

## Midlands Engine Jobs: Released November 2024<sup>1</sup>

The following briefing is based on the number of employees.

### Key points:

- In the Midlands Engine area there were 4.6m jobs in 2023. This is an increase of 0.3% (+16,000 jobs) since 2022, below the national increase of 1.3%. In 2023, there were 3.1m full-time employees and 1.5m part-time employees in the Midlands Engine area. When compared to 2022, full-time employee jobs increased by 0.4% (England +1.3%) and part-time jobs increased by 0.1% (England +1.5%).
- In the Midlands Engine area, the business, professional and financial services sector accounted for the highest percentage of jobs at 18.5% (approximately 853,110 jobs); this is also the highest sector nationally at 23.5% in 2023. However, jobs fell in this sector in the Midlands Engine between 2022 and 2023 by -5.1%, the largest decline across all sectors. Jobs also fell in advanced manufacturing (-2.8%), construction (-5.0%) and transport technologies & logistics (-1.6%).

### Full Briefing:

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- Out of the 65 local authorities within the Midlands Engine, 20 experienced an increase in the overall number of jobs (with an additional 18 local authorities with no change) between 2022 and 2023.
- There were 576,000 employees in Birmingham in 2023, an increase of 5.5% (+30,000), which was the highest percentage increase since 2022 in the Midlands Engine area. The strong increase was due to an increase of 13.3% (+22,000 to 187,000) in part-time employees and also due to full-time employees increasing by 2.1% (+8,000 to 389,000).
- In contrast, South Holland had 35,000 jobs in 2023, the highest percentage decrease in the Midlands Engine area at 10.3% (-4,000) since 2022. There was a decrease of 18.2% (-2,000 to 9,000) for part-time employees and full-time employees decreased by 7.1% (-2,000 to 26,000).

**Further details by local authority within the Midlands Engine area can be seen in a table in the appendix.**

### Jobs by Sector<sup>2</sup>

- In 2023, the Midlands Engine area had a higher proportion of jobs than the national proportion in six sectors, these were; advanced manufacturing (11.4% vs 7.4%), energy and low carbon activities (2.2% vs 1.6%), healthcare & life sciences (14.0% vs 13.5%), public sector (13.3% vs 12.9%), retail (15.2% vs 13.7%) and transport technologies & logistics (6.2% vs 5.1%).
- In the Midlands Engine area, the business, professional and financial services sector accounts for the highest percentage of jobs at 18.5% (approximately 853,110 jobs), this is also the highest sector nationally at 23.5% in 2023. This sector's Midlands Engine jobs decreased by 5.1% (-45,400 between 2022 and 2023), while nationally there was an increase of 1.7%.
- A decrease in Midlands Engine jobs in this period was also reported within in advanced manufacturing (-2.8%), construction (-5.0%) and transport technologies & logistics (-1.6%).

<sup>1</sup> Office for National Statistics (ONS)/Nomis, Business Register and Employment Survey (BRES), released 2024

