

# Preston

2012 half year business confidence report



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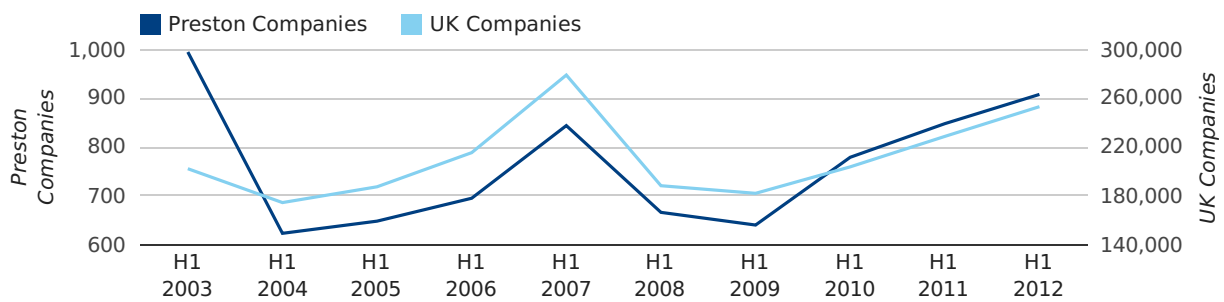
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 908 companies were formed in Preston. This figure is 7.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Preston occurred in 2003 when a total of 995 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PRESTON	UK
2012	908	253,150
2011	848	228,735
% CHANGE	7.1%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (995)	2007 (279,097)

### new companies by half year



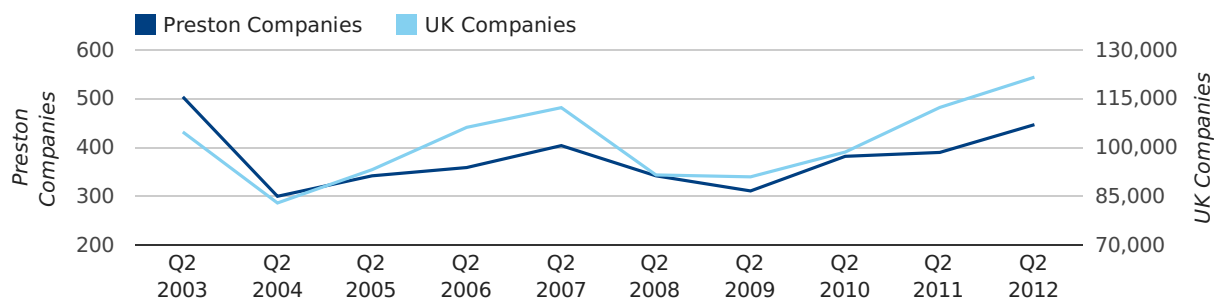
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 447 companies were registered in Preston during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 14.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	PRESTON	UK
2012	447	121,659
2011	390	112,344
% CHANGE	14.6%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (504)	2012 (121,659)

### new companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	151	155	141
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	119	133	138
% CHANGE	26.9%	16.5%	2.2%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (177)	2003 (156)	2003 (171)

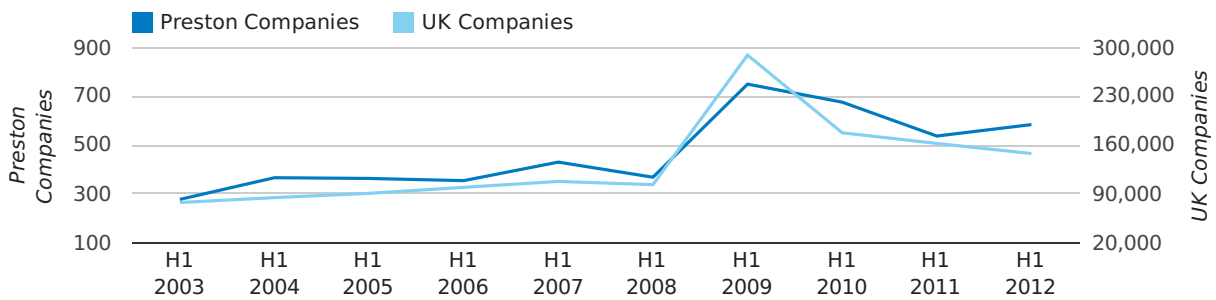
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 584 companies were dissolved in Preston. This figure is 8.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Preston occurred in 2009 when a total of 750 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PRESTON	UK
2012	584	147,793
2011	537	162,310
% CHANGE	8.8%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (750)	2009 (289,236)

### dissolved companies by half year



### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 284 companies were dissolved in Preston during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 20.9% 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)	PRESTON	UK
2012	284	80,217
2011	235	71,324
% CHANGE	20.9%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (421)	2009 (181,176)

