

Rossendale

2011 half year business confidence report



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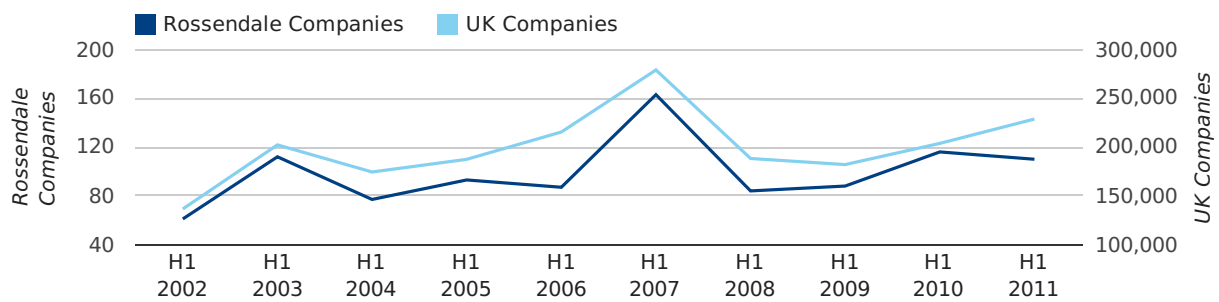
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 110 companies were formed in Rossendale. This figure is 5.2% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rossendale occurred in 2000 when a total of 554 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	110	228,735
2010	116	203,749
% CHANGE	-5.2%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2000 (554)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



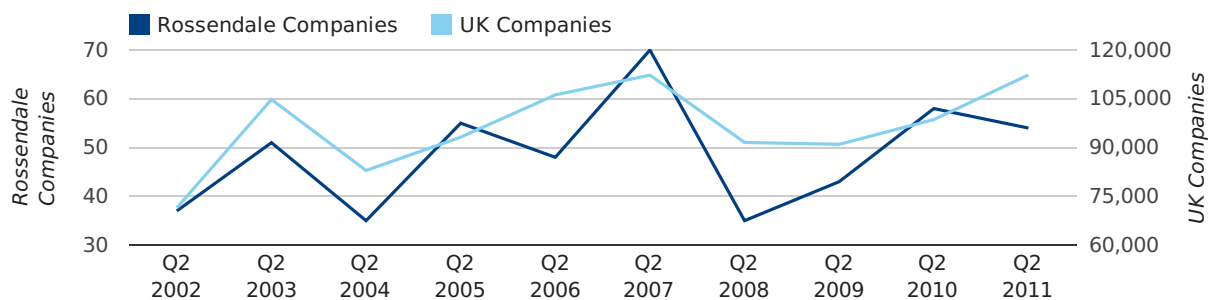
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 54 companies were registered in Rossendale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 6.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

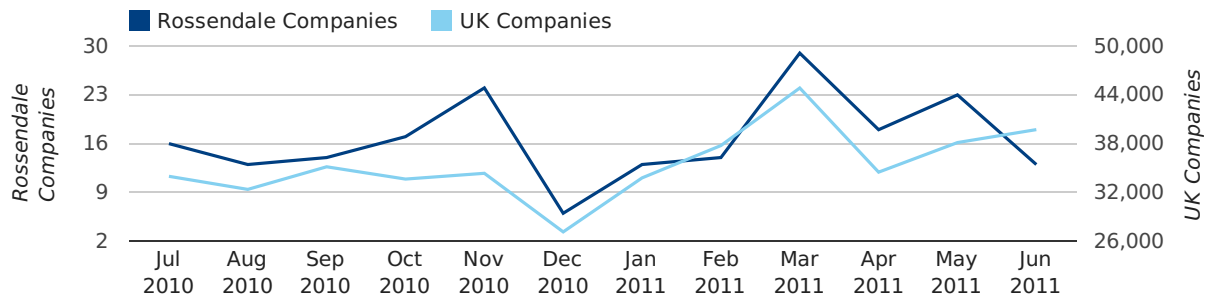
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	54	112,344
2010	58	98,612
% CHANGE	-6.9%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2000 (527)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	18	23	13
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	19	13	26
% CHANGE	-5.3%	76.9%	-50.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (29)	2000 (510)	2010 (26)

