

Wigan

2011 half year business confidence report



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- Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Wigan when compared to any previous Q2.
- June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Wigan when compared to any previous June.

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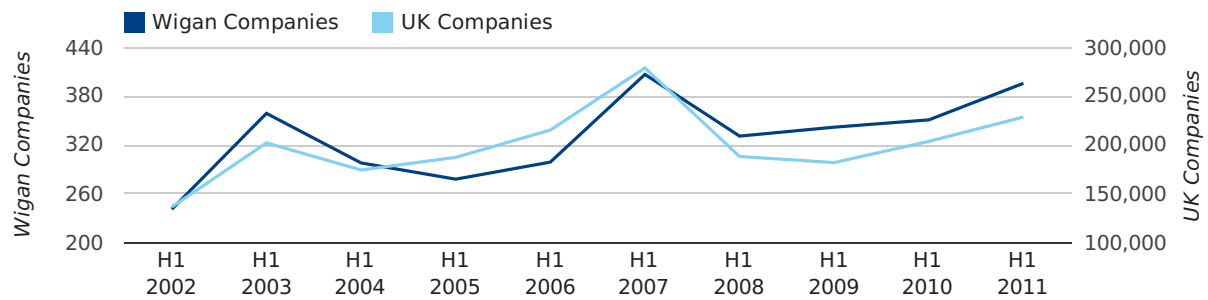
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 396 companies were formed in Wigan. This figure is 12.8% higher than last year, which compares well to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wigan occurred in 2007 when a total of 407 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WIGAN	UK
2011	396	228,735
2010	351	203,749
% CHANGE	12.8%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (407)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

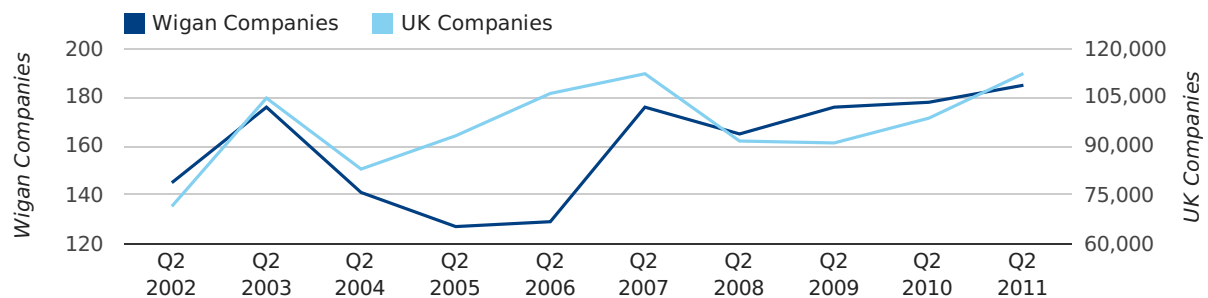
Q2 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Wigan when compared to any previous Q2.

A total of 185 companies were registered in Wigan during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 3.9% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares badly to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WIGAN	UK
2011	185	112,344
2010	178	98,612
% CHANGE	3.9%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (185)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

June 2011 saw a new record in company registrations in Wigan when compared to any previous June.

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	64	44	77
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	62	52	64
% CHANGE	3.2%	-15.4%	20.3%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (66)	2007 (63)	2011 (77)

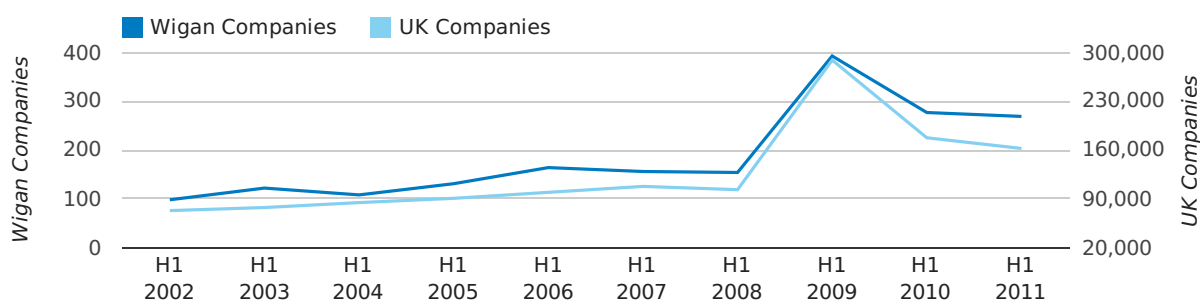
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 269 companies were dissolved in Wigan. This figure is 2.9% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wigan occurred in 2009 when a total of 393 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WIGAN	UK
2011	269	162,310
2010	277	177,631
% CHANGE	-2.9%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (393)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



