



# LEEDS ECONOMY



# LEEDS CONNECTIVITY



**LEEDS  
BRADFORD  
AIRPORT**

## AIR TRAVEL

Leeds Bradford Airport services **75 destinations** in **24 countries** across Europe, North America and Asia.



THE UK'S  
**FASTEST  
GROWING**  
REGIONAL AIRPORT

**8 HOURS**

FROM PARIS AND  
BRUSSELS BY TRAIN



**2 HOURS**  
FROM LONDON

## RAIL TRAVEL

Leeds City Station is the busiest railway station in the North, used by **120,000 passengers per day**

## HULL AND HUMBER PORTS

Leeds is **50 miles** from the Port of Hull taking **one hour** by road and rail.

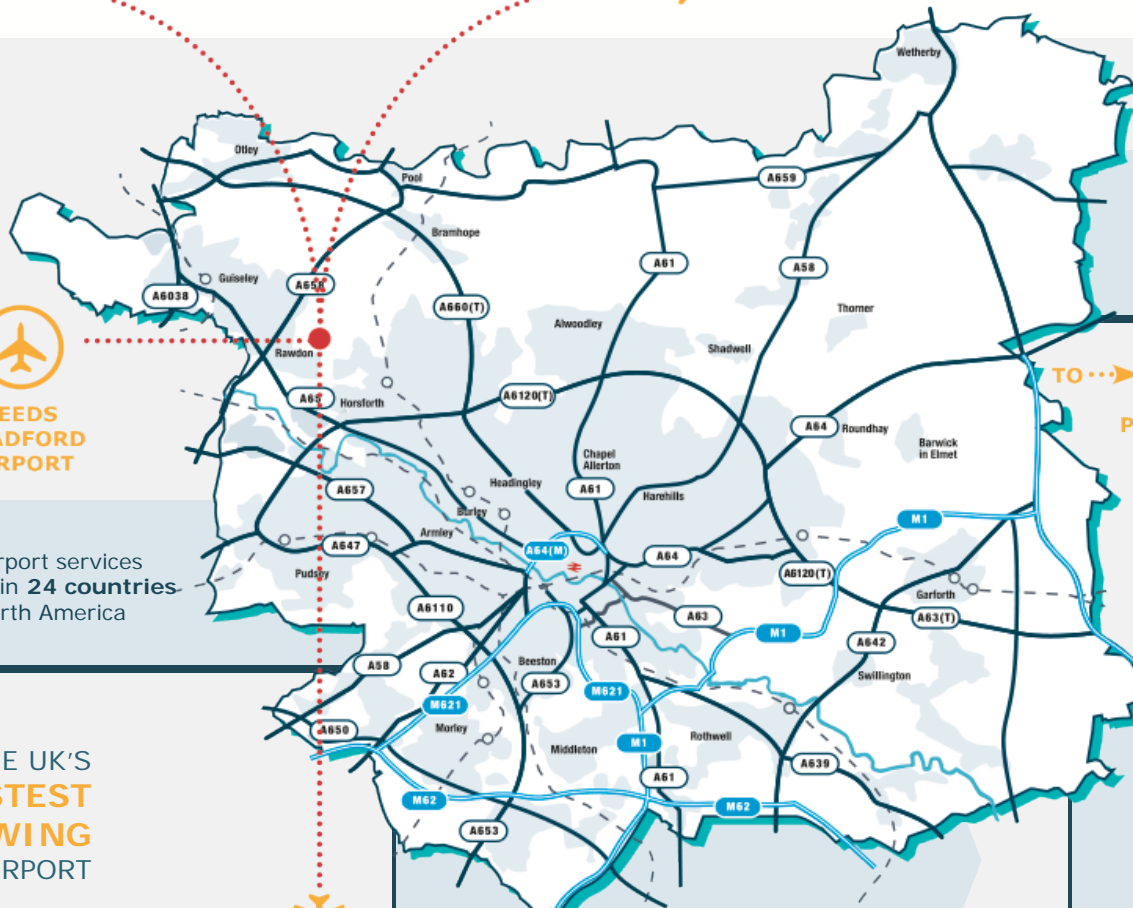


**PORT OF HULL**

## ROAD NETWORK

Directly linked with London and Edinburgh via the **M1** and **A1** and has direct links with the east and west coast ports via the **M62**.

