

West Sussex

2012 half year business confidence report



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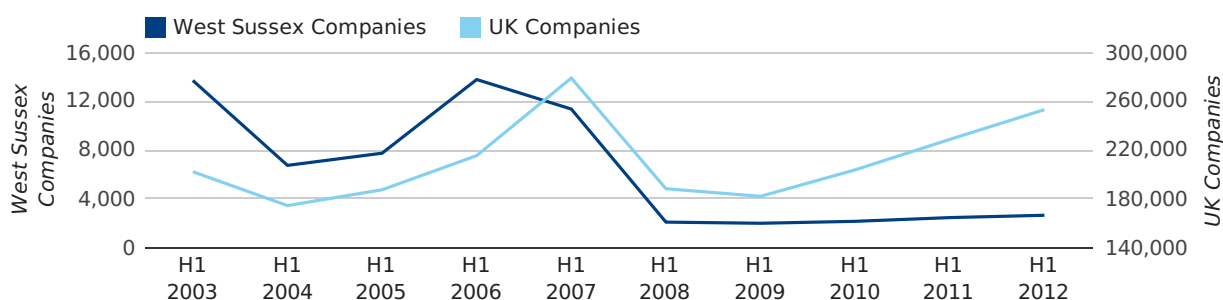
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 2,648 companies were formed in West Sussex. This figure is 7.8% higher than last year, which compares equally to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in West Sussex occurred in 2006 when a total of 13,788 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	2,648	253,150
2011	2,457	228,735
% CHANGE	7.8%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (13,788)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



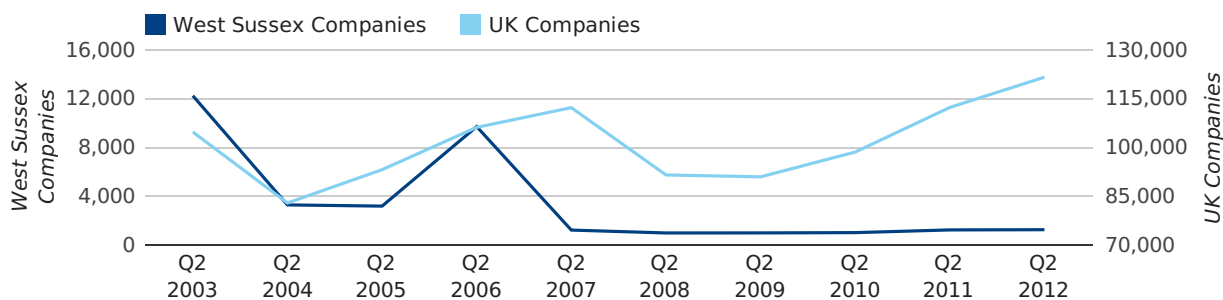
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 1,259 companies were registered in West Sussex during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 1.5% 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)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	1,259	121,659
2011	1,241	112,344
% CHANGE	1.5%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (12,253)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	414	478	367
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	403	442	396
% CHANGE	2.7%	8.1%	-7.3%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (7,784)	2003 (4,517)	2003 (4,635)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 1,610 companies were dissolved in West Sussex. This figure is 8.7% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in West Sussex occurred in 2009 when a total of 20,950 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	1,610	147,793
2011	1,764	162,310
% CHANGE	-8.7%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (20,950)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



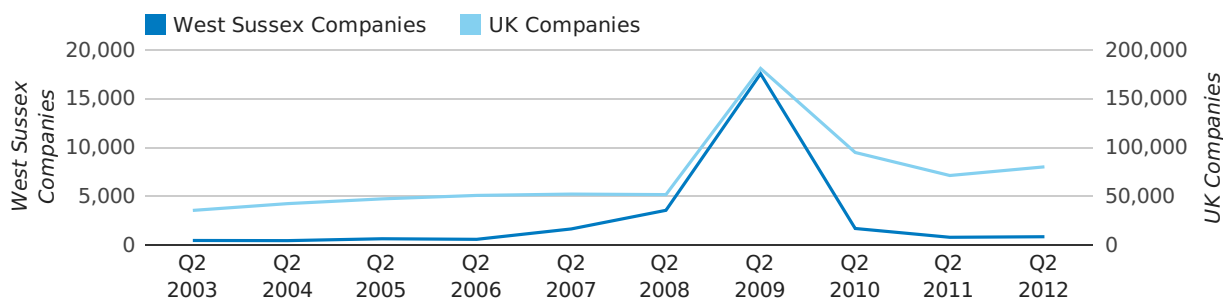
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 852 companies were dissolved in West Sussex during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 7.2% 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)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	852	80,217
2011	795	71,324
% CHANGE	7.2%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (17,572)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

