

# York

q1 2012 business confidence report



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- Q1 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in York when compared to any previous Q1.
- Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in York when compared to any quarter in history.
- January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in York when compared to any previous January.
- February 2012 saw a new record in company closures in York when compared to any previous February.

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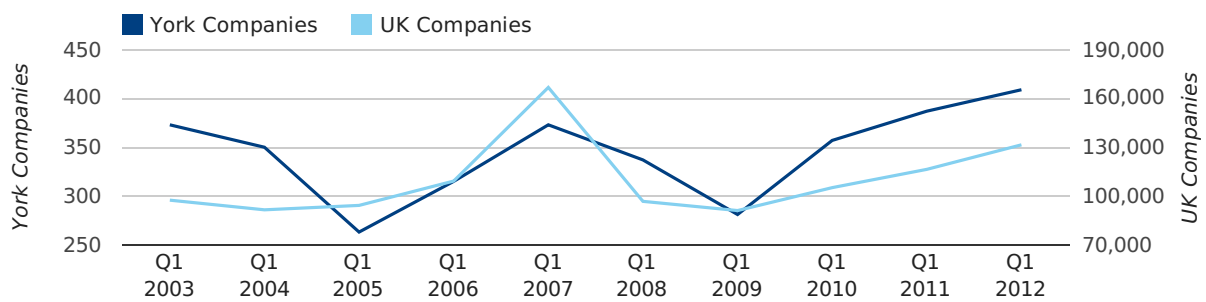
Q1 2012 was a record quarter for company registrations in York when compared to any quarter in history.

A total of 409 companies were registered in York during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is an increase of 5.7% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares equally to the UK as a whole, which saw an increase of 13.0% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	YORK	UK
2012	409	131,491
2011	387	116,391
% CHANGE	5.7%	13.0%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (409)	2007 (166,814)

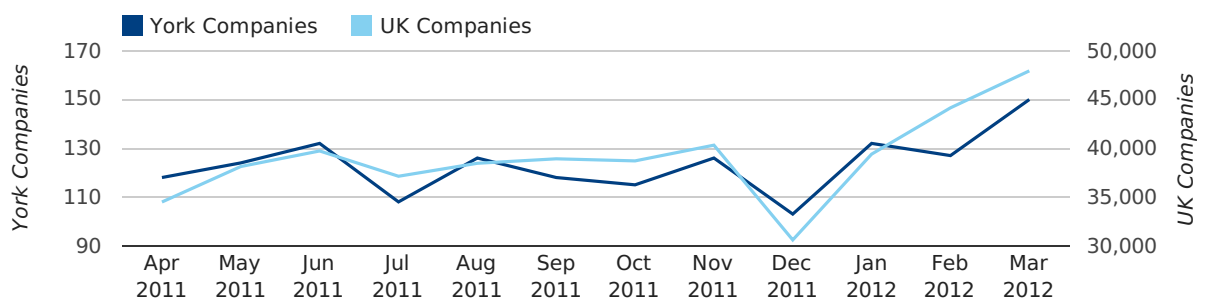
### new companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

January 2012 saw a new record in company registrations in York when compared to any previous January.

### new companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NEW COMPANIES IN 2012	132	127	150
NEW COMPANIES IN 2011	112	129	146
% CHANGE	17.9%	-1.6%	2.7%
RECORD YEAR	2012 (132)	2011 (129)	2007 (152)

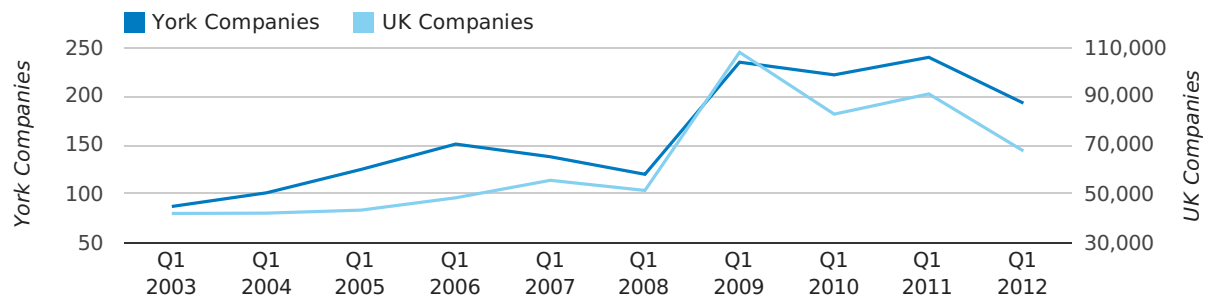
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

A total of 193 companies were dissolved in York during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012).