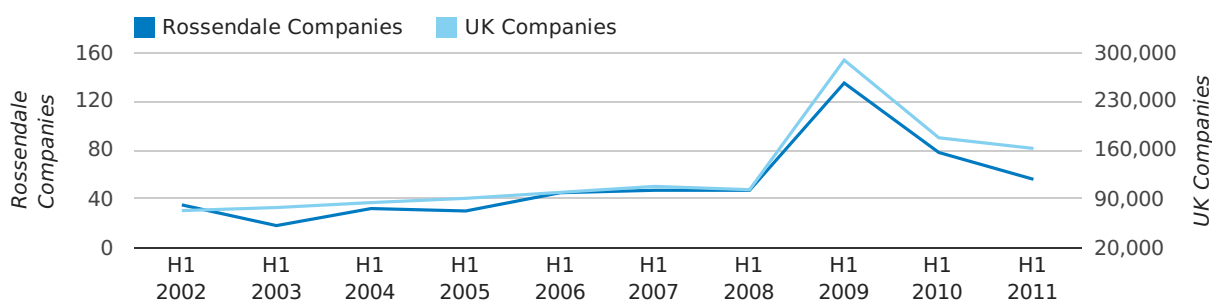
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 56 companies were dissolved in Rossendale. This figure is 28.2% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Rossendale occurred in 2009 when a total of 135 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	56	162,310
2010	78	177,631
% CHANGE	-28.2%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (135)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



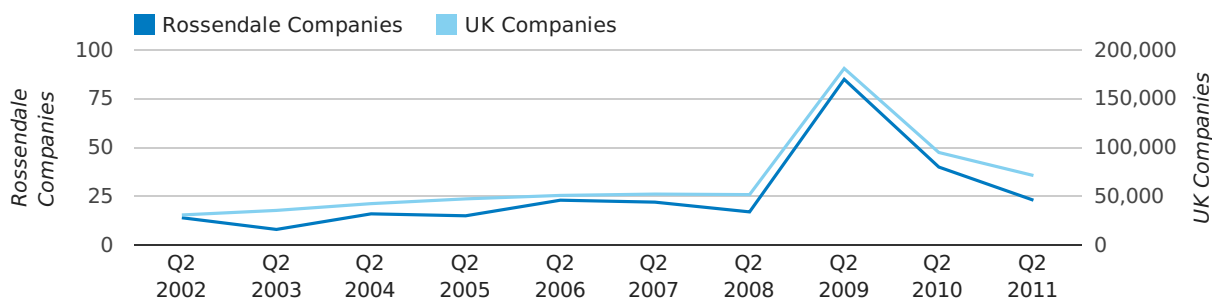
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 23 companies were dissolved in Rossendale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 42.5% 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.

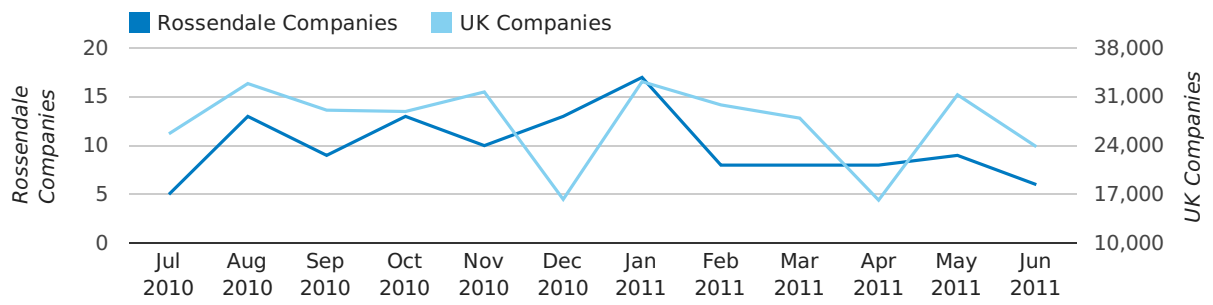
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	23	71,324
2010	40	94,954
% CHANGE	-42.5%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (85)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



