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# **Economic Development Progress Report**

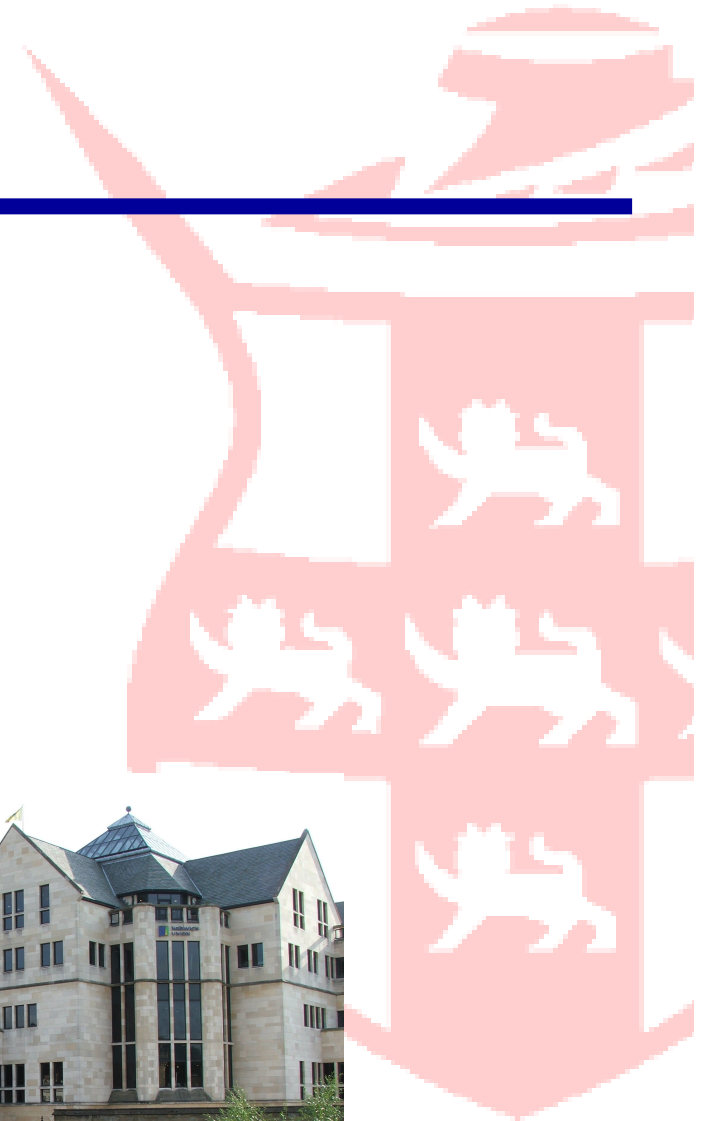
26<sup>th</sup> September 2006

Annex Three



# Norwich Union and Nestlé

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# Future Prospects – York’s Information, Advice and Guidance Service

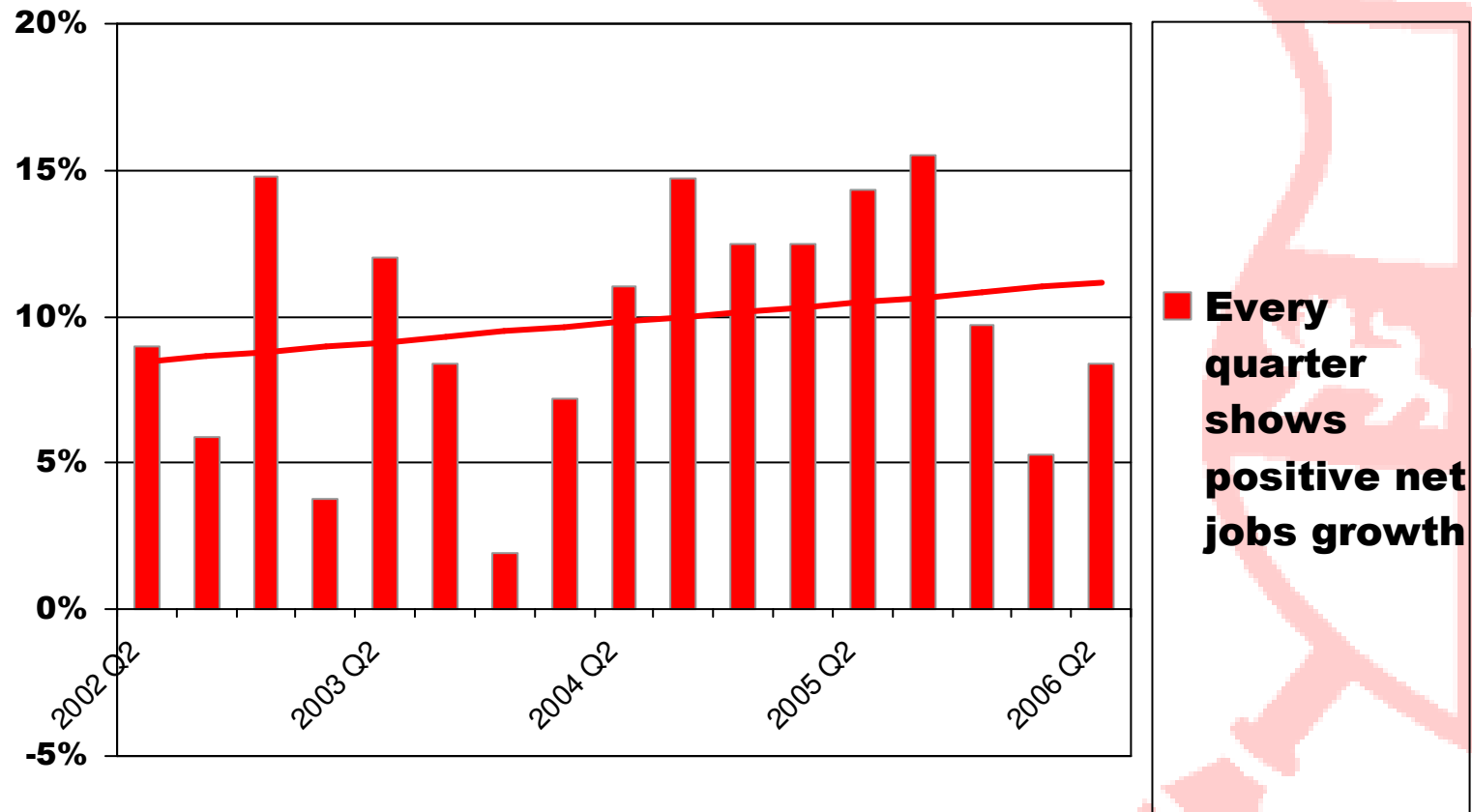
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- Based at 24 Swinegate, local community venues and, where appropriate, the workplace.



