

Walsall Job Vacancy Insight Report

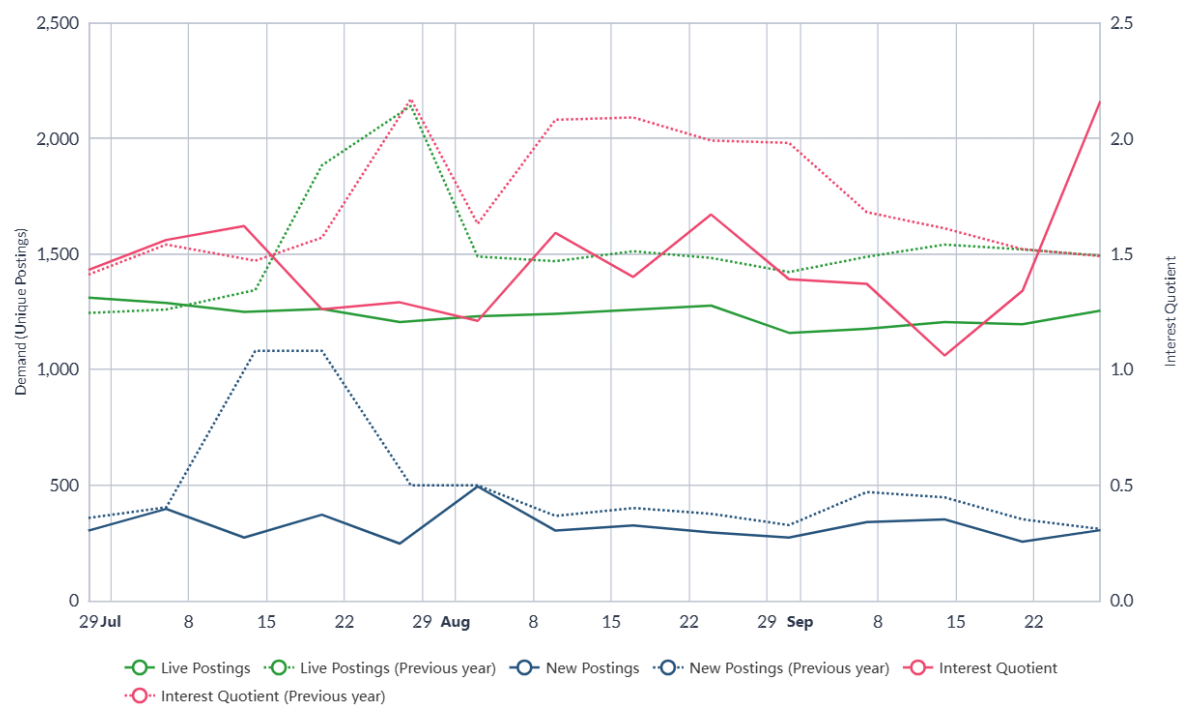
July to Sept 2025

Current Job Posting Trends¹

Walsall Overview

- Between July to September 2025 (inclusive), there were 5,636 unique job adverts for roles recorded in Walsall. This number of postings is average compared to all local authority districts. Over the past year, this has decreased by 21.4%, compared to a decrease of 7.0% across the UK.
- During this period, there were 4,224 unique job postings. This number of postings is average compared to all local authority districts. Over the past year, this has decreased by 27.6%, compared to a decrease of 10.8% across the UK.

Demand and Interest Trend:



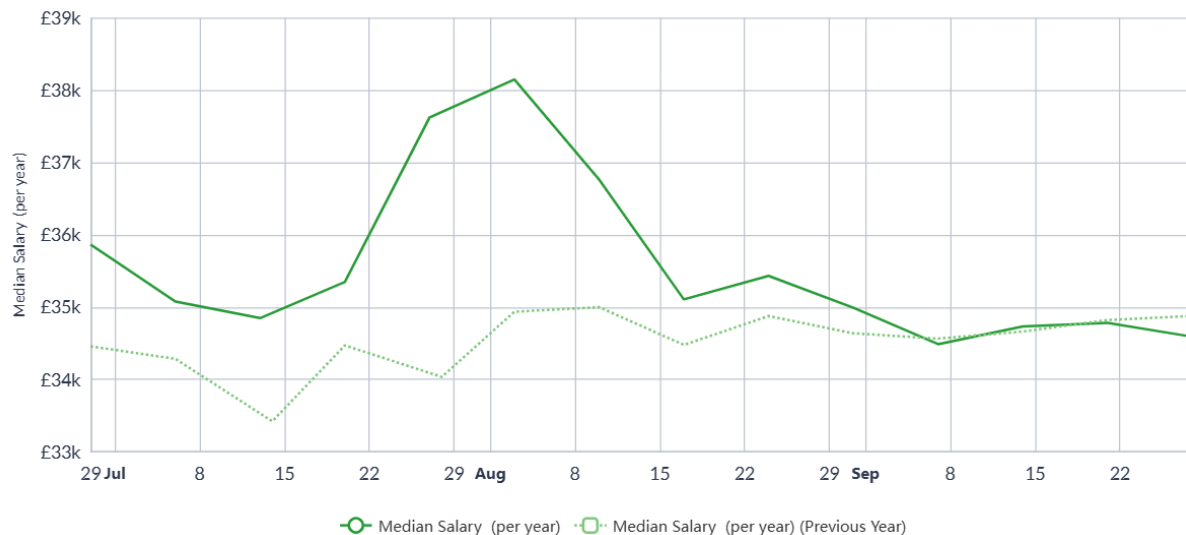
- Comparing the final week of the quarter with the same week at the start of the quarter, live postings have decreased by 4.3% while new job postings increased by 0.7%.
- More recent trends show an increase in demand as live postings increased by 8.3% in the last 30 days of job posting activity, new postings also increased by 11.8% showing a recovery in labour market demand following a decline at the start of the quarter.
- By comparing interest quotient and demand, we can identify where there are mismatches in talent/supply and demand. Interest Quotient is ranked high at 1.5.

¹ Source: All data derived from the Adzuna Analyst Tool (November 2025)

Walsall Advertised Salary

- The advertised median salary for roles over this period in Walsall was £35,496 – up by 3.5% from the previous year but 1.3% less than the overall national median salary of £35,976.

Salary Trend:



Top Occupations

- The top posted occupations below account for 13.5% of all job postings in this quarter.
- Science Teachers in Secondary Schools are the most in demand occupations, receiving the highest number of postings in Walsall.
- Positions for Lorry Driver were the most in demand vacancies from the employee perspective, receiving the highest interest in terms of clicks and applicants.
- Business Lecturers have the highest location quotient and Science Teachers (Secondary School) have the highest salary.

In-Demand Occupations:

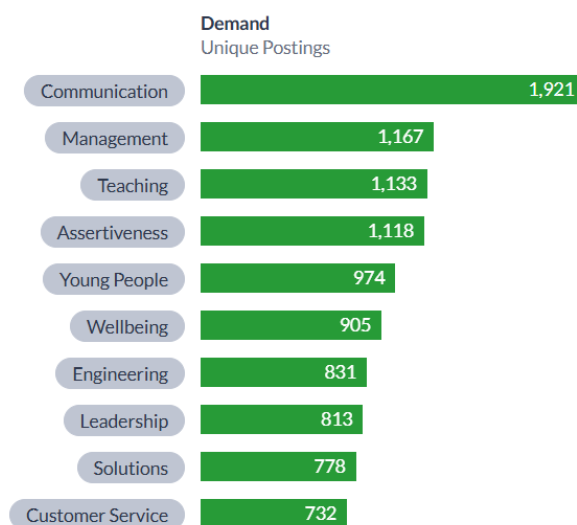
Occupation	Median Salary	Unique Postings	Location Quotient	Interest Quotient
Science Teacher Secondary School	£50,700	114	4.06	0.33
Teaching Assistant	£24,700	99	1.68	4.28
Lorry Driver	£34,554	97	1.7	6.09
Driver	£37,717	86	1.86	2.8
Teacher	£42,900	85	1.98	0.49
English Teacher Secondary School	£49,400	65	2.49	0.49
Primary School Teacher	£44,850	59	0.79	1.65
Manager	£32,500	53	0.61	2.47
Business Lecturer	£50,180	52	10.93	0.49
Quantity Surveyor	£50,000	52	1.77	2.96

Most In-Demand Skills

- Reflecting the most advertised occupations, the biggest skills gaps are around 'communication', 'management' and 'teaching'.

