Slough

2012 half year business confidence report





headlines

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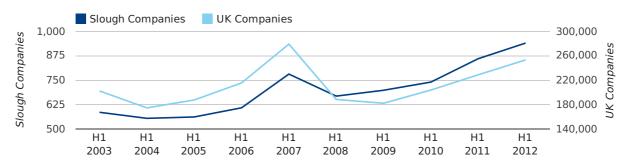
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Slough when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 940 companies were formed in Slough. This figure is 9.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Slough occurred in 2012 when a total of 940 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH	UK
2012	940	253,150
2011	860	228,735
% CHANGE	9.3%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (940)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

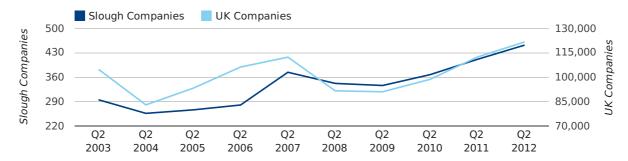
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Slough when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 452 companies were registered in Slough during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 10.0% 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)	SLOUGH	UK
2012	452	121,659
2011	411	112,344
% CHANGE	10.0%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (452)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter

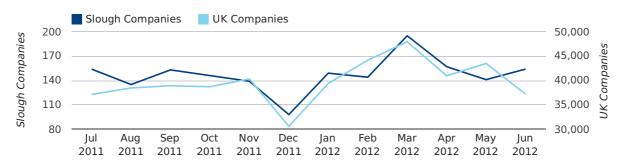


Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

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new companies by month



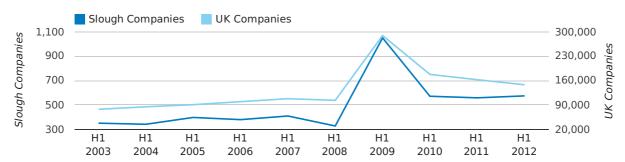
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	157	141	154
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	116	138	157
% CHANGE	35.3%	2.2%	-1.9%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (157)	2012 (141)	2011 (157)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 574 companies were dissolved in Slough. This figure is 2.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

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
2012	574	147,793
2011	558	162,310
% CHANGE	2.9%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,050)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



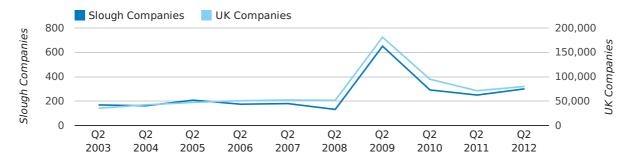
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 301 companies were dissolved in Slough during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 20.4% 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.

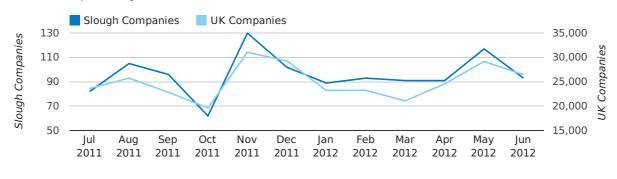
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SLOUGH	UK
2012	301	80,217
2011	250	71,324
% CHANGE	20.4%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (651)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month

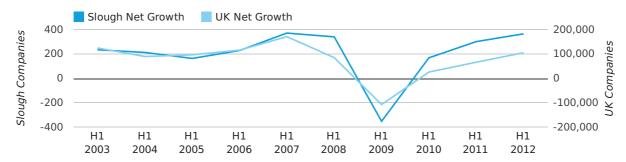


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	91	117	93
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	44	117	89
% CHANGE	106.8%	0.0%	4%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (203)	2009 (292)	2009 (156)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Slough increased by 366 companies. This figure is 21.2% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH	UK
2012	366	105,357
2011	302	66,425
% CHANGE	21.2%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (372)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



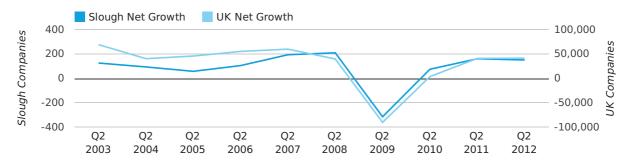
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Slough during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 151 companies.

This represents a decrease of 6.2% on the same period last year.

