

# Solihull

2012 half year business confidence report



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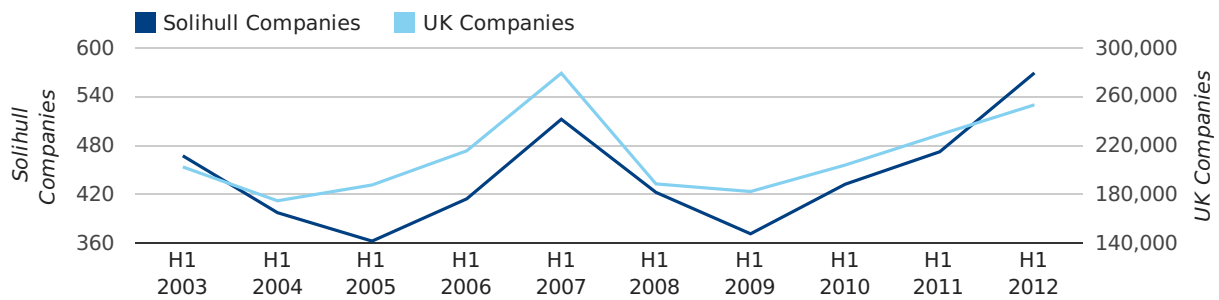
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company registrations in Solihull when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 569 companies were formed in Solihull. This figure is 20.6% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Solihull occurred in 2012 when a total of 569 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL	UK
2012	569	253,150
2011	472	228,735
% CHANGE	20.6%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (569)	2007 (279,097)

### new companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

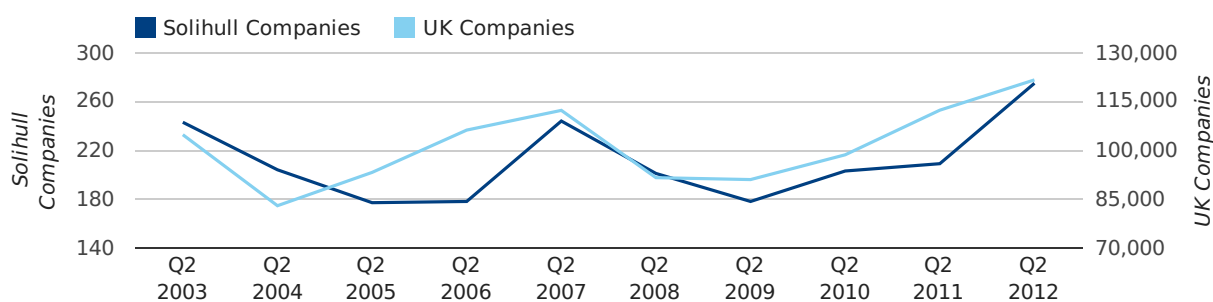
Q2 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in Solihull when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 275 companies were registered in Solihull during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 31.6% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well 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)	SOLIHULL	UK
2012	275	121,659
2011	209	112,344
% CHANGE	31.6%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (275)	2012 (121,659)

### new companies by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

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

### new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	88	102	85
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	73	70	66
% CHANGE	20.5%	45.7%	28.8%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (90)	2012 (102)	2003 (89)

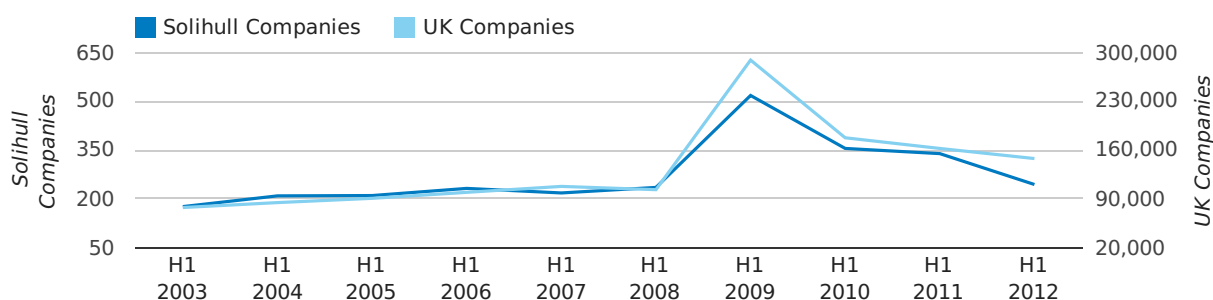
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 244 companies were dissolved in Solihull. This figure is 28.0% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

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
2012	244	147,793
2011	339	162,310
% CHANGE	-28.0%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (518)	2009 (289,236)