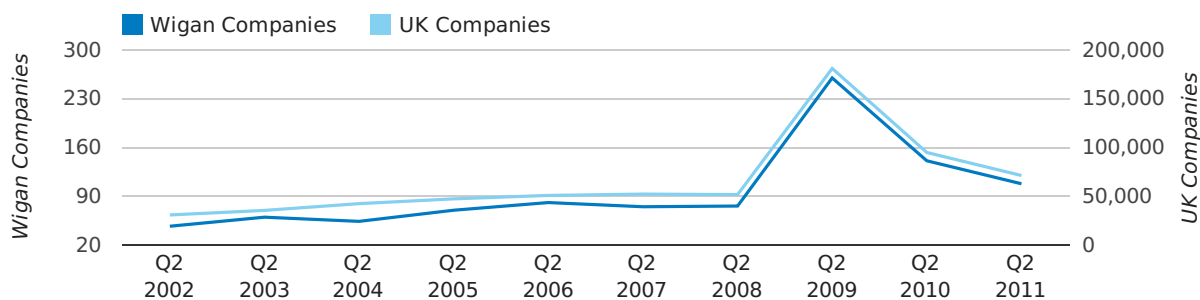
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 108 companies were dissolved in Wigan during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 23.4% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WIGAN	UK
2011	108	71,324
2010	141	94,954
% CHANGE	-23.4%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (260)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



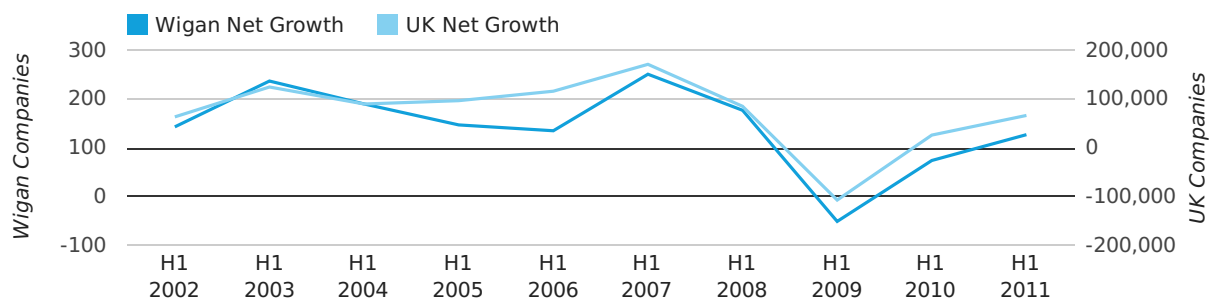
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	21	52	35
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	44	53	44
% CHANGE	-52.3%	-1.9%	-20%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (79)	2009 (104)	2009 (77)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Wigan increased by 127 companies. This figure is 71.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WIGAN	UK
2011	127	66,425
2010	74	26,118
% CHANGE	71.6%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (251)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



