

What are the current Sandwell employment trends and future employment projections?

What does the West Midlands & national picture of employability growth and projected job openings look like?

SANDWELL: **Employee jobs (2015) – Current Labour Market**

Employee Jobs by Industry	Sandwell Employee Jobs	Sandwell (%)	West Midlands (%)	Great Britain (%)
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles (1)	24,000	18.3	16.9	15.8
Manufacturing (2)	23,000	17.6	12.2	8.3
Health and Social Work Activities (3)	14,000	10.7	12.6	13.3
Transportation and Storage (4)	11,000	8.4	5.9	4.7
Administrative and Support Service Activities (4)	11,000	8.4	8.4	8.9
Education (5)	10,000	7.6	9.5	9.2
Construction (6)	7,000	5.3	5.2	4.6

Sandwell - Where's the Growth Industry's

Think Sandwell are a department of Sandwell Council.

They were commissioned to write a report about the top 50 Fastest Growing Companies in Sandwell

(see handout).

These businesses collectively employ more than 12,000 people and have a combined revenue of £2.1bn.

All of the companies in this year's Top 50 have seen growth of 10% or more.

The Top 23 of these companies have seen a growth in revenue of 20% or more.

SUMMARY of Growth Industries in Sandwell.

- 70% of the top ten growth companies are in Manufacturing.
- 52% of the top 50 growth companies are in Manufacturing.
- 18% of the top 50 growth companies are in Wholesale & Retail, repair of motor vehicles.
- 10% of the top 50 Growth companies are Construction.
- To Summarise Further Manufacturing, Wholesale and Retail, and Construction are the 3 largest employment industries in Sandwell with above average employment sizes when compared to the West Midlands and Great Britain areas.
- These 3 industries are also the largest Growth Sectors within Sandwell where new job openings will be available in the future 2016 onwards.

West Midlands: Projections of Employment for 6 broad Industrial Sectors:

Sector	2014 (000s)	2024 (000s)	Changes 2014 - 2024 (000s)
Trade, accommodation and transport	749	822	+ 73
Business and other services	763	833	+ 70
Construction	169	192	+ 23
Local authority/health/edu cation	722	734	+ 12
Manufacturing	313	286	- 28
Primary sector and utilities	67	62	- 5
All Industries	2,783	2,929	+ 146

Labour Market broken down into 6 sectors (2014 – 2024)

Sector 1

Careers in Business and related services such as Information technology and financial services are expected to see the strongest rates of job growth.

New Job Openings of 1,029,000.

For Example, in 2014 there were 10.5 million jobs in this sector, in 2024 there is predicted be 11.5 million jobs in this Sector.
positive employment changes of + 9.8% in this sector.

Sector 2

Trade, Accommodation, Transport (wholesale & retail trade, repair of motor vehicle, transport).

New Job openings 644,000.

+ 7.5 % employment change in this sector.

Sector 3

The construction sector is forecast to rebound strongly.
New Job openings of 301,000.
+ 14.4% positive employment change in this sector.

Sector 4

Public Administration and defence, Education, Health & Social Work.
New Job openings of 149,000.
+ 1.7% positive employment change in this sector.

Sector 5

Manufacturing will see a continued decline in jobs, implying that jobs in the sector will become more skilled.

A loss of Jobs 241,000.

9.3% negative employment change in this sector.

Sector 6

Primary sector and utilities (Agriculture, mining, electricity, gas, water supply, waste management).

A loss of Jobs 72,000.

8.6% negative employment change in this sector.

Creative Arts – A Growth Sector in Focus

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk>

- The creative industries are growing faster than any other area of the UK economy.
- Great news for talented graduates with a passion for art and design.
- Government statistics from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) show that in 2015 the creative industries contributed £87billion to the UK economy.
- The number of jobs in the sector increased by 3.2% between 2014 and 2015 to 1.9 million, 5.8% of total UK jobs.

According to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) the creative industries include the following:

- Advertising and marketing
- Architecture
- Arts and culture (working in museums, galleries and libraries)
- Craft
- Design (interior, landscape, product, textiles, theatre)
- games (IT, software and computer services)
- Fashion
- Music, performing and visual arts
- Publishing
- Technology and TV and film, radio and photography

All the above are growing faster than the UK economy as a whole

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Final Summary:

- Manufacturing is a growth sector in Sandwell but the National & West Midlands forecast will see a decline in jobs across this sector.
- Construction, wholesale, retail, repair of motor vehicles are all growth sectors in Sandwell and are forecast to be growth sectors for both the West Midlands & Nationally.
- Careers in business and related services, information technology, financial services, trade, accommodation are all predicted to be growth sectors across the West Midlands and Nationally.
- Careers in the primary sector and utilities, agriculture, mining, electricity, gas, water supply, waste management are all forecast to see a decline in jobs within the West Midlands and Nationally.
- Careers in Public Administration and defence, Education, Health & Social Work are forecast to make a steady increase only (1.7%) overall in new job opportunities.

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Many Thanks

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Any Questions?

