

Romford

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Romford when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous Q2.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous May.
- April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous April.

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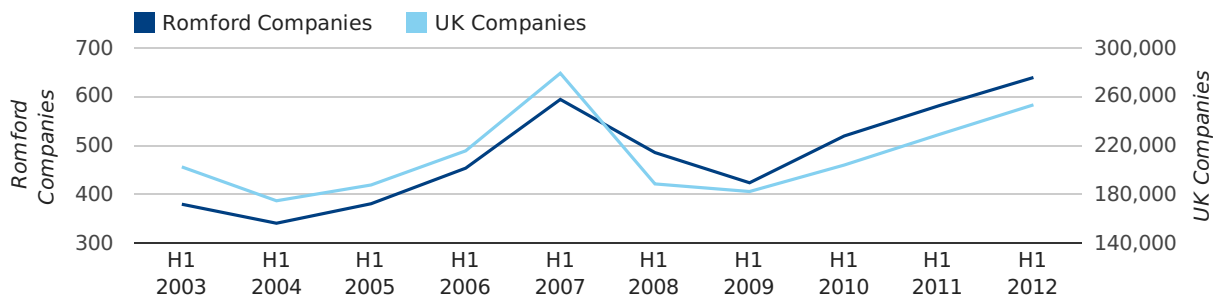
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Romford when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 639 companies were formed in Romford. This figure is 10.0% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Romford occurred in 2012 when a total of 639 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	639	253,150
2011	581	228,735
% CHANGE	10.0%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (639)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

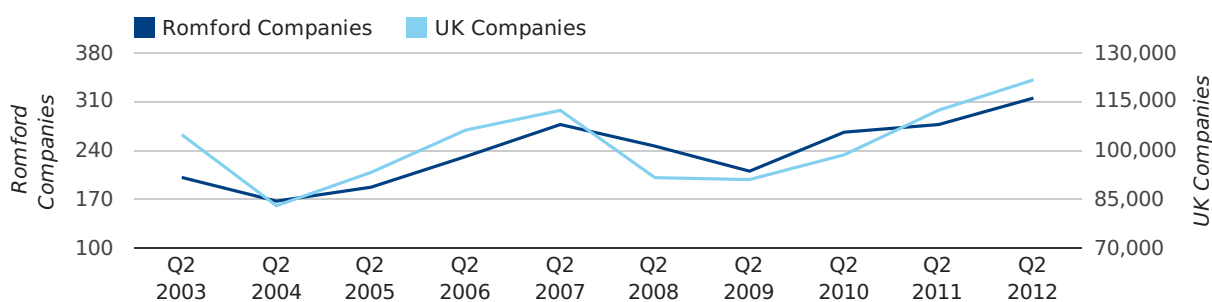
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 315 companies were registered in Romford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 13.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	315	121,659
2011	277	112,344
% CHANGE	13.7%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (315)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

May 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous May.

April 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Romford when compared to any previous April.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	116	103	96
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	77	102	98
% CHANGE	50.6%	1.0%	-2.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (116)	2012 (103)	2011 (98)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 340 companies were dissolved in Romford. This figure is 2.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Romford occurred in 2009 when a total of 700 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	340	147,793
2011	333	162,310
% CHANGE	2.1%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (700)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



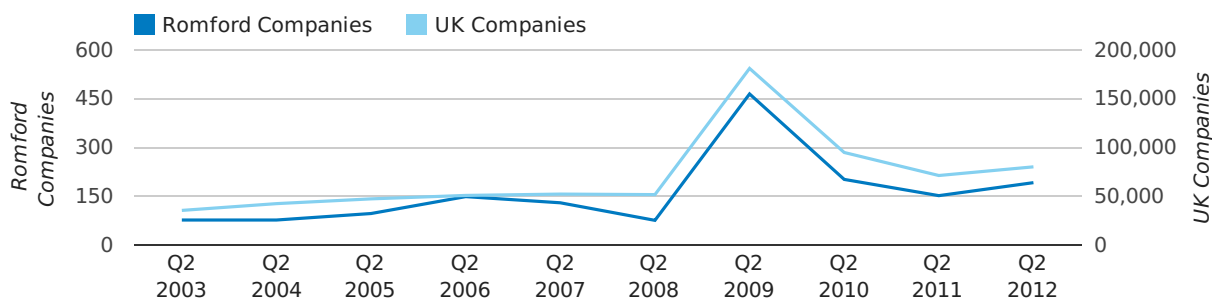
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 192 companies were dissolved in Romford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 26.3% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly 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)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	192	80,217
2011	152	71,324
% CHANGE	26.3%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (465)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