# Business Survey shows employment growing as local firms report taking on staff

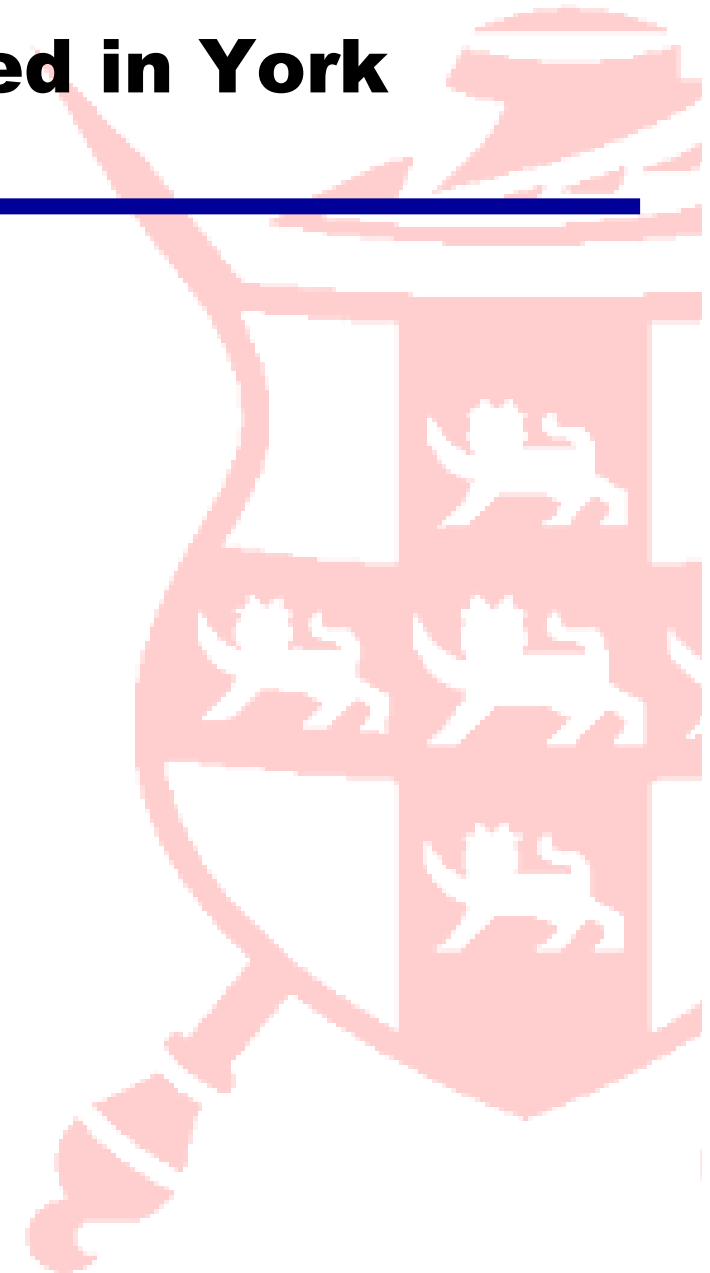
Source: CYC



# Companies who have invested in York include...

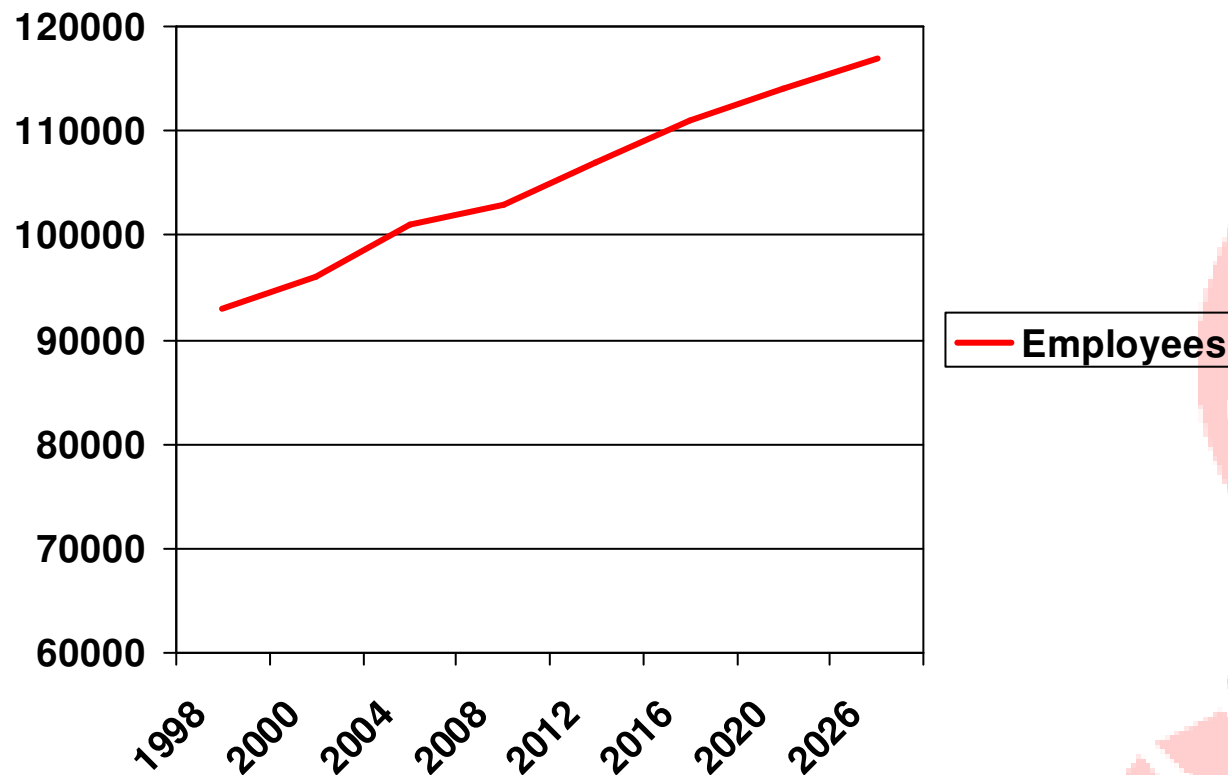
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- MitreFinch
- Salamander
- Thompson's of York
- Smith & Nephew
- Quality Hotel
- FAS(DWP)
- GHD
- DEFRA
- Banks Sadler
- Yorkshire Bio Science



