

# Slough

q1 2011 business confidence report



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- Q1 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous Q1.
- Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Slough when compared to any quarter in history.
- February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous February.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous January.
- January 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Slough when compared to any previous January.
- February 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Slough when compared to any previous February.

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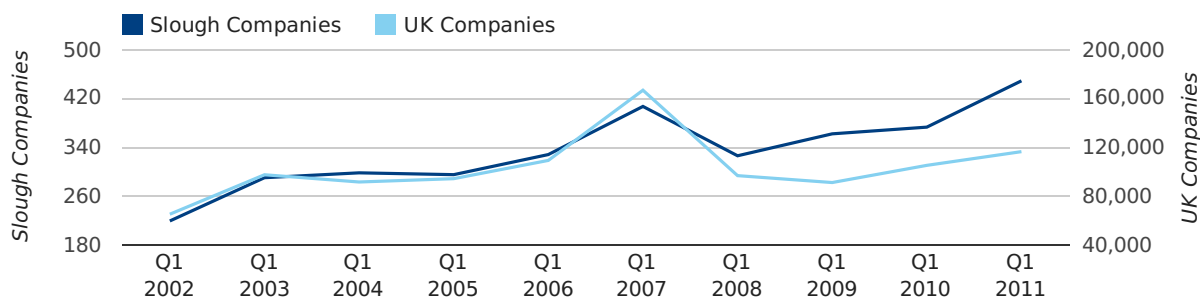
Q1 2011 was a record quarter for company registrations in Slough when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 449 companies were registered in Slough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 20.4% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares well 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)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	449	116,391
2010	373	105,137
% CHANGE	20.4%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (449)	2007 (166,814)

### new companies by quarter

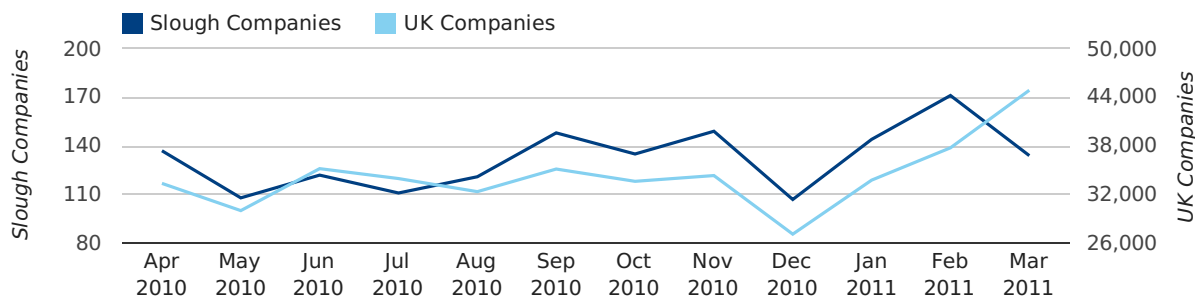


### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2011)

February 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous February.

January 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous January.

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	144	171	134
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	111	129	133
% CHANGE	29.7%	32.6%	0.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (144)	2011 (171)	2007 (186)



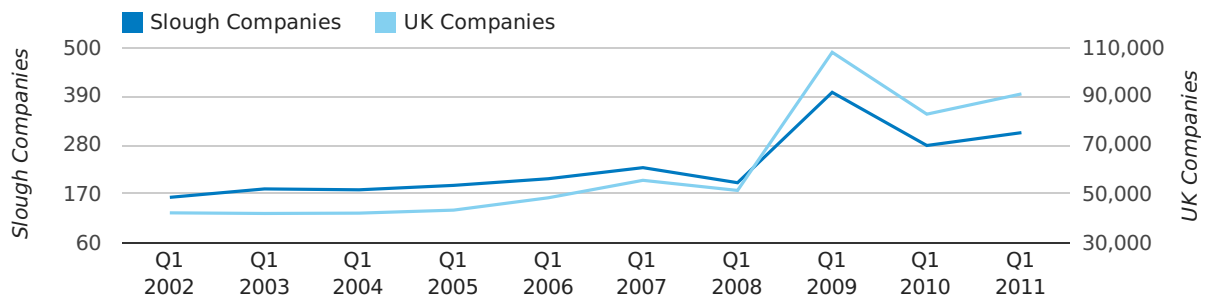
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

A total of 308 companies were dissolved in Slough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011).