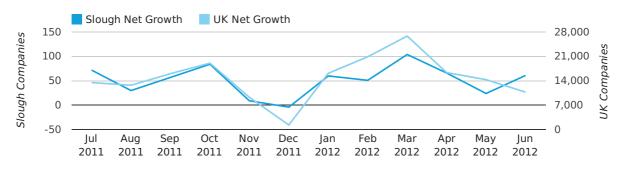
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SLOUGH	UK
2012	151	41,442
2011	161	41,020
% CHANGE	-6.2%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (210)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month

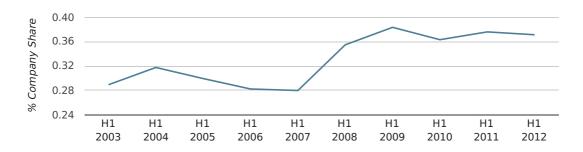


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	66	24	61
NET GROWTH IN 2011	72	21	68
% CHANGE	-8.3%	14.3%	-10.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (88)	2006 (66)	2008 (104)

In the first half of 2012 Slough formed 0.4% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.4%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SLOUGH
2012	0.4%
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1992 (0.5%)

company share by half year

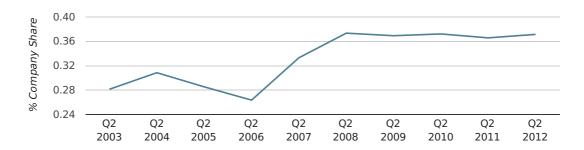


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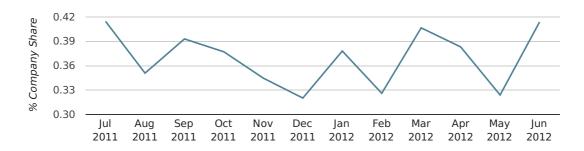
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SLOUGH
2012	0.4%
2011	0.4%
2010	0.4%
2009	0.4%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1970 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



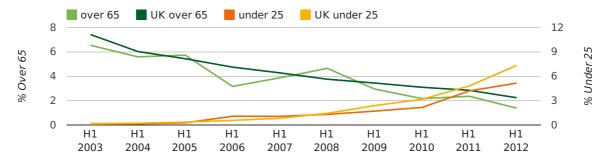
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
% CHANGE	14.0%	-10.4%	4.7%
RECORD YEAR	1985 (0.8%)	1971 (0.6%)	1961 (0.8%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 39.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



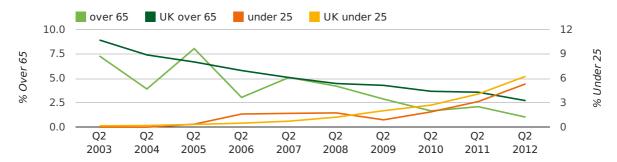
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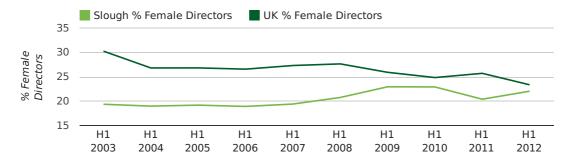
director age by quarter



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

22.1% of all director appointments in Slough 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

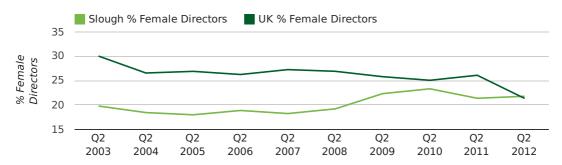


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

21.8% of all director appointments in Slough 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
CONSULTING	1.95%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.34%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
IT	1.14%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
BUSINESS	1.10%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSTRUCTION	1.06%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANCY	1.06%	DESIGN	1.89%
TRADING	0.81%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CARE	0.81%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
CONSULTANTS	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CARS	0.65%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
SLOUGH	0.61%	BUSINESS	1.70%
GLOBAL	0.61%	MEDIA	1.69%
SOFTWARE	0.57%	LONDON	1.68%
ASSOCIATES	0.53%	J	1.57%
TRAVEL	0.49%	GLOBAL	1.51%
ENTERPRISES	0.49%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
INVESTMENTS	0.49%	IT	1.42%
HOUSE	0.49%	CARE	1.31%
CAR	0.45%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
TECHNOLOGIES	0.45%	М	1.26%
MEDIA	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
ENGINEERING	0.41%	BUILDING	1.23%
FINANCIAL	0.41%	SECURITY	1.19%
TECH	0.41%	S	1.18%
SECURITY	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,078	244,457
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	149	15,280
7487 - Other business activities	127	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	75	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	67	20,390
7414 - Business & management consultancy	53	10,978
9999 - Dormant Company	51	16,469
99999 - Dormant Company	51	26,088
62090 - Other information technology service activities	50	8,258
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	48	6,356
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	44	14,220
7260 - Other computer related activities	42	6,456
62012 - Business and domestic software development	32	4,742
7499 - Non-trading company	28	8,023
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	27	10,271
9305 - Other service activities	27	7,926
96020 - Hairdressing and other beauty treatment	26	2,993
74990 - Non-trading company	24	9,706
86900 - Other human health activities	22	5,222
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	21	4,295