

# Worcester

2011 half year business confidence report



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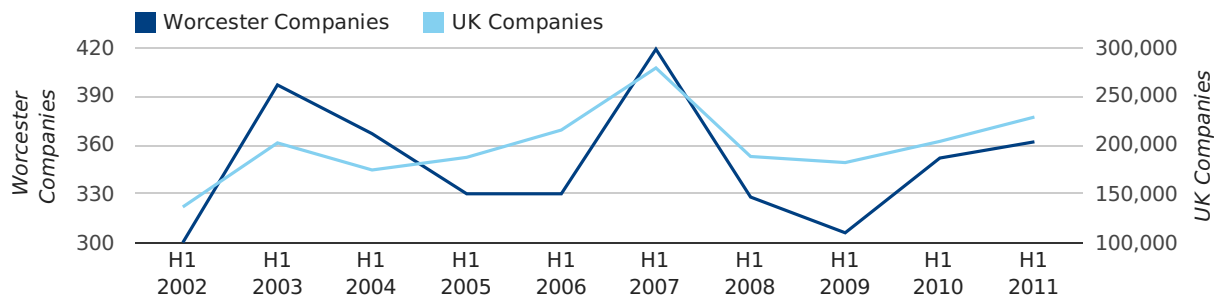
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 362 companies were formed in Worcester. This figure is 2.8% higher than last year, which compares badly to the UK wide figure of 12.3%.

The highest total for a first half year in Worcester occurred in 2007 when a total of 419 were formed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	362	228,735
2010	352	203,749
% CHANGE	2.8%	12.3%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (419)	2007 (279,097)

### new companies by half year



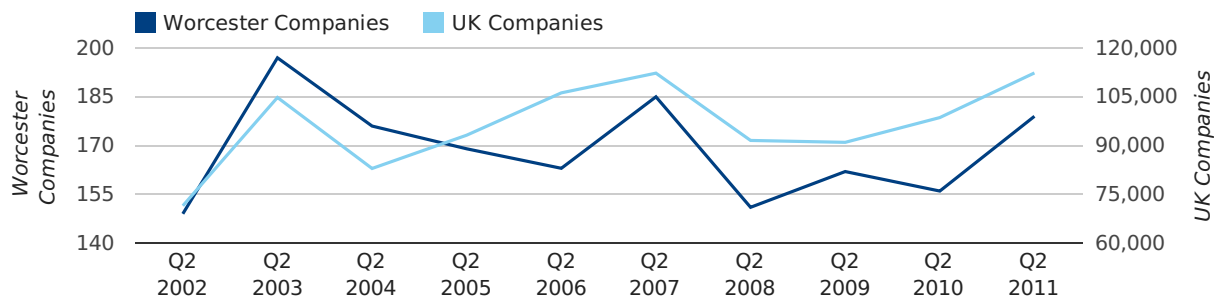
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 179 companies were registered in Worcester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is an increase of 14.7% versus the same period last year (Q2 2010). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.9% against the same period last year.

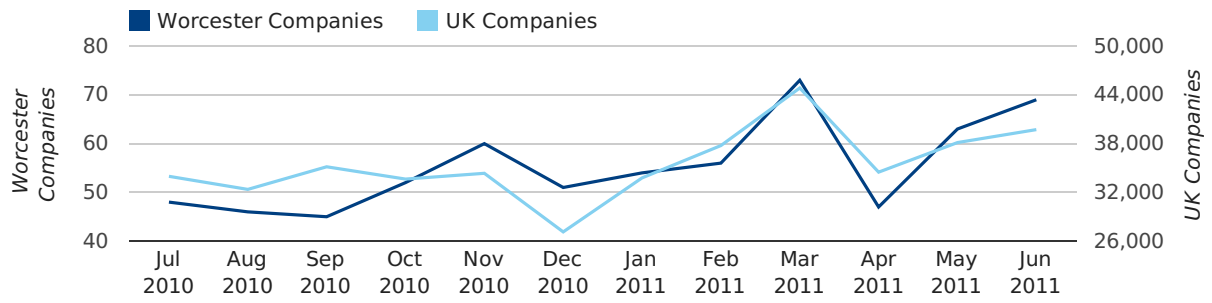
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	179	112,344
2010	156	98,612
% CHANGE	14.7%	13.9%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (197)	2011 (112,344)

