Rickmansworth

2012 half year business confidence report



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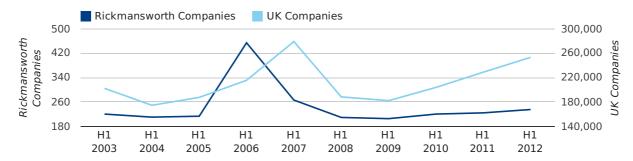
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In the first half of 2012 a total of 235 companies were formed in Rickmansworth. This figure is 4.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rickmansworth occurred in 2006 when a total of 454 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	235	253,150
2011	224	228,735
% CHANGE	4.9%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (454)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



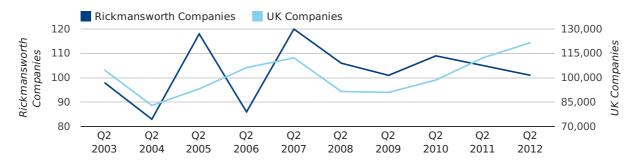
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 101 companies were registered in Rickmansworth during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

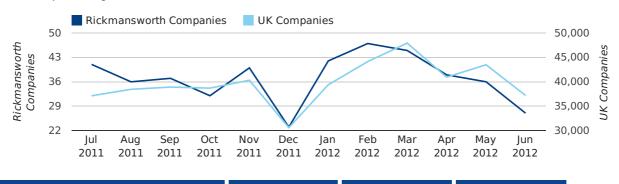
This figure is a decrease of 3.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	101	121,659
2011	105	112,344
% CHANGE	-3.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (120)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



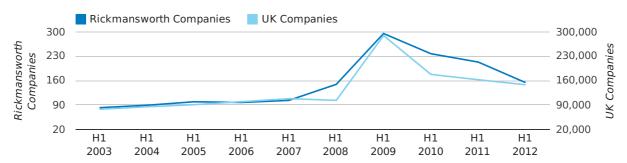
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	38	36	27
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	32	34	39
% CHANGE	18.8%	5.9%	-30.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (50)	2005 (44)	2010 (46)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 154 companies were dissolved in Rickmansworth. This figure is 27.7% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rickmansworth occurred in 2009 when a total of 295 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	154	147,793
2011	213	162,310
% CHANGE	-27.7%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (295)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



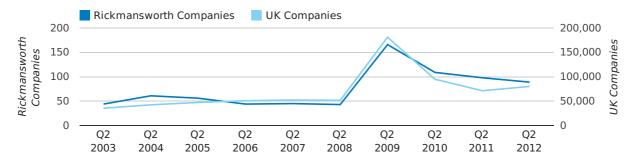
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 89 companies were dissolved in Rickmansworth during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

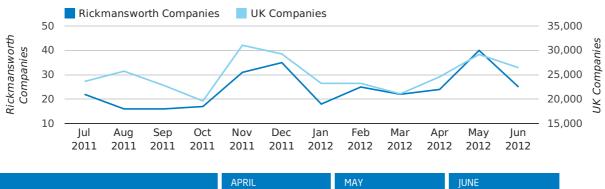
This figure is a decrease of 9.2% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 12.5% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	89	80,217
2011	98	71,324
% CHANGE	-9.2%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (166)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

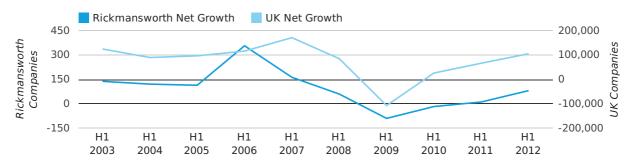


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	24	40	25
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	29	46	23
% CHANGE	-17.2%	-13.0%	9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (35)	2009 (87)	2009 (44)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Rickmansworth increased by 81 companies. This figure is 636.4% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	81	105,357
2011	11	66,425
% CHANGE	636.4%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (357)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



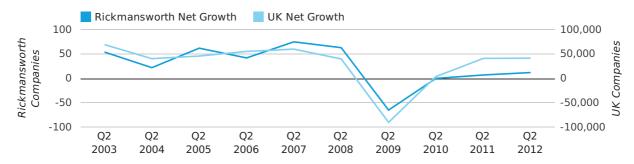
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Rickmansworth during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 12 companies.

