

SECTOR ANALYSIS – RANKINGS AND REGIONAL STRENGTH

From the sheer size of the employment markets in Birmingham and Leeds, one would expect them to dominate any sector rankings based purely on size.

Leeds accounted for 32% of total employees in the Leeds City Region.

Outside of London, in terms of number of employees Leeds ranked 1st for: Digital; export intensive; creative; construction; info & communication; finance & business services; business admin & support.

Sector	2017 employees	Rank outside London	% of WY	% of LCR	% of Y&H	% of Core Cities
Total	444,000	2	42	32	19	14
Knowledge intensive	212,500	2	48	37	23	13
Low carbon	12,000	2	50	35	21	16
Digital ONS	14,000	2	64	51	35	17
Digital LCC	27,000	1	60	49	33	15
Export intensive	80,000	1	42	33	19	16
Creative DCMS 2014	21,000	1	58	46	32	15
Creative DCMS all	36,000	2	48	38	25	15
Manufacturing	28,000	2	25	20	10	17
Engineering	10,500	12	28	23	11	14
Other mfrg	17,000	3	24	18	10	19
Environmental technologies	17,000	2	47	35	21	18
Life science & healthcare ONS	31,500	5	40	31	17	10
Medical & healthcare	29,500	6	40	30	16	9
Scientific tech mfr ONS	7,000	17	27	22	11	14
Scientific tech servs ONS	25,000	6	67	48	29	11
Print & publishing	2,500	3	23	21	15	15
Publish & broadcasting ONS	11,500	2=	52	43	29	15
Construction	20,500	1	43	33	18	19
Construction LCC	42,000	3	45	33	20	15
Total services	389,500	2	45	34	20	14
Distribution	85,000	2	38	28	16	13
Motor trades	6,500	2	32	25	13	15
Wholesale	17,000	2	35	28	18	17
Retail	33,500	4	36	26	15	12
Food & drink	44,000	2	36	25	14	13
Accom & food services	28,000	6	44	29	16	13
Transport & storage	22,500	2	40	30	17	16
Info & communication	20,000	1	59	49	33	15
Software DCMS	12,500	1	66	51	36	17

Fin & bus servs	135,500	1	54	42	28	16
Finance & insurance	26,000	2	58	48	36	17
Other bus services	109,500	1	53	41	26	16
Legal activities	10,000	2	67	56	38	16
Property	6,500	4	42	32	21	12
Prof, scientific & technical	50,500	1	60	45	29	18
Bus admin & support	53,000	1	50	39	25	15
Public admin, educ, defence	108,000	3	40	30	17	11
Education	40,000	2	41	31	18	13
Public admin & defence	15,000	8	37	29	14	9
Health	52,500	3	40	30	17	11
Tourism ONS	45,000	4	47	33	19	13
Hospitality economy	48,500	3	42	31	19	13
Culture, recreation & personal	18,000	2	49	37	21	13
Rank: Leeds ranking, excluding London boroughs, in terms of number of employees						
%: % of employees in sector working in Leeds						
Source: BRES 2017						

Although employment growth in some of these sectors may not be as high as some of the lower ranked cities, it does show that Leeds has retained the critical mass needed to prosper.

