

Woking

2012 half year business confidence report



headlines

- The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous first half year.
- The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company closures in Woking when compared to any half year in history.
- Q2 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous Q2.
- Q2 2012 was a record quarter for company closures in Woking when compared to any quarter in history.
- June 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous June.
- May 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous May.
- April 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous April.
- April 2012 was a record month for company closures in Woking when compared to any month in history.

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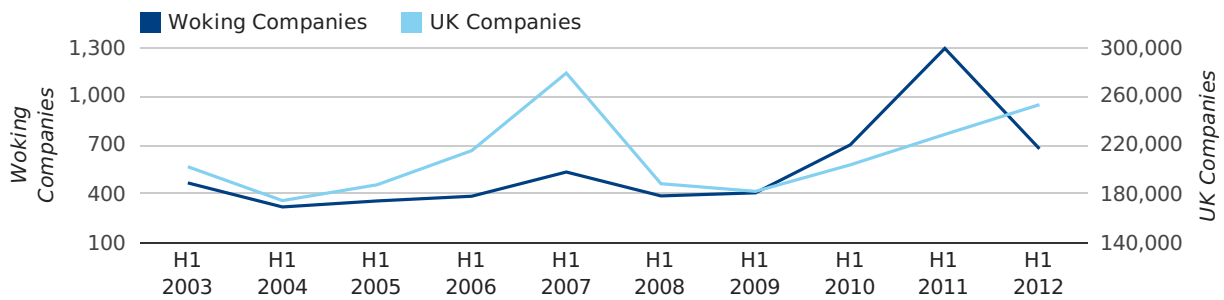
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 a total of 677 companies were formed in Woking. This figure is 47.7% lower than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 10.7%.

The highest total for a first half year in Woking occurred in 2011 when a total of 1,295 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOKING	UK
2012	677	253,150
2011	1,295	228,735
% CHANGE	-47.7%	10.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (1,295)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



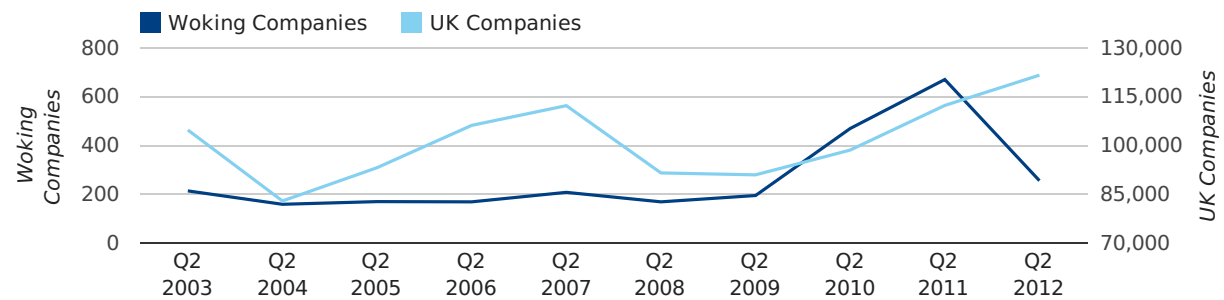
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

A total of 256 companies were registered in Woking during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 61.8% 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)	WOKING	UK
2012	256	121,659
2011	671	112,344
% CHANGE	-61.8%	8.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (671)	2012 (121,659)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	104	92	60
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	188	224	259
% CHANGE	-44.7%	-58.9%	-76.8%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (188)	2011 (224)	2011 (259)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The first half of 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous first half year.