This figure is a decrease of 19.6% versus the same period last year (Q1 2011). This figure compares poorly to the UK as a whole, which saw a decrease of 25.7% against the same period last year.

FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	YORK	UK
2012	193	67,576
2011	240	90,986
% CHANGE	-19.6%	-25.7%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (240)	2009 (108,060)

### dissolved companies by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

February 2012 saw a new record in company closures in York when compared to any previous February.

### dissolved companies by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2012	54	85	54
CLOSED COMPANIES IN 2011	70	79	91
% CHANGE	-22.9%	7.6%	-41%
RECORD YEAR	2011 (70)	2012 (85)	2009 (132)

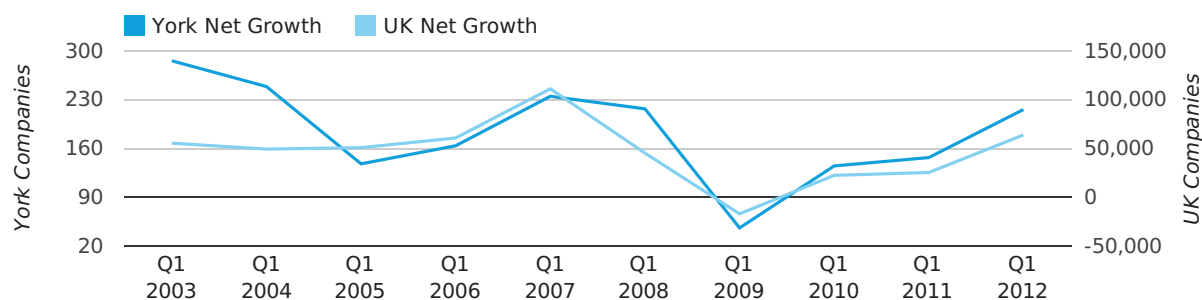
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

Net company growth for York during the first quarter of 2012 (Jan 2012 - Mar 2012) was 216 companies.

This represents an increase of 46.9% on the same period last year.

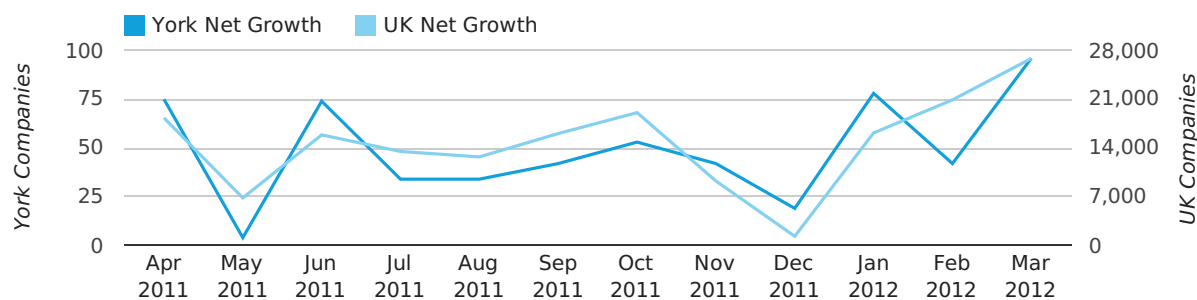
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	YORK	UK
2012	216	63,915
2011	147	25,405
% CHANGE	46.9%	151.6%
RECORD YEAR	2003 (286)	2007 (111,282)

