

Torquay

2011 annual business confidence report



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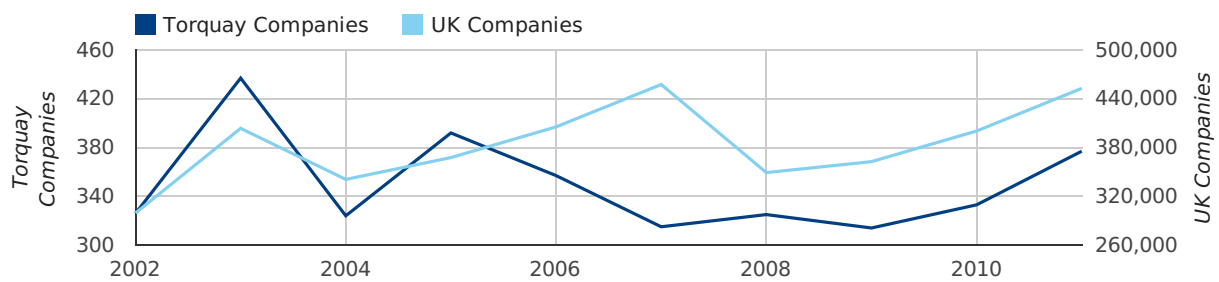
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 377 companies were formed in Torquay in 2011. This total is 13.2% higher than in 2010 and compares equally to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	TORQUAY	UK
2011	377	452,870
2010	333	400,358
2009	314	362,675
2008	325	349,203
2007	315	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2003 (437)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



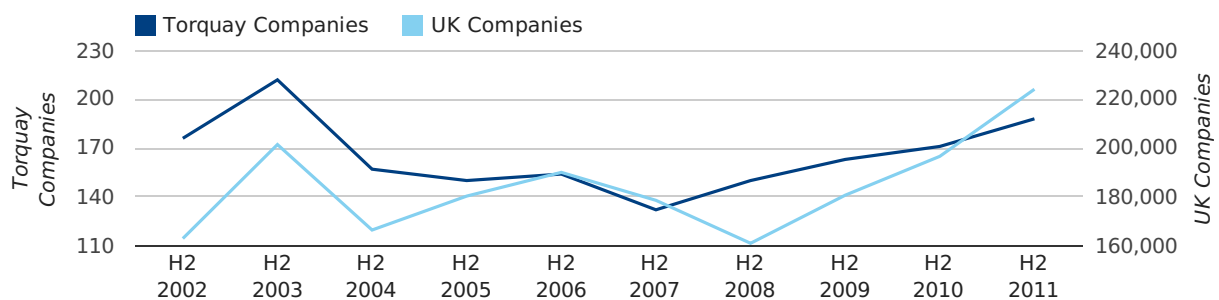
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 188 companies were formed in Torquay. This figure is 9.9% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Torquay occurred in 2003 when a total of 212 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	188	224,135
2010	171	196,609
% CHANGE	9.9%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (212)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



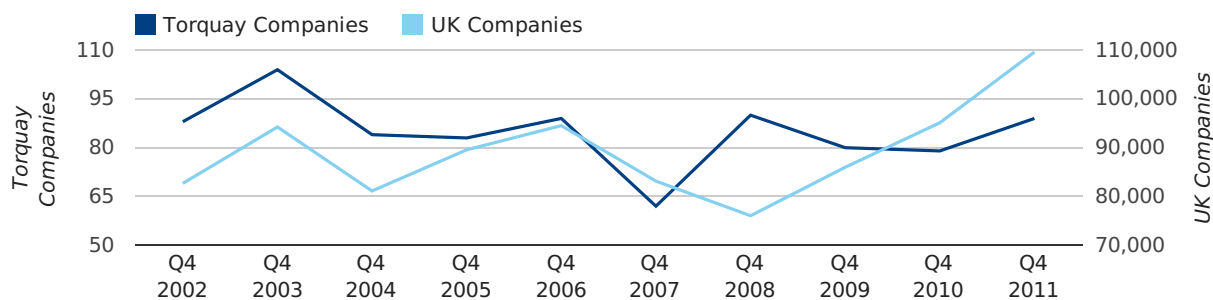
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 89 companies were registered in Torquay during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 12.7% 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.