**7 million people** live within a one hour drive of the Leeds City Region.



# LEEDS CITY REGION



**£64.6**  
BILLION  
ECONOMIC OUTPUT



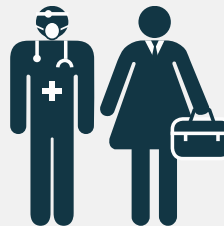
**121,630**  
BUSINESSES

**+11.4%**  
INCREASE ON 2014

COMPARES WITH  
**+8%**  
FOR UK AS A WHOLE



POPULATION OF  
**3 MILLION**

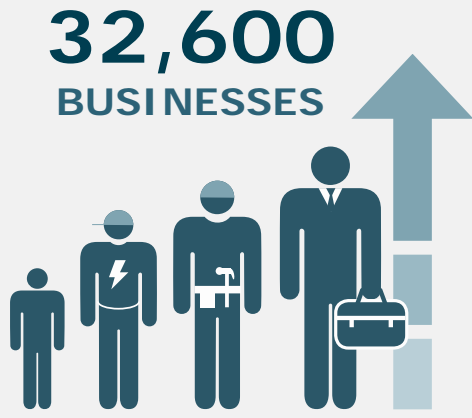
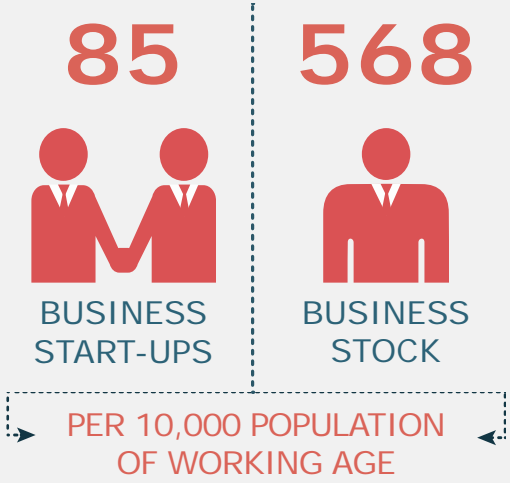
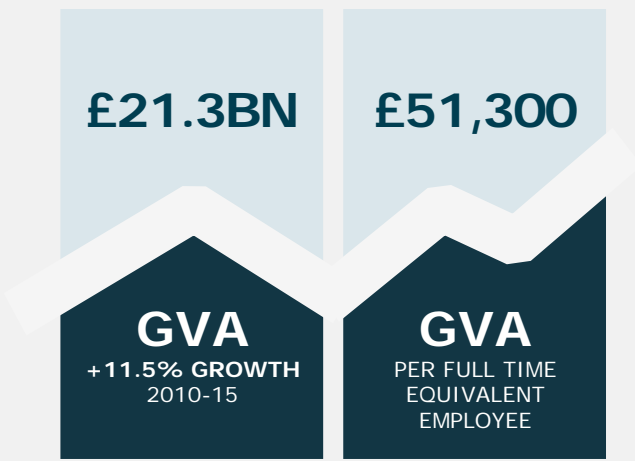


**1.37 MILLION**  
WORKFORCE

**538**  
HIGH GROWTH  
FIRMS

HIGHEST OUTSIDE LONDON  
AND SOUTH EAST  
[ENTERPRISE RESEARCH CENTRE]

# LEEDS ECONOMY



# LEEDS TRADE & INVESTMENT



EXPORTS  
**£3.48**  
BILLION

[16.5% OF GVA]

INWARD  
INVESTMENT  
IN 2015-16 LEEDS  
ATTRACTED  
**56 FDI**  
PROJECTS



→ [2017 UK ATTRACTIVENESS SURVEY] ←

# INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT



**£3.9 BILLION**

WORTH MAJOR  
DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES  
COMPLETED IN LEEDS OVER THE  
LAST TEN YEARS

**713,000 sq ft**

OF OFFICE SPACE  
COMPLETED IN 2016  
THE HIGHEST SINCE 2007

**£357 MILLION**

OF SCHEMES UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION AT  
THE END OF 2016

