

# Stockport

2011 annual business confidence report



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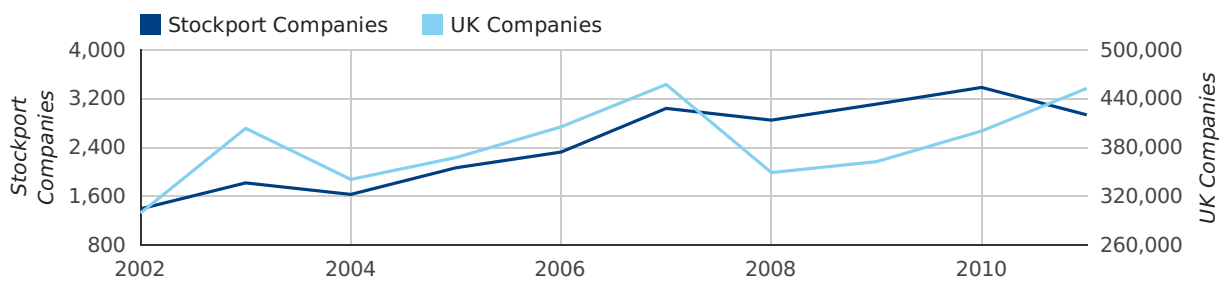
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### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 2,937 companies were formed in Stockport in 2011. This total is 13.3% lower than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	2,937	452,870
2010	3,387	400,358
2009	3,113	362,675
2008	2,850	349,203
2007	3,043	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2010 (3,387)	2007 (457,649)

### new companies by year



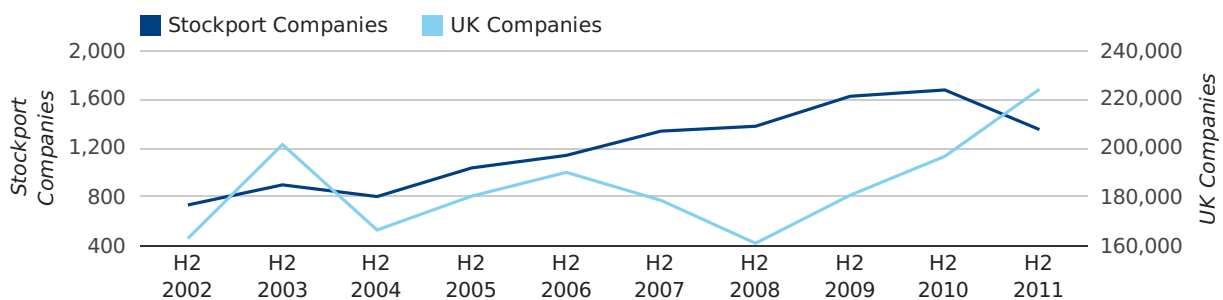
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 1,352 companies were formed in Stockport. This figure is 19.4% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Stockport occurred in 2010 when a total of 1,677 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	1,352	224,135
2010	1,677	196,609
% CHANGE	-19.4%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (1,677)	2011 (224,135)

### new companies by half year



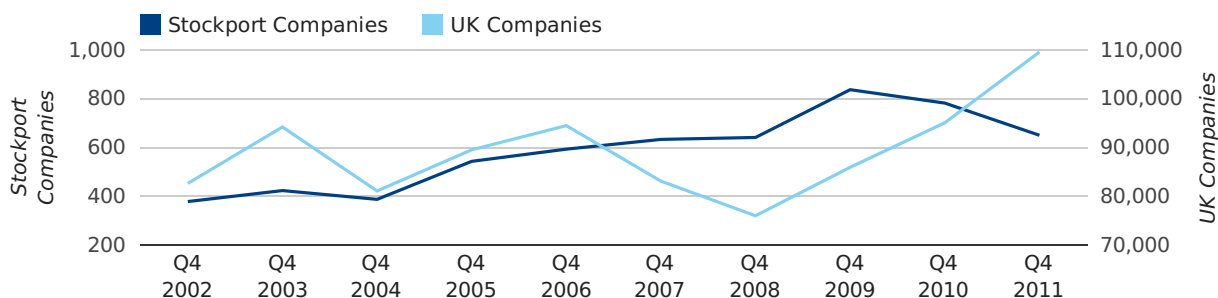
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 651 companies were registered in Stockport during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 16.9% 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.

