

Wolverhampton Job Vacancy Insight Report

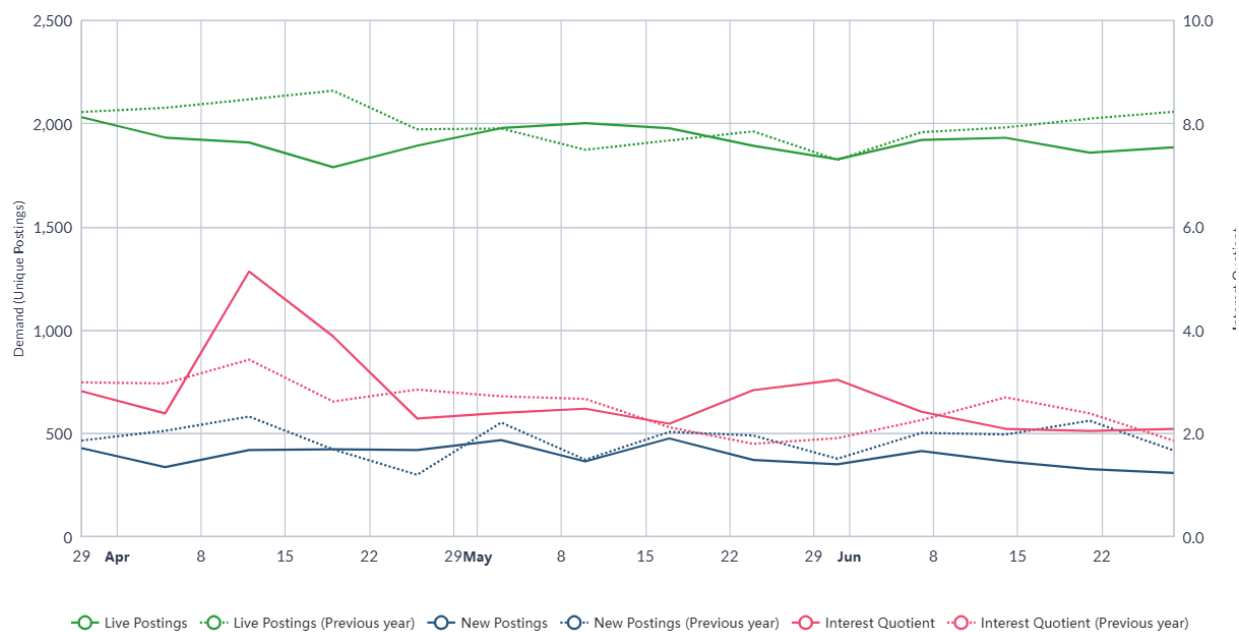
April to June 2026

Current Job Posting Trends¹

Wolverhampton Overview

- Between April to June 2026 (inclusive), there were 7,193 unique job adverts for roles recorded in Wolverhampton. This number of postings is high compared to all local authority districts. Over the past year, this has decreased by 13.5%, compared to a decrease of 21.8% across the UK.
- During this period, there were 5,061 unique job postings. This number of postings is high compared to all local authority districts. Over the past year, this has decreased by 17.2%, compared to a decrease of 24.1% across the UK.

Demand and Interest Trend:



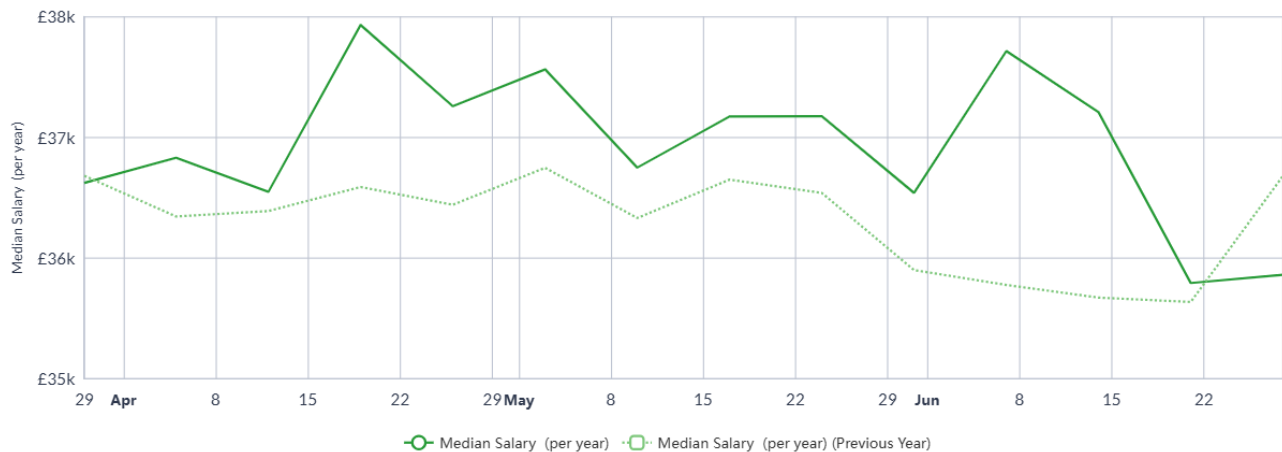
- Comparing the final week of the quarter with the week at the start of the quarter, live postings adverts decreased by 7.2% and new job postings decreased by 28.0%, indicating a significant decline in labour market demand over this period.
- More recent trends show a drop in demand as live postings increased by 3.2% in the last 30 days of job posting activity while new postings decreased by 12.0%.
- By comparing interest quotient and demand, we can identify where there are mismatches in talent/supply and demand. Interest Quotient is ranked high at 2.7.