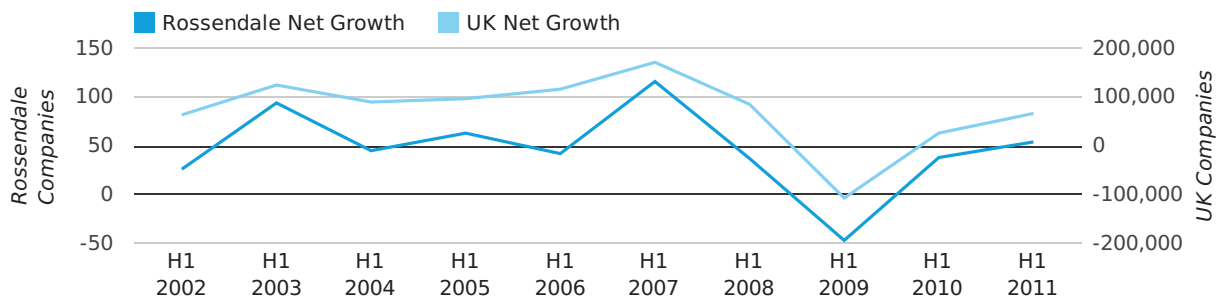
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	8	9	6
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	11	13	16
% CHANGE	-27.3%	-30.8%	-63%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (32)	2009 (40)	2010 (16)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Rossendale increased by 54 companies. This figure is 42.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	54	66,425
2010	38	26,118
% CHANGE	42.1%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2000 (532)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



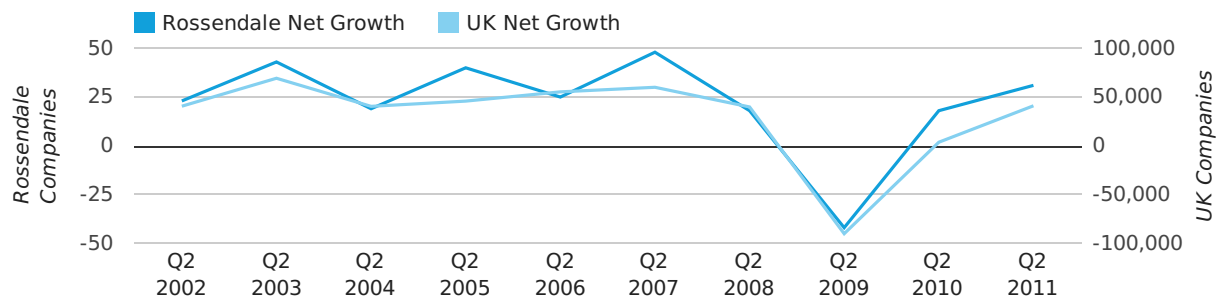
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Rossendale during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 31 companies.

This represents an increase of 72.2% on the same period last year.

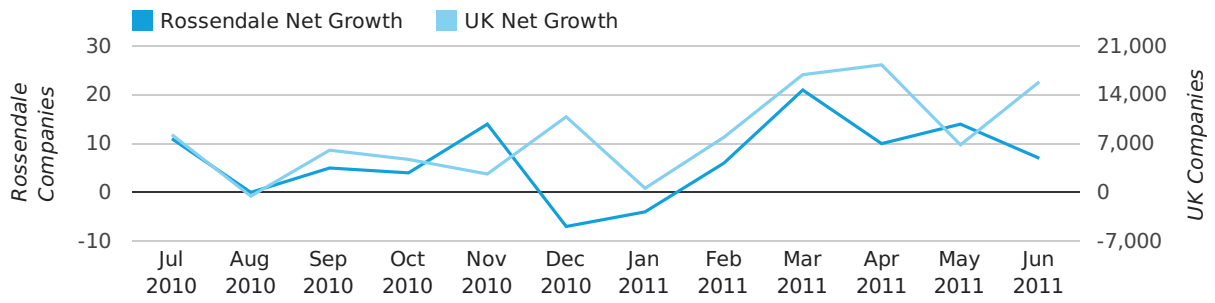
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ROSSENDALE	UK
2011	31	41,020
2010	18	3,658
% CHANGE	72.2%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2000 (514)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



