# Rochdale

2011 half year business confidence report



# headlines

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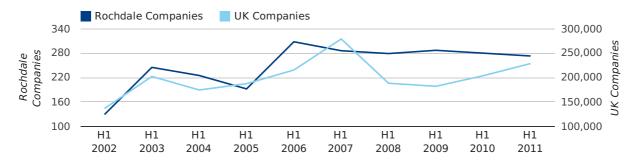


In the first half of 2011 a total of 273 companies were formed in Rochdale. This figure is 2.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rochdale occurred in 2006 when a total of 308 were formed.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | ROCHDALE   | UK             |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011                | 273        | 228,735        |
| 2010                | 280        | 203,749        |
| % CHANGE            | -2.5%      | 12.3%          |
| RECORD YEAR         | 2006 (308) | 2007 (279,097) |

#### new companies by half year



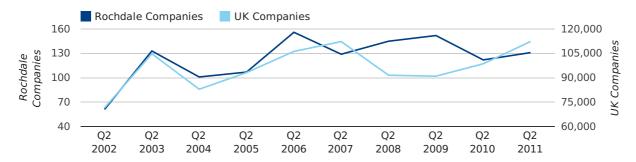
# Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 131 companies were registered in Rochdale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 7.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

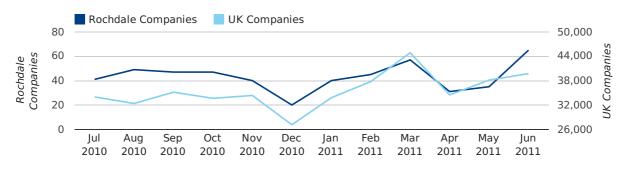
| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011) | ROCHDALE   | UK             |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011                                 | 131        | 112,344        |
| 2010                                 | 122        | 98,612         |
| % CHANGE                             | 7.4%       | 13.9%          |
| RECORD YEAR                          | 2006 (156) | 2011 (112,344) |

#### new companies by quarter



June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Rochdale when compared to any previous June.

# new companies by month



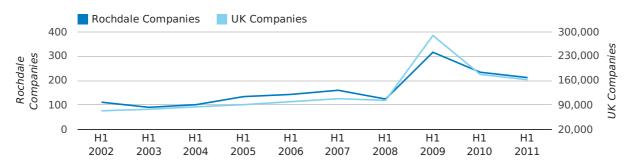
|                       | APRIL     | MAY       | JUNE      |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2011 | 31        | 35        | 65        |
| NEW COMPANIES IN 2010 | 49        | 40        | 33        |
| % CHANGE              | -36.7%    | -12.5%    | 97.0%     |
| RECORD YEAR           | 2003 (56) | 2006 (66) | 2011 (65) |

In the first half of 2011 a total of 212 companies were dissolved in Rochdale. This figure is 9.4% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rochdale occurred in 2009 when a total of 316 were closed.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | ROCHDALE   | UK             |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011                | 212        | 162,310        |
| 2010                | 234        | 177,631        |
| % CHANGE            | -9.4%      | -8.6%          |
| RECORD YEAR         | 2009 (316) | 2009 (289,236) |

#### dissolved companies by half year



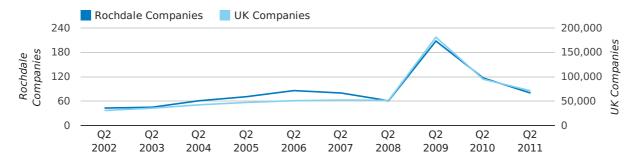
# Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 80 companies were dissolved in Rochdale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

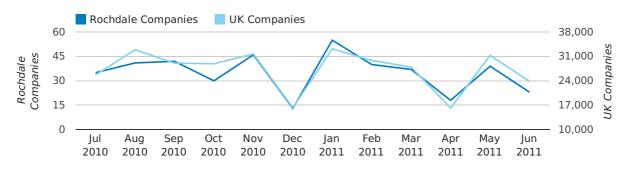
This figure is a decrease of 31.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011) | ROCHDALE   | UK             |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011                                 | 80         | 71,324         |
| 2010                                 | 117        | 94,954         |
| % CHANGE                             | -31.6%     | -24.9%         |
| RECORD YEAR                          | 2009 (208) | 2009 (181,176) |

