

Thatcham

2011 annual business confidence report



headlines

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- The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Thatcham when compared to any previous second half year.
- Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Thatcham when compared to any previous Q4.
- December 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Thatcham when compared to any previous December.
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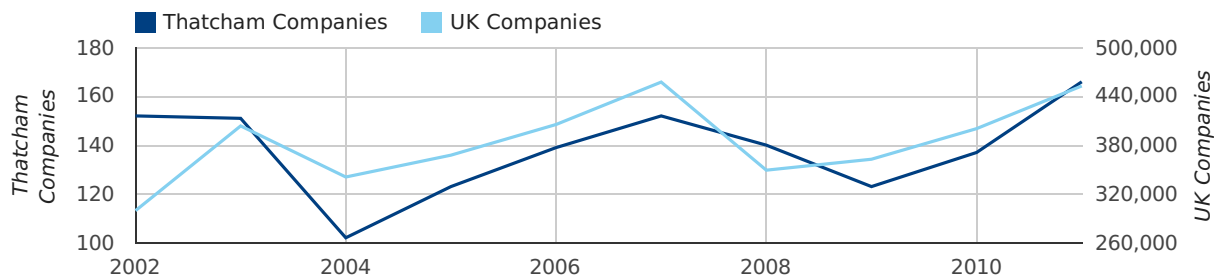
Annual Data (2011)

2011 was a record year for company registrations in Thattham when compared to any year in history.

A total of 166 companies were formed in Thattham in 2011. This total is 21.2% higher than in 2010 and compares poorly to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	THATCHAM	UK
2011	166	452,870
2010	137	400,358
2009	123	362,675
2008	140	349,203
2007	152	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2011 (166)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



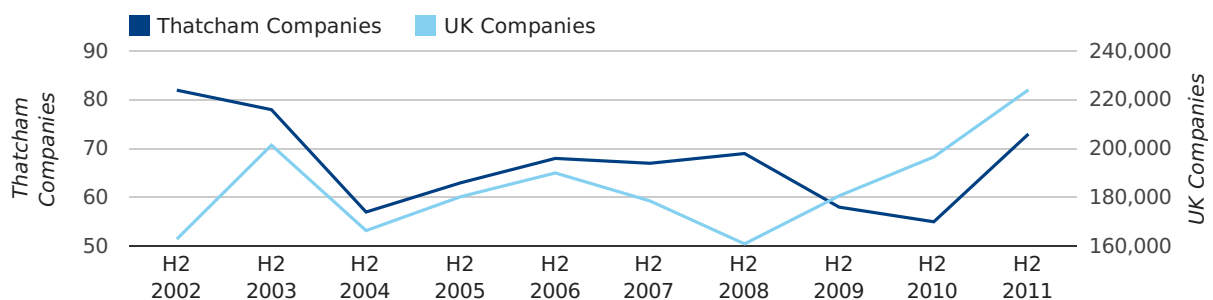
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 73 companies were formed in Thattham. This figure is 32.7% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Thattham occurred in 2002 when a total of 82 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	73	224,135
2010	55	196,609
% CHANGE	32.7%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (82)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



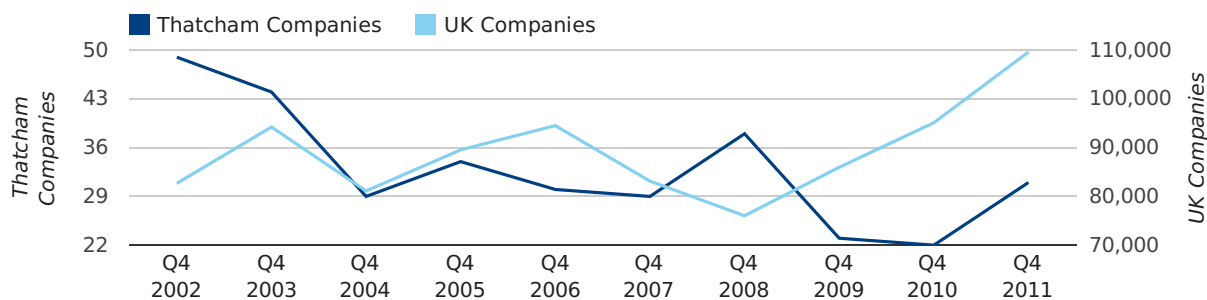
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 31 companies were registered in Thatcham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 40.9% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 15.3% against the same period last year.