### net growth by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### net growth by month



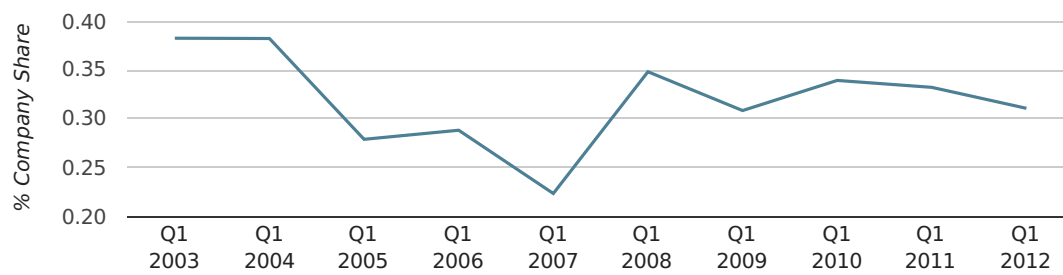
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
NET GROWTH IN 2012	78	42	96
NET GROWTH IN 2011	42	50	55
% CHANGE	85.7%	-16.0%	74.5%
RECORD YEAR	2004 (89)	2003 (85)	2008 (128)

### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

In the first quarter of 2012, York formed 0.3% of all UK companies.

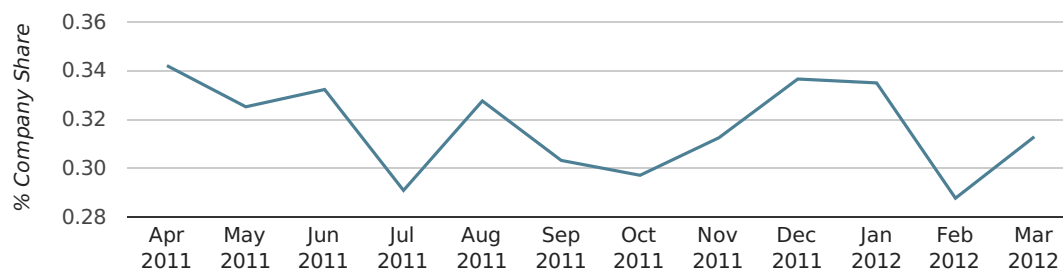
FIRST QUARTER (JAN 2012 - MAR 2012)	YORK
2012	0.3%
2011	0.3%
2010	0.3%
2009	0.3%
2008	0.3%
RECORD YEAR (SINCE 1960)	1964 (0.6%)

### company share by quarter



### Monthly Data (Jan, Feb & Mar 2012)

### company share by month



	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2012	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
UK FORMATION SHARE IN 2011	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
% CHANGE	1.1%	-15.8%	-3.9%
RECORD YEAR	1964 (0.8%)	1970 (0.7%)	1981 (0.8%)

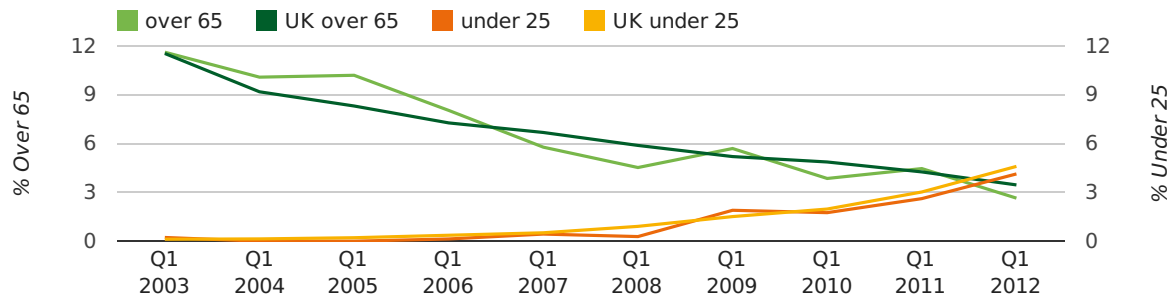
### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The average age of a director in the first quarter of 2012 was 44.0.

The percentage of directors under the age of 25 was 4.1% compared to the UK figure of 4.6%.