#### dissolved companies by quarter



# dissolved companies by month

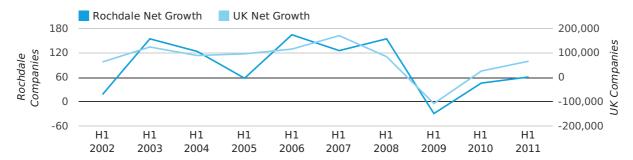


|                          | APRIL     | MAY        | JUNE      |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011 | 18        | 39         | 23        |
| CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010 | 38        | 44         | 35        |
| % CHANGE                 | -52.6%    | -11.4%     | -34%      |
| RECORD YEAR              | 2009 (73) | 2009 (100) | 2009 (35) |

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Rochdale increased by 61 companies. This figure is 32.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN) | ROCHDALE   | UK             |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| 2011                | 61         | 66,425         |
| 2010                | 46         | 26,118         |
| % CHANGE            | 32.6%      | 154.3%         |
| RECORD YEAR         | 2006 (165) | 2007 (171,296) |

#### net growth by half year



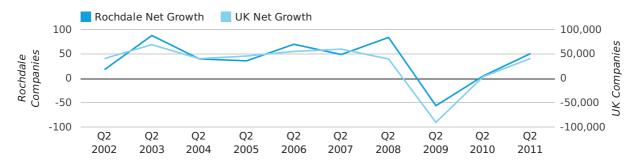
# Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Rochdale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 51 companies.

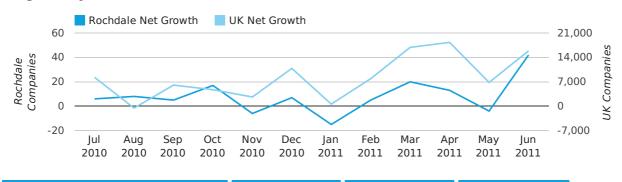
This represents an increase of 920.0% on the same period last year.

| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011) | ROCHDALE  | UK            |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| 2011                                 | 51        | 41,020        |
| 2010                                 | 5         | 3,658         |
| % CHANGE                             | 920.0%    | 1,021.4%      |
| RECORD YEAR                          | 2003 (88) | 2003 (69,274) |

#### net growth by quarter



# net growth by month

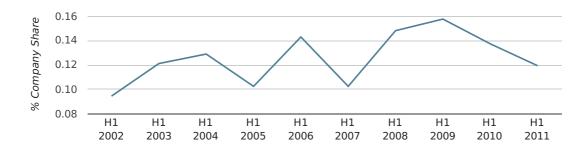


|                    | APRIL     | MAY       | JUNE      |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| NET GROWTH IN 2011 | 13        | -4        | 42        |
| NET GROWTH IN 2010 | 11        | -4        | -2        |
| % CHANGE           | 18.2%     | 0.0%      | -2,200.0% |
| RECORD YEAR        | 2003 (44) | 2006 (47) | 2008 (43) |

In the first half of 2011 Rochdale formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

| HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)      | ROCHDALE    |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| 2011                     | 0.1%        |
| 2010                     | 0.1%        |
| 2009                     | 0.2%        |
| 2008                     | 0.1%        |
| 2007                     | 0.1%        |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960) | 1968 (0.3%) |

### company share by half year

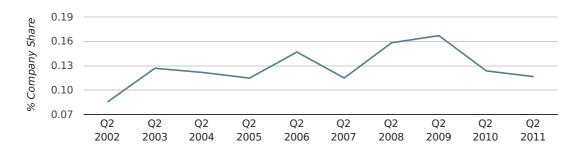


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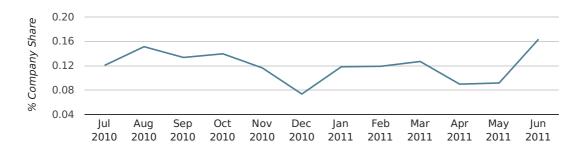
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| SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011) | ROCHDALE    |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 2011                                 | 0.1%        |
| 2010                                 | 0.1%        |
| 2009                                 | 0.2%        |
| 2008                                 | 0.2%        |
| 2007                                 | 0.1%        |
| RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)             | 1972 (0.3%) |

## company share by quarter



# company share by month



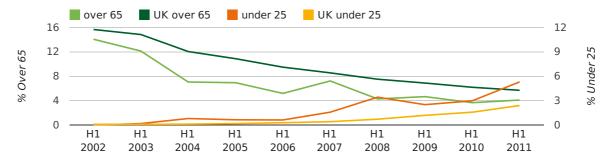
|                            | APRIL       | MAY         | JUNE        |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011 | 0.1%        | 0.1%        | 0.2%        |
| UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010 | 0.1%        | 0.1%        | 0.1%        |
| % CHANGE                   | -38.8%      | -31.1%      | 74.4%       |
| RECORD YEAR                | 1972 (0.4%) | 1964 (0.4%) | 1965 (0.4%) |

