

Report shows 70% of secondary school students admit to future career fear

70% of secondary school students do not know or are unsure about what they want to do for a career when they leave school. Three quarters of students (78%) admitted they are worried about making the right choice of career.

**Year 10 Parents
Information, Advice & Guidance
Post-16 Pathways**

03/07/24

What we will cover.....

- The importance of GCSE's
- Year 11 Careers Programme
- The post-16 landscape
 - ◆ Sixth Forms and Colleges
 - ◆ A levels, BTEC's, T levels and Apprenticeships
- Labour Market Information



GCSE English & Maths



- Regardless of which route your child takes, they will be required to secure grade 4 in GCSE Maths & English.
- Your child will be required to resit GCSE Maths & English if they do not secure grade 4.

Post-16 provision in Bolton

- Thornleigh Sixth Form
- Turton Sixth Form
- Canon Slade Sixth Form
- Rivington & Blackrod Sixth Form
- Sixth Form Bolton
- Bolton College



Year 11 Careers Programme

Term 1 will be busy

- Tutor time sessions - including assemblies, CV writing, making applications (deadlines vary)
- Open Evenings
- Careers Advisor appointments
- Subject Fair
- Inspire Series



Connexions Bolton Careers Service

- We have two Careers Advisors who work out of Thornleigh each Wednesday.
- They provide impartial careers information, advice and guidance to young people aged between 13-19 yrs (up to 25 yrs with SEND).
- Meetings last between 30 and 45 mins
- In the meeting the following will be explored: discussing grades, raising aspirations, exploring barriers, exploring career interest, broadening their career ideas, self awareness and skills, any work history/work experience
- SMART targets are identified

Levels

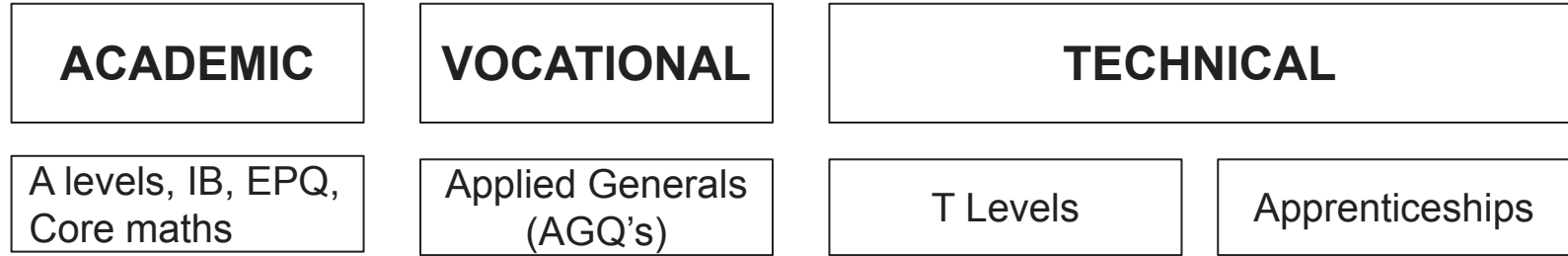


Levels



The Post-16 landscape

- Young people in England can currently choose between four options at the age of 16:



- The government plans to replace this model with a two route model of A levels and T levels (its new suite of technical qualifications), where most students pursue one of these qualifications. As a result, the majority of BTECs will be scrapped.

T Levels

- The Sainsbury Review (2016) concluded that too many students go to University and don't end up on a graduate outcome.
- T Levels were introduced as a qualification which would provide the knowledge, skills and behaviours students need to progress to skilled employment or higher technical study.



