

# Rochester

q1 2011 business confidence report



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- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Rochester when compared to any previous January.

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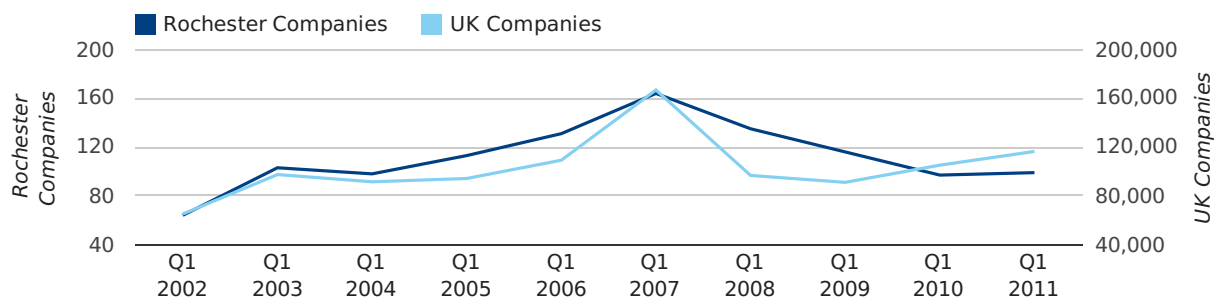
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 99 companies were registered in Rochester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 2.1% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.7% against the same period last year.

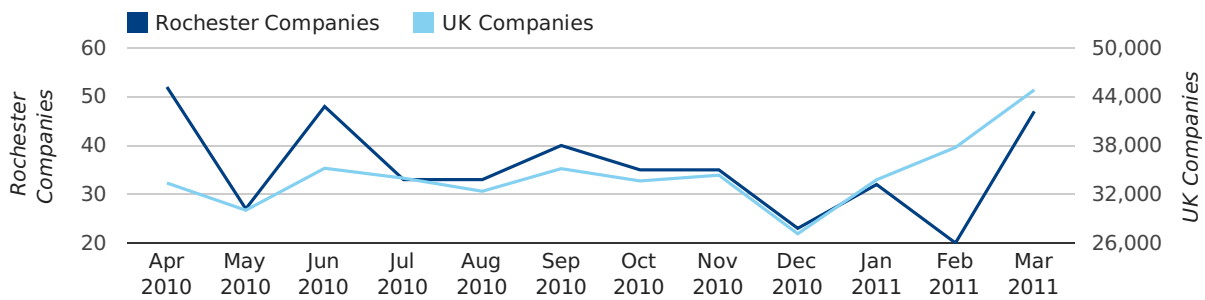
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	ROCHESTER	UK
2011	99	116,391
2010	97	105,137
% CHANGE	2.1%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (164)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	32	20	47
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	32	32	33
% CHANGE	0.0%	-37.5%	42.4%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (43)	2007 (52)	2007 (73)

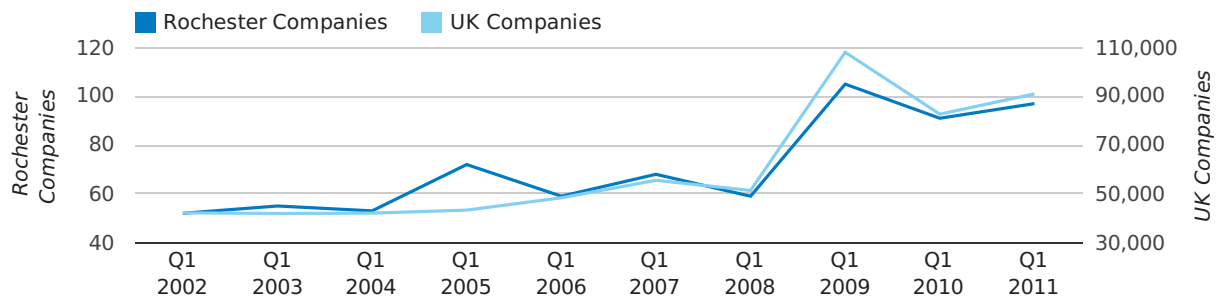
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 97 companies were dissolved in Rochester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 6.6% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 10.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	ROCHESTER	UK
2011	97	90,986
2010	91	82,677
% CHANGE	6.6%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (105)	2009 (108,060)

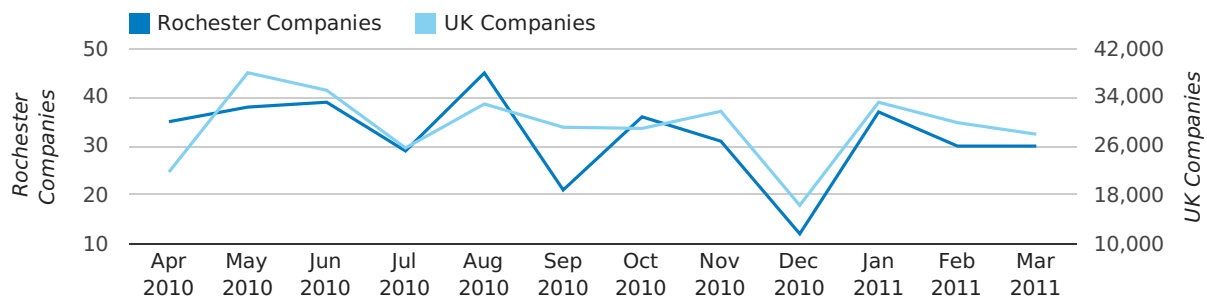
### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Rochester when compared to any previous January.

