Solihull

2011 half year business confidence report



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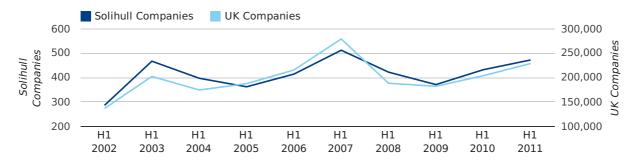
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In the first half of 2011 a total of 472 companies were formed in Solihull. This figure is 9.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Solihull occurred in 2007 when a total of 512 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	472	228,735
2010	432	203,749
% CHANGE	9.3%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (512)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



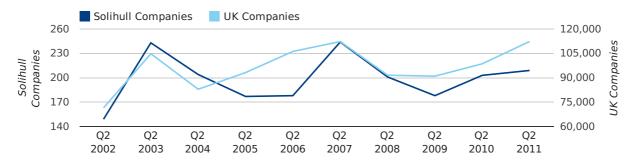
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 209 companies were registered in Solihull during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

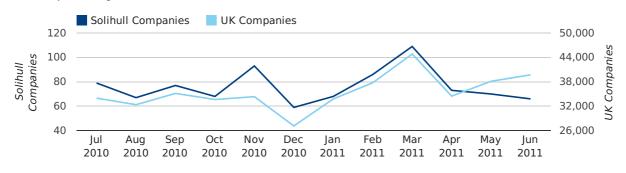
This figure is an increase of 3.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	209	112,344
2010	203	98,612
% CHANGE	3.0%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (244)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



new companies by month



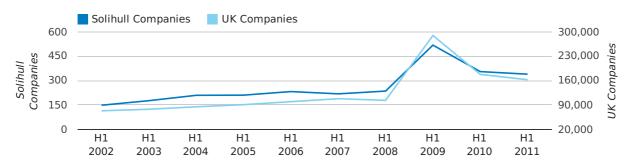
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	73	70	66
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	65	67	71
% CHANGE	12.3%	4.5%	-7.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (90)	2007 (81)	2003 (89)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 339 companies were dissolved in Solihull. This figure is 4.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Solihull occurred in 2009 when a total of 518 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	339	162,310
2010	355	177,631
% CHANGE	-4.5%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (518)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



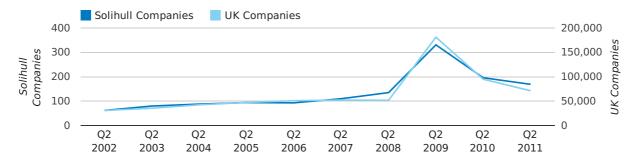
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 169 companies were dissolved in Solihull during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

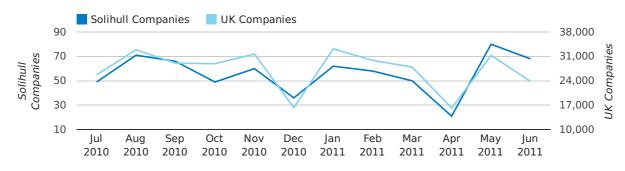
This figure is a decrease of 13.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	169	71,324
2010	196	94,954
% CHANGE	-13.8%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (331)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



dissolved companies by month

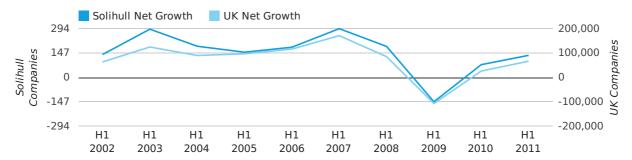


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	80	68
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	47	70	79
% CHANGE	-55.3%	14.3%	-14%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (92)	2009 (146)	2009 (93)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Solihull increased by 133 companies. This figure is 72.7% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	133	66,425
2010	77	26,118
% CHANGE	72.7%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (294)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



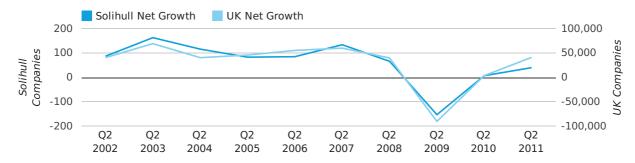
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Solihull during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 40 companies.