dissolved companies by month



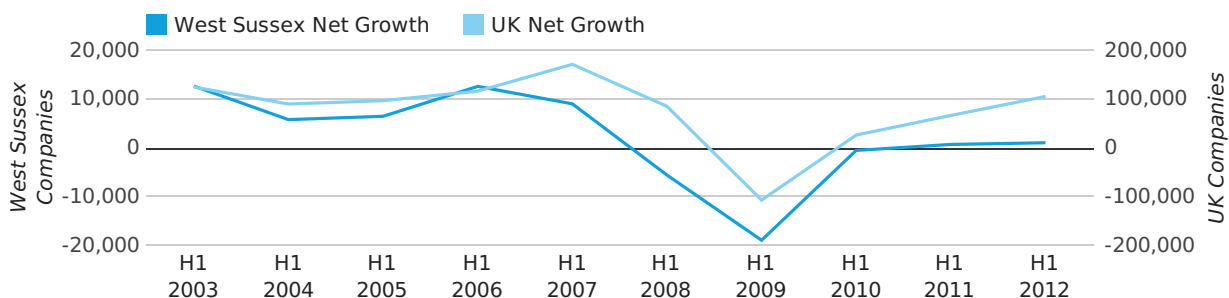
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	248	338	266
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	164	371	260
% CHANGE	51.2%	-8.9%	2%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (1,425)	2009 (3,901)	2009 (12,246)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for West Sussex increased by 1,038 companies. This figure is 49.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	1,038	105,357
2011	693	66,425
% CHANGE	49.8%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (12,675)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



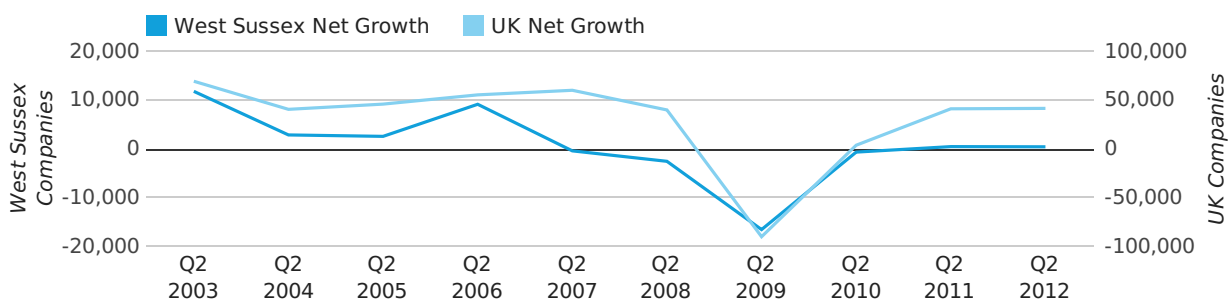
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for West Sussex during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was 407 companies.

This represents a decrease of 8.7% on the same period last year.

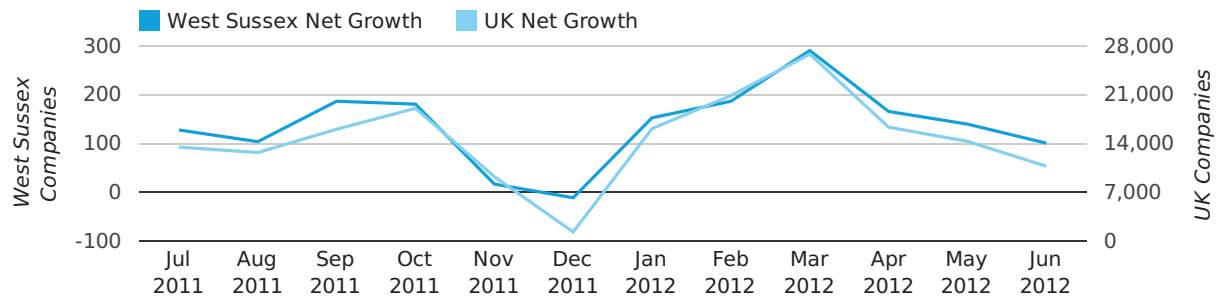
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WEST SUSSEX	UK
2012	407	41,442
2011	446	41,020
% CHANGE	-8.7%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (11,785)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