This figure is an increase of 10.4% versus the same period last year (Q1 2010). This figure compares poorly 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)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	308	90,986
2010	279	82,677
% CHANGE	10.4%	10.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (399)	2009 (108,060)

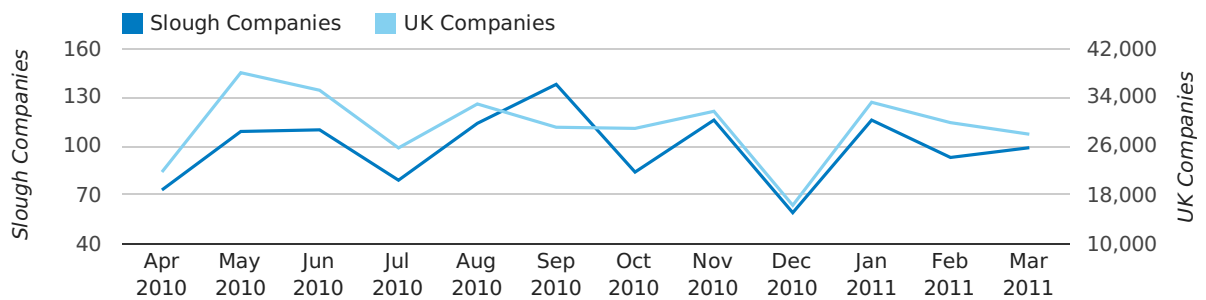
### dissolved companies by quarter



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

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

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	116	93	99
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	69	88	122
% CHANGE	68.1%	5.7%	-19%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (116)	2008 (112)	2009 (290)

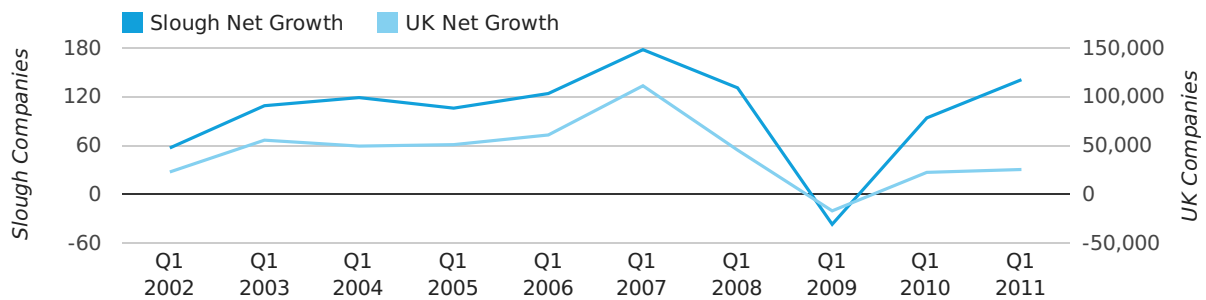
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

Net company growth for Slough during the first quarter of 2011 (Jan 2011 - Mar 2011) was 141 companies.

