

Slough

2011 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Slough when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous Q2.
- June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous June.
- May 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous May.

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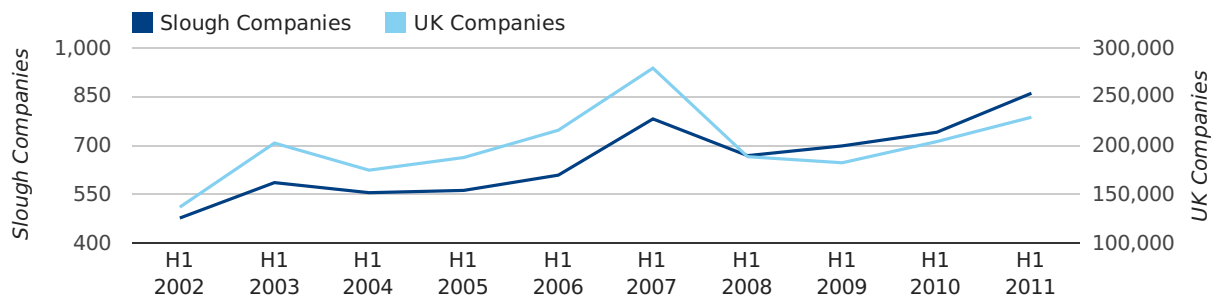
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Slough when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 860 companies were formed in Slough. This figure is 16.2% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Slough occurred in 2011 when a total of 860 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	860	228,735
2010	740	203,749
% CHANGE	16.2%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (860)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

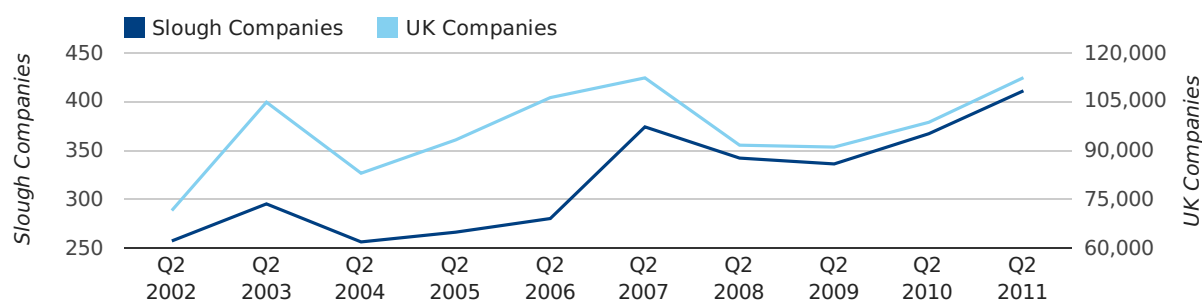
Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 411 companies were registered in Slough during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 12.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally 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)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	411	112,344
2010	367	98,612
% CHANGE	12.0%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (411)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter

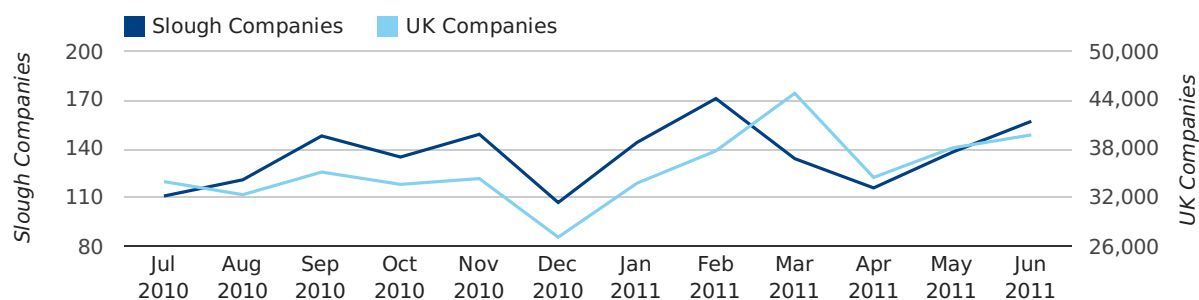


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

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

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

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	116	138	157
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	137	108	122
% CHANGE	-15.3%	27.8%	28.7%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (137)	2011 (138)	2011 (157)