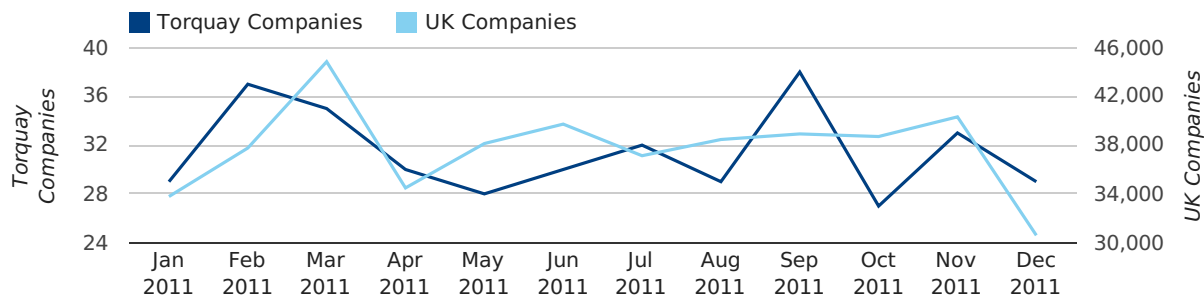
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	89	109,623
2010	79	95,117
% CHANGE	12.7%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (104)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



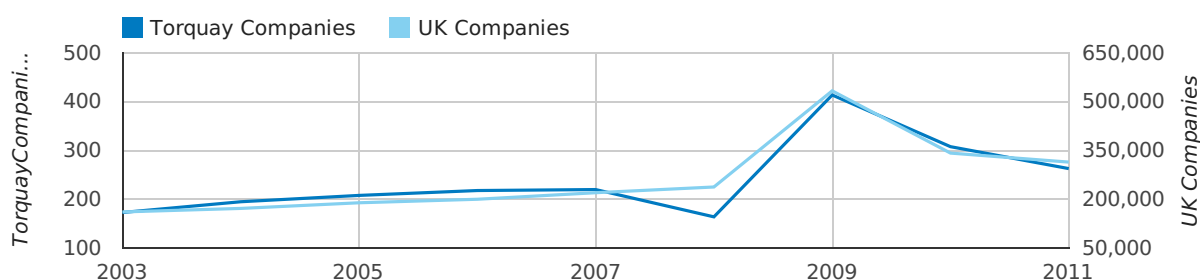
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	27	33	29
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	21	25	33
% CHANGE	28.6%	32.0%	-12.1%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (42)	2011 (33)	2008 (39)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 263 companies were dissolved in Torquay in 2011. This total is 14.6% lower than in 2010 and compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	TORQUAY	UK
2011	263	314,523
2010	308	342,232
2009	414	533,773
2008	164	237,901
2007	220	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (414)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



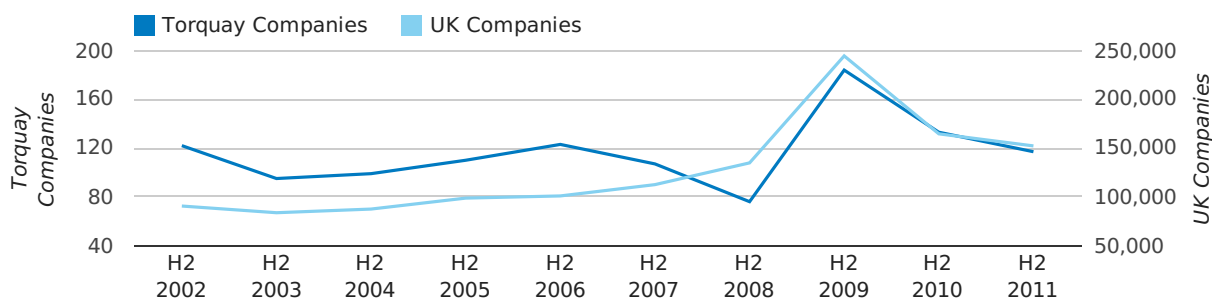
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 117 companies were dissolved in Torquay. This figure is 12.0% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Torquay occurred in 2009 when a total of 184 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	117	152,213
2010	133	164,601
% CHANGE	-12.0%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (184)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 57 companies were dissolved in Torquay during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 5.0% versus the same period last year (Q4 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 4.0% against the same period last year.