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 41.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by half year



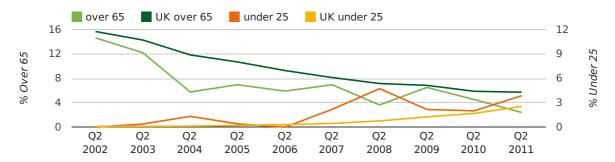
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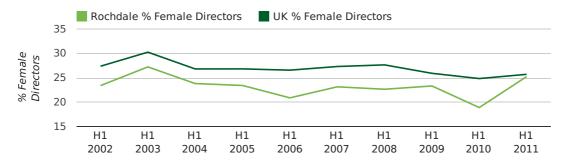
#### director age by quarter



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

25.3% of all director appointments in Rochdale in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

#### director gender by half year

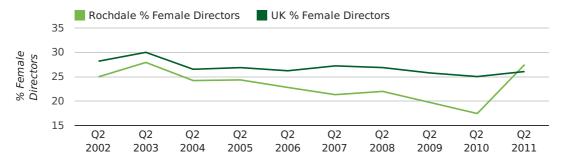


# Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

27.5% of all director appointments in Rochdale in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

### director gender by quarter



# Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

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

| WORD         | PERCENTAGE | UK WORD      | UK PERCENTAGE |
|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| ROCHDALE     | 2.11%      | CONSULTING   | 5.09%         |
| TRADING      | 1.33%      | MANAGEMENT   | 4.86%         |
| MANAGEMENT   | 1.11%      | CONSULTANCY  | 3.17%         |
| (ROCHDALE)   | 0.89%      | PROPERTY     | 2.43%         |
| S            | 0.78%      | TRADING      | 2.05%         |
| CAR          | 0.78%      | DESIGN       | 1.94%         |
| SECURITY     | 0.78%      | ASSOCIATES   | 1.92%         |
| M            | 0.78%      | BUSINESS     | 1.87%         |
| CENTRE       | 0.78%      | CONSTRUCTION | 1.77%         |
| CONSTRUCTION | 0.67%      | CONSULTANTS  | 1.76%         |
| PROPERTY     | 0.67%      | MEDIA        | 1.73%         |
| (NW)         | 0.67%      | ENGINEERING  | 1.67%         |
| CONSULTANTS  | 0.56%      | LONDON       | 1.60%         |
| LOUNGE       | 0.56%      | GLOBAL       | 1.46%         |
| MEDICAL      | 0.56%      | J            | 1.44%         |
| COMMUNITY    | 0.56%      | CARE         | 1.44%         |
| CONSULTING   | 0.56%      | INVESTMENTS  | 1.42%         |
| SYSTEMS      | 0.44%      | IT           | 1.39%         |
| J            | 0.44%      | BUILDING     | 1.32%         |
| SALES        | 0.44%      | PROPERTIES   | 1.31%         |
| GROUP        | 0.44%      | ELECTRICAL   | 1.30%         |
| MEDIA        | 0.44%      | М            | 1.27%         |
| CONTRACTORS  | 0.44%      | S            | 1.23%         |
| STORAGE      | 0.44%      | ENTERPRISES  | 1.20%         |
| FOODS        | 0.44%      | SYSTEMS      | 1.20%         |

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

| SIC CODE   | NUMBER OF<br>COMPANIES | UK<br>COMPANIES |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| None Supplied  | 329                    | 202,072         |
| 7487 - Other business activities   | 125                    | 60,758          |
| 82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified               | 84                     | 30,647          |
| 9999 - Dormant Company   | 22                     | 20,111          |
| 9305 - Other service activities  | 13                     | 9,063           |
| 62020 - Information technology consultancy activities                                    | 11                     | 10,545          |
| 7414 - Business & management consultancy   | 11                     | 13,053          |
| 99999 - Dormant Company  | 11                     | 18,918          |
| 7260 - Other computer related activities   | 10                     | 7,849           |
| 74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified | 9                      | 7,835           |
| 86210 - General medical practice activities  | 9                      | 2,048           |
| 86101 - Hospital activities  | 8                      | 1,077           |
| 8512 - Medical practice activities   | 8                      | 1,866           |
| 70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management                | 8                      | 16,419          |
| 56101 - Licensed restaurants   | 8                      | 2,441           |
| 7499 - Non-trading company   | 7                      | 10,955          |
| 5530 - Restaurants   | 7                      | 5,086           |
| 96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified                                | 7                      | 10,322          |
| 43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified               | 7                      | 3,050           |
| 47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet                                | 6                      | 2,258           |