### new companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

## new companies by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	47	63	69
NEW COMPANIES IN 2010	48	37	71
% CHANGE	-2.1%	70.3%	-2.8%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (71)	2003 (73)	2000 (74)

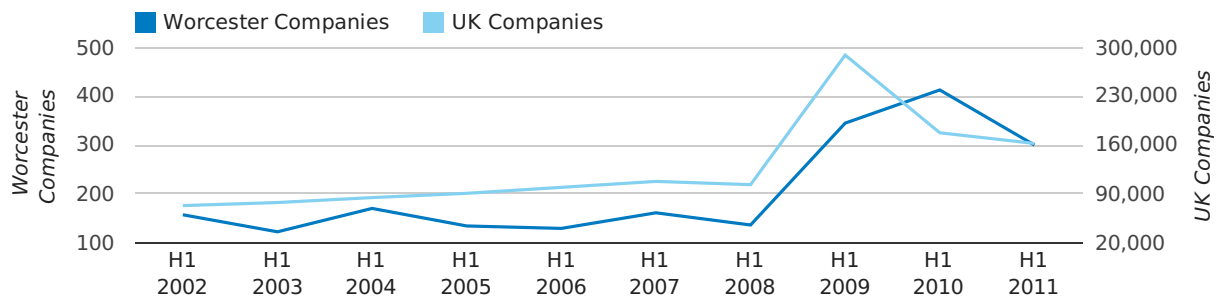
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 a total of 300 companies were dissolved in Worcester. This figure is 27.4% lower than last year, which compares well to the UK wide change of -8.6%.

The highest total for a first half year in Worcester occurred in 2010 when a total of 413 were closed.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	300	162,310
2010	413	177,631
% CHANGE	-27.4%	-8.6%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (413)	2009 (289,236)

### dissolved companies by half year



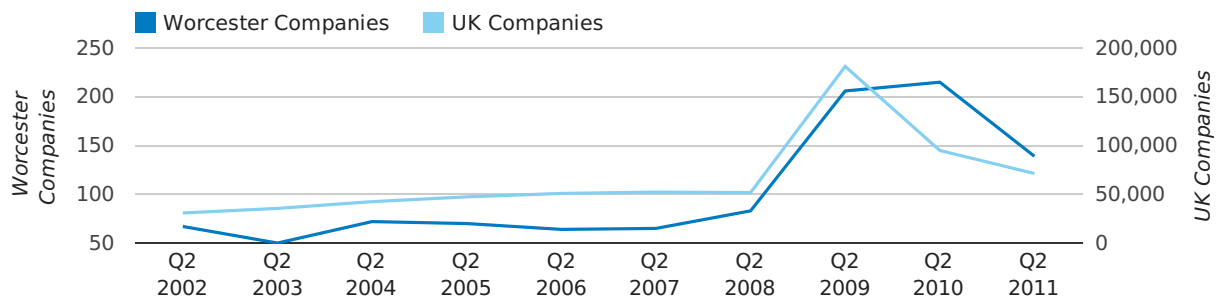
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

A total of 139 companies were dissolved in Worcester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011).

This figure is a decrease of 35.3% 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.

