Rickmansworth

q1 2012 business confidence report



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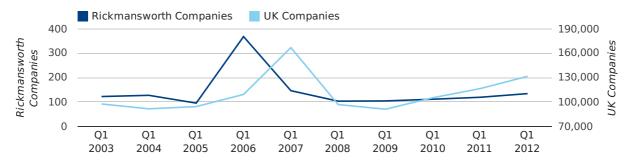
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A total of 134 companies were registered in Rickmansworth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 12.6% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	134	131,491
2011	119	116,391
% CHANGE	12.6%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (368)	2007 (166,814)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	42	47	45
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	36	38	45
% CHANGE	16.7%	23.7%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (129)	2006 (124)	2006 (115)

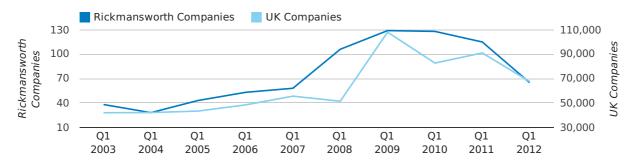
new companies by month

A total of 65 companies were dissolved in Rickmansworth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 43.5% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

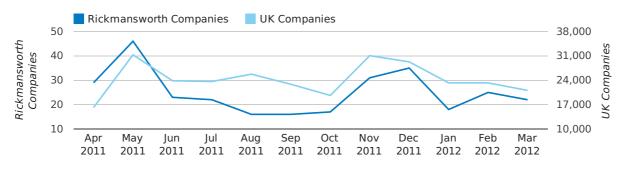
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	65	67,576
2011	115	90,986
% CHANGE	-43.5%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (129)	2009 (108,060)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

dissolved companies by month



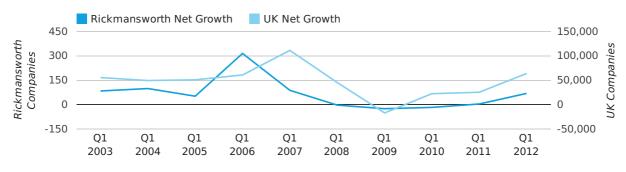
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	18	25	22
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	35	43	37
% CHANGE	-48.6%	-41.9%	-41%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (35)	2008 (85)	2009 (78)

Net company growth for Rickmansworth during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 69 companies.

This represents an increase of 1,625.0% on the same period last year.

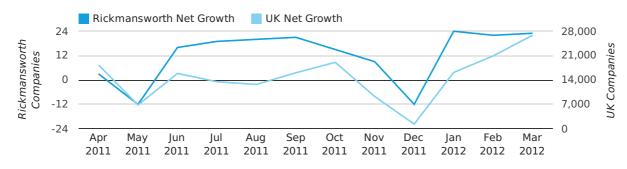
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	69	63,915
2011	4	25,405
% CHANGE	1,625.0%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (315)	2007 (111,282)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

net growth by month

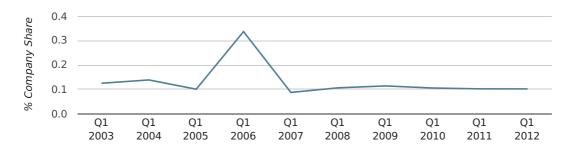


	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	24	22	23
NET GROWTH IN 2011	1	-5	8
% CHANGE	2,300.0%	-540.0%	187.5%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (108)	2006 (114)	2006 (93)

In the first quarter of 2012, Rickmansworth formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

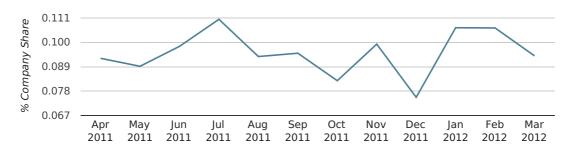
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2006 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

company share by month



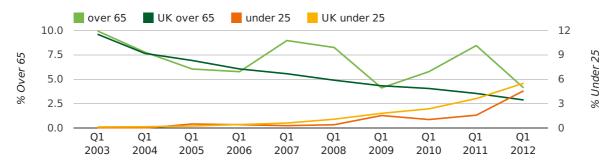
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	0.0%	5.9%	-6.4%
RECORD YEAR	1976 (0.4%)	2006 (0.4%)	1963 (0.4%)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 44.3.

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

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

director age by quarter



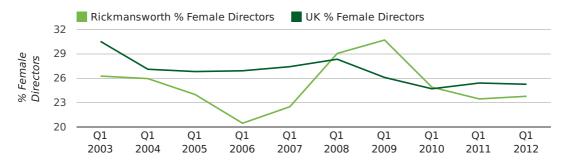
director gender

Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

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

23.8% of all director appointments in Rickmansworth 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, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	2.58%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.42%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSTRUCTION	1.03%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.90%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTANCY	0.90%	TRADING	2.07%
PROPERTIES	0.90%	DESIGN	1.93%
IT	0.77%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
ASSOCIATES	0.77%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
DESIGN	0.77%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
CONSULTANTS	0.77%	BUSINESS	1.73%
LONDON	0.64%	MEDIA	1.72%
GLOBAL	0.64%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
BUSINESS	0.52%	LONDON	1.66%
ELECTRICAL	0.52%	J	1.54%
М	0.52%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
ENTERPRISES	0.52%	GLOBAL	1.50%
TECHNOLOGIES	0.52%	IT	1.40%
PROJECT	0.52%	CARE	1.34%
EDUCATION	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
LIVING	0.39%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
BUILDING	0.39%	М	1.27%
ROAD	0.39%	BUILDING	1.24%
YOUR	0.39%	ENERGY	1.20%
SCHOOL	0.39%	S	1.20%
PRODUCTIONS	0.39%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%



Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	162	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	53	52,735
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	48	35,233
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	31	19,704
99999 - Dormant Company	31	25,084
9999 - Dormant Company	25	18,617
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	24	14,303
7414 - Business & management consultancy	18	12,113
74990 - Non-trading company	16	9,729
7499 - Non-trading company	12	9,102
41100 - Development of building projects	12	4,984
86900 - Other human health activities	11	5,066
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	11	13,637
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	10	5,169
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	10	6,934
70100 - Activities of head offices	9	2,746
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	9	9,892
9305 - Other service activities	8	8,818
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	7	3,072
7011 - Development & sell real estate	7	2,092