### dissolved companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## dissolved companies by month



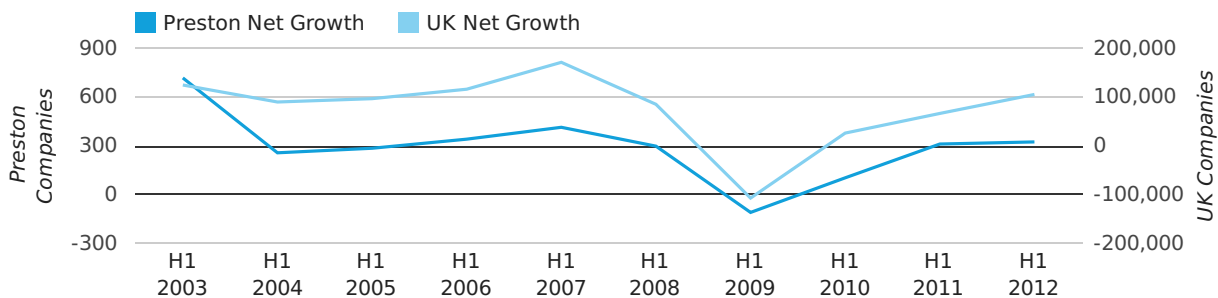
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	91	104	89
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	44	110	81
% CHANGE	106.8%	-5.5%	10%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (93)	2009 (178)	2009 (156)

### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Preston increased by 324 companies. This figure is 4.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PRESTON	UK
2012	324	105,357
2011	311	66,425
% CHANGE	4.2%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (718)	2007 (171,296)

### net growth by half year



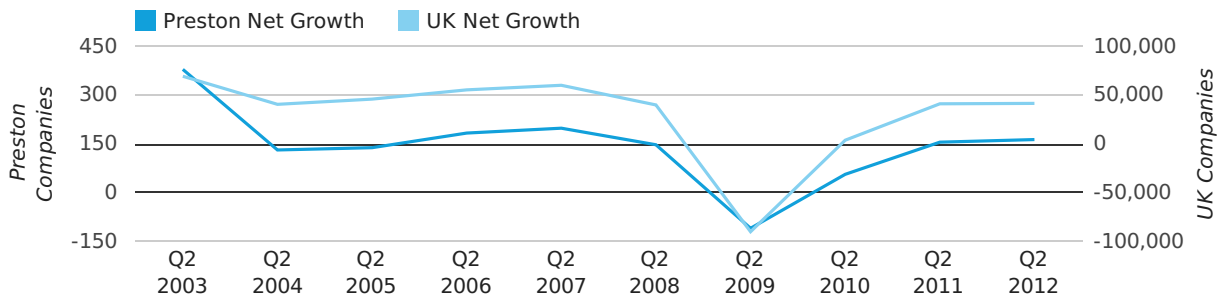
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Preston during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 163 companies.

This represents an increase of 5.2% on the same period last year.

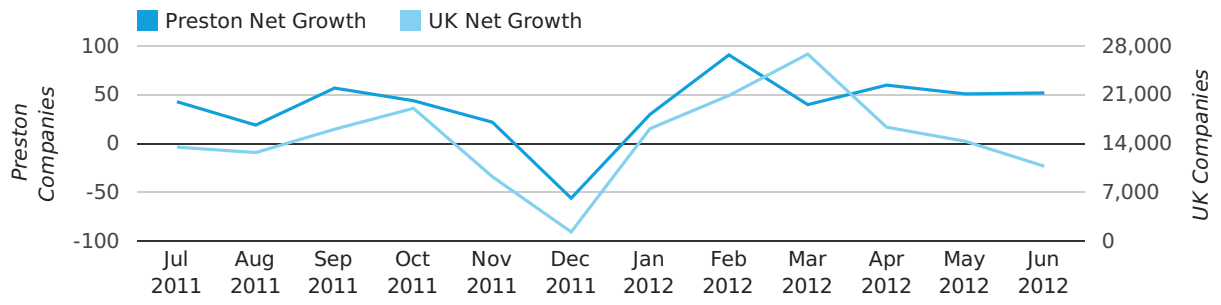
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	PRESTON	UK
2012	163	41,442
2011	155	41,020
% CHANGE	5.2%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (379)	2003 (69,274)

### net growth by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## net growth by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	60	51	52
NET GROWTH IN 2011	75	23	57
% CHANGE	-20.0%	121.7%	-8.8%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (127)	2003 (130)	2003 (122)

