

Wakefield

2012 half year business confidence report



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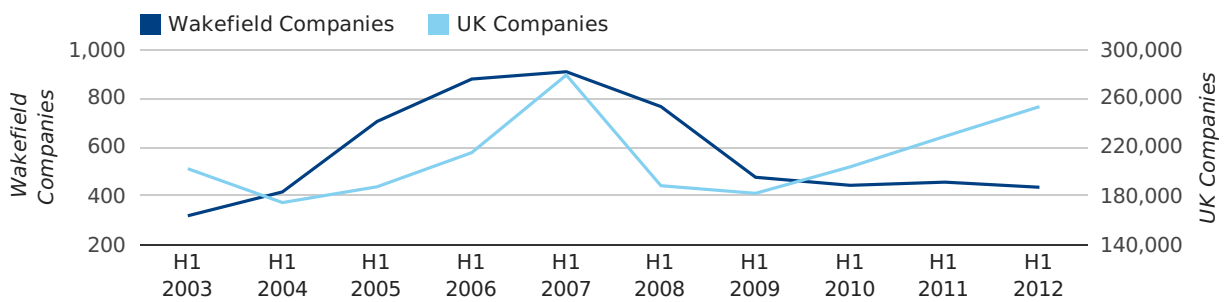
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 435 companies were formed in Wakefield. This figure is 4.6% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wakefield occurred in 2007 when a total of 909 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	435	253,150
2011	456	228,735
% CHANGE	-4.6%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (909)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



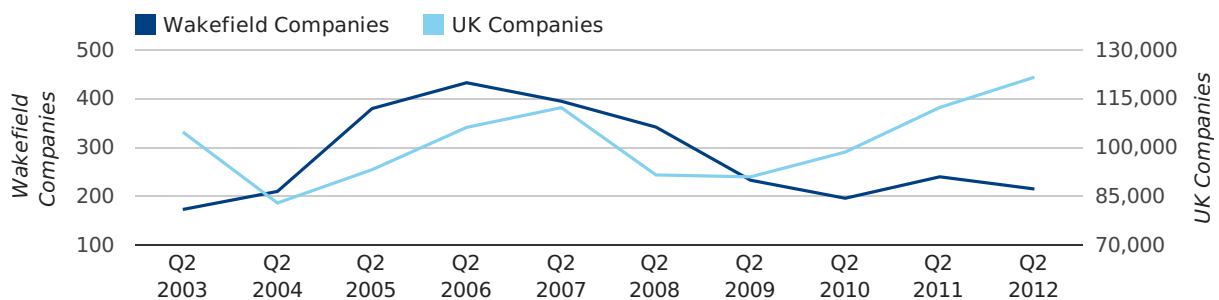
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 215 companies were registered in Wakefield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 10.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 8.3% against the same period last year.

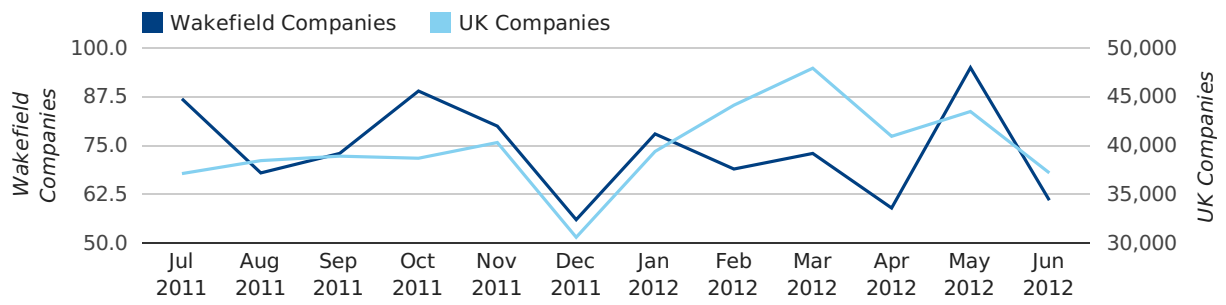
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	215	121,659
2011	240	112,344
% CHANGE	-10.4%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (433)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	59	95	61
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	68	91	81
% CHANGE	-13.2%	4.4%	-24.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (156)	2006 (142)	2005 (137)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 376 companies were dissolved in Wakefield. This figure is 27.6% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wakefield occurred in 2009 when a total of 1,083 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	376	147,793
2011	519	162,310
% CHANGE	-27.6%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,083)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 207 companies were dissolved in Wakefield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 21.0% 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.