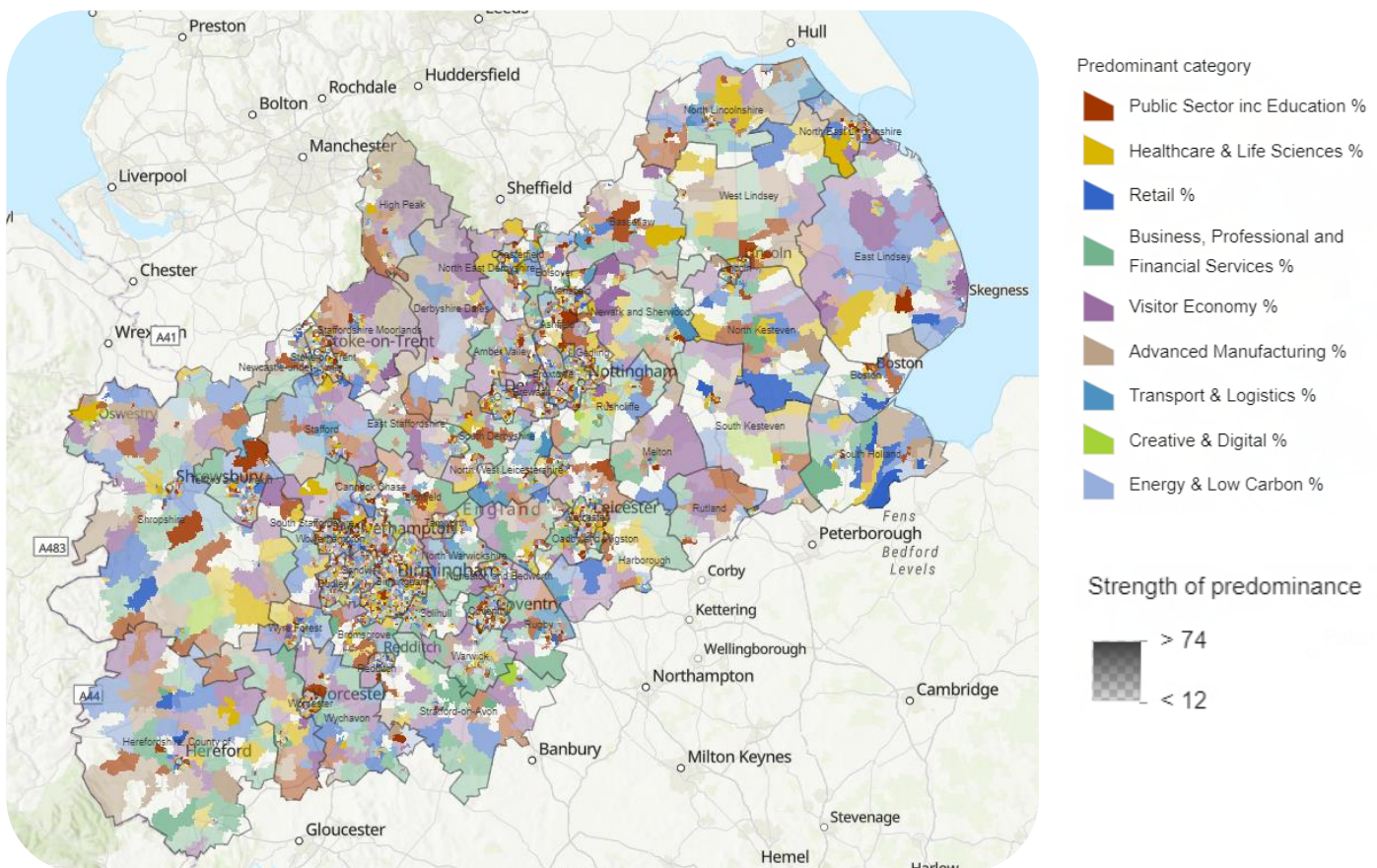
<sup>2</sup> Please note, when broken down by 2-digit sic code for sectors the figures will vary and when all sectors added together it will not equal the overall figure. The overall figure is also subject to rounding.

- Out of the sectors that have increased, visitor economy jobs increased the most in real terms and by percentage at +9.7% (+39,770 to 447,800). This was followed by public sector jobs at +6.1% (+34,900 to 611,700).
- Strong increases in the number of Midlands Engine jobs were also reported within creative, design & digital (+4.6%) and energy & low carbon activities (+3.0%).

The following table shows jobs per sector and change for the Midlands Engine area and England, 2022 & 2023:

Sector	Midlands Engine 2022	Midlands Engine 2023	Midlands Engine Num. Change	Midlands Engine % Change	Midlands Engine % of 2023 Total	Eng. 2023	Eng. % Change	Eng. % of 2023 Total
Advanced Manufacturing	539,375	524,185	-15,190	-2.8%	11.4%	2,034,040	0.1%	7.4%
Business, Professional & Financial Services	898,510	853,110	-45,400	-5.1%	18.5%	6,459,000	1.7%	23.5%
Construction	323,745	307,590	-16,155	-5.0%	6.7%	1,952,000	0.5%	7.1%
Creative, Design & Digital	127,655	133,520	5,865	4.6%	2.9%	1,310,000	1.3%	4.8%
Energy & Low Carbon Activities	97,755	100,645	2,890	3.0%	2.2%	446,075	-2.9%	1.6%
Healthcare & Life Sciences	643,200	646,800	3,600	0.6%	14.0%	3,714,000	3.9%	13.5%
Public Sector inc. Education	576,800	611,700	34,900	6.1%	13.3%	3,550,000	1.6%	12.9%
Retail	692,750	699,900	7,150	1.0%	15.2%	3,773,000	-1.0%	13.7%
Transport Technologies & Logistics	290,855	286,310	-4,545	-1.6%	6.2%	1,400,000	0.9%	5.1%
Visitor Economy	408,030	447,800	39,770	9.7%	9.7%	2,859,000	2.8%	10.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,595,000</b>	<b>4,611,000</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>27,496,000</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>100%</b>

