

Wetherby

2011 annual business confidence report



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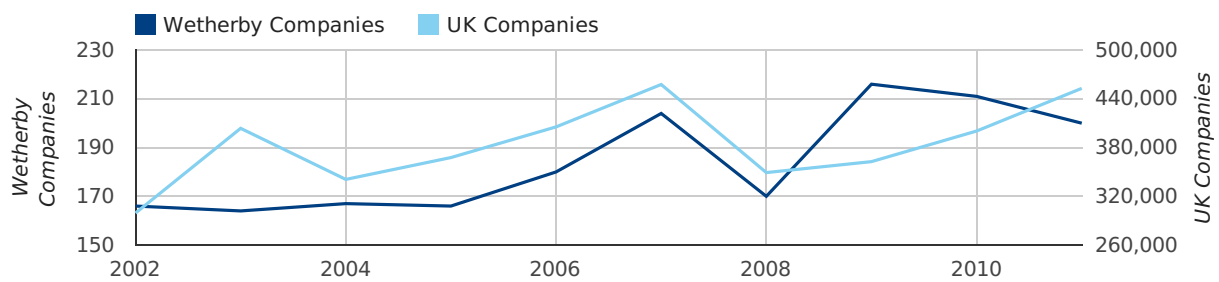
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Annual Data (2011)

A total of 200 companies were formed in Wetherby in 2011. This total is 5.2% lower than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of a 13.1% growth compared to 400,358 the previous year.

YEAR	WETHERBY	UK
2011	200	452,870
2010	211	400,358
2009	216	362,675
2008	170	349,203
2007	204	457,649
RECORD YEAR	2009 (216)	2007 (457,649)

new companies by year



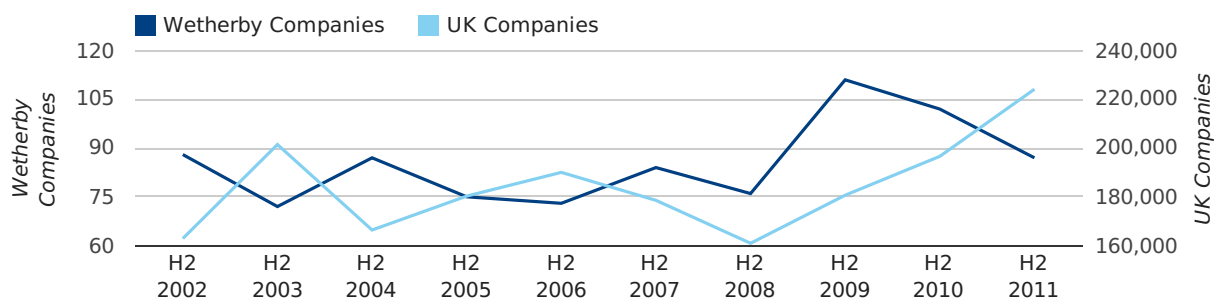
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 87 companies were formed in Wetherby. This figure is 14.7% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 14.0%.

The highest total for a second half year in Wetherby occurred in 2009 when a total of 111 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	87	224,135
2010	102	196,609
% CHANGE	-14.7%	14.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (111)	2011 (224,135)

new companies by half year



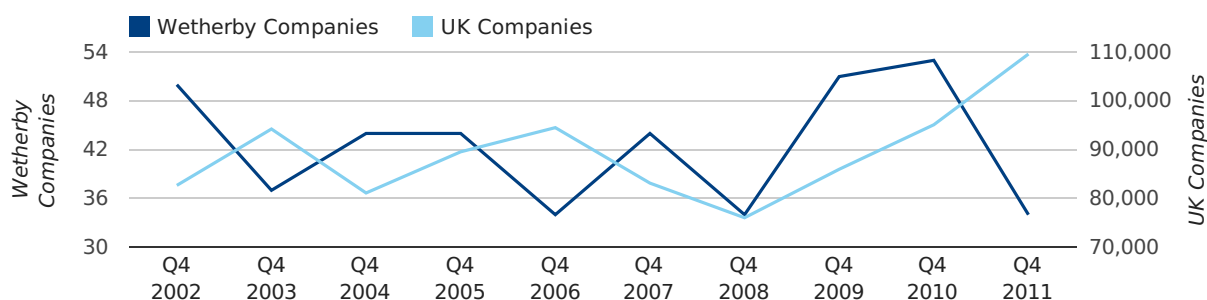
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 34 companies were registered in Wetherby during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 35.8% 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.