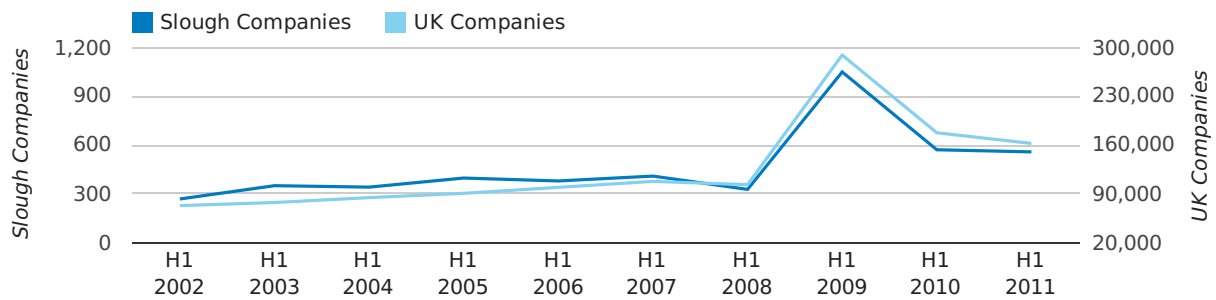
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 558 companies were dissolved in Slough. This figure is 2.3% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Slough occurred in 2009 when a total of 1,050 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	558	162,310
2010	571	177,631
% CHANGE	-2.3%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,050)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



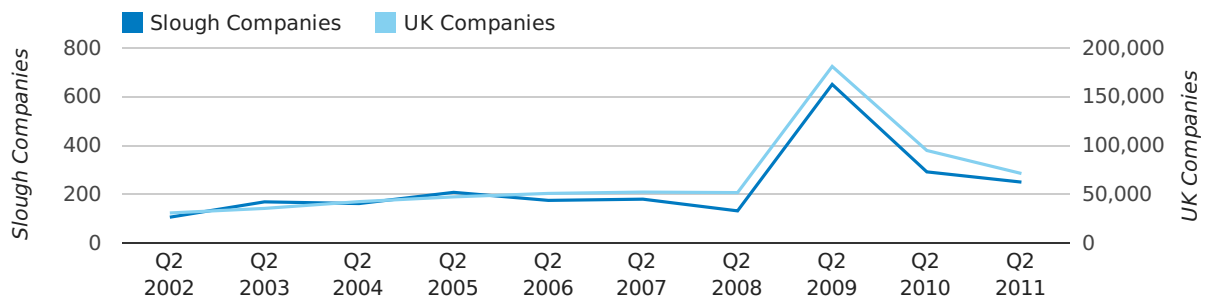
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 250 companies were dissolved in Slough during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 14.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

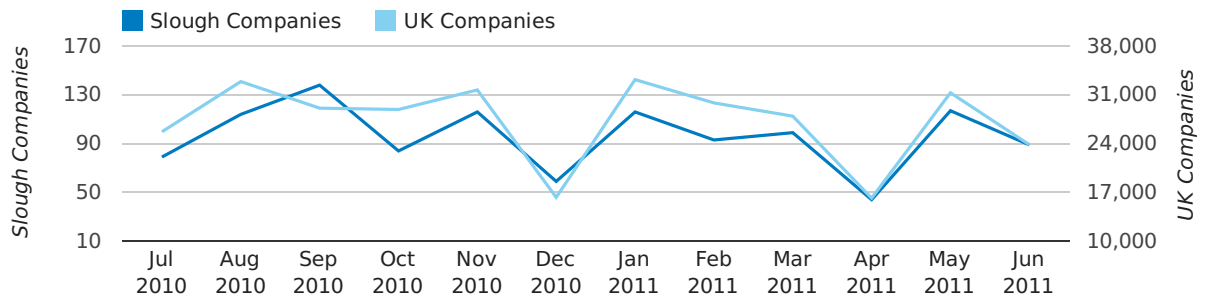
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	250	71,324
2010	292	94,954
% CHANGE	-14.4%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (651)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



