

Sudbury

2012 half year business confidence report



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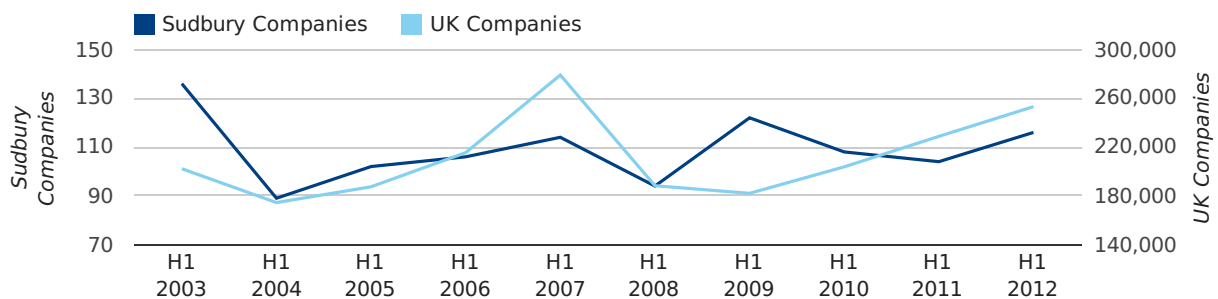
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 116 companies were formed in Sudbury. This figure is 11.5% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Sudbury occurred in 2003 when a total of 136 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	116	253,150
2011	104	228,735
% CHANGE	11.5%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (136)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



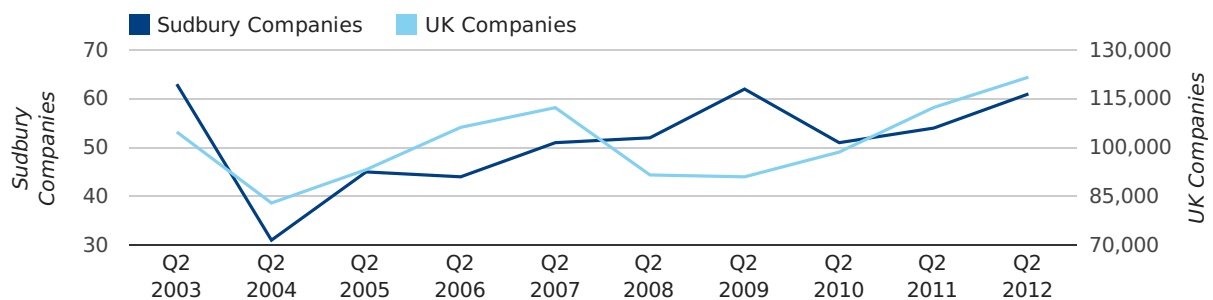
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 61 companies were registered in Sudbury during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 13.0% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares equally 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)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	61	121,659
2011	54	112,344
% CHANGE	13.0%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (63)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	23	24	14
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	19	19	16
% CHANGE	21.1%	26.3%	-12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (28)	2012 (24)	2009 (26)

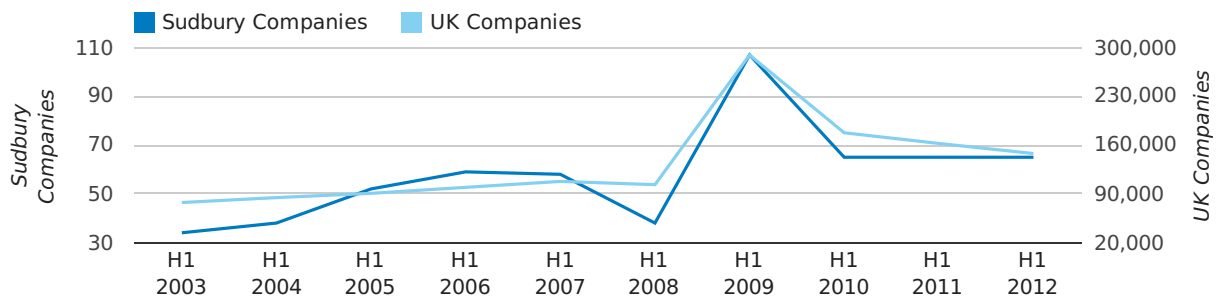
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 65 companies were dissolved in Sudbury. This figure is 0.0% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Sudbury occurred in 2009 when a total of 107 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	65	147,793
2011	65	162,310
% CHANGE	0.0%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (107)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