### dissolved companies by half year



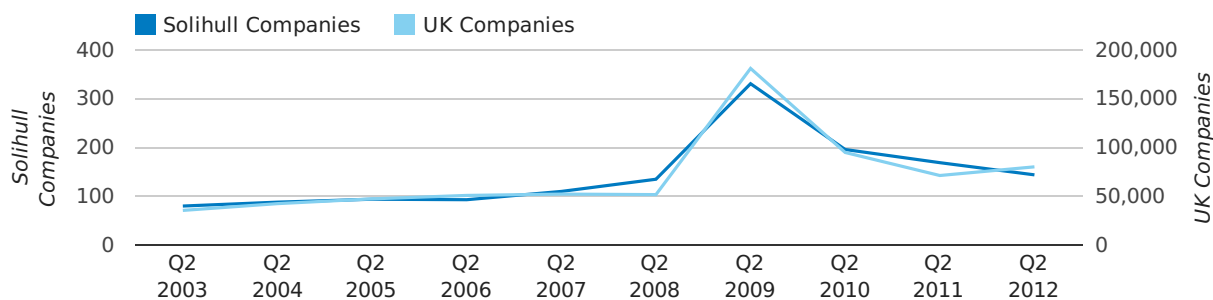
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 144 companies were dissolved in Solihull during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 14.8% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares well 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)	SOLIHULL	UK
2012	144	80,217
2011	169	71,324
% CHANGE	-14.8%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (331)	2009 (181,176)

### dissolved companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## dissolved companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	27	72	45
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	80	68
% CHANGE	28.6%	-10.0%	-34%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (92)	2009 (146)	2009 (93)

### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

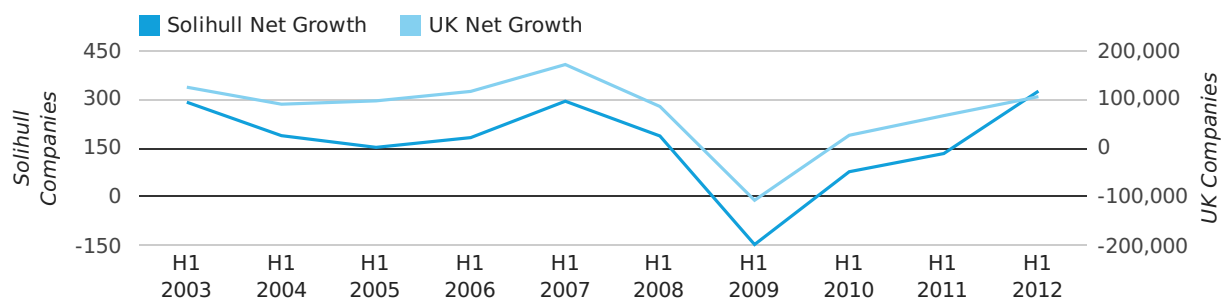
The first half of 2012 saw a new record in net growth in Solihull when compared to any previous first half year.

The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for net growth in Solihull when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Solihull increased by 325 companies. This figure is 144.4% higher than last year, which compares well to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL	UK
2012	325	105,357
2011	133	66,425
% CHANGE	144.4%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (325)	2007 (171,296)

### net growth by half year



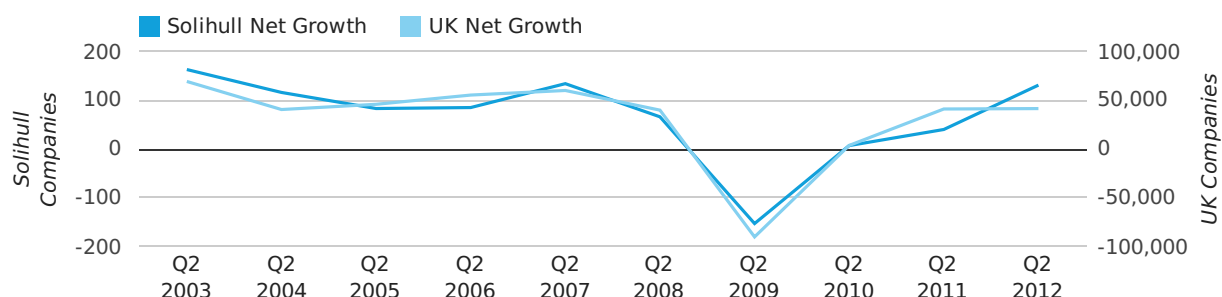
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Solihull during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 131 companies.

This represents an increase of 227.5% on the same period last year.