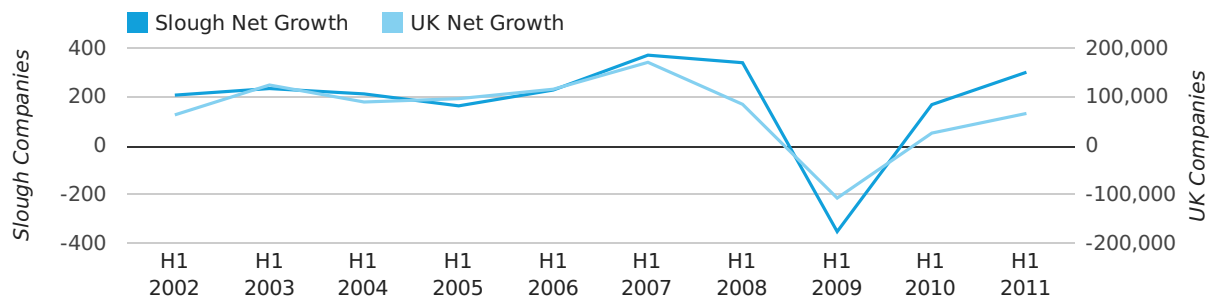
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	44	117	89
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	73	109	110
% CHANGE	-39.7%	7.3%	-19%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (203)	2009 (292)	2009 (156)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Slough increased by 302 companies. This figure is 78.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	302	66,425
2010	169	26,118
% CHANGE	78.7%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (372)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



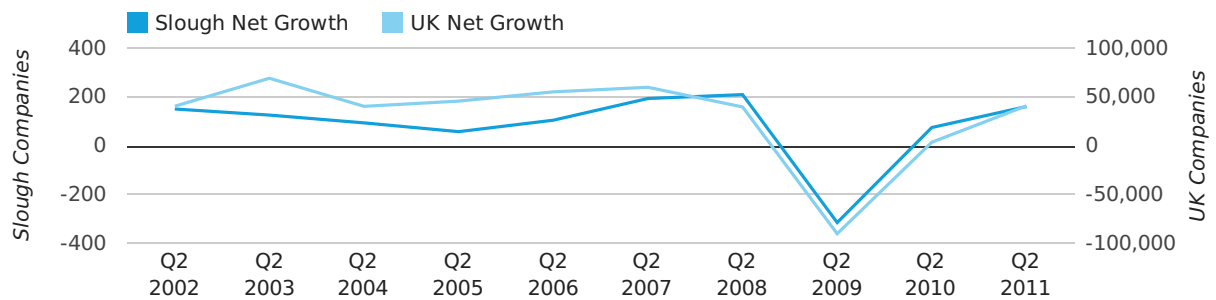
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Slough during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 161 companies.

This represents an increase of 114.7% on the same period last year.

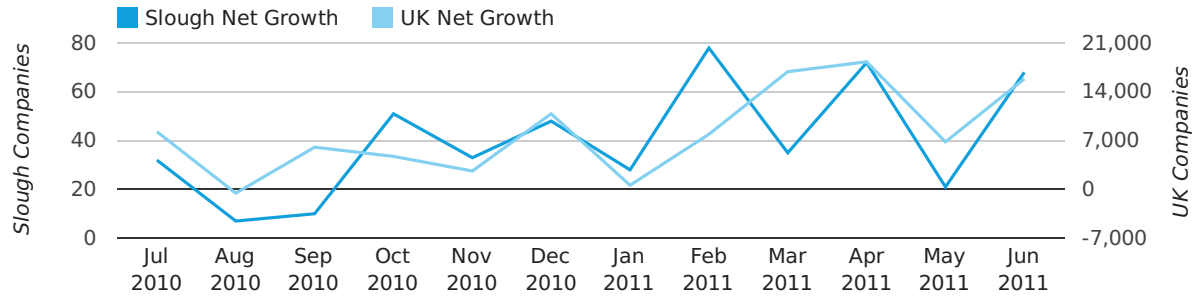
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SLOUGH	UK
2011	161	41,020
2010	75	3,658
% CHANGE	114.7%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (210)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



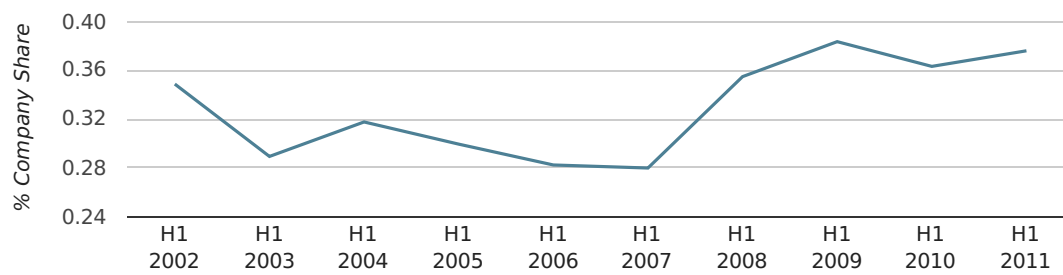
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	72	21	68
NET GROWTH IN 2010	64	-1	12
% CHANGE	12.5%	-2,200.0%	466.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (88)	2006 (66)	2008 (104)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Slough formed 0.4% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.4%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1992 (0.5%)