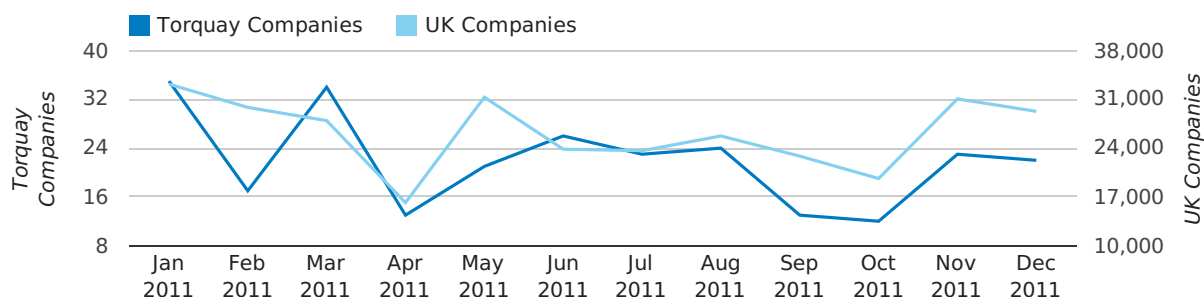
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	57	79,983
2010	60	76,896
% CHANGE	-5.0%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (68)	2009 (85,136)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	12	23	22
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	25	27	8
% CHANGE	-52.0%	-14.8%	175%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (31)	1999 (33)	2009 (24)

Annual Data (2011)

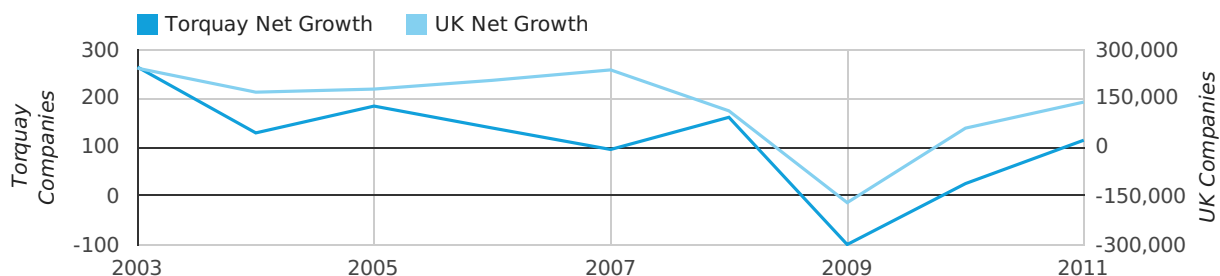
A total of 114 companies were added to the company register for Torquay in 2011. This number represents growth of 34.2% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 89 companies higher than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2003 when the Torquay company register grew by 264 companies.

YEAR	TORQUAY	UK
2011	114	138,347
2010	25	58,126
2009	-100	-171,098
2008	161	111,302
2007	95	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2003 (264)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

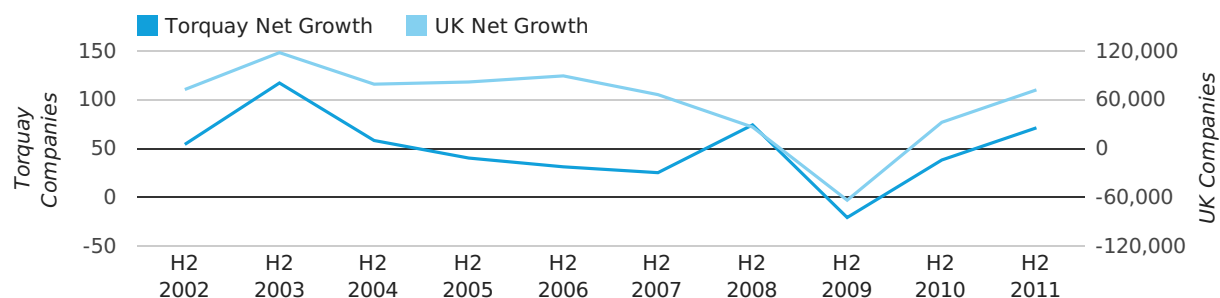


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Torquay increased by 71 companies. This figure is 86.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	71	71,922
2010	38	32,008
% CHANGE	86.8%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (117)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



