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Northern Ireland (NI)

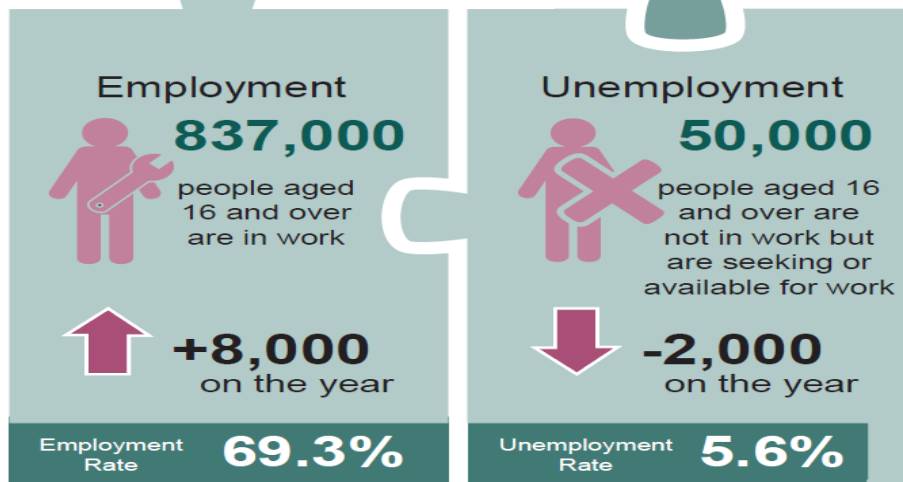
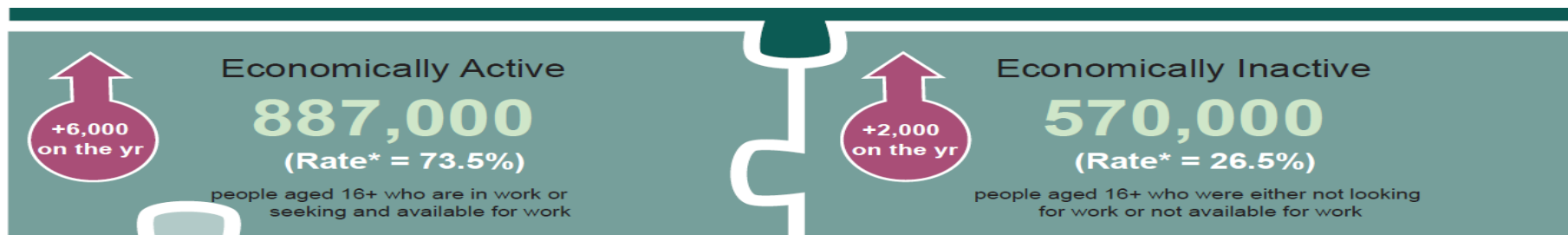
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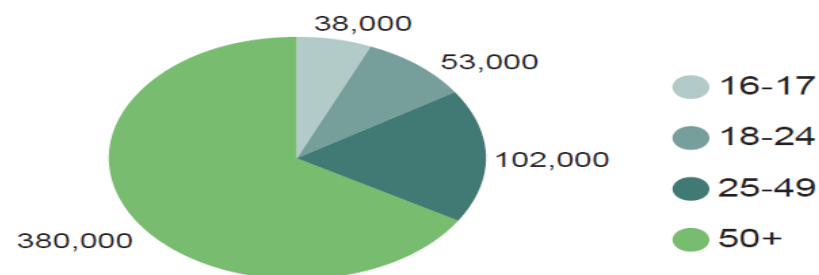
NORTHERN IRELAND – KEY FACTS

- ❖ **Capital - Belfast**
- ❖ **Land area - 14,130km²**
- ❖ **Population 1.81 million**
 - Fastest growing population in the UK
 - One of Europe's youngest populations
60% under the age of 40
- ❖ **Small business economy**
- ❖ **Regional economy focused on:**
 - Increasing the private sector and reducing our over dependence on the public sector
 - Creating employment opportunities and increasing exports
 - Increasing the levels of investment in innovation and research and development