T Levels - The Headlines

- Take 2 years to complete
- Equivalent to 3 A levels
- Includes a minimum 45 day industry placement (315 hours)
- 80% Classroom, 20% Work placement
- There are 23 different T levels that cover 11 different industries



T Levels - routes

AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ANIMAL CARE	BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION	CATERING AND HOSPITALITY	CONSTRUCTION	CREATIVE AND DESIGN	DIGITAL	
Agriculture, land management and production	Management and administration	Catering	Building services engineering for construction	Craft and Design	Digital Business Services	
Animal care and management			Design, surveying and planning for construction		Media, Broadcast and Production	Digital Production, Design and Development
			Onsite Construction			Digital Support Services
EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS	ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING		HEALTH AND SCIENCE	LEGAL, FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING	SALES, MARKETING AND PROCUREMENT	
Education and Early Years	Design and Development for Engineering and Manufacturing		Health	Accounting	Marketing	
	Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and manufacturing		Healthcare Science	Finance		
	Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control		Science	Legal Services		

T Levels - at Bolton College

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T Level Programme - Summary

CORE

- ❖ Up to half the qualification
- ❖ Knowledge and understanding of the concepts, theories and principles relevant to that sector
- ❖ Assessed through an external examination and a substantial project

T LEVEL INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

- ❖ Between 315 - 420 hours
- ❖ Undertaken with an external employer
- ❖ Chance to apply skills and apply knowledge in a workplace environment
- ❖ Support for travel and subsistence costs but employers not expected to pay students

OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALISM

- ❖ At least half of the qualification
- ❖ Knowledge and skills required to enter employment in that occupational specialism
- ❖ As close to full competence as possible
- ❖ English, maths and digital competence integrated where relevant

ENGLISH AND MATHS REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Students are no longer required to achieve a level 2 in English and Maths

ADDITIONAL MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Occupation-specific requirements included where possible if essential to enter employment

T Level Grading & Certification

- Students receive:
 - ◆ An overall grade of Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction *
 - ◆ A separate grade for the core component, using A*-E
 - ◆ A separate grade for the occupational specialism, using Pass, Merit or Distinction
- The overall T Level grade is calculated from Core and Specialism

UCAS Tariff: How T Level grades compare to A level grades

T-level	A-Level	UCAS Points
Pass	CCC	96
Merit	BBB	120
Distinction	AAA	144
Distinction*	A*A*A*	168

- Approximately 130 HE providers will accept T levels for entry
- This includes approximately half of the 24 Russell group universities
- But..... many universities will only offer 1 or 2 courses
- 90.5% of students that started T Levels in 2021 achieved a pass in 2023.
- 33% of the 5,210 students that started the course did not complete it.

Apprenticeships - What Are They?

Employed

Time off the
job

Intermediate
→
Degree level

Typically 1-6
years

Real
responsibility

Contract

Paid a salary

600 +
standards

Not the easy
option

On The Job And Off The Job Training

Workplace learning

Where students spend 80% of their time

Classroom learning

20% in traditional classroom environment

Online learning

20% learning done by tasks and meet-ups with tutors

College or training provider

20% that could be a week long block in a four week period

Apprenticeship levels

- Apprenticeship levels range from level 2 (intermediate) through to level 7 (master's level) in more than 1,500 different job roles.
- There are 4 levels of apprenticeship:

LEVEL 2

Intermediate

Job roles include
Nuclear Operative,
Junior Estate Agent,
Rail Engineering
Operative, Finance
Assistant.

GCSE

LEVEL 3

Advanced

Job roles include
Chef De Partie,
Fashion Assistant,
Veterinary Nurse, IT
Solutions Technician.

A LEVEL

LEVEL 4+

Higher

Job roles include
Marketing Executive,
Journalist, Clinical
Dental Technician.

FOUNDATION DEGREE+

LEVEL 6-7

Degree

Job roles include
Aerospace Engineer,
Police Constable,
Cyber Security,
Ecologist.

BACHELOR'S OR MASTER'S
DEGREE

Intermediate Apprenticeships

Intermediate apprenticeships are typically considered to be the same level as five GCSE passes. They tend to be an entry level role within an organisation.