The percentage of directors over the age of 65 was 2.6% compared to the UK figure of 3.5%.

### director age by quarter

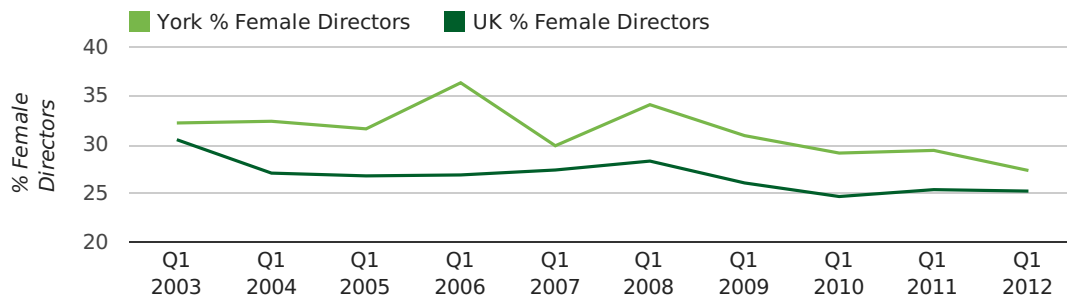


### Quarterly Data (Q1 Jan-Mar 2012)

The record first quarter for female directors in York was in 1861 when 40.0% of all directors were female.

27.4% of all director appointments in York in the first quarter of 2012 were female. This compares to a UK average of 25.3% for the same period.

#### director gender by quarter





## Previous 12 months (Mar 2011-Mar 2012)

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

WORD	PERCENTAGE	UK WORD	UK PERCENTAGE
YORK	3.14%	CONSULTING	5.07%
MANAGEMENT	1.82%	MANAGEMENT	4.74%
(YORK)	1.64%	CONSULTANCY	3.30%
CONSULTING	1.32%	PROPERTY	2.37%
CONSULTANCY	1.05%	TRADING	2.07%
DEVELOPMENTS	0.86%	DESIGN	1.93%
J	0.86%	ENGINEERING	1.86%
ELECTRICAL	0.68%	ASSOCIATES	1.84%
PROPERTY	0.64%	CONSULTANTS	1.79%
YORKSHIRE	0.59%	BUSINESS	1.73%
ENERGY	0.59%	MEDIA	1.72%
BUSINESS	0.55%	CONSTRUCTION	1.72%
ENGINEERING	0.55%	LONDON	1.66%
PROJECT	0.50%	J	1.54%
CONSTRUCTION	0.50%	INVESTMENTS	1.51%
MEDIA	0.50%	GLOBAL	1.50%
JOINERY	0.45%	IT	1.40%
DESIGN	0.45%	CARE	1.34%
C	0.45%	PROPERTIES	1.31%
HOLDINGS	0.45%	ELECTRICAL	1.27%
CLEANING	0.41%	M	1.27%
MINSTER	0.41%	BUILDING	1.24%
G	0.41%	ENERGY	1.20%
GREEN	0.41%	S	1.20%
TRAINING	0.41%	ENTERPRISES	1.19%

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

SIC CODE	NUMBER OF COMPANIES	UK COMPANIES
None Supplied	573	216,665
7487 - Other business activities	118	52,735
70229 - Management consultancy activities other than financial management	98	19,704
99999 - Dormant Company	79	25,084
9999 - Dormant Company	68	18,617
7414 - Business & management consultancy	60	12,113
82990 - Other business support service activities not elsewhere classified	57	35,233
96090 - Other service activities not elsewhere classified	42	13,637
98000 - Residents property management	39	3,050
7499 - Non-trading company	38	9,102
74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified	38	9,892
62020 - Information technology consultancy activities	32	14,303
74990 - Non-trading company	28	9,729
41100 - Development of building projects	28	4,984
69201 - Accounting and auditing activities	27	4,132
7260 - Other computer related activities	26	7,154
4521 - General construction & civil engineering	23	5,169
62090 - Other information technology service activities	22	8,145
68320 - Management of real estate on a fee or contract basis	21	3,448
47910 - Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	20	3,439