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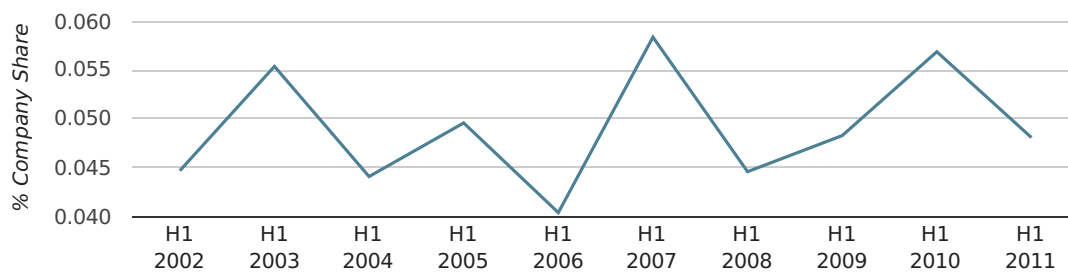
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	10	14	7
NET GROWTH IN 2010	8	0	10
% CHANGE	25.0%	0.0%	-30.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (22)	2000 (508)	2007 (19)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Rossendale formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ROSSENDALE
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2000 (0.4%)

company share by half year

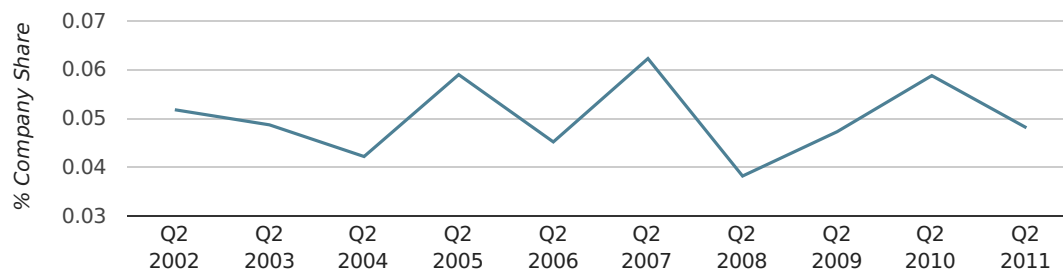


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ROSSENDALE
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2000 (0.8%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
% CHANGE	-8.3%	39.3%	-55.8%
RECORD YEAR	1981 (0.2%)	2000 (2.3%)	1969 (0.4%)

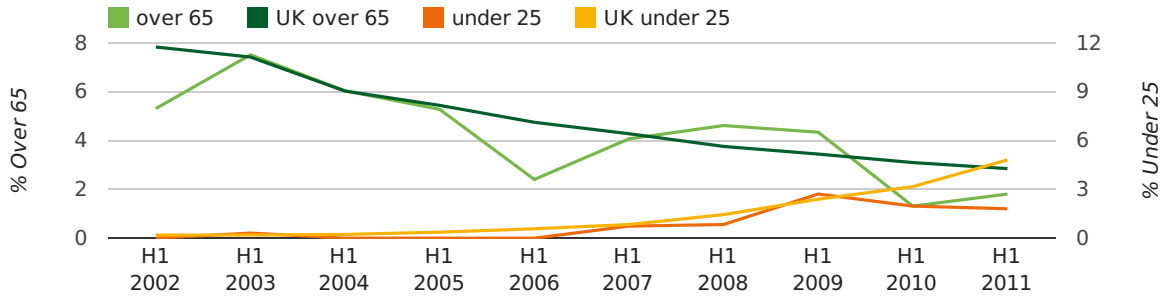
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 45.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