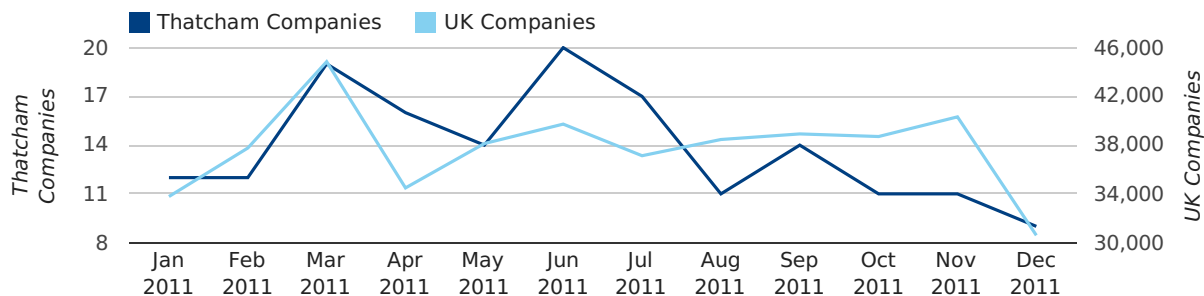
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	31	109,623
2010	22	95,117
% CHANGE	40.9%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (49)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



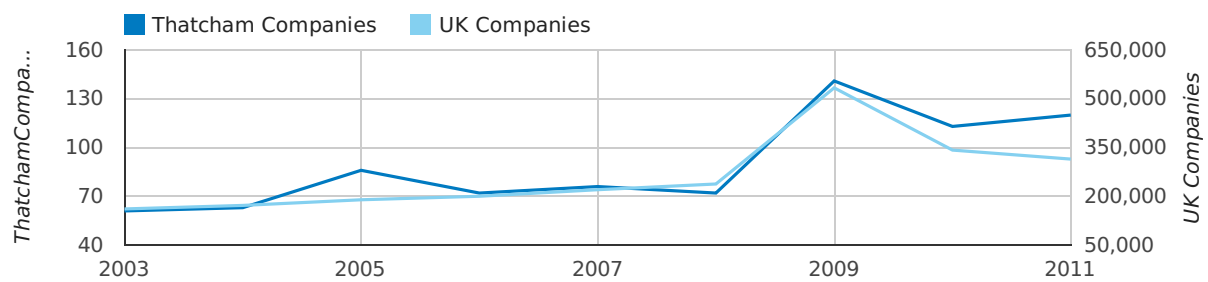
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	11	11	9
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	4	14	4
% CHANGE	175.0%	-21.4%	125.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (23)	2004 (17)	2002 (14)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 120 companies were dissolved in Thattham in 2011. This total is 6.2% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	THATCHAM	UK
2011	120	314,523
2010	113	342,232
2009	141	533,773
2008	72	237,901
2007	76	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (141)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

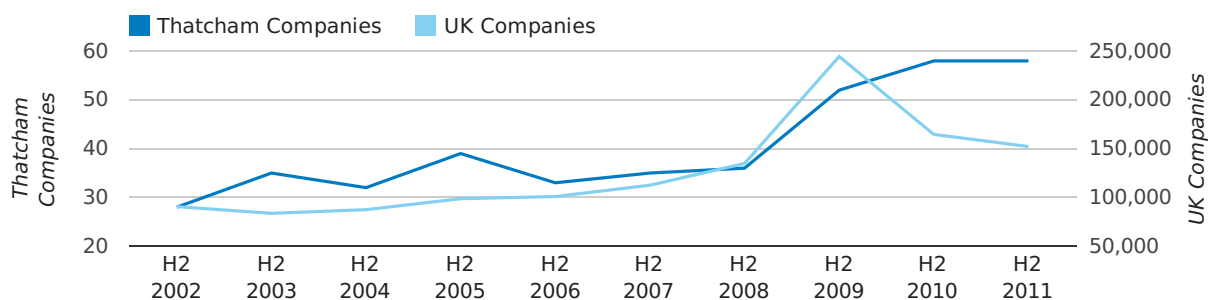
The second half of 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Thattham when compared to any previous second half year.