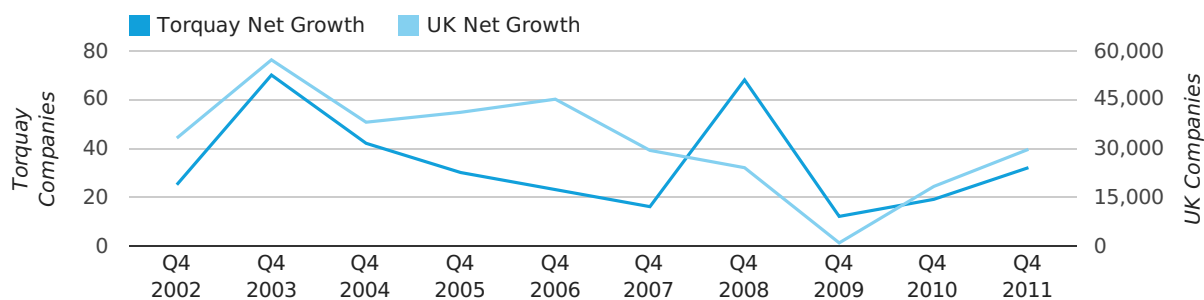
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Torquay during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was 32 companies.

This represents an increase of 68.4% on the same period last year.

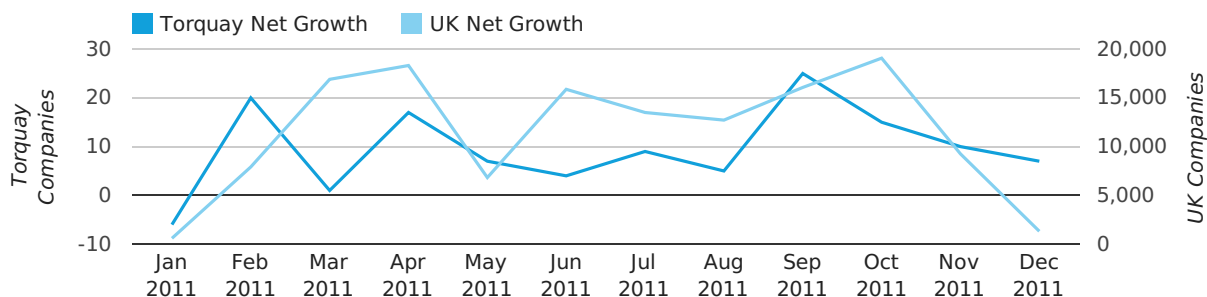
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	TORQUAY	UK
2011	32	29,640
2010	19	18,221
% CHANGE	68.4%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (70)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



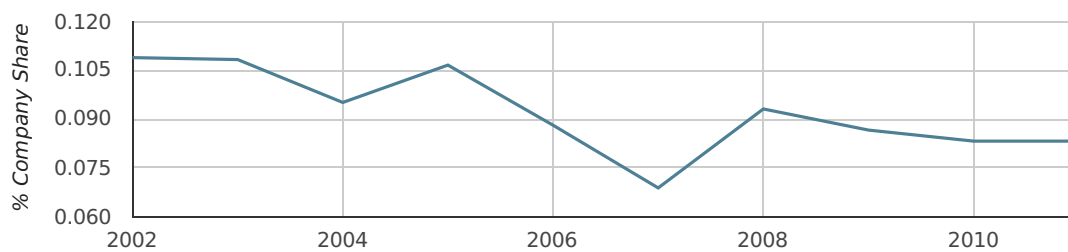
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	15	10	7
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-4	-2	25
% CHANGE	-475.0%	-600.0%	-72.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (34)	2003 (21)	2008 (28)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Torquay formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is no change on 2010 when Torquay was responsible for 0.1% of all UK companies.

