

# NORTH AREA NEET OVERVIEW

Please note: This is a New Academic Cohort.

## September 2025 Monthly Participation, NEET and Not Known Data (Y12 & Y13)

	Cohort	In Learning	NEET	Not Known	NEET and Not Known %	RPA Meeting the Duty	
						Year 12	Year 13
Sep 2025	7047	91%	4.8%	1.5%	6.3%	95.8%	88.6%
<b>New Academic Cohort</b>							
Sep 2024	6612	88.4%	5.8%	3.2%	9%	93.9%	85.1%

Comparison Averages				
	NEET	Not Known	Combined	IL
Hull	4.8%	1.5%	6.3%	91%
Statistical Neighbours	2.7%	10.2%	12.9%	85.8%
England	2.1%	24.4%	26.5%	72.3%
Yorkshire & Humber	2.3%	24.3%	26.7%	72.2

### Young people with an EHCP - (Age 16-24)

Received Quarterly	NEET	NK	NEET & NK%
Sep 2025			
England	9%	50%	59%
Yorkshire & Humber	9%	41.3%	50.3%
Kingston upon Hull	19.2%	14%	33.2%

Please note: Joiners and Leavers data is not available due to the new cohort.



As of September 2025, Hull’s new academic year 12 & 13 cohort totals 7,047 young people, an increase of 435 compared to September 2024 (6,612). This is the largest cohort on recent record and is a 29% higher than seen in 2019 (5,484). Of these, 91% are in learning, 4.8% are NEET and 1.5% are Not Known, providing a combined NEET/Not Known rate of 6.3%. This is a notable improvement from 9% in September 2024 and 8.5% in August 2025.

Compared to national and regional averages, Hull performs strongly, with significantly lower combined rates than England (combined 26.5%) and Yorkshire & Humber (combined 26.7%). The Connexions Service have worked extremely hard to reduce our ‘Not Known’ figure. Although this figure is typically higher at this time of year, we have successfully managed to bring it under control much quicker than other areas through robust tracking and data sharing processes.

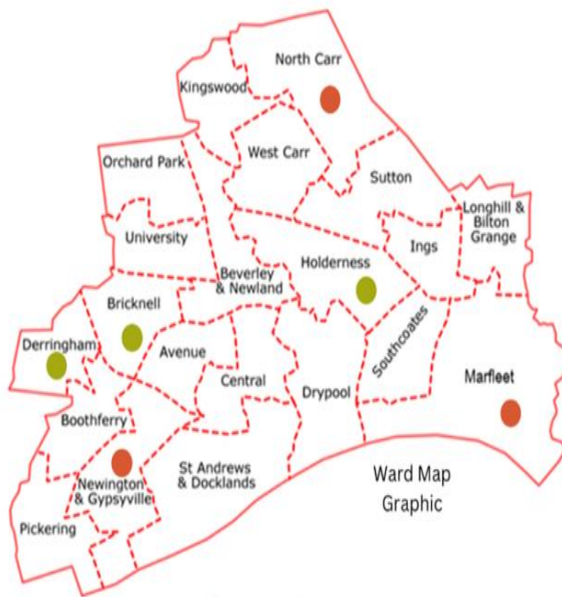
# Hull NEETs by Ward: September 2025

The lowest percentage of NEETs by area include:

- Holderness 1.5% (5 NEETs)
- Bricknell 1.5% (5 NEETs)
- Derringham 1.5% (5 NEETs)

The highest percentage of NEETs by area include:

- North Carr 10.7% (36 NEETs)
- Newington & Gipsyville 9.8% (33 NEETs)
- Marfleet 9.5% (32 NEETs)



Area	Ward	Cohort	NEET	NEET% in ward	NEET% of total cohort
East	Drypool	259	8	3.1%	2.4%
East	Holderness	308	5	1.6%	1.5%
East	Ings	244	13	5.3%	3.9%
East	Longhill & Bilton Grange	404	18	4.5%	5.3%
East	Marfleet	448	32	7.1%	9.5%
East	Southcoates	365	21	5.8%	6.2%
East	Sutton	323	18	5.6%	5.3%
North	Avenue	276	6	2.2%	1.8%
North	Beverley & Newland	315	7	2.2%	2.1%
North	Bricknell	203	5	2.5%	1.5%
North	Central	287	14	4.9%	4.2%
North	Kingswood	294	6	2.0%	1.8%
North	North Carr	549	36	6.6%	10.7%
North	Orchard Park	548	30	5.5%	8.9%
North	University	299	13	4.3%	3.9%
North	West Carr	353	19	5.4%	5.6%
West	Boothferry	253	13	5.1%	3.9%
West	Derringham	263	5	1.9%	1.5%
West	Newington & Gipsyville	449	33	7.3%	9.8%
West	Pickering	218	12	5.5%	3.6%
West	St Andrew's & Docklands	381	22	5.8%	6.5%
None	No Ward Description Available	8	1	12.5%	0.3%
<b>Total</b>		<b>7047</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>100%</b>

The North Area of Hull continues to record some of the highest NEET rates in the city. North Carr stands out with 10.7% of the total NEET cohort (36 young people), the highest percentage across all wards. Other North wards which stand out include Orchard Park at 8.9% (30 NEETs) however it is worth noting that this is the first time in a while that Orchard Park hasn't been in the top three wards across Hull for NEETS. In contrast, Bricknell, Avenue, Kingswood and Beverley & Newland wards report some of the lowest NEET cohorts across the city (1.5%, 1.8%, 1.8% and 2.1% respectively).

