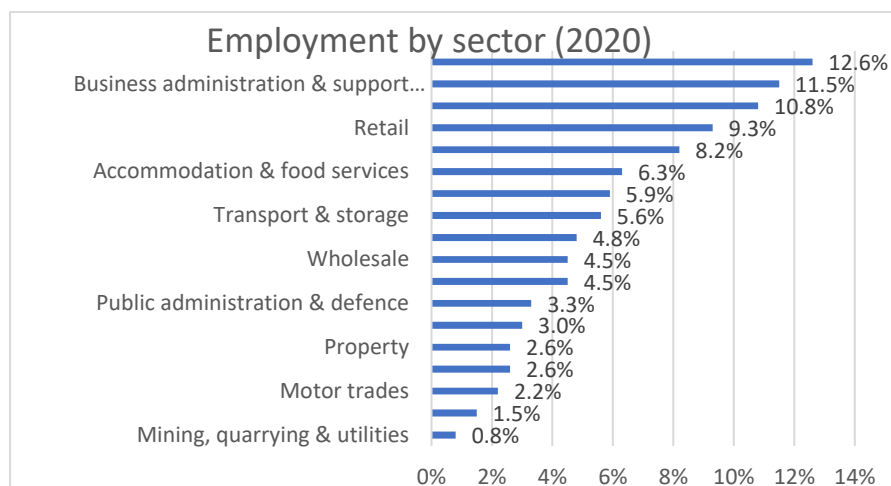


Worcestershire Levelling up Indicators

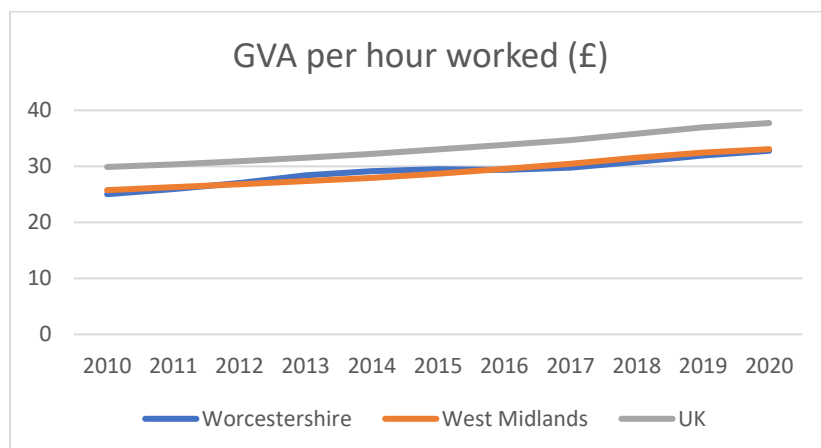
Employment by Sector

The top sector for employment in Worcestershire is currently Health at 12.6% followed by Business administration and Manufacturing at 11.5% and 10.8% respectively. The fourth and fifth largest sectors are retail (9.3%) and education (8.2%)



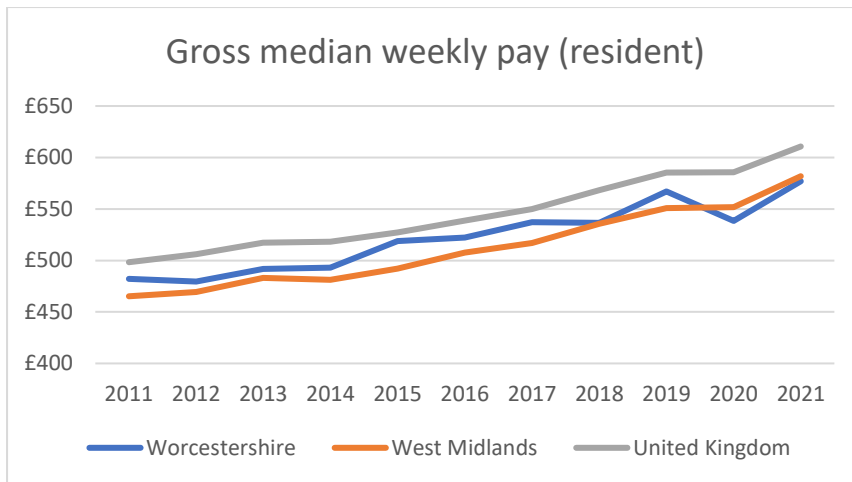
Gross Value Added (GVA) per hour worked

Productivity in Worcestershire has grown on average by 3.1% per year over the last 10 years to £32.80 and is close to the West Midlands average (£33.10) but remains below the UK average (£37.70).

