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NATIONAL NEWS

[State of the Nation 2018 report](#)

The Careers Enterprise Company have produced their 2018 State of the Nation report which provides an assessment of careers education in England schools and colleges against the Gatsby Benchmarks. The report is downloadable. Progress has been positive to date and the full impact of the Careers Strategy is expected to be seen over the next year.

[British Ports Association LMI](#)

UK Ports support a variety of industries including tourism and logistics and directly employ 101,000 people. The British Port Association has produced a series of promotional infographics to raise awareness of careers in ports. These can be downloaded via the hyperlink above.

[Part-time student numbers falling](#)

The BBC reports on the fall in part-time student numbers and the call for funding changes to encourage more students to apply for part-time courses. Students have cited their main barriers as being the tuition fees, the need for more flexible courses and support for living costs.

[NCW Guide 2018](#)

The new National Careers Week (NCW) Guide has been published, fully updated in line with Gatsby Benchmarks. Click on the link to receive your free copy and subscribe to the NCW mailing list.

Care Leavers – help at hand

Government ministers, in recognition of the huge step it is for vulnerable teenagers leaving care, have launched a scheme to ease the transition. 10,000 work opportunities will be made available over a 10-year period by large employers who have signed the Care Leaver Covenant. Over 50 organisations have committed to this scheme.

World University Rankings 2019

The latest Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019 have been published. Over 1,250 universities are included in the list and it is possible to filter by country/region, subject or by name. Our own Universities of Oxford and Cambridge rank first and second in the list.

Free resources for Careers Leaders

Trotman are offering FREE careers leader starter packs which include careers lessons, job profiles and webinars as well as other information to support careers leaders in their roles.

Downloadable resource

A publication entitled 'Enhancing the Quality of Careers Guidance in Secondary Schools' is available to download from the My Future website once registered.

Access to Higher Education in London

A report which explores the composition of 18 – 24-year olds entering HE from London over the next 10 years has been published. The report highlights ethnicity and socioeconomic positions of students. Some of the key findings are:

- The number of students aged 18-24 entering HE from London is projected to increase by over 50% from 2016 to 2030, with over 38,000 extra young students.
- Despite this large increase, for certain ethnic groups – Indian and Chinese – the numbers of students is forecast to fall due to lower population increases and because their entry rate has declined in recent years.
- The research forecasts over 10,000 more students from other (including mixed) and African backgrounds respectively by 2030.
- The number of white students will increase but by only 11%.
- Students of non-white ethnic background will constitute 74% of those entering HE by 2030.
- Nearly 60,000 of the students entering HE in 2030 from London (54%) will be the first in their family to go to HE.

[Being 18 in 2018](#)

ONS have released a number of articles which provide insight into 'being 18 in 2018' which looks at young people's earnings, education and employment. ONS Communications Apprentice Florence Holmes reflects on her own circumstances compared with other young people.

[Rate my apprenticeship](#)

The top 100 employers for 2018 - 2019, based on over 4,000 reviews from young people who have completed an apprenticeship or work experience programme have been released. The top ten employers are:

- BAE Systems
- National Grid
- BAM Nuttall
- BBC
- Santander
- Goldman Sachs
- BMW Group
- EY
- BT
- Softcat

For a full list of employers follow the link above.

[How to find an apprenticeship video](#)

The National Apprenticeship Service have released a video which talks young people through the process of applying for an apprenticeship via the Find an Apprenticeship website.

[Apprenticeships – Employer Broadcasts](#)

Amazing Apprenticeships continue to bring short live employer broadcasts to young people. You can click on the employer's name below to register for these broadcasts and can also catch up on past broadcasts by clicking on the link above.

- [Unilever](#) Thursday 10th January at 10.00 am.
- [Silent Night](#) Tuesday 22nd January at 10.30 am.
- [Gatwick Airport](#) Wednesday 30th January at 10.30 am.
- [Specsavers](#) Wednesday 6th February at 10.00 am.
- [University of Exeter](#) on Monday 4th March at 10.00 am.
- [Greene King](#) on Wednesday 15th May at 10.00 am.

[Short course for Careers Leaders](#)

The Careers and Enterprise Company have compiled a short course for Careers Leaders or those interested in the role.

