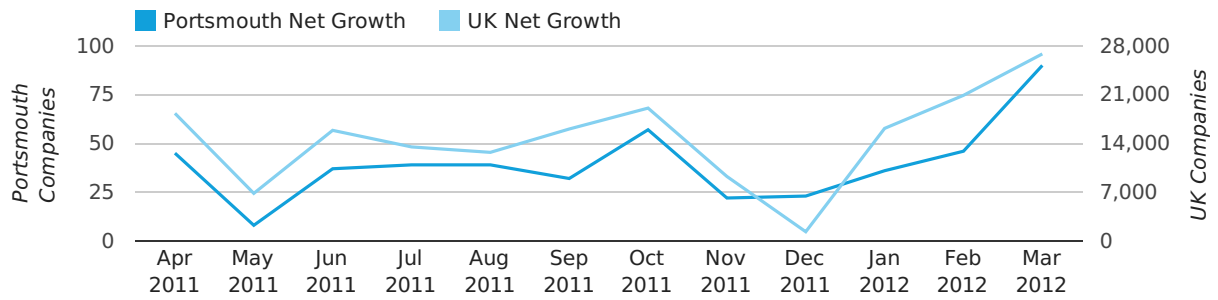
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### net growth by month



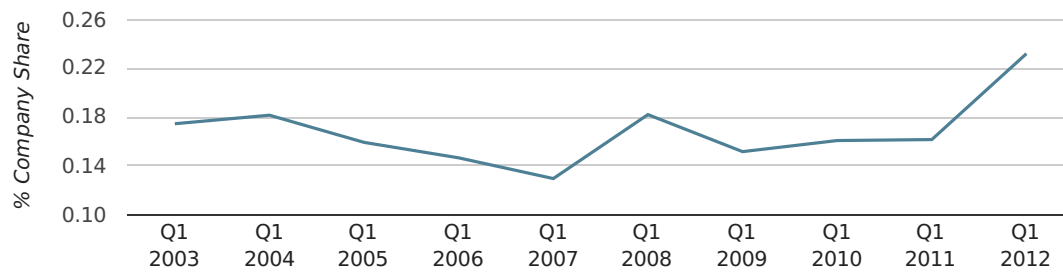
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	36	46	90
NET GROWTH IN 2011	1	39	18
% CHANGE	3,500.0%	17.9%	400.0%
RECORD YEAR	1999 (37)	2012 (46)	2012 (90)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, Portsmouth formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

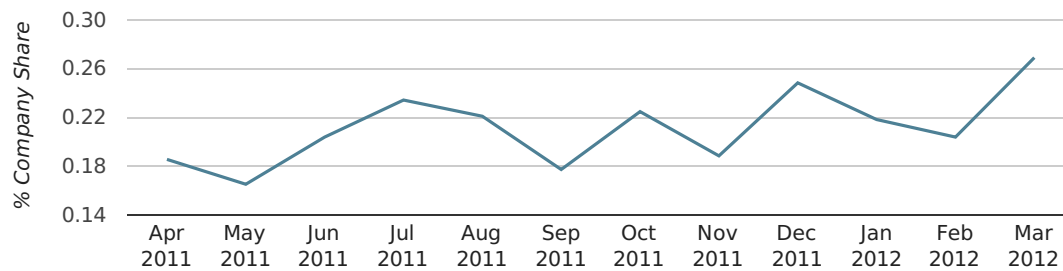
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	PORTSMOUTH
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.3%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	63.9%	6.9%	70.0%
RECORD YEAR	1975 (0.4%)	1960 (0.4%)	1964 (0.4%)