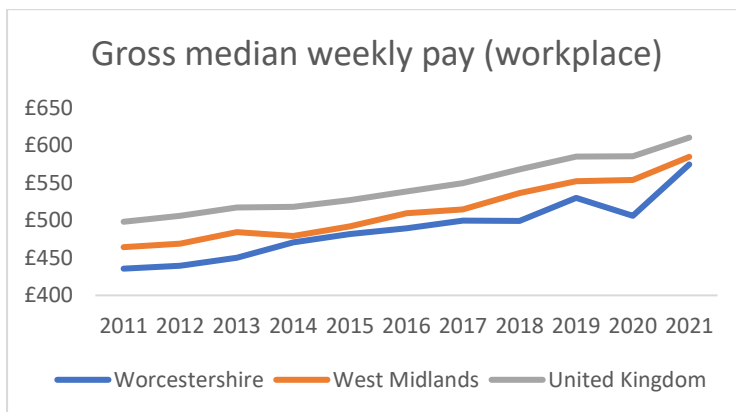


Gross median weekly pay (£)

Average pay for Worcestershire residents fell in the pandemic, but has since recovered to £576.90, close to the West Midlands average (£581.80), but below the UK average (£610.70).

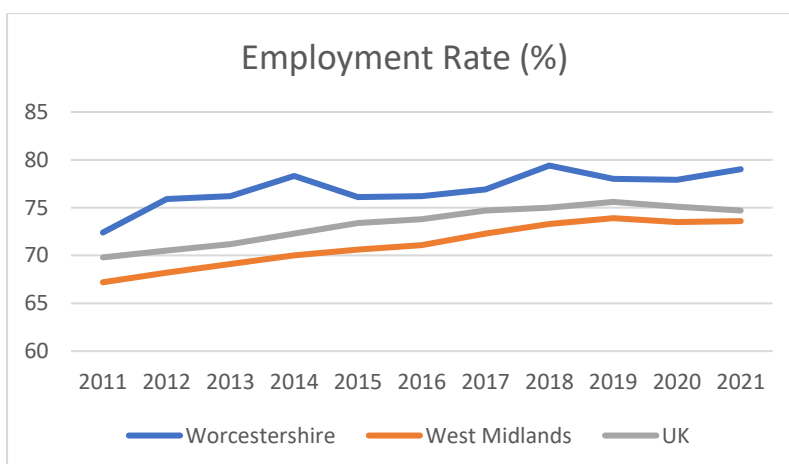


Since falling in the pandemic workplace pay in Worcestershire has recovered strongly to £574.90, narrowing the gap with the UK average (£610.70).



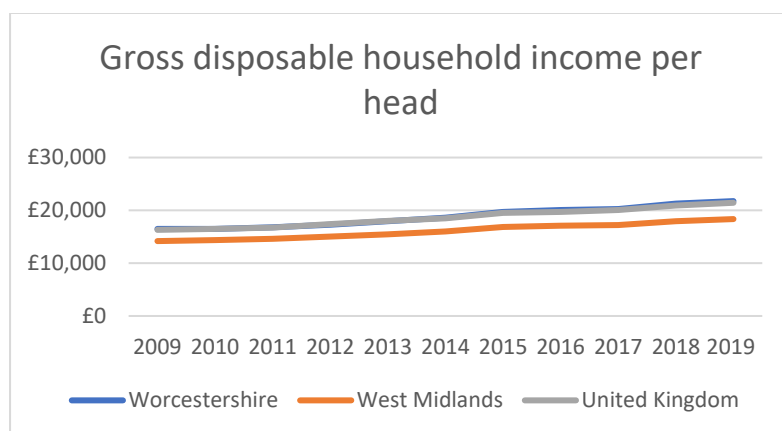
Employment rate for 16–64-year-olds

The employment rate in Worcestershire is 79.0% above the West Midlands (73.6%) and UK (74.7%) rates.