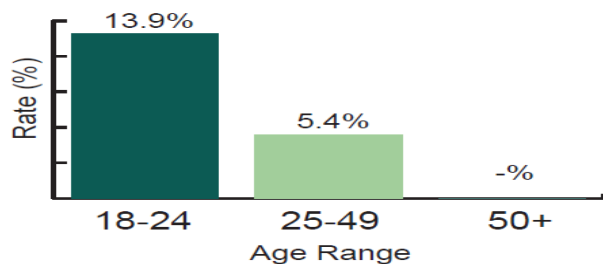




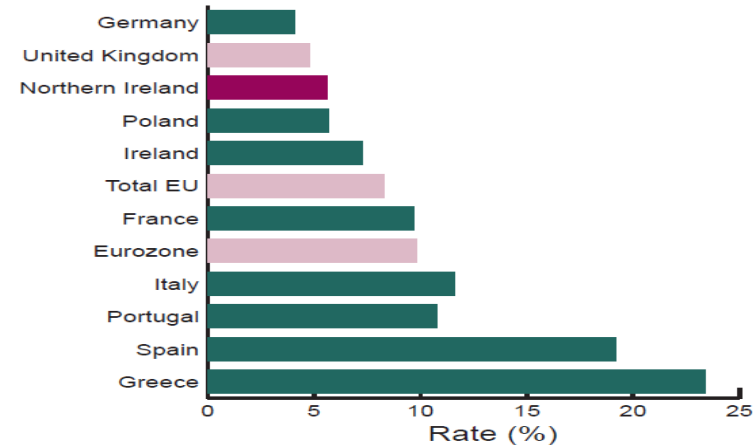
Economically Inactive by Age



Unemployment Rate by Age



Unemployment Rate by Country

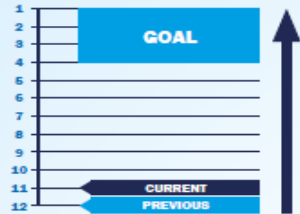


*Please note that the levels refer to 16+ population while the rates refer to the 16-64 population.

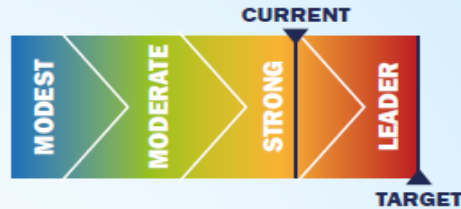
Our Innovation Strategy...

TARGETS

Regional Innovation Ranking



Regional Innovation Scoreboard



In 2015.....

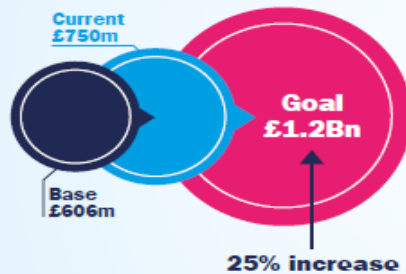
£749.6m investment in R&D

BERD - £540m (72%)

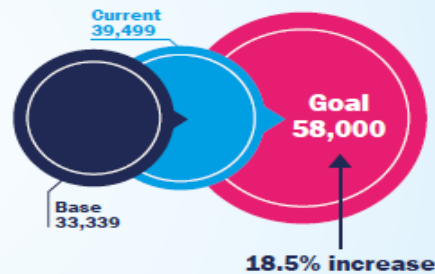
HERD - £192.9m (26%)

GERD - £16.7m (2%).

Total R&D Spend



Knowledge Economy Jobs



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Innovation Strategy Actions



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CAPITA

Business Information

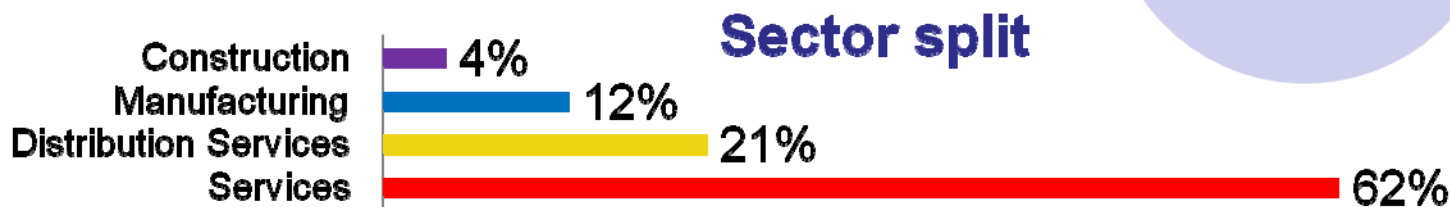
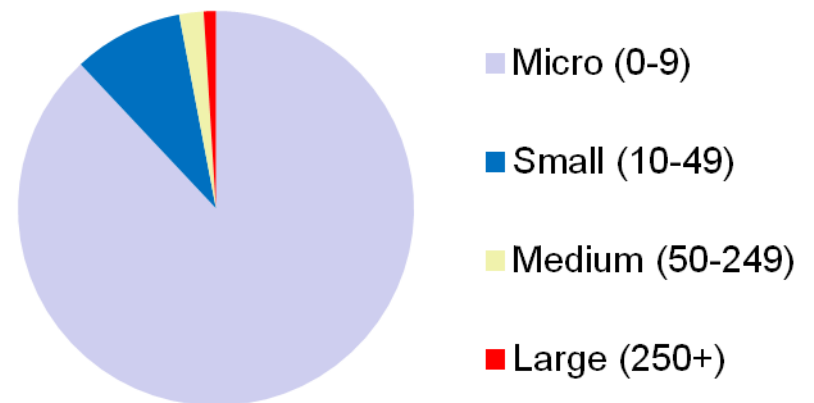