Within 5 miles of school there are 18 current Intermediate Apprenticeship vacancies (gov.uk) including:

Trade Supplier - Howden's joinery

Window Fitter - GM windows and doors

Pharmacy Assistant - SWM Pharma solutions

Customer Service - Chorley electrical traders

Healthcare support worker - Apollo

Renault Autocare technician - Renault

Early Years Practitioner - Lever Edge Primary

Childcare - The Jumbles Nursery

Property Sales - Copelands Estate Agents

Pharmacy Assistant - Derby St Pharmacy

Hairdressing Professional - Revitalize

Chef - Harvester

Advanced Apprenticeships

Advanced apprenticeships are typically considered to be the same level as 2 or 3 A levels.

Within 5 miles of school there are 14 current Advanced Apprenticeship vacancies (gov.uk) including:

Customer Experience - Mercedes-Benz

IT Solutions - Just Technology Group

Process Operator - Sherwin Williams

IT technician - Salvation Army Housing

Data Admin - Core Estates NW

Service & Maintenance technician - Toyota

IT support - Krones UK

Dental App - Harwood Dental Care

Childcare - St Brendan's Pre-School Nursery

Retail Parts Adviser - Cicely Commercial

Nursery Nurse - High Meadows Day Nursery

Business Administrator - FNK Legal

Case Handler - ExamWorks

Electrical Maintenance - Mini-Cam

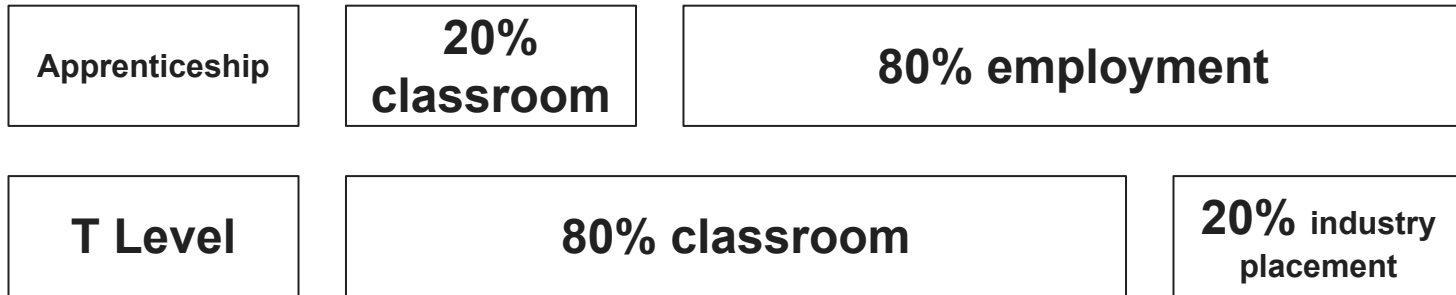
Who else offers Apprenticeships?

Loads of well known companies but also many smaller, local businesses



T-Levels Vs Apprenticeships

- T Levels involve more classroom study (80%) than apprenticeships and prepare students for work, further training or further study.
- Apprenticeships are typically 80% on-the-job and 20% in the classroom, and are more suited to those who are ready to enter the workforce at age 16.
- You will receive a wage as an apprentice, but not whilst studying a T-Level (minimum currently £5.28 per hour).



A-Levels and Vocational Courses/Btec's

- The 'traditional' academic route
- Essential for some careers
- Classroom based learning
- Stricter entry requirements
- Very different from KS4 in terms of environment and expectations
- Path towards university OR degree level apprenticeships
- An opportunity to study new subjects



A-Levels - students usually choose 3 subjects.