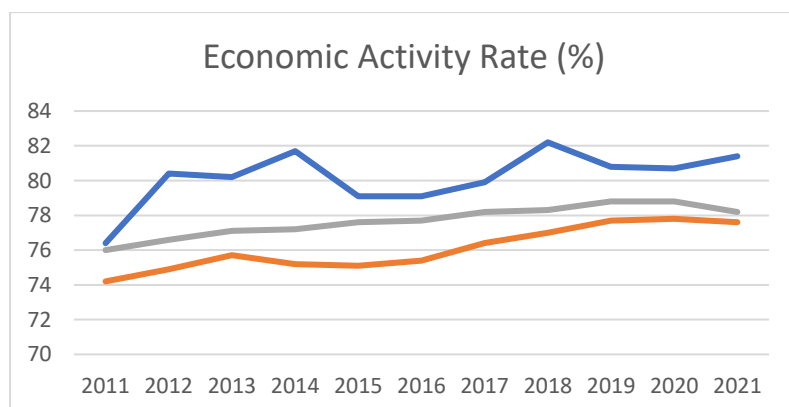
Household Income

Household income per head in Worcestershire is £21,755, above the West Midlands average (£18,350) and similar to the UK average (£21,433).



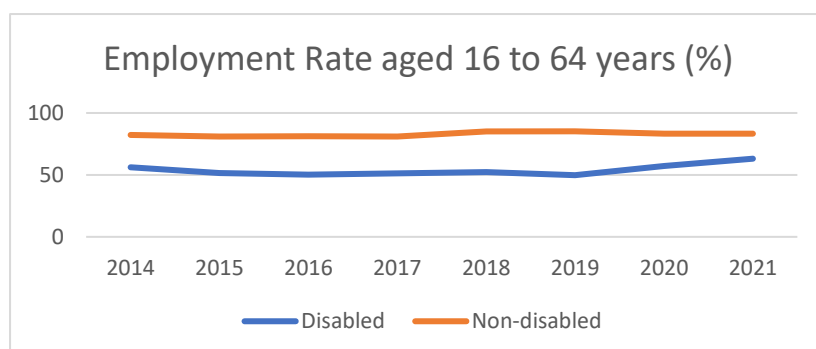
Participation Rate

The economic activity rate for 16–64-year-olds in Worcestershire is 81.4%, above the West Midlands (77.6%) and UK (78.2%) rates.



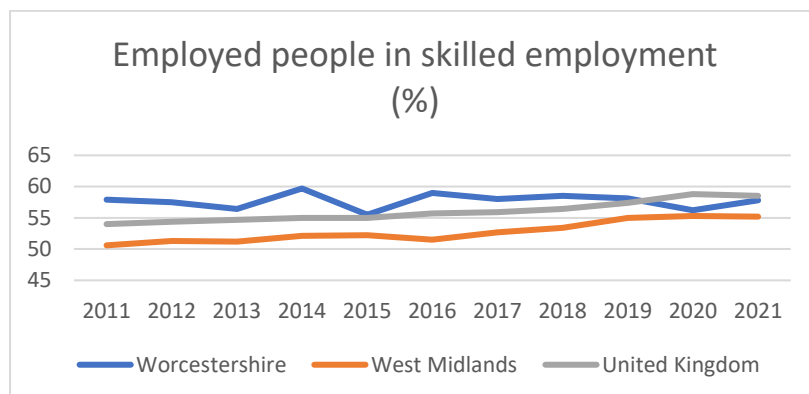
Disability employment rate gap

The employment rate for disabled people in Worcestershire is 63.1%, compared with 83.3% for non-disabled people. The difference in the employment rate between disabled and non-disabled people has fallen in Worcestershire to 20.2 percentage points, in line with national trends.