No of vacancies for high growth sectors outweighs enrolments

The number of high-growth sector vacancies are still outweighing the number of skilled workers to fill them according to a new report by Cambridge Network. The report breaks down the number of vacancies in 2018 compared to the number of enrolments in 2017 and the percentage gap by industry.

Schools Employability Challenge

The National Schools Employability Challenge 2018/19 is available until 29th March next year. Aimed at students aged 14 - 18 it quizzes them on their employability and helps prepare them for work.

Career focused learning for primary school children

An interesting article on TES focuses on 'career-related learning' for primary school children which raises the aspirations of children by providing them with a wide range of career-related experiences.

LONDON AND REGIONAL NEWS

The Creative sector

In a bid to create jobs within the creative industry, eight cities, including London, are joining their creative hubs together in a new programme. Employers such as Aardman, Burberry, Sony and the British Fashion company are well known brands involved in the programme.

Female Train Drivers wanted

Southeastern Rail are looking to train more women train drivers with a target of 40% of women drivers by 2021 (currently only 4.5% are female). Recruitment days are being planned, aimed specifically at women.

Report on Apprenticeships within the London boroughs 2017/18

A report by the London Councils provides an update on the delivery of apprenticeships by the London boroughs in 2017-18. Figures show a 25 per cent increase in the total number of apprenticeships within the boroughs compared to 2016/17. There was a 345% increase in the number of 24+ apprenticeships compared to the previous year. 22% of apprentices were aged 16-18, 46% were aged 19 - 24 and 46% aged 25+. Only 3% of apprenticeships created by the London boroughs were of a higher level but it is expected this figure will increase going forward.

Foreign investment in UK to create high-tech jobs

Over 350 high-tech jobs are to be created within the fintech, IT and advanced engineering sectors. Whilst some of these will be in the North of the UK there will also be opportunities in London and Reading, including Argentine software company Globant's expansion in London which will create 140 jobs.

Camden Lock project to create jobs in North London

Over 1,000 jobs could be created in Camden Lock with a project by LabTech which opens next summer. The canal-side development will be a major tourist attraction in North London.

What are the top job titles being recruited for in London? (no link)

The number of online vacancies for Chefs within the City of London and Greater London is far greater than any other job titles with 19,550 vacancies in the last 12 months.



Source: Labour Insight (Burning Glass)

USEFUL WEBSITES

- Air Traffic Control careers - www.nats.aero/careers/
- Careers with Geography - www.rgs.org/geography/studying-geography-and-careers/careers
- Careers in hospitality, leisure and tourism – <https://careerscope.uk.net>
- Become an Archaeologist – <http://new.archaeologyuk.org/become-an-archaeologist>
- Careers in Physics – www.iop.org/careers/
- Careers in Sport and Exercise Science – www.bases.org.uk/spage-students-careers_centre.html

FUTURE EVENTS

- 13 March – Business Design Centre, Islington, Fresh Careers Fair, 9.30 – 4.00 pm (for those interested in working in the Food and Drink industry) - <https://www.businessdesigncentre.co.uk/events/598/the-fresh-careers-fair>
- 13 March – Tottenham Job Fair, Tottenham Community Centre – 9.00 am – 3.30 pm - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/job-fair-tickets-51999376535?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>
- 19 March – National Careers Guidance Show, Olympia Central
- 22- 24th March – London Job Fair, Hilton Hotel, Paddington 9.00 am – 6.00 pm - <https://www.searchassociates.com/international-teaching-job-fairs/london-spring/>
- 13th April – Nursing and Midwifery job fair (venue tbc) 10.00 am – 4.00 pm <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nursing-midwifery-job-fair-london-april-2019-tickets-51745292563?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>
- 26th and 27th April – London Job Show, Westfield, Shepherds Bush, London W12 - <https://www.londonjobshow.co.uk/shepherdsbush/>
- 17th and 18th September – RCN Job Show, Business Design Centre, London, 9.00 am – 6.00 pm - <https://10times.com/jobs-fair-london>
- October 11th – STEM graduate recruitment fair, The Barbican, 10.30 am – 5.00 pm
- 22nd September – 29th September – Students Job Fair, <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/london-student-jobs-fair-tickets-52057053047?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>