# Overall, employment has grown in the city and is projected to continue...1998 – 2026

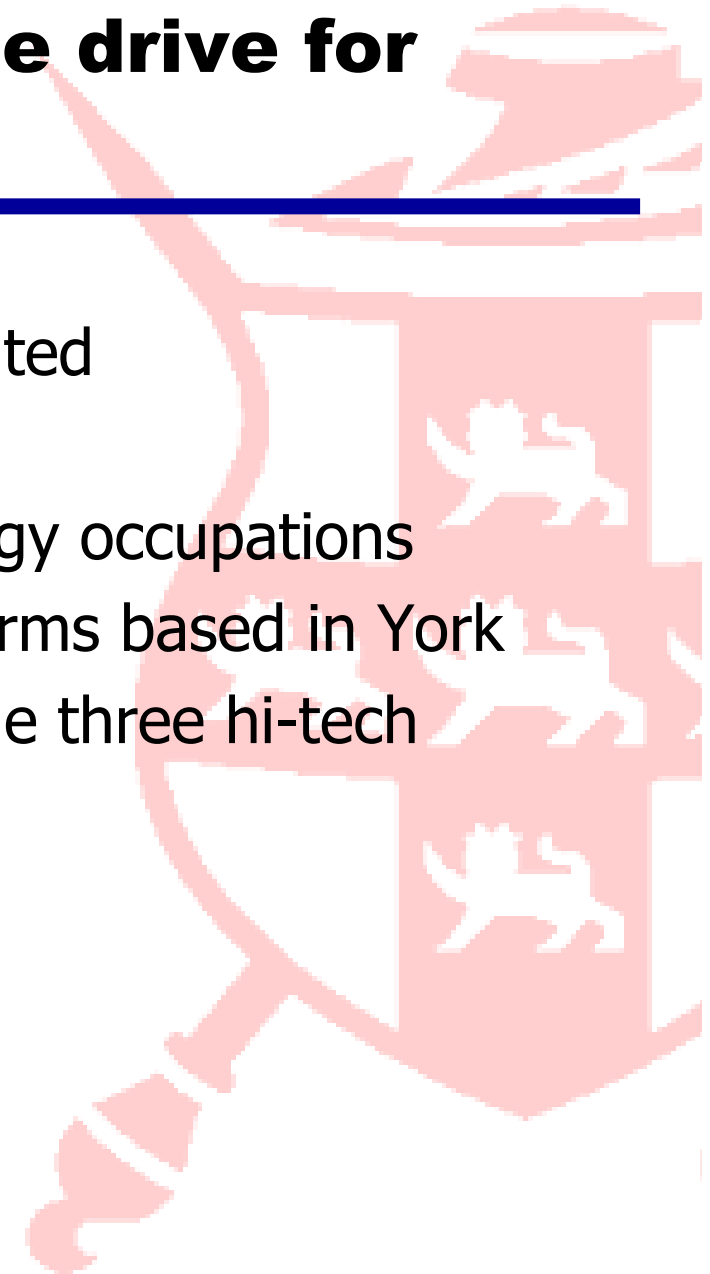
Source: ONS and YRC



# Science City York leads the drive for jobs in 2006

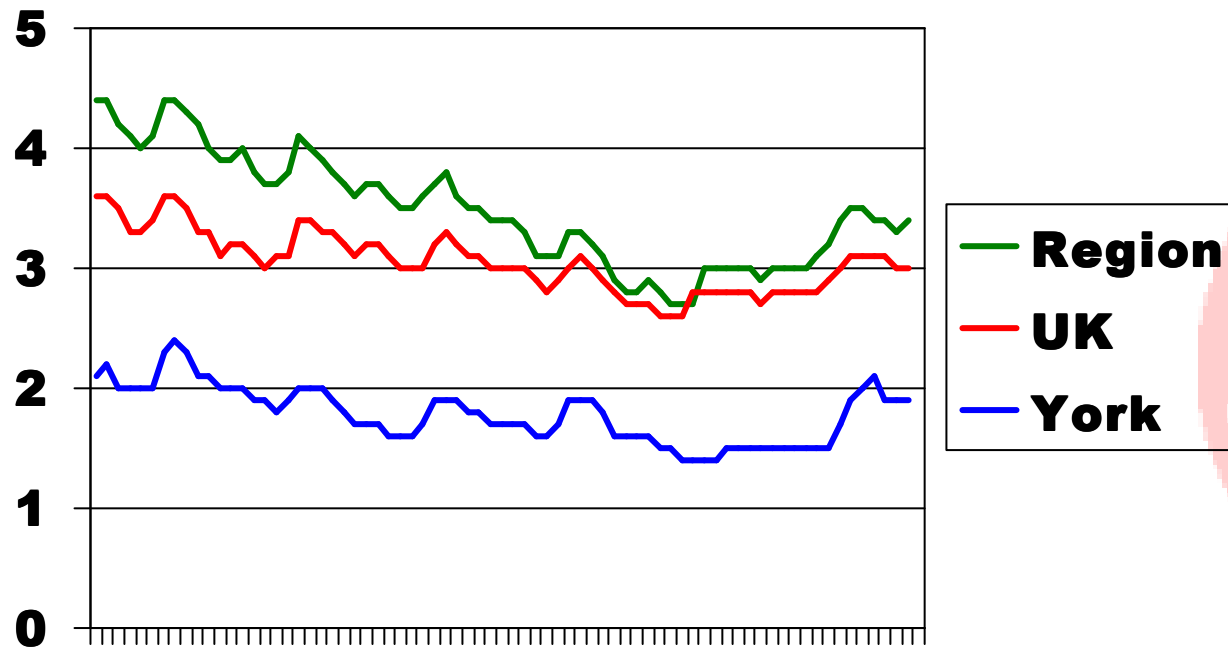
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- 60 New technology companies created
- More than 2,600 jobs since 1998
- Over 9,000 people now in technology occupations
- Over 240 science and technology firms based in York
- Year-on-Year jobs growth across the three hi-tech sectors averages 6.5% per annum