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	37	30	30
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	25	31	35
% CHANGE	48.0%	-3.2%	-14%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (37)	2008 (38)	2009 (67)

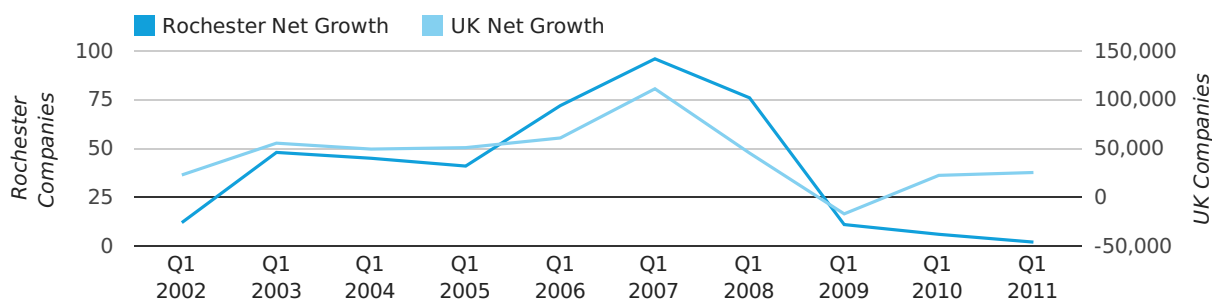
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Rochester during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 2 companies.

This represents a decrease of 66.7% on the same period last year.

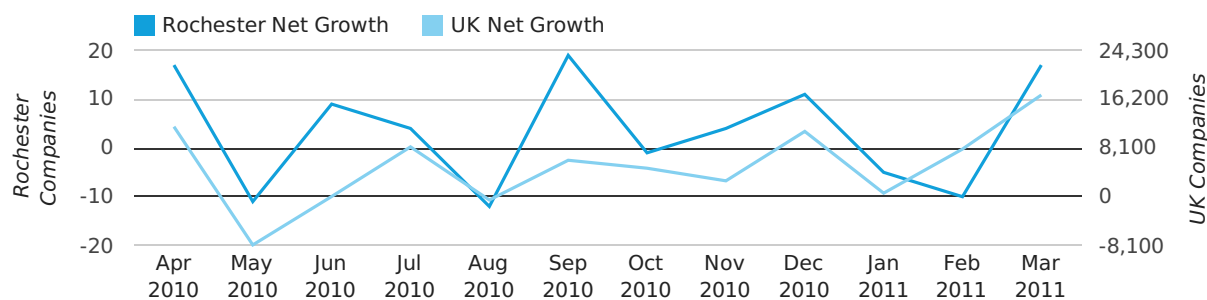
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	ROCHESTER	UK
2011	2	25,405
2010	6	22,460
% CHANGE	-66.7%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (96)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### net growth by month



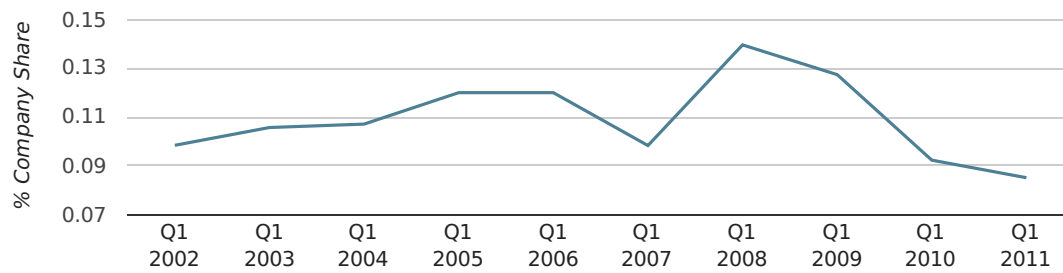
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-5	-10	17
NET GROWTH IN 2010	7	1	-2
% CHANGE	-171.4%	-1,100.0%	-950.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (24)	2006 (38)	2007 (49)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

In the first quarter of 2011, Rochester formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

