

Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers

Rankings 2023

The **Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers** celebrates England's outstanding small & medium-sized apprenticeship employers in 2023, recognising their commitment to creating new apprenticeships, the diversity of their apprentices, and the number of apprentices who successfully achieve their apprenticeships. The rankings are produced annually by the Department for Education, in partnership with High Fliers Research, who independently assess and rank the nation's top apprenticeship employers.

Rank	Employer	Sector	Rank	Employer	Sector
1	Lee Marley Brickwork	Construction	26	Lyons & Annot	Construction
2	PM+M Solutions for Business	Professional services	27	Intelect	Engineering & industrial
3	FD Works	Professional services	28	Rockley Watersports	Leisure
4	Bodystreet	Sport & fitness	29	Lander Tubular Products	Manufacturing
5	Less Than Zero Barbers	Hairdressing	30	Strivex	Professional services
6	Seven Resourcing	Business services	31	Inconnection UK	Business services
7	Adopstar	Advertising	32	Inn Cornwall	Hospitality
8	Senior Moments Care	Health & social care	33	East Anglia Brickwork	Construction
9	Bluecube Technology Solutions	Technology	34	Paine Manwaring	Building services
10	Westcotts	Professional services	35	Beauty Oasis Spa	Hairdressing
11	Contemporary Salons	Hairdressing	36	Daniel Galvin	Hairdressing
12	Jamie Mettyear	Hairdressing	37	Davenport's Group	Professional services
13	LB Group	Professional services	38	KJM Salons	Hairdressing
14	DJH Mitten Clarke	Professional services	39	Beech Tree Childcare	Childcare
15	Roe Brickwork	Construction	40	Innersummit	Business services
16	Energus	Business services	41	WiSupport	Health & social care
17	South Cerney Outdoor	Leisure	42	Southbourne Rubber	Manufacturing
18	Smailes Goldie Group	Professional services	43	Children's Corner Childcare	Childcare
19	Jemini Response	Health & social care	44	Ignite Sport	Leisure
20	Hair Lab	Hairdressing	45	Exceed Hairdressing	Hairdressing
21	Global Technologies Racing	Manufacturing	46	HDC Day Nurseries	Childcare
22	Leicester Outdoor Pursuit Centre	Leisure	47	Moulton Roofing	Construction
23	HB Accountants	Professional services	48	JLES Group	Engineering & industrial
24	Sort Legal	Professional services	49	ESG	Construction
25	Darke and Taylor	Construction	50	Reliance Precision	Manufacturing

Entry Criteria

Entries for the **Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers** were open to apprenticeship employers with 10-249 employees and a minimum of 3 apprentices. Each employer entering for the rankings provided three key pieces of data – the number of apprentices that started a new apprenticeship with the employer from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023, the diversity of these new apprentices, and the number of apprentices that successfully completed apprenticeships during the year. Employers' entry data was independently verified, weighted according to the size of the employers' workforce, and then scored, in order to calculate the 2023 rankings.