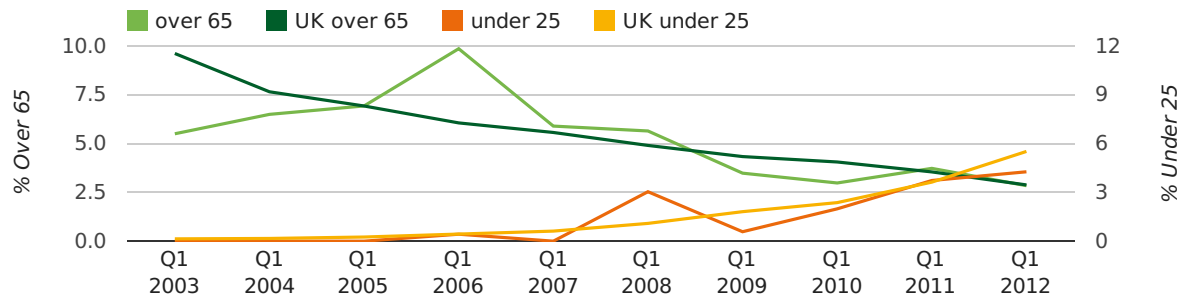
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 42.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

#### director age by quarter

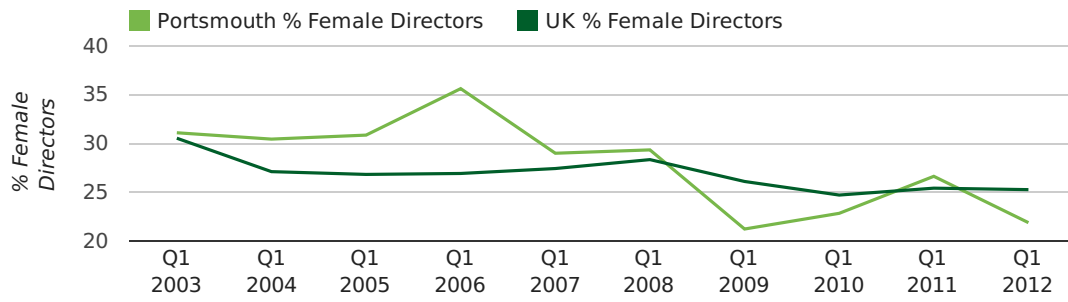


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The record first quarter for female directors in Portsmouth was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

21.9% of all director appointments in Portsmouth in the first quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter



## Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	3.39%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	2.47%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
SOCIAL	2.28%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
CARE	1.37%	PROPERTY	2.37%
MANAGEMENT	1.37%	TRADING	2.07%
ENGINEERING	1.24%	DESIGN	1.93%
CONSULTANTS	1.04%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
IT	1.04%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
ASSOCIATES	0.91%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
WORK	0.85%	BUSINESS	1.73%
ELECTRICAL	0.78%	MEDIA	1.72%
PROPERTY	0.78%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
PORTSMOUTH	0.72%	LONDON	1.66%
SOUTHERN	0.72%	J	1.54%
CONSTRUCTION	0.65%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
PROPERTIES	0.59%	GLOBAL	1.50%
HAMPSHIRE	0.52%	IT	1.40%
S	0.52%	CARE	1.34%
HIRE	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
M	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
BUSINESS	0.46%	M	1.27%
DESIGN	0.46%	BUILDING	1.24%
MEDIA	0.46%	ENERGY	1.20%
CONTRACTORS	0.46%	S	1.20%
MARKETING	0.39%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	317	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	99	52,735
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	69	35,233
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	33	14,303
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	28	19,704
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	27	13,637
99999 - Dormant Company	21	25,084
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	19	3,931
9999 - Dormant Company	17	18,617
98000 - Residents property management	17	3,050
7260 - Other computer related activities	16	7,154
62090 - Other information technology service activities	15	8,145
9305 - Other service activities	12	8,818
43210 - Electrical installation	12	3,573
56103 - Take-away food shops and mobile food stands	11	2,902
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	11	3,052
74990 - Non-trading company	10	9,729
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	10	6,934
7499 - Non-trading company	10	9,102
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	9	5,169