**£520 MILLION**

INVESTED IN MAJOR RETAIL  
AND LEISURE DEVELOPMENTS

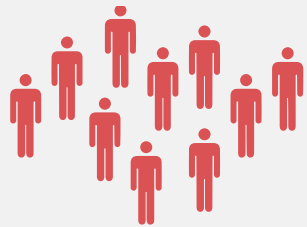
**£7 BILLION**

OF SCHEMES IN THE  
DEVELOPEMENT PIPELINE

**600,000 sq ft**

OF EMPLOYMENT SPACE  
COMPLETED IN THE ENTERPRISE  
ZONE SINCE SEPT 2015

# LEEDS POPULATION



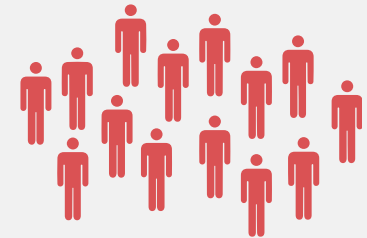
**779,000**  
POPULATION 2016

**2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**LARGEST**  
**IN THE UK**  
BY LOCAL  
AUTHORITY  
AREA



**+6%**  
PROJECTED  
GROWTH TO  
2026

=



**826,000**  
TOTAL POPULATION 2026



WORKING AGE  
POPULATION  
(AGED 16-64)

=

**511,000**  
IN 2016

# LEEDS EMPLOYMENT



**429,800**

**JOBS**

**=**

**32%**

OF LEEDS CITY REGION  
EMPLOYEES

RATIO OF PRIVATE  
TO PUBLIC SECTOR JOBS

**3.1 : 1**



**HIGHEST OF UK  
CORE CITIES**

[CITIES OUTLOOK 2017]



# LEEDS KEY SECTORS



PRIVATE SECTOR  
JOBS GROWTH

**+6.1%**

HIGHEST OF ALL UK CITIES  
INCLUDING LONDON



**22%**

OF JOBS IN UK  
DIGITAL HEALTH SECTOR

**203,400** KNOWLEDGE INTENSIVE SERVICE JOBS  
2<sup>ND</sup> LARGEST OUTSIDE LONDON



**138,900** FINANCIAL & BUSINESS SERVICES JOBS  
LARGEST OUTSIDE LONDON



**32,600** LIFE SCIENCES & HEALTHCARE JOBS  
3<sup>RD</sup> LARGEST OUTSIDE LONDON

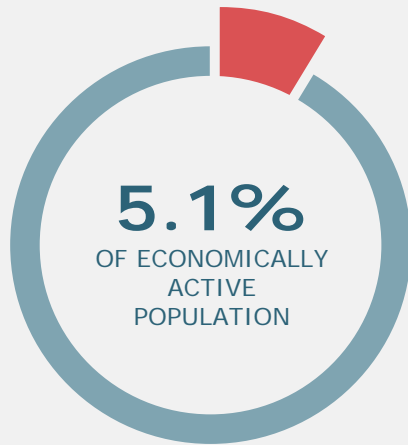


**28,600** MANUFACTURING JOBS  
2<sup>ND</sup> LARGEST OUTSIDE LONDON



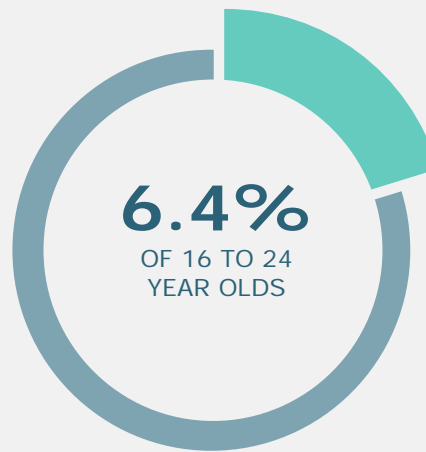
# LEEDS UNEMPLOYMENT

ALL (AGED 16+)  
MAR 2017



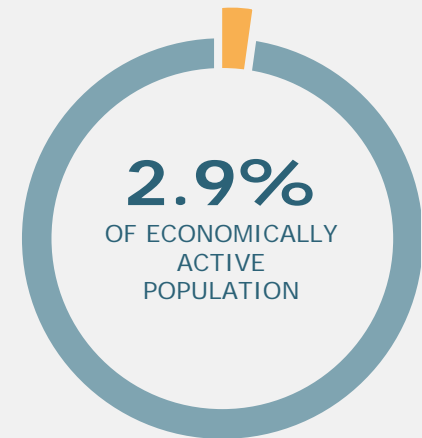
18,300

YOUTH (16 – 24)  
MAR 2017



4,000

CLAIMANT COUNT  
JUN 2017



11,620

# LEEDS LIVING

## BEST UK CITY FOR QUALITY OF LIFE

[ARCADIS SUSTAINABLE CITIES INDEX 2016]