The following map shows jobs by the predominant sector by Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) for the Midlands Engine area, 2023 (interactive version can be found [here](#)):



## Appendix

The following table shows jobs (split by full-time and part-time) and change for the Midlands Engine, local authorities, and England for 2022 & 2023:

Area	Employees 2022	Employees 2023	Employees Change	Full-time employees 2022	Full-time employees 2023	Full-time employees Change	Part-time employees 2022	Part-time employees 2023	Part-time employees Change
Amber Valley	49,000	48,000	-2.0%	34,000	33,000	-2.9%	16,000	15,000	-6.3%
Ashfield	57,000	56,000	-1.8%	38,000	37,000	-2.6%	19,000	19,000	0.0%
Bassetlaw	50,000	50,000	0.0%	34,000	34,000	0.0%	16,000	16,000	0.0%
Birmingham	546,000	576,000	5.5%	381,000	389,000	2.1%	165,000	187,000	13.3%
Blaby	64,000	64,000	0.0%	46,000	47,000	2.2%	18,000	17,000	-5.6%
Bolsover	33,000	32,000	-3.0%	23,000	23,000	0.0%	10,000	9,000	-10.0%
Boston	32,000	32,000	0.0%	22,000	21,000	-4.5%	10,000	10,000	0.0%
Bromsgrove	42,000	42,000	0.0%	28,000	28,000	0.0%	14,000	14,000	0.0%
Broxtowe	37,000	37,000	0.0%	25,000	24,000	-4.0%	13,000	13,000	0.0%
Cannock Chase	41,000	40,000	-2.4%	28,000	28,000	0.0%	13,000	13,000	0.0%
Charnwood	73,000	70,000	-4.1%	48,000	47,000	-2.1%	25,000	23,000	-8.0%
Chesterfield	51,000	51,000	0.0%	34,000	33,000	-2.9%	17,000	18,000	5.9%
Coventry	163,000	166,000	1.8%	110,000	114,000	3.6%	53,000	52,000	-1.9%
Derby	136,000	136,000	0.0%	95,000	97,000	2.1%	42,000	39,000	-7.1%
Derbyshire Dales	33,000	32,000	-3.0%	21,000	20,000	-4.8%	12,000	12,000	0.0%
Dudley	110,000	111,000	0.9%	72,000	74,000	2.8%	37,000	37,000	0.0%
East Lindsey	46,000	46,000	0.0%	28,000	28,000	0.0%	18,000	18,000	0.0%
East Staffordshire	63,000	62,000	-1.6%	45,000	44,000	-2.2%	18,000	18,000	0.0%
Erewash	39,000	39,000	0.0%	26,000	26,000	0.0%	14,000	13,000	-7.1%
Gedling	34,000	33,000	-2.9%	21,000	20,000	-4.8%	13,000	13,000	0.0%
Harborough	41,000	41,000	0.0%	29,000	29,000	0.0%	12,000	12,000	0.0%
Herefordshire, County of	81,000	83,000	2.5%	54,000	55,000	1.9%	27,000	28,000	3.7%
High Peak	33,000	31,000	-6.1%	21,000	20,000	-4.8%	12,000	11,000	-8.3%
Hinckley and Bosworth	43,000	42,000	-2.3%	31,000	30,000	-3.2%	12,000	12,000	0.0%
Leicester	175,000	170,000	-2.9%	118,000	111,000	-5.9%	57,000	58,000	1.8%
Lichfield	51,000	53,000	3.9%	35,000	37,000	5.7%	16,000	16,000	0.0%
Lincoln	57,000	56,000	-1.8%	35,000	34,000	-2.9%	22,000	22,000	0.0%
Malvern Hills	31,000	30,000	-3.2%	20,000	20,000	0.0%	11,000	10,000	-9.1%
Mansfield	44,000	43,000	-2.3%	28,000	28,000	0.0%	15,000	15,000	0.0%
Melton	22,000	22,000	0.0%	14,000	15,000	7.1%	7,000	7,000	0.0%
Newark and Sherwood	53,000	50,000	-5.7%	35,000	33,000	-5.7%	18,000	17,000	-5.6%
Newcastle-under-Lyme	46,000	44,000	-4.3%	32,000	30,000	-6.3%	14,000	14,000	0.0%
