

St Neots

2011 half year business confidence report



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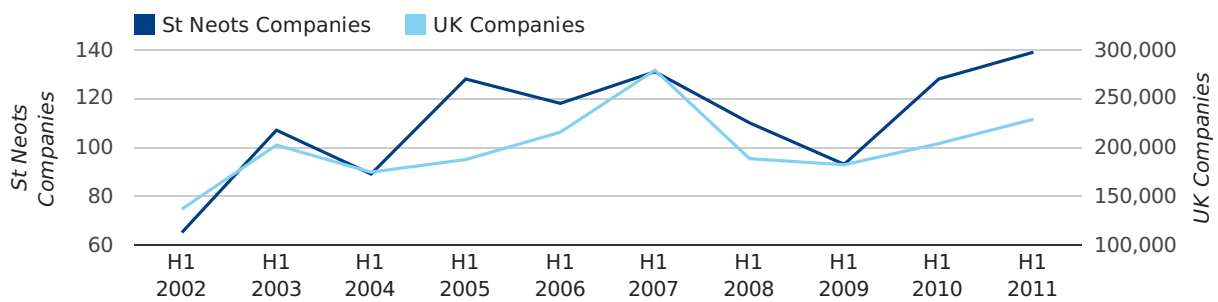
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in St Neots when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 139 companies were formed in St Neots. This figure is 8.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in St Neots occurred in 2011 when a total of 139 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	139	228,735
2010	128	203,749
% CHANGE	8.6%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (139)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



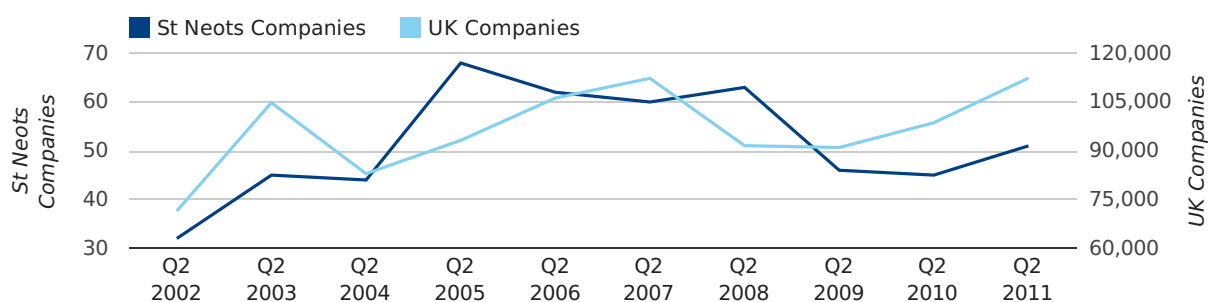
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 51 companies were registered in St Neots during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 13.3% 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.

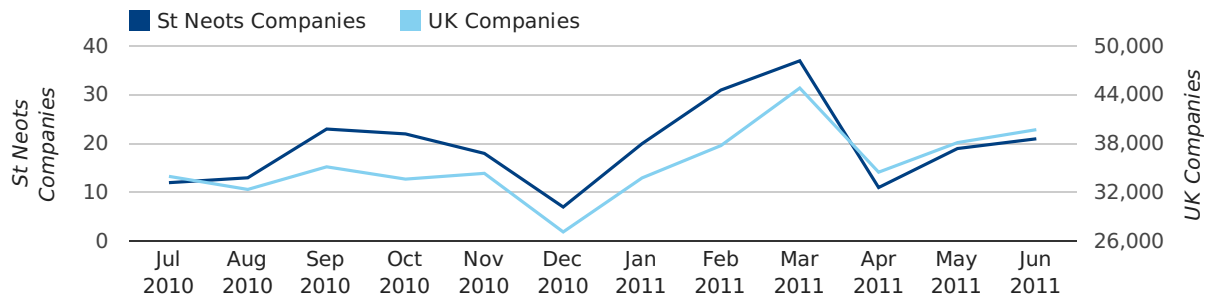
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	51	112,344
2010	45	98,612
% CHANGE	13.3%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (68)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	11	19	21
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	15	18	12
% CHANGE	-26.7%	5.6%	75.0%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (31)	2007 (20)	2005 (21)