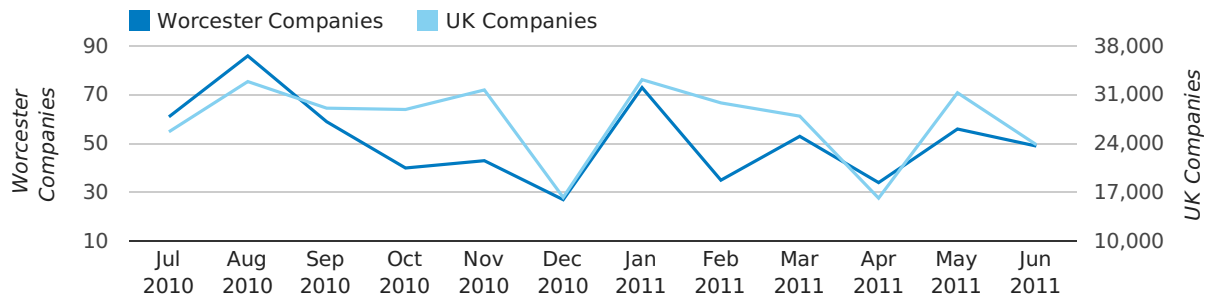
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	139	71,324
2010	215	94,954
% CHANGE	-35.3%	-24.9%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (215)	2009 (181,176)

### dissolved companies by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

## dissolved companies by month



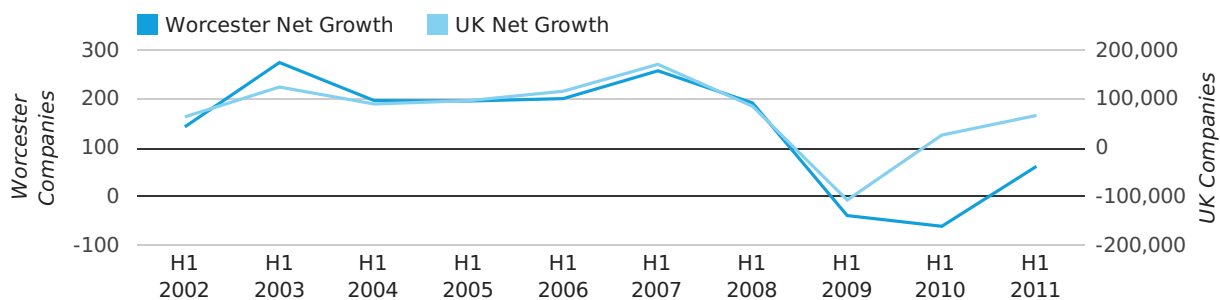
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	34	56	49
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2010	53	82	80
% CHANGE	-35.8%	-31.7%	-39%
RECORD YEAR	2010 (53)	2009 (97)	2010 (80)

### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

In the first half of 2011 the company register for Worcester increased by 62 companies. This figure is 201.6% lower than last year, which compares badly to a UK increase of 154.3%.

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	62	66,425
2010	-61	26,118
% CHANGE	-201.6%	154.3%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (275)	2007 (171,296)

### net growth by half year



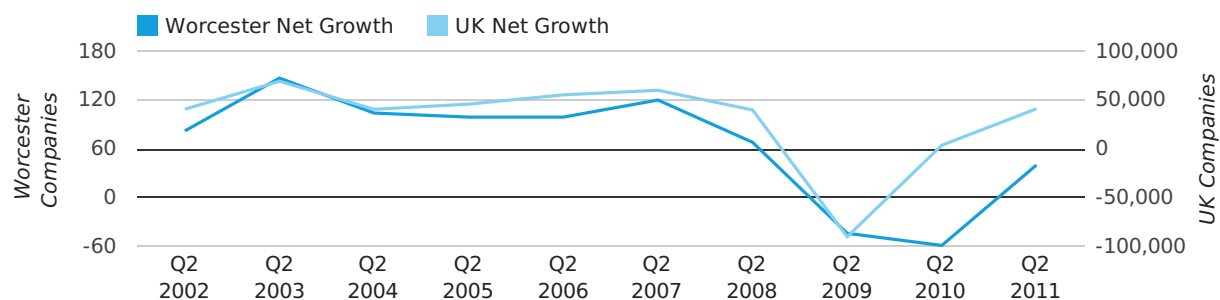
### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

Net company growth for Worcester during the second quarter of 2011 (Apr 2011 - Jun 2011) was 40 companies.

This represents an increase of 167.8% on the same period last year.

