East Midlands

Introduction

The East Midlands has an area of over 15,600 km² and a population of around 4.2 million. It has the second lowest population density of any English region at 268 people per km². The region is largely rural, with major population centres around Derby, Leicester, Lincoln, Northampton and Nottingham. The unitary authorities of Nottingham and Leicester each have populations of over 250,000.

Economic development

The economic output of the East Midlands is around £51 billion, 6.6 per cent of the total UK GDP.

There is a relatively high concentration of manufacturing industries – a reflection of the growth in 'new manufacturing', such as non-metallic mineral products, electronics, food and aerospace. Agriculture is significant, particularly in Lincolnshire. Unemployment, at 4.9 per cent, is lower than the national average.

The total income of higher education institutions in the region is around £930 million per year.

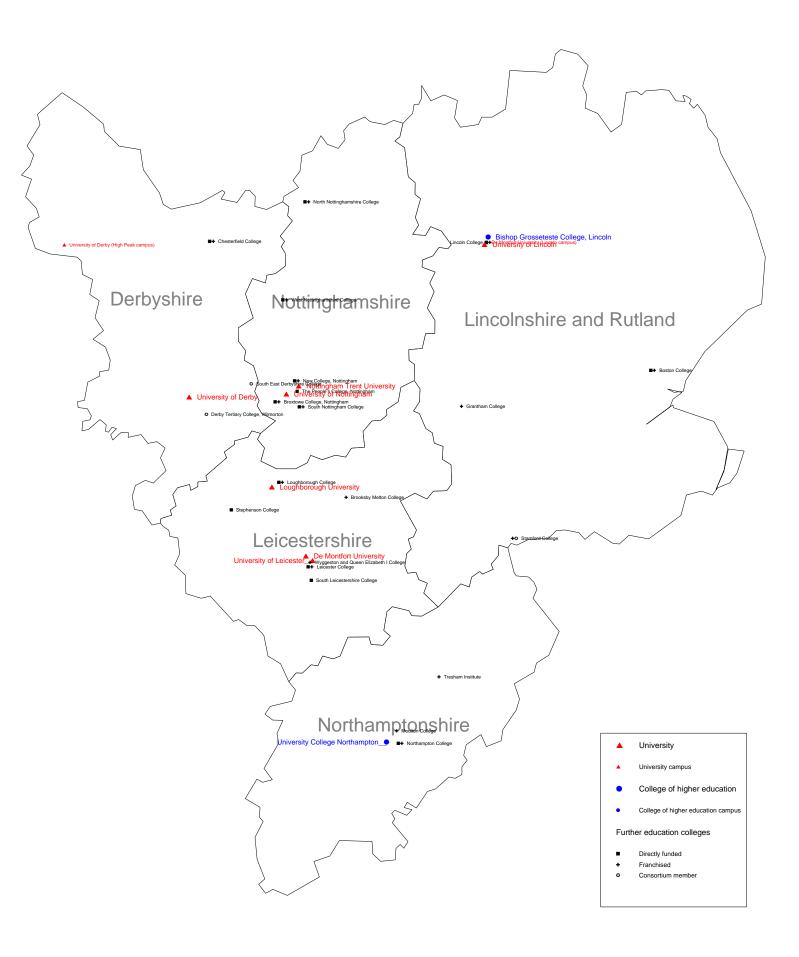
Higher education provision

There are nine higher education institutions based in the East Midlands – seven universities and two higher education colleges. There are also 22 further education colleges with students taking higher education courses. In total, there are over 118,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) students studying on higher education courses. The institutions range in size from the University of Nottingham with nearly 22,000 student FTEs to Bishop Grosseteste College with just over 1,000 student FTEs.

The greatest concentration of higher education is in Nottingham and Leicester, with two universities each. Four of the five counties include at least one university.

Student profile

The East Midlands has the lowest proportion of part-time students of all regions in England and the percentage of higher education students registered at further education colleges is relatively low. There is a net flow of young full-time undergraduates into the region – for every 100 students from the East Midlands there are roughly 133 students studying in the East Midlands. The region has a low proportion of economically active adults qualified to at least NVQ level four, 23.4 percent, compared with 28.2 percent for the UK as a whole.



