

# Solihull

2011 annual business confidence report



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- December 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Solihull when compared to any previous December.
- December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Solihull when compared to any previous December.

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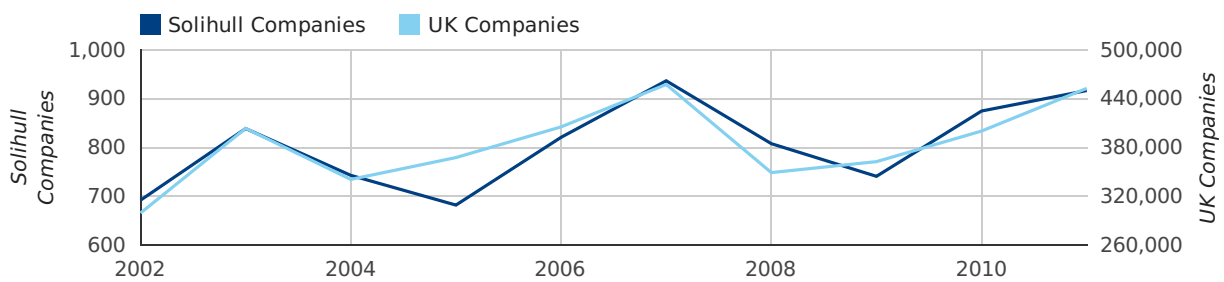
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### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 917 companies were formed in Solihull in 2011. This total is 4.8% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	917	452,870
2010	875	400,358
2009	741	362,675
2008	808	349,203
2007	937	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2007 (937)	2007 (457,649)

### new companies by year



### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

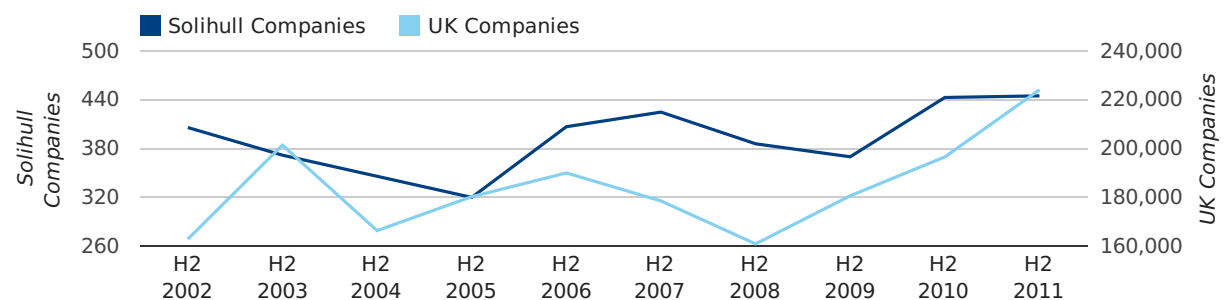
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Solihull when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 445 companies were formed in Solihull. This figure is 0.5% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Solihull occurred in 2011 when a total of 445 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	445	224,135
2010	443	196,609
% CHANGE	0.5%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (445)	2011 (224,135)

### new companies by half year



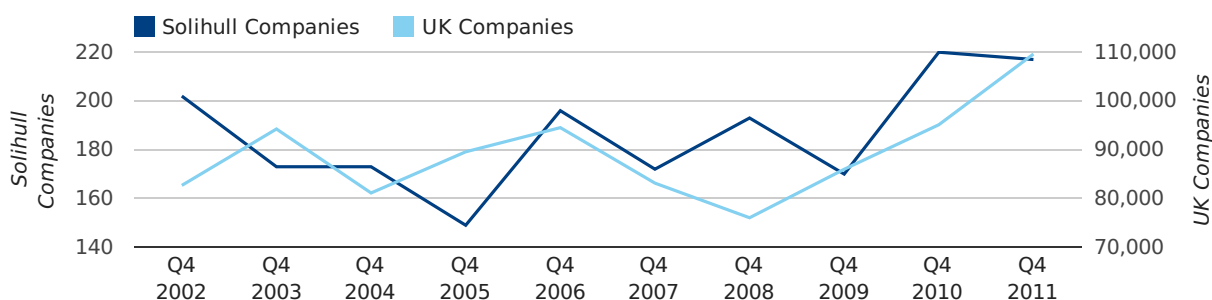
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 217 companies were registered in Solihull during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 1.4% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	217	109,623
2010	220	95,117
% CHANGE	-1.4%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (220)	2011 (109,623)