¹ Source: All data derived from the Adzuna Analyst Tool (August 2026)

Wolverhampton Advertised Salary

- The advertised median salary for roles over this period in Wolverhampton was £36,348 – up by 1.3% from the previous year but 1.7% below the overall national median salary of £36,985.

Salary Trend:



Top Occupations

- The top posted occupations below account for 13.5% of all job postings in this quarter.
- Teaching Assistants are the most in demand occupations, receiving the highest number of postings in the area, closely followed by Science Teachers (Secondary School).
- Positions for Lorry Drivers were the most in demand vacancies from the employee perspective, receiving the highest interest in terms of clicks and applicants.
- Science Teachers (secondary School) have the highest location quotient and the highest salary.

In-Demand Occupations:

Occupation	Median Salary	Unique Postings	Location Quotient	Interest Quotient
Teaching Assistant	£25,665	142	2.14	8.29
Science Teacher Secondary School	£48,100	131	4.35	3.45
SEN Assistant	£26,005	112	2.36	5.87
Primary School Teacher	£44,850	101	1.08	4.72
Teacher	£42,900	96	1.95	2.53
Lorry Driver	£38,480	87	1.08	22.57
Social Care Worker	£27,164	84	0.95	13.24
Driver	£41,080	77	1.2	7.95
Assistant	£28,000	73	1.36	15.89
Maintenance Engineer	£50,000	68	2.03	5.87

Most In-Demand Skills

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

In-Demand Skills:

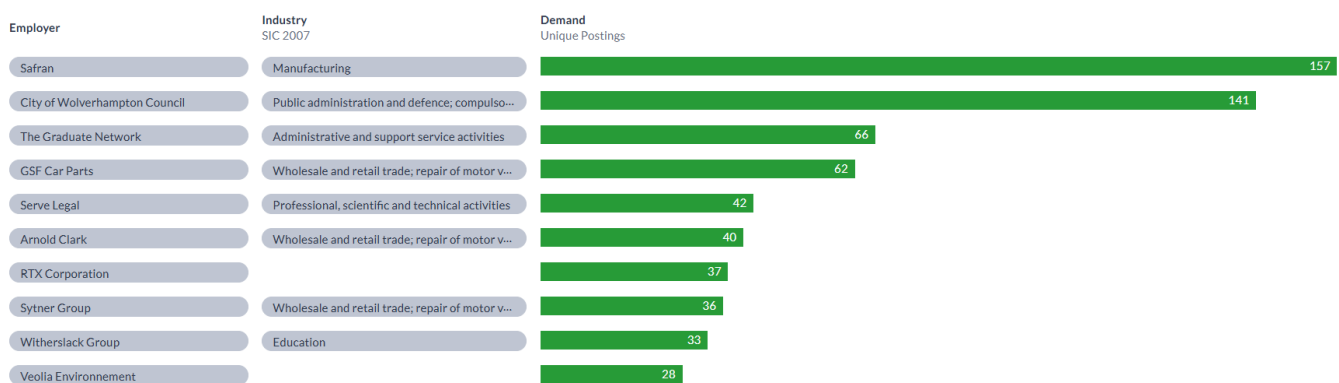
Skills most requested in postings in Wolverhampton, 01/04/2026 - 30/06/2026



Who's Hiring

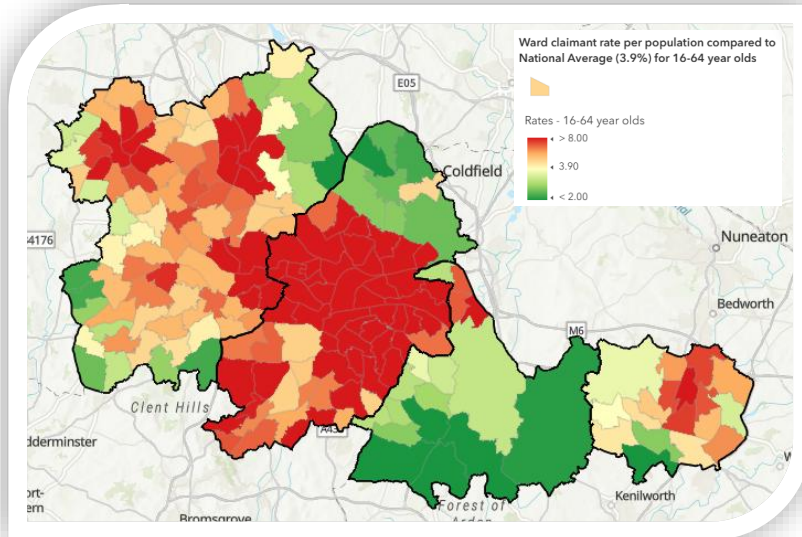
- By volume Safran have logged the most job postings, closely followed by City of Wolverhampton Council and The Graduate Network.

