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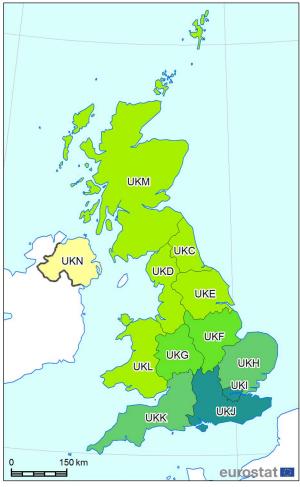
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The United Kingdom is a Strong Innovator and includes 12 regions.

Two regions are Innovation Leaders, and *London* (UKI), the capital region, is the most innovative region. Nine regions are Strong Innovators and *Northern Ireland* (UKN) is the only Moderate Innovator.

Performance has increased for 11 regions, most strongly for *Wales* (UKL), and decreased for one region, *North East* (UKC). For three regions performance increased at a higher rate than that of the EU (8.5), for nine regions performance increased (or even decreased) at a lower rate.

NUTS	Region	RII	Rank	Group	Change
UK	United Kingdom	113.9		Strong Innovator	2.7
UKC	North East	101.9	97	Strong Innovator -	-0.6
UKD	North West	104.9	89	Strong Innovator -	3.9
UKE	Yorkshire and The Humber	107.9	75	Strong Innovator -	5.6
UKF	East Midlands	112.9	62	Strong Innovator	6.6
UKG	West Midlands	112.5	64	Strong Innovator	6.8
UKH	East of England	121.2	50	Strong Innovator +	7.4
UKI	London	131.1	16	Innovation Leader -	5.5
UKJ	South East	130.3	22	Innovation Leader -	6.2
UKK	South West	117.7	54	Strong Innovator +	9.3
UKL	Wales	105.8	82	Strong Innovator -	10.9
UKM	Scotland	107.3	76	Strong Innovator -	5.8
UKN	Northern Ireland	94.8	120	Moderate Innovator +	8.6

#### North East (UK) (UKC)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	36.1	0.412	58	78
Lifelong learning	13.4	0.470	90	127
International scientific co-publications	2365	0.572	119	186
Most-cited scientific publications	1298.4	0.756	95	138
Above average digital skills	39.7	0.773	95	164
R&D expenditures public sector	0.49	0.428	95	75
R&D expenditures business sector	0.72	0.466	78	69
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.520	119	129
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.8	0.428	64	81
Product innovators	±	0.417	74	75
Business process innovators	±	0.468	107	72
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.609	72	125
Public-private co-publications	360.8	0.633	113	161
PCT patent applications	2.55	0.547	98	89
Trademark applications	1.90	0.127	43	25
Design applications	0.74	0.250	63	43
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	13.0	0.417	72	73
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.491	187	102
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.510		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.558		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			89.4	101.9
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				110.5
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.561		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			92.0	111.1
Performance change over time			-2.5	-0.6

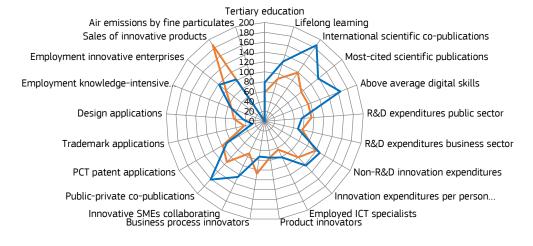
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North East (UK) (UKC) is a Strong Innovator -. Innovation performance has decreased over time (-0.6%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. International scientific co-publications) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

	UKC	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	11.0	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	9.0	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	70.3	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	8.4	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	309	273	106
Urbanisation	91.1	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	2,660	66,650	447,210