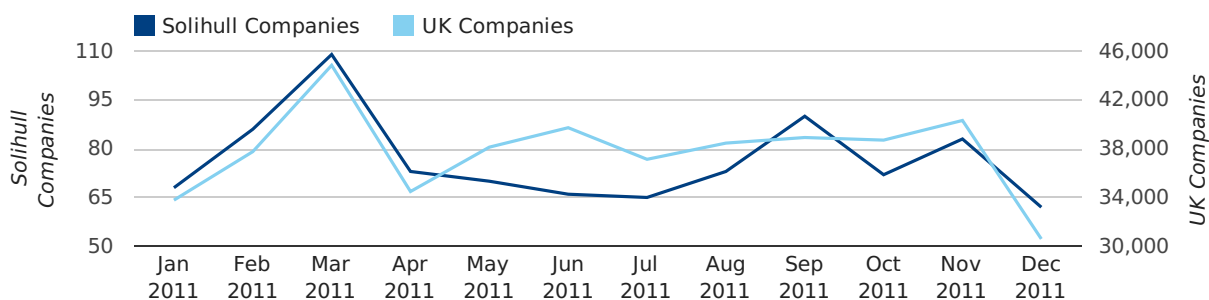
### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Solihull when compared to any previous December.

### new companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	72	83	62
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	68	93	59
% CHANGE	5.9%	-10.8%	5.1%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (86)	2010 (93)	2011 (62)

### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 614 companies were dissolved in Solihull in 2011. This total is 10.5% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	614	314,523
2010	686	342,232
2009	927	533,773
2008	493	237,901
2007	454	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (927)	2009 (533,773)

### dissolved companies by year



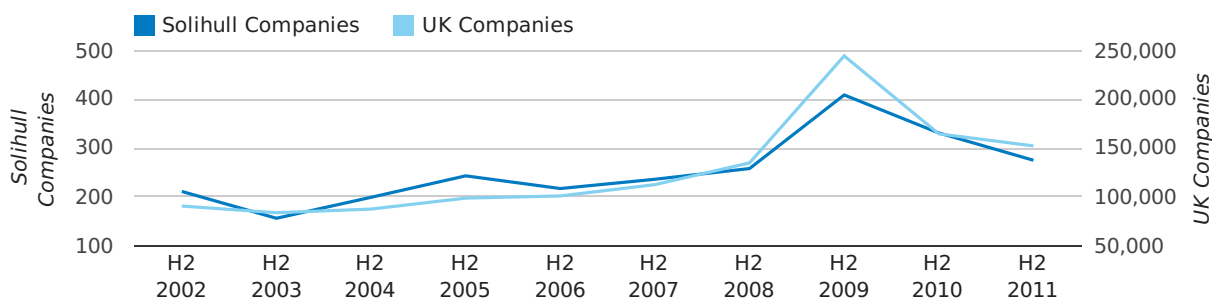
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 275 companies were dissolved in Solihull. This figure is 16.9% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Solihull occurred in 2009 when a total of 409 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	275	152,213
2010	331	164,601
% CHANGE	-16.9%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (409)	2009 (244,537)

### dissolved companies by half year



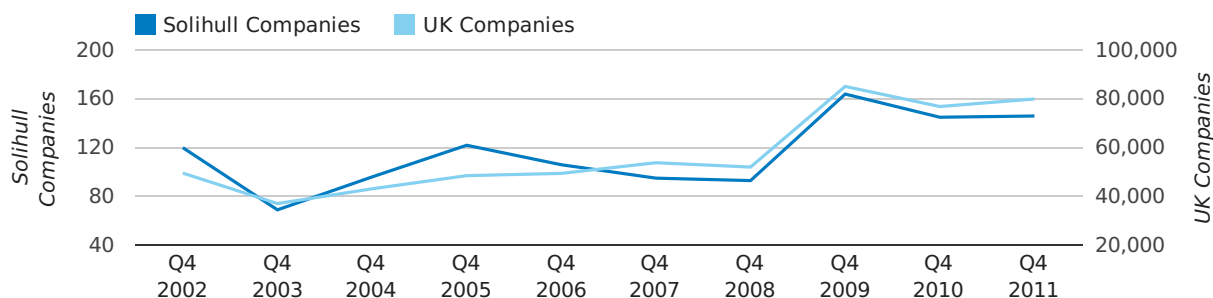
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 146 companies were dissolved in Solihull during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 0.7% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	146	79,983
2010	145	76,896
% CHANGE	0.7%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (164)	2009 (85,136)

