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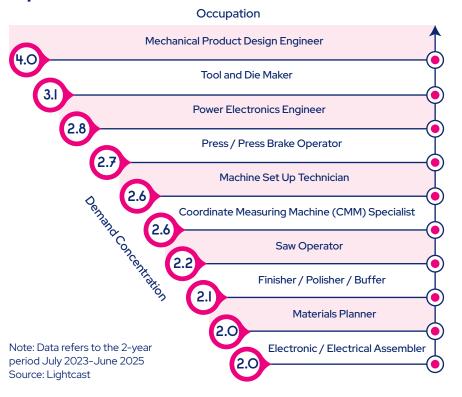
#### **Regional Spotlight:**

# **West Midlands**

## Top Service leaver skills requested by employers



## Top IO Service leaver occupations by demand concentration



Top UK Industrial Strategy sectors by employment concentration





#### Service leaver skills requested by employers

Service leavers can underpin the West Midlands' economy helping employers drive innovation and resilience. Machinery, auditing, and continuous improvement skills ensure both technical efficiency and adherence to quality standards in Advanced Manufacturing in the West Midlands. Construction, KPIs, and risk analysis skills are contributing

to Energy-Related projects and the region's energy transition. Business development, project management, and leadership help to drive growth in Professional services and as well as cross-sector opportunities for Service leavers.

## Service leaver occupations by demand concentration

There is concentrated demand for occupations such as Mechanical Product Design Engineers (in demand 4.0 times the UK average) and Tool and Die Makers (3.1 times the demand), highlighting precision and industrial design strengths.

Power Electronic Engineers are in demand 2.8 times more than the UK average and Machine Set Up Technicians - with 2.6 times the UK average demand - support Energy-Related industries and electrification efforts.

# UK Industrial Strategy sectors by employment concentration

Employment in Advance
Manufacturing is 1.6 times more
concentrated here than the
UK average, driving demand
for Service leaver roles such as
Automotive Service Mechanics
and Production Assemblers.

Energy Related industries are 1.2 times more concentrated here than the UK average, with opportunities for Systems and Electrical Engineers.

#### Fast growing Service leaver skills

Time Management

15%

projected growth
for common skills

Continuous Improvement Process 23%

projected growth for specialised skills



This analysis is part of a larger report called Skills in Transition: How UK Service leavers can power the nation's future. More information on our methodology can be found in the full report: reedinpartnership.co.uk/policy



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