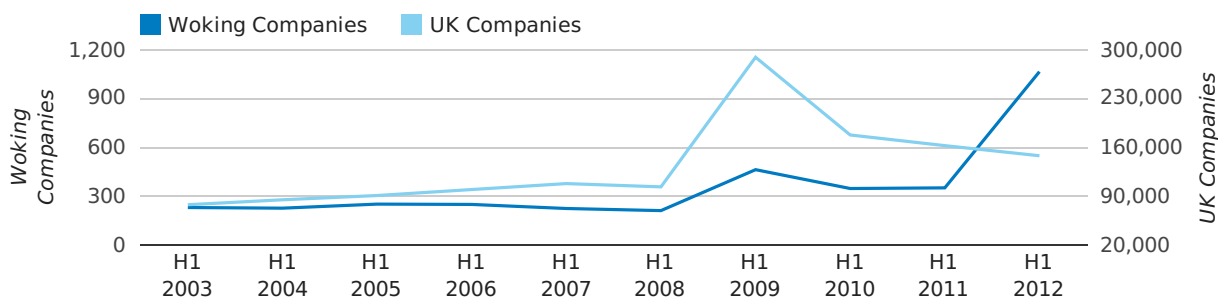
The first half of 2012 was a record first half year for company closures in Woking when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2012 a total of 1,065 companies were dissolved in Woking. This figure is 204.3% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide change of -8.9%.

The highest total for a first half year in Woking occurred in 2012 when a total of 1,065 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOKING	UK
2012	1,065	147,793
2011	350	162,310
% CHANGE	204.3%	-8.9%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (1,065)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Q2 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous Q2.

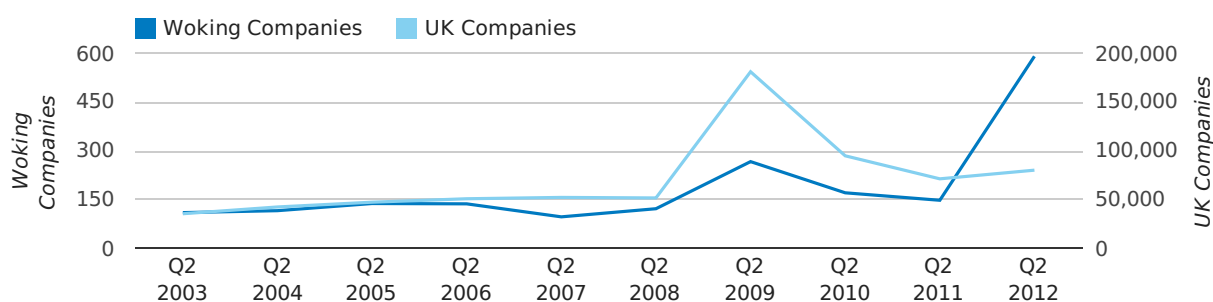
Q2 2012 was a record quarter for company closures in Woking when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 591 companies were dissolved in Woking during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012).

This figure is an increase of 299.3% versus the same period last year (Q2 2011). This figure compares poorly 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)	WOKING	UK
2012	591	80,217
2011	148	71,324
% CHANGE	299.3%	12.5%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (591)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

June 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous June.

May 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous May.

April 2012 saw a new record in company closures in Woking when compared to any previous April.

April 2012 was a record month for company closures in Woking when compared to any month in history.

dissolved companies by month



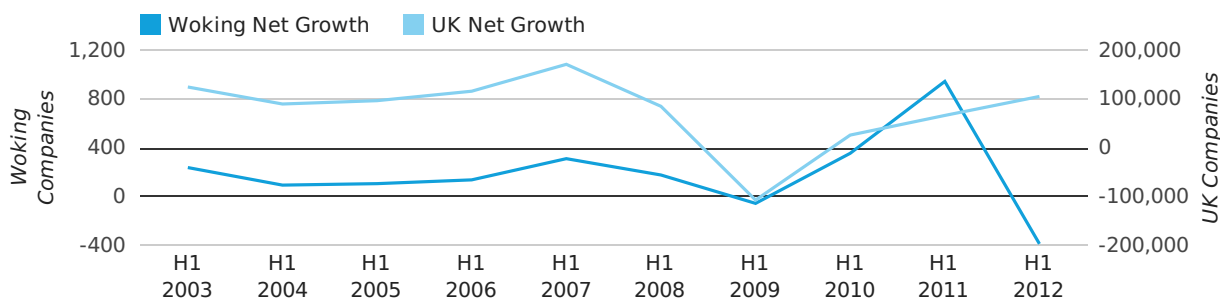
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	258	188	145
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	25	57	66
% CHANGE	932.0%	229.8%	120%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (258)	2012 (188)	2012 (145)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 the company register for Woking decreased by 388 companies. This figure is 141.1% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 58.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOKING	UK
2012	-388	105,357
2011	945	66,425
% CHANGE	-141.1%	58.6%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (945)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