North East Derbyshire	29,000	29,000	0.0%	19,000	19,000	0.0%	9,000	10,000	11.1%
North East Lincolnshire	66,000	67,000	1.5%	44,000	44,000	0.0%	22,000	22,000	0.0%
North Kesteven	41,000	41,000	0.0%	30,000	30,000	0.0%	11,000	12,000	9.1%
North Lincolnshire	73,000	75,000	2.7%	53,000	55,000	3.8%	20,000	20,000	0.0%
North Warwickshire	53,000	54,000	1.9%	39,000	40,000	2.6%	14,000	14,000	0.0%
North West Leicestershire	71,000	73,000	2.8%	55,000	55,000	0.0%	16,000	18,000	12.5%
Nottingham	206,000	210,000	1.9%	139,000	140,000	0.7%	67,000	70,000	4.5%
Nuneaton and Bedworth	44,000	45,000	2.3%	28,000	30,000	7.1%	16,000	15,000	-6.3%
Oadby and Wigston	19,000	19,000	0.0%	12,000	12,000	0.0%	7,000	7,000	0.0%
Redditch	37,000	38,000	2.7%	27,000	28,000	3.7%	11,000	10,000	-9.1%
Rugby	54,000	53,000	-1.9%	39,000	38,000	-2.6%	15,000	15,000	0.0%
Rushcliffe	48,000	48,000	0.0%	31,000	31,000	0.0%	17,000	17,000	0.0%
Rutland	16,000	15,000	-6.3%	10,000	10,000	0.0%	6,000	5,000	-16.7%
Sandwell	126,000	127,000	0.8%	88,000	90,000	2.3%	38,000	37,000	-2.6%
Shropshire	129,000	131,000	1.6%	85,000	86,000	1.2%	45,000	45,000	0.0%
Solihull	148,000	146,000	-1.4%	101,000	103,000	2.0%	47,000	42,000	-10.6%
South Derbyshire	34,000	34,000	0.0%	23,000	23,000	0.0%	11,000	11,000	0.0%
South Holland	39,000	35,000	-10.3%	28,000	26,000	-7.1%	11,000	9,000	-18.2%
South Kesteven	60,000	55,000	-8.3%	39,000	37,000	-5.1%	21,000	19,000	-9.5%
South Staffordshire	38,000	37,000	-2.6%	26,000	26,000	0.0%	12,000	11,000	-8.3%
Stafford	61,000	64,000	4.9%	42,000	44,000	4.8%	19,000	20,000	5.3%
Staffordshire Moorlands	30,000	30,000	0.0%	19,000	19,000	0.0%	11,000	12,000	9.1%
Stoke-on-Trent	124,000	123,000	-0.8%	84,000	86,000	2.4%	40,000	38,000	-5.0%
Stratford-on-Avon	74,000	76,000	2.7%	52,000	53,000	1.9%	22,000	23,000	4.5%
Tamworth	29,000	30,000	3.4%	20,000	21,000	5.0%	9,000	9,000	0.0%
Telford and Wrekin	94,000	93,000	-1.1%	68,000	67,000	-1.5%	27,000	26,000	-3.7%

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Walsall	102,000	99,000	-2.9%	68,000	67,000	-1.5%	34,000	32,000	-5.9%
Warwick	94,000	95,000	1.1%	65,000	66,000	1.5%	30,000	29,000	-3.3%
West Lindsey	28,000	28,000	0.0%	19,000	19,000	0.0%	9,000	9,000	0.0%
Wolverhampton	109,000	110,000	0.9%	75,000	76,000	1.3%	34,000	34,000	0.0%
Worcester	54,000	56,000	3.7%	35,000	36,000	2.9%	19,000	20,000	5.3%
Wychavon	55,000	54,000	-1.8%	38,000	38,000	0.0%	17,000	16,000	-5.9%
Wyre Forest	34,000	33,000	-2.9%	22,000	21,000	-4.5%	13,000	12,000	-7.7%
<b>Midlands Engine</b>	<b>4,595,000</b>	<b>4,611,000</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>3,134,000</b>	<b>3,145,000</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>1,466,000</b>	<b>1,467,000</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
England	27,133,000	27,496,000	1.3%	18,775,000	19,016,000	1.3%	8,358,000	8,480,000	1.5%