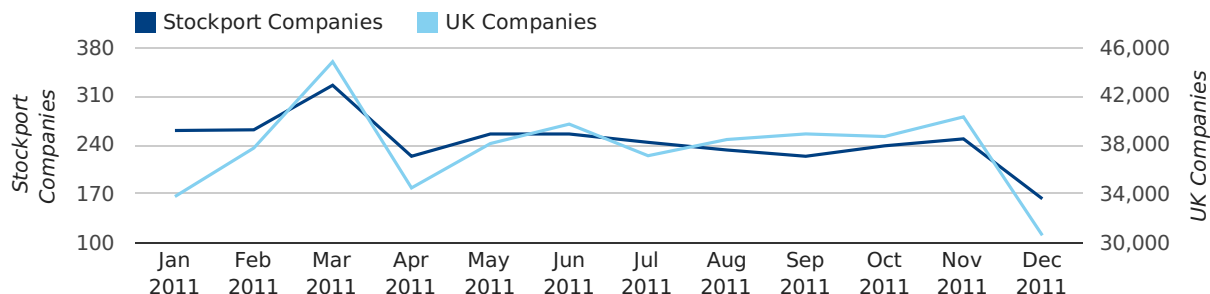
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	651	109,623
2010	783	95,117
% CHANGE	-16.9%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (838)	2011 (109,623)

### new companies by quarter



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

### new companies by month



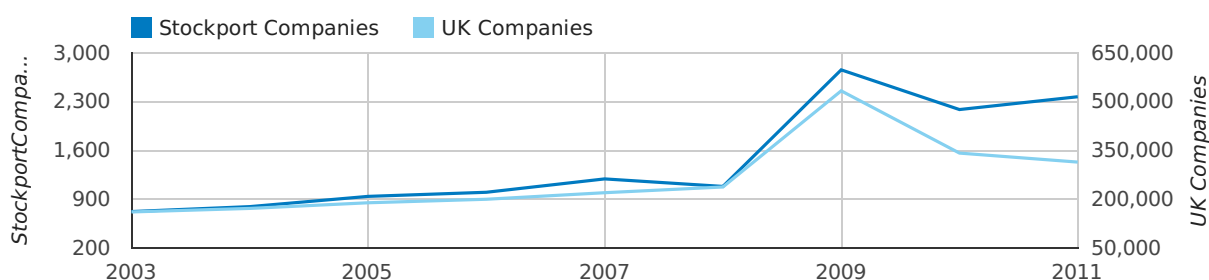
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	239	249	163
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	260	278	245
% CHANGE	-8.1%	-10.4%	-33.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (283)	2009 (296)	2009 (259)

### Annual Data (2011)

A total of 2,373 companies were dissolved in Stockport in 2011. This total is 8.4% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	2,373	314,523
2010	2,189	342,232
2009	2,759	533,773
2008	1,085	237,901
2007	1,193	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (2,759)	2009 (533,773)

