

Wolverhampton

2011 half year business confidence report



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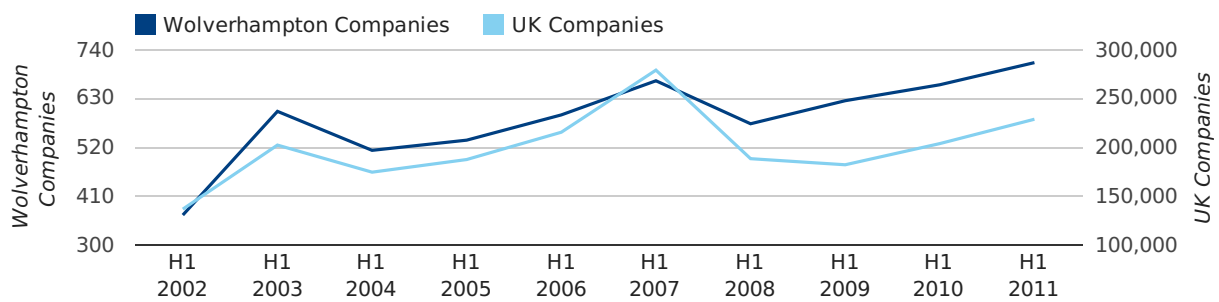
The first half of 2011 was a record first half year for company registrations in Wolverhampton when compared to any half year in history.

In the first half of 2011 a total of 711 companies were formed in Wolverhampton. This figure is 7.6% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wolverhampton occurred in 2011 when a total of 711 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	711	228,735
2010	661	203,749
% CHANGE	7.6%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (711)	2007 (279,097)

new companies by half year



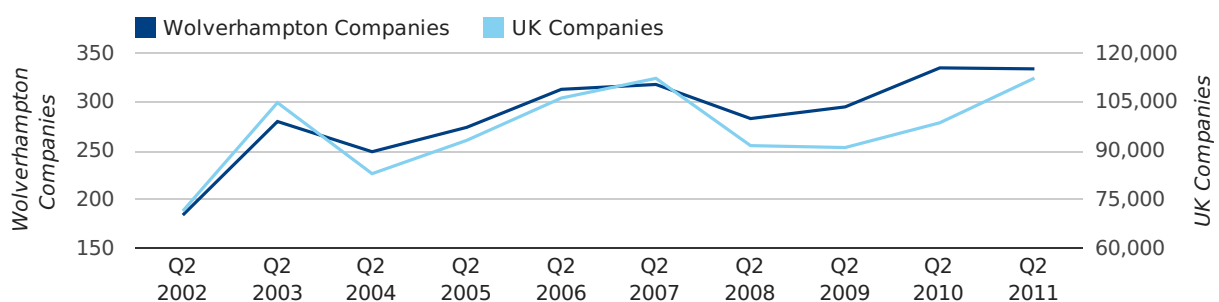
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 334 companies were registered in Wolverhampton during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 0.3% 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.

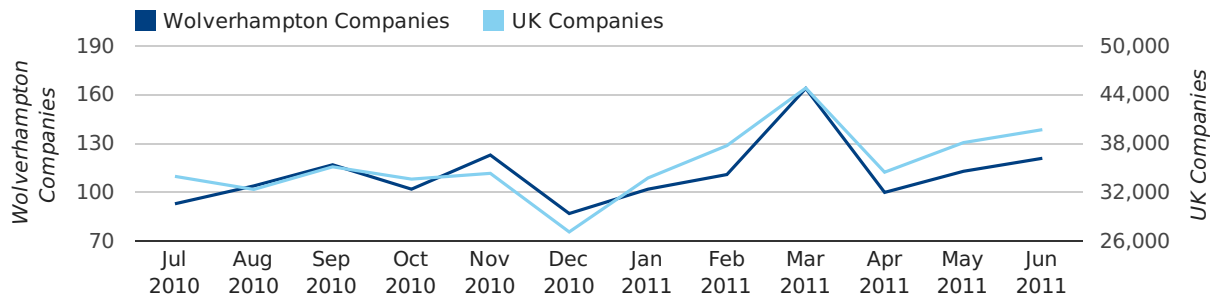
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	334	112,344
2010	335	98,612
% CHANGE	-0.3%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (335)	2011 (112,344)

new companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	100	113	121
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	121	92	122
% CHANGE	-17.4%	22.8%	-0.8%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (131)	2007 (115)	2010 (122)