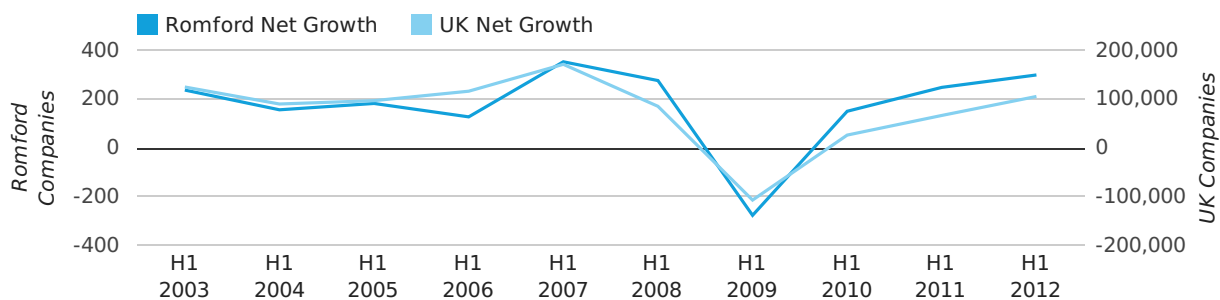
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	53	79	60
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	35	71	46
% CHANGE	51.4%	11.3%	30%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (155)	2009 (209)	2009 (101)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Romford increased by 299 companies. This figure is 20.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	299	105,357
2011	248	66,425
% CHANGE	20.6%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (353)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



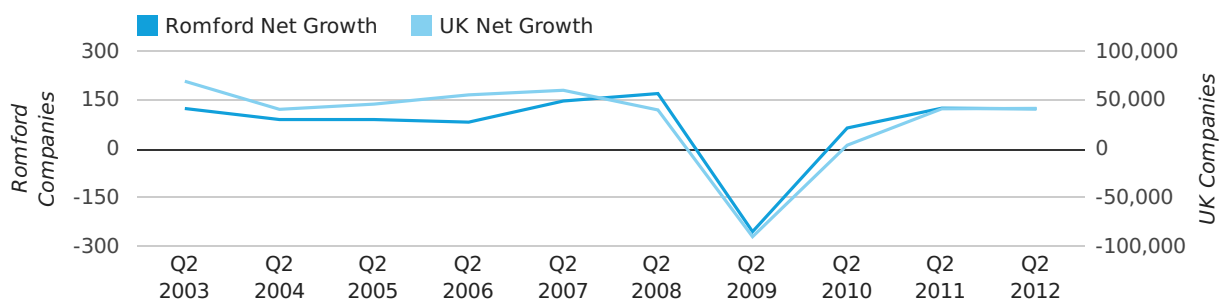
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Romford during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 123 companies.

This represents a decrease of 1.6% on the same period last year.

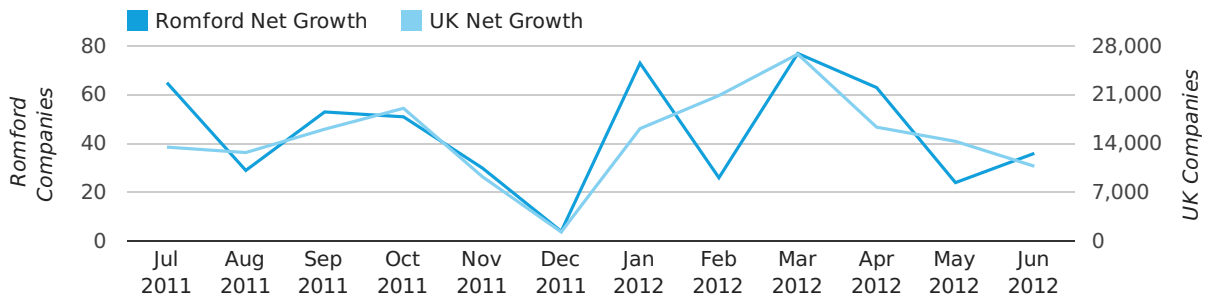
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	ROMFORD	UK
2012	123	41,442
2011	125	41,020
% CHANGE	-1.6%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (170)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