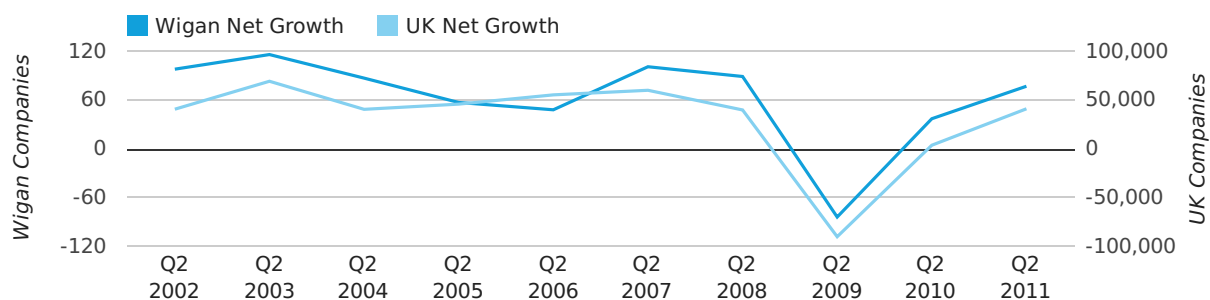
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Wigan during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 77 companies.

This represents an increase of 108.1% on the same period last year.

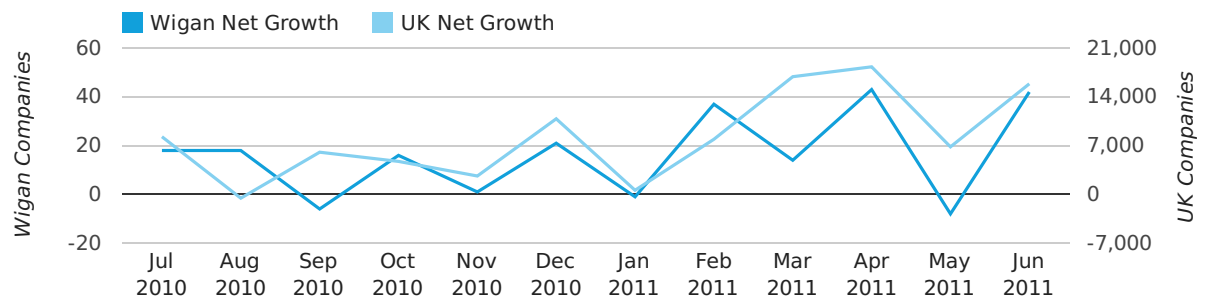
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WIGAN	UK
2011	77	41,020
2010	37	3,658
% CHANGE	108.1%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (116)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



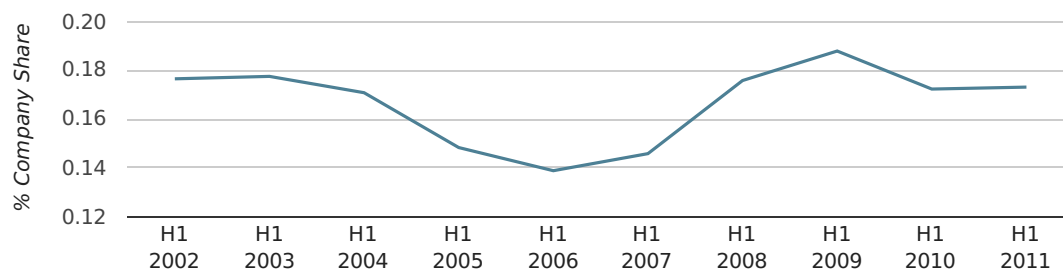
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	43	-8	42
NET GROWTH IN 2010	18	-1	20
% CHANGE	138.9%	700.0%	110.0%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (47)	2003 (36)	2008 (46)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Wigan formed 0.2% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.2%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WIGAN
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.1%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1969 (0.4%)

