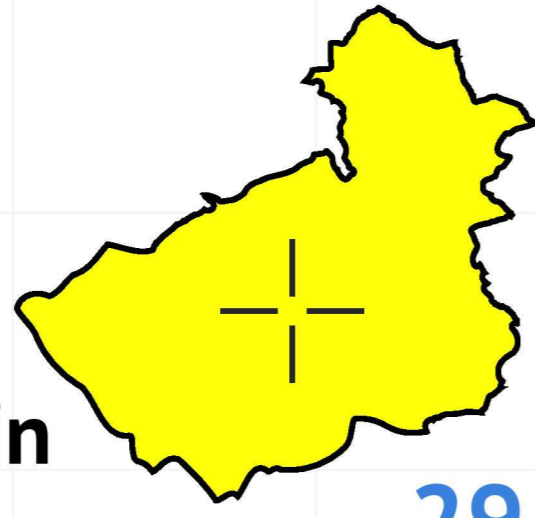


Your Area: Knowledge is Power

Kirklees

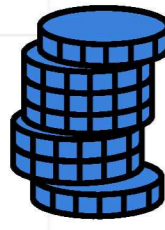
Introduction to careers in Kirklees. Did you know?



In Kirklees:

£30,657

The average salary is £30,657



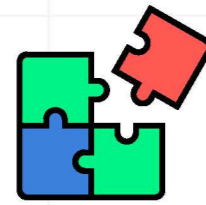
208,100

We have 208,100 people in employment



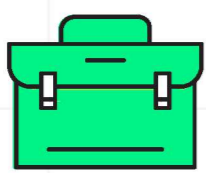
5,000

There are over 5,000 skill gaps

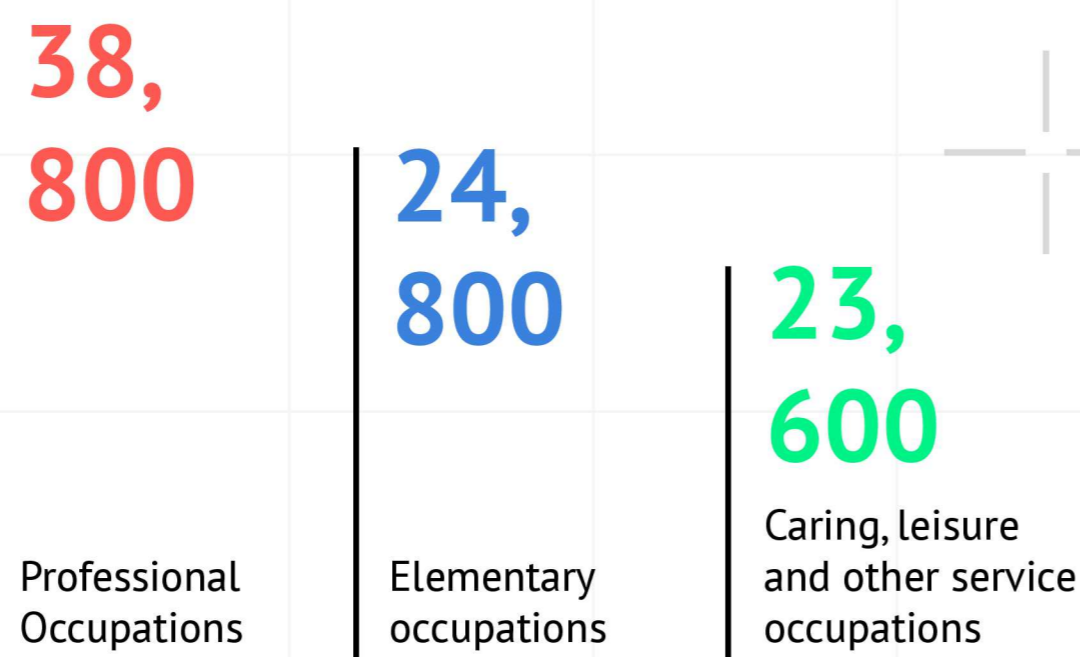


175,000

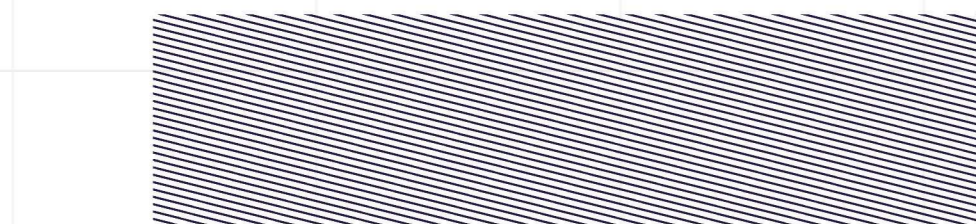
There are 175,000 jobs



Which sectors have the most jobs?