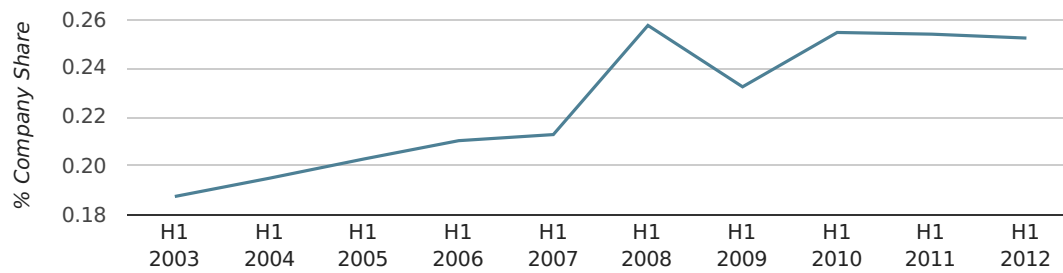
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	63	24	36
NET GROWTH IN 2011	42	31	52
% CHANGE	50.0%	-22.6%	-30.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (81)	2008 (47)	2008 (64)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Romford formed 0.3% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROMFORD
2012	0.3%
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.4%)

company share by half year

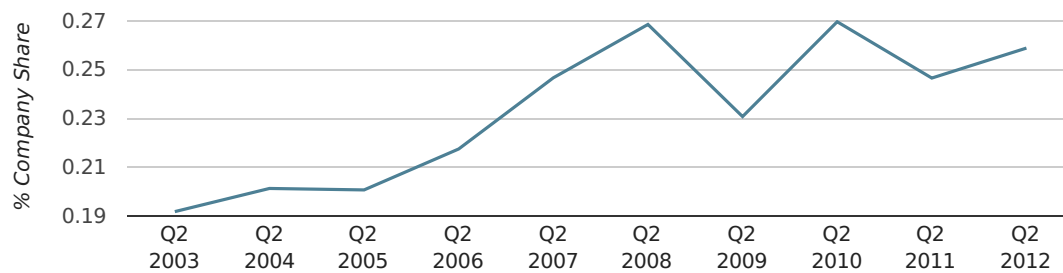


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Romford formed 0.3% of all UK companies.

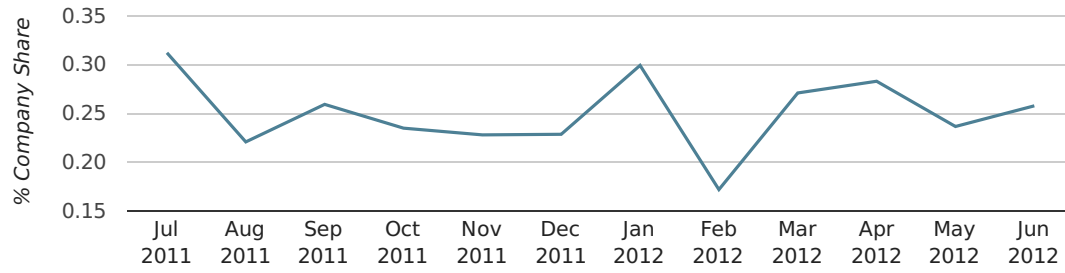
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	ROMFORD
2012	0.3%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
% CHANGE	26.8%	-11.5%	4.6%
RECORD YEAR	1960 (0.5%)	1962 (0.8%)	1965 (0.4%)

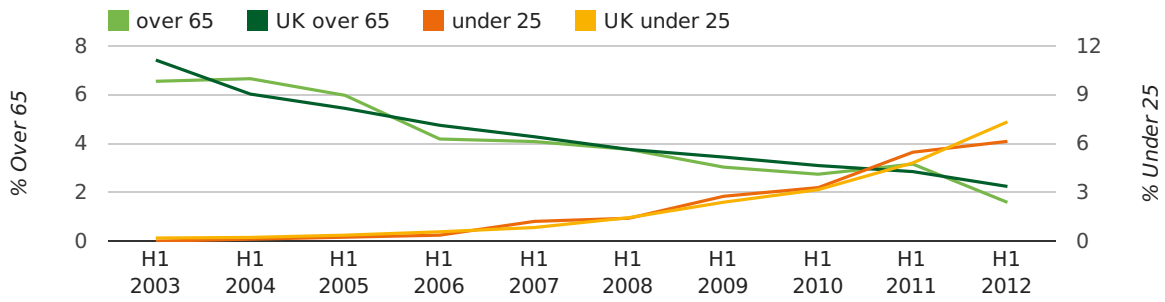
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 39.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