In the second half of 2011 a total of 58 companies were dissolved in Thattham. This figure is 0.0% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Thattham occurred in 2011 when a total of 58 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	58	152,213
2010	58	164,601
% CHANGE	0.0%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (58)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

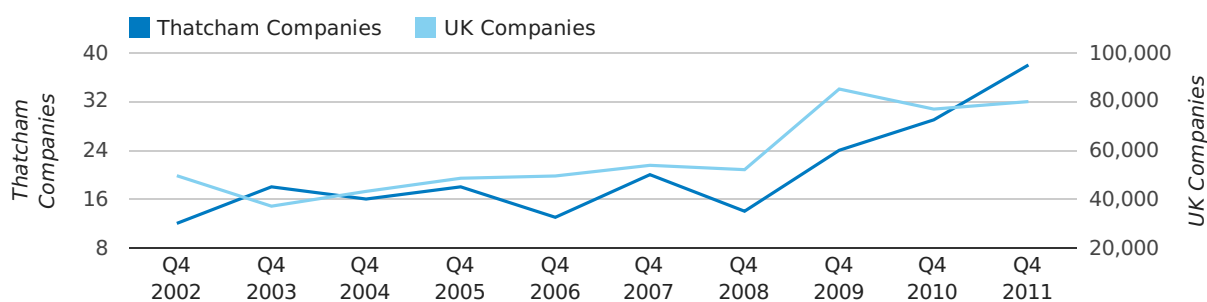
Q4 2011 saw a new record in company closures in Thatcham when compared to any previous Q4.

A total of 38 companies were dissolved in Thatcham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 31.0% 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)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	38	79,983
2010	29	76,896
% CHANGE	31.0%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (38)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter

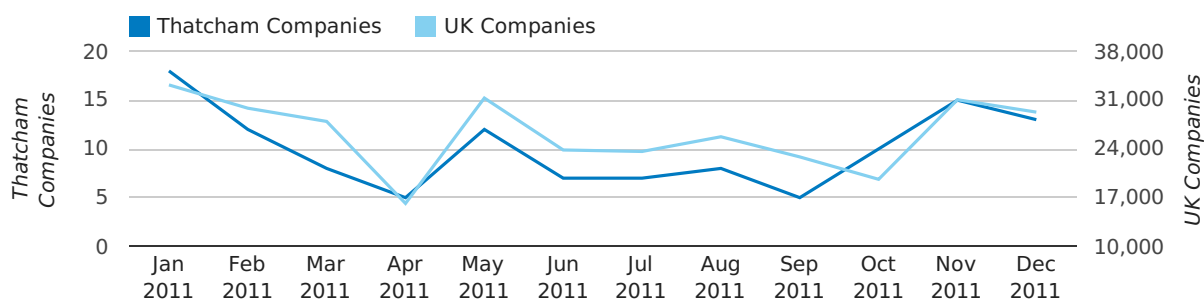


Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

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

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	10	15	13
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	10	12	7
% CHANGE	0.0%	25.0%	86%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (10)	2011 (15)	2007 (13)

Annual Data (2011)

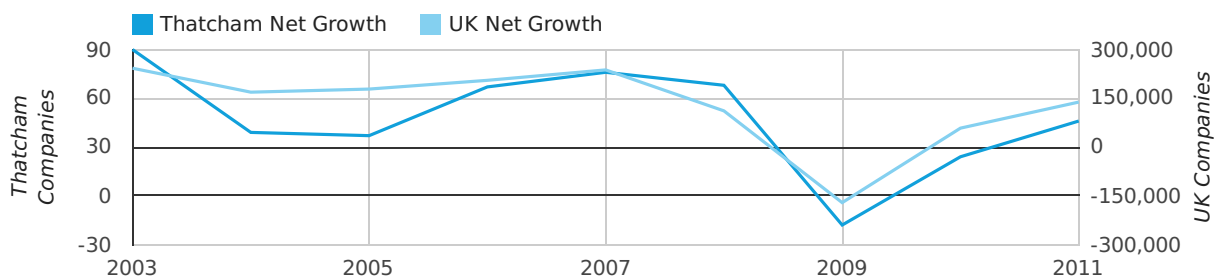
A total of 46 companies were added to the company register for Thattham in 2011. This number represents growth of 33.6% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 22 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2002 when the Thattham company register grew by 100 companies.