Proportion of employed people in skilled employment (SOC 1-3, 5)

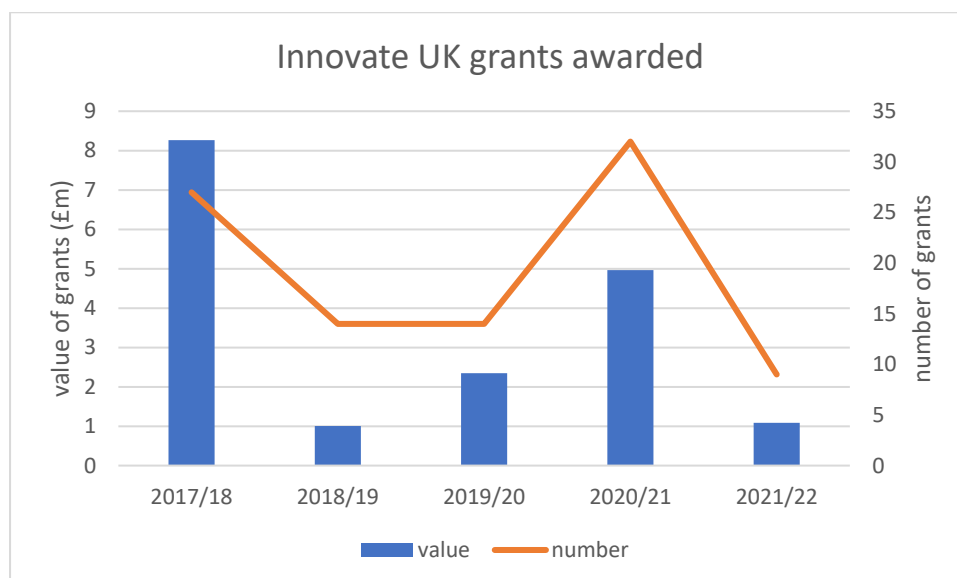
The proportion of employed people in skilled employment in Worcestershire is 57.8% and, although subject to sampling variation, has remained at a similar level over the last 10 years. This contrasts with the West Midlands and UK where proportions in skilled employment have risen with Worcestershire now just below the national average of 58.5%.



Total value of UK exports: In Worcestershire in 2020 the value of goods exports was £1.5 billion and service exports were worth £0.6 billion, in total £2.1 billion.

Government funding for R&D

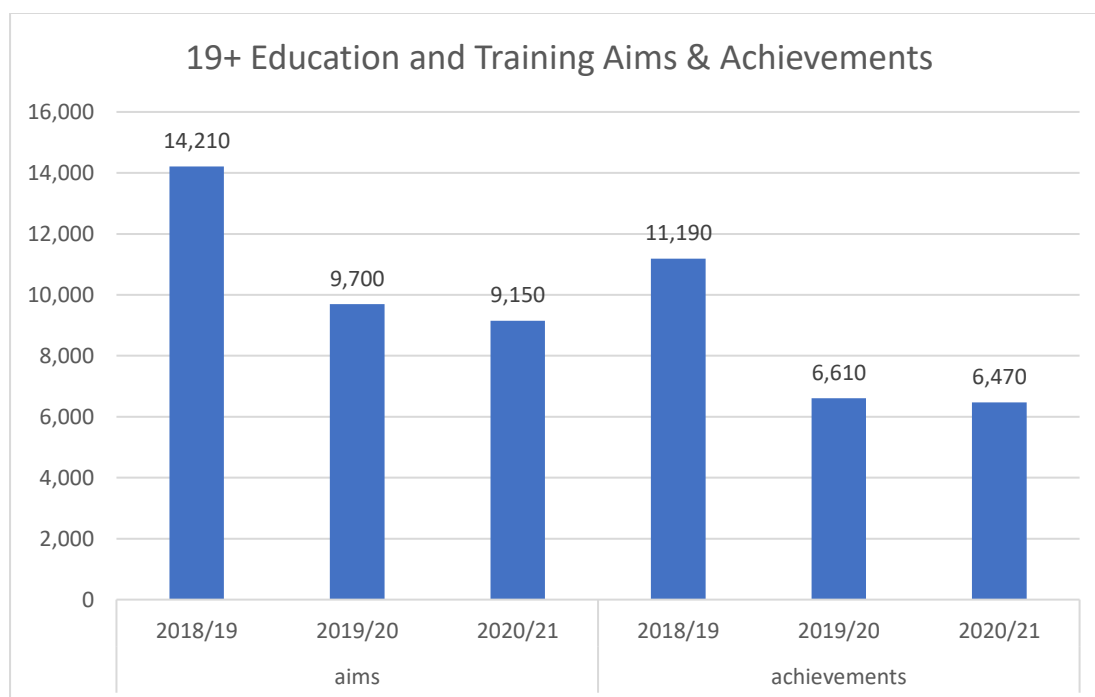
Over the last 5 years businesses in Worcestershire received £17.7m in Innovate UK funding. This equates to 0.3% of Innovate UK funding, less than Worcestershire's 1.1% share of businesses.