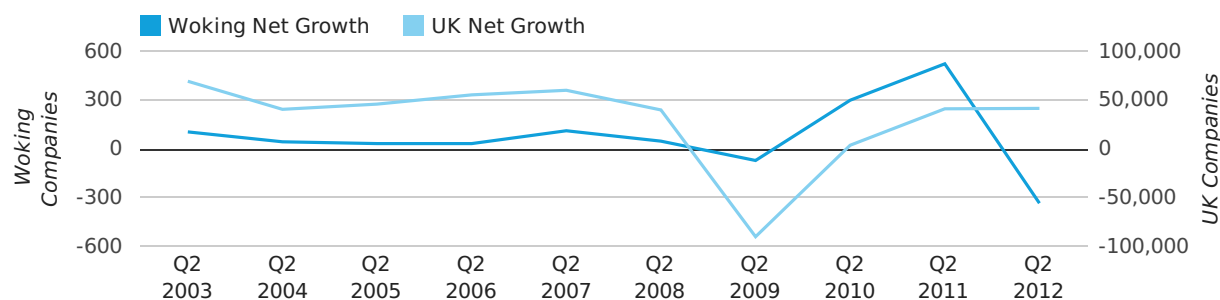
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

Net company growth for Woking during the second quarter of 2012 (Apr 2012 - Jun 2012) was -335 companies.

This represents a decrease of 164.1% on the same period last year.

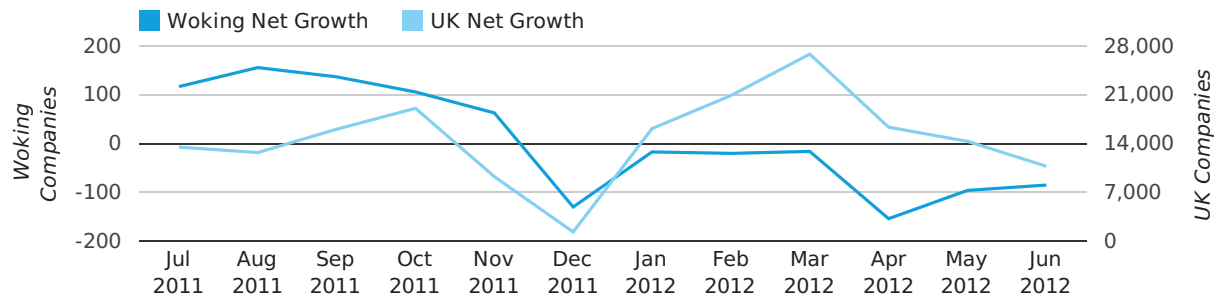
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WOKING	UK
2012	-335	41,442
2011	523	41,020
% CHANGE	-164.1%	1.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (523)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

net growth by month



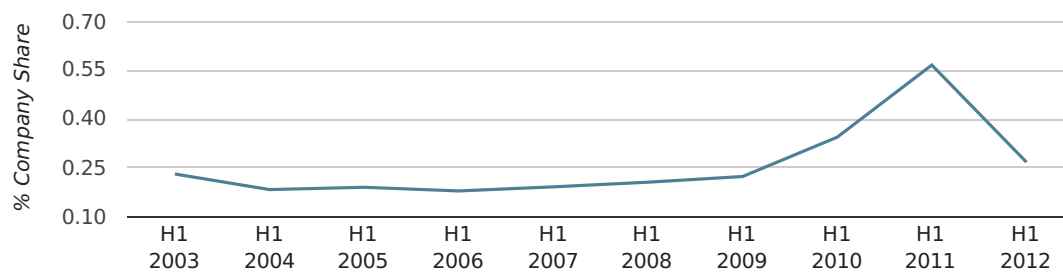
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2012	-154	-96	-85
NET GROWTH IN 2011	163	167	193
% CHANGE	-194.5%	-157.5%	-144.0%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (163)	2011 (167)	2011 (193)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