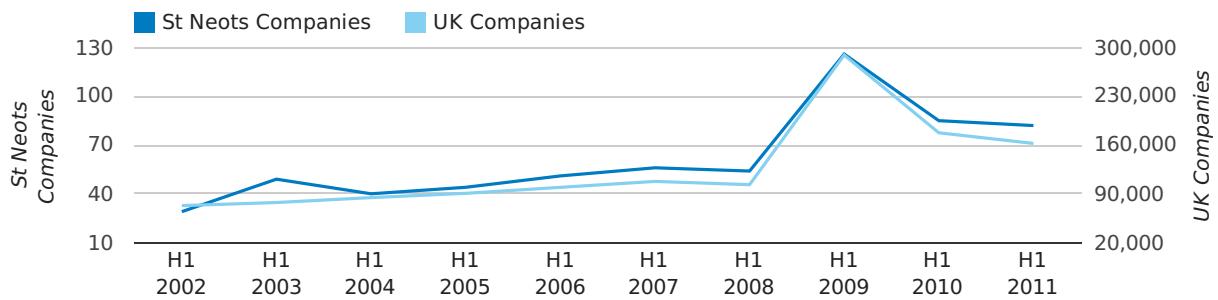
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 82 companies were dissolved in St Neots. This figure is 3.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in St Neots occurred in 2009 when a total of 126 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	82	162,310
2010	85	177,631
% CHANGE	-3.5%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (126)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



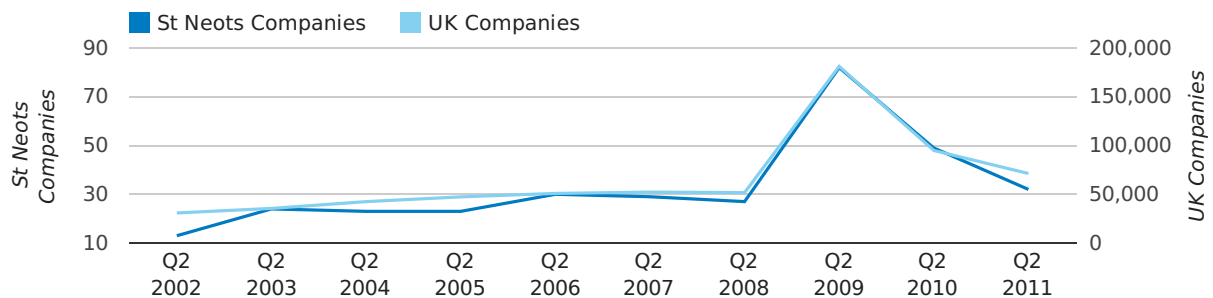
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 32 companies were dissolved in St Neots during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 34.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

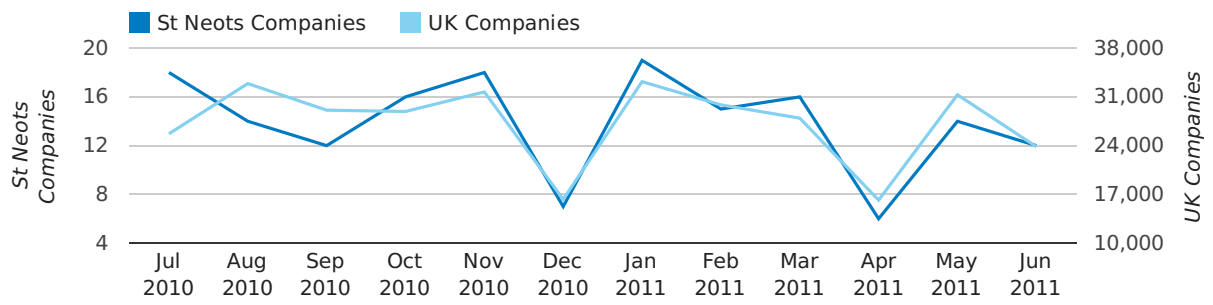
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	32	71,324
2010	49	94,954
% CHANGE	-34.7%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (82)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