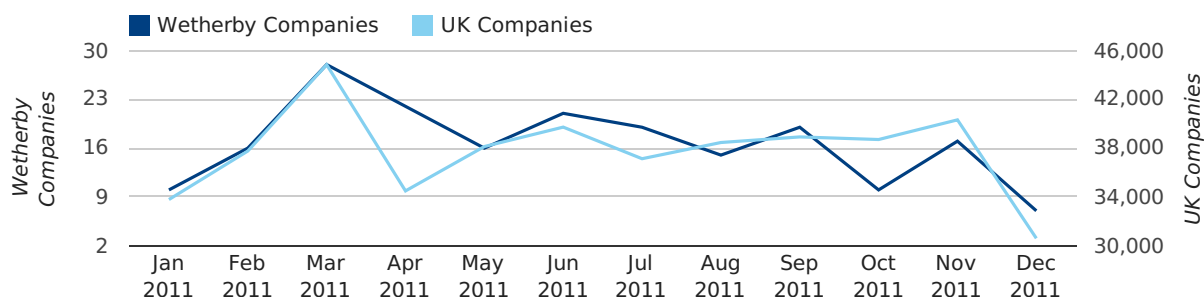
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	34	109,623
2010	53	95,117
% CHANGE	-35.8%	15.3%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (53)	2011 (109,623)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

new companies by month



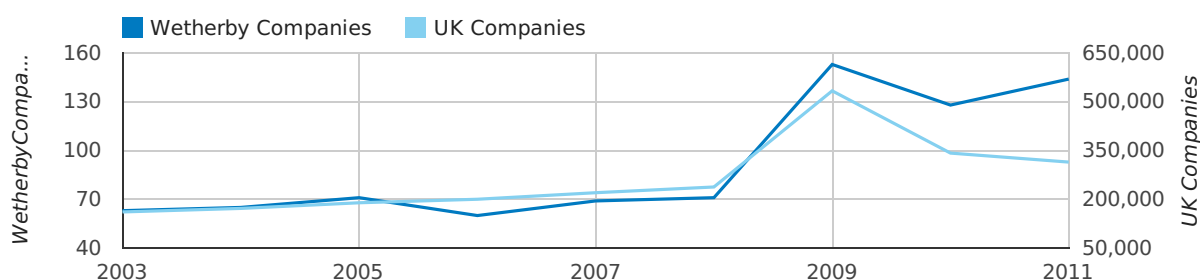
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	10	17	7
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	17	26	10
% CHANGE	-41.2%	-34.6%	-30.0%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (24)	2010 (26)	2009 (16)

Annual Data (2011)

A total of 144 companies were dissolved in Wetherby in 2011. This total is 12.5% higher than in 2010 and compares favourably to the UK figure of 8.1% decrease compared to the previous year.

YEAR	WETHERBY	UK
2011	144	314,523
2010	128	342,232
2009	153	533,773
2008	71	237,901
2007	69	220,295
RECORD YEAR	2009 (153)	2009 (533,773)

dissolved companies by year



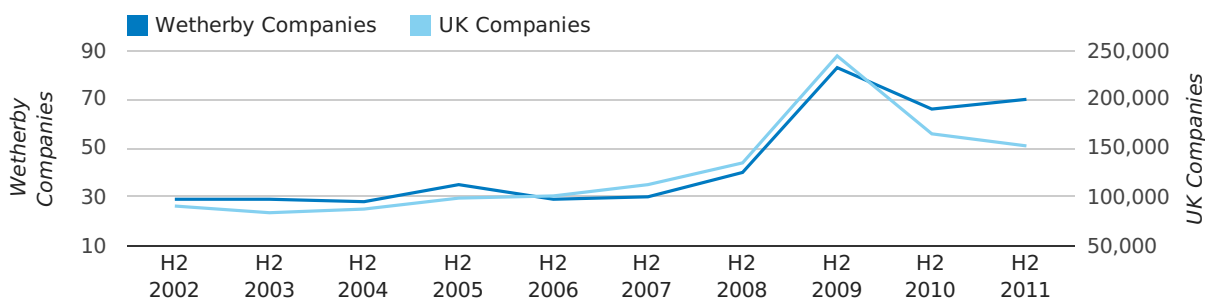
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 a total of 70 companies were dissolved in Wetherby. This figure is 6.1% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -7.5%.