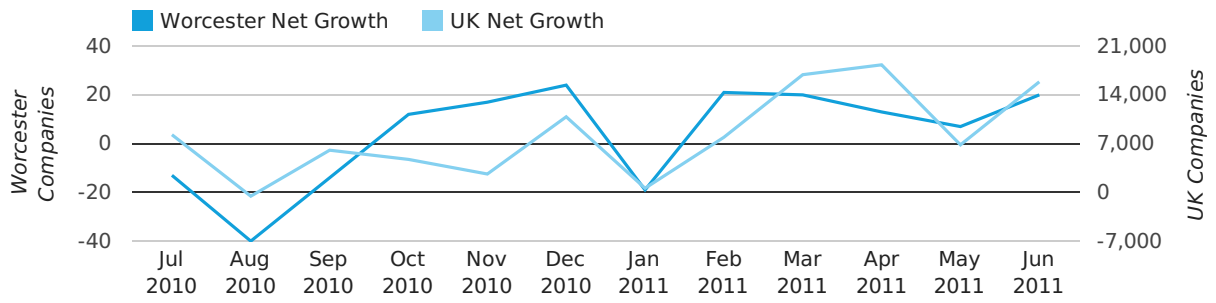
SECOND QUARTER (APR 2011 - JUN 2011)	WORCESTER	UK
2011	40	41,020
2010	-59	3,658
% CHANGE	-167.8%	1,021.4%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (147)	2003 (69,274)

### net growth by quarter



# Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

## net growth by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
NET GROWTH IN 2011	13	7	20
NET GROWTH IN 2010	-5	-45	-9
% CHANGE	-360.0%	-115.6%	-322.2%
RECORD YEAR	2007 (55)	2003 (58)	2003 (49)

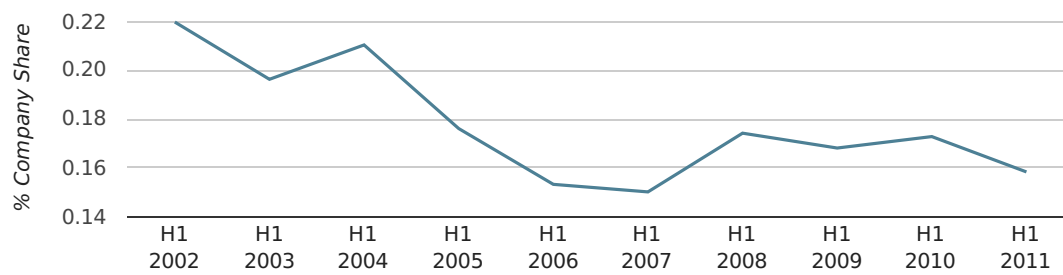


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

HALF YEAR (JAN-JUN)	WORCESTER
2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
2009	0.2%
2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1964 (0.4%)