### dissolved companies by year



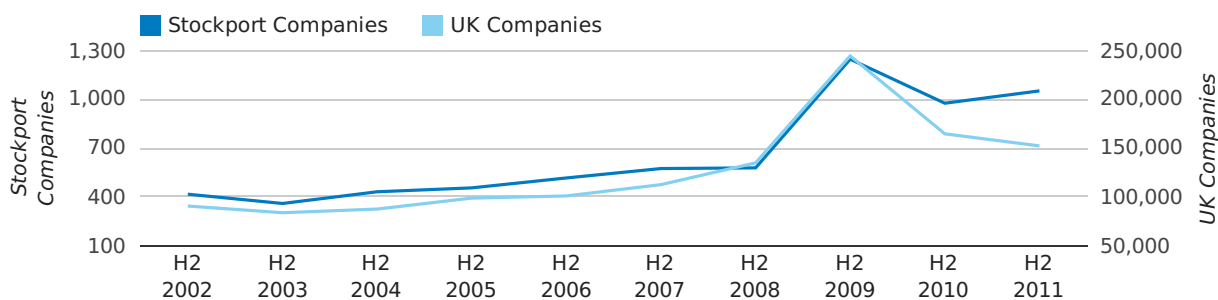
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 1,052 companies were dissolved in Stockport. This figure is 7.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Stockport occurred in 2009 when a total of 1,247 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	1,052	152,213
2010	976	164,601
% CHANGE	7.8%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,247)	2009 (244,537)

### dissolved companies by half year



## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

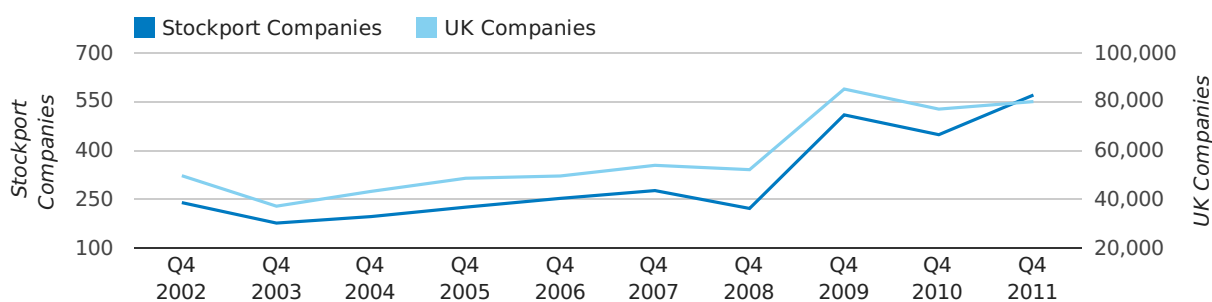
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Stockport when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 570 companies were dissolved in Stockport during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 27.2% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares poorly 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)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	570	79,983
2010	448	76,896
% CHANGE	27.2%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (570)	2009 (85,136)

### dissolved companies by quarter

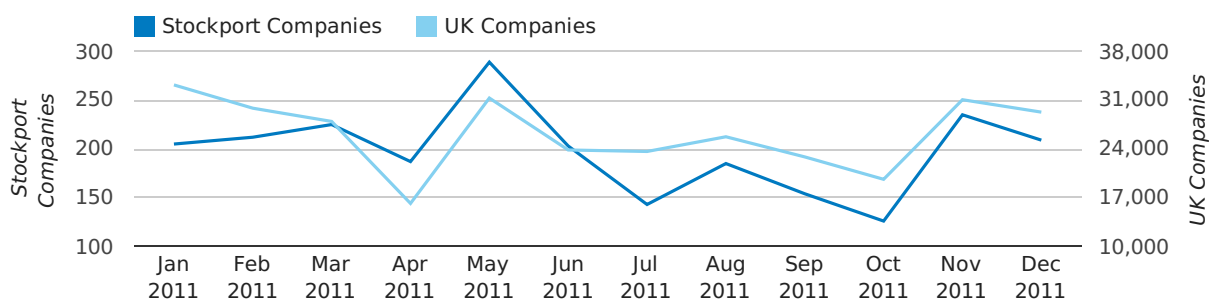


## Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

November 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Stockport when compared to any previous November.

### dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	126	235	209
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	176	191	81
% CHANGE	-28.4%	23.0%	158%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (185)	2011 (235)	2011 (209)

## Annual Data (2011)

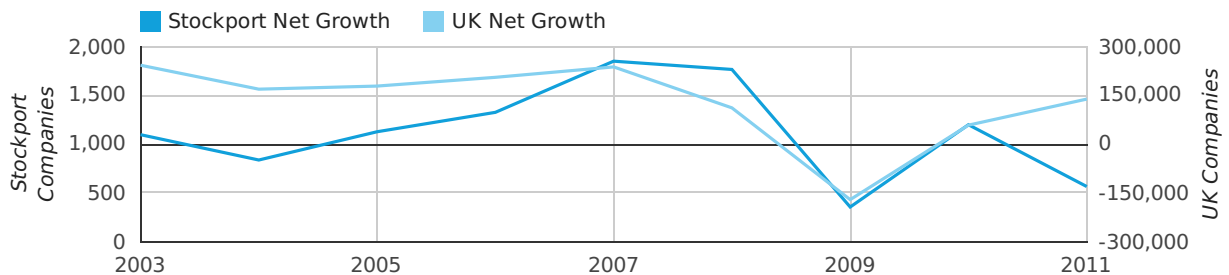
A total of 564 companies were added to the company register for Stockport in 2011. This number represents growth of 16.7% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 634 companies lower than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2007 when the Stockport company register grew by 1,850 companies.

YEAR	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	564	138,347
2010	1,198	58,126
2009	354	-171,098
2008	1,765	111,302
2007	1,850	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2007 (1,850)	2003 (242,543)

### net growth by year

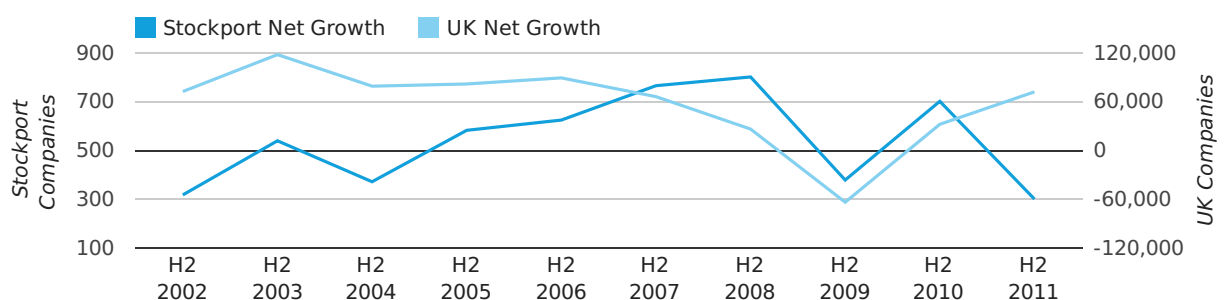


## Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Stockport increased by 300 companies. This figure is 57.2% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	300	71,922
2010	701	32,008
% CHANGE	-57.2%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (801)	2003 (117,772)

### net growth by half year



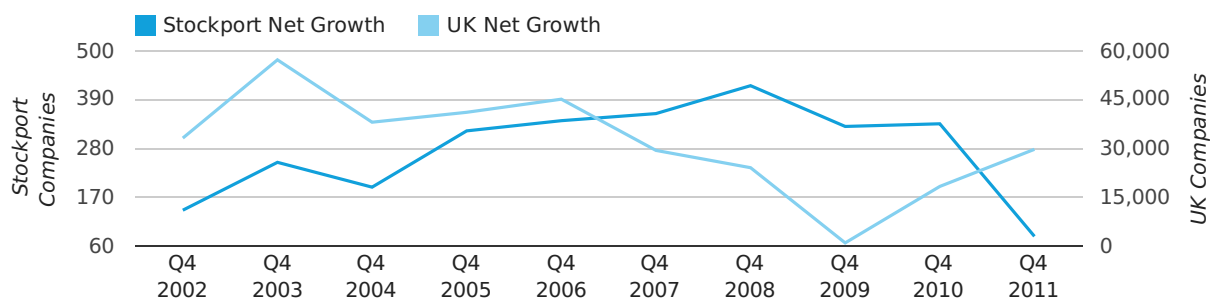
## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Stockport during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 81 companies.