YEAR	THATCHAM	UK
2011	46	138,347
2010	24	58,126
2009	-18	-171,098
2008	68	111,302
2007	76	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2002 (100)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

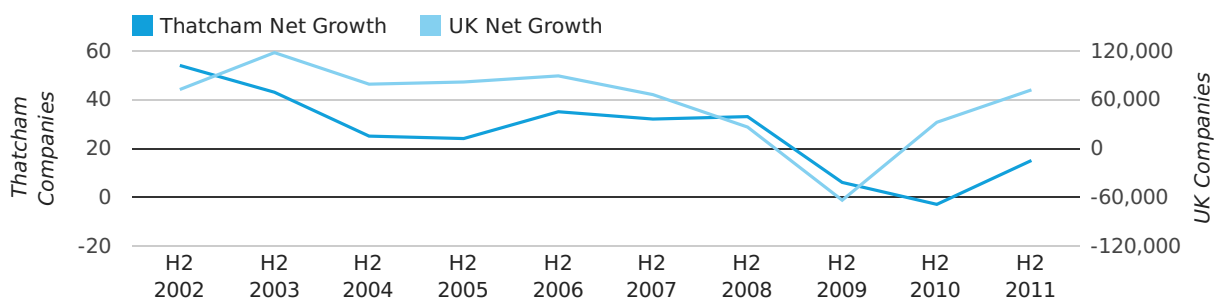


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Thattham increased by 15 companies. This figure is 600.0% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	15	71,922
2010	-3	32,008
% CHANGE	-600.0%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (54)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



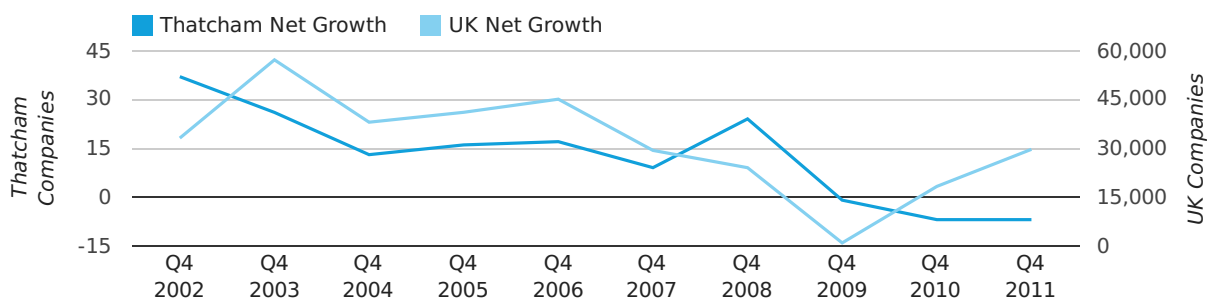
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Thatcham during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was -7 companies.

This represents an increase of 0.0% on the same period last year.

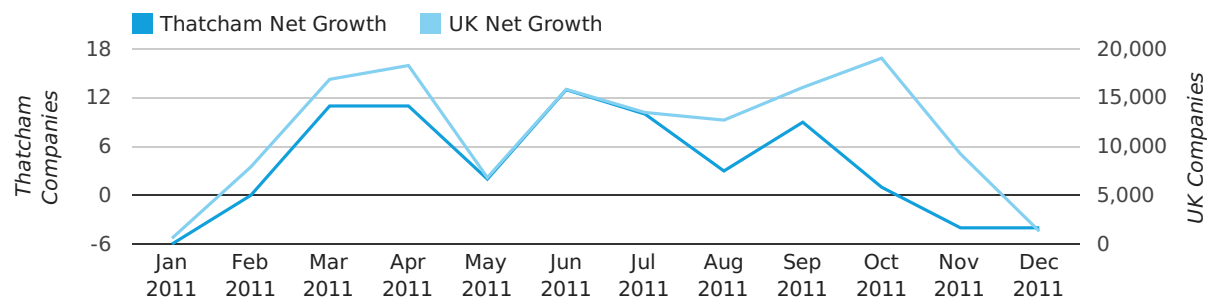
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	THATCHAM	UK
2011	-7	29,640
2010	-7	18,221
% CHANGE	0.0%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (37)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