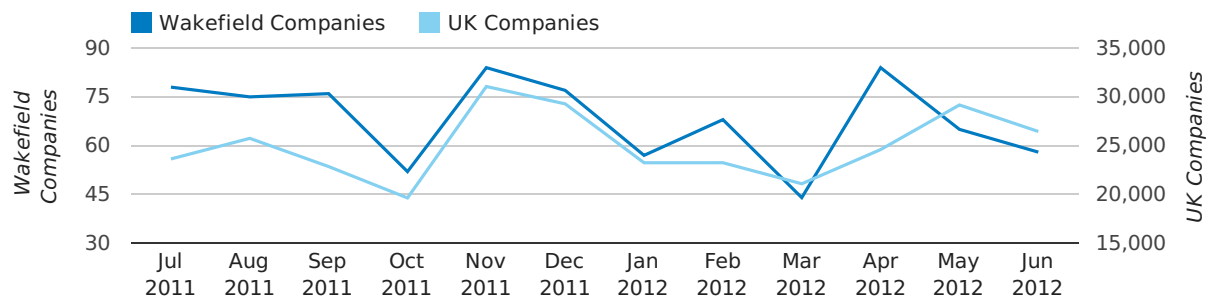
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	207	80,217
2011	262	71,324
% CHANGE	-21.0%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (668)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



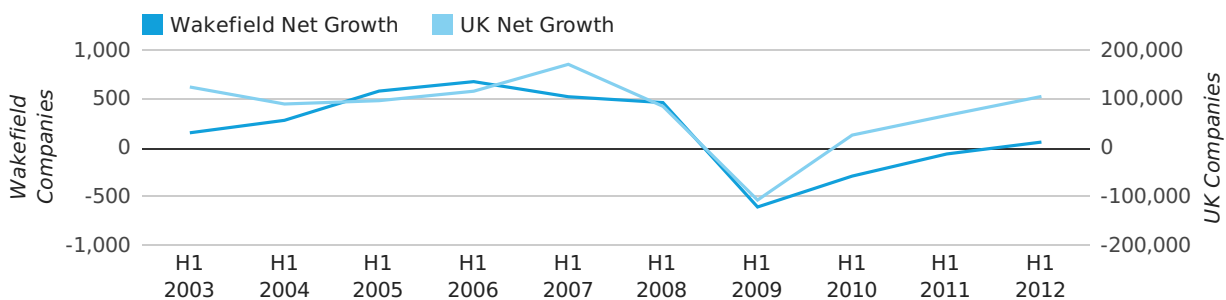
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	84	65	58
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	71	98	93
% CHANGE	18.3%	-33.7%	-38%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (222)	2009 (279)	2009 (167)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Wakefield increased by 59 companies. This figure is 193.7% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	59	105,357
2011	-63	66,425
% CHANGE	-193.7%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (679)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



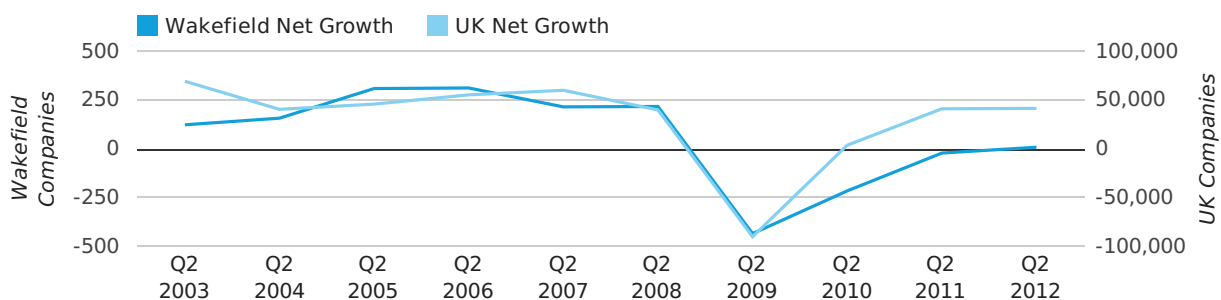
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Wakefield during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 8 companies.

This represents an increase of 136.4% on the same period last year.

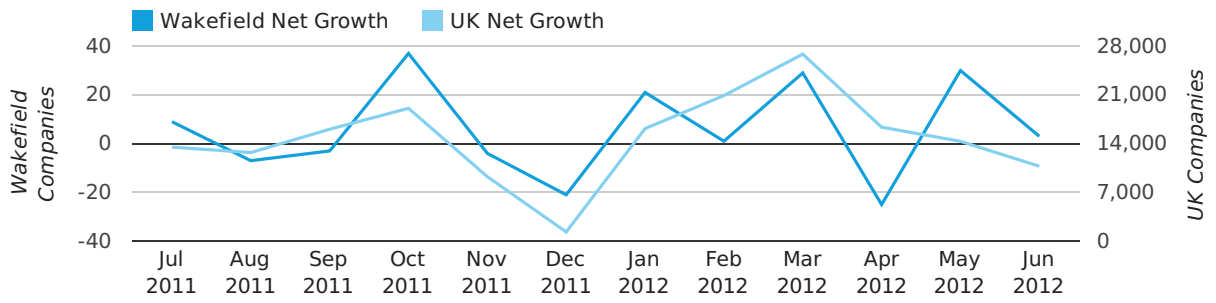
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WAKEFIELD	UK
2012	8	41,442
2011	-22	41,020
% CHANGE	-136.4%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (312)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



