

Established and emerging industry sector groupings in Milton Keynes.



Milton Keynes is a city offering support and opportunities for all types of business. Just about every business sector is represented in the city. Milton Keynes' location at the centre of the Oxford to Cambridge Arc, together with the facilities at the Open University, Bletchley Park and Cranfield University, means the city is currently seeing an increase in knowledge-based, technology-led industries. Other sectors identified for growth include retail and distribution, hotel and catering, hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism, health and social work, education, communications and transport.

**Milton
Keynes**

No Comparison

MAJOR EMPLOYERS IN MILTON KEYNES

Milton Keynes is home to many major organisations including:

- **ABBEY** part of the Santander Group, one of the largest banks in the world, has numerous offices in Milton Keynes, including a major centre on Grafton Gate East.
- HQ** • **ARGOS** the High Street catalogue retailer, part of Home Retail Group, has its UK HQ on Avebury Boulevard.
- HQ** • **BP** the multinational petroleum giant operates BP Oil UK from Witan Gate House in Central Milton Keynes.
- HQ** • **CABLE & WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS** has local presence with offices on Buckingham Road, Bletchley.
- **COCA-COLA** has a major plant in Milton Keynes. The company is the largest manufacturer of 'Coca-Cola' products outside the US.
- **COMPUTACENTER** Europe's leading independent provider of IT infrastructure services, has two offices in Milton Keynes, both at Linford Wood.
- HQ** • **DATAFORCE GROUP** the provider of integrated marketing services is based on Midsummer Boulevard.
- HQ** • **DAVID LOCK ASSOCIATES** the firm of town planners and urban designers work throughout the UK as well as MK, master-planning large scale sites but also offering planning advice to growing companies.
- HQ** • **DHL EXEL** the provider of sector-focused supply chain management solutions operates its HQ from Solstice House in Central Milton Keynes, its Integrated Service Centre from Fox Milne and a dedicated client distribution centre from Northfield.
- HQ** • **DOMINOS PIZZA** one of the UK's leading pizza restaurant chains, has its UK HQ at Kingston and is developing a new HQ and production warehouse at West Ashland.
- **EDS** the US-owned IT solutions company, has a major base at Wavendon amongst other offices in Milton Keynes.
- **THE FOREIGN & COMMONWEALTH OFFICE** has offices at Hanslope and in Central Milton Keynes.
- **GEDAS UK** the specialist IT company, which focuses on the IT needs of the motor industry, is based at Tilbrook.



• **HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AGENCY (HCA)**

the national Housing and Regeneration Agency for England, is based on Midsummer Boulevard.

- **INGRAM MICRO** the world's largest global business-to-business wholesale provider of technology products and supply chain management services, is based at Wymbush.

- **THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES** has offices on Avebury Boulevard.

- HQ • **JUNGHEINRICH UK LTD** the German supplier of material handling and warehouse equipment worldwide is based in Tilbrook.

- **KPMG** the accountancy and management consultancy, has a major regional office on North Fourth Street.

- HQ • **KUEHNE & NAGEL** the global integrated logistics solutions provider from Switzerland runs its UK HQ from Linford Wood and also operates out of Brinklow.

- HQ • **LUMINAR GROUP HOLDINGS** leading operator of late night entertainment venues in the UK, has its UK HQ on Deltic Avenue, Rooksley.

- HQ • **MARSHALL AMPLIFICATION** world-famous manufacturer of musical amplification equipment, is based at Bletchley.

- HQ • **MERCEDES BENZ UK LTD** the vehicle manufacturing group, has its UK HQ at Tongwell.

- HQ • **NETWORK RAIL** Britain's railway network manager, has signed an agreement with Milton Keynes Partnership, securing a site for the development of their new, state-of-the-art National Centre adjacent to the city's mainline railway station.

- **NYK LOGISTICS** the international shipping and warehousing company, has a distribution centre at Tilbrook.

- HQ • **THE OPEN UNIVERSITY** Europe's largest university and pioneer of distance learning, has its UK base at Walton Hall. The Open University has its own Business School and also operates Open University Worldwide Ltd. The Open University also has extensive R&D and laboratory facilities at its site. (Cranfield University with its respected Cranfield University School of Management lies just outside the city).



- **PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS** the accountancy and management consultancy group, has a major regional office on Midsummer Boulevard.
- **ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND** has its Commercial Business and Corporate Centre on Silbury Boulevard.
- HQ** • **SCANIA (GREAT BRITAIN) LTD** the Swedish heavy truck importer is based in Tongwell.
- HQ** • **SHANKS** the waste and resource management company, has two offices in Milton Keynes including its UK HQ at Mount Farm.
- **SHAW STONE & WEBSTER** the engineering and construction firm, a Fortune 500 company, is based on Witan Gate.
- **SHOOSMITHS** the leading solicitors practice, has a major regional office on Witan Gate.
- **UNISYS** the multinational IT company, has its UK Customer Service Centre based at Fox Milne.
- HQ** • **VOLKSWAGEN GROUP UK LTD** the major German vehicle manufacturer, has its UK HQ at Blakelands.
- HQ** • **WORLD VISION** the leading international development agency, has its HQ at Fox Milne.