# York's unemployment percentage rate has been lower than the Region and the UK for more than 6 years

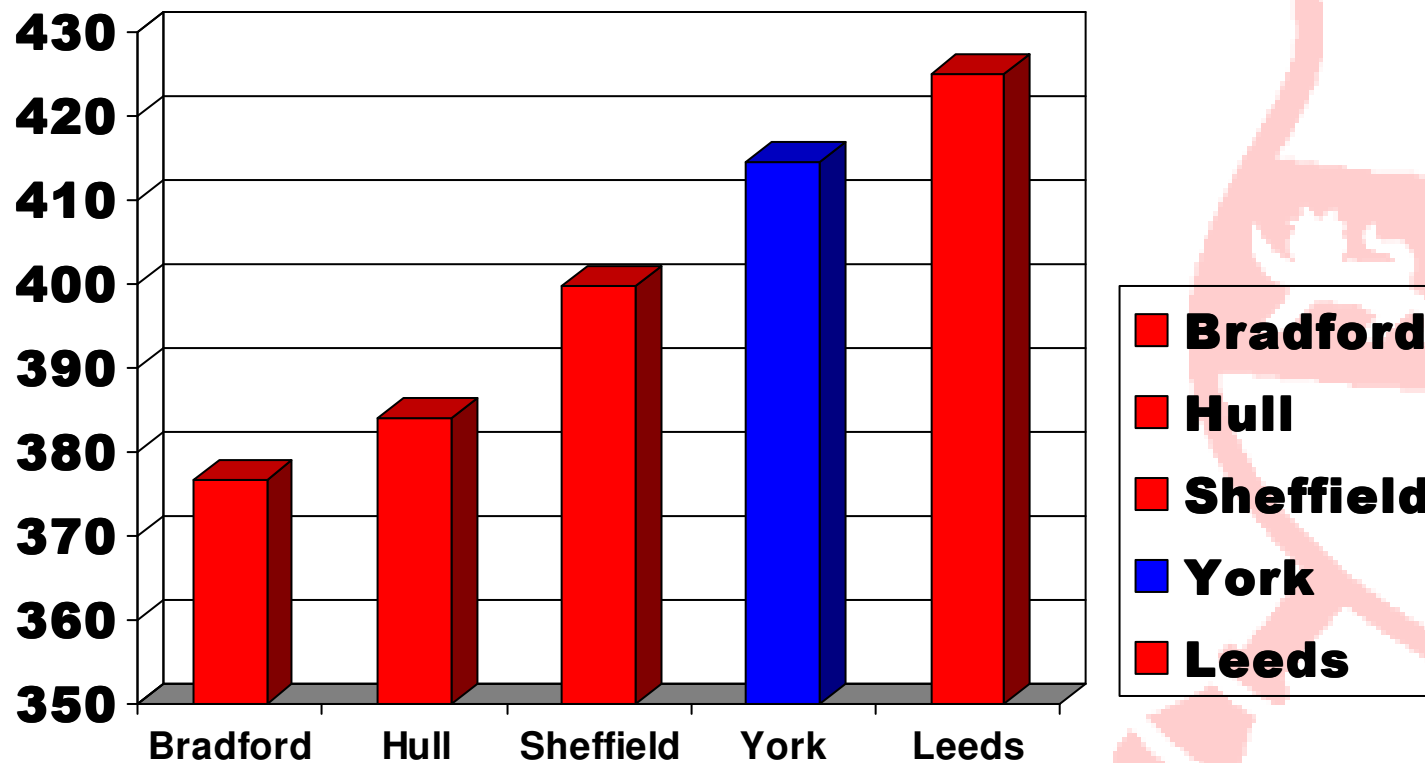
Source: ONS July 2006





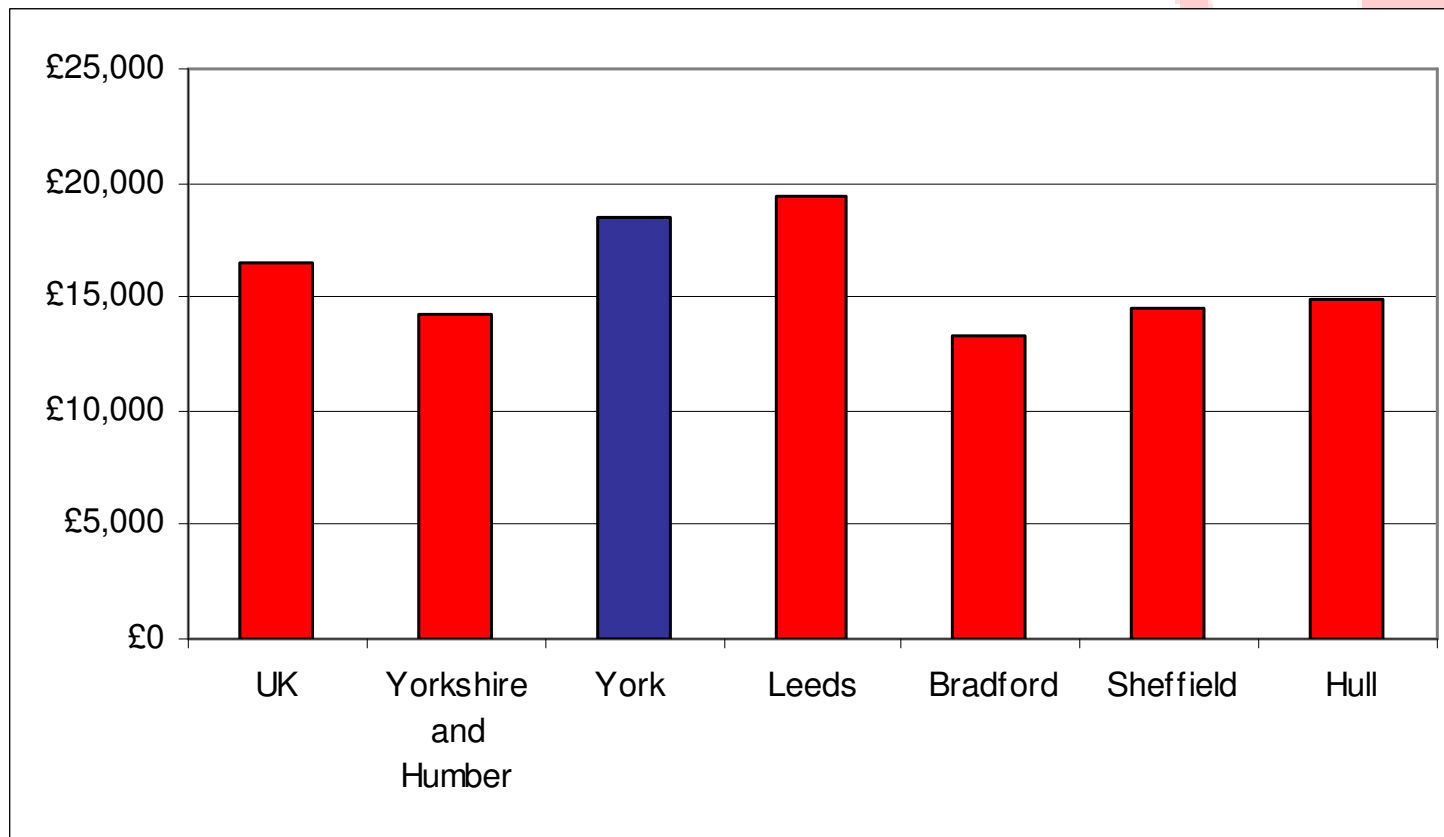
# Overall wage levels (£/week) compare favourably with other cities. Source: ONS

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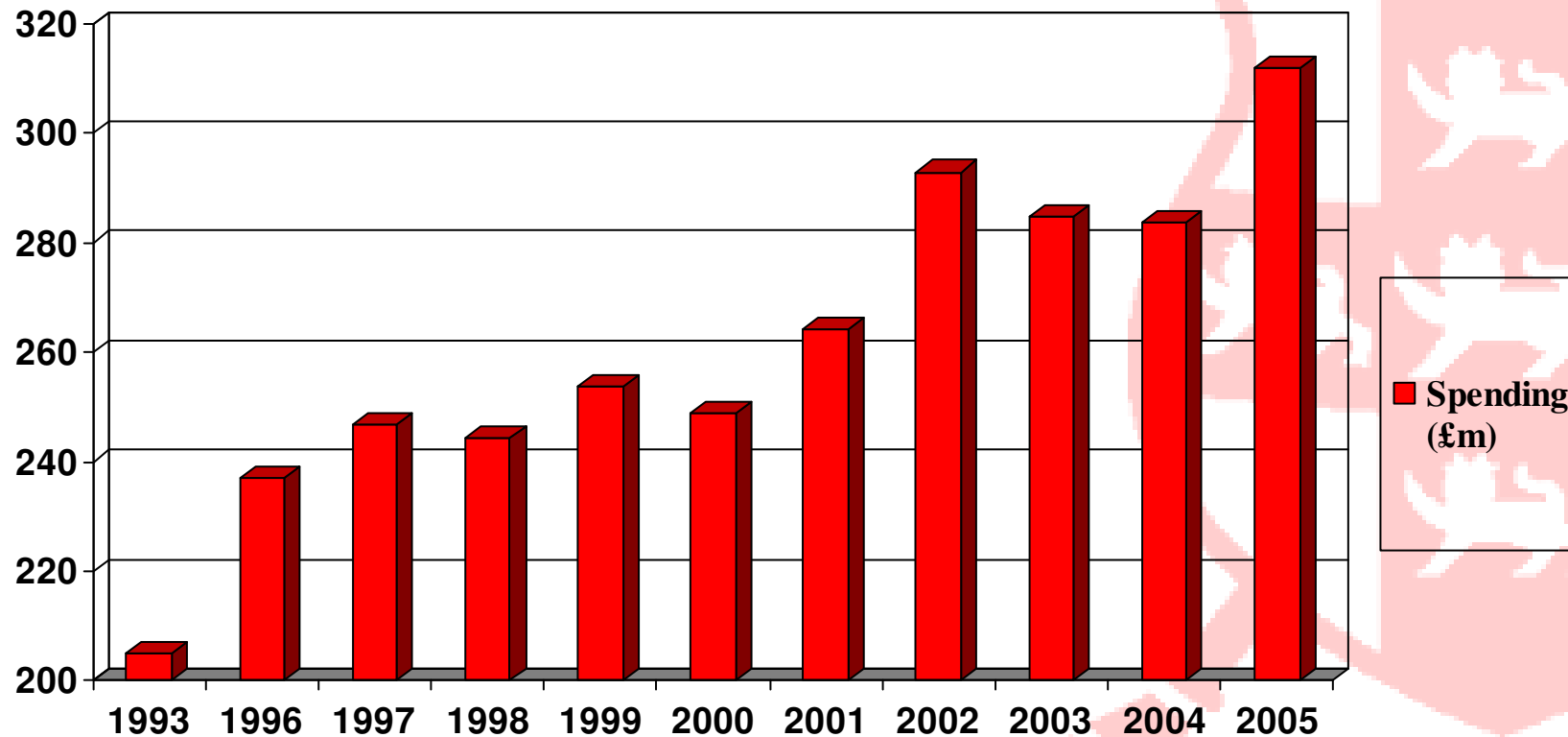
# Worker productivity is higher in York than any other key city in the Region except Leeds – and is above the UK average