### HOUSING

HOUSING STOCK CHANGE

**3,306** +0.96%



AVERAGE HOUSE PRICE

**£168,293**

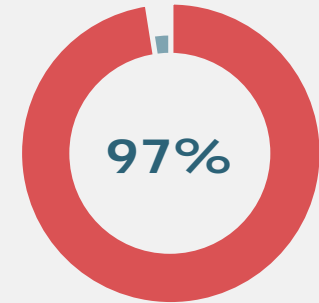
### WAGES

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES

**£451** – ALL  
**£532** – FULL TIME  
**£534** – MALE  
**£374** – FEMALE



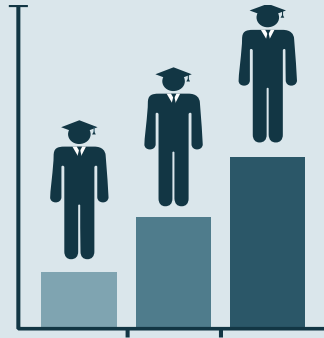
### CONNECTIVITY



POSTCODES WITH  
SUPERFAST BROADBAND  
(SPEED GREATER THAN 24MBPS)

# LEEDS QUALIFICATIONS

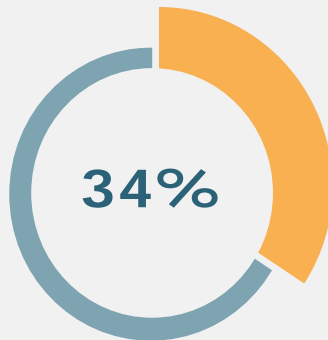
## NET BRAIN GAIN



ONLY UK CITY OUTSIDE LONDON  
WITH A **LARGER SHARE OF HIGH  
ACHIEVING GRADUATES** COMPARED  
TO SHARE OF TOTAL JOBS

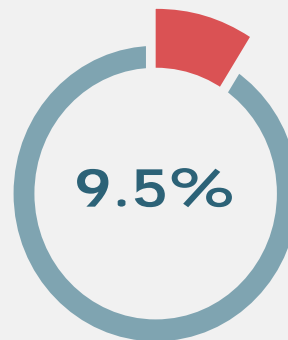
[CENTRE FOR CITIES, NOV 2016]

HIGH LEVEL  
QUALIFICATIONS

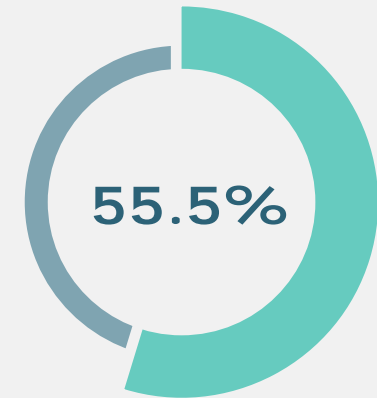


OF WORKING AGE  
POPULATION

NO FORMAL  
QUALIFICATIONS



OF WORKING  
AGE POPULATION



5 A\* – C GCSE  
INC. MATHS AND ENGLISH

# LEEDS VISITOR ECONOMY

BUSINESS TOURISM:  
WELCOMED

**3.94**  
MILLION

DELEGATES IN 2015

WORTH  
**£501**  
MILLION

TO LOCAL ECONOMY



**UK's 5TH**

MOST POPULAR  
CONFERENCE  
DESTINATION

LEISURE TOURISM:  
WELCOMED

**27.29**  
MILLION

VISITORS IN 2016

WORTH  
**£1.64**  
BILLION

TO LOCAL ECONOMY



LEEDS WELCOMED

**331,000**  
(+10%)

INTERNATIONAL  
VISITORS IN 2016

TOP 5 COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN:



POLAND  
IRELAND  
FRANCE  
SPAIN  
NETHERLANDS