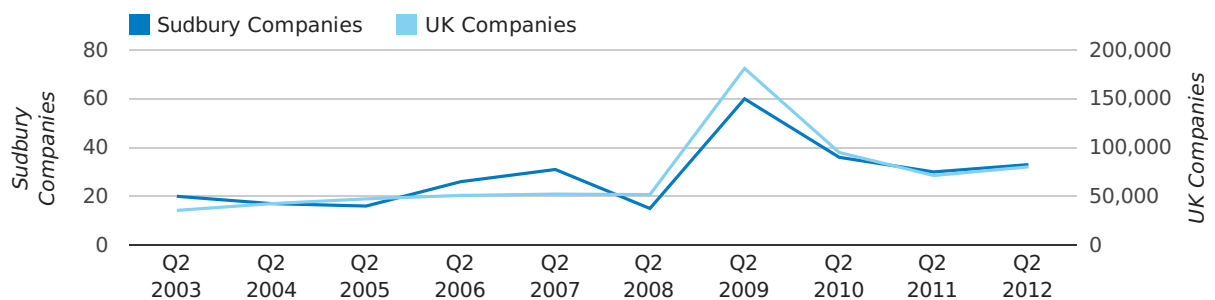
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 33 companies were dissolved in Sudbury during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 10.0% 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)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	33	80,217
2011	30	71,324
% CHANGE	10.0%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (60)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



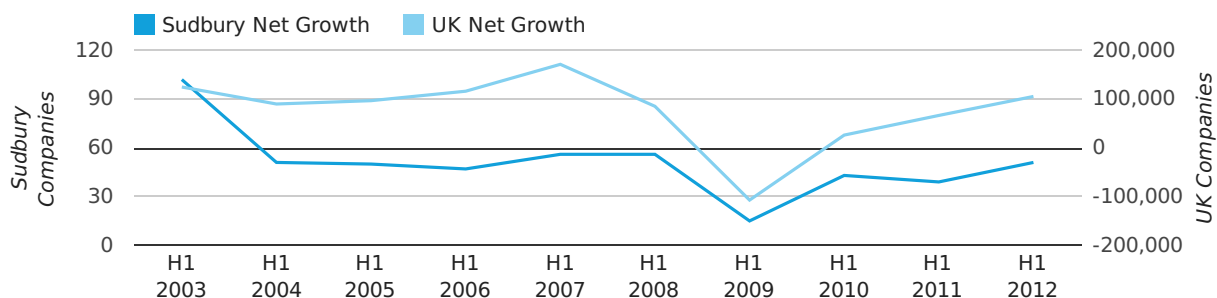
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	13	12	8
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	3	11	16
% CHANGE	333.3%	9.1%	-50%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (20)	2009 (22)	2007 (19)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Sudbury increased by 51 companies. This figure is 30.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	51	105,357
2011	39	66,425
% CHANGE	30.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (102)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



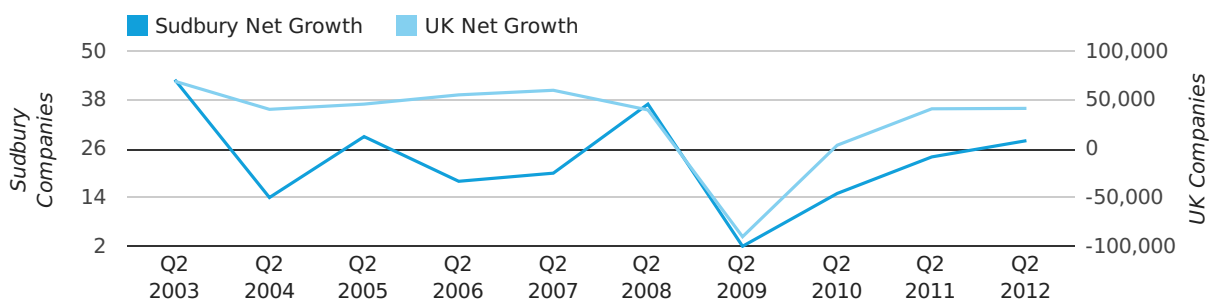
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Sudbury during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 28 companies.

This represents an increase of 16.7% on the same period last year.

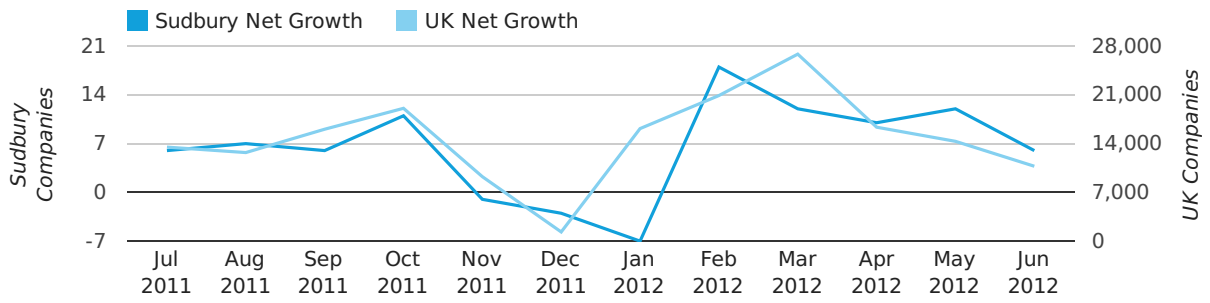
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SUDBURY	UK
2012	28	41,442
2011	24	41,020
% CHANGE	16.7%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (43)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