#### company share by half year

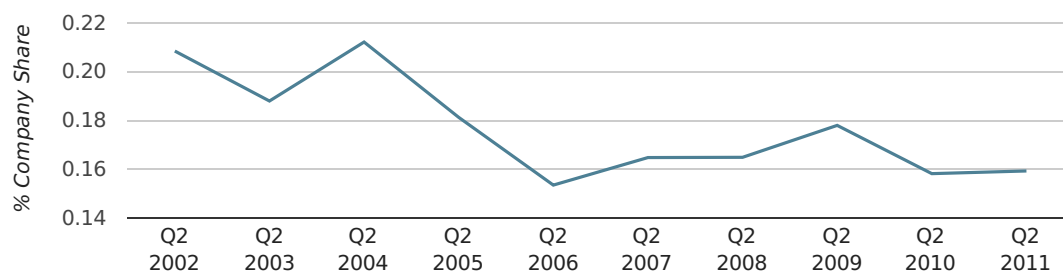


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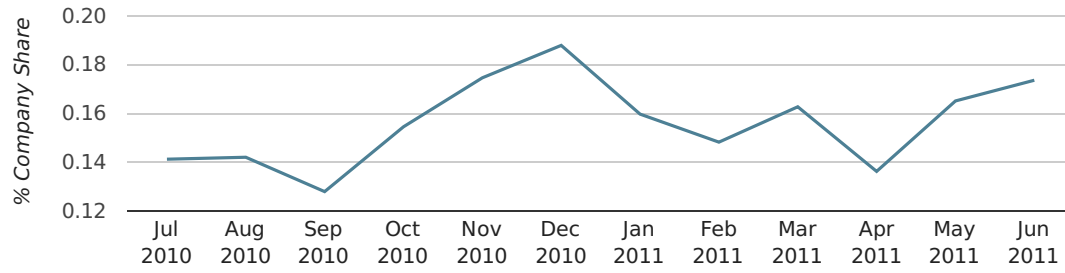
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2011	0.2%
2010	0.2%
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2008	0.2%
2007	0.2%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1962 (0.3%)

#### company share by quarter



## Monthly Data (Apr, May & Jun 2011)

### company share by month



	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2010	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
% CHANGE	-5.2%	34.1%	-13.9%
RECORD YEAR	1966 (0.4%)	1962 (0.5%)	1964 (0.6%)

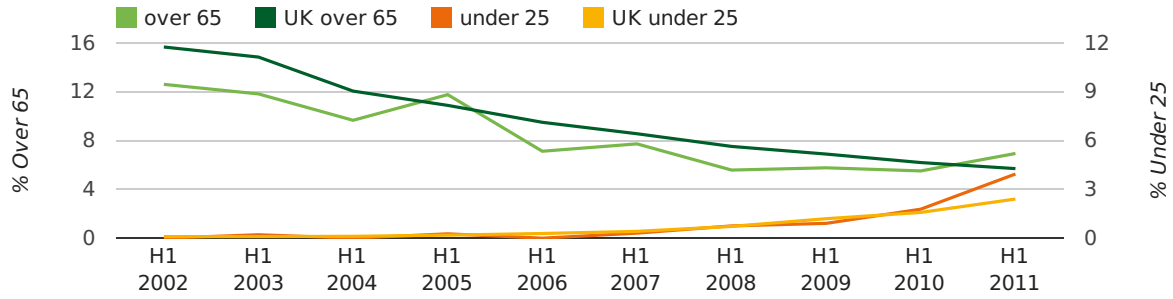
### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

The average age of a director in the first half of 2011 was 46.6.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 3.9% compared to the UK figure of 3.2%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 7.0% compared to the UK figure of 4.3%.

#### director age by half year



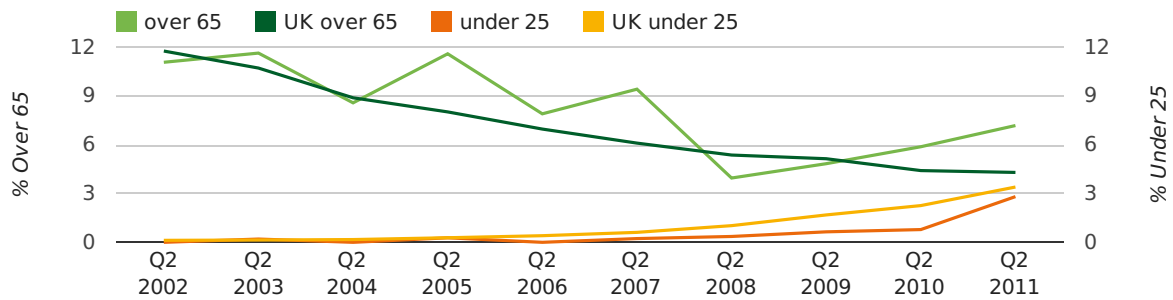
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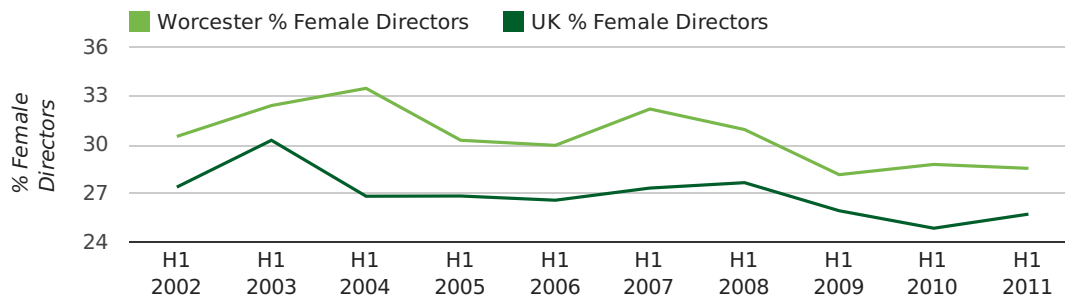


