

# Careers Information:

Careers and labour market information is very useful to help plan your pathway through education, do you know what jobs are available in the Greater Manchester area?

Job sectors are parts of the economy that include various occupations which are usually related to each other in some way. Each sector needs a workforce with diverse skills and various specialities. You can explore the top 5 job sectors in Greater Manchester in more detail on the GMACs website <https://gmacs.co.uk/sectors>

Here are Manchester's TOP 5 Career Sectors...

## **Business, financial and professional services**

The business, financial and professional services sector is a significant employer in Greater Manchester and offers a wide variety of career opportunities within industries such as banking; insurance; legal; architectural and management consultancy. New technologies are often used first within this sector and as a result, companies need staff who are flexible, knowledgeable and can develop at the same pace as the market

- Example careers  
Accountant, Solicitor, Sales Representative, Recruitment Consultant

## **Retail and wholesale distribution**

Retail is a significant and growing industry employing over 3 million people in the UK, within thousands of shops and stores selling everything from clothes and white goods to food and drink. It is a major contributor to the UK economy and offers a diverse range of job opportunities

- Example careers  
Flows Manager, Sales Assistant, Franchise Owner, Marketing Executive, Visual Merchandiser

## **Health and social care**

The health and care sector includes health service jobs delivered by organisations such as the NHS and private medical centres and the social care sector, as well as bio-technology and pharmaceutical industries which are concerned with the development and manufacture of drugs and ways of making diagnoses

- Example careers  
Medical technician, Social worker, Speech therapist, Doctor, Nurse

## **Manufacturing**

This sector involves the manufacturing of a wide variety of goods – from biscuits and textiles to electronics and high-tech machinery; as well as scientific and technological research. Manufacturing is becoming increasingly advanced and is a vital part of the economy. Work in this sector involves not just the physical making of goods but also research & development, purchasing and management

- Example careers  
Mechanical engineers, tool makers, Plant operatives, electrical engineers, packers

## Digital

Greater Manchester has the largest digital and creative sectors outside the south east, with the potential to create internationally significant clusters in broadcasting, content creation and media and cyber security, alongside new sub-sectors like e-commerce where the city-region has the potential to lead industries of the future.

- Example careers

Digital marketer, Animator, Cyber intelligence officer, Software developer, CAD technician