company share by half year

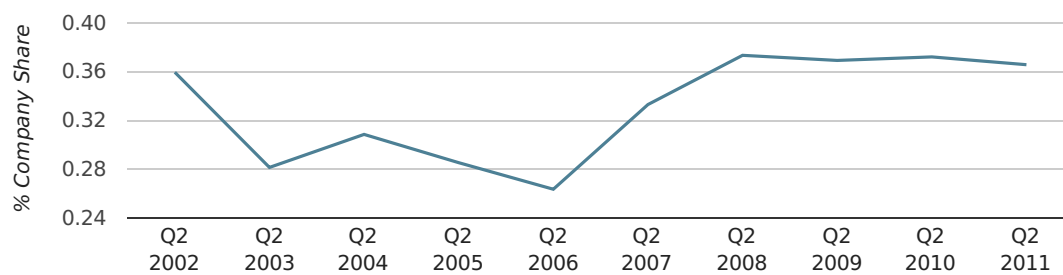


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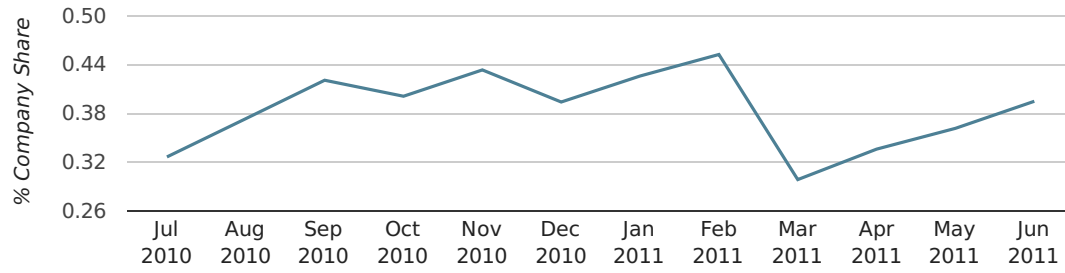
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SLOUGH
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1970 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
% CHANGE	-18.1%	0.6%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	1985 (0.8%)	1971 (0.6%)	1961 (0.8%)

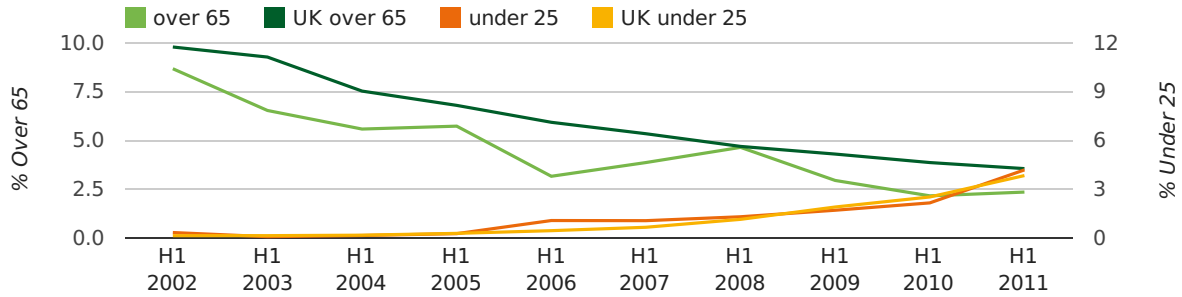
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 39.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



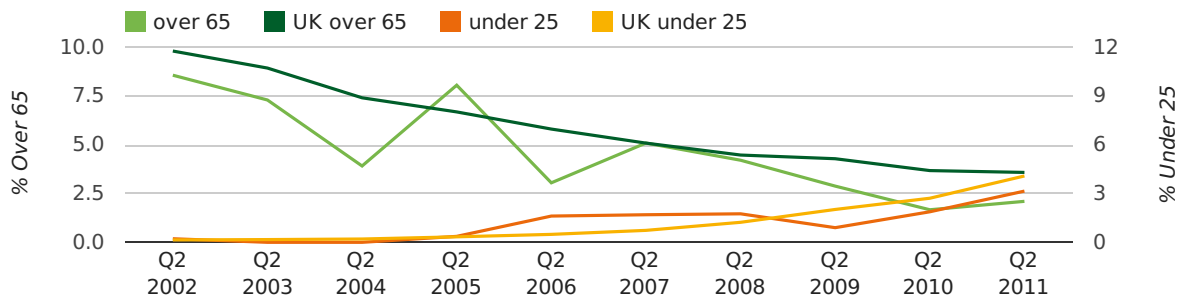
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 40.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