- A level Art
- A level Biology
- A level Business
- A level Chemistry
- A level Computer Science
- A level Economics
- A level English Language
- A level English Literature
- A level Further Maths
- A level Geography
- A level Graphic Communication
- A level History
- A level Maths
- A level Photography
- A level Physics
- A level Psychology
- A level Religious Studies
- A level Sociology
- A level Spanish

A-Levels and Vocational Courses/Btec's

University graduates in England had an average annual salary of 38,500 British pounds a year in 2022, 11,500 pounds higher than the average salary for non-graduates. People with postgraduate degrees earned an even higher average salary at 45,000 pounds, a difference of 6,500 pounds when compared with those with only undergraduate degrees. **Statista - 2023**

But what if I don't want to go to university?!

A-Levels also help students to 'buy time'...More options exist for longer, including degree level apprenticeships (higher skilled, higher paid than level 2 and 3).

Choosing a Destination - Some Advice

- Visit open evenings
- Speak to as many people as possible
- Ask testing questions:
 - ◆ What are the linked career options?
 - ◆ Who is going to be teaching? What is their experience?
 - ◆ If you are considering apprenticeships, who are the employers that they work with? What is the likelihood of employment?
 - ◆ What are the entry requirements?
 - ◆ What support is available specific to your son/daughter?

WHAT ARE YOU **LOOKING FOR?**

Enter subject here

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SEARCH WEBSITE

2022 RESULTS



Our Class of 2022 celebrated their results with us today. They are heading off to some of the most prestigious destinations in the country, keeping our proud tradition of Runshaw excellence alive!

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Huge congratulations
to our

Class of 2022!

Over
80% of our A Level
students achieved
High Grades
(A*-B)!



Average Grade



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sixth
form

75%

OF OUR STUDENTS
GO ON TO THEIR
FIRST CHOICE
UNIVERSITY

NEARLY

1/3

NOW STUDY AT
OXFORD, CAMBRIDGE
OR A RUSSELL
GROUP UNIVERSITY

B-

Average Grade

99%

Pass Rate

A*-A

27% of all
grades A*-A

Labour Market Information (LMI)

Are we wanting to help students live their dreams?

Are we creating workers to fill gaps in the labour market?

Bolton

£29.3K

Avg. Wages Per Job (2022)

Regional average wages per job are £2.8K below the national average wages of £32.0K per job.



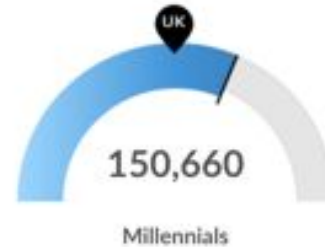
Bolton has 52,702 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 53,896.

Manchester

£30.3K

Avg. Wages Per Job (2022)

Regional average wages per job are £1.7K below the national average wages of £32.0K per job.



