

The World of Work

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Futures



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Everywhere you look work is changing.

Working in Sheffield

At present many jobs in the Sheffield City Region are in a small number of work sectors, including:

- Business, Professional & Financial Services
- Education
- Health & Social Care
- Manufacturing
- Wholesale & Retail

However there are signs that things are shifting.

Sheffield Futures top vacancies 2017-18

Here are the most common types of vacancy notified to us last year (February 2017-18). The previous year's position is in brackets. Bear in mind that this is a snapshot and that there are other sources of vacancies.

1. Business, Administration and Finance (1)
2. ICT / Social Media / Digital Media (6)
3. Construction (7)
4. Engineering (2)
5. Retail / Customer Service (8)

Did you know?

According to reports, the creative and digital sectors have grown faster in the Sheffield City Region than anywhere in the UK!

Business, administration & finance is our most common type of vacancy but last year we noted an increase in ICT / social & digital media and construction.

Other work sectors are also important to the Sheffield City Region, even though some of them may not employ many people at present. These include:

- Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering
- Finance & Business Services
- Healthcare Technologies
- Logistics (Transport & Distribution)
- Creative & Digital
- Low Carbon (green jobs)
- Construction & Property
- Sport, Leisure & Tourism

News!

The aerospace giant, Boeing and supercar manufacturer, McLaren are both opening centres close to Sheffield, at the Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre – AMRC.

Find out more

The Sheffield City Region website, sheffieldcityregion.org.uk has more details.



Work is changing everywhere

1. Around 1 in 5 jobs in the UK could be displaced by robots over the next 20 years. The good news is that it's also predicted that an equal number of new jobs will be created. The difficulty is that no-one can tell you yet what these jobs will be!

10 jobs we hadn't heard of 20 years ago

1. App developer
2. Social media manager
3. Driverless car engineer
4. Uber driver
5. Big data analyst
6. YouTube vlogger
7. Cloud architect
8. Artificial intelligence (AI) engineer
9. Drone operator
10. User experience (UX) manager

2. It has been predicted that China and India will be the largest economies in the world by 2050, with the USA slipping to third place.

3. Growing numbers of people are self-employed and move from one short term job to another (the 'gig economy'). This is already widespread in transport, delivery and the creative and digital sectors.

4. Medical breakthroughs mean people are living longer. They are retiring later and also more likely to need health and social care in old age.

5. Working patterns are changing, for example, instead of travelling to a workplace, more people are working from home or online.

'Today's learner will have 10-14 jobs . . . by the age of 38.'
US Department of Labour

Preparing for jobs that don't exist yet

- Be flexible and always ready to learn new skills or retrain.
- Work on your key skills: numbers, spoken and written English, dealing with people, organisation, self-motivation and problem solving.
- Don't worry too much about specific job titles - these may change. Think more about broad areas of work.
- Aim for the highest grades you can achieve – it will give you more options.