#### North West (UK) (UKD)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	45.3	0.616	87	117
Lifelong learning	14.0	0.492	94	133
International scientific co-publications	1998	0.483	100	157
Most-cited scientific publications	1280.3	0.744	93	136
Above average digital skills	41.1	0.805	99	171
R&D expenditures public sector	0.45	0.406	90	71
R&D expenditures business sector	0.99	0.546	91	81
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.504	115	125
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	4.3	0.497	74	94
Product innovators	±	0.500	89	90
Business process innovators	±	0.400	92	62
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.724	86	149
Public-private co-publications	339.2	0.614	109	157
PCT patent applications	1.97	0.481	86	78
Trademark applications	2.58	0.173	58	35
Design applications	0.89	0.275	69	47
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	14.8	0.502	87	88
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.322	123	67
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.525		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.574		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			92.1	104.9
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				113.8
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.555		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			90.9	109.9
Performance change over time			1.2	3.9

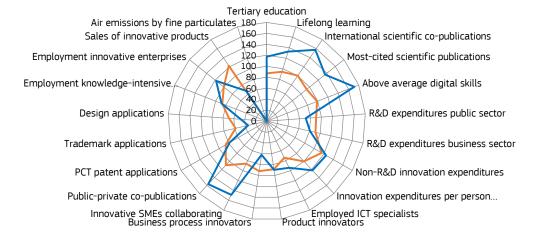
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North West (UK) (UKD) is a Strong Innovator -. Innovation performance has increased over time (3.9%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. Above average digital skills) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

	UKD	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	0.9	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	10.8	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.3	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	73.5	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	6.5	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	515	273	106
Urbanisation	96.1	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	7,300	66,650	447,210



#### Yorkshire and The Humber (UKE)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	38.3	0.461	65	88
Lifelong learning	14.6	0.515	99	139
International scientific co-publications	2004	0.484	101	158
Most-cited scientific publications	1263.4	0.733	92	134
Above average digital skills	41.1	0.806	99	171
R&D expenditures public sector	0.52	0.444	99	78
R&D expenditures business sector	0.66	0.446	74	66
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.520	119	129
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.9	0.451	67	86
Product innovators	±	0.596	106	107
Business process innovators	±	0.539	124	83
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	1.000	119	205
Public-private co-publications	356.2	0.629	112	160
PCT patent applications	1.96	0.479	86	78
Trademark applications	3.23	0.217	73	44
Design applications	2.06	0.417	104	72
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	13.1	0.422	73	74
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.228	87	47
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.540		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.591		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			94.7	107.9
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				117.0
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.563		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			92.2	111.5
Performance change over time			2.5	5.6

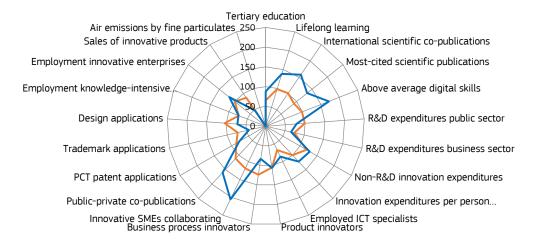
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Yorkshire and The Humber (UKE) is a Strong Innovator -. Innovation performance has increased over time (5.6%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. Innovative SMEs collaborating) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

	UKE	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	12.0	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.5	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	71.6	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	6.6	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	356	273	106
Urbanisation	90.4	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	5,490	66,650	447,210



#### East Midlands (UK) (UKF)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	40.0	0.499	71	95
Lifelong learning	14.8	0.523	100	141
International scientific co-publications	1916	0.463	96	151
Most-cited scientific publications	1273.4	0.739	93	135
Above average digital skills	40.3	0.788	96	168
R&D expenditures public sector	0.35	0.345	77	61
R&D expenditures business sector	1.45	0.661	110	98
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.479	110	119
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.5	0.395	59	75
Product innovators	±	0.632	112	113
Business process innovators	±	0.457	105	71
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	1.000	119	205
Public-private co-publications	320.7	0.597	106	152
PCT patent applications	1.53	0.423	76	69
Trademark applications	3.41	0.230	77	46
Design applications	2.40	0.451	113	78
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	14.3	0.479	83	84
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.729	278	152
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.565		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.618		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			99.1	112.9
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				122.5
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.585		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			95.9	115.8
Performance change over time			3.2	6.6