What are the top occupation levels?



Sector Spotlight Textiles

Did you know? Kirklees is a global centre for textiles. It is home to ground-breaking fashion and arts, and is a hub for designing and manufacturing textiles for sport, medicine, agriculture, and engineering.

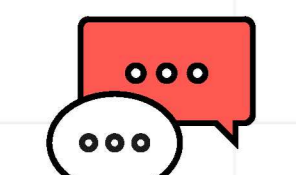
What do they do? Kirklees produces the finest cloth for tailoring, furniture, and theatrical costumes. Kirklees develops cutting-edge textiles, such as VR technology that allows you to "feel" fabric from thousands of miles away, "Smart" clothing that monitors vital signs, and medical textiles that allow replacement organs to be grown.

Who are they? Kirklees is home to many Textiles businesses, with Camira (fashion and furniture fabrics), WT Johnson (specialist finishes, e.g. antibacterial resistance), Bower Roebuck (luxury fabrics), Wooltex (technical textiles), and Antich & Sons (3D woven fabrics), some of the biggest names.

How do I join them? There are apprenticeships in Textile Manufacturing Operative, Business & Administration and Leadership, and Apprentice Laboratory Technician via businesses such as Camira or institutions such as Kirklees College. If you're interested in Textile Design, Colour Chemistry, or Research & Innovation, then you could take a degree (The University of Huddersfield has plenty).

Get skills-ready What are the top baseline skills requested by employers?

You probably already have some of these skills – maybe without even realising!



Communication

Have you ever presented your ideas in a lesson? Have you worked with others to succeed in a task?



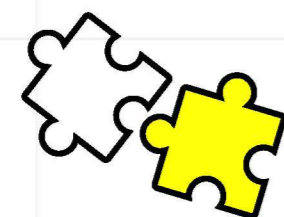
Creativity

Do you play an instrument? Draw? Write? Dance?



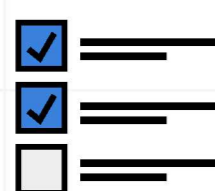
Social intelligence:

Have you ever had to deal with a difficult social situation or mend a fallout? Do you listen well to others?



Problem-solving

Have you ever stayed calm to find a solution to a problem? Have you planned a winning strategy for your sports club or fixed a computer bug?



Planning

Have you planned out your revision to get everything done on time? Have you planned a trip or organised meals for the week?

What are the top specialised skills in greatest demand?

You might have started developing some of these skills. How can you work on them?

- Teamwork/collaboration:** Join a team or club that interests you. Work on a shared project.
- Customer service:** Volunteer at a local charity shop. Get a part-time job.
- Project management:** Take the lead in your next group project.
- Sales:** Work on your persuasive writing. Join a campaign to make a change.
- Teaching:** Tutor a friend or younger sibling. Explain your revision to your parents.



Landing a top occupation

Professional occupation example:



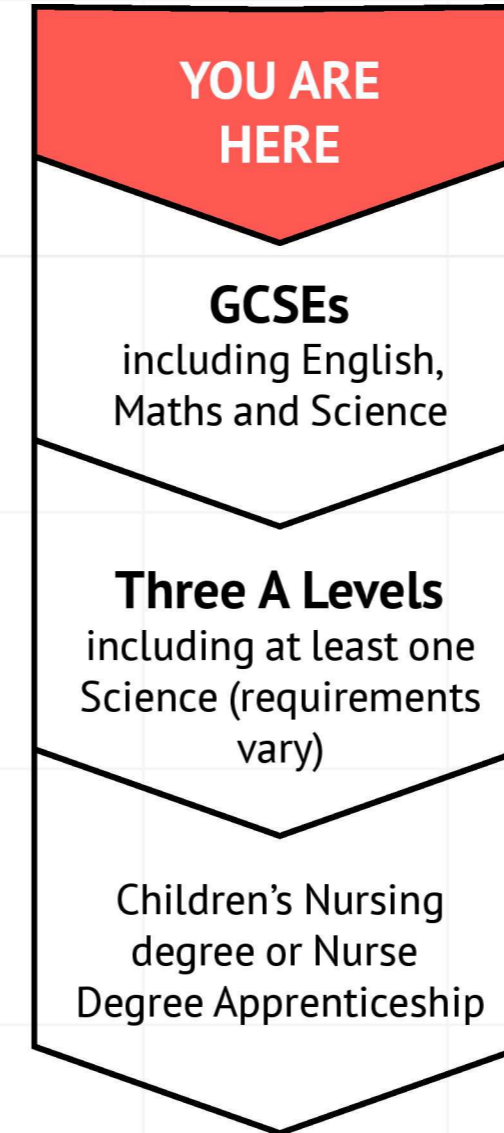
Children's Nurse

Starting salary: £25,655

What does this job look like?