Employers Hiring:



Wolverhampton Total Claimants²

- Wolverhampton had 11,755 claimants aged 16 years and over in June 2026, a decrease of 20 (-0.2%) claimants from the previous month. Compared to June 2025, claimants in Wolverhampton decreased by 500 (-4.1%).



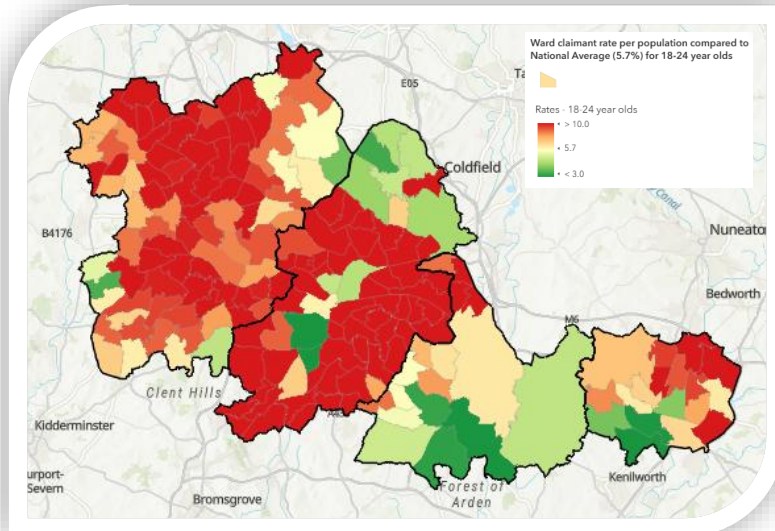
Wolverhampton Wards	Number	Rate
Bilston North	570	6.2%
Bilston South	595	6.0%
Blakenhall	550	6.4%
Bushbury North	480	5.7%
Bushbury South & Low Hill	895	8.7%
East Park	730	8.6%
Ettingshall North	800	7.4%
Ettingshall South & Spring Vale	450	5.4%
Fallings Park	520	6.7%
Graiseley	750	8.2%
Heath Town	910	8.9%
Merry Hill	390	5.2%
Oxley	565	5.8%
Park	730	7.4%
Penn	270	3.5%
St Peters	1,295	11.6%
Tettenhall Regis	250	3.3%
Tettenhall Wightwick	215	3.5%
Wednesfield North	350	5.1%
Wednesfield South	450	5.7%

- Out of the 20 wards within Wolverhampton, 17 were above the UK average of 3.8%.
- The wards with the highest number of claimants as a percentage of residents aged 16 years and over were St Peter's at 11.6% followed by Heath Town at 8.9% and Bushbury South & Low Hill at 8.7%.

² Office for National Statistics (ONS) / Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), claimant counts, released August 2026.

Wolverhampton Youth Claimants

- Wolverhampton had 2,425 youth claimants in June 2026, a decrease of 10 (-0.4%) youth claimants since the previous month. When compared to June 2025, the number of youth claimants increased by 160 (+7.1%).



Wolverhampton Wards	Number	Rate
Bilston North	110	7.1%
Bilston South	155	8.4%
Blakenhall	90	5.6%
Bushbury North	120	8.8%
Bushbury South & Low Hill	225	10.5%
East Park	190	12.3%
Ettingshall North	145	7.7%
Ettingshall South & Spring Vale	120	7.9%
Fallings Park	115	8.6%
Graiseley	140	9.1%
Heath Town	170	9.0%
Merry Hill	90	7.4%
Oxley	120	8.1%
Park	95	6.4%
Penn	65	5.9%
St Peters	195	6.9%
Tettenhall Regis	60	5.4%
Tettenhall Wightwick	40	4.6%
Wednesfield North	85	8.0%
Wednesfield South	105	8.1%

- Challenges remain with youth claimants as all 20 wards in Wolverhampton were above the UK average of 4.4% in June 2026.
- The wards with the highest number of claimants as a percentage of residents aged 16-24 were East Park at 12.3%, followed by Bushbury South & Low Hill at 10.5% and Graiseley both at 9.1%.