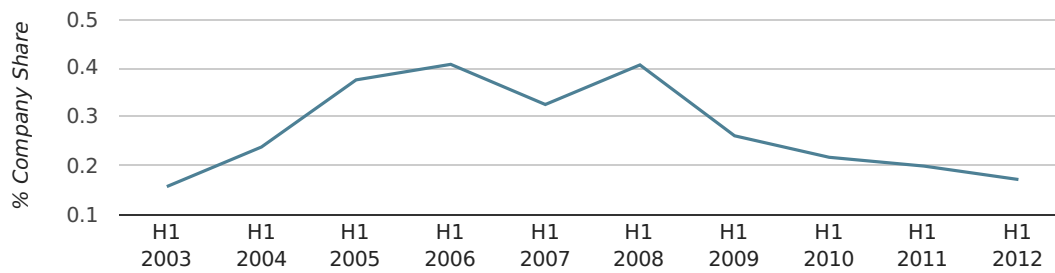
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	-25	30	3
NET GROWTH IN 2011	-3	-7	-12
% CHANGE	733.3%	-528.6%	-125.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (120)	2006 (118)	2005 (117)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Wakefield formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2011 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WAKEFIELD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2006 (0.4%)

company share by half year

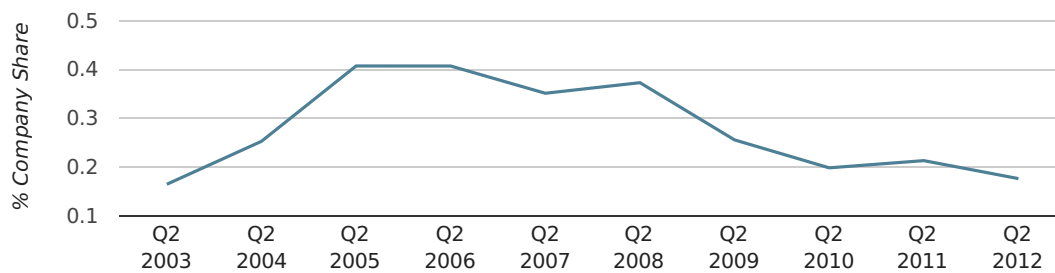


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

In the second quarter of 2012, Wakefield formed 0.2% of all UK companies.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WAKEFIELD
2012	0.2%
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.4%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2005 (0.4%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-26.9%	-8.5%	-19.6%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (0.4%)	1975 (0.4%)	1969 (0.6%)

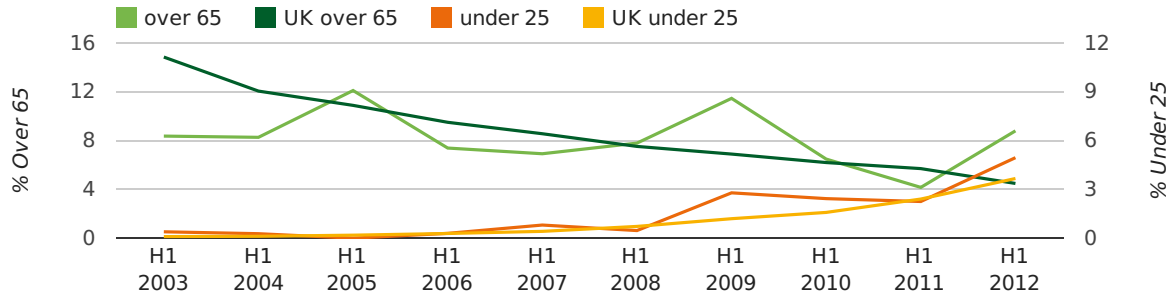
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 44.5.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 8.8% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



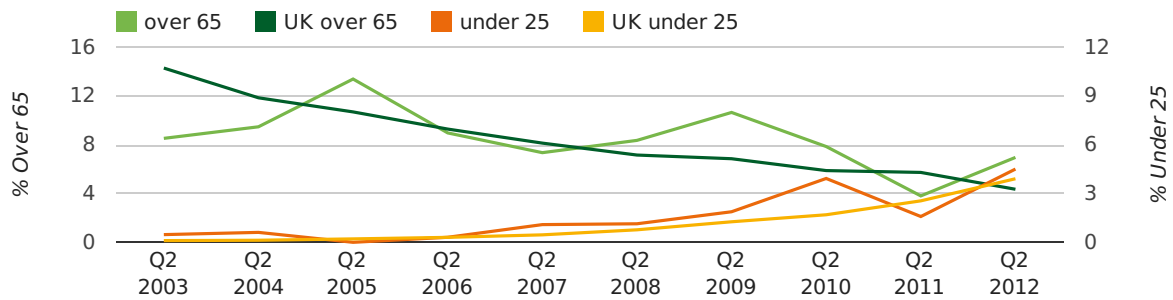
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 44.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.5% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.0% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