This represents a decrease of 75.8% on the same period last year.

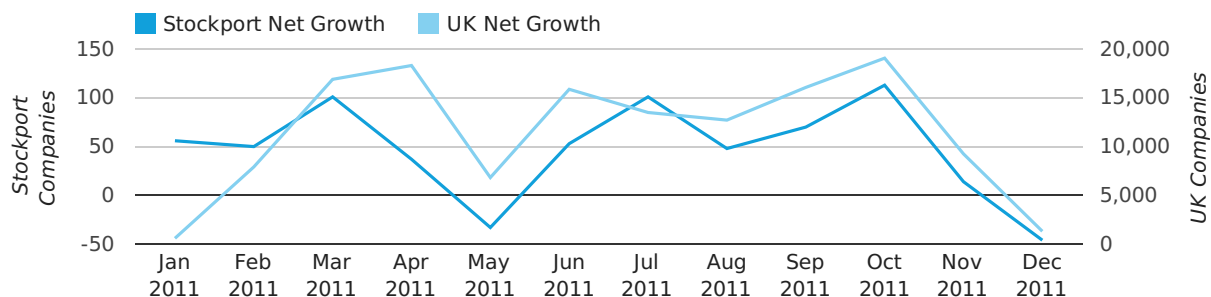
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	STOCKPORT	UK
2011	81	29,640
2010	335	18,221
% CHANGE	-75.8%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (421)	2003 (57,175)

### net growth by quarter



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

### net growth by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	113	14	-46
NET GROWTH IN 2010	84	87	164
% CHANGE	34.5%	-83.9%	-128.0%
RECORD YEAR	2008 (223)	2009 (147)	2010 (164)

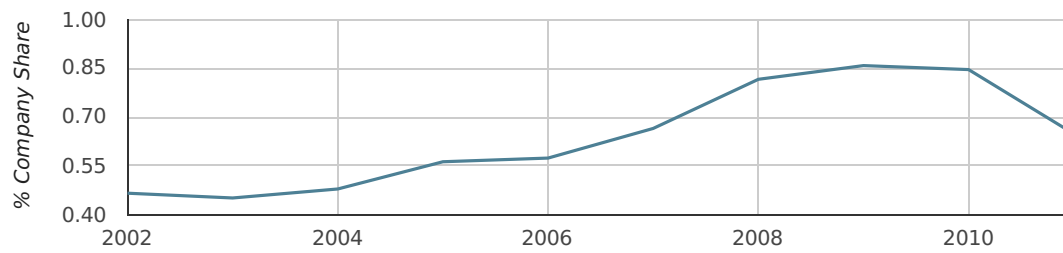


### Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Stockport formed 0.6% of all UK companies. This is a decline on 2010 when Stockport was responsible for 0.8% of all UK companies.

YEAR	STOCKPORT
2011	0.6%
2010	0.8%
2009	0.9%
2008	0.8%
2007	0.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2009 (0.9%)

### company share by year

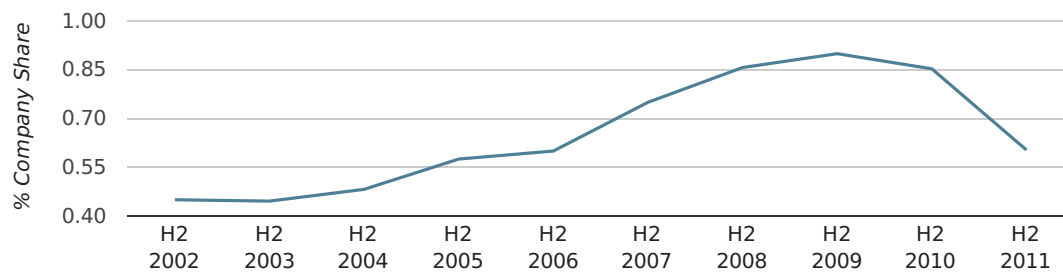


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Stockport formed 0.6% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2010 figure of 0.9%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	STOCKPORT
2011	0.6%
2010	0.9%
2009	0.9%
2008	0.9%
2007	0.7%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2009 (0.9%)