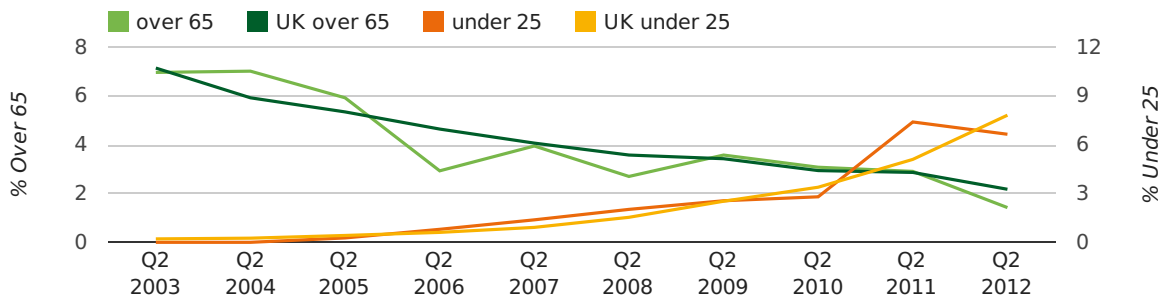
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 40.1.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.7% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

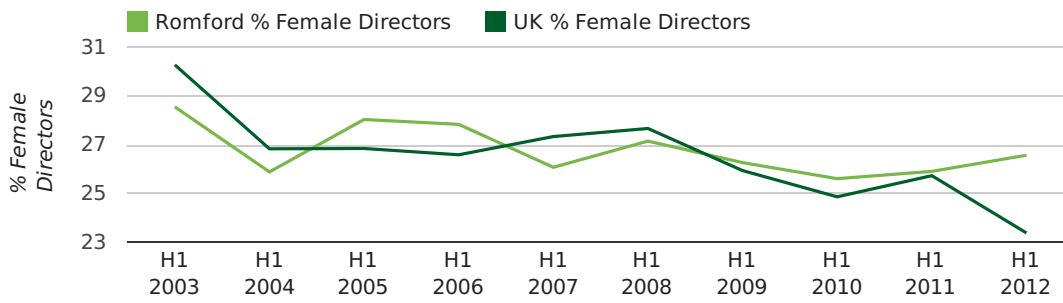


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

26.6% of all director appointments in Romford 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

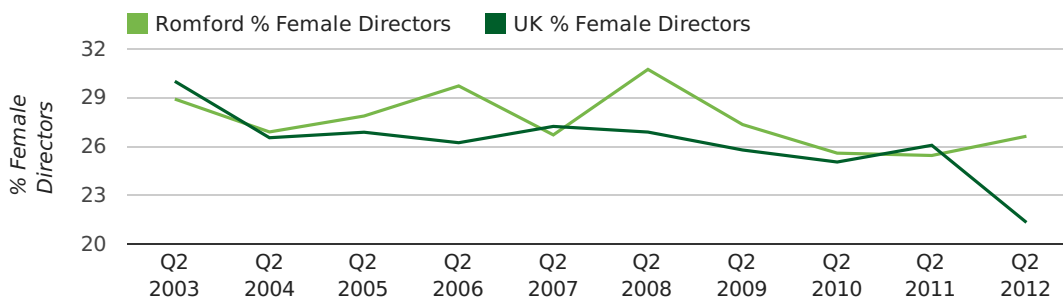


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

26.6% of all director appointments in Romford 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



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
CONSULTANCY	1.40%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.23%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
BUILDING	1.01%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
CONSTRUCTION	0.95%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSULTING	0.89%	TRADING	2.10%
TRADING	0.84%	DESIGN	1.89%
LONDON	0.84%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANTS	0.78%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
SECURITY	0.73%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
PROPERTY	0.73%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
MAINTENANCE	0.67%	BUSINESS	1.70%
ELECTRICAL	0.56%	MEDIA	1.69%
TRAINING	0.56%	LONDON	1.68%
CO	0.56%	J	1.57%
INVESTMENTS	0.56%	GLOBAL	1.51%
MEDICAL	0.50%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CLEANING	0.50%	IT	1.42%
CARE	0.50%	CARE	1.31%
ASSOCIATES	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
IT	0.50%	M	1.26%
EVENTS	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
GLOBAL	0.45%	BUILDING	1.23%
R	0.45%	SECURITY	1.19%
MEDIA	0.45%	S	1.18%
ENGINEERING	0.45%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	617	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	98	47,029
99999 - Dormant Company	68	26,088
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	57	35,447
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	43	14,220
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	42	15,280
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	33	20,390
7260 - Other computer related activities	29	6,456
62090 - Other information technology service activities	26	8,258
9999 - Dormant Company	26	16,469
7499 - Non-trading company	24	8,023
74990 - Non-trading company	24	9,706
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	23	10,271
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	23	6,356
9305 - Other service activities	22	7,926
86900 - Other human health activities	21	5,222
43210 - Electrical installation	19	3,557
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	18	4,644
41100 - Development of building projects	18	5,149
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	16	4,091