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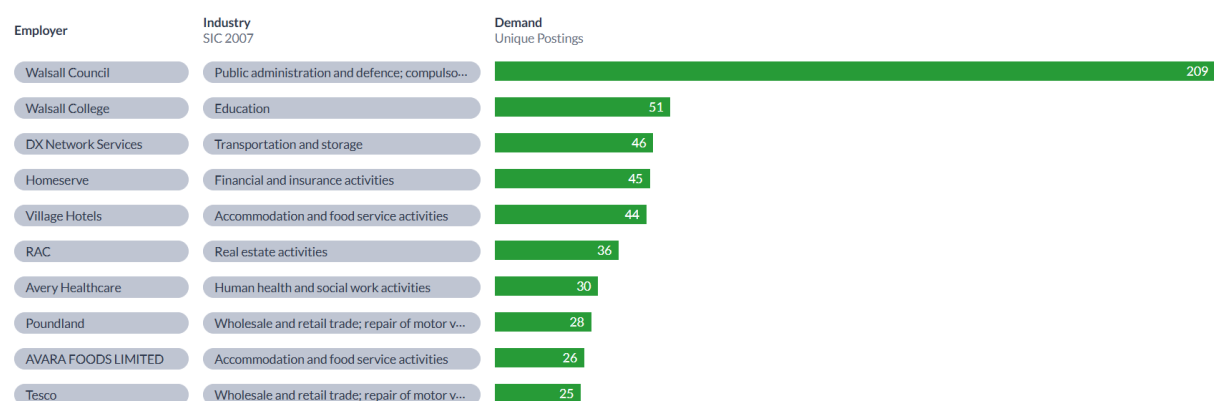
Skills most requested in postings in Walsall, 01/07/2025 - 30/09/2025



Who's Hiring

- Over the quarter Walsall Council logged the most job postings, followed Walsall College.

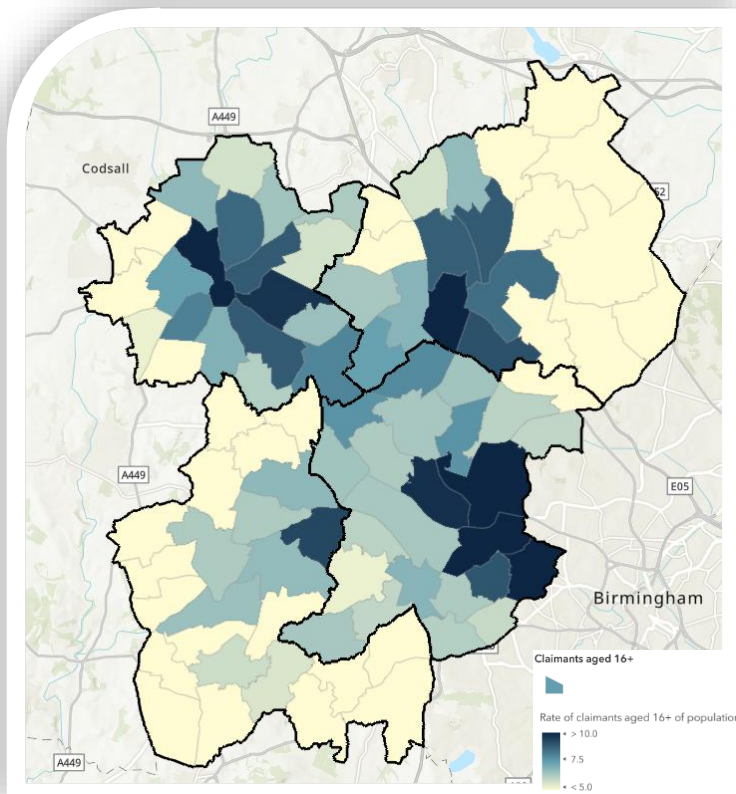
Employers Hiring:



Walsall Total Claimants²

- Walsall had 10,340 claimants aged 16 years and over in September 2025, a decrease of 210 (-2.0%) claimants from the previous month. Compared to September 2024, claimants in Walsall decreased by 1,115 (-9.7%).