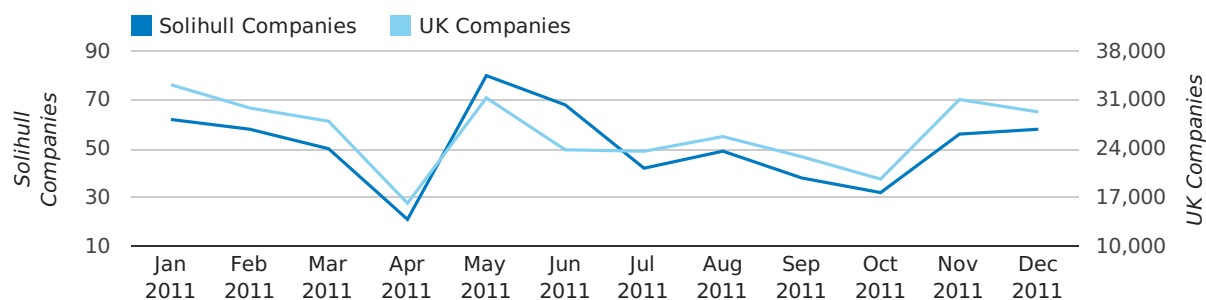
### dissolved companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Solihull when compared to any previous December.

### dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	32	56	58
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	49	60	36
% CHANGE	-34.7%	-6.7%	61%
RECORD YEAR	2001 (85)	2009 (62)	2011 (58)

### Annual Data (2011)

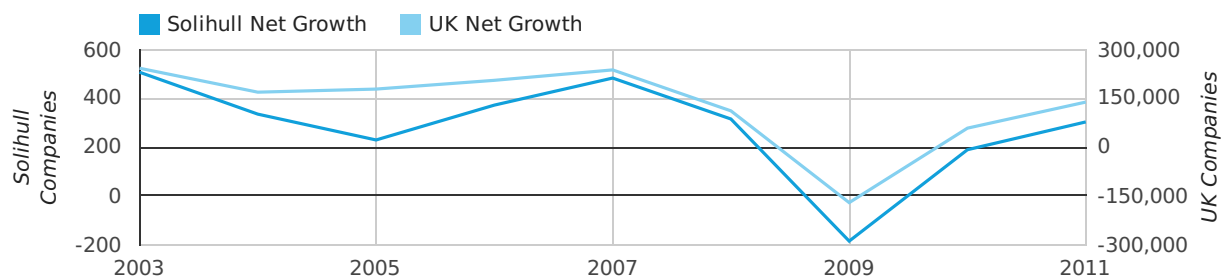
A total of 303 companies were added to the company register for Solihull in 2011. This number represents growth of 34.6% which compares equally to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 114 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Solihull company register grew by 507 companies.

YEAR	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	303	138,347
2010	189	58,126
2009	-186	-171,098
2008	315	111,302
2007	483	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (507)	2003 (242,543)