In the first half of 2012 Woking formed 0.3% of all UK companies. This is less than the 2011 figure of 0.6%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOKING
2012	0.3%
2011	0.6%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2011 (0.6%)

company share by half year

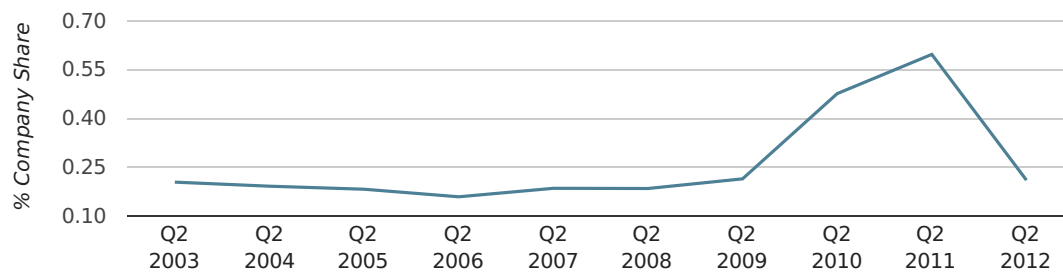


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

SECOND QUARTER (APR 2012 - JUN 2012)	WOKING
2012	0.2%
2011	0.6%
2010	0.5%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	2011 (0.6%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2012)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%
% CHANGE	-53.4%	-64.0%	-75.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (0.5%)	1968 (0.9%)	2011 (0.7%)

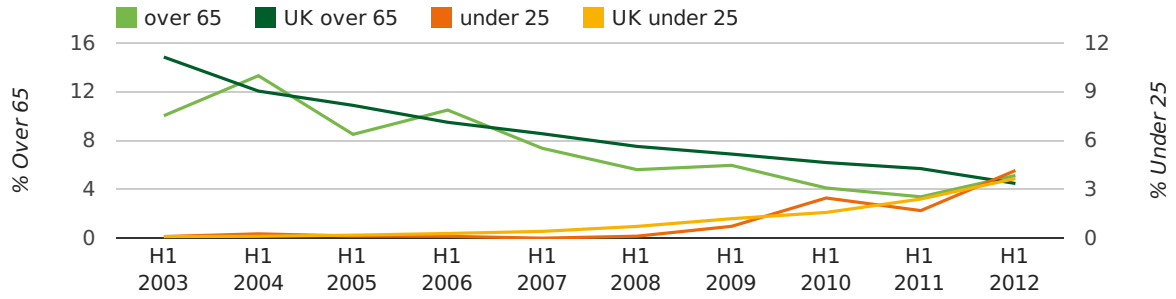
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2012 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 4.9%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.4%.

director age by half year



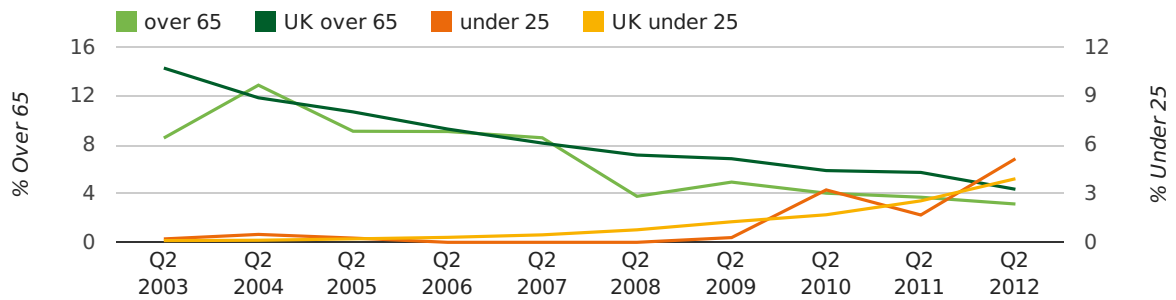
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

The average age of a director in the second quarter of 2012 was 41.8.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 5.1% compared to the UK figure of 5.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.1% compared to the UK figure of 3.3%.