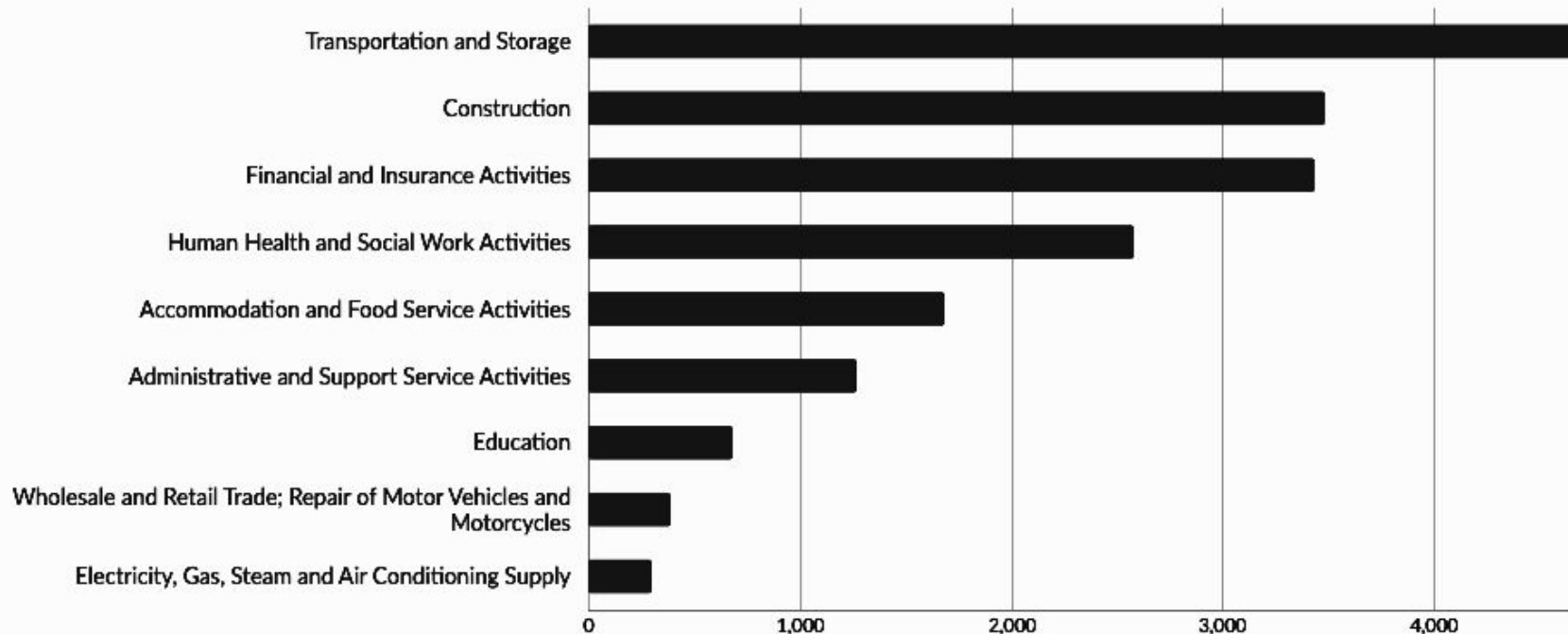
Manchester has 150,660 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 105,930.

