

Borough economic profile

Local business and economy

Kensington and Chelsea is a thriving and well-populated local authority home to both corporate head offices and small businesses.

There are over 18,000 businesses employing 120,000 people from the borough, across London and the south east. Key employment sectors include:

- business services
- retail
- hospitality
- real estate
- medical
- personal services

Vistors

The borough is home to London's museum quarter and visitors bring in £3 billion every year. Our attractions include:

- The Natural History Museum
- The Science Museum
- Victoria and Albert Museum
- Design Museum

We also have annual events such as:

- Chelsea Flower Show
- Notting Hill Carnival
- open air opera in Holland Park

Nearly half of all visitor spend is in shopping districts including:

- Portobello Road
- Knightsbridge
- Kings Road
- small boutiques and merchants

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