Percentage of businesses that are innovation active In 2018-2020, 43% of Worcestershire businesses were innovation active, compared with 46% of UK businesses.

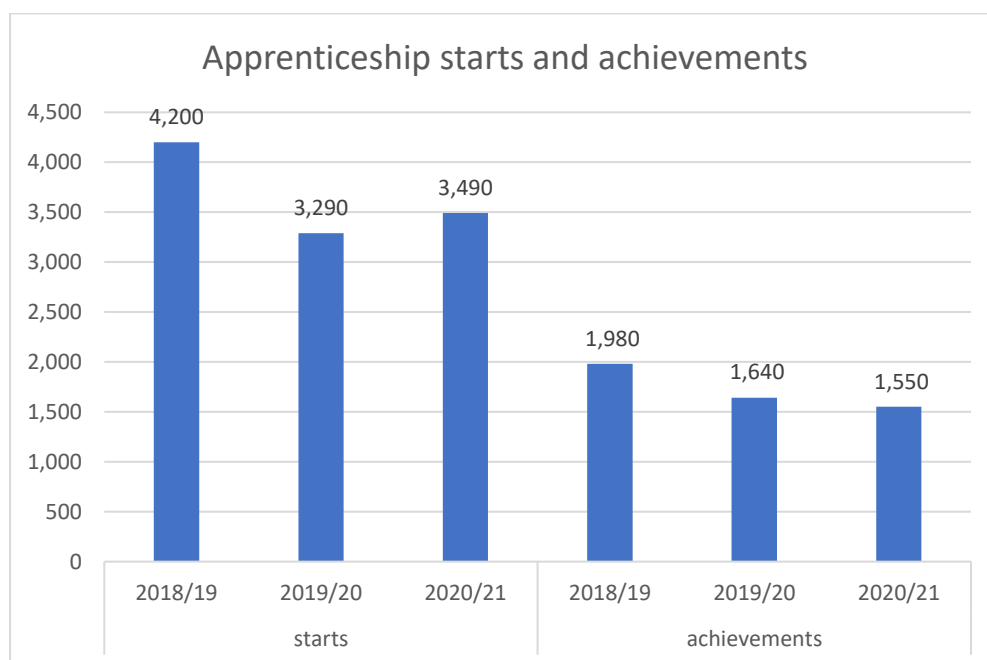
19+ Education and Training

Education and training aims and achievements by learners in Worcestershire fell in the pandemic and have not yet recovered.



Number of starts, and achievements, on apprenticeships

Worcestershire saw a fall in apprenticeship starts and achievements in the pandemic. Apprenticeship starts saw some recovery in 2020/21, but achievements have continued to fall reflecting the lag between starting and completing a course.



Proportion of the population aged 16 – 64 with level 3+ qualifications

The proportion of the 16-64 population with a level 3 or above qualification in Worcestershire has increased broadly in line with the UK and is currently 61.9%, similar to the UK average (61.4%) and above the West Midlands average (57.2%).