HE students registered at East Midlands institutions 2001-02 and 2002-03

Student numbers

Headcounts *: 2001-02 2002-03
In HE institutions: 133,831 140,444
In FE colleges: 4,197 3,785

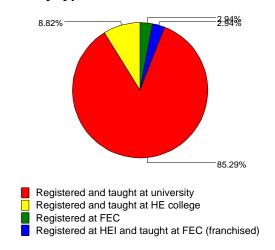
Total: 138,028 144,229

FTEs *:

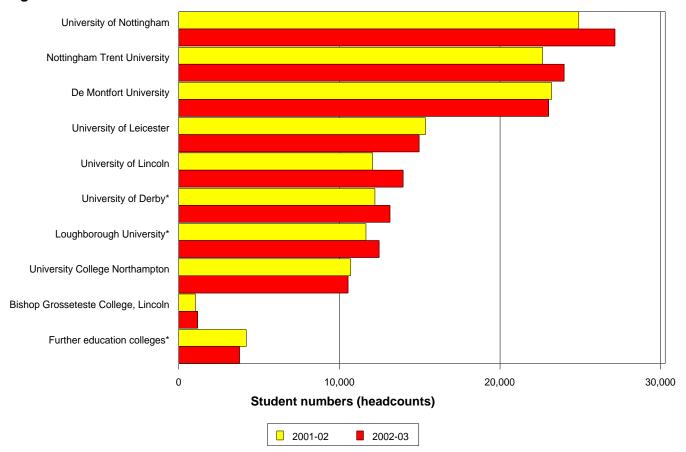
In HE institutions: 110,868 115,772 In FE colleges: 3,124 2,904

Total: 113,992 118,676

HE student headcounts by type of institution 2002-03



Higher education student numbers 2001-02 and 2002-03



 $^{{}^\}star \textsc{Estimated}$ numbers due to allocation between funding consortia members.

University of Lincoln includes 4,043 student FTEs studying at the Hull campus in Yorkshire and the Humber. De Montfort University includes 2,012 student FTEs studying at the Bedford campus in the East of England, and 608 student FTEs studying at the Milton Keynes campus in the South-East.

Learning in the East Midlands 2001-02

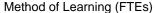
HE students registered and taught in the East Midlands

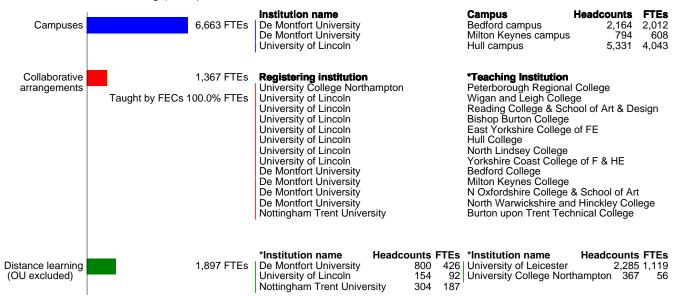
Туре	Headcounts	FTEs
HEI	123,342	104,644
Collaborative arrangements	1,931	1,447
FEC	2,260	1,608

Open University students domiciled in the East Midlands

FTEs	Headcounts	
4,545	10,897	

Registered in the East Midlands but learning outside the East Midlands





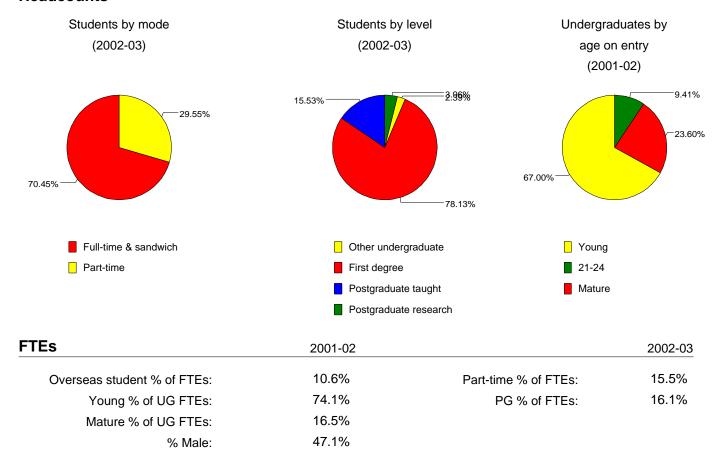
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Method of Learning (FTEs)

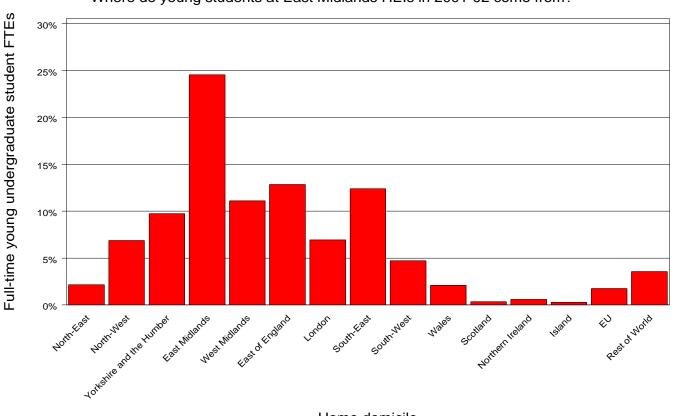


HE students registered at HEIs: characteristics

Headcounts



Where do young students at East Midlands HEIs in 2001-02 come from?