### net growth by year

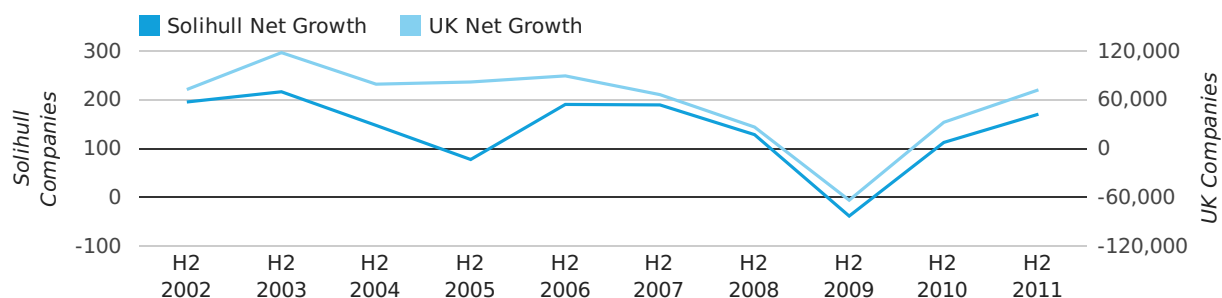


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Solihull increased by 170 companies. This figure is 51.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	170	71,922
2010	112	32,008
% CHANGE	51.8%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (216)	2003 (117,772)

### net growth by half year



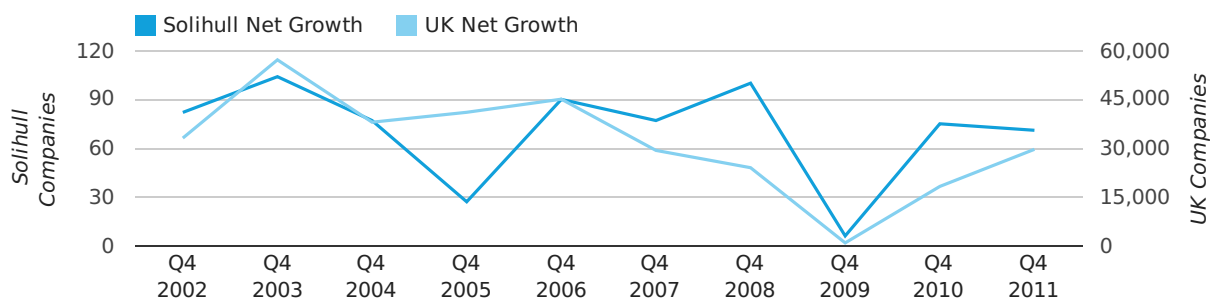
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Solihull during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 71 companies.

This represents a decrease of 5.3% on the same period last year.

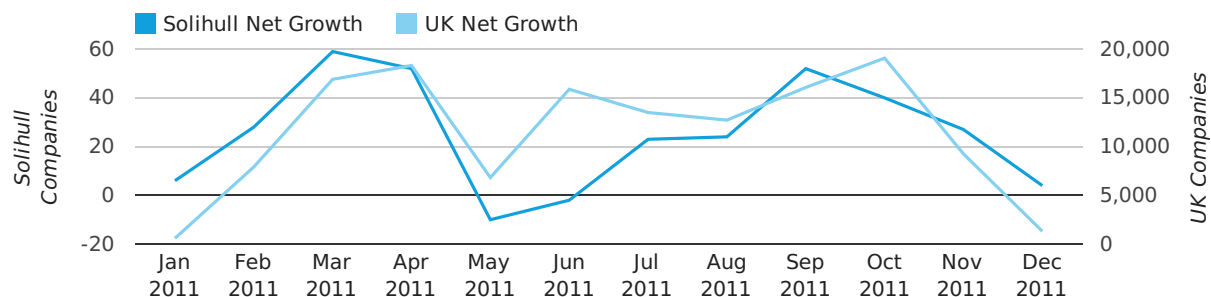
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	SOLIHULL	UK
2011	71	29,640
2010	75	18,221
% CHANGE	-5.3%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (104)	2003 (57,175)

### net growth by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### net growth by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	40	27	4
NET GROWTH IN 2010	19	33	23
% CHANGE	110.5%	-18.2%	-82.6%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (48)	2003 (49)	2007 (43)

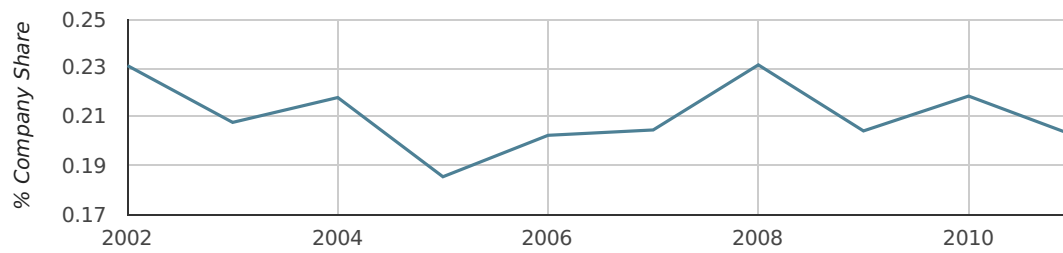


### Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Solihull formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Solihull was responsible for 0.2% of all UK companies.