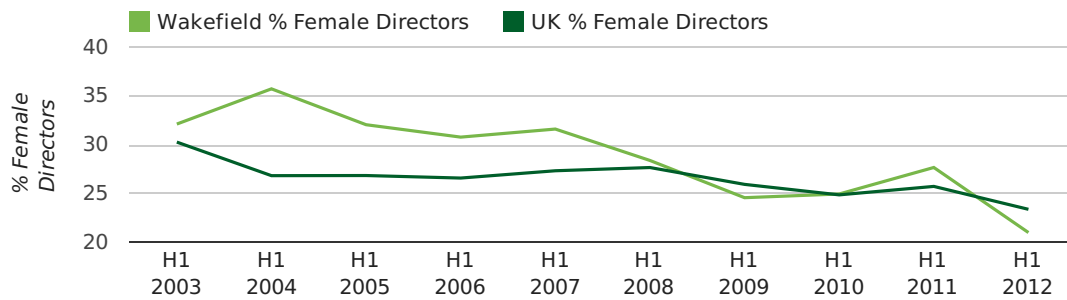


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The record first half year for female directors in Wakefield was 1857 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

21.0% of all director appointments in Wakefield 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

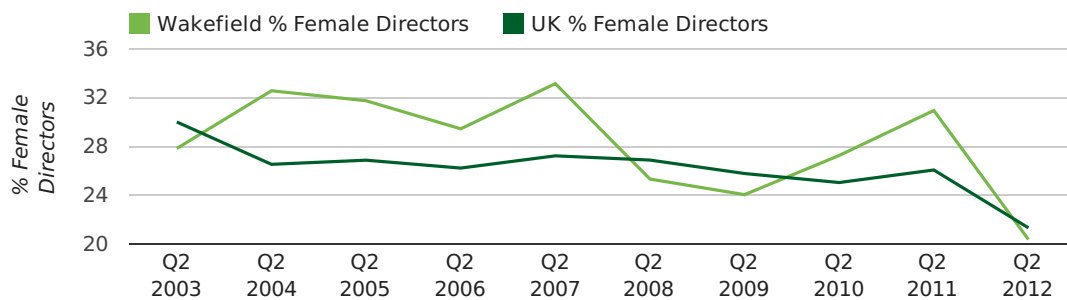


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

20.4% of all director appointments in Wakefield 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
MANAGEMENT	1.73%	CONSULTING	5.07%
CONSULTING	1.52%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
KOMPLEMENTAER	1.04%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
YORKSHIRE	0.90%	PROPERTY	2.35%
WAKEFIELD	0.90%	TRADING	2.10%
CONSULTANCY	0.83%	DESIGN	1.89%
DESIGN	0.83%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
KOMMANDIT	0.76%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
SERVICE	0.69%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSTRUCTION	0.69%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
BUSINESS	0.69%	BUSINESS	1.70%
ENGINEERING	0.62%	MEDIA	1.69%
MEDIA	0.62%	LONDON	1.68%
ACADEMY	0.62%	J	1.57%
ASSOCIATES	0.49%	GLOBAL	1.51%
TRADING	0.49%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
CENTRE	0.49%	IT	1.42%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.49%	CARE	1.31%
CO	0.42%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
UND	0.42%	M	1.26%
B	0.42%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
(WAKEFIELD)	0.42%	BUILDING	1.23%
ELECTRICAL	0.42%	SECURITY	1.19%
SOLAR	0.42%	S	1.18%
PROPERTY	0.35%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	673	244,457
7499 - Non-trading company	83	8,023
74990 - Non-trading company	71	9,706
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	50	35,447
7487 - Other business activities	48	47,029
99999 - Dormant Company	30	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	27	15,280
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	26	20,390
7414 - Business & management consultancy	22	10,978
7260 - Other computer related activities	18	6,456
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	18	14,220
62090 - Other information technology service activities	15	8,258
41100 - Development of building projects	15	5,149
86900 - Other human health activities	14	5,222
9305 - Other service activities	13	7,926
6024 - Freight transport by road	12	1,933
7440 - Advertising	12	1,464
9999 - Dormant Company	12	16,469
62012 - Business and domestic software development	11	4,742
56302 - Public houses and bars	10	2,913