YEAR	TORQUAY
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.2%)

company share by year

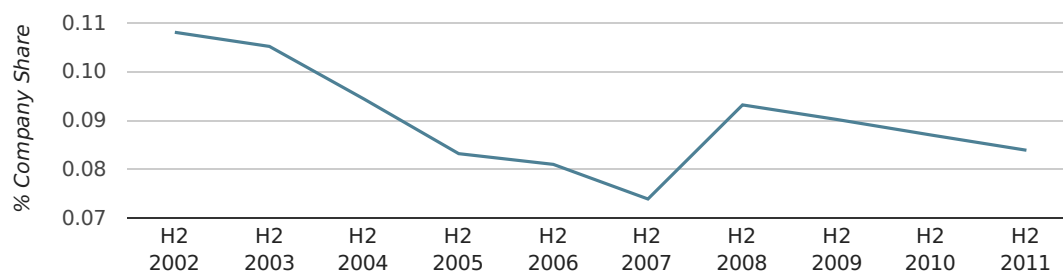


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Torquay formed 0.1% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	TORQUAY
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.3%)

company share by half year

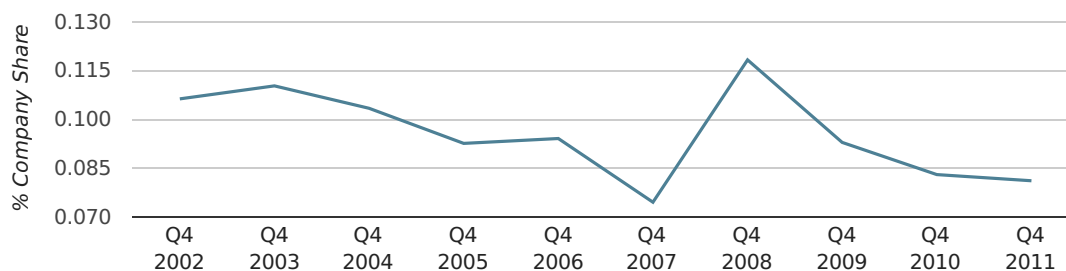


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

In the fourth quarter of 2011, Torquay formed 0.1% of all UK companies.

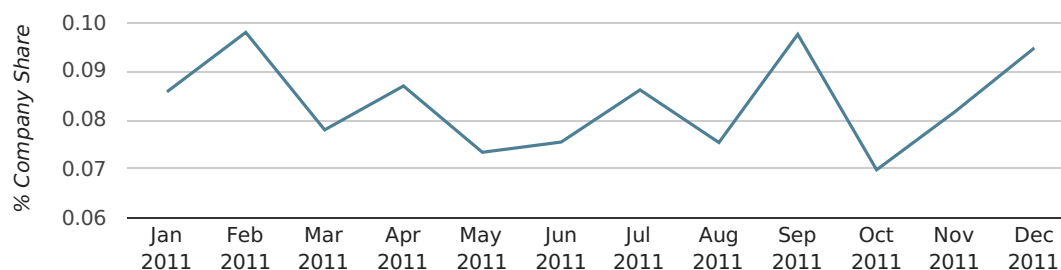
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	TORQUAY
2011	0.1%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.1%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1990 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

company share by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
% CHANGE	11.9%	12.4%	-22.0%
RECORD YEAR	1970 (0.3%)	1990 (0.6%)	1967 (0.3%)