YEAR	SOLIHULL
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1960 (0.4%)

### company share by year

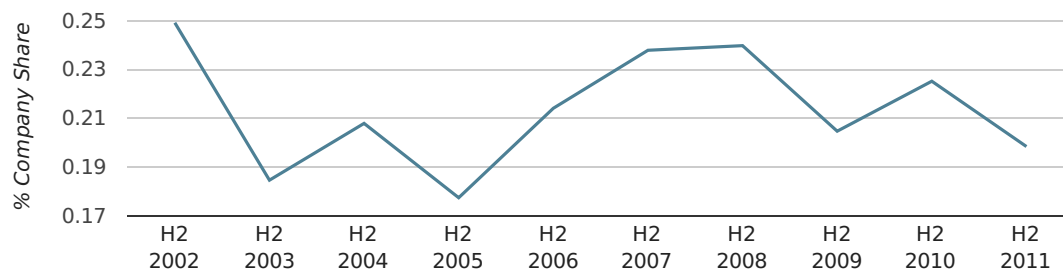


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	SOLIHULL
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.4%)

### company share by half year

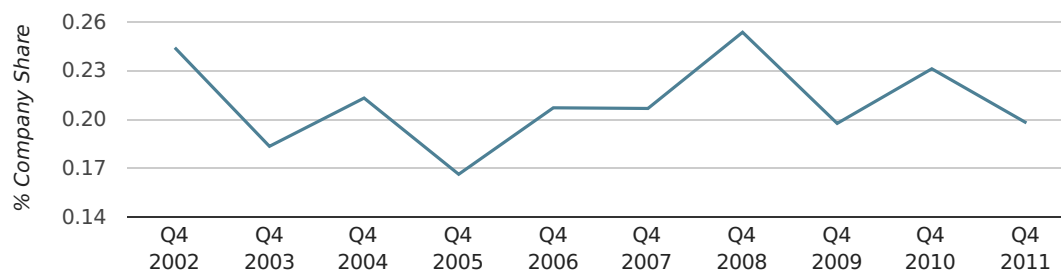


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Solihull formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

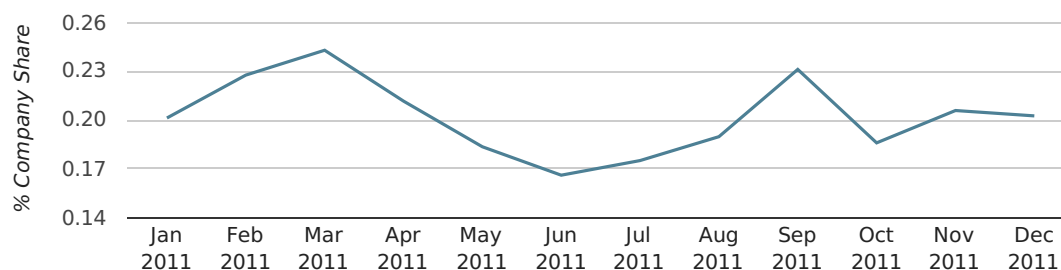
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	SOLIHULL
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.6%)

### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

### company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-8.0%	-24.0%	-6.8%
RECORD YEAR	1961 (0.8%)	1971 (0.5%)	1967 (0.9%)

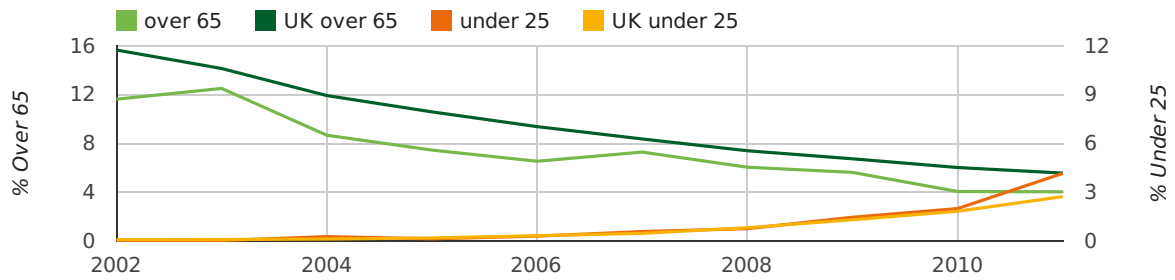
### Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