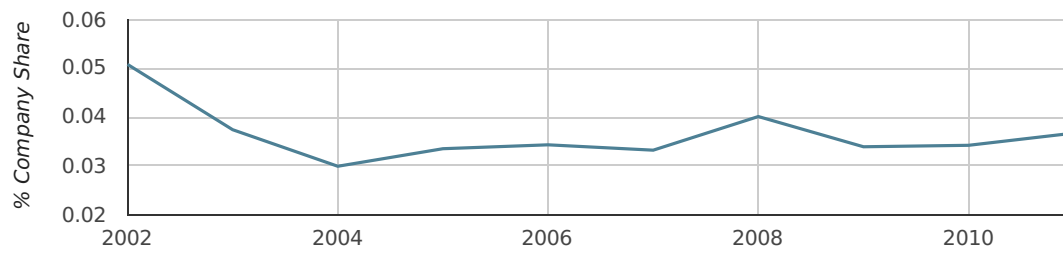
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	1	-4	-4
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-6	2	-3
% CHANGE	-116.7%	-300.0%	33.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (18)	2002 (13)	2002 (12)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Thatcham formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Thatcham was responsible for 0.0% of all UK companies.

YEAR	THATCHAM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1991 (0.1%)

company share by year

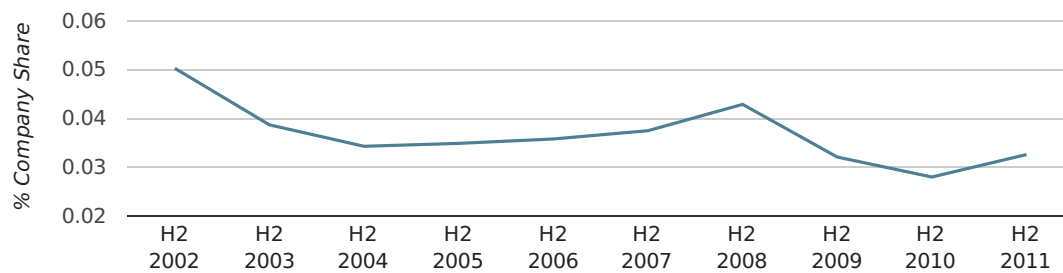


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Thatcham formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.0%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	THATCHAM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1975 (0.1%)

company share by half year

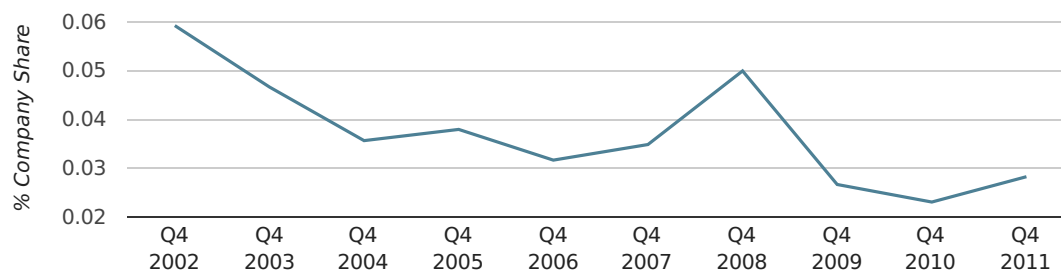


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Thatcham formed 0.0% of all UK companies.

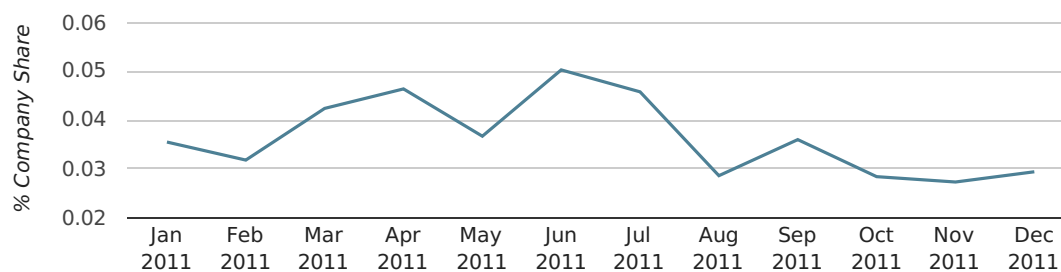
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	THATCHAM
2011	0.0%
2010	0.0%
2009	0.0%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1969 (0.1%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
% CHANGE	138.7%	-33.1%	100.0%
RECORD YEAR	1968 (0.2%)	1969 (0.2%)	1969 (0.2%)