company share by half year

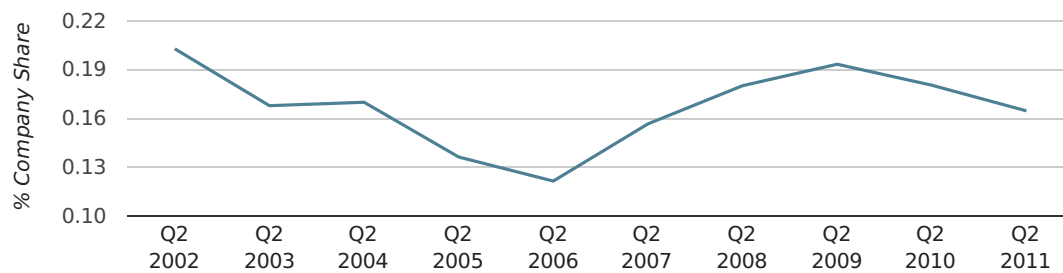


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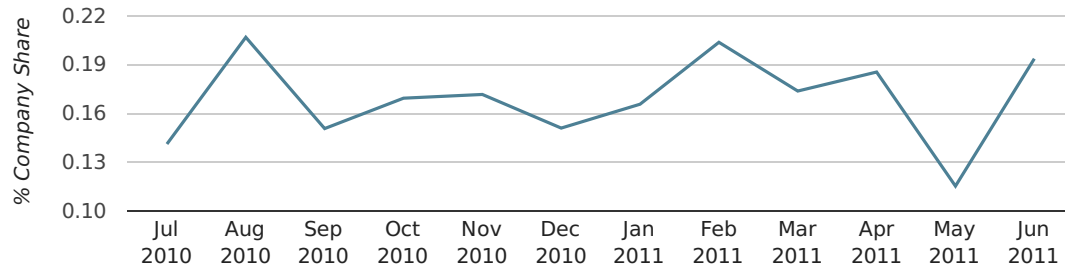
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2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1969 (0.3%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-0.1%	-33.4%	6.6%
RECORD YEAR	1969 (0.4%)	1985 (0.4%)	1969 (0.4%)

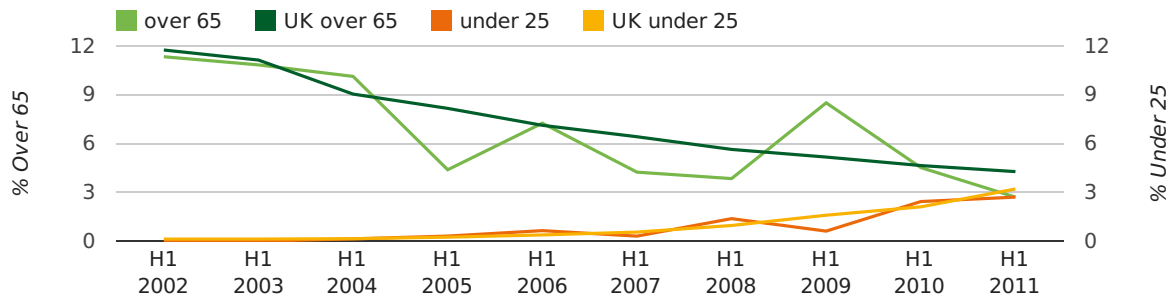
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 43.2.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.7% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



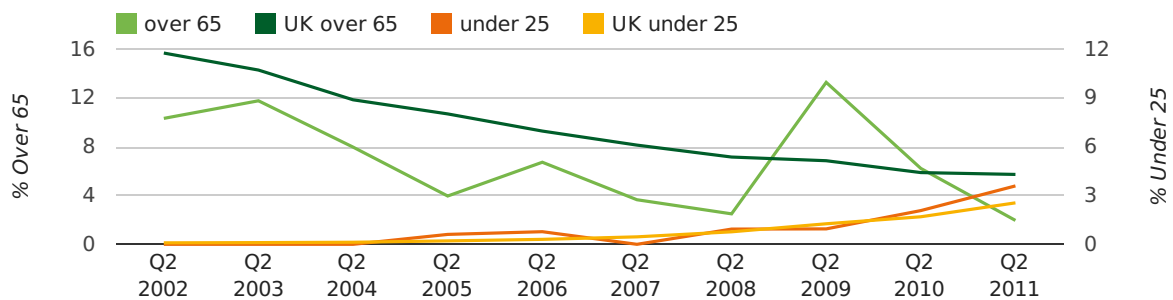
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director age by quarter