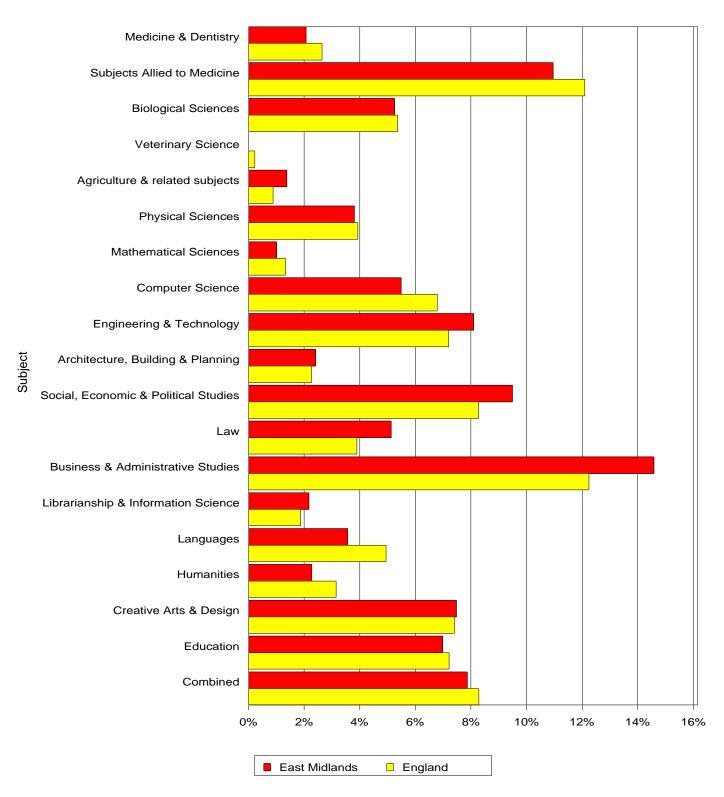


Home domicile

HE students registered at HEIs: subject

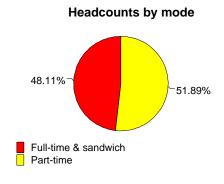
2001-02 (Open University excluded)

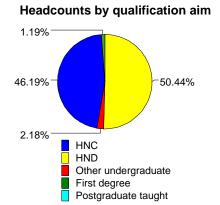
Percentage of HE students (FTEs)



HE students registered at FE colleges

2002-03 Headcounts: 3,785, of which an estimated 237 are funded through consortia. 2002-03 FTEs: 2,904, of which an estimated 197 are funded through consortia.

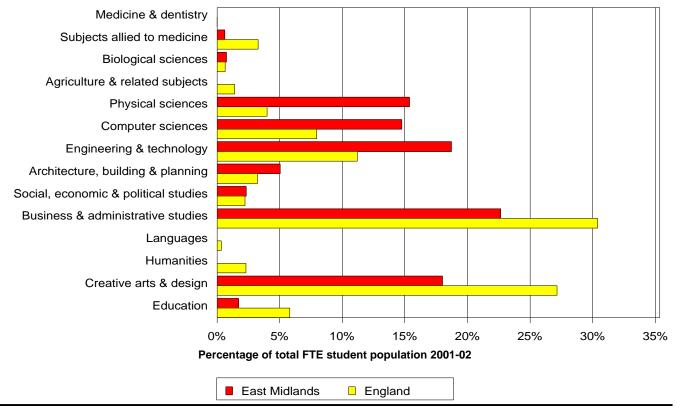




Source: HEIFES & HESES 2002-03

Source: HEIFES 2002-03 (directly funded); ISR 2001-02 (consortia)

Subject breakdown of HE student population in FECs



Major FEC providers of HE (over 500 FTEs)

College name	Directly funded 2002-03 FTEs	Consortium member 2002-03 FTEs	Collaborative arrangements 2001-02 FTEs
Leicester College	258	0	293
New College, Nottingham	643		47