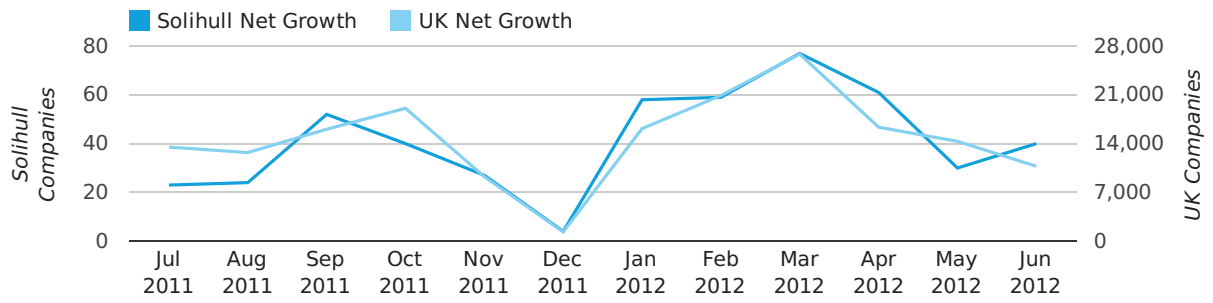
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SOLIHULL	UK
2012	131	41,442
2011	40	41,020
% CHANGE	227.5%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (163)	2003 (69,274)

### net growth by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

## net growth by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	61	30	40
NET GROWTH IN 2011	52	-10	-2
% CHANGE	17.3%	-400.0%	-2,100.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (62)	2003 (41)	2003 (60)

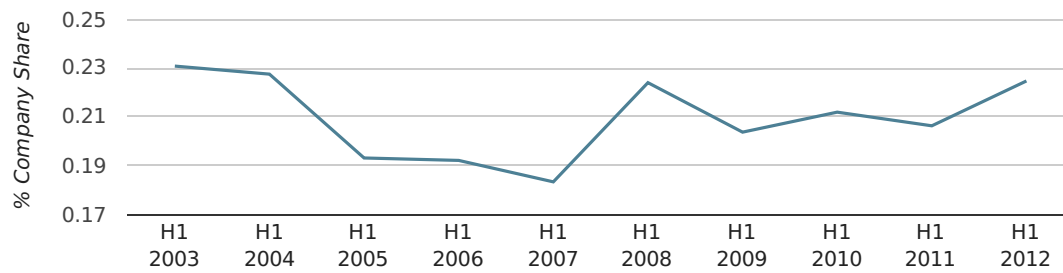


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Solihull formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SOLIHULL
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1974 (0.4%)

#### company share by half year

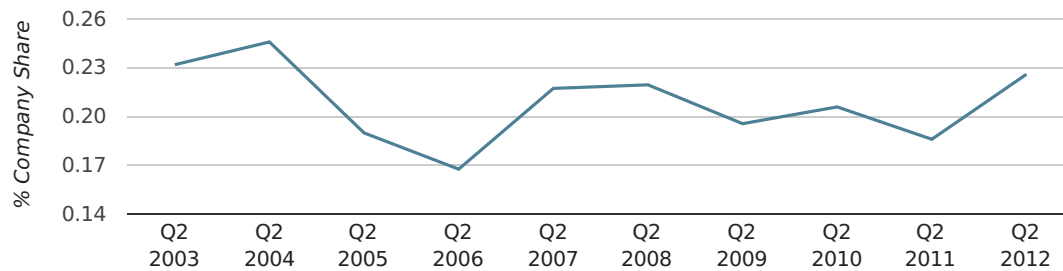


### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Solihull formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SOLIHULL
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1973 (0.5%)

#### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

### company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	1.5%	27.7%	37.6%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (0.7%)	1975 (0.7%)	1960 (0.5%)

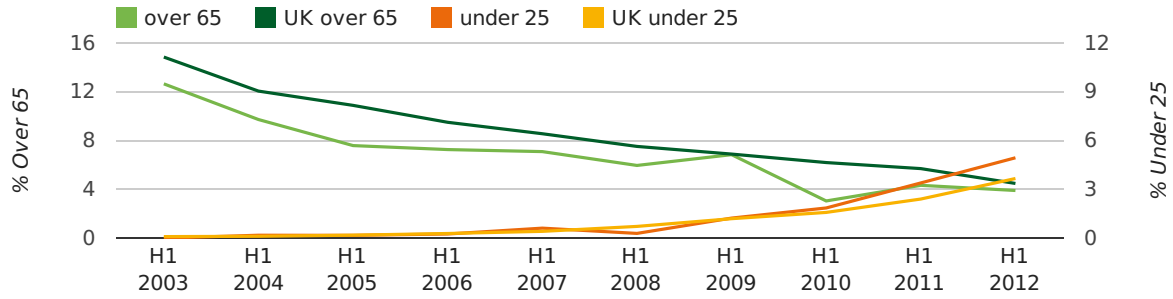
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.9.