This represents an increase of 50.0% on the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	141	25,405
2010	94	22,460
% CHANGE	50.0%	13.1%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (178)	2007 (111,282)

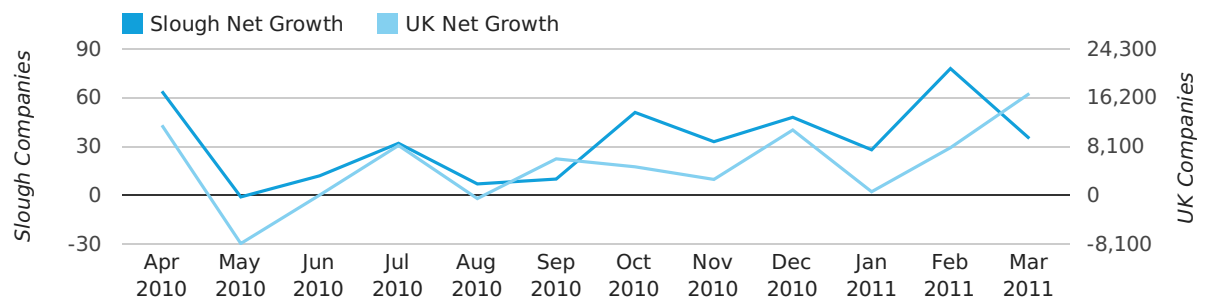
### net growth by quarter



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

February 2011 saw a new record in net growth in Slough when compared to any previous February.

### net growth by month



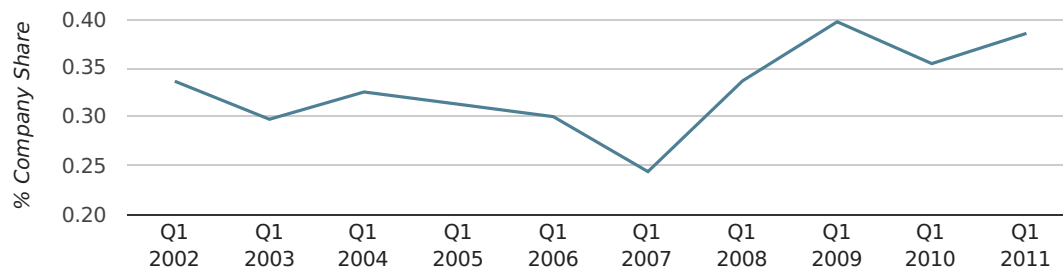
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2011	28	78	35
NET GROWTH IN 2010	42	41	11
% CHANGE	-33.3%	90.2%	218.2%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (61)	2011 (78)	2008 (119)

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

In the first quarter of 2011, Slough formed 0.4% of all UK companies.

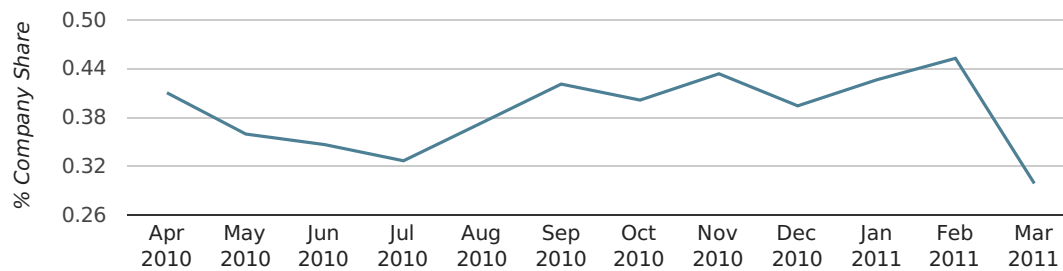
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2011 - MAR 2011)	SLOUGH
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1992 (0.5%)

### company share by quarter



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

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
% CHANGE	11.9%	16.6%	-3.9%
RECORD YEAR	1971 (0.6%)	1971 (0.5%)	1970 (0.7%)