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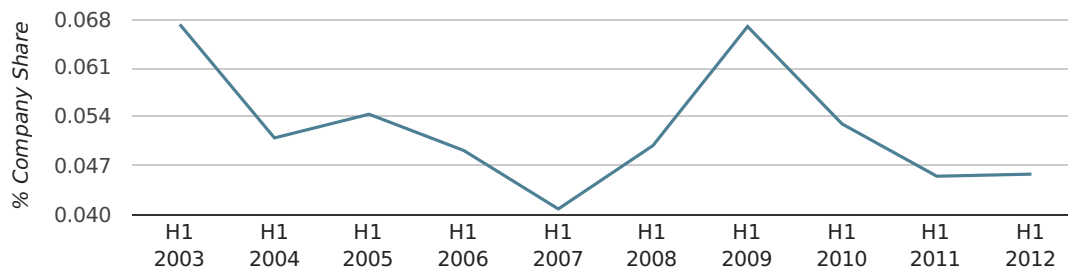
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	10	12	6
NET GROWTH IN 2011	16	8	0
% CHANGE	-37.5%	50.0%	0.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (22)	2007 (17)	2003 (19)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Sudbury formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	SUDBURY
2012	0.0%
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1973 (0.1%)

company share by half year

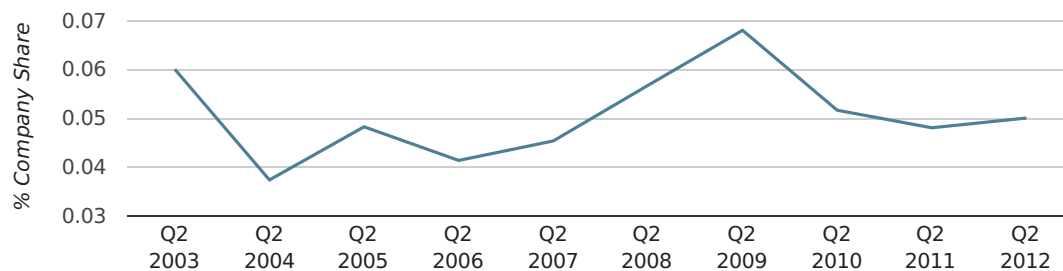


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Sudbury formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	SUDBURY
2012	0.1%
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1966 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	2.0%	10.8%	-6.7%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.3%)	1966 (0.2%)	1967 (0.2%)

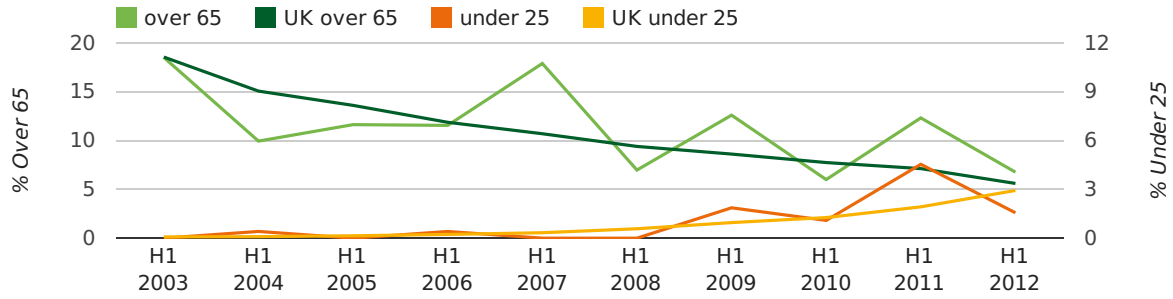
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 46.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 1.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