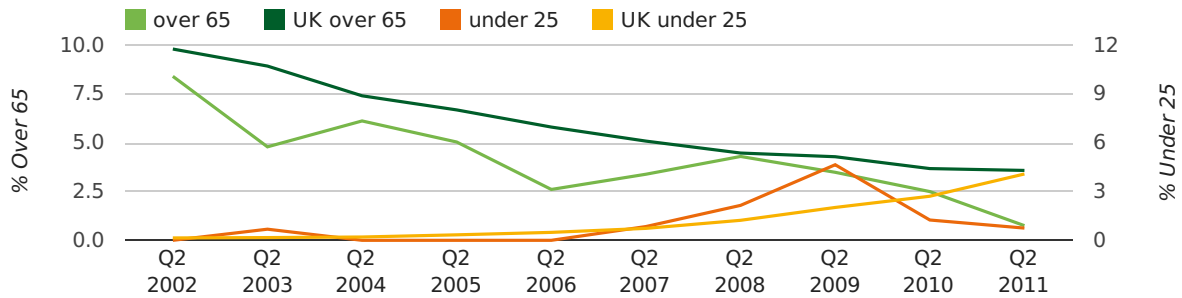
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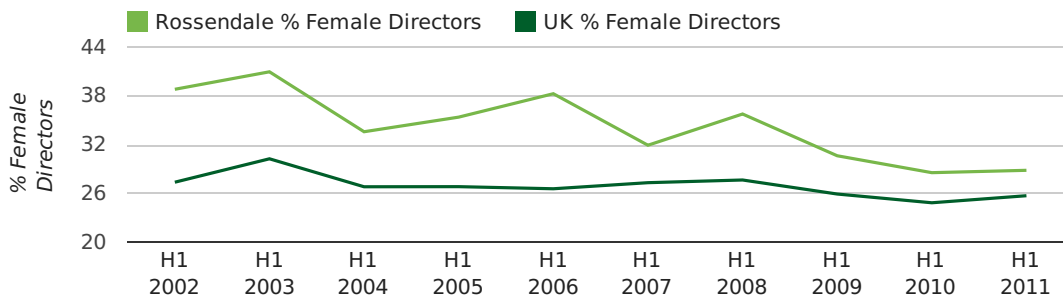


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

28.9% of all director appointments in Rossendale 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

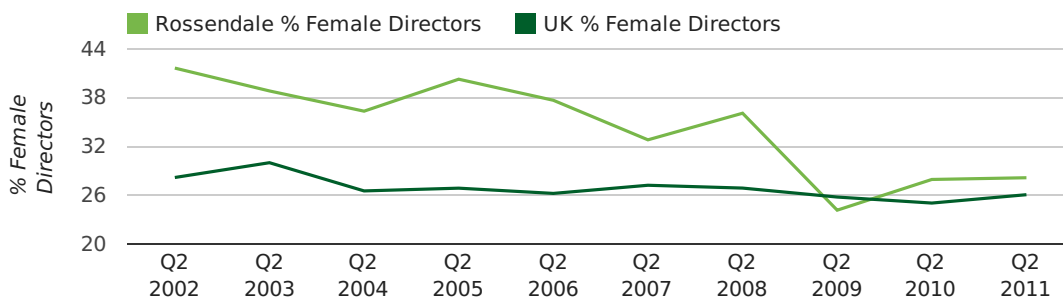


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

28.2% of all director appointments in Rossendale 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
CONTRACTING	2.01%	CONSULTING	5.09%
FIRE	1.01%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
ITOUCH	0.75%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
ENGINEERING	0.75%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CASSONS	0.75%	TRADING	2.05%
SMART	0.75%	DESIGN	1.94%
HOUSE	0.75%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
(ROSSENDALE)	0.75%	BUSINESS	1.87%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.75%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
SCHOOL	0.50%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
BLACK	0.50%	MEDIA	1.73%
LEGAL	0.50%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
C	0.50%	LONDON	1.60%
PUBLISHING	0.50%	GLOBAL	1.46%
ASSET	0.50%	J	1.44%
URBAN	0.50%	CARE	1.44%
COMMERCIAL	0.50%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
UTILITY	0.50%	IT	1.39%
MR	0.50%	BUILDING	1.32%
ELITE	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
HOLDINGS	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
BATHROOMS	0.50%	M	1.27%
CIC	0.50%	S	1.23%
KITCHENS	0.50%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
ARCHITECTURAL	0.50%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	87	202,072
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	34	30,647
7487 - Other business activities	28	60,758
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	12	16,419
99999 - Dormant Company	11	18,918
7260 - Other computer related activities	10	7,849
7499 - Non-trading company	9	10,955
5190 - Other wholesale	5	1,404
9999 - Dormant Company	5	20,111
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	5	3,394
7414 - Business & management consultancy	5	13,053
9305 - Other service activities	5	9,063
4531 - Installation electrical wiring etc.	4	2,037
46420 - Wholesale of clothing and footwear	4	568
43210 - Electrical installation	4	3,085
49410 - Freight transport by road	4	2,142
74990 - Non-trading company	4	8,481
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	3	5,928
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	3	10,322
6420 - Telecommunications	3	1,243