Bolton

Top Growing Industries



● Industry Jobs Growth



Job Posting Analysis - Bolton

Top Posted Occupations

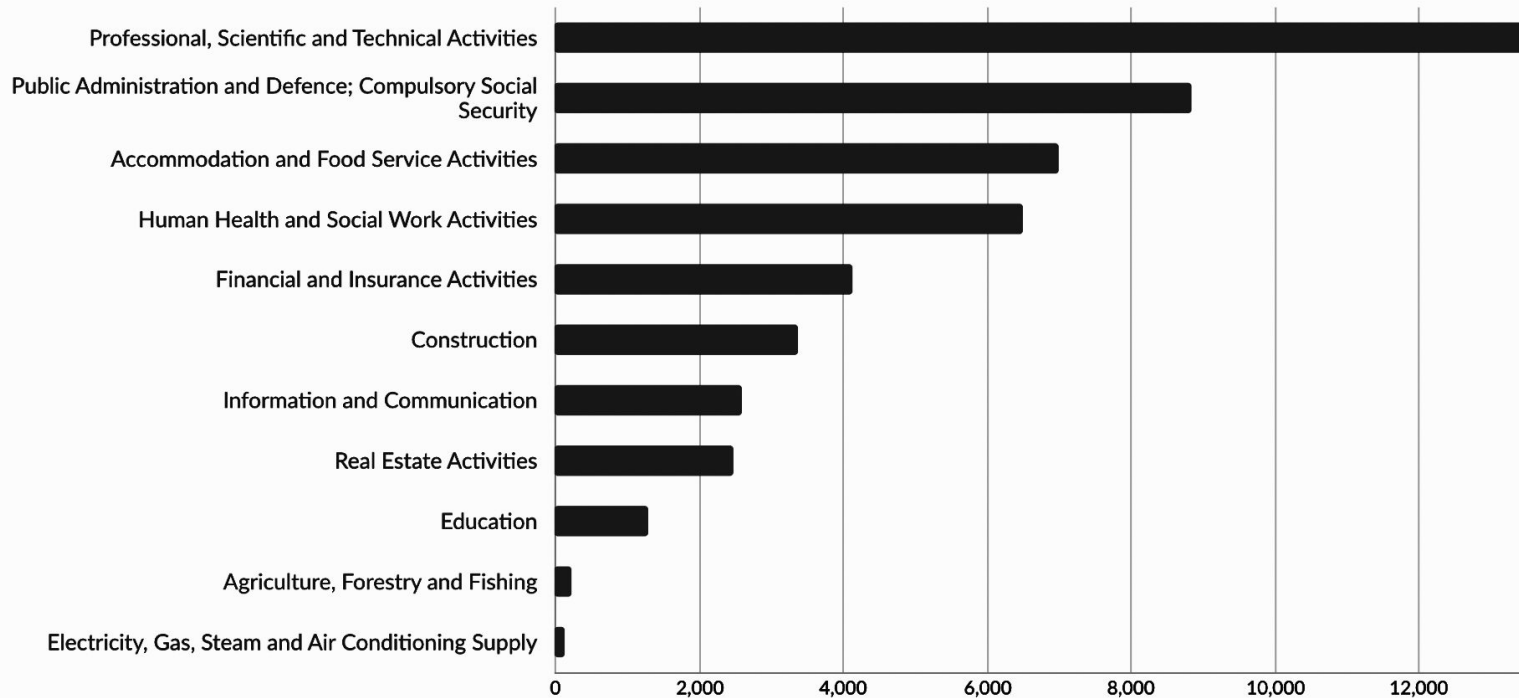
Specialized Occupation	Total/Unique (Jan 2023 - Jan 2024)
Teacher Assistant	2,907 / 1,528
Office / Administrative Assistant (General)	1,984 / 915
Janitor / Cleaner	1,213 / 690
Family / School / General Social Worker	1,185 / 666
Registered Nurse (General)	2,162 / 515
Home Health Aide	1,628 / 496
Accounts Payable / Receivable Clerk	813 / 441
Laborer / Warehouse Worker	904 / 414
Caregiver / Personal Care Aide	846 / 406
Preschool / Childcare Teacher	869 / 404