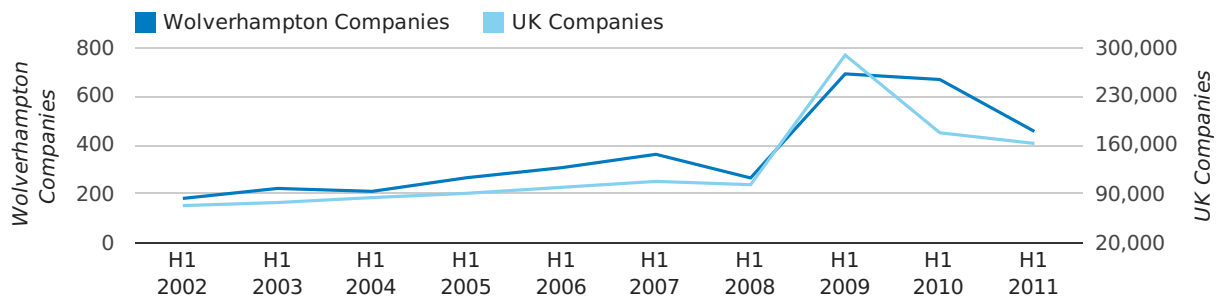
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 456 companies were dissolved in Wolverhampton. This figure is 31.8% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Wolverhampton occurred in 2009 when a total of 692 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	456	162,310
2010	669	177,631
% CHANGE	-31.8%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (692)	2009 (289,236)

dissolved companies by half year



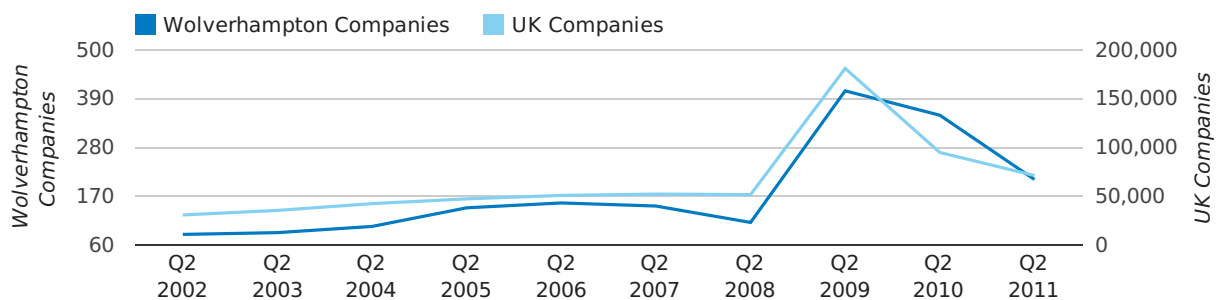
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 208 companies were dissolved in Wolverhampton during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 41.1% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares well to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 24.9% against the same period last year.

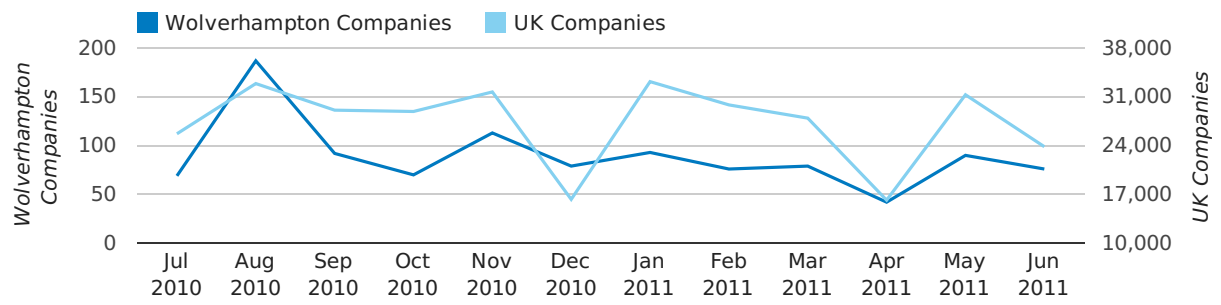
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	208	71,324
2010	353	94,954
% CHANGE	-41.1%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (408)	2009 (181,176)