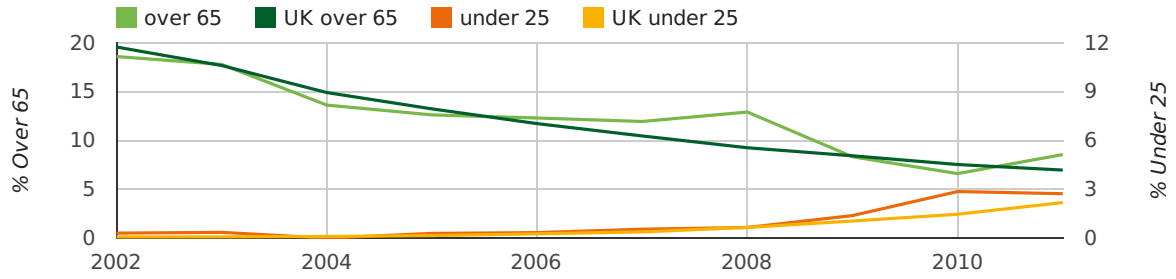
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 46.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 8.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



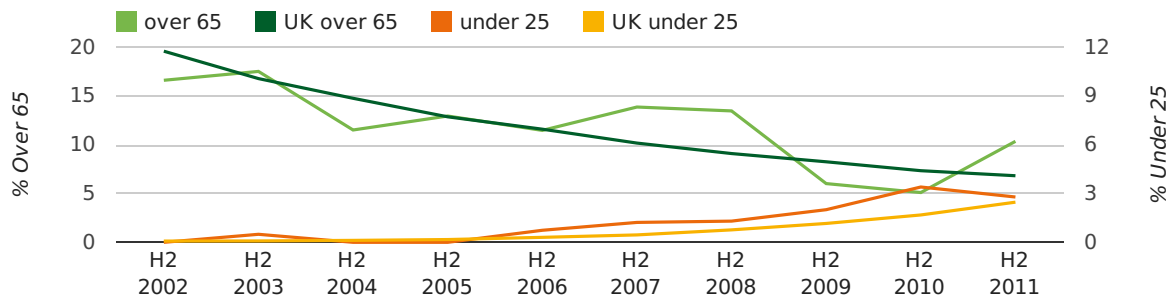
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the second half of 2011 was 46.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.8% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 10.4% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by half year



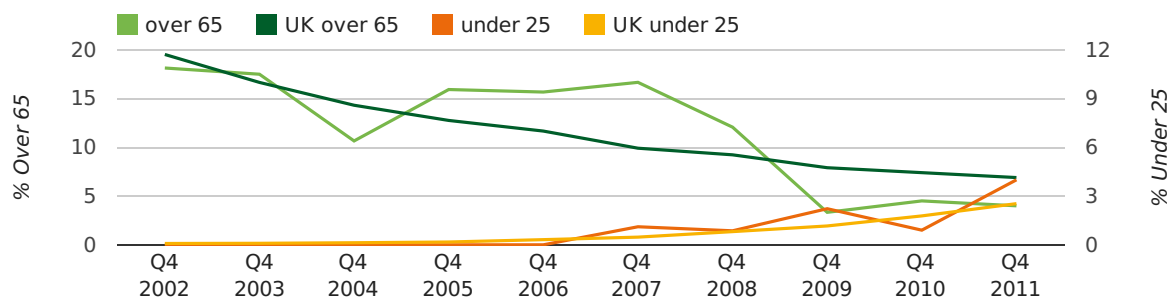
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 43.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

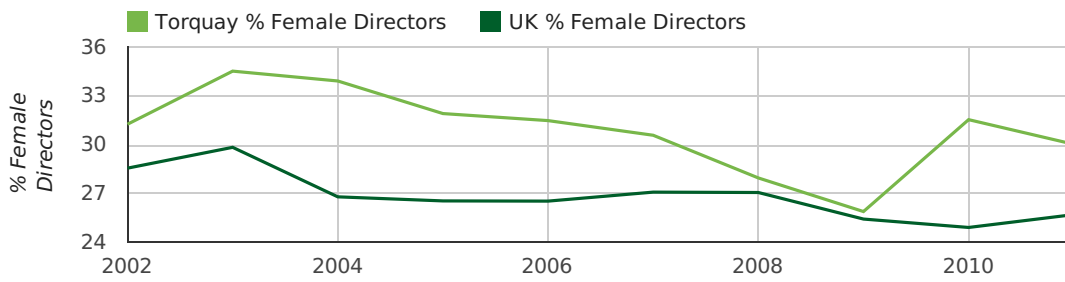


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Torquay in 2011 was 31.3%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

