Insights

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South West

In a region with lower than average higher education enrolment – Bristol South is the Parliamentary constituency which sends a lower proportion of young people to university than any other – the advanced manufacturing and engineering (AME) sector provides opportunities for young people to gain skills and to have good careers through non-university routes such as apprenticeships.
Regional Profile

- Micro
- Small
- Medium
- Large
2018 Employment in AME

144,903
Employment by Sector
Employment by Qualification Level

2018

2023
Gender 2018

With 19% of the workforce being female, the South West AME sector is reflective of the sector across the UK when it comes to gender balance.
Gender 2023

In common with other parts of the UK, the South West’s large AME employers have made a concerted effort to bring in more female talent and Bristol University is backing the New Model in Technology and Engineering (NMITE) university in Hereford, which is aiming for a gender-balanced intake.

27,413

110,741
Employment by Occupational Area

- Skilled Trades
- Professional
- Associate Professional
- Managers Direct
- Process Plant
- Administrative
- Elementary
- Sales and Customer Service
- Caring Leisure