Providing children and families with healthcare support in a hospital, the home, or the community.

How do I achieve it?



Where could this role take me?

Nurse Consultant (£47,000+)

Elementary occupation example:



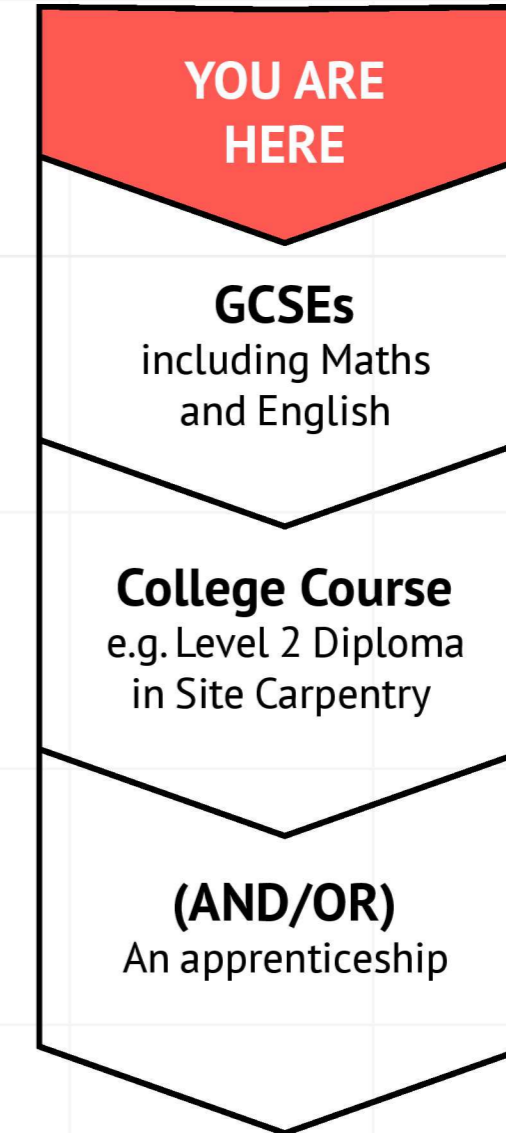
Labourer

Starting salary: £21,215

What does this job look like?

Carrying out manual work such as moving heavy materials, laying bricks and supporting tradespeople.

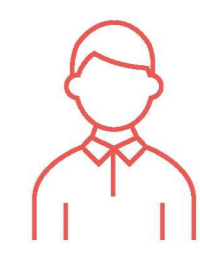
How do I achieve it?



Where could this role take me?

Site Manager (£26,000+)

Caring, leisure and other occupation example:



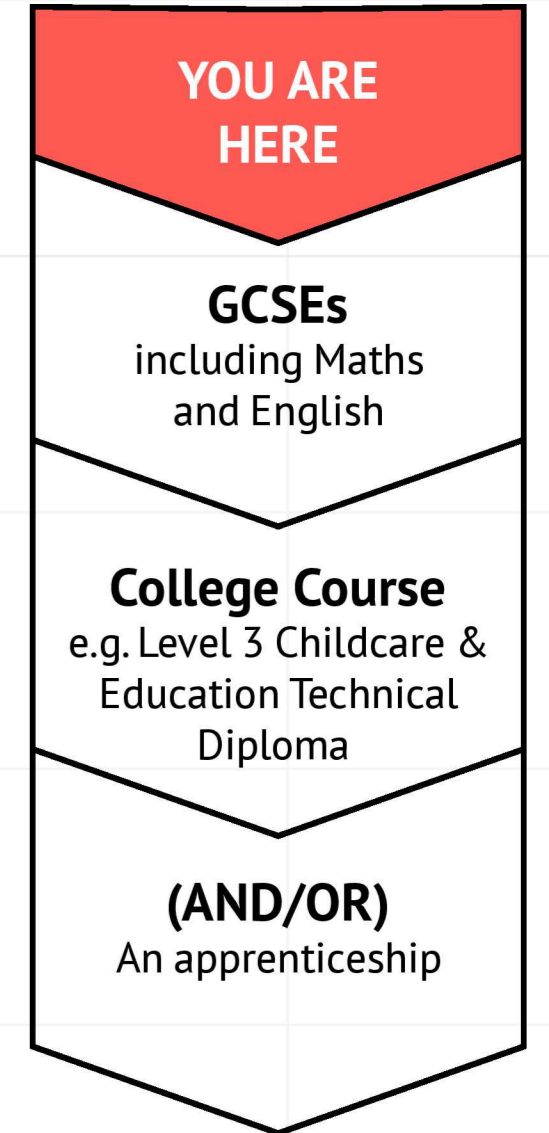
Teaching Assistant

Starting salary: £18,300

What does this job look like?