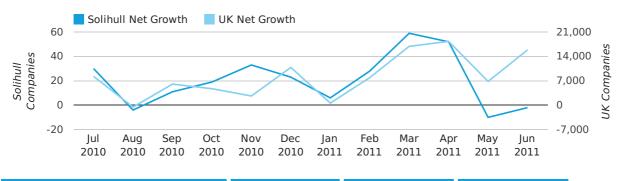
This represents an increase of 471.4% on the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	40	41,020
2010	7	3,658
% CHANGE	471.4%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (163)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



net growth by month

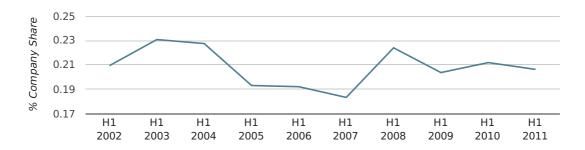


	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	52	-10	-2
NET GROWTH IN 2010	18	-3	-8
% CHANGE	188.9%	233.3%	-75.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (62)	2003 (41)	2003 (60)

In the first half of 2011 Solihull formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.4%)

company share by half year

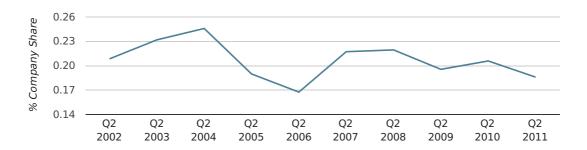


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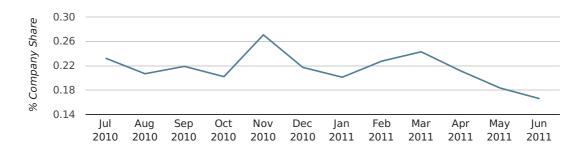
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SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	SOLIHULL
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1973 (0.5%)

company share by quarter



company share by month



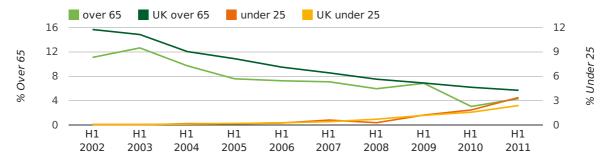
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	8.7%	-17.7%	-17.6%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.7%)	1975 (0.7%)	1960 (0.5%)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.2.

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

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

director age by half year



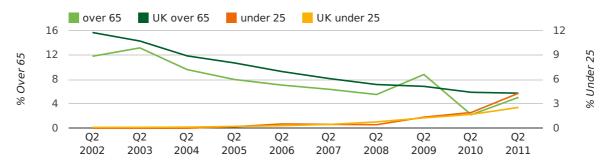
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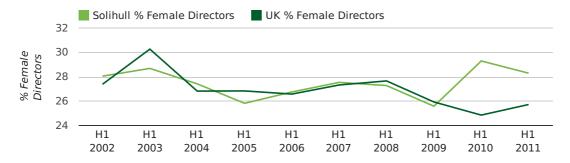
director age by quarter



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

28.3% of all director appointments in Solihull 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 Solihull was in 1866 when 66.7% of all directors were female.

29.4% of all director appointments in Solihull 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



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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	2.13%	CONSULTING	5.09%
MANAGEMENT	1.99%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CONSULTANCY	1.65%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
ASSOCIATES	1.17%	PROPERTY	2.43%
PROPERTY	0.96%	TRADING	2.05%
SOLIHULL	0.82%	DESIGN	1.94%
C	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
CONSTRUCTION	0.62%	BUSINESS	1.87%
MEDICAL	0.62%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
BUILDING	0.62%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSULTANTS	0.55%	MEDIA	1.73%
М	0.55%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
ACADEMY	0.55%	LONDON	1.60%
SYSTEMS	0.48%	GLOBAL	1.46%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.48%	J	1.44%
BRIDGE	0.48%	CARE	1.44%
IT	0.48%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
R	0.48%	IT	1.39%
DESIGN	0.48%	BUILDING	1.32%
FINANCIAL	0.48%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ENGINEERING	0.48%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
WORLD	0.41%	М	1.27%
SOLAR	0.41%	S	1.23%
CARE	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
IDEM	0.41%	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	335	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	115	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	82	30,647
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	66	16,419
99999 - Dormant Company	44	18,918
7414 - Business & management consultancy	36	13,053
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	33	10,545
9999 - Dormant Company	27	20,111
74990 - Non-trading company	26	8,481
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	7,835
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	23	10,322
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	21	7,143
9305 - Other service activities	20	9,063
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	18	5,928
70100 - Activities of head offices	14	2,632
5263 - Other non-store retail sale	14	1,858
62090 - Other information technology service activities	13	7,095
41100 - Development of building projects	12	3,852
7260 - Other computer related activities	12	7,849
43210 - Electrical installation	12	3,085