

East of England Implementation Plan Evidence Base

2. Links to key supporting evidence base documents

The East of England Implementation Plan's priorities and programmes were based on an extensive range of evidence developed by regional partners. This document sets out the key evidence base documents that supported the statements and priorities within the East of England Implementation Plan with links to further information.

1. Setting out regional trends

Regional Economic Strategy (RES) Evidence Base

This document sets out the evidence that underpins the choice of priorities and goals set out in the RES. The RES evidence base provides an overview of the region's economic performance as well as wider contextual factors such as demographic trends, health and poverty. It provides detailed sub-regional information where data is available.

Link: www.eastofengland.uk.com/RES/download.asp

Annual Monitoring Report

This document monitors the region's performance in implementing the policies of the East of England Plan, at regional and sub-regional level. It also contains demographic and economic context.

Link: <http://www.eera.gov.uk/publications-and-resources/annual-monitoring-reports>

Monthly Economic Outlook

This is the most regular and detailed publicly-available briefing on the East of England's economy. The reports include detailed regional coverage of product, labour and housing market as well as sector-specific trends, business-specific intelligence and feedback on policy issues.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewResource.aspx?id=17614>

Quarterly Economic Brief

The Quarterly Economic Brief complements the Monthly Economic Outlook and provides a broader, longer-term overview of economic trends affecting the region.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewResource.aspx?id=17616>

Monthly Labour Market Review

This provides a detailed analysis of labour market trends in the region, including information on local unemployment levels and trends.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewResource.aspx?id=17615>

Recession Impact Report

This report – published in September 2009 – presents an analysis of the recession, its impacts in the region and views on the future outlook for the East of England economy.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewArticle.aspx?id=17383>

East of England Forecasting Model

The East of England Forecasting Model comprises data and forecasts for housing, demography and the economy, disaggregated by district authority and industrial sectors

for the economy. It was used to develop the RES headline regional targets – consistent with the scale and distribution of housing allocations in the East of England Plan. The model and its scenario capabilities are supporting the review of the East of England Plan as well as the development of the East of England Implementation Plan.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewArticle.aspx?id=17083>

Regional Economic Atlas

This is an interactive, online GIS-based system which allows users to view and compare RES monitoring information and Local Area Agreement indicators. The system is always live and up-to-date.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewArticle.aspx?id=17174>

2. Sector-specific intelligence

Regional Short-Term Output Indicators

Regional short-term output indicators (STOIs) measure changes in the level of goods and services produced by different sectors of the economy over a quarterly period. Data is provided on economic output for broad sectors like Market Services, Construction and Production, and, within these, more tightly-defined industries such as manufacturing, Transport, Food & Clothing and Hotels & Restaurants.

Link: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vInk=15353>

‘New Industry, New Jobs’ (NINJ) Research and Technology Reports (GHK)

This research provided an independent assessment of centres of international and national comparative advantage for 13 selected NINJ technologies in the English regions. The research is being used to develop a strategic approach to develop UK strengths in high value areas of global growth and /or rapid technological growth. This research is not yet publicly-available but is likely to be published in the near future.

3. Setting out sub-regional trends

Local Economic Profiles

Local economic profiles provide a brief overview of the local economies of each county and unitary authority area in the East of England.

Link: <http://www.insighteast.org.uk/viewResource.aspx?id=17227>

Many of the regional tools and documents above – such as the Monthly Economic Outlook, East of England Forecasting Model and Regional Economic Atlas – also include sub-regional information.

4. Thematic Evidence

East of England Implementation Plan Theme Advice Papers

The Theme Advice papers were produced in the initial stage of developing the consultation draft of the Implementation Plan and provided partners with the background material to develop the themes and programmes. The theme advice set out how each theme relates to the RES and East of England Plan, the role of the themes – and the region’s performance – in relation to relevant high-level targets, theme-specific policies, priorities and targets and additional evidence to support the choice of thematic-based regional programmes. The documents are published alongside all other East of England Implementation Plan material.