

The £86bn opportunity

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In the UK, a staggering **1 in 8 young people** are not in education, employment or training (NEET).

More than **1 in 3 unemployed young people** have been looking for work for over six months.



Helping these young people reach their full potential isn't just right for them. It benefits us all. And there are lessons to be learned from other OECD countries.

If the UK could reduce NEET levels to match the Netherlands – where just **1 in 20 young people are NEET** – the economic and social gains would be substantial.

It would mean

567,000

more young people in work or education.

And it could add

£86bn

to our economy over the long-term.



Change requires an ambitious national commitment -
to achieve the highest youth education, training and employment participation rate in the OECD by 2050.

For more information on how these figures were calculated – and insights on how we achieve this vision – explore our **Youth Employment 2025 Outlook** report.