director age by quarter

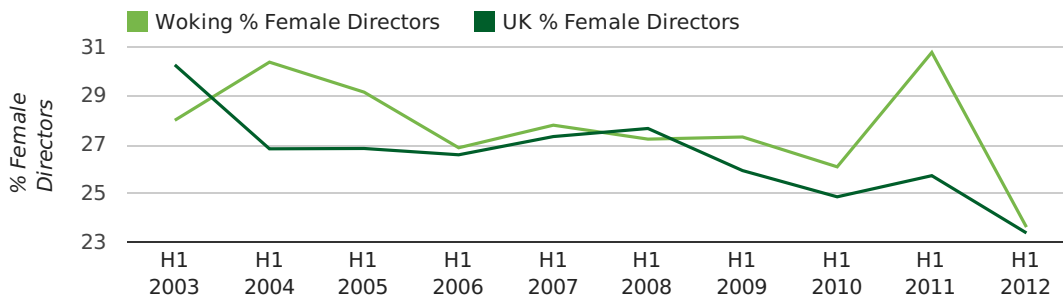


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2012)

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

23.6% of all director appointments in Woking 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

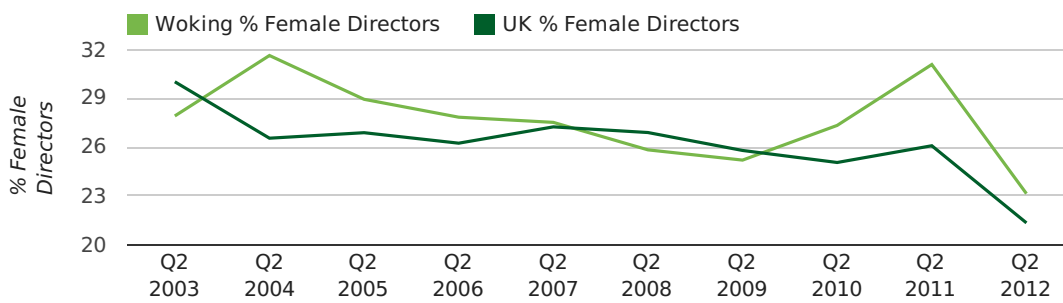


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2012)

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

23.1% of all director appointments in Woking 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
CONSULTING	1.90%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	0.93%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
CONSULTANCY	0.90%	CONSULTANCY	3.28%
TRADING	0.54%	PROPERTY	2.35%
PLOTHOLDERS	0.54%	TRADING	2.10%
BECOLL	0.50%	DESIGN	1.89%
ENGINEERING	0.50%	ENGINEERING	1.87%
MEDIA	0.43%	ASSOCIATES	1.82%
SURREY	0.43%	CONSULTANTS	1.78%
CONSULTANTS	0.43%	CONSTRUCTION	1.71%
BUSINESS	0.39%	BUSINESS	1.70%
ASSOCIATES	0.39%	MEDIA	1.69%
GREEN	0.39%	LONDON	1.68%
DESIGN	0.36%	J	1.57%
SERVICE	0.36%	GLOBAL	1.51%
IT	0.32%	INVESTMENTS	1.48%
M	0.32%	IT	1.42%
WOKING	0.32%	CARE	1.31%
SOUTH	0.29%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
ASSET	0.29%	M	1.26%
CAPITAL	0.29%	ELECTRICAL	1.23%
CARS	0.29%	BUILDING	1.23%
HOMES	0.29%	SECURITY	1.19%
PRODUCTIONS	0.29%	S	1.18%
AMBULANCE	0.29%	ENTERPRISES	1.17%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	2,085	244,457
7487 - Other business activities	134	47,029
7499 - Non-trading company	102	8,023
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	88	35,447
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	80	15,280
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	77	20,390
99999 - Dormant Company	48	26,088
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	44	14,220
62090 - Other information technology service activities	38	8,258
7414 - Business & management consultancy	33	10,978
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	30	6,356
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	27	10,271
7260 - Other computer related activities	27	6,456
9999 - Dormant Company	25	16,469
9305 - Other service activities	20	7,926
62012 - Business and domestic software development	18	4,742
74990 - Non-trading company	15	9,706
85100 - Pre-primary education	14	646
86900 - Other human health activities	14	5,222
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	14	4,535