This represents an increase of 71.4% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH	UK
2012	12	41,442
2011	7	41,020
% CHANGE	71.4%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (75)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

RECORD YEAR



2005 (27)

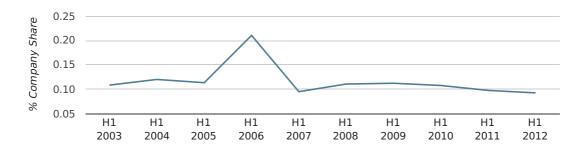
2008 (30)

2007 (45)

In the first half of 2012 Rickmansworth formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	RICKMANSWORTH
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.2%)

company share by half year

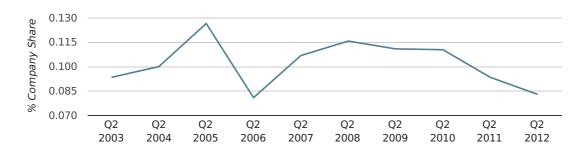


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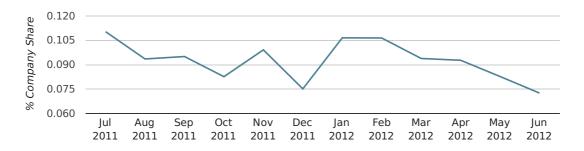
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SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	RICKMANSWORTH
2012	0.1%
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1977 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



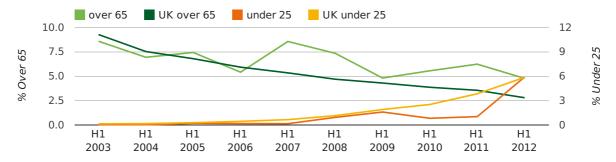
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	0.0%	-7.2%	-26.1%
RECORD YEAR	1980 (0.4%)	1968 (0.5%)	1977 (0.4%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



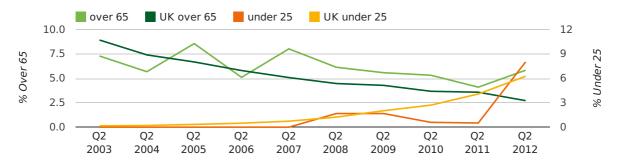
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 8.0% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

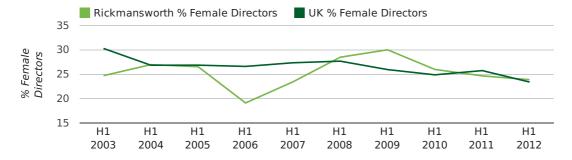
director age by quarter



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

23.9% of all director appointments in Rickmansworth 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

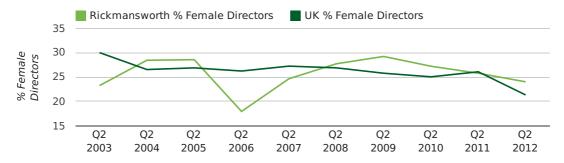


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

24.0% of all director appointments in Rickmansworth 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



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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
CONSULTING	2.59%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.30%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
ASSOCIATES	0.91%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
PROPERTIES	0.91%	PROPERTY	2.35%
PROPERTY	0.78%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSTRUCTION	0.78%	DESIGN	1.89%
LONDON	0.78%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
DESIGN	0.78%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSULTANCY	0.78%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
MEDIA	0.78%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
IT	0.65%	BUSINESS	1.70%
CONSULTANTS	0.65%	MEDIA	1.69%
HOUSE	0.65%	LONDON	1.68%
BUSINESS	0.65%	J	1.57%
M	0.52%	GLOBAL	1.51%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.52%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
SOUTH	0.52%	IT	1.42%
GLOBAL	0.52%	CARE	1.31%
ENTERPRISES	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
EDUCATION	0.52%	М	1.26%
PROJECTS	0.39%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
SONS	0.39%	BUILDING	1.23%
SYSTEMS	0.39%	SECURITY	1.19%
LOGISTICS	0.39%	S	1.18%
ROAD	0.39%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	184	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	49	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	46	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	36	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	27	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	26	15,280
9999 - Dormant Company	19	16,469
7414 - Business & management consultancy	18	10,978
74990 - Non-trading company	13	9,706
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	13	14,220
7499 - Non-trading company	12	8,023
41100 - Development of building projects	11	5,149
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	10	4,644
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	10,271
70100 - Activities of head offices	10	2,678
86900 - Other human health activities	10	5,222
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	9	6,356
9305 - Other service activities	8	7,926
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	7	3,143
5530 - Restaurants	6	4,037