

TPI Regional Productivity Scorecard: ITL1 Overview

Ordered by productivity rank

Category	Driver of productivity	ITL1 Median 2022	London	South East	Scotland	East	South West	North West	Yorkshire and The Humber	North East	West Midlands	Northern Ireland	East Midlands	Wales
Productivity of UK's twelve regions			1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	5th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Business performance & characteristics	Exports as % of GDP*	25.5%												
	R&D per job	£1136.28												
	Innovation active businesses	35.4%												
	% of SMEs where finance is a major obstacle	7.0%												
	Business births as % of all active enterprises	10.7%												
Skills & training	% of population with tertiary education (RQF 4+)	43.0%												
	% of population with no or low skills (RQF 1 or lower)	10.0%												
	% of employers providing training in past 12 months	47.0%												
	% of vacancies which are skill shortage vacancies	10.0%												
Policy & institutions	% of SMEs where political uncertainty & government policy is a major obstacle	21.5%												
	% of SMEs where legislation & regulation is a major obstacle	21.0%												
Health & wellbeing	Economic inactivity rate	22.88%												
	% of economic inactivity due to long-term ill health	29.3%												
	% of population aged 16-64	61.93%												
Investment, infrastructure & connectivity	FDI per job*	£31127.89												
	Gross fixed capital formation per job	£7602.72												
	Access to Gigabit-capable internet services	79.41%												
	5G mobile coverage	76.62%												

Note: Scorecards for each separate ITL1 region are available from the Productivity Lab repository at <http://doi.org/10.48420/21931770>

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Annex: [Methods and Sources](#)

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Key

	Better: higher than 105% of UK ITL1 median
	Equal: within 95% - 105% of UK ITL1 median
	Worse: lower than 95% of UK ITL1 median
	Not Available

* No new data since 2022 Dashboard

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