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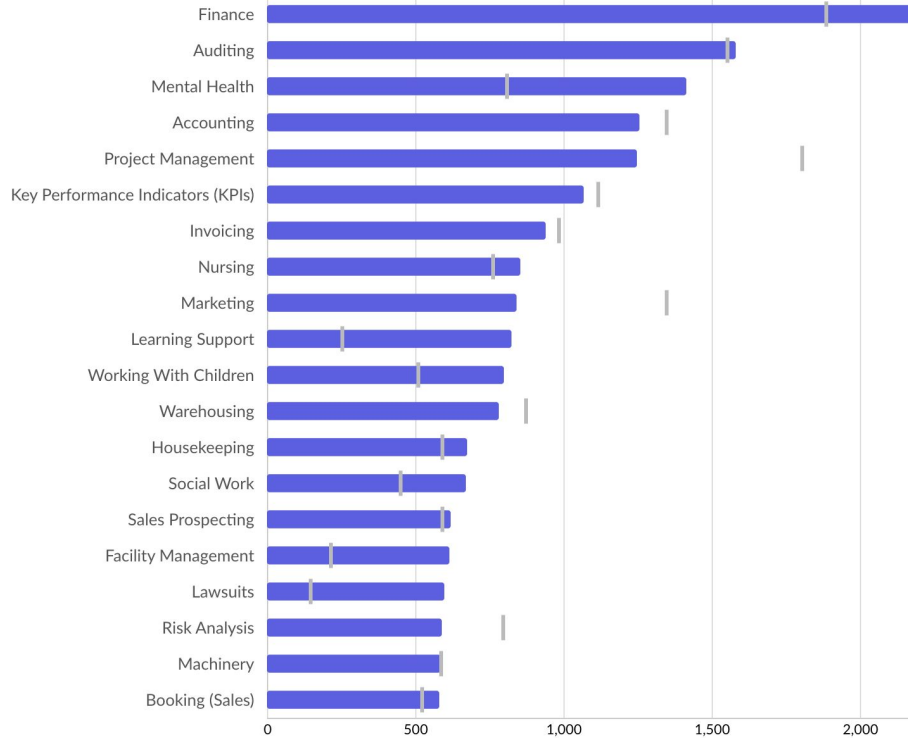
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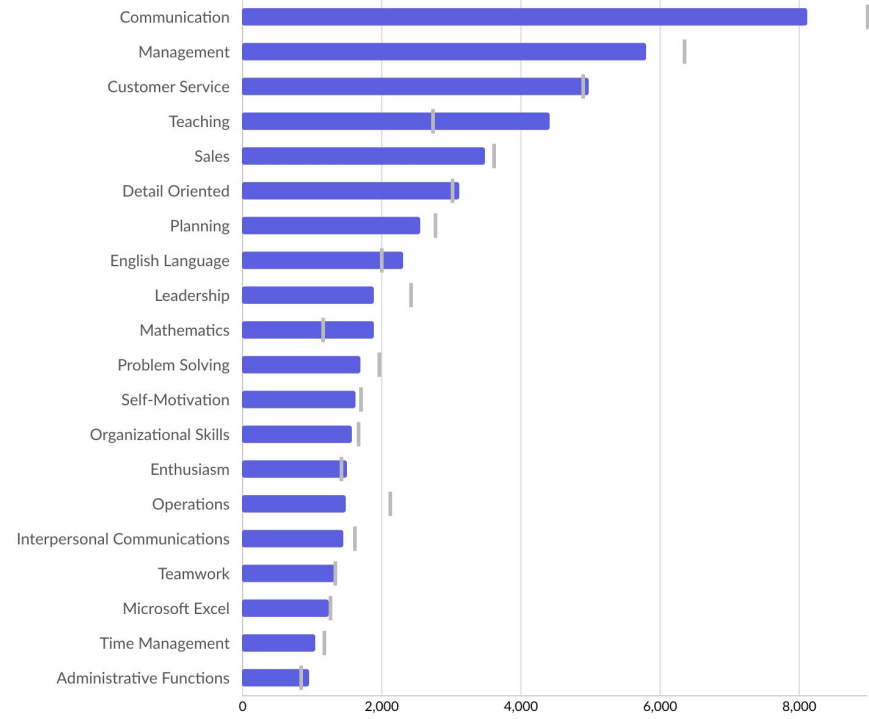
Specialized Occupation	Total/Unique (Jan 2023 - Jan 2024)
Teacher Assistant	18,039 / 8,377
Project Manager (General)	10,691 / 5,495
Recruiter (General)	13,800 / 5,370
Office / Administrative Assistant (General)	10,935 / 5,019
Business Development Manager (General)	10,253 / 4,657
Software Developer / Engineer	9,034 / 4,400
Estimator	8,484 / 3,925
Lawyer (General)	8,818 / 3,845
Accounts Payable / Receivable Clerk	7,140 / 3,835
Customer Service Representative (General)	8,850 / 3,658