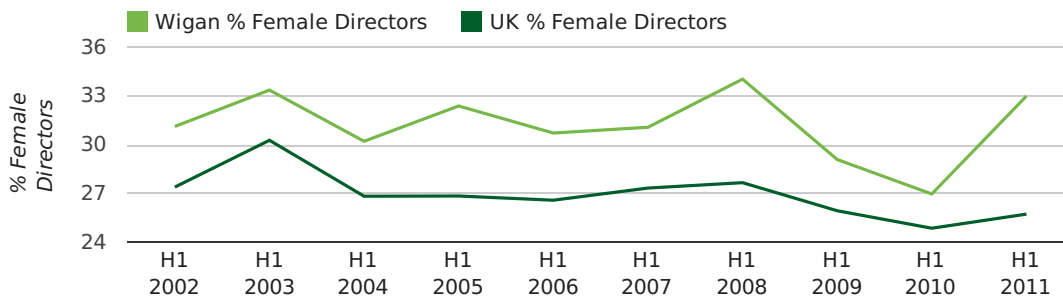


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

33.0% of all director appointments in Wigan in the first half of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.7% for the same period.

director gender by half year

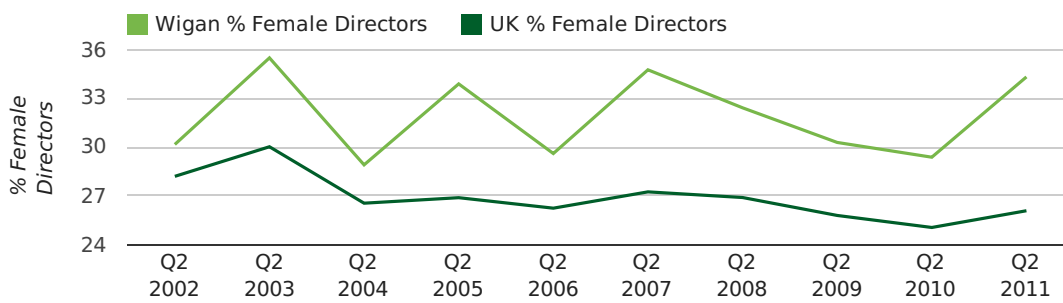


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

34.3% of all director appointments in Wigan in the second quarter of 2011 were female. This compares to a UK average of 26.1% for the same period.

director gender by quarter



Previous 12 months (Jun 2010-Jun 2011)

Excluding: LIMITED, LTD, &, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
MANAGEMENT	1.90%	CONSULTING	5.09%
BUILDING	1.24%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CONSULTANCY	1.16%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
CIC	1.16%	PROPERTY	2.43%
PROPERTY	1.07%	TRADING	2.05%
(WIGAN)	0.99%	DESIGN	1.94%
ELECTRICAL	0.99%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
HEATING	0.91%	BUSINESS	1.87%
J	0.83%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
MEDIA	0.83%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ENGINEERING	0.83%	MEDIA	1.73%
WEST	0.83%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
(NW)	0.83%	LONDON	1.60%
NORTH	0.83%	GLOBAL	1.46%
WIGAN	0.83%	J	1.44%
PLUMBING	0.66%	CARE	1.44%
C.I.C.	0.66%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
STANDISH	0.58%	IT	1.39%
CONSTRUCTION	0.58%	BUILDING	1.32%
CONSULTING	0.58%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
SCHOOL	0.58%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
PROPERTIES	0.58%	M	1.27%
WEST)	0.58%	S	1.23%
(NORTH	0.58%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
DESIGN	0.58%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	360	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	79	60,758
9999 - Dormant Company	42	20,111
99999 - Dormant Company	28	18,918
9305 - Other service activities	20	9,063
7414 - Business & management consultancy	19	13,053
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	18	30,647
7499 - Non-trading company	17	10,955
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	17	5,928
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	16	16,419
62090 - Other information technology service activities	15	7,095
6024 - Freight transport by road	15	2,316
41100 - Development of building projects	15	3,852
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	15	10,545
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	15	7,835
5248 - Other retail specialised stores	15	2,037
43210 - Electrical installation	12	3,085
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	12	10,322
49410 - Freight transport by road	11	2,142
5020 - Maintenance & repair of motors	11	1,432