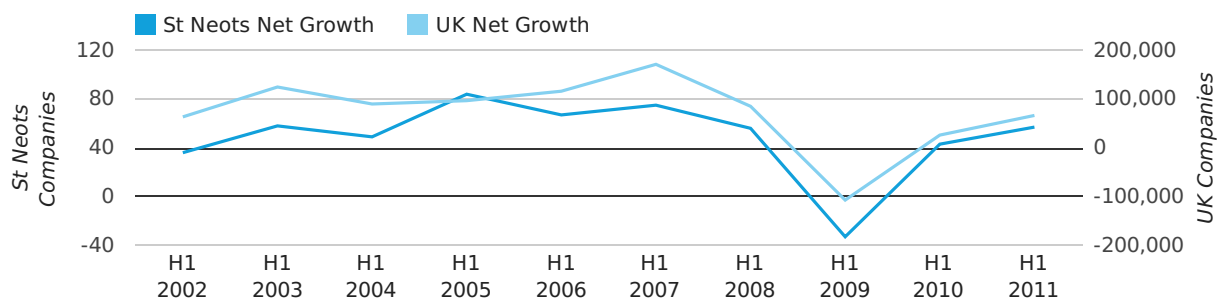
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	6	14	12
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	14	17	18
% CHANGE	-57.1%	-17.6%	-33%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (17)	2009 (36)	2009 (29)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for St Neots increased by 57 companies. This figure is 32.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	57	66,425
2010	43	26,118
% CHANGE	32.6%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (84)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



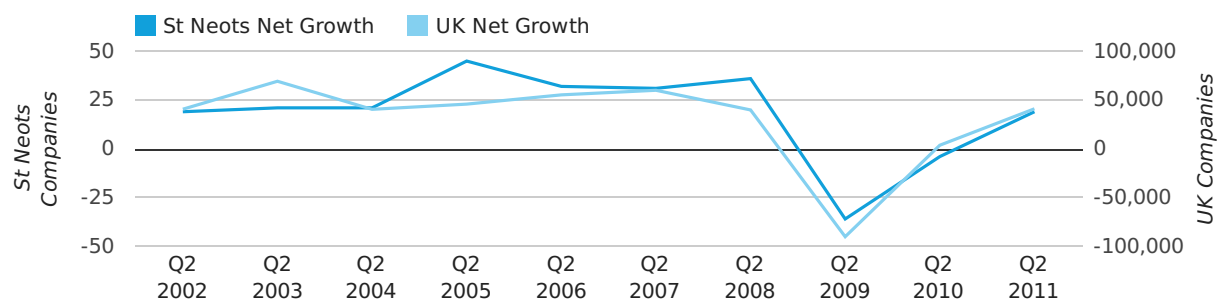
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for St Neots during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 19 companies.

This represents an increase of 575.0% on the same period last year.

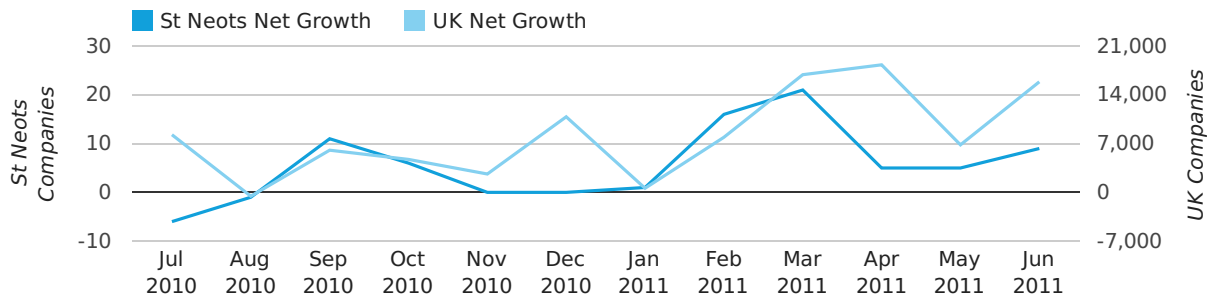
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ST NEOTS	UK
2011	19	41,020
2010	-4	3,658
% CHANGE	-575.0%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (45)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



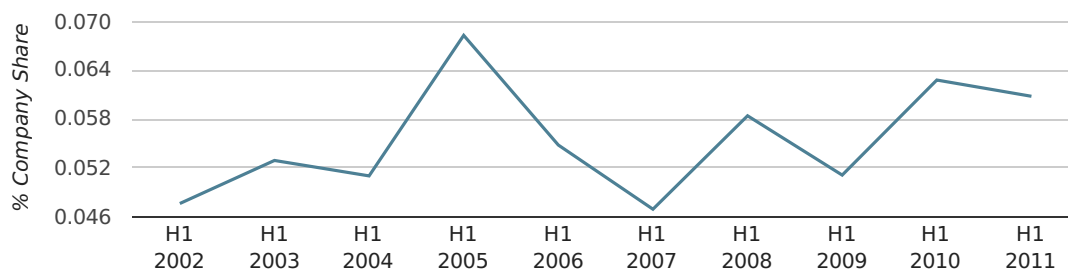
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	5	5	9
NET GROWTH IN 2010	1	1	-6
% CHANGE	400.0%	400.0%	-250.0%
RECORD YEAR	2005 (24)	2004 (11)	2008 (16)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 St Neots formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	ST NEOTS
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1976 (0.1%)