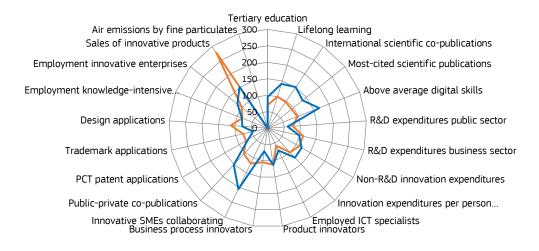
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East Midlands (UK) (UKF) is a Strong Innovator. Innovation performance has increased over time (6.6%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. Innovative SMEs collaborating) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

	UKF	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.2	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	13.9	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.3	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	71.4	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	5.1	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	308	273	106
Urbanisation	83.2	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	4,810	66,650	447,210



#### West Midlands (UK) (UKG)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	43.0	0.565	80	108
Lifelong learning	13.4	0.470	90	127
International scientific co-publications	1725	0.416	87	136
Most-cited scientific publications	1273.8	0.740	93	135
Above average digital skills	42.5	0.837	102	178
R&D expenditures public sector	0.34	0.339	75	60
R&D expenditures business sector	1.73	0.722	121	107
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.512	117	127
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.7	0.422	63	80
Product innovators	±	0.555	98	99
Business process innovators	±	0.513	118	79
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	1.000	119	205
Public-private co-publications	248.6	0.525	94	134
PCT patent applications	1.82	0.462	83	75
Trademark applications	3.33	0.224	75	45
Design applications	2.43	0.454	113	78
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	15.9	0.555	96	98
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.543	207	113
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.563		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.616		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			98.8	112.5
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				122.1
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.582		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			95.4	115.2
Performance change over time			3.4	6.8

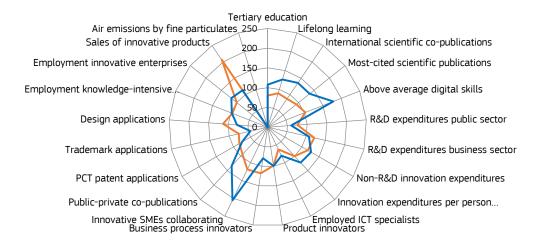
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West Midlands (UK) (UKG) is a Strong Innovator. Innovation performance has increased over time (6.8%).

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	UKG	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	12.6	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	9.4	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	70.9	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	5.8	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	454	273	106
Urbanisation	89.4	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	5,910	66,650	447,210



## East of England (UKH)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	43.8	0.583	82	111
Lifelong learning	13.5	0.473	91	128
International scientific co-publications	2552	0.617	128	201
Most-cited scientific publications	1586.2	0.947	119	173
Above average digital skills	42.2	0.830	102	177
R&D expenditures public sector	0.65	0.510	113	90
R&D expenditures business sector	2.78	0.915	153	136
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.211	48	52
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	6.0	0.728	108	138
Product innovators	±	0.670	119	120
Business process innovators	±	0.445	102	69
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.939	111	193
Public-private co-publications	568.0	0.794	141	203
PCT patent applications	4.73	0.745	133	121
Trademark applications	3.93	0.265	89	53
Design applications	1.75	0.385	96	66
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	17.1	0.611	106	108
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.052	20	11
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.607		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.664		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			106.4	121.2
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				131.5
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.626		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			102.7	124.1
Performance change over time			3.7	7.4

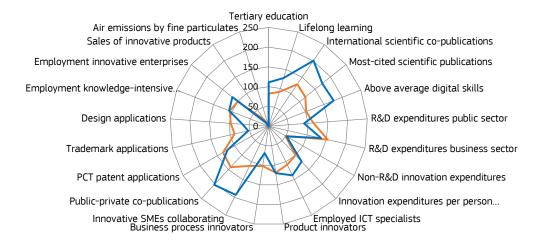
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East of England (UKH) is a Strong Innovator +. Innovation performance has increased over time (7.4%).