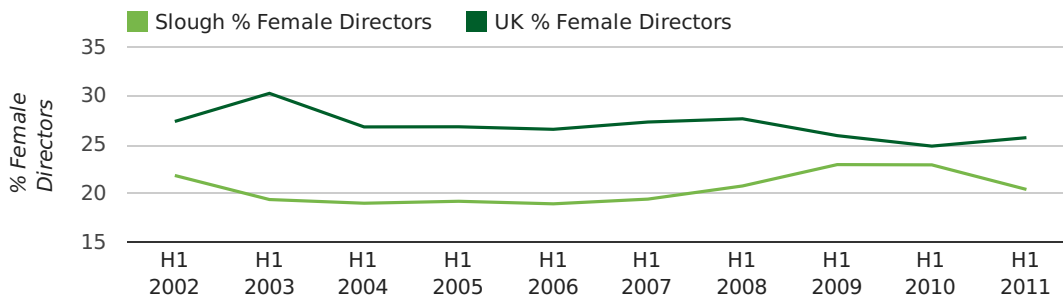


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

20.4% of all director appointments in Slough 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

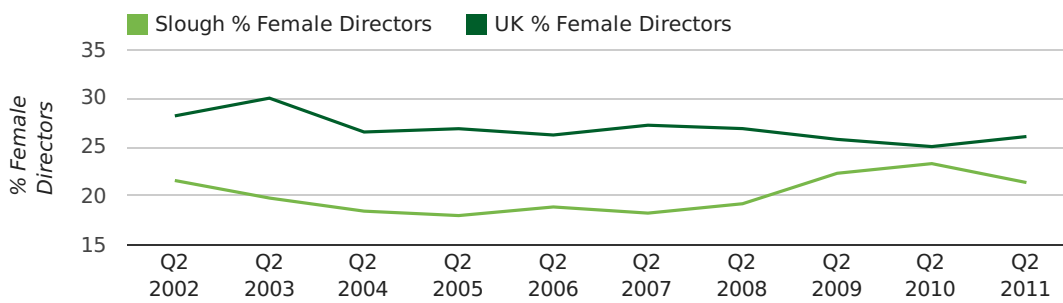


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

21.4% of all director appointments in Slough 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
CONSULTING	2.60%	CONSULTING	5.09%
MANAGEMENT	1.69%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CONSULTANCY	1.39%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
TRADING	1.21%	PROPERTY	2.43%
SLOUGH	0.95%	TRADING	2.05%
CONSULTANTS	0.91%	DESIGN	1.94%
BUSINESS	0.87%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
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MEDIA	0.78%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
IT	0.74%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ENTERPRISES	0.69%	MEDIA	1.73%
SIMPLY	0.69%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
CONSTRUCTION	0.69%	LONDON	1.60%
LONDON	0.65%	GLOBAL	1.46%
FOR	0.61%	J	1.44%
INTERNATIONAL	0.56%	CARE	1.44%
EDUCATION	0.56%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
PROPERTY	0.56%	IT	1.39%
TRAVEL	0.52%	BUILDING	1.32%
CARE	0.52%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
BUILDING	0.52%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
CARS	0.48%	M	1.27%
SYSTEMS	0.48%	S	1.23%
TECHNOLOGIES	0.48%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
SCHOOL	0.48%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	888	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	154	60,758
7414 - Business & management consultancy	107	13,053
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	87	10,545
9999 - Dormant Company	71	20,111
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	61	30,647
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	56	16,419
9305 - Other service activities	48	9,063
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	46	7,143
62090 - Other information technology service activities	46	7,095
7260 - Other computer related activities	45	7,849
99999 - Dormant Company	41	18,918
7499 - Non-trading company	34	10,955
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	32	10,322
7210 - Hardware consultancy	25	811
74990 - Non-trading company	21	8,481
5530 - Restaurants	20	5,086
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	20	7,835
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	18	3,394
62012 - Business and domestic software development	18	3,262