

NATIONAL NEWS**How the coronavirus has affected the labour market**

A parliamentary publication produced last month sets out the impact of the coronavirus on the labour market. A brief summary of the document shows that by midnight on 14 June 2020, 9.1 million employees had been furloughed through the Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS). Data on furloughed jobs by sector is available to midnight 31 May.

This included:

- Accommodation and food services sector 59%
- Arts, entertainment and recreation sector 48%
- Construction sector 46%

In May 2020, 2.8 million people claimed unemployment related benefits. Between March and May, there has been an increase of 1.6 million claimants.

Job vacancies fell by 342,000 in the last quarter, the largest quarterly decrease to the vacancies total since the current time series started in 2001.

Some workers are more greatly affected than others Workers who are from a BAME (Black, Asian, Ethnic Minority) background, women, young workers, low paid workers and disabled workers, have been most negatively economically impacted by the coronavirus outbreak. For the full report click on the [link](#).

The impact of the pandemic and the future of occupations

Cedefop, the European Centre for vocational training have published an interesting report looking at the impact of the pandemic on sectors and the future of occupations in Europe.

The report includes a useful downloadable pdf of an infographic which summarises the impact, likelihood of future job openings and the risk of automation by sector.

No real surprises here but those with low skills are likely to be most affected. The continued development of skills will be key for future success in the jobs market.

Coronavirus impact on sectors and the future of occupations			
CEDEFOP	FUTURE JOB OPENINGS	CHANGING OCCUPATIONAL IMPORTANCE	RISK OF AUTOMATION
MANUFACTURING			
Metal, machinery and related trades workers	Low	Strong negative	Very high
Stationary plant and machine operators	Low	Negative	Very high
Science and engineering associate professionals	Medium	Neutral	Average
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE, REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES & MOTORCYCLES			
Sales workers	Medium/Low	Neutral/Negative	Average
Metal, machinery and related trades workers	Low	Strong negative	Very high
Business and administration associate professionals	Medium/High	Strong positive	Low
ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICE ACTIVITIES			
Personal service workers	Medium	Negative	Very low
Food preparation assistants	Medium	Negative	High
Hospitality and retail managers	Medium/High	Neutral/Negative	Very low
REAL ESTATE, PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES			
Business and administration associate professionals	Medium/High	Positive	Low
Business and administration professionals	Medium/High	Strong positive	Average
Science and engineering professionals	High	Neutral	Average
TRANSPORTATION & STORAGE			
Drivers and mobile plant operators	Medium	Negative	High
Numerical and material recording clerks	Low	Strong negative	Low
Clerical support workers	Low	Strong negative	Low
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION			
ICT professionals	Medium	Positive	Low
ICT technicians	Low	Neutral	Low
Legal, social and cultural professionals	High	Positive	Below average

Amazing Apprenticeships Parent Pack – June

The June Parents Pack covers a wealth of useful information as always including 'Key questions during Covid-19' and 'How to search for an apprenticeship in the current climate'.

Amazing Apprenticeships resources

Amazing Apprenticeships have been running a series of webinars this month on different sectors including Engineering and Manufacturing, Digital and Technology, Automotive, Digital and Technology, Energy and Logistics. These webinars include input from some big employers talking about their recruitment processes for taking on apprentices. To access the presentations and listen to the webinars which last around 40 minutes click on the link above.

The Automotive Industry (no link)

Although currently suffering from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the automotive sector is destined to change dramatically over the next two decades and that will bring a growth in green jobs.

The government recently announced a £73.5m investment into [ten projects](#) within the industry which will facilitate green technologies for the next generation of electric vehicles and all the components which accompany these such as batteries and other components. Companies set to benefit from the investment include Ford Technologies, BMW Motorsport, Jaguar Land Rover and the London Electric Vehicle Company, a manufacturer of electric taxis. For those interested in more facts and figures the Society of Motor Manufacturers (SMMT) have produced a [report - Motor Industry Facts 2020](#).

The Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI) [website](#) shows routes into the industry which include [intermediate, advanced and higher apprenticeships](#) as well as graduate job openings. Over 570,000 people are employed in the UK Automotive industry and

there are over 150 jobs to choose from. [Free downloadable resources](#) for teachers and careers advisers are available on the IMI website including a guide to apprenticeships in the industry. Here are some facts about the industry gained from attending a recent Amazing Apprenticeships webinar where IMI were presenting:

[Travel industry takes off](#)

Hays Travel Agency, who operate at over 100 locations across the UK and Ireland have announced plans to recruit experienced Travel Agents as well as take on 700 apprentices across the UK as holiday bookings start to take off again. To find out more about the company visit <https://careers.hays.co.uk/about-us/>.

[Logistics company thrives during pandemic](#)

DPD, are recruiting 6,000 new staff in order to expand its next-day parcel delivery service in the UK. The Logistics and delivery firm have vacancies for delivery and HGV drivers, warehouse staff, mechanics and warehouse staff as well as management and support staff positions.

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[Top Tech Companies in the South West](#)

For anyone looking to work in the Tech Industry, Business Live have named the top tech companies in the South West, 20 of which fall in our area. These are:

Filmily, Totnes	DeGould, Exeter	Amprologix, Plymouth,	Crowdcube, Exeter	Audax, Plymouth
Archilime, Torbay	ValueXD, Exeter	Codices, Penryn	Lightfoot, Chudleigh,	Applegate, Barnstaple
City Science, Exeter,	Paddle Logger, Falmouth	GlasData, Penryn	Actisense, Poole,	Cardstream Taunton
Onebuy.com, Poole	PulsiV, Plymouth,	Milkalyser, Exeter	Moortec, Plymouth	FibreCRM, Truro

Weymouth Gateway project to create jobs

300 jobs are expected to become available with plans to regenerate land at Weymouth Gateway. The development includes an Aldi on Mercy Road, creating 30 jobs and a retail scheme which will provide a further 250 jobs.

Top job titles in Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole over the last three months (no link)¹

Personal Care Assistants followed by various nursing positions take the top places in the online job titles over the last three months. Once again, hospitality positions are non-existent in the top ten job titles.