dissolved companies by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

dissolved companies by month



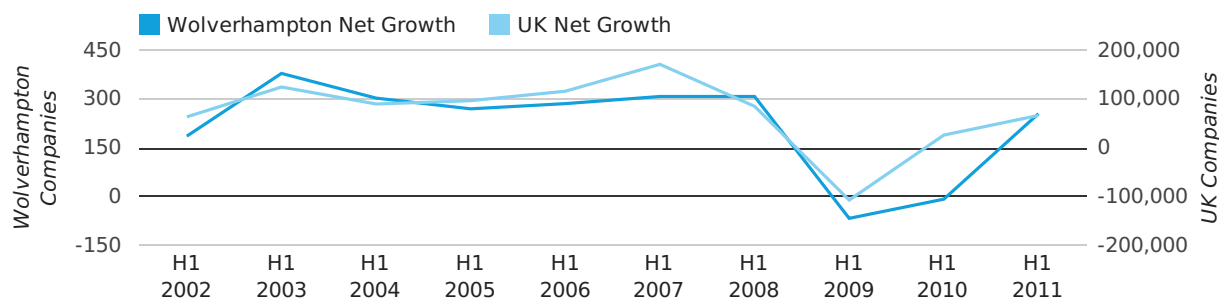
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	42	90	76
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	64	184	105
% CHANGE	-34.4%	-51.1%	-28%
RECORD YEAR	2009 (106)	2010 (184)	2009 (126)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Wolverhampton increased by 255 companies. This figure is 3,287.5% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	255	66,425
2010	-8	26,118
% CHANGE	-3,287.5%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (379)	2007 (171,296)

net growth by half year



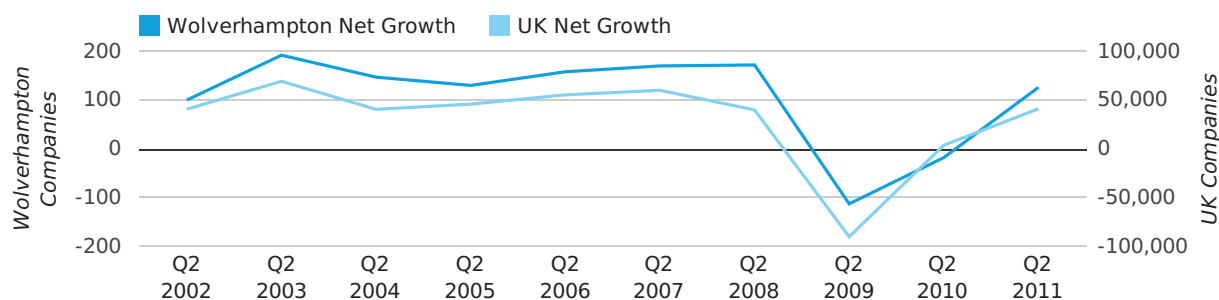
Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Wolverhampton during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 126 companies.

This represents an increase of 800.0% on the same period last year.

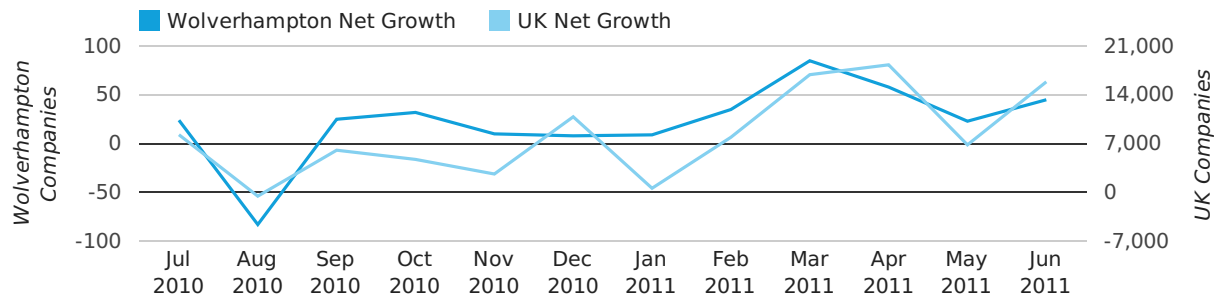
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WOLVERHAMPTON	UK
2011	126	41,020
2010	-18	3,658
% CHANGE	800.0%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (192)	2003 (69,274)

net growth by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

net growth by month



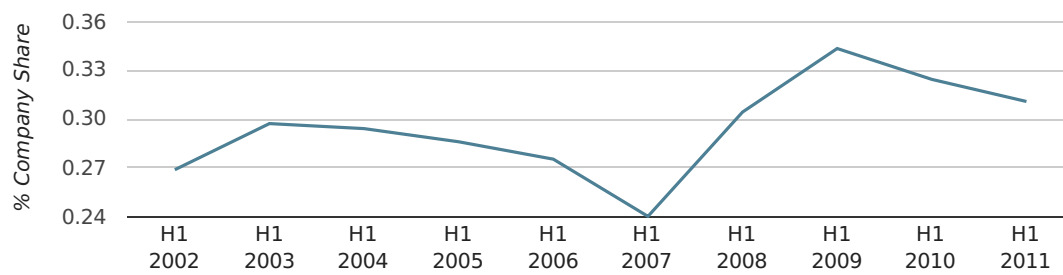
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	58	23	45
NET GROWTH IN 2010	57	-92	17
% CHANGE	1.8%	-125.0%	164.7%
RECORD YEAR	2006 (73)	2003 (57)	2003 (74)

Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 Wolverhampton formed 0.3% of all UK companies. This is the same as the 2010 figure of 0.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WOLVERHAMPTON
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1963 (0.8%)

company share by half year

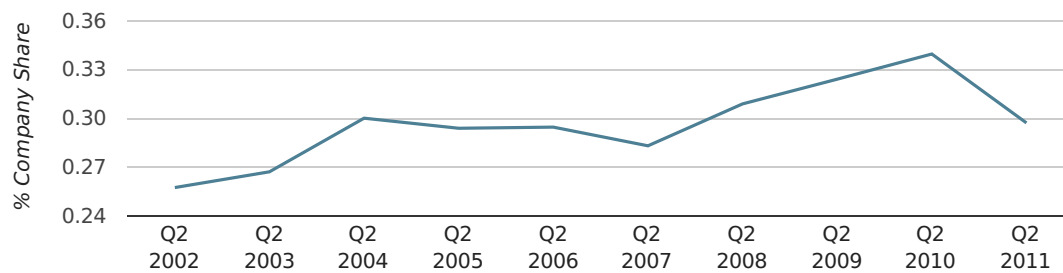


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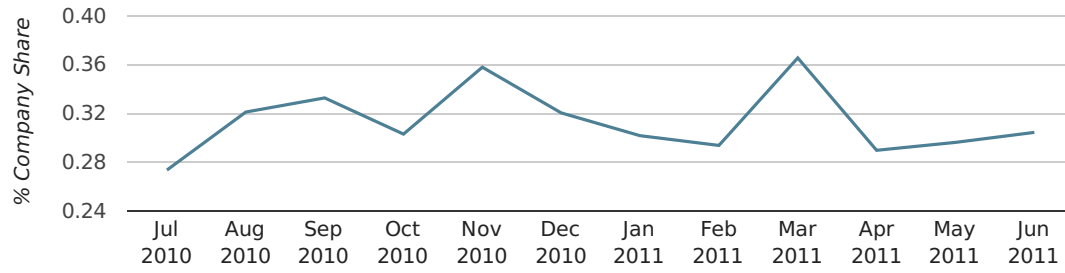
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WOLVERHAMPTON
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.3%
2007	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1965 (0.9%)

company share by quarter



Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
% CHANGE	-20.0%	-3.3%	-12.1%
RECORD YEAR	1972 (1.2%)	1965 (1.1%)	1963 (1.1%)

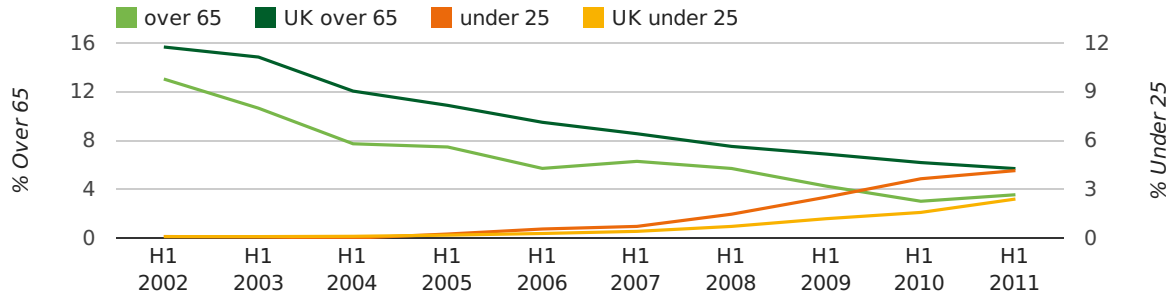
Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 43.3.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.2% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 3.6% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

director age by half year



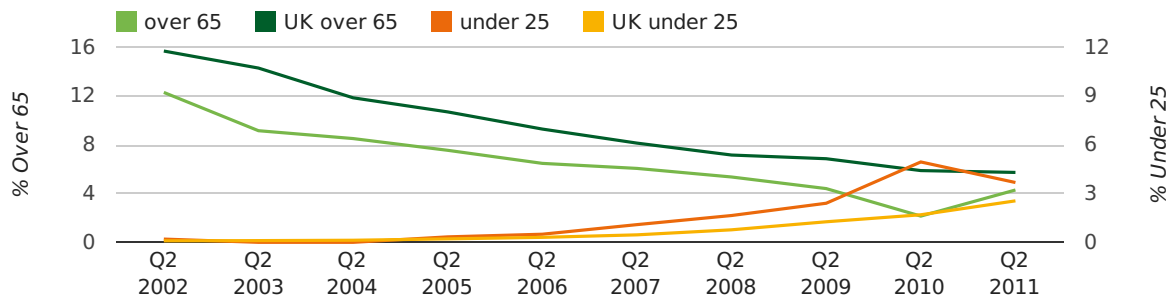
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director age by quarter