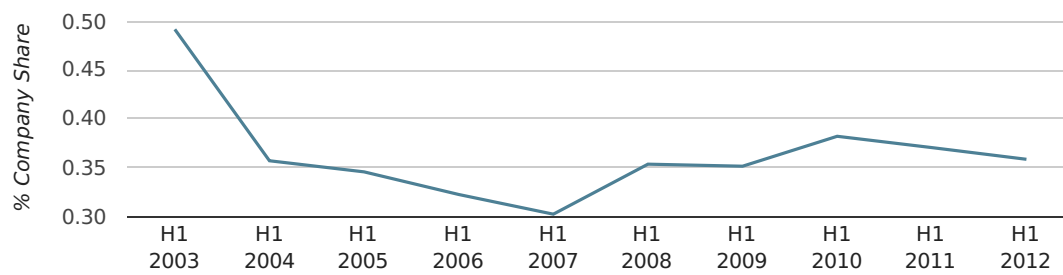


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Preston formed 0.4% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.4%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	PRESTON
2012	0.4%
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.6%)

#### company share by half year

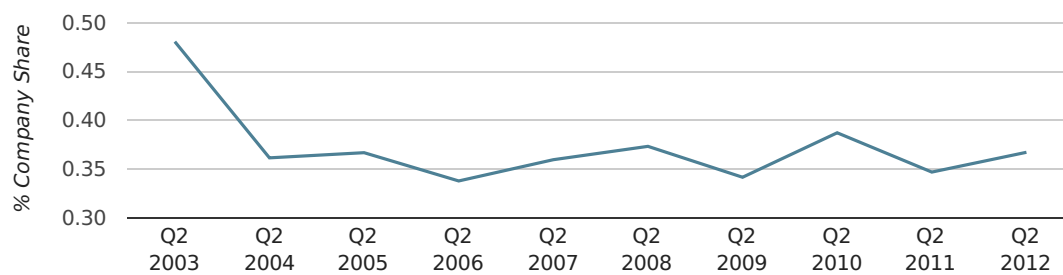


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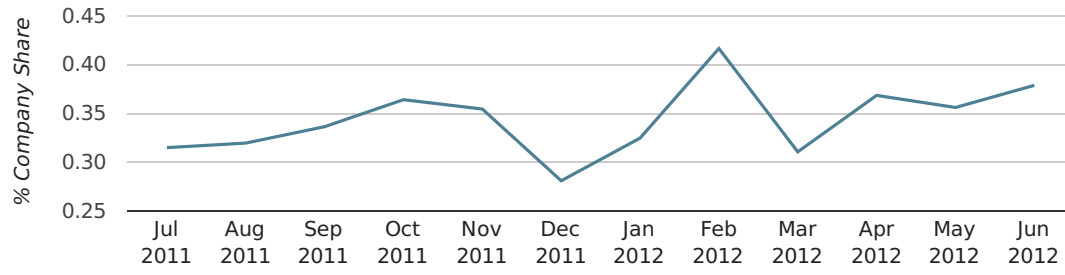
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	PRESTON
2012	0.4%
2011	0.3%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1972 (0.6%)

#### company share by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
% CHANGE	6.9%	2.2%	9.1%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.8%)	1968 (0.7%)	2002 (0.6%)

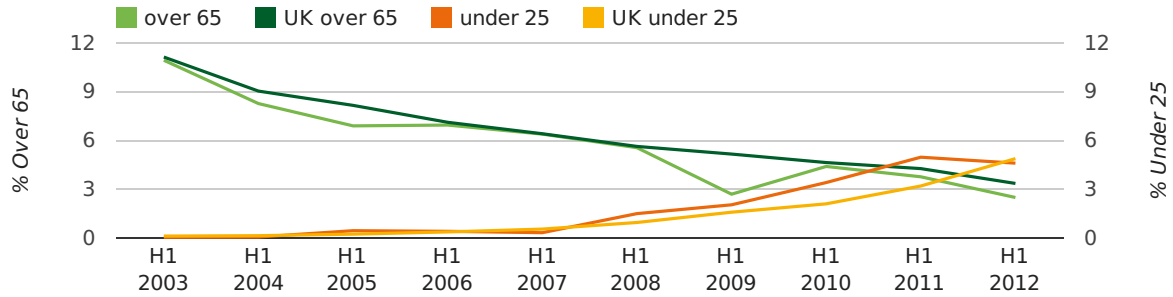
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 42.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