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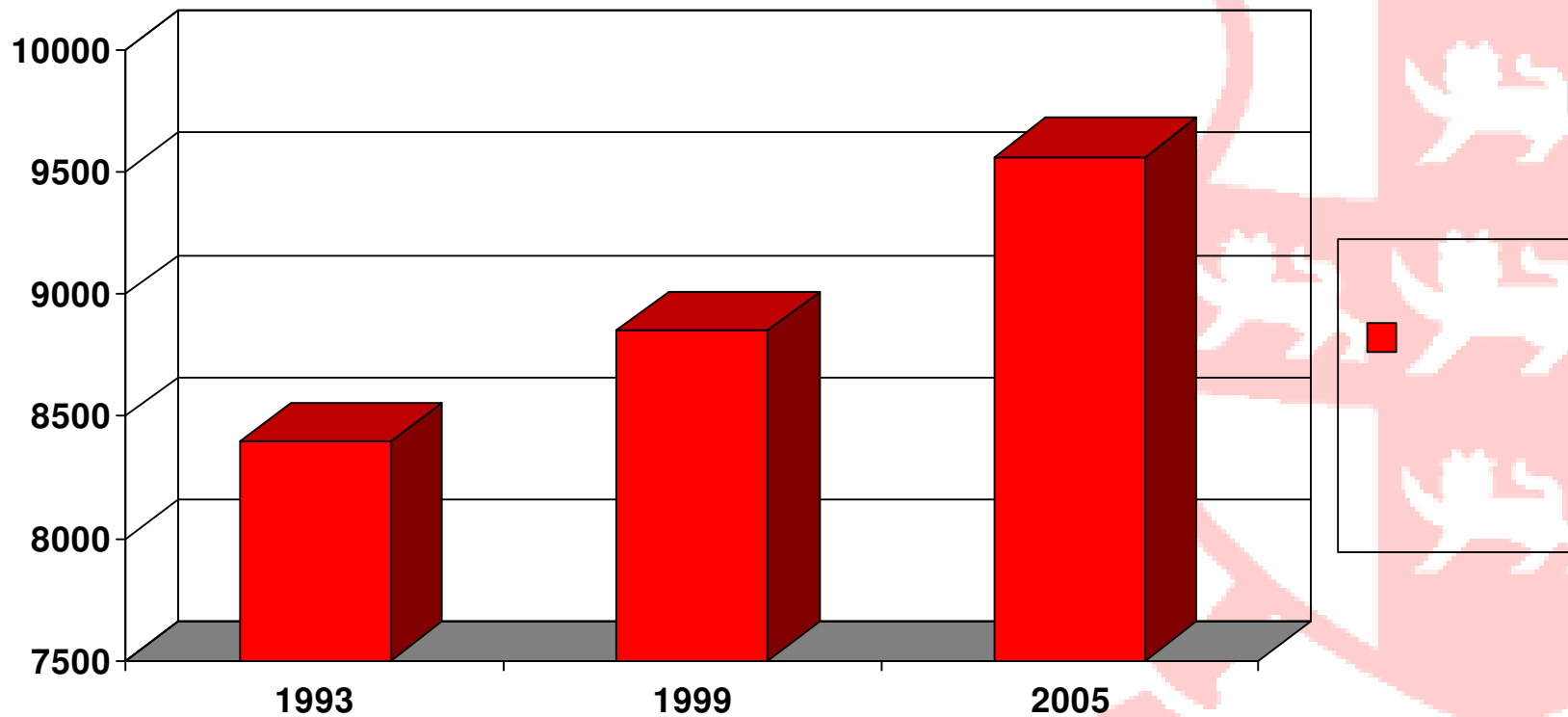
# Income earned from Tourism is growing: 1993 – 2005 (£m)

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# ...and creating more jobs for local people

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# Retailing is investing too:

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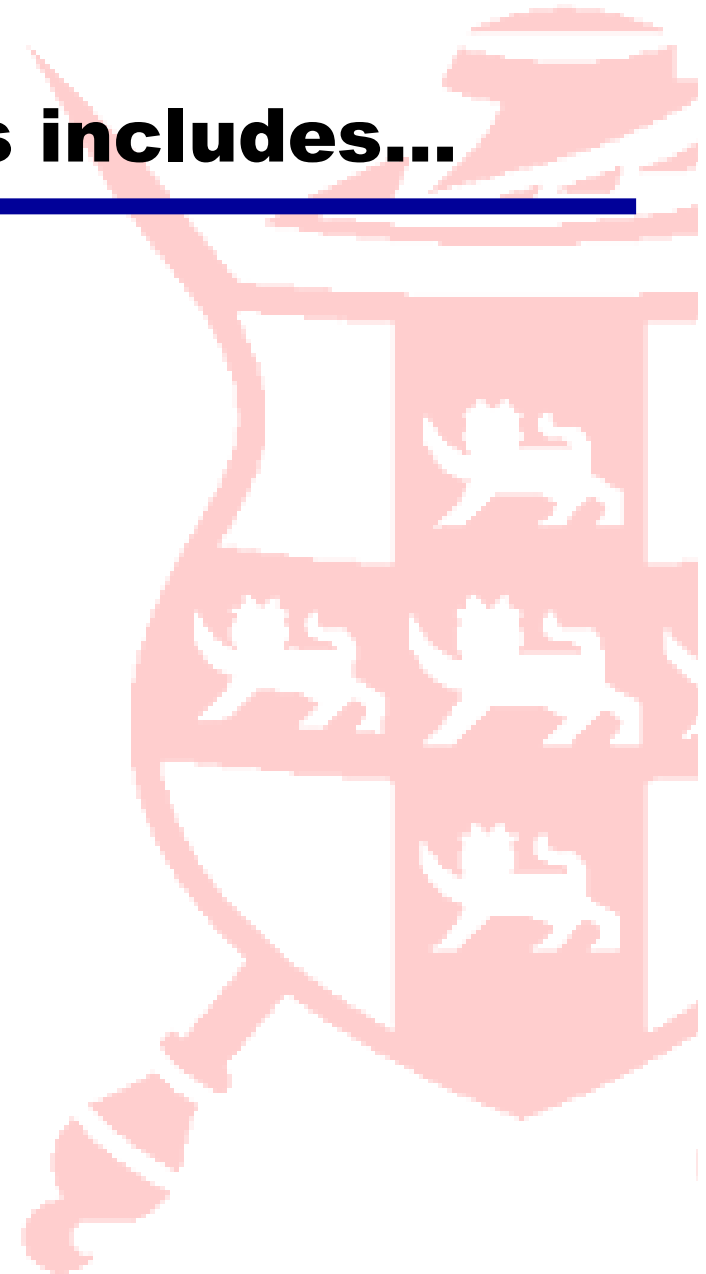
- Coast
- L'Occitane
- Molton Brown
- Levis
- H & M
- Zara
- Jaeger