The highest total for a second half year in Wetherby occurred in 2009 when a total of 83 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	70	152,213
2010	66	164,601
% CHANGE	6.1%	-7.5%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (83)	2009 (244,537)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

A total of 37 companies were dissolved in Wetherby during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011).

This figure is an increase of 8.8% 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)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	37	79,983
2010	34	76,896
% CHANGE	8.8%	4.0%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (38)	2009 (85,136)

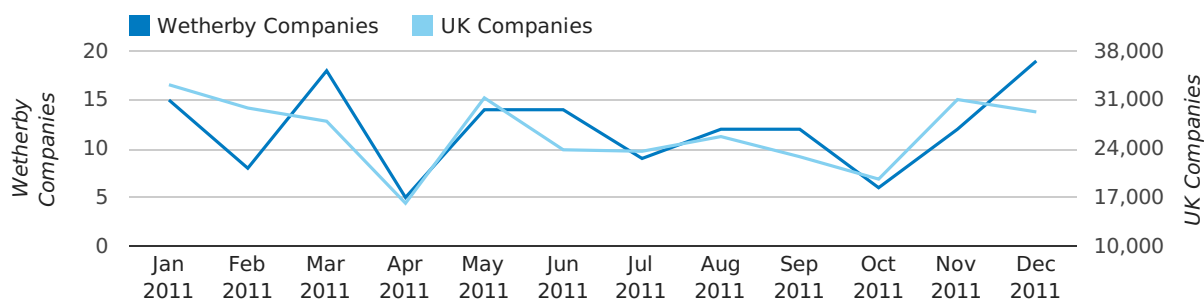
dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

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

dissolved companies by month



	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	6	12	19
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	11	12	11
% CHANGE	-45.5%	0.0%	73%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (11)	1997 (15)	2009 (19)

Annual Data (2011)

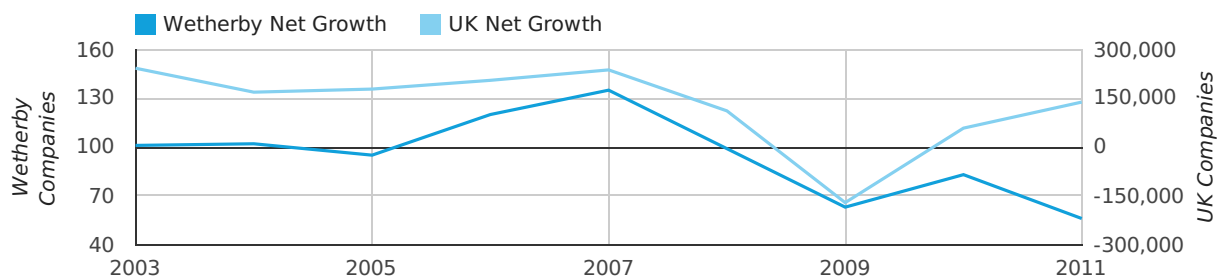
A total of 56 companies were added to the company register for Wetherby in 2011. This number represents growth of 26.5% which compares unfavourably to the UK figure of 34.6%.

This number is 27 companies lower than the previous year.

The highest net company growth figure ever seen in one year came in 2007 when the Wetherby company register grew by 135 companies.

YEAR	WETHERBY	UK
2011	56	138,347
2010	83	58,126
2009	63	-171,098
2008	99	111,302
2007	135	237,354
RECORD YEAR	2007 (135)	2003 (242,543)

net growth by year

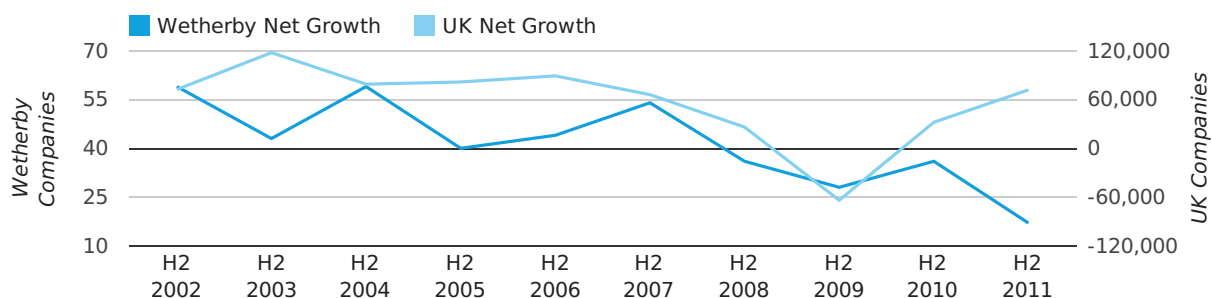


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 the company register for Wetherby increased by 17 companies. This figure is 52.8% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 124.7%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	17	71,922
2010	36	32,008
% CHANGE	-52.8%	124.7%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (59)	2003 (117,772)