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

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

#### director age by half year



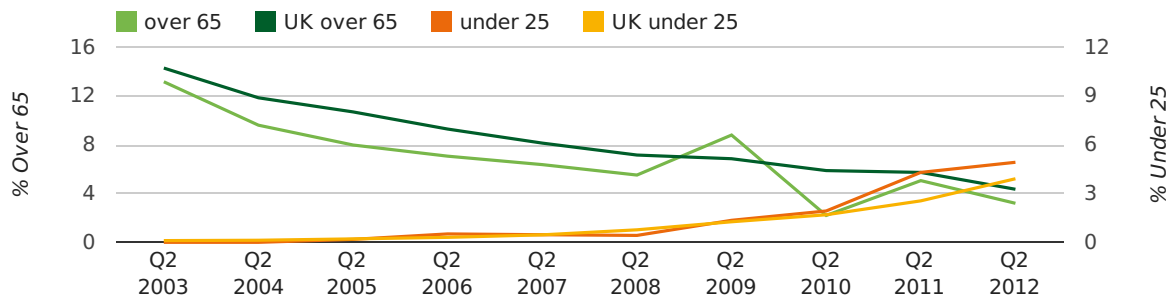
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 42.5.

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

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

#### director age by quarter

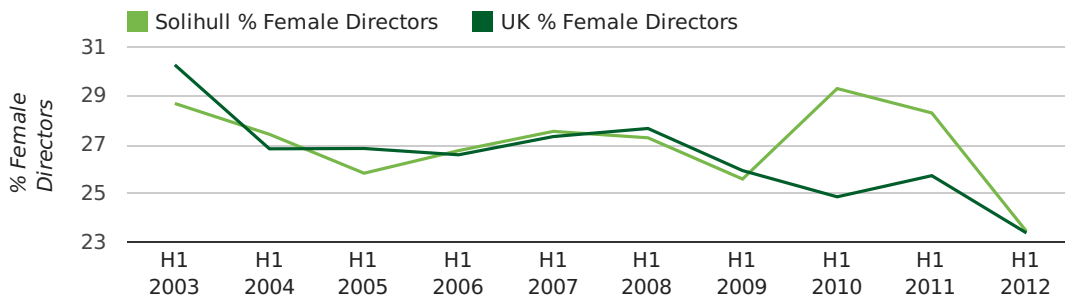


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

23.4% of all director appointments in Solihull 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

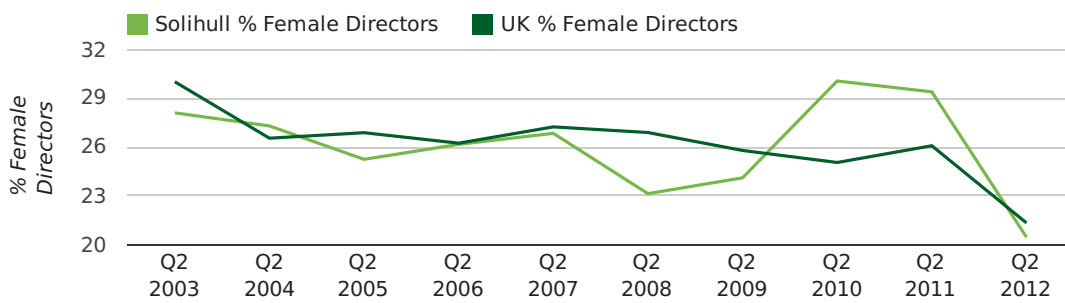


### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

20.5% of all director appointments in Solihull 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, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	2.28%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.52%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.45%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
PROPERTY	1.33%	PROPERTY	2.35%
MEDIA	1.01%	TRADING	2.10%
ASSOCIATES	0.88%	DESIGN	1.89%
SOLIHULL	0.88%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
INVESTMENTS	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
M	0.63%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
MARKETING	0.57%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
MIDLANDS	0.57%	BUSINESS	1.70%
MEDICAL	0.57%	MEDIA	1.69%
BUSINESS	0.51%	LONDON	1.68%
HEALTHCARE	0.51%	J	1.57%
ELECTRICAL	0.51%	GLOBAL	1.51%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.51%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DESIGN	0.51%	IT	1.42%
CONSTRUCTION	0.51%	CARE	1.31%
GREEN	0.51%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
J	0.44%	M	1.26%
SYSTEMS	0.44%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
CARE	0.44%	BUILDING	1.23%
CONSULTANTS	0.44%	SECURITY	1.19%
INTERIORS	0.44%	S	1.18%
SUPPORT	0.44%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	403	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	97	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	92	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	85	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	53	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	44	15,280
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	34	10,271
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	32	14,220
7414 - Business & management consultancy	30	10,978
74990 - Non-trading company	24	9,706
9999 - Dormant Company	22	16,469
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	16	6,356
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	15	3,818
43210 - Electrical installation	14	3,557
7260 - Other computer related activities	14	6,456
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	14	4,091
62090 - Other information technology service activities	14	8,258
41100 - Development of building projects	13	5,149
9305 - Other service activities	12	7,926
4545 - Other building completion	12	1,943