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SME Dominated Business base

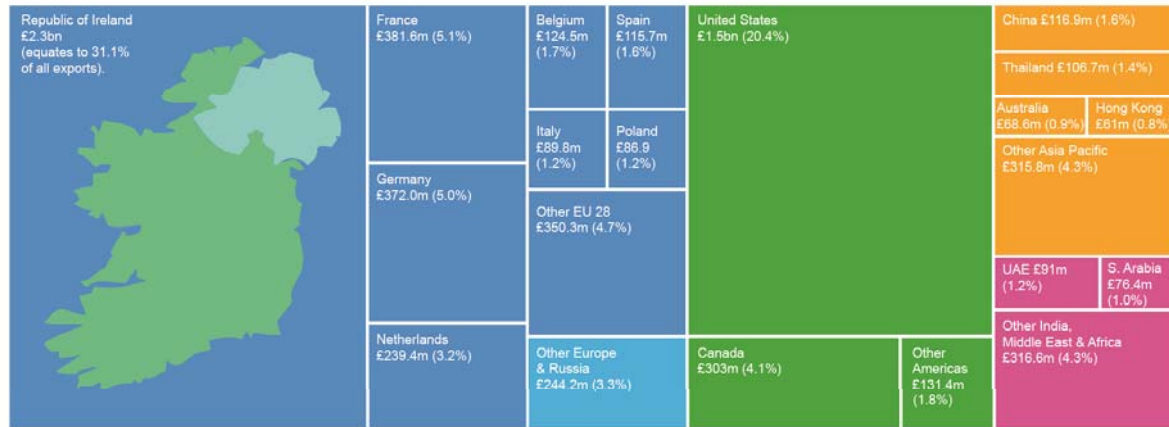


Export Focus....



NI Manufacturing Exports by Trade Territory Latest 12mth Rolling Period Oct 15 - Sept 16

Source: Regional Trade Statistics, HMRC (December 2016)
Note: includes Live Animals. Totals are based on rounded figures.



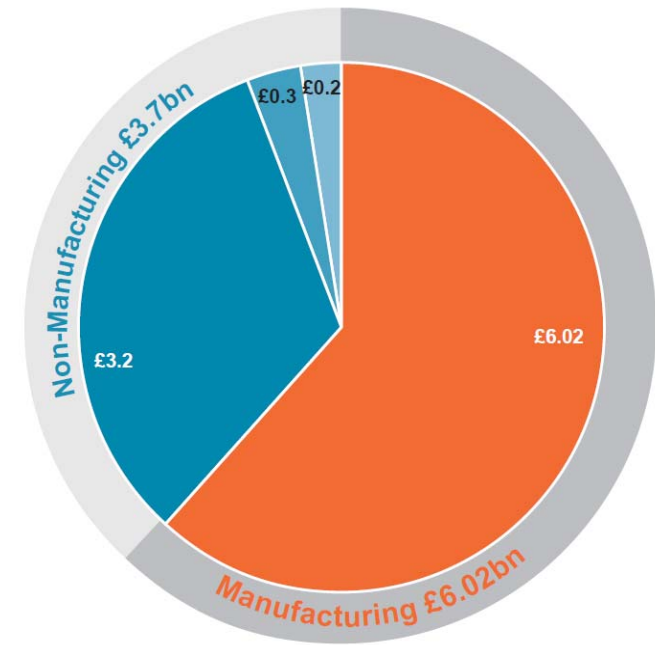
■ Europe and Russia (EU 28 (excl UK) £4,068m (54.9%))
 ■ The Americas (£1,949m (26.3%))
 ■ Asia Pacific (£669m (9.0%))
 ■ India, Middle East & Africa (£484m (6.5%))

Total NI Manufacturing Exports £7,409m (£7.41bn)

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corporate information
December 2016

Exports by Sector (£bn) 2014



KICK OFF MEETING
Pamplona, 1st February 2017

INSIDE OUT EU

Facilities



- Open University
- St Mary's University College
- Stranmillis University College
- College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise
- Six Further Education Colleges

(41% of workforce educated to degree level.)

Centre for Secure IT (CSIT)

- UK's largest cyber-security research centre at Queen's University Belfast

Catalyst Inc - NI Science Park

- Over 2,600 engineers, researchers, entrepreneurs and executives work in campuses in Belfast, Derry/ Londonderry and Ballymena.

1 in 5 computer drives has a part created in Northern Ireland

40% of the world's mobile stone crushing and gravel screening equipment is made in Northern Ireland

75% of inward investors have reinvested in Northern Ireland

1 in 3 London buses is made in Northern Ireland

Did you know?

Northern Ireland people are the happiest in the UK

1 in 3 of the world's aircraft seats is made in Northern Ireland

Belfast is Europe's leading destination city for software development and technical support investment