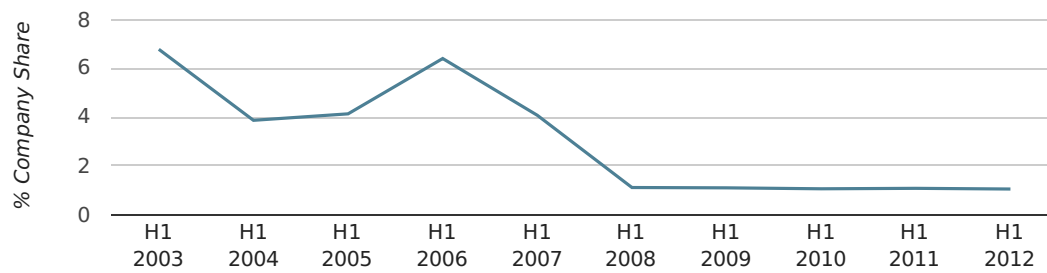
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	166	140	101
NET GROWTH IN 2011	239	71	136
% CHANGE	-30.5%	97.2%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (7,572)	2003 (4,372)	2003 (4,488)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 West Sussex formed 1.0% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 1.1%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WEST SUSSEX
2012	1.0%
2011	1.1%
2010	1.1%
2009	1.1%
2008	1.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2003 (6.8%)

company share by half year

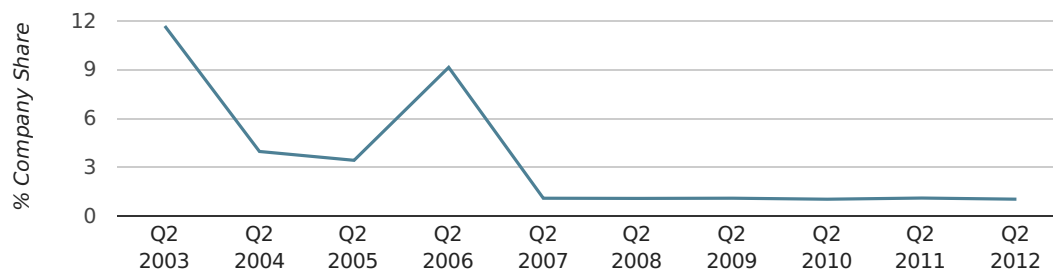


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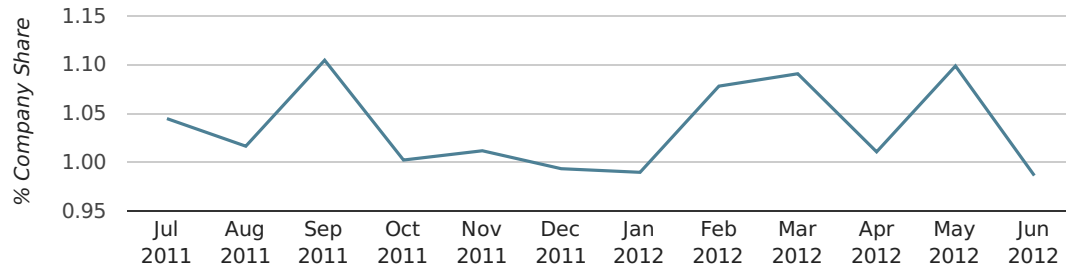
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2012	1.0%
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2008	1.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2003 (11.7%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	1.0%	1.1%	1.0%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	1.2%	1.2%	1.0%
% CHANGE	-13.5%	-5.2%	-1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (20.1%)	2003 (12.9%)	2003 (13.1%)

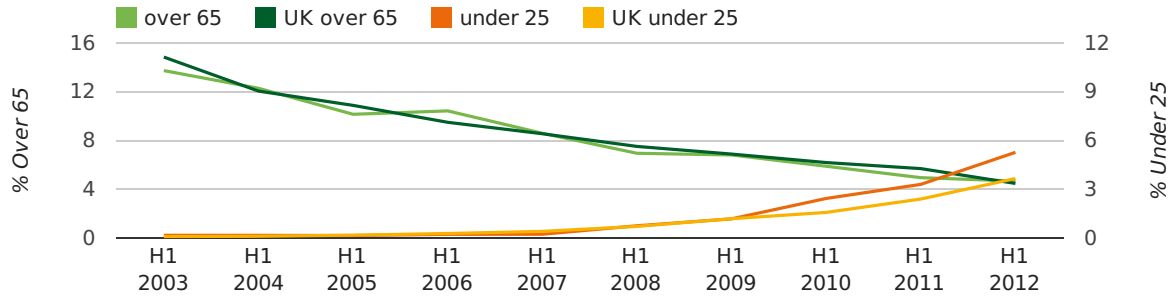
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 44.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 4.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