## **Investment in recent years includes...**

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- Poppleton Business Park
- Spurriergate
- University Science Park
- Designer Outlet
- Vangarde



# University of York – Innovation and Job creation

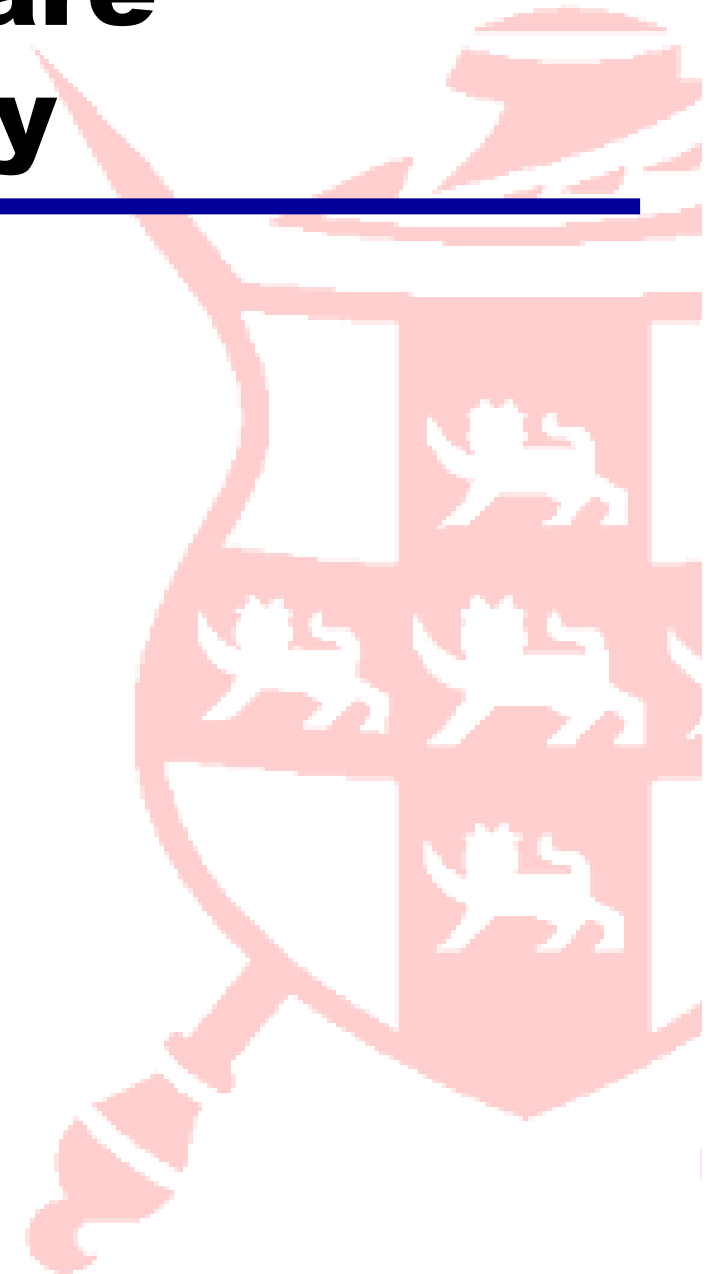
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# New investments are planned for the city

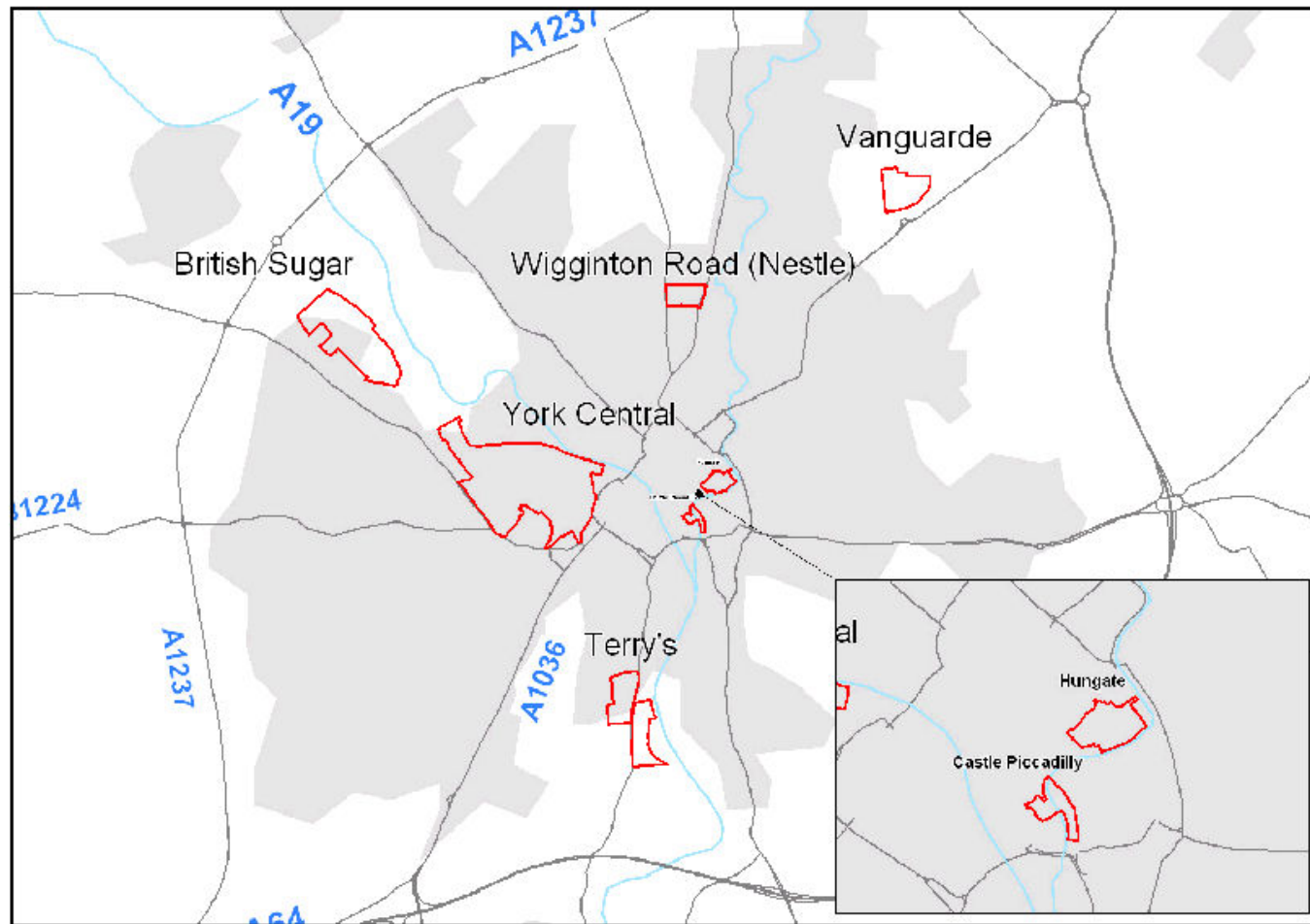
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- GHD
- Civil Service
- Barbican
- Siemens
- Langleys