net growth by half year



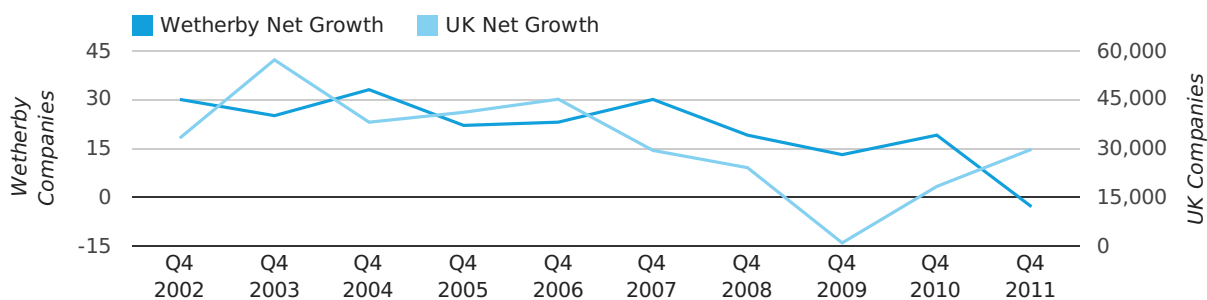
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

Net company growth for Wetherby during the fourth quarter of 2011 (Oct 2011 - Dec 2011) was -3 companies.

This represents a decrease of 115.8% on the same period last year.

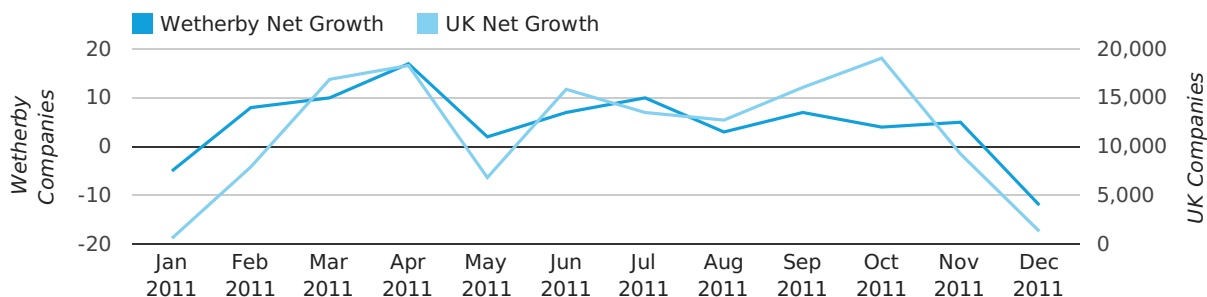
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	WETHERBY	UK
2011	-3	29,640
2010	19	18,221
% CHANGE	-115.8%	62.7%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (33)	2003 (57,175)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Oct, Nov & Dec 2011)

net growth by month



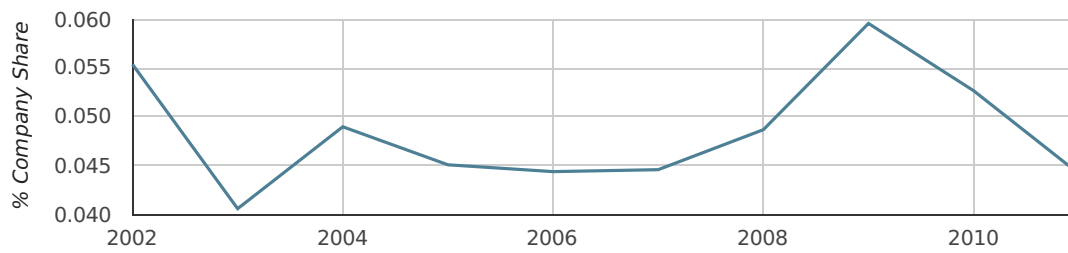
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
NET GROWTH IN 2011	4	5	-12
NET GROWTH IN 2010	6	14	-1
% CHANGE	-33.3%	-64.3%	1,100.0%
RECORD YEAR	2002 (19)	2004 (17)	1998 (7)

Annual Data (2011)

In 2011 Wetherby formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is a decline on 2010 when Wetherby was responsible for 0.1% of all UK companies.