company share by half year

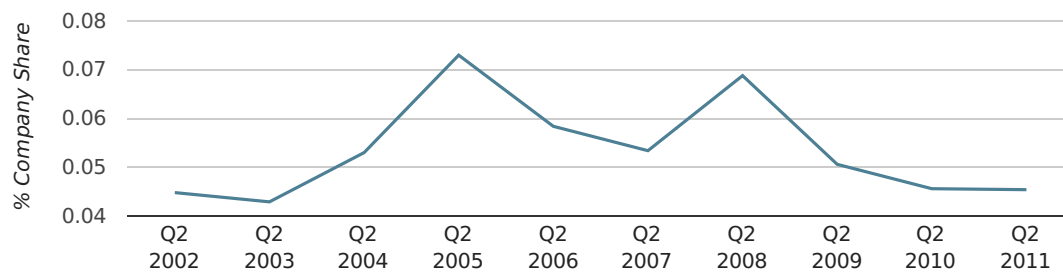


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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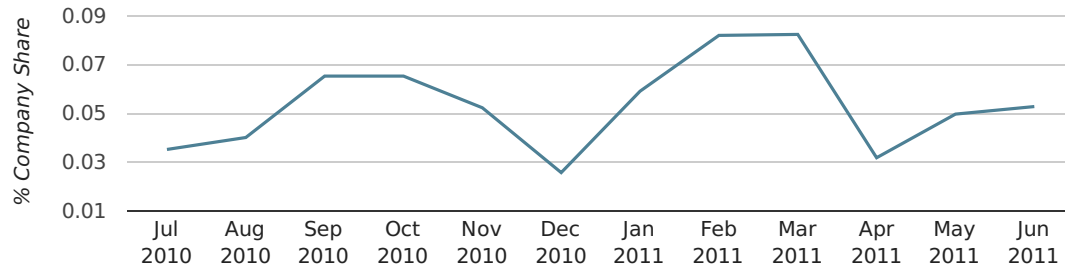
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	ST NEOTS
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1976 (0.2%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
% CHANGE	-29.0%	-16.9%	55.1%
RECORD YEAR	1976 (0.3%)	1968 (0.2%)	1965 (0.2%)

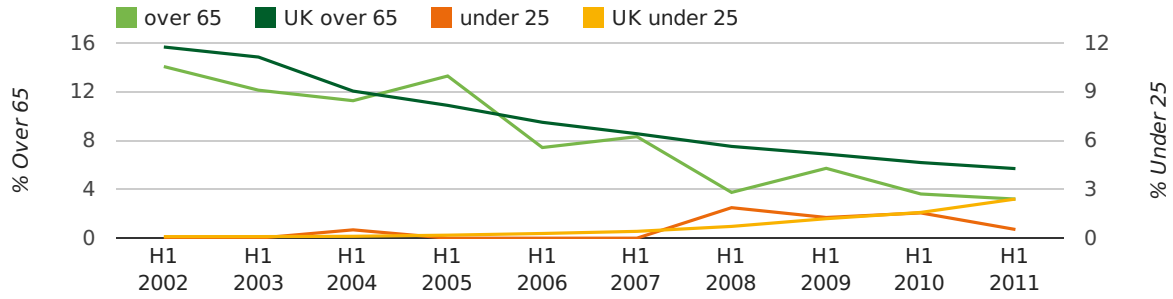
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 44.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 0.5% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



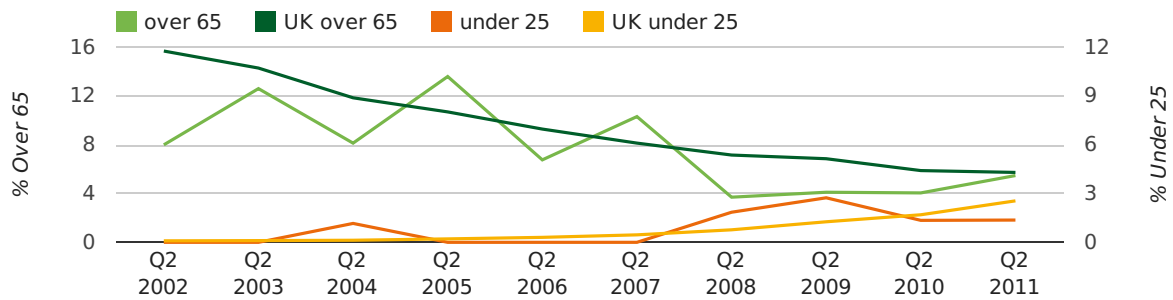
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2011 was 42.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.4% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by quarter