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	UKH	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	8.7	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	9.2	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	74.4	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	6.3	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	326	273	106
Urbanisation	81.6	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	6,240	66,650	447,210



#### London (UKI)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	67.9	1.000	141	190
Lifelong learning	16.0	0.568	109	153
International scientific co-publications	4404	1.000	208	326
Most-cited scientific publications	1496.4	0.887	111	162
Above average digital skills	42.5	0.837	102	178
R&D expenditures public sector	0.52	0.444	99	78
R&D expenditures business sector	0.57	0.414	69	61
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.332	76	82
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	10.3	1.000	149	190
Product innovators	±	0.555	98	99
Business process innovators	±	0.408	94	63
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.769	91	158
Public-private co-publications	728.6	0.900	160	229
PCT patent applications	2.12	0.498	89	81
Trademark applications	8.12	0.550	184	110
Design applications	2.73	0.480	120	83
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	22.6	0.872	151	153
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.195	74	41
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.656		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.718		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			115.1	131.1
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				142.2
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.690		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			113.1	136.7
Performance change over time			2.0	5.5

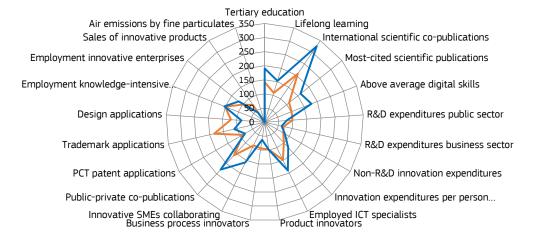
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London (UKI) is an Innovation Leader -. Innovation performance has increased over time (5.5%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. International scientific co-publications) and weaknesses (e.g. R&D expenditures business sector).

	UKI	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	0.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	3.1	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	7.2	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	83.3	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	6.2	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	5,714	273	106
Urbanisation	100.0	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	8,980	66,650	447,210



#### South East (UK) (UKJ)

	Data	Normali sed	Relative to	
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	49.7	0.714	101	136
Lifelong learning	15.8	0.561	107	151
International scientific co-publications	2813	0.680	142	222
Most-cited scientific publications	1425.6	0.840	105	154
Above average digital skills	42.8	0.844	103	180
R&D expenditures public sector	0.62	0.495	110	87
R&D expenditures business sector	1.62	0.699	117	104
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.429	98	106
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	8.2	1.000	149	190
Product innovators	±	0.603	107	108
Business process innovators	±	0.423	97	65
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.863	102	177
Public-private co-publications	485.0	0.734	131	187
PCT patent applications	4.12	0.695	124	113
Trademark applications	4.46	0.301	101	60
Design applications	2.25	0.436	109	75
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	20.3	0.763	132	134
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.551	210	115
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.652		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.714		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			114.4	130.3
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				141.4
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.682		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			111.8	135.1
Performance change over time			2.6	6.2

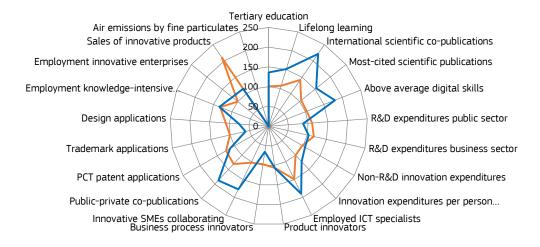
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South East (UK) (UKJ) is an Innovation Leader -. Innovation performance has increased over time (6.2%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. International scientific co-publications) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

	UKJ	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.0	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	8.3	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.5	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	75.8	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	6.4	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	481	273	106
Urbanisation	89.0	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	9,180	66,650	447,210



#### South West (UK) (UKK)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	46.4	0.641	91	122
Lifelong learning	17.1	0.610	117	164
International scientific co-publications	1866	0.450	94	147
Most-cited scientific publications	1330.9	0.778	97	142
Above average digital skills	41.7	0.819	100	174
R&D expenditures public sector	0.46	0.412	92	72
R&D expenditures business sector	1.12	0.581	97	86
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.500	114	124
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	4.4	0.507	75	96
Product innovators	±	0.635	113	114
Business process innovators	±	0.513	118	79
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	1.000	119	205
Public-private co-publications	313.5	0.590	105	150
PCT patent applications	3.65	0.654	117	106
Trademark applications	3.38	0.227	76	46
Design applications	1.38	0.342	85	59
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	15.3	0.526	91	93
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.579	221	121
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.589		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.644		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			103.3	117.7
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				127.6
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.597		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			97.9	118.3
Performance change over time			5.4	9.3