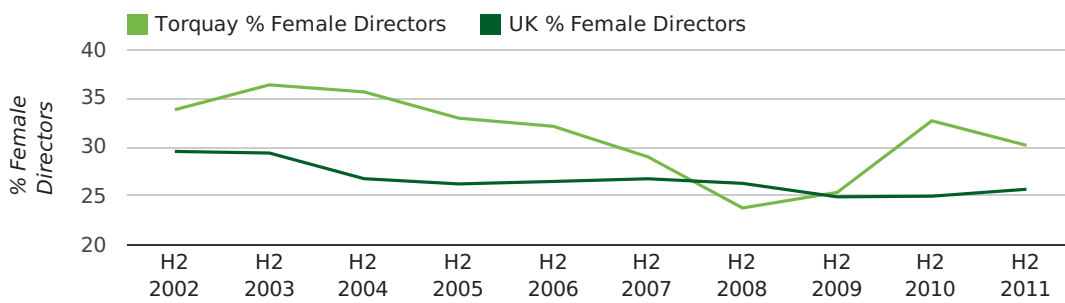


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

30.2% of all director appointments in Torquay 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

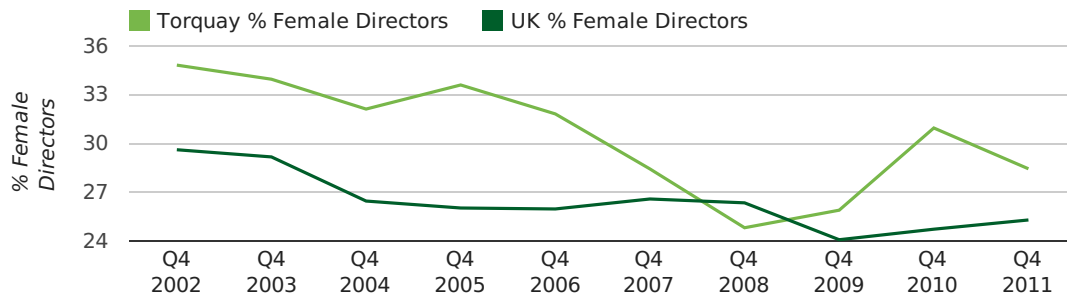


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

28.4% of all director appointments in Torquay 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
TORBAY	1.69%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MUSIC	1.13%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
MANAGEMENT	1.13%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
CARE	0.98%	PROPERTY	2.37%
PROPERTY	0.84%	TRADING	2.07%
ACADEMY	0.84%	DESIGN	1.92%
J	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
HOUSE	0.70%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
DEVON	0.70%	BUSINESS	1.78%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.56%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
DAYLIGHT	0.56%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
FINANCIAL	0.56%	MEDIA	1.71%
SERVICE	0.56%	LONDON	1.63%
(TORQUAY)	0.56%	J	1.51%
(SW)	0.56%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CONSULTING	0.56%	GLOBAL	1.46%
PROPERTIES	0.42%	IT	1.41%
WEST	0.42%	CARE	1.39%
SOUTH	0.42%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
I	0.42%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
TORQUAY	0.42%	M	1.27%
DEVELOPMENT	0.42%	BUILDING	1.26%
INVESTMENTS	0.42%	ENERGY	1.25%
LODGE	0.42%	S	1.20%
LE	0.42%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	181	205,525
7487 - Other business activities	49	57,052
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	24	32,483
99999 - Dormant Company	17	21,846
9999 - Dormant Company	15	20,199
7414 - Business & management consultancy	9	13,034
9305 - Other service activities	9	9,492
62090 - Other information technology service activities	8	7,493
98000 - Residents property management	7	2,874
41100 - Development of building projects	7	4,331
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	7	5,558
7260 - Other computer related activities	7	7,667
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	7	11,768
43290 - Other construction installation	7	1,559
43220 - Plumbing, heat and air-conditioning installation	7	2,372
4534 - Other building installation	6	2,091
55100 - Hotels and similar accommodation	6	757
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	6	2,749
62012 - Business and domestic software development	6	3,714
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	6	4,082