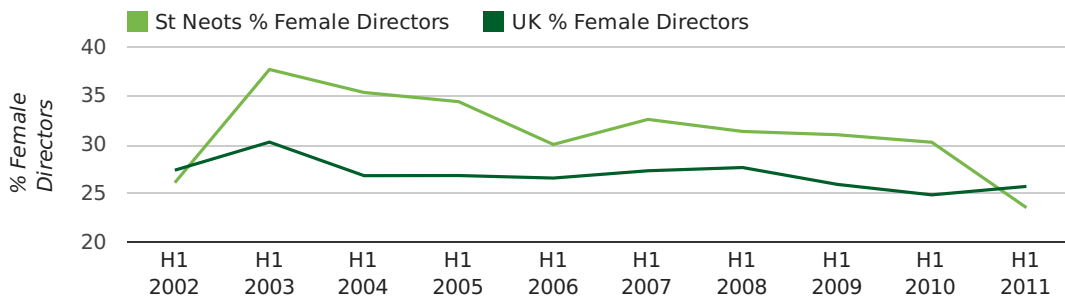


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

23.6% of all director appointments in St Neots 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

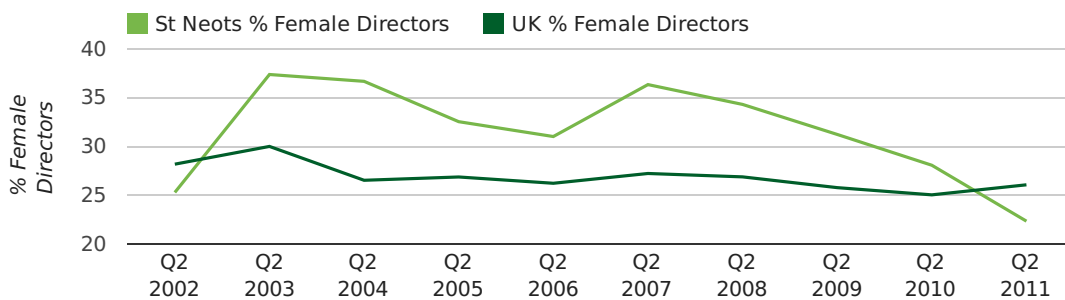


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

22.4% of all director appointments in St Neots 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	1.53%	CONSULTING	5.09%
ASSOCIATES	1.31%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
MANAGEMENT	1.31%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
CONSULTANCY	1.31%	PROPERTY	2.43%
ENERGY	1.09%	TRADING	2.05%
MARKETING	0.66%	DESIGN	1.94%
AFFINITY	0.66%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
LEISURE	0.66%	BUSINESS	1.87%
G	0.66%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
C	0.66%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
BLUE	0.66%	MEDIA	1.73%
ROOFING	0.66%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
SECURITY	0.66%	LONDON	1.60%
CAMBRIDGE	0.66%	GLOBAL	1.46%
TRAINING	0.66%	J	1.44%
FOR	0.44%	CARE	1.44%
PROJECT	0.44%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
S	0.44%	IT	1.39%
GP	0.44%	BUILDING	1.32%
ACCOUNTANCY	0.44%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
CONTROL	0.44%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
COMMUNICATIONS	0.44%	M	1.27%
STAR	0.44%	S	1.23%
TRAVEL	0.44%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
RACING	0.44%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	79	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	31	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	16	30,647
99999 - Dormant Company	14	18,918
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	13	16,419
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	12	10,545
9999 - Dormant Company	12	20,111
7414 - Business & management consultancy	11	13,053
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	8	10,322
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	8	7,835
9305 - Other service activities	7	9,063
62090 - Other information technology service activities	6	7,095
62012 - Business and domestic software development	5	3,262
4525 - Other special trades construction	5	1,676
7260 - Other computer related activities	5	7,849
86900 - Other human health activities	4	4,154
96040 - Physical well-being activities	4	342
6420 - Telecommunications	3	1,243
56210 - Event catering activities	3	697
43999 - Other specialised construction activities not elsewhere classified	3	3,050