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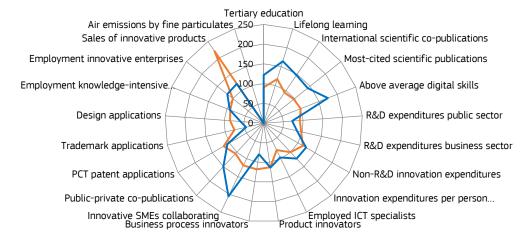
South West (UK) (UKK) is a Strong Innovator +. Innovation performance has increased over time (9.3%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. Innovative SMEs collaborating) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

The table below shows data highlighting possible structural differences, e.g. Employment in Utilities & Construction (above EU average) and Employment in Manufacturing (below EU average).

	UKK	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	1.8	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	9.4	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	9.2	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	72.3	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	7.2	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	235	273	106
Urbanisation	77.2	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	5,620	66,650	447,210



#### Wales (UKL)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	41.2	0.525	74	100
Lifelong learning	15.7	0.557	107	150
International scientific co-publications	1776	0.429	89	140
Most-cited scientific publications	1175.2	0.674	84	123
Above average digital skills	40.3	0.788	96	168
R&D expenditures public sector	0.40	0.376	84	66
R&D expenditures business sector	0.59	0.422	70	63
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	1.000	229	247
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	2.9	0.321	48	61
Product innovators	±	0.542	96	97
Business process innovators	±	0.351	81	54
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.694	82	142
Public-private co-publications	303.1	0.580	103	148
PCT patent applications	2.01	0.485	87	79
Trademark applications	2.39	0.160	54	32
Design applications	0.66	0.237	59	41
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	11.2	0.332	57	58
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.701	267	146
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.529		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.579		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			92.9	105.8
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				114.7
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.524		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			85.9	103.8
Performance change over time			7.0	10.9

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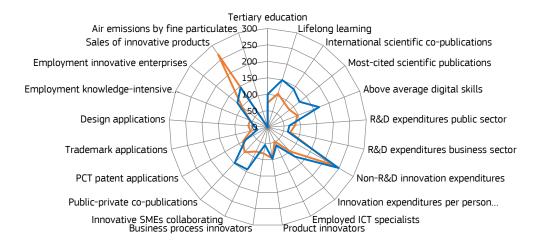
Wales (UKL) is a Strong Innovator -. Innovation performance has increased over time (10.9%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. Non-R&D innovation expenditures) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

The table below shows data highlighting possible structural differences, e.g. Employment in Public administration (above EU average) and Urbanisation (below EU average).

	UKL	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	2.3	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	10.4	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.8	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	69.9	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	8.6	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	151	273	106
Urbanisation	77.7	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	3,140	66,650	447,210



#### Scotland (UKM)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	57.3	0.882	125	168
Lifelong learning	14.7	0.519	99	140
International scientific co-publications	3077	0.744	155	243
Most-cited scientific publications	1282.1	0.745	93	136
Above average digital skills	41.0	0.803	98	171
R&D expenditures public sector	0.82	0.586	130	103
R&D expenditures business sector	0.85	0.506	85	75
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.479	110	119
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.4	0.385	57	73
Product innovators	±	0.446	79	80
Business process innovators	±	0.325	75	50
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.546	65	112
Public-private co-publications	472.9	0.725	129	185
PCT patent applications	2.21	0.508	91	83
Trademark applications	2.39	0.160	54	32
Design applications	0.85	0.268	67	46
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	11.8	0.360	62	63
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.344	131	72
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.537		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.588		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			94.3	107.3
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				116.4
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.559		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			91.6	110.6
Performance change over time			2.7	5.8