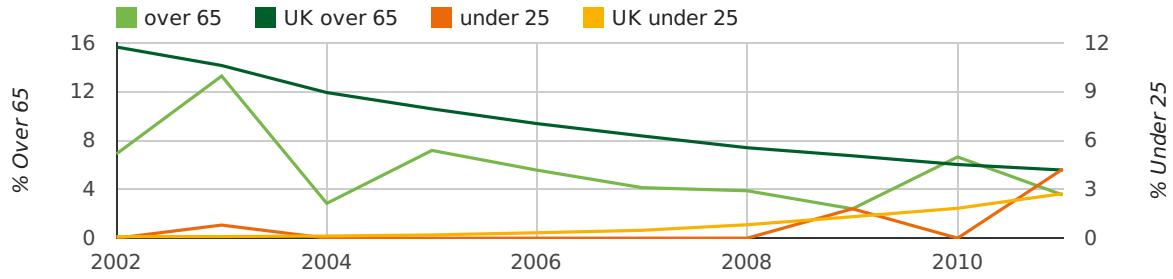
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 43.9.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.3% 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



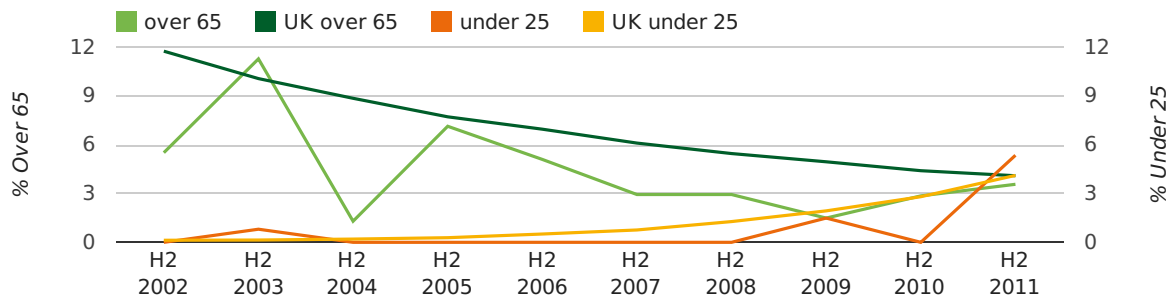
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 44.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



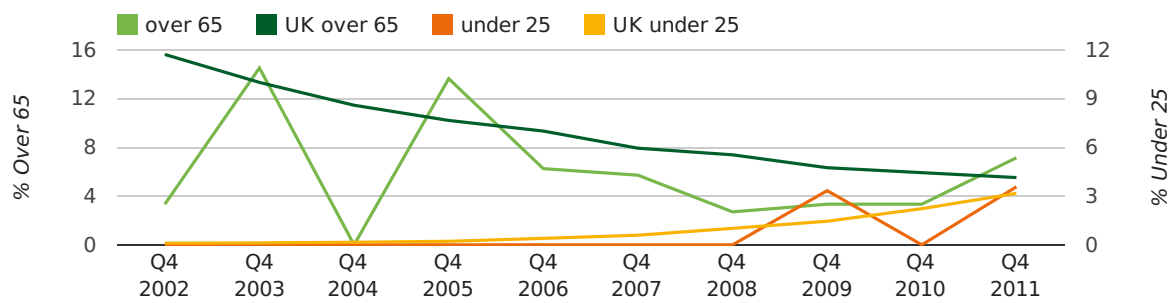
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 46.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

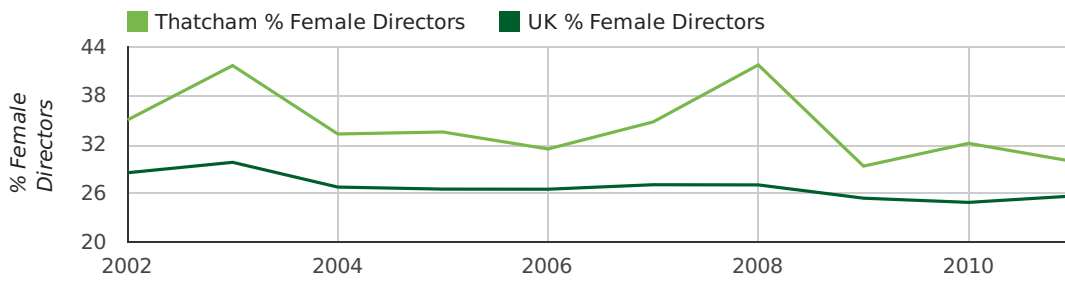


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Thatcham in 2011 was 35.1%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