#### director age by half year



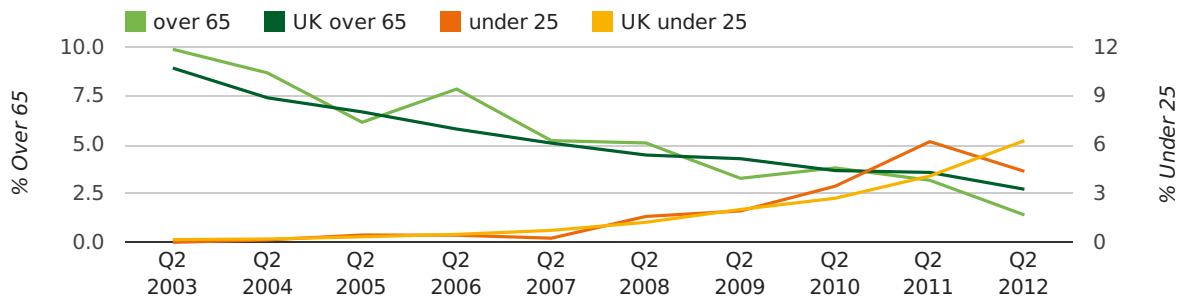
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.4% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

#### director age by quarter

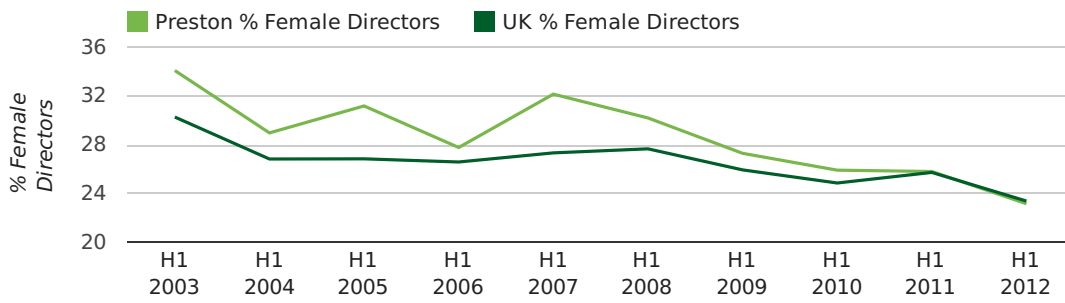


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

23.2% of all director appointments in Preston 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

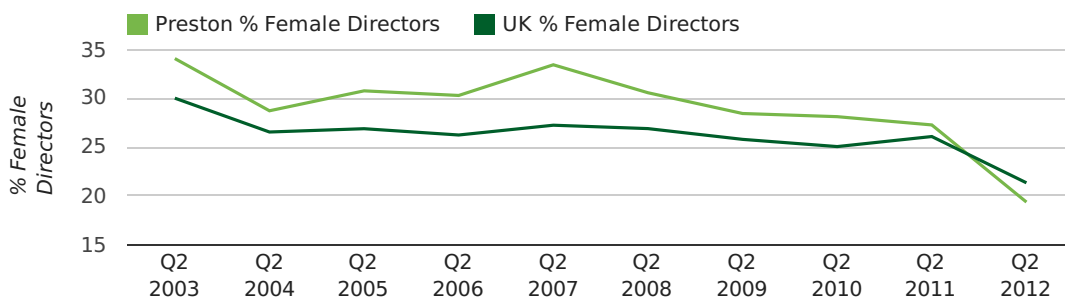


### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

19.4% of all director appointments in Preston 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, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
PRESTON	1.53%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.40%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
ELECTRICAL	1.06%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
(NW)	0.98%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSULTING	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
WEST	0.85%	DESIGN	1.89%
PROPERTY	0.85%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
NORTH	0.85%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSULTANCY	0.81%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
(PRESTON)	0.72%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
TRADING	0.72%	BUSINESS	1.70%
M	0.72%	MEDIA	1.69%
HIRE	0.68%	LONDON	1.68%
DESIGN	0.68%	J	1.57%
CARE	0.64%	GLOBAL	1.51%
BUSINESS	0.64%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
INVESTMENTS	0.60%	IT	1.42%
CONSULTANTS	0.60%	CARE	1.31%
MEDIA	0.55%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
(NORTH	0.55%	M	1.26%
TRAINING	0.55%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
WEST)	0.55%	BUILDING	1.23%
D	0.51%	SECURITY	1.19%
R	0.51%	S	1.18%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.51%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	801	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	171	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	122	35,447
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	78	14,220
99999 - Dormant Company	70	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	66	20,390
9999 - Dormant Company	56	16,469
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	44	15,280
7414 - Business & management consultancy	37	10,978
7499 - Non-trading company	36	8,023
43210 - Electrical installation	32	3,557
74990 - Non-trading company	31	9,706
86900 - Other human health activities	28	5,222
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	27	2,880
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	26	10,271
43320 - Joinery installation	18	1,274
62090 - Other information technology service activities	18	8,258
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	18	4,091
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	17	4,295
9305 - Other service activities	17	7,926