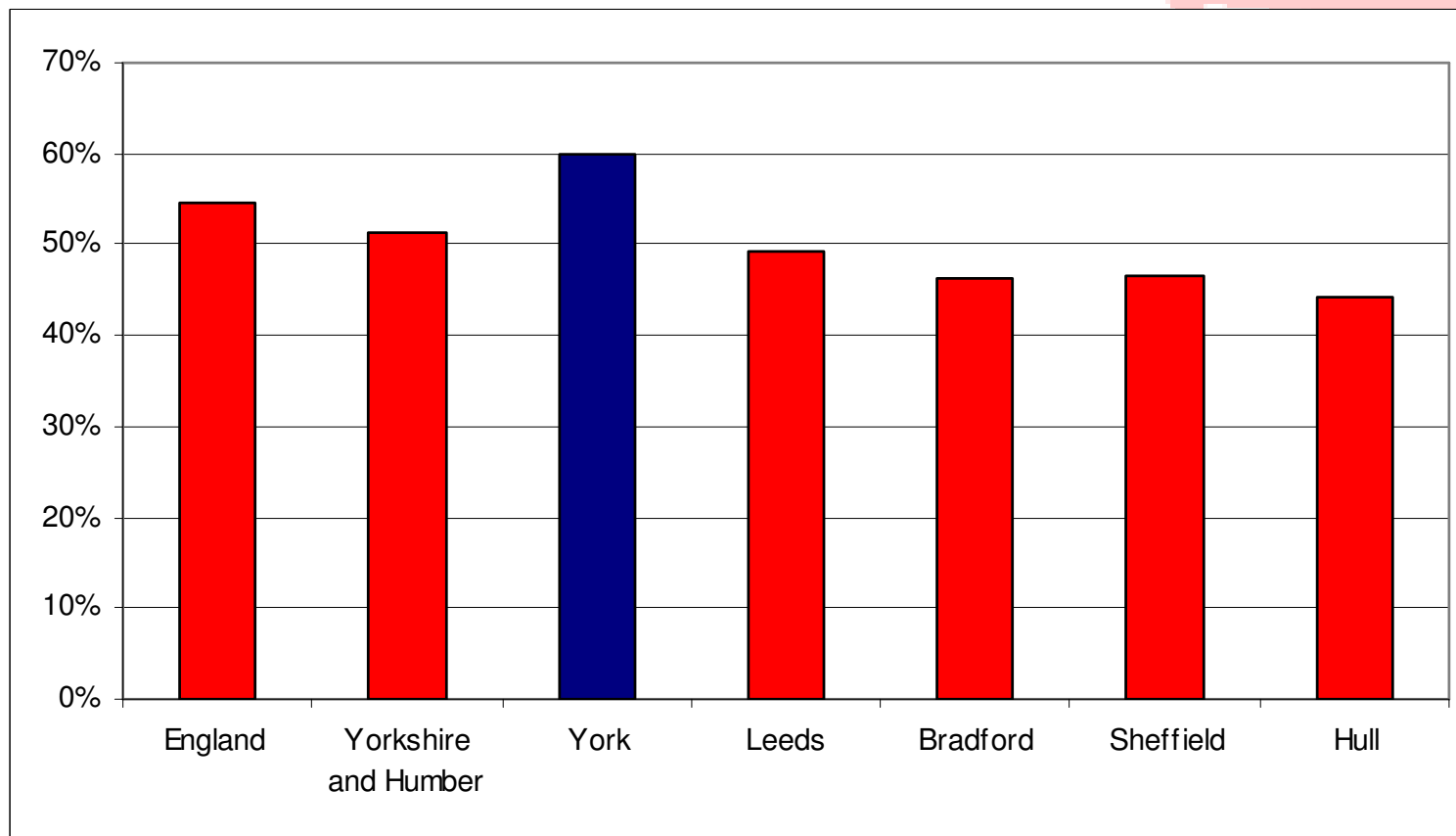


# The Years ahead – Key Development Opportunities



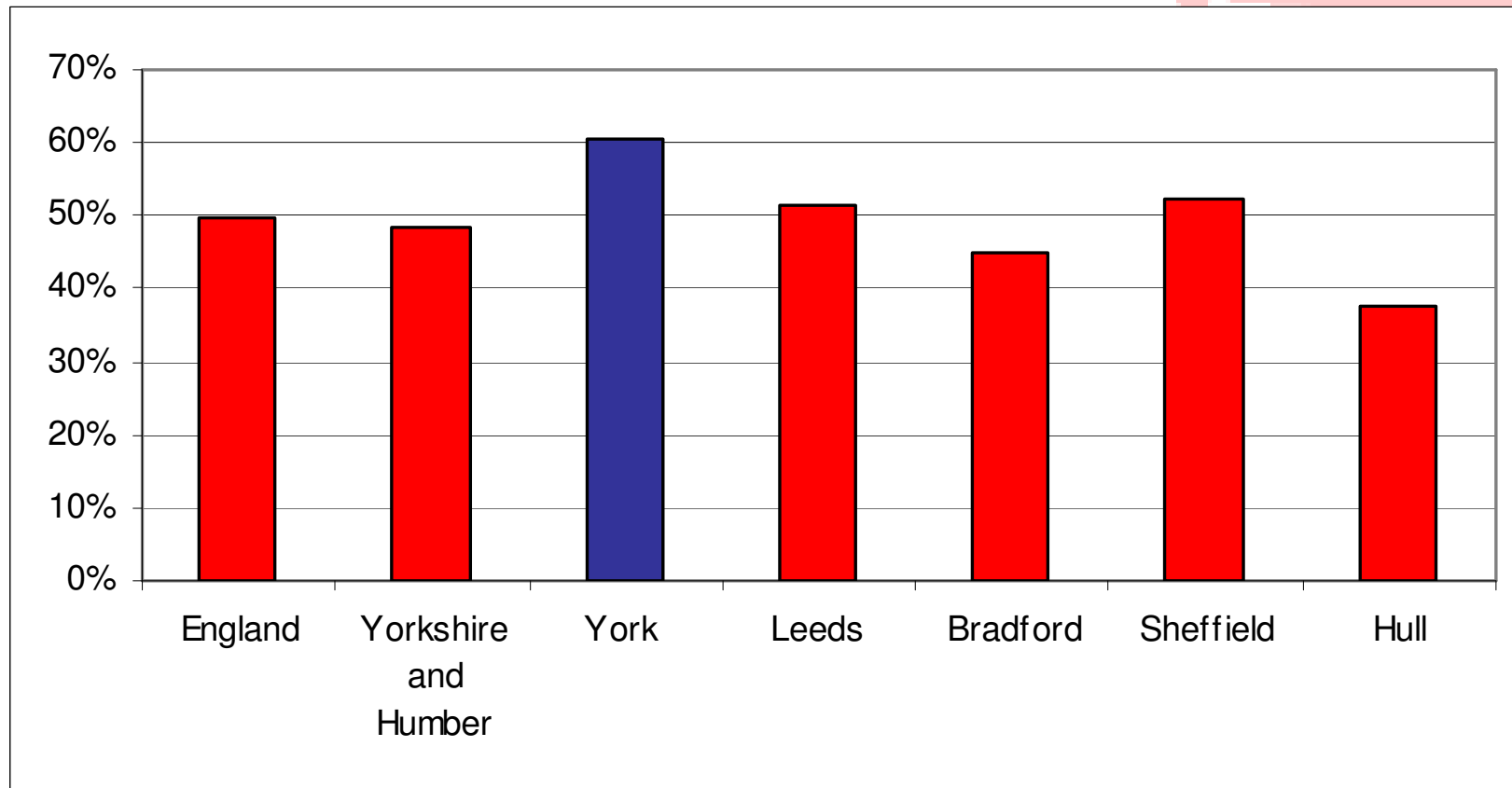
# GCSE - % of pupils achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A\*-C

