Shrewsbury

2011 half year business confidence report



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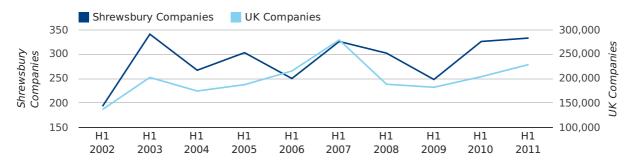
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In the first half of 2011 a total of 333 companies were formed in Shrewsbury. This figure is 2.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Shrewsbury occurred in 2003 when a total of 341 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	333	228,735
2010	326	203,749
% CHANGE	2.1%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (341)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



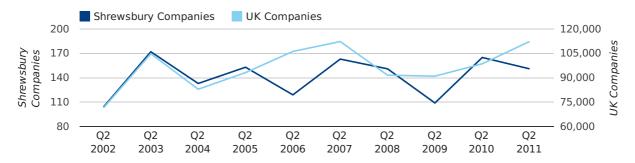
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 151 companies were registered in Shrewsbury during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 8.5% 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)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	151	112,344
2010	165	98,612
% CHANGE	-8.5%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (172)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



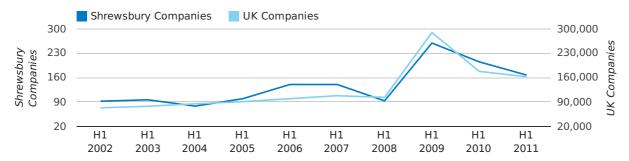
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	52	56	43
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	63	45	57
% CHANGE	-17.5%	24.4%	-24.6%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (67)	2003 (64)	2003 (57)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 167 companies were dissolved in Shrewsbury. This figure is 18.5% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Shrewsbury occurred in 2009 when a total of 259 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	167	162,310
2010	205	177,631
% CHANGE	-18.5%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (259)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



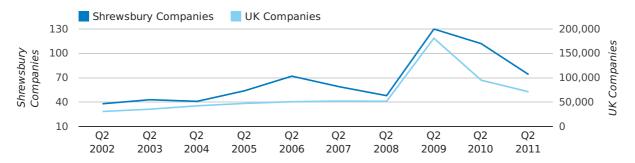
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 74 companies were dissolved in Shrewsbury during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

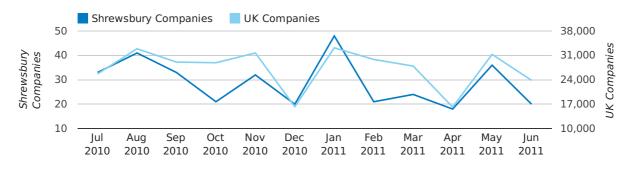
This figure is a decrease of 33.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	74	71,324
2010	112	94,954
% CHANGE	-33.9%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (130)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

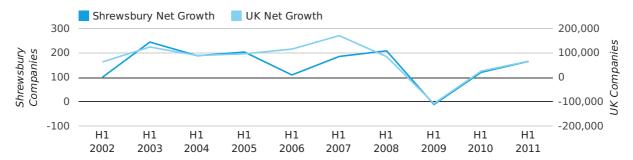


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	18	36	20
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	29	48	35
% CHANGE	-37.9%	-25.0%	-43%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (29)	2009 (65)	2009 (44)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Shrewsbury increased by 166 companies. This figure is 37.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	166	66,425
2010	121	26,118
% CHANGE	37.2%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (245)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



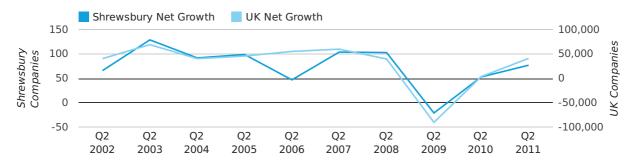
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Shrewsbury during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 77 companies.