#### director age by year



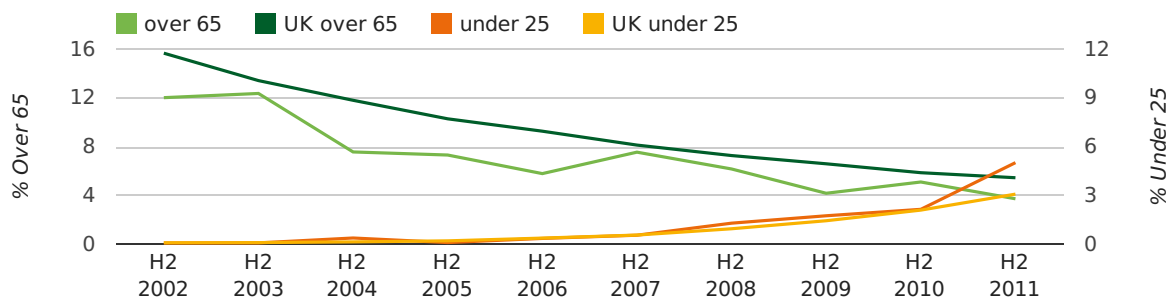
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 44.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

#### director age by half year



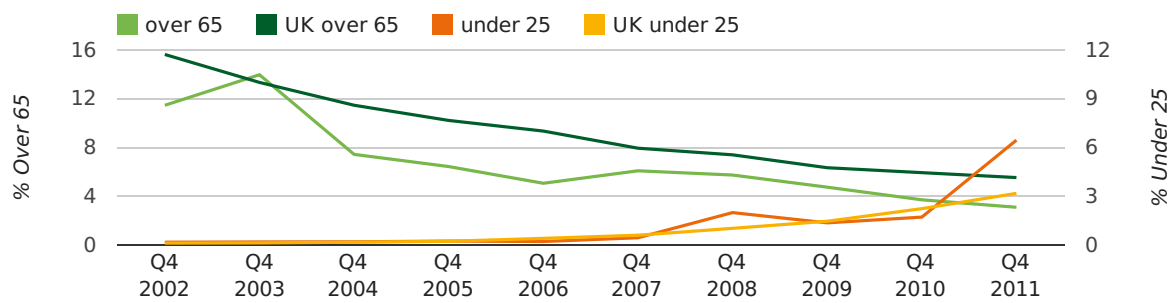
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 45.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 6.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

### director age by quarter

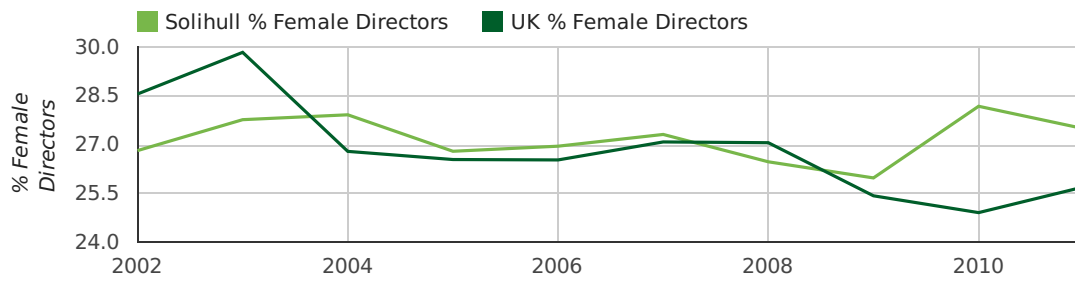


### Annual Data (2011)

The record year for female directors in Solihull was 1857 when 36.4% of all directors were female.

