Redditch

q3 2011 business confidence report





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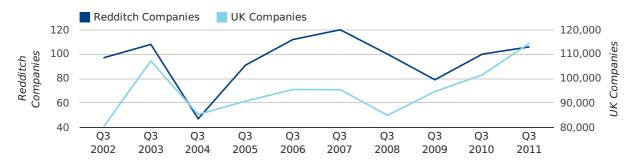
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A total of 106 companies were registered in Redditch during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is an increase of 6.0% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.8% against the same period last year.

THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	REDDITCH	UK
2011	106	114,512
2010	100	101,492
% CHANGE	6.0%	12.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (120)	2011 (114,512)

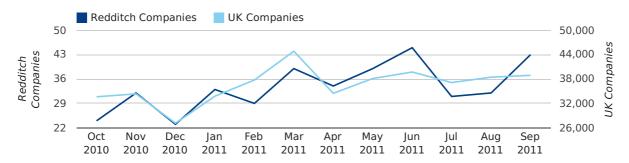
new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

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new companies by month



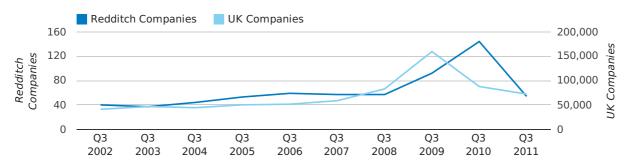
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	31	32	43
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	41	24	35
% CHANGE	-24.4%	33.3%	22.9%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (44)	2007 (47)	2011 (43)

A total of 54 companies were dissolved in Redditch during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 62.5% versus the same period last year (Q3 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 17.6% against the same period last year.

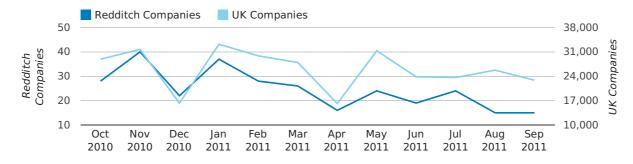
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	REDDITCH	UK
2011	54	72,230
2010	144	87,705
% CHANGE	-62.5%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (144)	2009 (159,401)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

dissolved companies by month



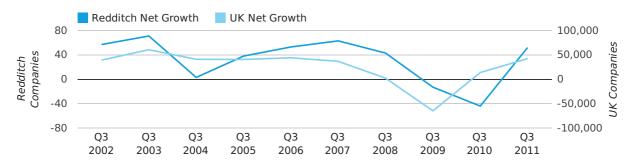
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	24	15	15
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	36	71	37
% CHANGE	-33.3%	-78.9%	-59%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (36)	2010 (71)	2009 (45)

Net company growth for Redditch during the third quarter of 2011 (Jul 2011 - Sep 2011) was 52 companies.

This represents an increase of 218.2% on the same period last year.

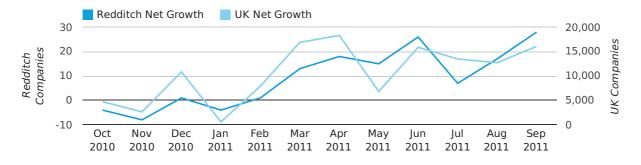
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	REDDITCH	UK
2011	52	42,282
2010	-44	13,787
% CHANGE	-218.2%	206.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (71)	2003 (60,597)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

net growth by month

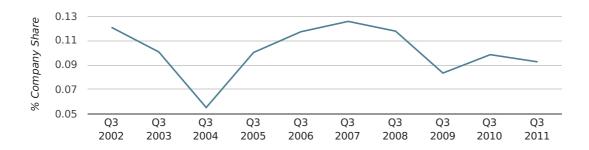


	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	7	17	28
NET GROWTH IN 2010	5	-47	-2
% CHANGE	40.0%	-136.2%	-1,500.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (32)	2003 (24)	2002 (31)

In the third quarter of 2011, Redditch formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

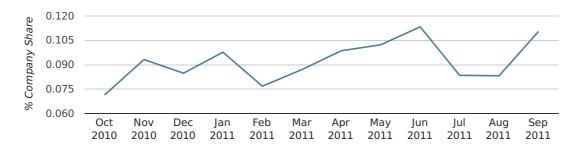
THIRD QUARTER (JUL 2011 - SEP 2011)	REDDITCH
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jul, Aug & Sep 2011)

company share by month



	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-30.8%	12.1%	10.9%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.4%)	1961 (0.6%)	1961 (0.4%)

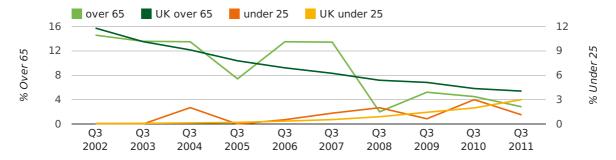
Quarterly Data (Q3 Jul-Sep 2011)

The average age of a director in the third quarter of 2011 was 44.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter



The record third quarter for female directors in Redditch was in 1862 when 50.0% of all directors were female.

26.2% of all director appointments in Redditch in the third quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.0% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



naming trends $\operatorname{duport} \omega$

Previous 12 months (Sep 2010-Sep 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.50%	CONSULTING	5.11%
BUSINESS	1.23%	MANAGEMENT	4.75%
CONSTRUCTION	1.09%	CONSULTANCY	3.19%
REDDITCH	1.09%	PROPERTY	2.41%
MARKETING	0.96%	TRADING	2.06%
CAR	0.96%	DESIGN	1.94%
TRANSPORT	0.96%	ASSOCIATES	1.85%
MIDLANDS	0.96%	BUSINESS	1.82%
CONSULTING	0.96%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
(REDDITCH)	0.82%	ENGINEERING	1.74%
D	0.82%	MEDIA	1.72%
DESIGN	0.82%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
ENGINEERING	0.82%	LONDON	1.63%
Р	0.68%	J	1.47%
HOLDINGS	0.68%	GLOBAL	1.46%
HIRE	0.68%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
INSTALLATIONS	0.55%	CARE	1.42%
ASSOCIATES	0.55%	IT	1.38%
(MIDLANDS)	0.55%	BUILDING	1.30%
CATERING	0.55%	PROPERTIES	1.28%
PROPERTY	0.55%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
C	0.55%	М	1.25%
CARE	0.55%	ENERGY	1.22%
PLANT	0.55%	TRAINING	1.21%
SYSTEMS	0.41%	S	1.21%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	160	204,493
7487 - Other business activities	80	65,177
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	34	29,245
99999 - Dormant Company	23	18,281
9999 - Dormant Company	20	22,587
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	14	15,760
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	13	7,551
9305 - Other service activities	12	10,525
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	11	10,018
5540 - Bars	11	2,379
62090 - Other information technology service activities	11	6,798
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	9	2,917
7414 - Business & management consultancy	9	14,755
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	9	10,137
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	8	6,321
7499 - Non-trading company	8	11,543
4545 - Other building completion	7	2,731
7260 - Other computer related activities	7	8,686
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	6	2,191
86900 - Other human health activities	6	4,019