Job Posting Analysis - Bolton

● Top Specialized Skills ● National Average

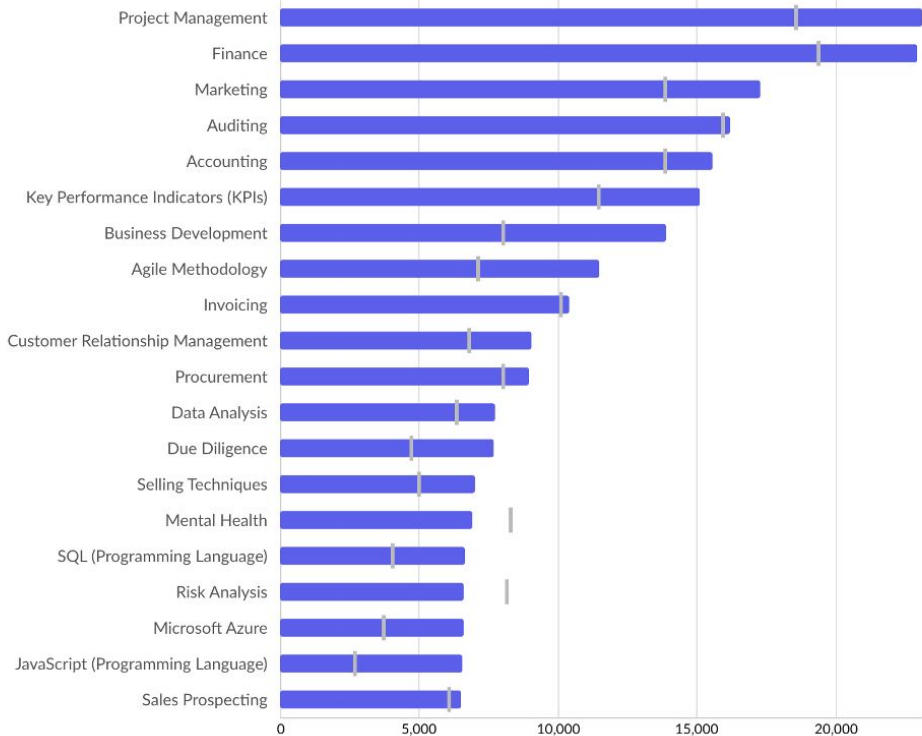


● Top Common Skills ● National Average

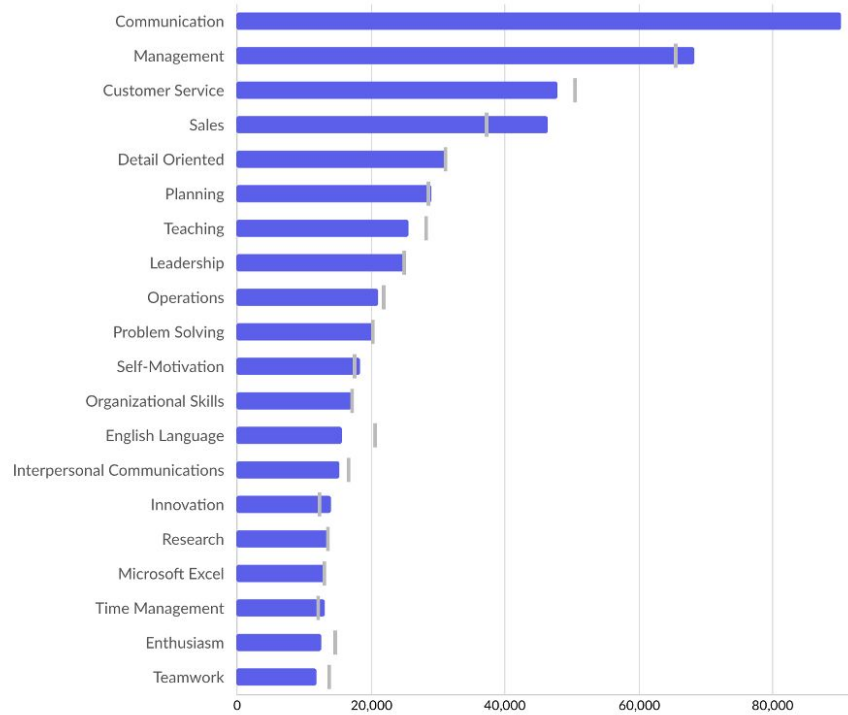


Job Posting Analysis - Manchester

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● Top Common Skills ● National Average



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