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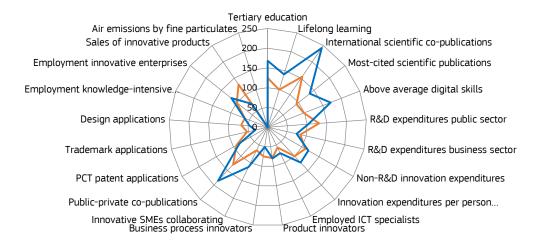
Scotland (UKM) is a Strong Innovator -. Innovation performance has increased over time (5.8%).

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The radar graph shows relative strengths compared to the United Kingdom (orange line) and the EU (blue line), showing relative strengths (e.g. International scientific co-publications) and weaknesses (e.g. Trademark applications).

The table below shows data highlighting possible structural differences, e.g. Employment in Public administration (above EU average) and Employment in Manufacturing (below EU average).

	UKM	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	3.6	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	7.3	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	9.0	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	72.1	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	8.0	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	69	273	106
Urbanisation	80.9	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	5,450	66,650	447,210



#### Northern Ireland (UK) (UKN)

	Data	Normali sed	Relat	ive to
		score	UK	EU
Tertiary education	48.1	0.678	96	129
Lifelong learning	10.9	0.375	72	101
International scientific co-publications	1625	0.392	82	128
Most-cited scientific publications	1288.2	0.749	94	137
Above average digital skills	40.8	0.799	98	170
R&D expenditures public sector	0.39	0.370	82	65
R&D expenditures business sector	1.11	0.578	97	86
Non-R&D innovation expenditures	±	0.488	112	121
Innovation expenditures per person employed	±	0.737	100	122
Employed ICT specialists	3.4	0.385	57	73
Product innovators	±	0.398	70	71
Business process innovators	±	0.344	79	53
Innovative SMEs collaborating	±	0.553	66	114
Public-private co-publications	234.2	0.510	91	130
PCT patent applications	1.52	0.422	76	68
Trademark applications	2.19	0.146	49	29
Design applications	0.86	0.271	68	47
Employment knowledge-intensive activities	13.9	0.460	80	81
Employment innovative enterprises	±	0.676	100	118
Sales of innovative products	±	0.156	59	32
Air emissions by fine particulates	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average normalised score		0.474		
Country EIS-RIS correction factor		1.094		
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2023		0.519		
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2023			83.2	94.8
Performance 2023 relative to EU in 2016				102.8
Regional Innovation Index (RII) 2016		0.476		
Performance 2016 relative to EU in 2016			78.0	94.2
Performance change over time			5.3	8.6

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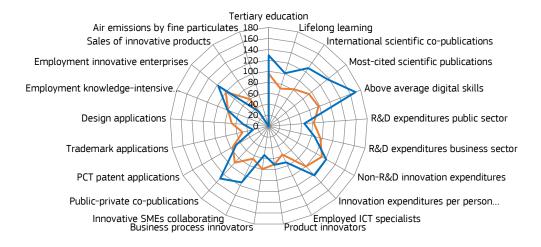
Northern Ireland (UK) (UKN) is a Moderate Innovator +. Innovation performance has increased over time (8.6%).

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The table below shows data highlighting possible structural differences, e.g. Employment in Public administration (above EU average) and Urbanisation (below EU average).

	UKN	UK	EU
Share of employment in:			
Agriculture & Mining (A-B)	3.1	1.4	4.4
Manufacturing (C)	10.6	9.2	16.4
Utilities & Construction (D-F)	8.9	8.6	8.3
Services (G-N)	68.5	74.2	63.7
Public administration (O-U)	8.8	6.7	7.2
Average number of employed			
persons per enterprise	n/a	8.5	5.1
GDP per capita (PPS)	n/a	n/a	32,400
GDP per capita growth (PPS)	n/a	n/a	2.5
Population density	132	273	106
Urbanisation	52.6	87.1	75.8
Population size (000s)	1,890	66,650	447,210



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