### company share by half year

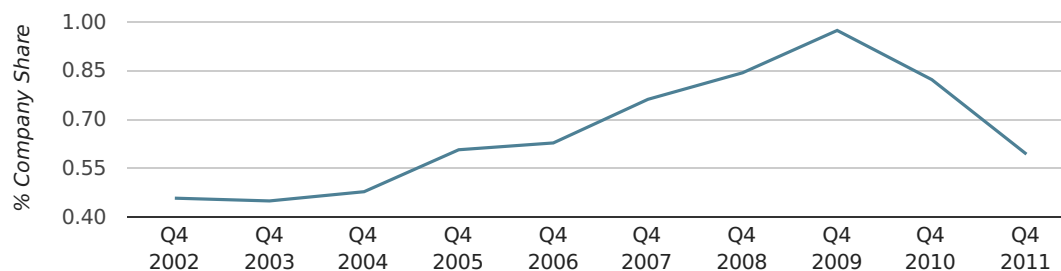


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Stockport formed 0.6% of all UK companies.

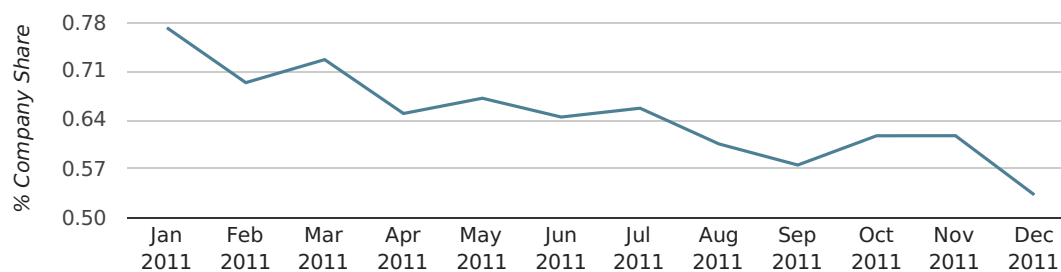
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	STOCKPORT
2011	0.6%
2010	0.8%
2009	1.0%
2008	0.8%
2007	0.8%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2009 (1.0%)

### company share by quarter



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

### company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%
% CHANGE	-20.1%	-23.7%	-41.0%
RECORD YEAR	1963 (1.1%)	2009 (1.0%)	2009 (1.0%)

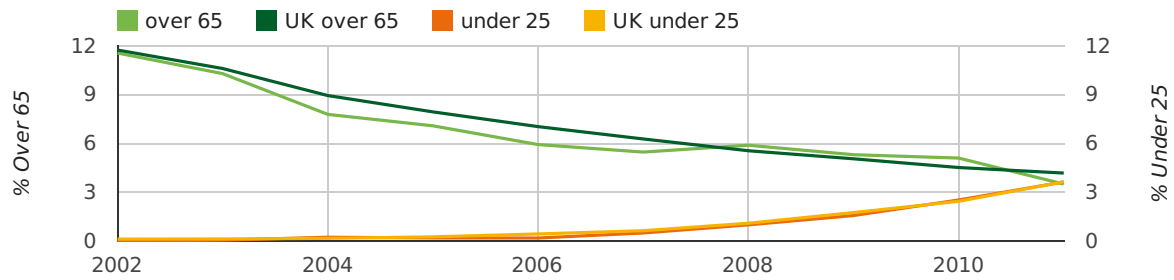
### Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 44.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.5% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