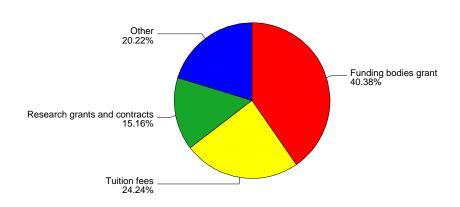
Students taught collaboratively at FECs in the region (2001-02):

Headcounts: 2,068 FTEs: 1,569

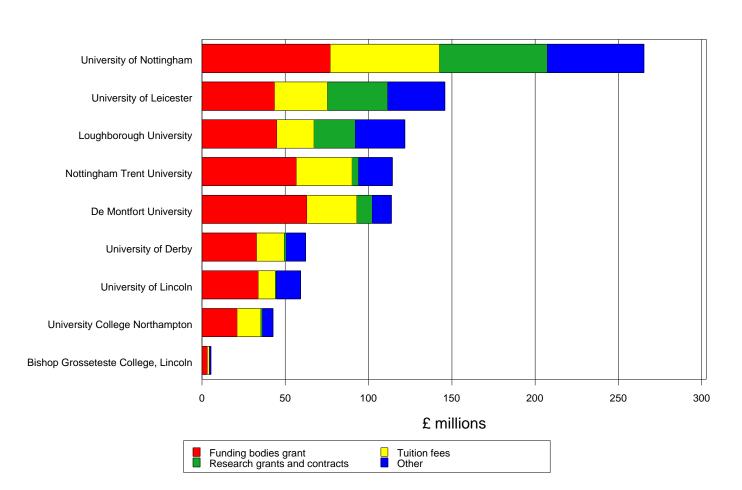
Income to HE institutions 2001-02

Total income to all HEIs: £930 million

Income to all HEIs by source

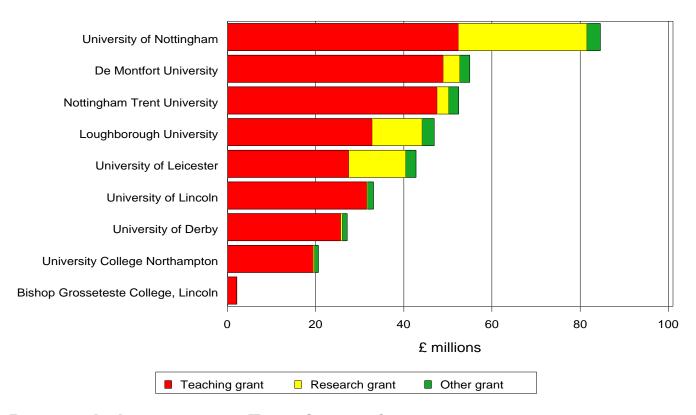


Income to individual HEIs by source



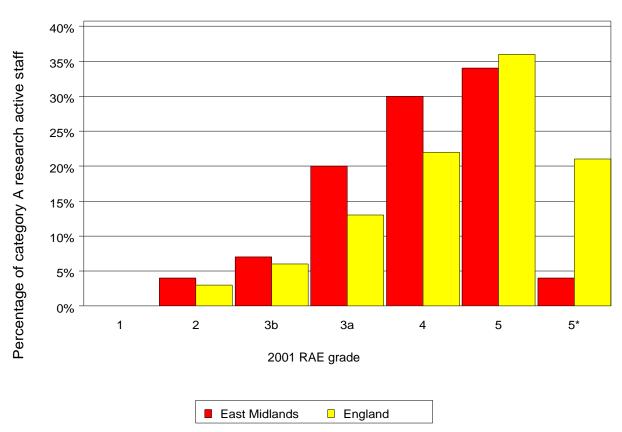
HEFCE funding





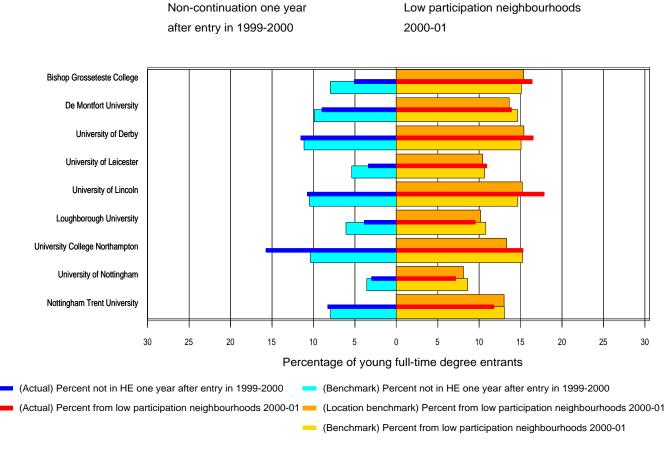
Research Assessment Exercise performance