### Half Year Data (Jan-Jun 2011)

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

28.6% of all director appointments in Worcester 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

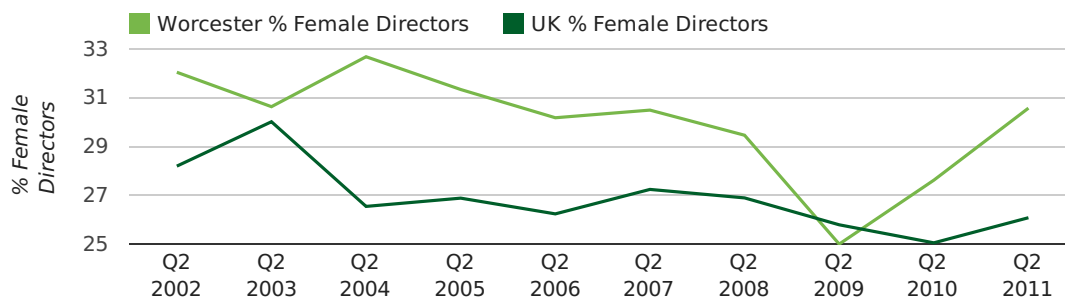


### Quarterly Data (Q2 Apr-Jun 2011)

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

30.6% of all director appointments in Worcester 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, &amp;, UK, SERVICES, THE, (UK), AND, LTD., A, LLP, SOLUTIONS, COMPANY, OF.

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
WORCESTER	1.61%	CONSULTING	5.09%
MANAGEMENT	1.34%	MANAGEMENT	4.86%
PROPERTY	1.07%	CONSULTANCY	3.17%
CARE	0.89%	PROPERTY	2.43%
CONSULTING	0.89%	TRADING	2.05%
CONSTRUCTION	0.80%	DESIGN	1.94%
DESIGN	0.80%	ASSOCIATES	1.92%
ASSOCIATES	0.80%	BUSINESS	1.87%
BUSINESS	0.71%	CONSTRUCTION	1.77%
CONSULTANCY	0.71%	CONSULTANTS	1.76%
M	0.63%	MEDIA	1.73%
ENGINEERING	0.54%	ENGINEERING	1.67%
BUILDING	0.54%	LONDON	1.60%
HC	0.54%	GLOBAL	1.46%
CATERING	0.54%	J	1.44%
HOLDINGS	0.54%	CARE	1.44%
MARKETING	0.54%	INVESTMENTS	1.42%
AMENITY	0.54%	IT	1.39%
ENTERPRISES	0.54%	BUILDING	1.32%
K	0.45%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.30%
CONSULTANTS	0.45%	M	1.27%
(WORCESTER)	0.45%	S	1.23%
TRADING	0.45%	ENTERPRISES	1.20%
HOME	0.45%	SYSTEMS	1.20%

## Previous 36 months, excluding companies less than 12 months old

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	252	202,072
7487 - Other business activities	61	60,758
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	52	30,647
99999 - Dormant Company	34	18,918
7499 - Non-trading company	33	10,955
9999 - Dormant Company	31	20,111
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	30	16,419
7414 - Business & management consultancy	25	13,053
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	23	10,545
74990 - Non-trading company	23	8,481
7260 - Other computer related activities	15	7,849
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	12	10,322
62090 - Other information technology service activities	12	7,095
70100 - Activities of head offices	11	2,632
86900 - Other human health activities	11	4,154
7222 - Other software consultancy and supply	10	7,143
98000 - Residents property management	10	2,888
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	10	7,835
68209 - Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate	10	3,790
68100 - Buying and selling of own real estate	9	2,543