#### director age by year



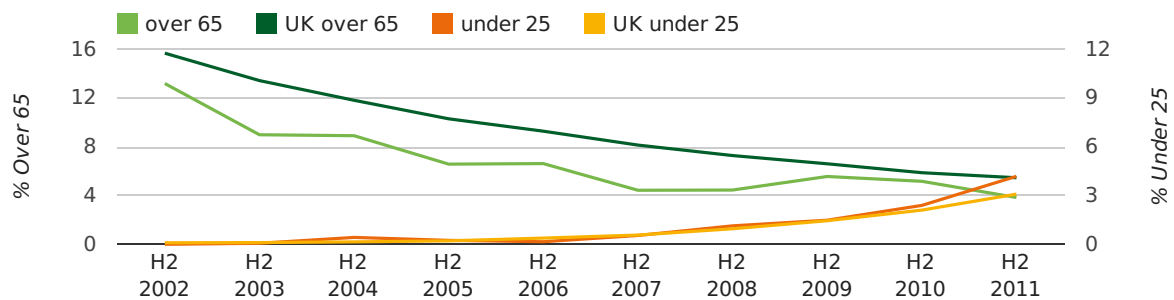
### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 43.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

#### director age by half year



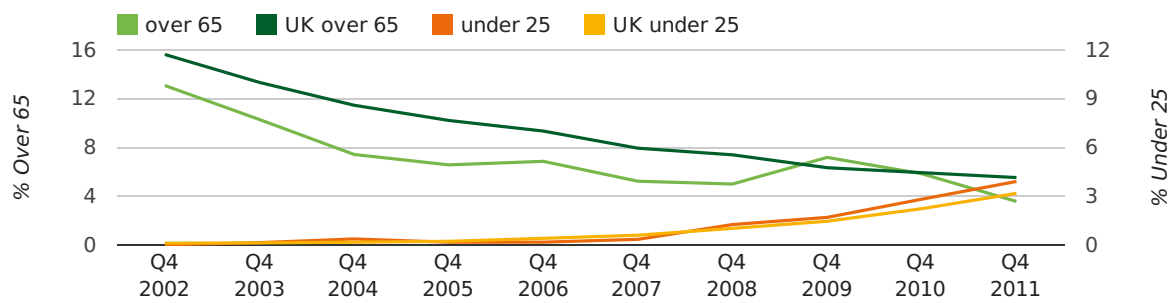
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### director age by quarter

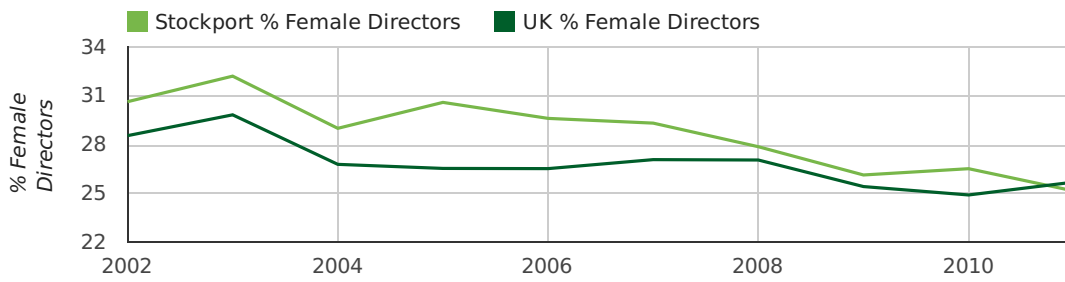


### Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Stockport in 2011 was 30.7%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