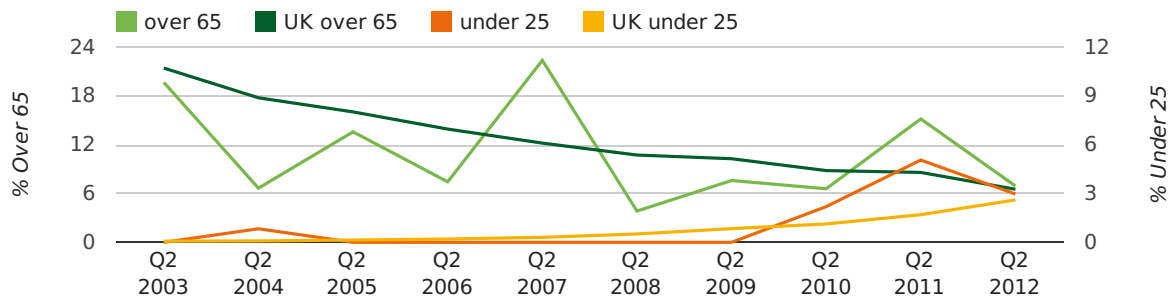
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 45.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.0% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

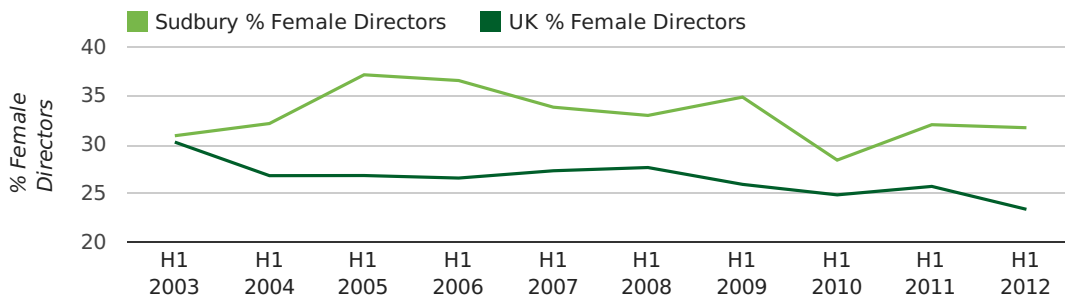


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

31.8% of all director appointments in Sudbury 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

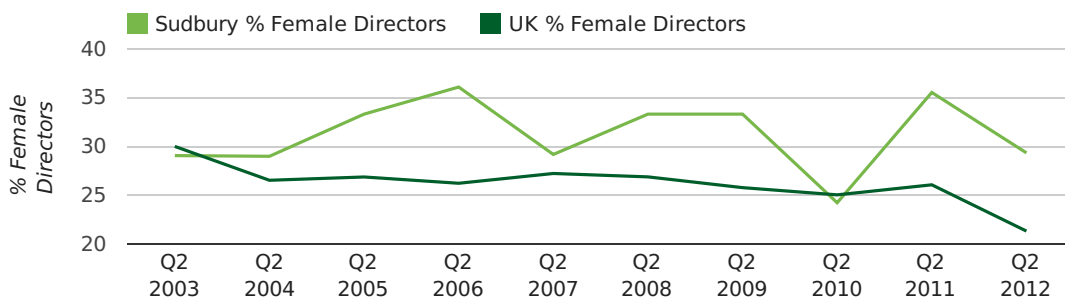


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

29.4% of all director appointments in Sudbury 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, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
J	2.30%	CONSULTING	5.07%
C	1.38%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
ASSOCIATES	1.15%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
PROPERTY	1.15%	PROPERTY	2.35%
CONSULTANCY	1.15%	TRADING	2.10%
CORPORATE	1.15%	DESIGN	1.89%
CONSULTING	1.15%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
MANAGEMENT	0.92%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
SUDBURY	0.92%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANTS	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
FARM	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.70%
INVESTMENTS	0.69%	MEDIA	1.69%
RED	0.69%	LONDON	1.68%
N	0.69%	J	1.57%
CORNARD	0.46%	GLOBAL	1.51%
STUART	0.46%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
DESIGN	0.46%	IT	1.42%
SALES	0.46%	CARE	1.31%
ENGINEERING	0.46%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
REALITY	0.46%	M	1.26%
CARPENTRY	0.46%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
AB	0.46%	BUILDING	1.23%
DO	0.46%	SECURITY	1.19%
WE	0.46%	S	1.18%
BUILDING	0.46%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	88	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	28	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	22	35,447
99999 - Dormant Company	14	26,088
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	12	20,390
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	10,271
9999 - Dormant Company	10	16,469
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	9	15,280
62090 - Other information technology service activities	7	8,258
7414 - Business & management consultancy	6	10,978
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	6	3,818
41100 - Development of building projects	5	5,149
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	5	14,220
90030 - Artistic creation	5	2,106
47990 - Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	4	3,233
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	4	2,716
9305 - Other service activities	4	7,926
43210 - Electrical installation	4	3,557
98000 - Residents property management	3	3,001
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