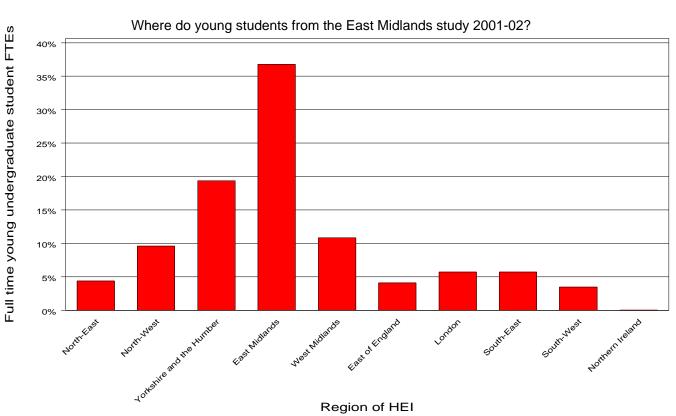
Research-active academic staff by RAE grade



Performance indicators for participation and non-continuation

Young full-time degree entrants to HEIs in the East Midlands

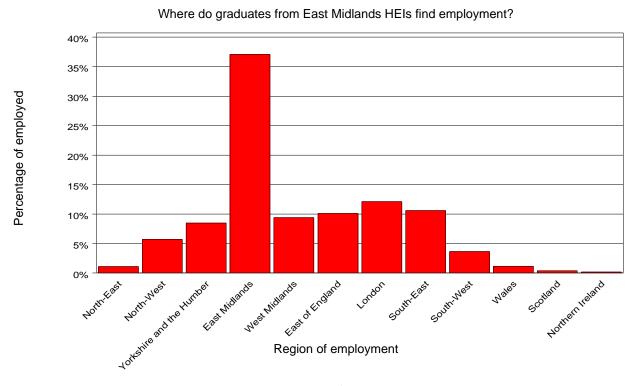


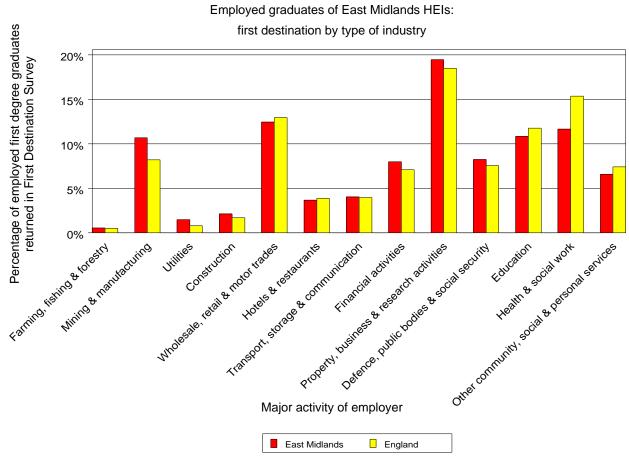


First destinations of graduates

Full-time first degree students graduating from HEIs in 2001:

Employed: 68% Further study: 18% Unemployed: 7% Other: 8%

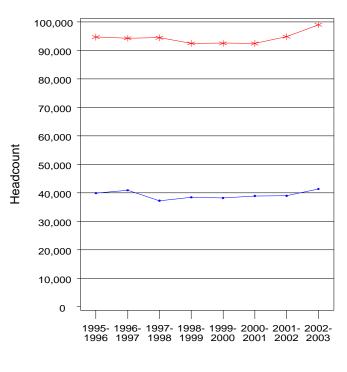


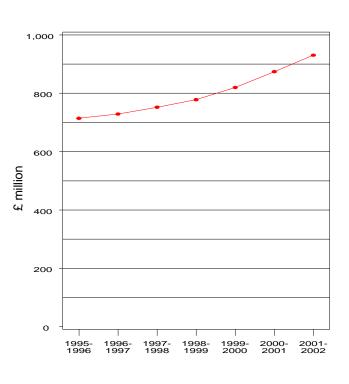


Trends in higher education

Students at HEIs by mode (headcounts)







Year

Full-time plus sandwich Part-time

Year

Population and economics

Total population (2001): 4,175,100

By age group (%)

	0-15	16-44	45-59	60 and over
East Midlands	20	39.3	19.7	21.1
England	20.1	40.2	18.9	20.8

Population change (%) (1991-2000)

East Midlands 4.3 **England** 3.7

Economic indicators

	GDP/head (1999)	Unemployment (%, summer 2002)
East Midlands	£12,146	4.9
England	£13,278	5.2