The percentage of female directors in Solihull in 2011 was 26.8%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

#### director gender by year

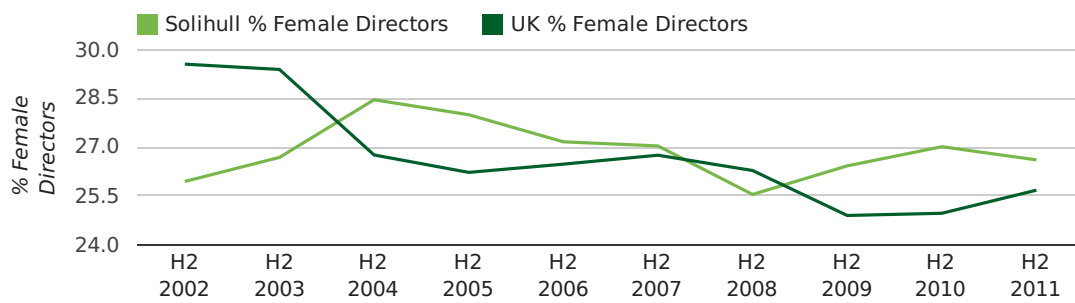


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The record second half year for female directors in Solihull was 1860 when 42.9% of all directors were female.

26.6% of all director appointments in Solihull in the second half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

#### director gender by half year

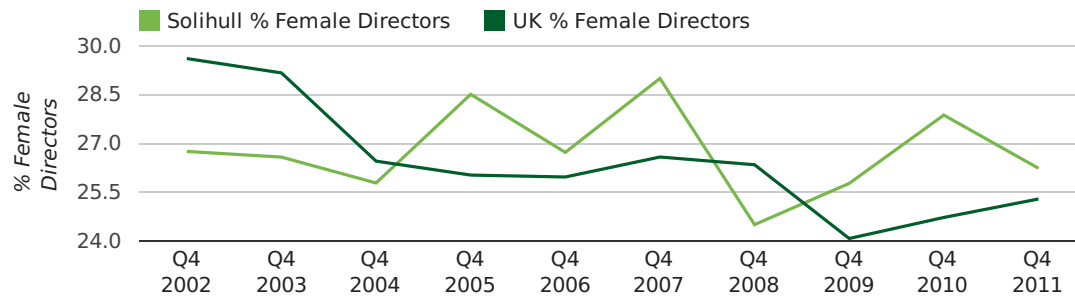


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The record fourth quarter for female directors in Solihull was in 1977 when 31.1% of all directors were female.

26.2% of all director appointments in Solihull in the fourth quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

### director gender by quarter



## Previous 12 months (Dec 2010-Dec 2011)

Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	1.93%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTANCY	1.45%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
PROPERTY	1.38%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
MANAGEMENT	1.38%	PROPERTY	2.37%
ASSOCIATES	1.10%	TRADING	2.07%
SOLIHULL	0.83%	DESIGN	1.92%
CONSULTANTS	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
SYSTEMS	0.76%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
SOLAR	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.78%
MIDLANDS	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
M	0.62%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
BRIDGE	0.55%	MEDIA	1.71%
PROPERTIES	0.55%	LONDON	1.63%
CONSTRUCTION	0.55%	J	1.51%
MARKETING	0.55%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
(MIDLANDS)	0.55%	GLOBAL	1.46%
VEHICLE	0.48%	IT	1.41%
IT	0.48%	CARE	1.39%
BUILDING	0.48%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
SCHOOL	0.48%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
GROUP	0.41%	M	1.27%
IDEM	0.41%	BUILDING	1.26%
PRODUCTS	0.41%	ENERGY	1.25%
ENGINEERING	0.41%	S	1.20%
HIRE	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	330	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	117	57,052
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	80	32,483
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	77	17,765
99999 - Dormant Company	51	21,846
7414 - Business & management consultancy	38	13,034
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	38	12,072
9999 - Dormant Company	32	20,199
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	31	8,671
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	26	11,768
74990 - Non-trading company	20	8,929
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	18	7,398
9305 - Other service activities	16	9,492
7260 - Other computer related activities	16	7,667
62090 - Other information technology service activities	14	7,493
7499 - Non-trading company	13	9,957
43210 - Electrical installation	13	3,175
4545 - Other building completion	12	2,369
70100 - Activities of head offices	12	2,662
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	12	5,558