Supporting pupils with their learning individually or in groups and helping teachers with their duties.

How do I achieve it?



Where could this role take me?

Higher Level Teaching Assistant (£22,000+)

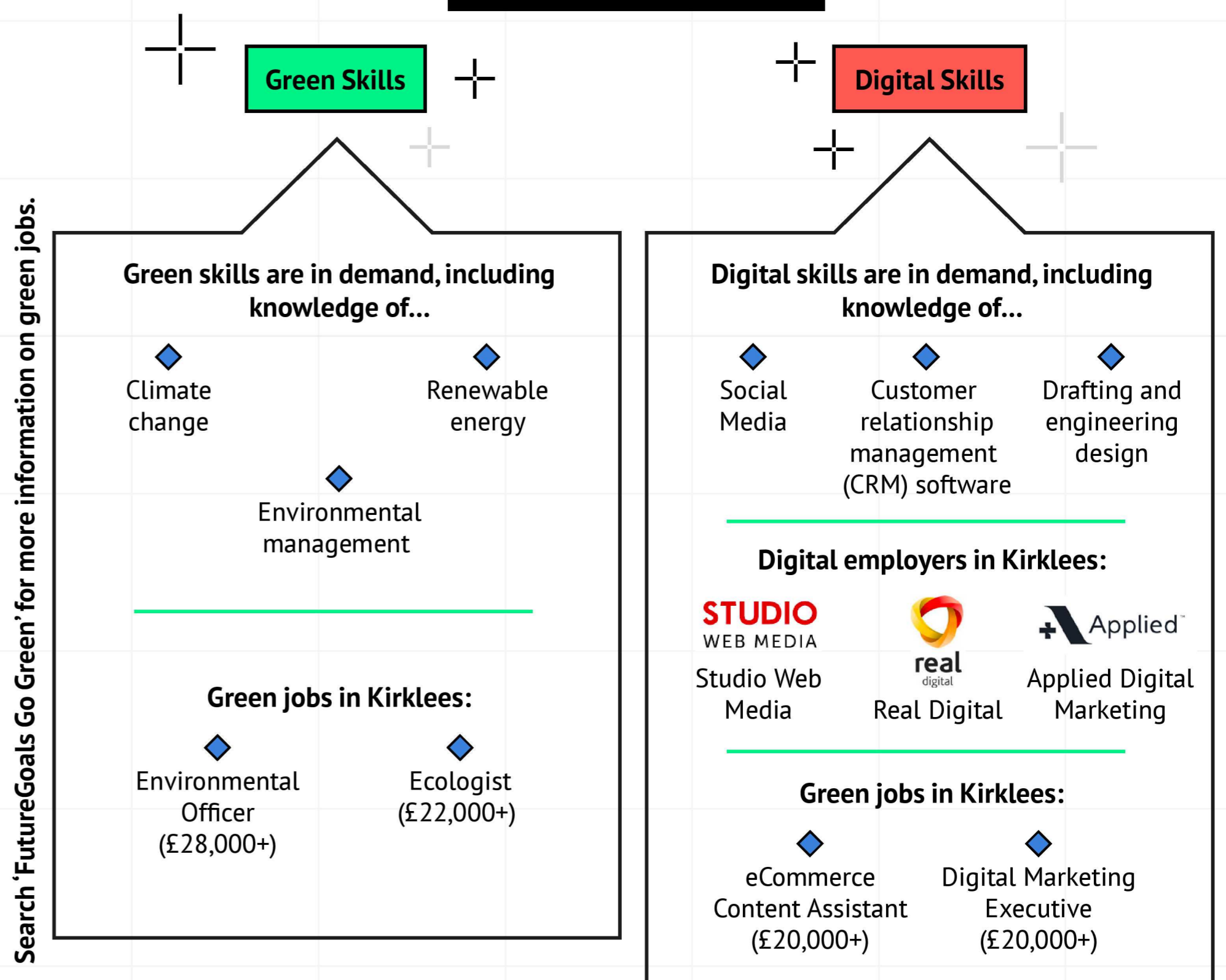


Where are the skill gaps?

These are the skills that employers say people are lacking!

- Time management:** How do you make sure your work is done on time?
- Teamwork:** Have you ever worked on a group project or played a team sport?
- Emotional intelligence:** Have you ever navigated a difficult social situation?

Skills for the future



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