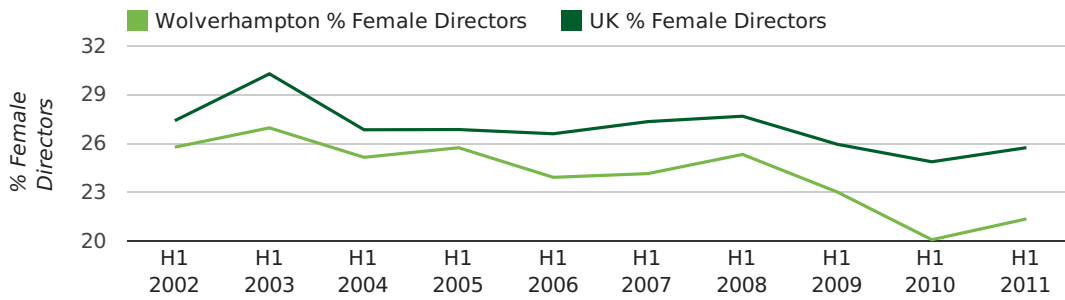


Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

21.3% of all director appointments in Wolverhampton 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

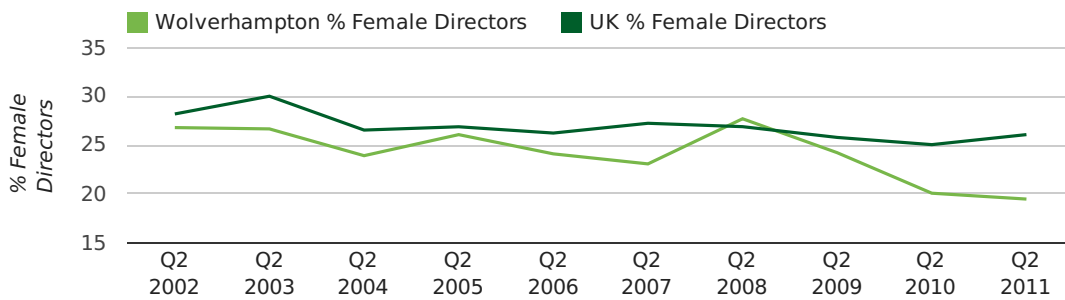


Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

19.5% of all director appointments in Wolverhampton 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	1.45%	CONSULTING	5.09%
CONSTRUCTION	1.10%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
CONSULTANCY	1.05%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
J	0.95%	PROPERTY	2.43%
ROK	0.85%	TRADING	2.05%
CARE	0.70%	DESIGN	1.94%
PROPERTIES	0.70%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
TRAINING	0.70%	BUSINESS	1.87%
TRADING	0.70%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
R	0.65%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
ASSOCIATES	0.60%	MEDIA	1.73%
WOLVERHAMPTON	0.60%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
BUILDING	0.60%	LONDON	1.60%
CONSULTING	0.60%	GLOBAL	1.46%
B	0.55%	J	1.44%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.55%	CARE	1.44%
CENTRE	0.55%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
HOMES	0.55%	IT	1.39%
DESIGN	0.55%	BUILDING	1.32%
COMMUNITY	0.50%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
D	0.50%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
S	0.50%	M	1.27%
M	0.50%	S	1.23%
ENGINEERING	0.50%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
(MIDLANDS)	0.50%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	704	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	167	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	64	30,647
9999 - Dormant Company	49	20,111
74990 - Non-trading company	49	8,481
7499 - Non-trading company	43	10,955
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	40	10,322
99999 - Dormant Company	36	18,918
9305 - Other service activities	33	9,063
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	28	16,419
7260 - Other computer related activities	26	7,849
86900 - Other human health activities	26	4,154
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	24	7,835
62090 - Other information technology service activities	20	7,095
7414 - Business & management consultancy	20	13,053
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	20	7,143
6024 - Freight transport by road	19	2,316
70100 - Activities of head offices	16	2,632
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	15	10,545
45200 - Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	14	2,257