YEAR	WETHERBY
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1961 (0.1%)

company share by year

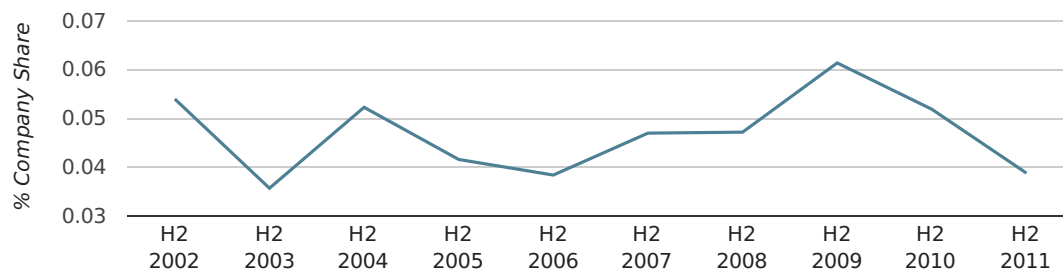


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

In the second half of 2011 Wetherby formed 0.0% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2010 figure of 0.1%.

HALF YEAR (JUL-DEC)	WETHERBY
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.0%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1971 (0.1%)

company share by half year

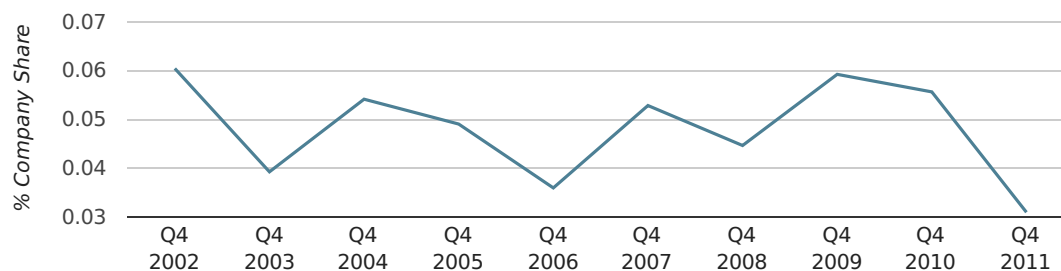


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

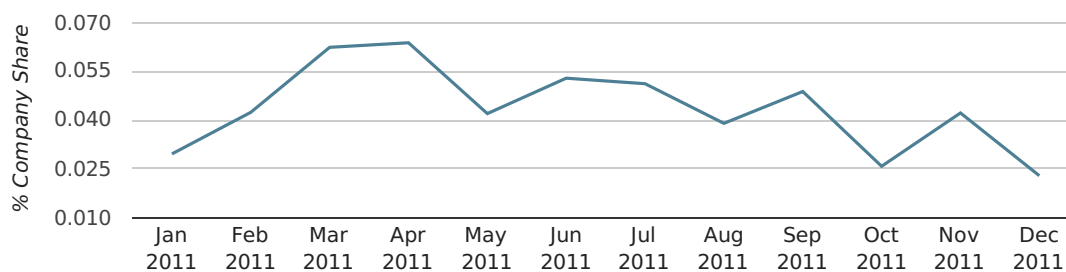
FOURTH QUARTER (OCT 2011 - DEC 2011)	WETHERBY
2011	0.0%
2010	0.1%
2009	0.1%
2008	0.0%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1968 (0.1%)

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	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
% CHANGE	-48.9%	-44.3%	-37.9%
RECORD YEAR	1964 (0.3%)	1968 (0.2%)	1970 (0.3%)