#### director gender by year

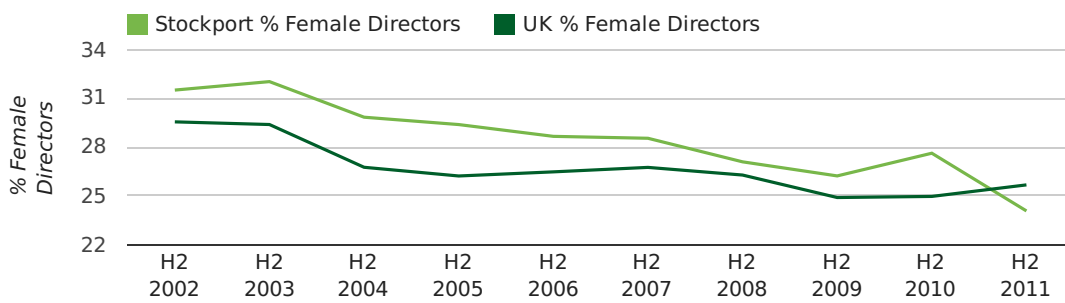


### Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

24.1% of all director appointments in Stockport 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

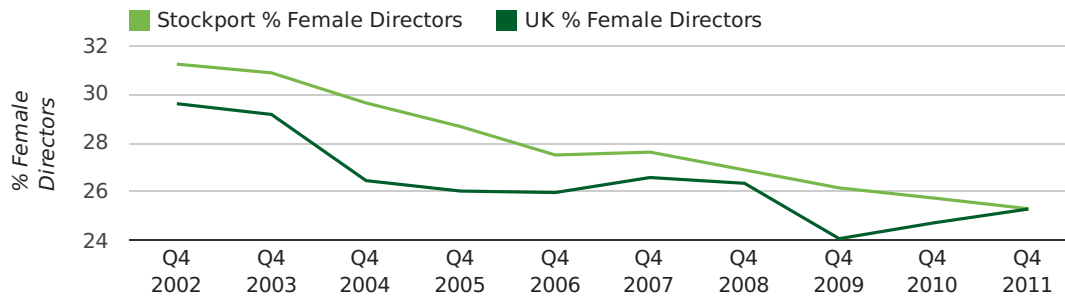


## Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

25.3% of all director appointments in Stockport 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
NORWAY	2.71%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.89%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
OG	1.52%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
MANAGEMENT	1.37%	PROPERTY	2.37%
MEDIA	0.97%	TRADING	2.07%
INVEST	0.75%	DESIGN	1.92%
SERVICE	0.72%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
BUSINESS	0.70%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
DESIGN	0.67%	BUSINESS	1.78%
MARKETING	0.65%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
CONSULTANCY	0.60%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
TRADING	0.60%	MEDIA	1.71%
ENGINEERING	0.60%	LONDON	1.63%
NORDIC	0.60%	J	1.51%
BYGG	0.57%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
TRANSPORT	0.52%	GLOBAL	1.46%
NORGE	0.47%	IT	1.41%
FINANCIAL	0.45%	CARE	1.39%
CONSULT	0.42%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
CARE	0.40%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
CHESHIRE	0.40%	M	1.27%
CONSTRUCTION	0.40%	BUILDING	1.26%
PROPERTIES	0.37%	ENERGY	1.25%
GLOBAL	0.37%	S	1.20%
IMPORT	0.37%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	1,662	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	1,520	57,052
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	1,416	32,483
9999 - Dormant Company	103	20,199
99999 - Dormant Company	100	21,846
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	61	17,765
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	59	11,768
7414 - Business & management consultancy	55	13,034
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	48	12,072
74990 - Non-trading company	46	8,929
9305 - Other service activities	42	9,492
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	40	8,671
7499 - Non-trading company	34	9,957
7260 - Other computer related activities	34	7,667
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	27	7,398
41100 - Development of building projects	24	4,331
5530 - Restaurants	23	5,013
62090 - Other information technology service activities	23	7,493
64999 - Financial intermediation not elsewhere classified	22	2,946
62012 - Business and domestic software development	22	3,714