Area	Cohort	Number of NEETS in area.	NEETS % in Area	Total % NEETS
North	3124	136	4.4%	40.4%
East	2351	115	4.9%	34.1%
West	1564	85	5.4%	25.2%
Not Known	8	1	12.5%	0.3%
Total	7047	337	4.8%	100%

In September 2025, the North Area cohort consisted of 3,124 young people and is by far the largest locality, nearly twice the size of West. North currently has 136 young people recorded as NEET, which represents 4.4% of the area's total cohort and accounts for 40.4% of the total NEET population. When compared to September 2024, the cohort was 2,903 and 168 young people were NEET, a rate of 5.8% and 44% of the total NEET cohort. This reflects a reduction of 32 NEETs and a 1.4% drop in the NEET rate, despite an increase of 221 young people in the overall cohort.

## Potential NEET contributory factors.

- Increase in overall cohort since sept 2024 (435 more)
- Lack of suitable engagement provision and rolling programmes, coupled with the closure of several independent training providers.
- High number of young people with poor mental health.
- Too many young people not sustaining their post 16 education
- More complex cohort and multiple barriers.
- In September, 23% of the NEET cohort are classified as 'not available to the labour market' and remain NEET for extended periods. This compares to only 17% of the England average.

## How has the Connexions service been responding?

- Working closely with HYJS, Youth Services, Early Help, Elective Home Education Services, SEND Services, and the Virtual School as well as building strong relationships with Early Help - Mental Health services, and Public Health 0-19 Nurses who are available now to support all NEET and Elective Home Educated (EHE) young people. These services provide vital assistance with emotional wellbeing, health advice, and practical support, ensuring that vulnerable young people have access to the help they need to overcome barriers and successfully engage in education, training, or employment.
- In line with the new DfE statutory guidance, we are working in partnership with schools to embed Year 11 support targeting young people at risk of becoming NEET. All schools in the North area have engaged with this initiative, which has strengthened relationships and improved schools' readiness to help track and support young people. Across Hull's secondary schools, the average percentage of young people identified as RONI (Risk of NEET Indicator) who successfully transitioned into post-16 education is approximately 88.9%. Across

the city, mainstream secondary schools range from 70% to 100%, reflecting strong engagement and demonstrating the positive impact of RONI work in supporting vulnerable learners into sustained education pathways.

- We have worked closely with Hull College to support the development of their NEET programme. A high number of referrals have been made, and all young people referred have now attended interviews and received start dates for November. Further conversations are taking place with other providers, including Bishop Burton College, East Riding College, and local independent providers, to develop similar opportunities across the city.
- We have met with statistical neighbouring authorities, including Sandwell (our closest) to review their approach to supporting NEET young people and identify any gaps in our own provision. The discussions highlighted that we are delivering similar types of work, however, Sandwell benefits from a larger workforce and a different educational ecosystem, with more providers and sixth forms available. Sandwell also has a very different cultural mix compared to Hull.
- The service launched its own in-house employability programme, Passport to Progression. This programme is delivered either on a one-to-one basis or in small groups and is fully tailored to meet the individual needs of each young person. We have a good number of YP engaging and working with their PAs on this.
- Continued to lobby the DfE to increase local post-16 contractual place capacity, ensuring sufficient provision to meet the needs of young people. This has resulted in an extra 342 mainstream places and an additional 47 high needs places for the 25/26 academic year.
- We are currently in discussions post 16 providers to understand the reasons behind the high number of young people not sustaining their post 16 education.

## Connexions Year 11 RONI Support

School	Ward	Area
Hull Trinity House Academy	Central	North
Kelvin Hall	Bricknell	North
Kingswood Academy	North Carr	North
Newland School For Girls	University	North
Northcott	West Carr	North
Rise Academy	Central	North
Sirius Academy North	Orchard Park	North
St Mary's College	University	North

The new RONI (Risk of NEET Indicator) initiative, which began in the last academic year and involved all schools in the North, has proven to be highly successful in supporting young people into positive post-16 destinations. Across the area, the outcomes demonstrate strong engagement and effective targeting. Kingswood/Lift Academy achieved a 100% success rate, with all identified RONI young people

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progressing into post-16 provision. Hull Trinity saw 83% move into post-16 education, with the remaining 17% entering full-time employment without training. At St Mary's, 92% progressed into post-16 provision, and 8% entered full-time employment. Sirius North achieved 91% progression into post-16 education, with 4.5 % of the young people moving out of the Hull boundary and another 4.5% of the young people moving on to a re-engagement plan to help build confidence and overcome other issues. Newland School reported 70% moving into post-16 provision, with 20% of the identified young people moving out of the Hull boundary. Rise Academy recorded 63% progressing into post-16 education, 16% of those identified received negative consults or there are some other issues related to Educational Health and Care Plans and the SEND team are working with the families to find suitable provision. 11% are not available due to pregnancy/ poor mental health. 5% of the young people have moved into employment without training and the remaining 5% have moved out of the Hull Boundary. Overall, the data clearly demonstrates that the RONI initiative has had a significant positive impact in ensuring that at-risk young people are effectively supported into sustained education, employment, or training.