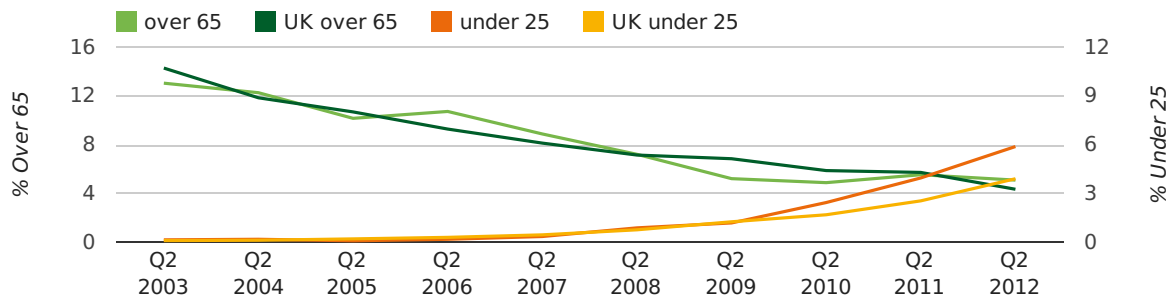
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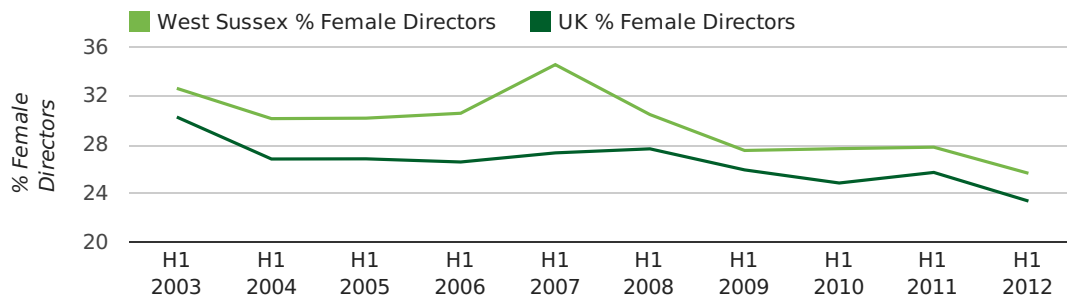


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

25.7% of all director appointments in West Sussex 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



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
CONSULTING	2.14%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.77%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	1.39%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
SUSSEX	1.08%	PROPERTY	2.35%
DESIGN	1.06%	TRADING	2.10%
ELECTRICAL	0.87%	DESIGN	1.89%
PROPERTY	0.87%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
CONSULTANTS	0.85%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
ASSOCIATES	0.82%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSTRUCTION	0.78%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
MEDIA	0.71%	BUSINESS	1.70%
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TRADING	0.69%	LONDON	1.68%
ENGINEERING	0.66%	J	1.57%
M	0.61%	GLOBAL	1.51%
BUILDING	0.59%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
SCAFFOLDING	0.59%	IT	1.42%
CARE	0.56%	CARE	1.31%
J	0.56%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ENERGY	0.54%	M	1.26%
IT	0.52%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
ROAD	0.50%	BUILDING	1.23%
INVESTMENTS	0.50%	SECURITY	1.19%
(SUSSEX)	0.49%	S	1.18%
SYSTEMS	0.49%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	2,194	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	400	47,029
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	324	35,447
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	299	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	278	26,088
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	202	15,280
9999 - Dormant Company	191	16,469
7414 - Business & management consultancy	172	10,978
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	127	14,220
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	104	10,271
62090 - Other information technology service activities	102	8,258
74990 - Non-trading company	98	9,706
9305 - Other service activities	86	7,926
7499 - Non-trading company	86	8,023
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	82	6,356
7260 - Other computer related activities	78	6,456
41100 - Development of building projects	73	5,149
86900 - Other human health activities	67	5,222
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	63	4,644
62012 - Business and domestic software development	59	4,742