

Young people's jobs

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Purpose: This document forms the 'young people's jobs' section of the South West Strategic Analysis 2008. The Strategic Analysis is the annual 'stock-take' analysis and considers labour market intelligence, performance information and Government policy to develop a full strategic picture of current education and training marketplace. The analysis is supported by national skills research (including Skills in England Report 2007, National Employer Skills Survey and Working Futures). The stock-take provides the intelligence to confirm our strategies and priorities.

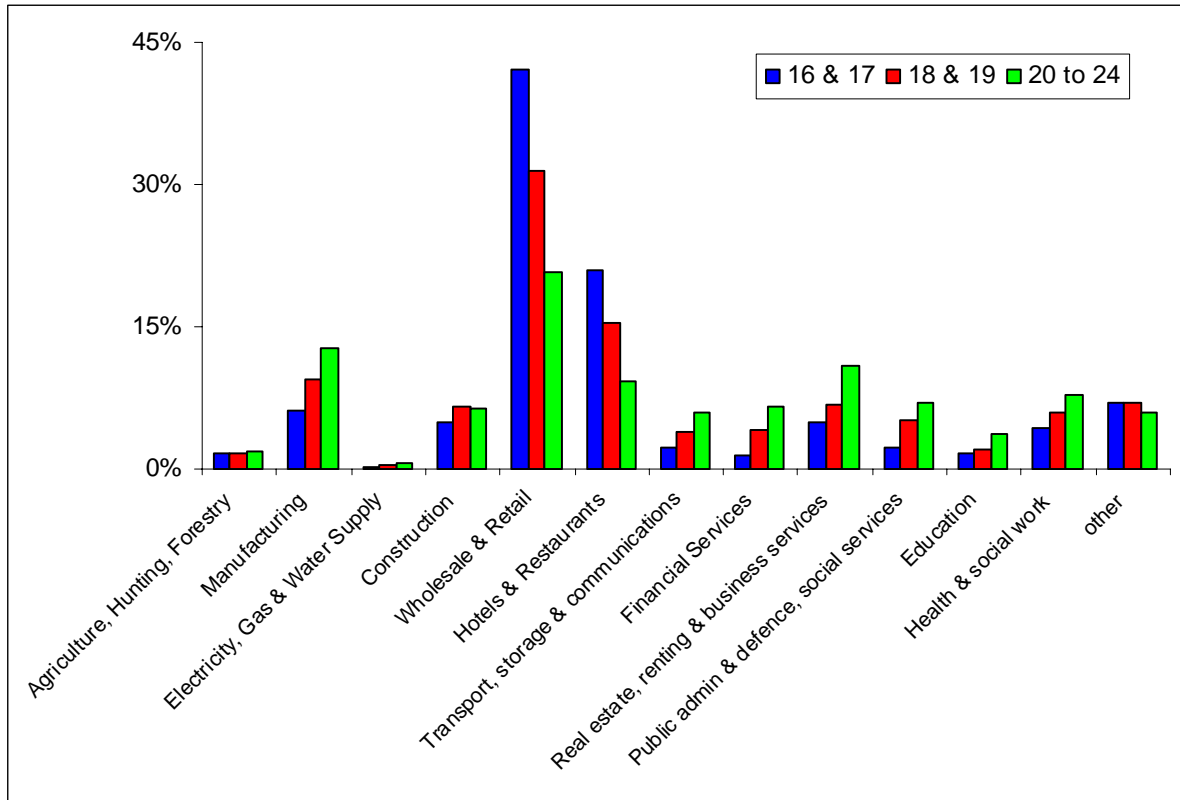
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Figure 1: Young South West residents' jobs by age, 2001



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Of the 310,000 young SW residents who were in jobs¹ at the time of the last census², a quarter worked in Wholesale & retail or Hotel & restaurants³. 16 and 17 year olds are particularly concentrated in these industries, with almost two thirds of the employed part of this age group employed by them.

Compared to the England average, the South West is notable for the proportion of employed young people working in Hotels & catering [13%, compared to 11% nationally] and the relatively small proportion working in Real estate, renting and business services [9% compared to 11% nationally].

¹ Base –main jobs of all who had worked during the week before survey plus those who were without jobs but had worked previously.

² 2001 census, ONS (C) Crown Copyright, the most up to date comprehensive data source available.

³ Sectors employing <0.5% of the age group in question are excluded.

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