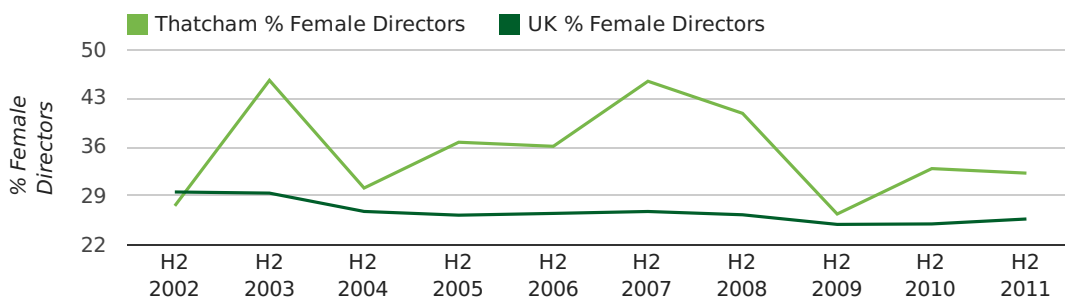


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

32.3% of all director appointments in Thatcham 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

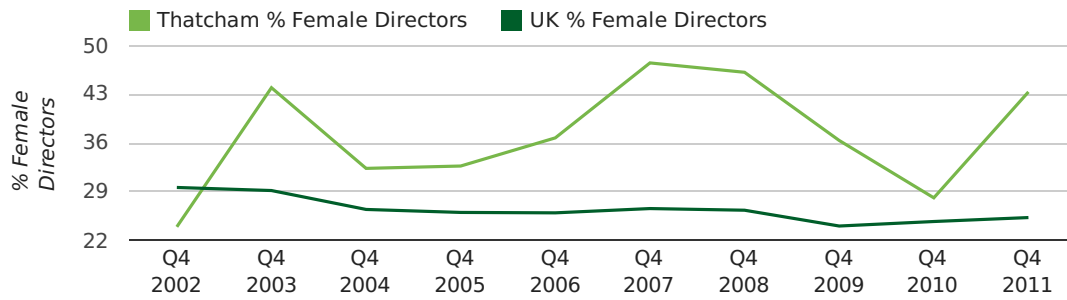


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

43.3% of all director appointments in Thattham 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, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
CONSULTING	3.83%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	2.56%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.28%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
GLOBAL	0.96%	PROPERTY	2.37%
S	0.96%	TRADING	2.07%
PROJECT	0.96%	DESIGN	1.92%
ELECTRICAL	0.96%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
HOMES	0.64%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
H	0.64%	BUSINESS	1.78%
SHLOK	0.64%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
LONDON	0.64%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
DIRECT	0.64%	MEDIA	1.71%
FARM	0.64%	LONDON	1.63%
IT	0.64%	J	1.51%
K	0.64%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
HOME	0.64%	GLOBAL	1.46%
HOLDINGS	0.64%	IT	1.41%
SCHOOL	0.64%	CARE	1.39%
COLTHROP	0.64%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
VISUAL	0.64%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
CREATIVE	0.64%	M	1.27%
RESOURCING	0.64%	BUILDING	1.26%
CONSULTANTS	0.64%	ENERGY	1.25%
MURJA	0.64%	S	1.20%
AT	0.64%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	57	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	17	57,052
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	10	17,765
7414 - Business & management consultancy	10	13,034
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	10	12,072
62090 - Other information technology service activities	9	7,493
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	9	32,483
7260 - Other computer related activities	7	7,667
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	7	7,398
99999 - Dormant Company	6	21,846
7499 - Non-trading company	6	9,957
9999 - Dormant Company	5	20,199
5530 - Restaurants	3	5,013
62012 - Business and domestic software development	3	3,714
9305 - Other service activities	3	9,492
71111 - Architectural activities	3	1,615
43210 - Electrical installation	3	3,175
8042 - Adult and other education	2	2,253
85590 - Other education not elsewhere classified	2	2,395
35110 - Production of electricity	2	671