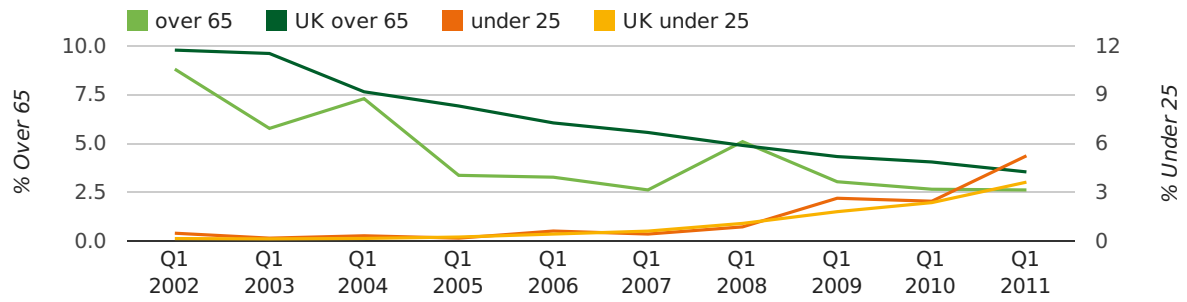
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2011 was 39.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.3% compared to the UK figure of 3.0%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by quarter



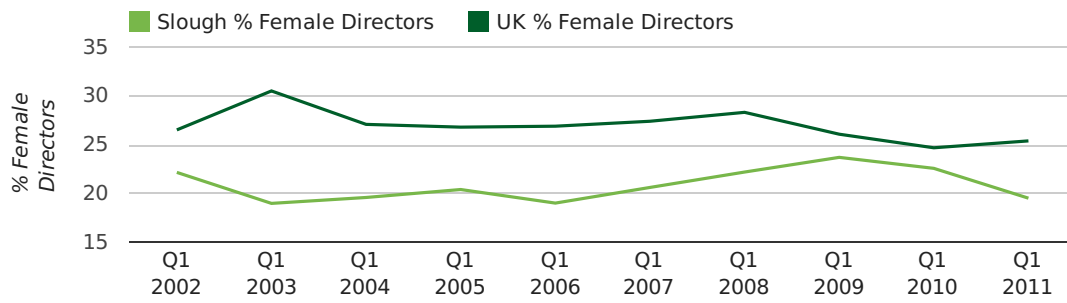


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2011)

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

19.5% of all director appointments in Slough 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, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	2.88%	CONSULTING	5.04%
MANAGEMENT	1.68%	MANAGEMENT	4.97%
TRADING	1.37%	CONSULTANCY	3.16%
CONSULTANCY	1.33%	PROPERTY	2.38%
BUSINESS	1.02%	TRADING	2.10%
SLOUGH	0.97%	DESIGN	1.93%
CONSULTANTS	0.88%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
ASSOCIATES	0.75%	BUSINESS	1.87%
FOR	0.75%	CONSTRUCTION	1.80%
CARS	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
SIMPLY	0.71%	MEDIA	1.69%
IT	0.66%	ENGINEERING	1.61%
CONSTRUCTION	0.66%	LONDON	1.60%
MEDIA	0.66%	CARE	1.45%
LONDON	0.62%	J	1.45%
ENTERPRISES	0.62%	GLOBAL	1.44%
SERVICE	0.58%	INVESTMENTS	1.43%
INTERNATIONAL	0.58%	IT	1.41%
RECRUITMENT	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.36%
EDUCATION	0.53%	BUILDING	1.34%
BERKSHIRE	0.49%	M	1.30%
PROPERTY	0.49%	ELECTRICAL	1.28%
TECHNOLOGY	0.49%	S	1.24%
TRAVEL	0.49%	INTERNATIONAL	1.23%
TECHNOLOGIES	0.49%	SYSTEMS	1.23%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	890	202,798
7487 - Other business activities	178	60,968
7414 - Business & management consultancy	107	12,916
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	82	10,246
9999 - Dormant Company	70	19,765
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	59	30,253
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	49	16,150
62090 - Other information technology service activities	46	6,996
99999 - Dormant Company	45	18,336
9305 - Other service activities	45	8,740
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	44	7,000
7260 - Other computer related activities	43	7,789
7499 - Non-trading company	37	11,316
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	33	10,085
7210 - Hardware consultancy	24	834
5530 - Restaurants	22	4,898
62012 - Business and domestic software development	22	3,168
74990 - Non-trading company	18	8,695
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	16	3,436
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	16	7,788