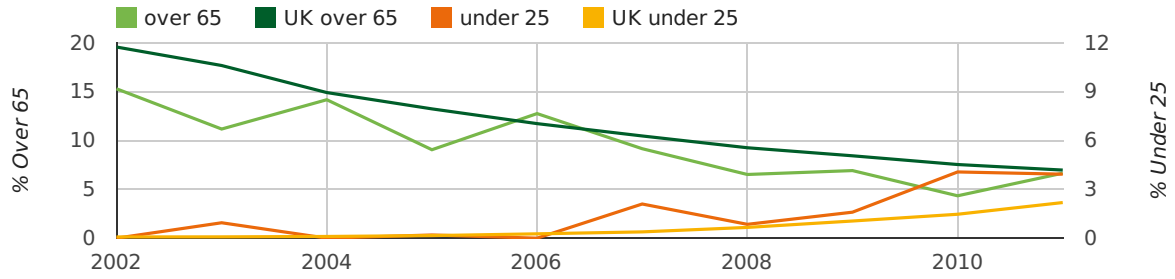
Annual Data (2011)

The average age of a director in 2011 was 45.7.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.7%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 6.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

director age by year



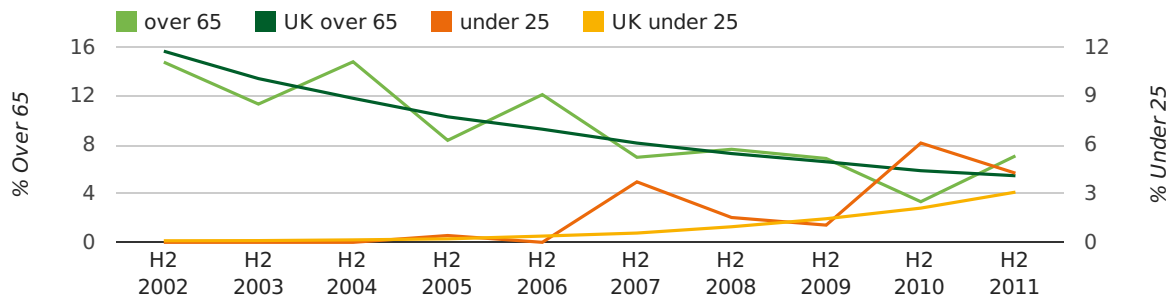
Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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 4.3% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

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

director age by half year



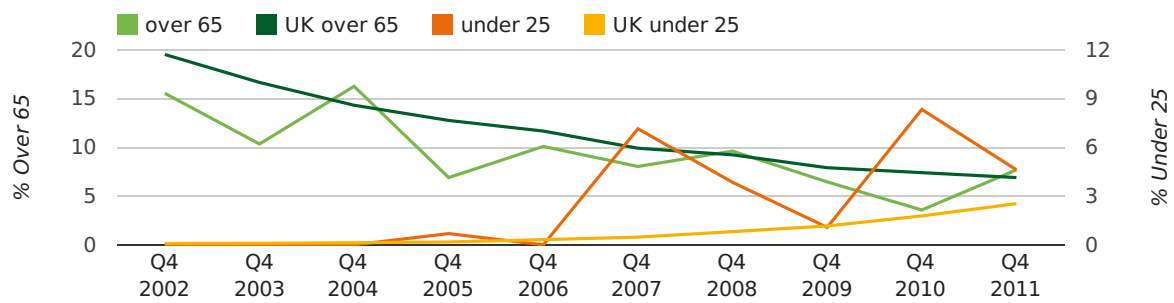
Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

The average age of a director in the fourth quarter of 2011 was 48.4.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.1%.

director age by quarter

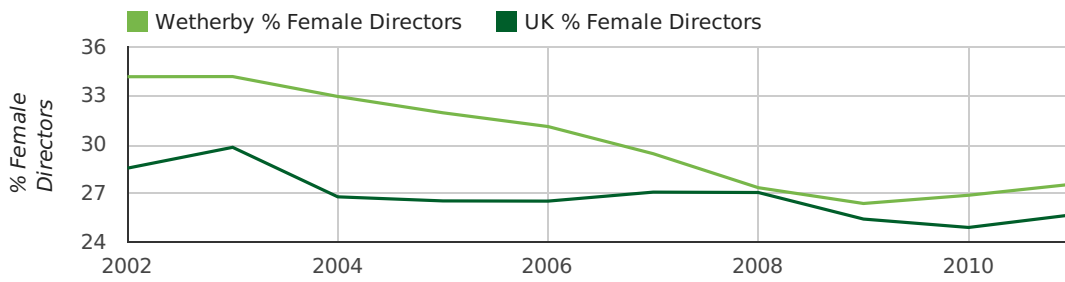


Annual Data (2011)