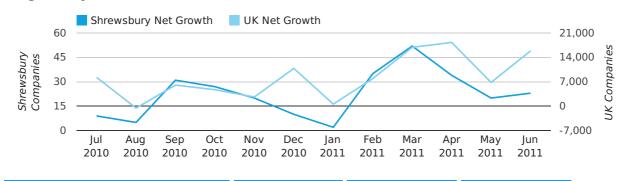
This represents an increase of 45.3% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SHREWSBURY	UK
2011	77	41,020
2010	53	3,658
% CHANGE	45.3%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (129)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

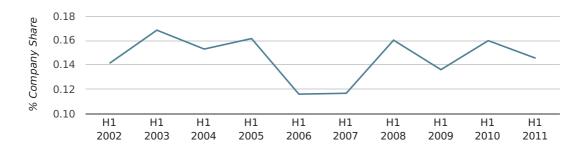


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	34	20	23
NET GROWTH IN 2010	34	-3	22
% CHANGE	0.0%	-766.7%	4.5%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (39)	2003 (56)	2003 (42)

In the first half of 2011 Shrewsbury formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SHREWSBURY
2011	0.1%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.2%)

company share by half year

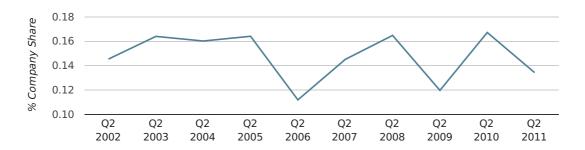


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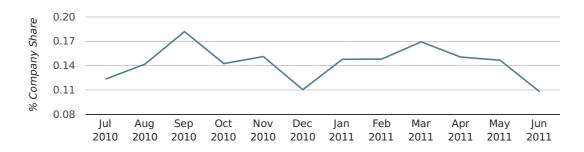
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company share by quarter



company share by month



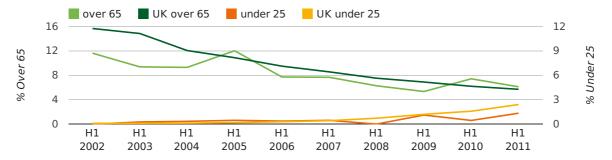
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-20.1%	-1.9%	-33.2%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (0.6%)	1968 (0.5%)	1969 (0.8%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 47.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



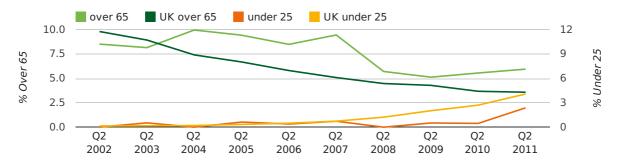
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The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 47.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter



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

29.3% of all director appointments in Shrewsbury 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

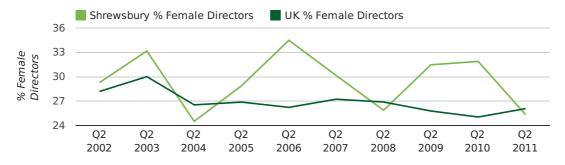


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

25.3% of all director appointments in Shrewsbury 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
MANAGEMENT	2.33%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSULTING	1.46%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
DESIGN	1.36%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
J	1.36%	PROPERTY	2.43%
SHROPSHIRE	1.26%	TRADING	2.05%
SHREWSBURY	1.17%	DESIGN	1.94%
MIPOWER	0.97%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
CONSULTANCY	0.97%	BUSINESS	1.87%
S	0.68%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
PROPERTY	0.68%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
FARM	0.58%	MEDIA	1.73%
SOLAR	0.58%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
(SHREWSBURY)	0.58%	LONDON	1.60%
EDUCATION	0.58%	GLOBAL	1.46%
Р	0.58%	J	1.44%
MEDIA	0.58%	CARE	1.44%
K	0.58%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
Е	0.58%	IT	1.39%
С	0.58%	BUILDING	1.32%
(SHROPSHIRE)	0.58%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
MARKETING	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
G	0.49%	М	1.27%
CONSULTANTS	0.49%	S	1.23%
JONES	0.49%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
ENTERPRISE	0.49%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	191	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	48	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	41	30,647
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	38	16,419
7414 - Business & management consultancy	28	13,053
99999 - Dormant Company	28	18,918
62090 - Other information technology service activities	25	7,095
9999 - Dormant Company	25	20,111
7499 - Non-trading company	24	10,955
74990 - Non-trading company	23	8,481
7260 - Other computer related activities	17	7,849
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	16	7,835
98000 - Residents property management	16	2,888
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	12	5,928
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	10	10,322
70100 - Activities of head offices	9	2,632
86900 - Other human health activities	8	4,154
41100 - Development of building projects	8	3,852
5530 - Restaurants	8	5,086
41202 - Construction of domestic buildings	8	2,238