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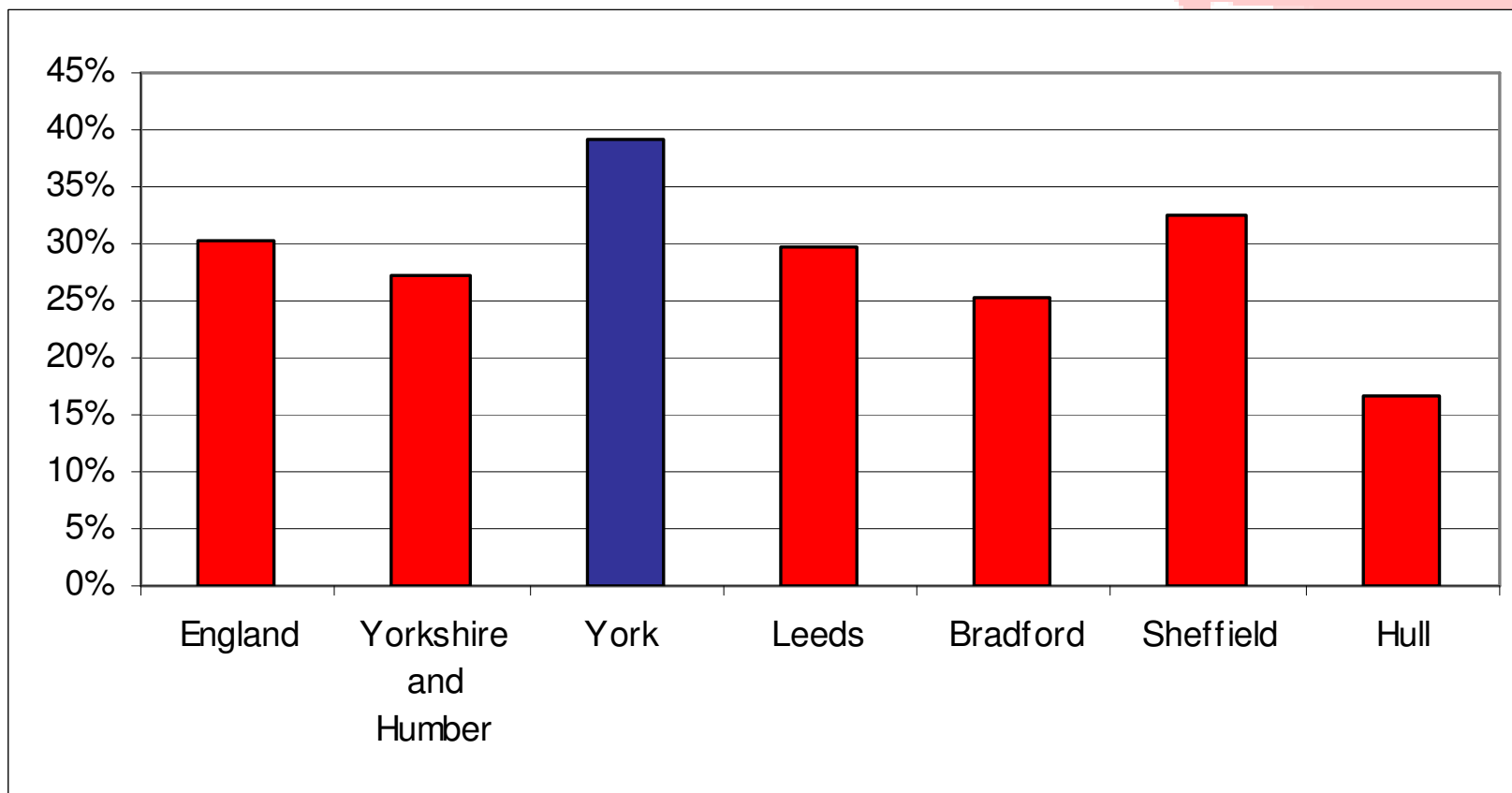
# Workforce Attainment NVQ 3 – Percentage of Economically-Active Adults Qualified to at least NVQ Level 3 (A level standard)

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# Workforce Attainment NVQ 4 - Percentage of Economically-Active Adults Qualified to at least NVQ Level 4 (diploma/degree standard)

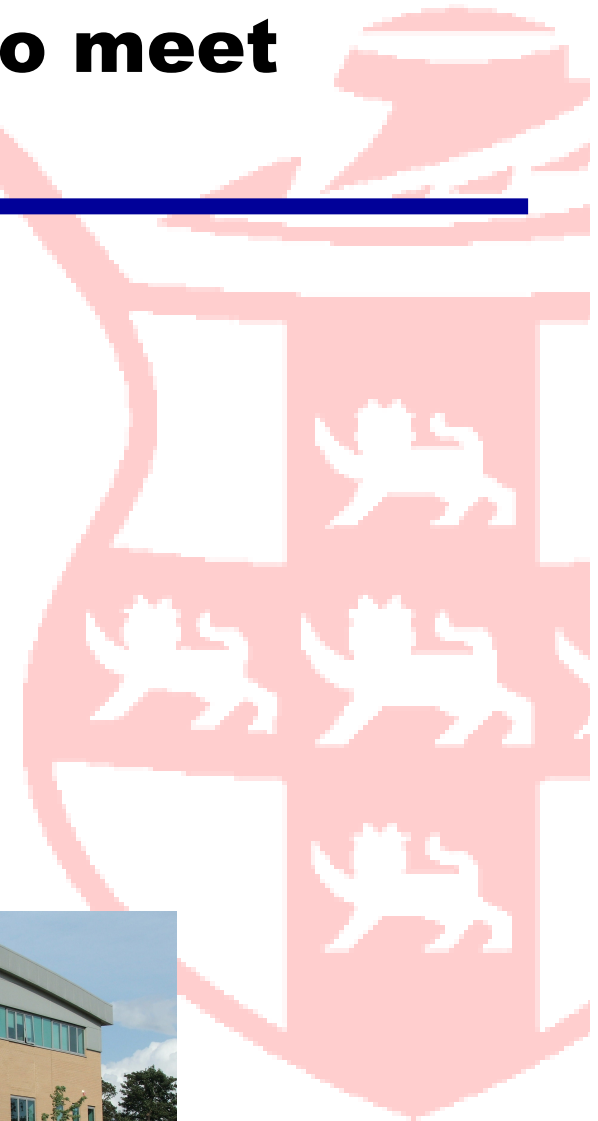
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# Education too is developing to meet people's needs

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- The University of York
- York St John's University
- York College



# Developing the economy through partnerships

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- Science City York
- First Stop York
- [york-england.com](http://york-england.com)
- City Centre Partnership
- Future Prospects
- Business organisations
- Yorkshire Forward
- Economic Development Board