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

The percentage of female directors in Wetherby in 2011 was 34.2%. The average for the UK during this time was 28.6%

director gender by year

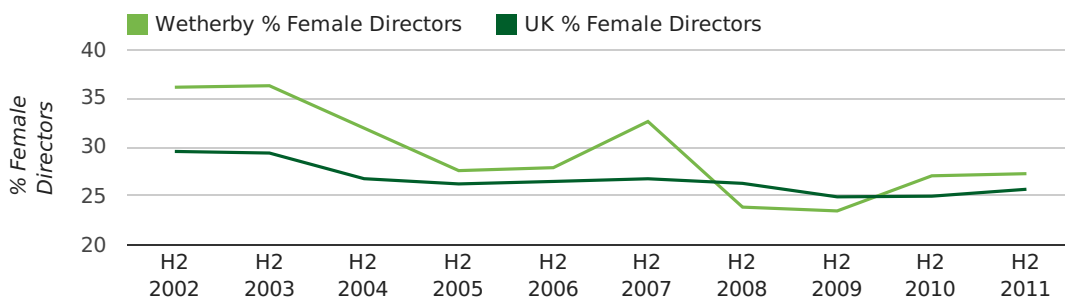


Half Year Data (Jul-Dec 2011)

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

27.3% of all director appointments in Wetherby 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

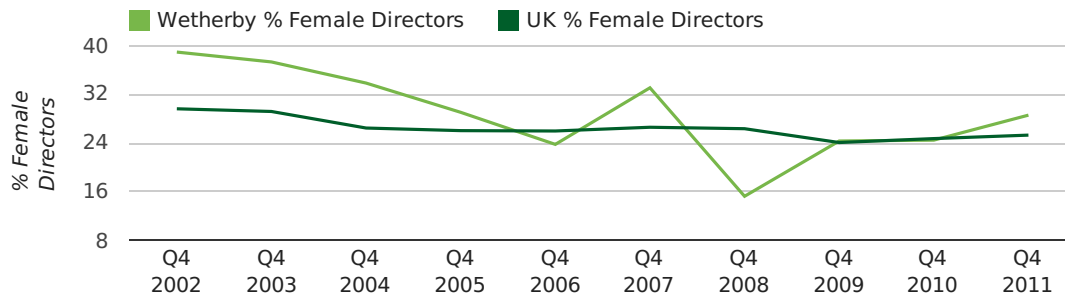


Quarterly Data (Q4 Oct-Dec 2011)

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

28.6% of all director appointments in Wetherby 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
MANAGEMENT	2.89%	CONSULTING	5.07%
PROP	2.63%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
GEN	2.63%	CONSULTANCY	3.26%
CONSULTANTS	1.32%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTING	1.05%	TRADING	2.07%
EVENTS	0.79%	DESIGN	1.92%
DESIGN	0.79%	ASSOCIATES	1.86%
Z	0.79%	ENGINEERING	1.78%
(YORKSHIRE)	0.79%	BUSINESS	1.78%
WETHERBY	0.79%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
P	0.79%	CONSTRUCTION	1.73%
CONSTRUCTION	0.79%	MEDIA	1.71%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.79%	LONDON	1.63%
NORTH	0.79%	J	1.51%
PROPERTY	0.79%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
I	0.53%	GLOBAL	1.46%
CONSULTANCY	0.53%	IT	1.41%
CONNECT	0.53%	CARE	1.39%
EXCEL	0.53%	PROPERTIES	1.29%
PETER	0.53%	ELECTRICAL	1.29%
TELECOM	0.53%	M	1.27%
M	0.53%	BUILDING	1.26%
BOX	0.53%	ENERGY	1.25%
PGA	0.53%	S	1.20%
GRACE	0.53%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	94	205,525
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	19	17,765
7487 - Other business activities	18	57,052
7414 - Business & management consultancy	10	13,034
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	9	12,072
99999 - Dormant Company	9	21,846
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	8	32,483
7260 - Other computer related activities	8	7,667
9999 - Dormant Company	7	20,199
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	7	3,194
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	7	5,558
62012 - Business and domestic software development	7	3,714
7412 - Accounting, auditing; tax consult	5	2,496
63990 - Other information service activities not elsewhere classified	4	1,787
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	4	4,082
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	4	8,671
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	4	11,768
4534 - Other building installation	4	2,091
62090 - Other information technology service activities	4	7,493
70100 - Activities of head offices	4	2,662