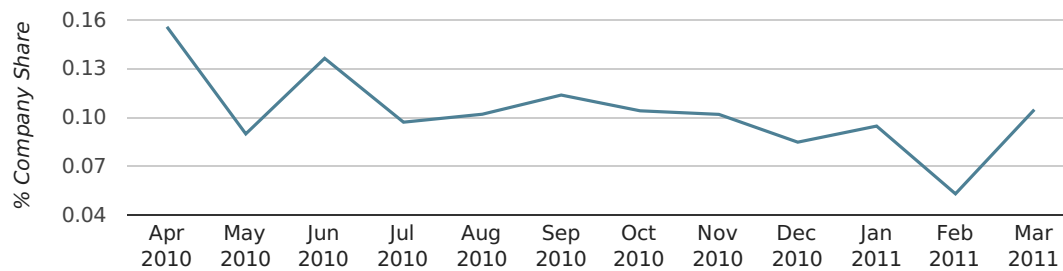
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	ROCHESTER
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (0.3%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-13.8%	-45.0%	35.9%
RECORD YEAR	1978 (0.2%)	1971 (0.5%)	1981 (0.2%)

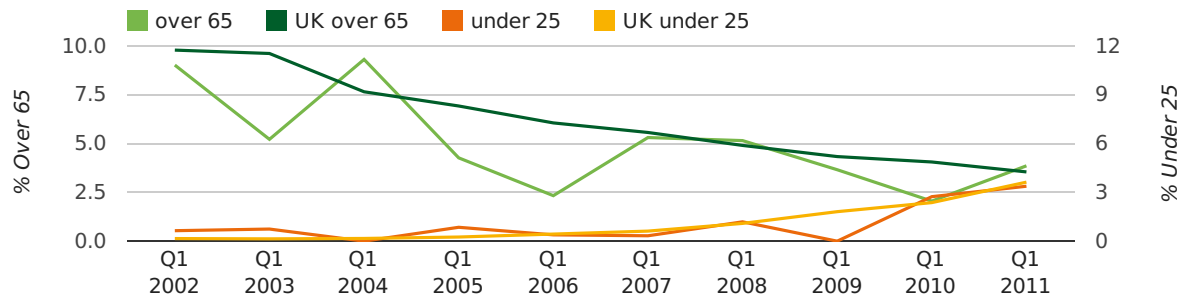
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 44.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by quarter

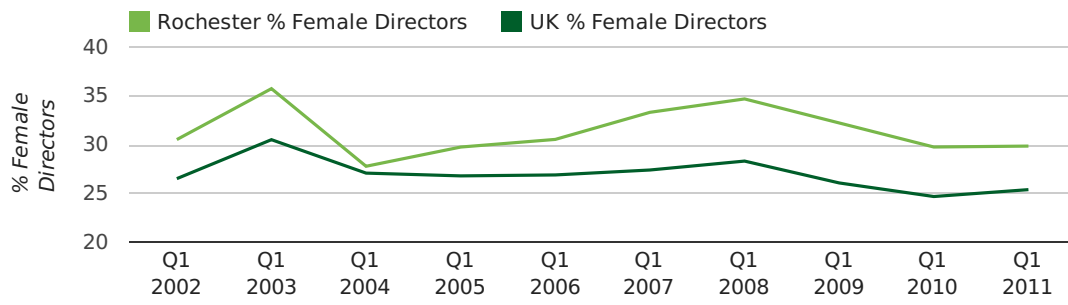


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

29.9% of all director appointments in Rochester in the first quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.4% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter





Previous 12 months (Mar 2010-Mar 2011)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.19%	CONSULTING	5.04%
TRADING	1.19%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
TRAINING	1.19%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
BUILDING	1.06%	PROPERTY	2.38%
PROPERTY	1.06%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANCY	1.06%	DESIGN	1.93%
KENT	1.06%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
K	0.93%	BUSINESS	1.87%
BUSINESS	0.79%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
SAFETY	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
SOUTH	0.66%	MEDIA	1.69%
S	0.66%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
GARLAND	0.66%	LONDON	1.60%
ELECTRICAL	0.66%	CARE	1.45%
ASSOCIATES	0.53%	J	1.45%
EAST	0.53%	GLOBAL	1.44%
(KENT)	0.53%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
PLANT	0.53%	IT	1.41%
B	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
L	0.53%	BUILDING	1.34%
INVESTMENT	0.53%	M	1.30%
EVENTS	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
NO.	0.53%	S	1.24%
DESIGN	0.53%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
CONTRACTORS	0.40%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	227	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	67	60,968
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	50	30,253
9999 - Dormant Company	25	19,765
99999 - Dormant Company	21	18,336
7499 - Non-trading company	15	11,316
43210 - Electrical installation	14	3,172
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	14	6,183
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	11	10,246
9305 - Other service activities	11	8,740
8042 - Adult and other education	10	2,097
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	9	2,086
7414 - Business & management consultancy	9	12,916
43390 - Other building completion and finishing	9	2,707
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	9	7,788
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	9	10,085
7260 - Other computer related activities	8	7,789
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	8	16,150
62090 - Other information technology service activities	8	6,996
68310 - Real estate agencies	7	1,890