Walsall Wards	Number	Rate
Aldridge Central and South	215	2.7%
Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	230	3.0%
Bentley and Darlaston North	610	6.9%
Birchills Leamore	885	8.8%
Blakenall	895	8.9%
Bloxwich East	505	6.7%
Bloxwich West	490	5.7%
Brownhills	335	4.1%
Darlaston South	765	7.4%
Paddock	355	4.4%
Palfrey	985	9.1%
Pelsall	155	2.4%
Pheasey Park Farm	180	2.6%
Pleck	1,030	10.0%
Rushall-Shelfield	265	3.6%
St Matthew's	980	8.5%
Short Heath	285	4.3%
Streetly	115	1.5%
Willenhall North	340	4.5%
Willenhall South	715	6.4%

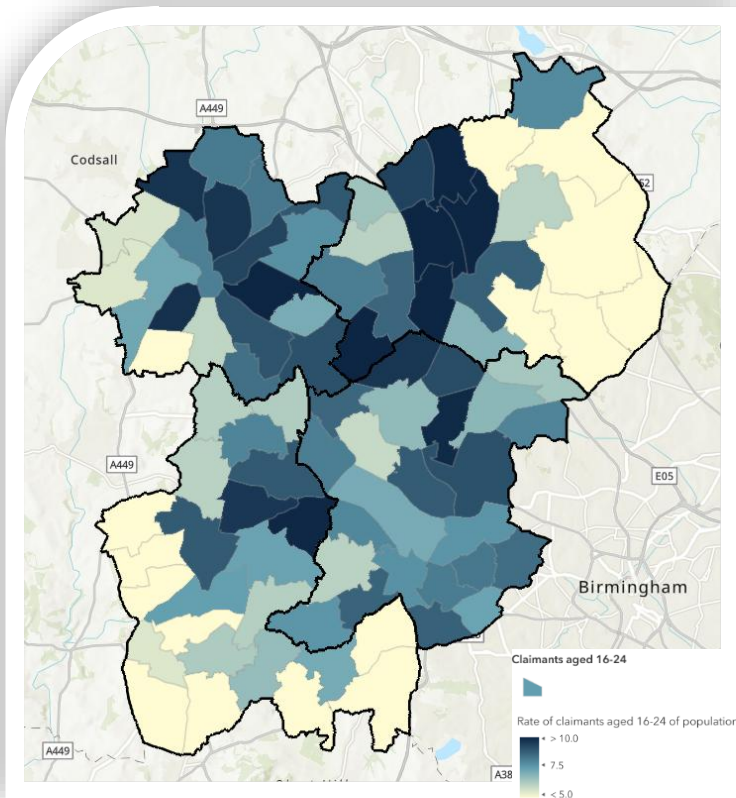


- Out of the 20 wards within Walsall, 14 were at or above the UK average of 3.9%.
- The wards with the highest number of claimants as a percentage of residents aged 16 years and over were Pleck at 10.0%, Palfrey at 9.1% and Blakenall at 8.9%.

² Office for National Statistics (ONS) / Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), claimant counts, released November 2025.

Walsall Youth Claimants

- Walsall had 2,330 youth claimants in September 2025, a decrease of 45 youth claimants (-1.9%) compared to the previous month. When compared to September 2024, the number of youth claimants increased by 35 (+1.5%).



Walsall Wards	Number	Rate
Aldridge Central and South	40	3.4%
Aldridge North and Walsall Wood	60	5.0%
Bentley and Darlaston North	135	8.7%
Birchills Leamore	215	11.7%
Blakenall	245	12.7%
Bloxwich East	140	10.1%
Bloxwich West	130	9.4%
Brownhills	105	7.9%
Darlaston South	195	10.5%
Paddock	70	4.9%
Palfrey	160	6.9%
Pelsall	35	3.4%
Pheasey Park Farm	35	3.3%
Pleck	210	10.2%
Rushall-Shelfield	70	6.1%
St Matthew's	65	3.1%
Short Heath	185	17.4%
Streetly	15	1.5%
Willenhall North	85	6.5%
Willenhall South	150	8.2%

- Challenges remain with youth claimants as 15 out of 20 wards in Walsall were above the UK average of 4.3% in September 2025.
- The wards with the highest number of claimants as a percentage of residents aged 16-24 were St Matthew's at 17.4%, Blakenall at 12.7% and Birchills Leamore at 11.7%.