Milton Keynes is also home to some of the largest names in retail, including:

- **ASDA** superstore at Bletchley.
- **BUCKINGHAM FOODS** one of the largest manufacturers of sandwiches in the UK, is based in Redmoor.
- **DEBENHAMS** flagship store at Midsummer Place.
- **GAP** store at Midsummer Place.
- **IKEA** superstore at Bletchley.
- **JOHN LEWIS** as well as having a department store in the centre:mk, this national retailer has its major warehouse and distribution centre supplying all of John Lewis stores in the UK at Fen Farm.
- **MARKS AND SPENCER** flagship store at Central Milton Keynes Shopping Centre plus another at Kingston.
- **NEXT** superstore at Central Milton Keynes Shopping Centre, Kingston, Westcroft and a clearance store at Bletchley.
- **RIVER ISLAND** the clothing retailer is to open a 45,000 sq m office and distribution centre at Magna Park.
- **SAINSBURYS** 10,000 sq ft state-of-the-art store opened in October 2008 on Witan Gate in Central Milton Keynes.
- **TESCO** superstore at Kingston and national distribution centre at Fenny Lock.



ACCOUNTANCY & MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY

Milton Keynes is home to numerous accountancy firms including some of the biggest names in professional services and management consulting:

- **ACCENTURE TRAINING AND CONFERENCE CENTRE** offers major training facilities for professionals at Kents Hill Park.
- **AXA ICAS LTD** the international employee support and behavioural risk management consultancy, which has its World HQ at Aspley Guise.
- **BAKER TILLY** based on Midsummer Boulevard.
- **DELOITTE & TOUCHE** based on Silbury Boulevard.
- **GRANT THORNTON** based on Silbury Boulevard.

- **THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND & WALES** the professional body for the accountancy profession, has offices on Avebury Boulevard.
- **KPMG** based on North Fourth Street.
- **MACINTYRE HUDSON** based on Silbury Boulevard.
- **MAZARS** based on Witan Gate.
- **PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS** based on Midsummer Boulevard.



AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

In Milton Keynes you'll find some of the world's leading marques together with significant R&D facilities.

- **GEDAS UK** the IT company, which specialises in the IT needs of the motor industry, is based at Tilbrook.
- HQ** • **MERCEDES BENZ UK LTD** the vehicle manufacturing group has its UK HQ at Tongwell.
- HQ** • **MOTOR INSURERS BUREAU** the regulating and licensing body for motor insurance companies is based at Linford Wood.
- HQ** • **NISSAN TECHNICAL CENTRE EUROPE LTD** located at the Cranfield Technology Park, is Nissan's R&D HQ in Europe.
- **RED BULL RACING** is based at Tilbrook and takes advantage of Milton Keynes' proximity to Silverstone motor racing circuit.
- HQ** • **SCANIA (GREAT BRITAIN) LTD** the Swedish heavy truck importer is based in Tongwell.
- HQ** • **SMC PNEUMATICS** the world's largest manufacturer of pneumatic components, moved to a purpose-built site in Milton Keynes in 1984.
- HQ** • **SUZUKI GB PLC** one of the world's largest automobile manufacturers, relocated the main UK base to a purpose-built facility in Snelshall during 2006 and also has its Customer Services Centre in Central Milton Keynes.
- **VOLKSWAGEN GROUP UK LTD** the German vehicle manufacturer, has its UK HQ at Blakelands.



ENERGY INDUSTRY

The Milton Keynes area possesses a unique set of skills and expertise in energy, including world-class academic institutions that have extensive experience in energy research and strong links with energy industries worldwide.

- **BP** the multinational petroleum giant operates BP Oil UK from Witan Gate House in Central Milton Keynes.
- **CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY'S ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE** was established in 2005 and offers specialist research, education, training and consultancy in power generation technology, offshore technology and subsea engineering, risk management and reliability engineering. It also incorporates the **Cranfield Power Generation Technology Centre**.
- **NATIONAL ENERGY FOUNDATION** based at Knowlhill, is a charity which works with people and businesses to help them implement energy efficient measures and use renewable energy sources.
- **THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH UNIT** at **THE OPEN UNIVERSITY**, Britain's largest university, was established in 1986 and has become an internationally recognised centre for research and teaching in the field of sustainable energy technologies.
- **UNITED SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AGENCY** with its UK HQ at Knowlhill, is a not for profit company delivering a range of sustainable energy services to individuals, businesses and organisations.



FINANCIAL SERVICES

Milton Keynes is home to a growing number of financial services firms including the following:

- **ABBEY** part of the Santander Group, one of the largest banks in the world, has numerous offices in Milton Keynes, including a major centre on Grafton Gate East.
- **ALLIANZ INSURANCE** has a major regional commercial office responsible for the South and Anglia region, on Avebury Boulevard.
- **BANK OF SCOTLAND** has its Corporate Banking Centre on Silbury Boulevard.
- **CHARLES STANLEY STOCKBROKERS** are based on Upper Fourth Street.
- **COUTTS** the international private bank, opened a Milton Keynes branch on Silbury Boulevard in 2006.
- **HANDELSBANKEN** one of the leading Scandinavian banks, has a branch on Silbury Boulevard.
- **LLOYDS TSB BUSINESS BANKING** has offices on Secklow Gate West.
- **LOMBARD** asset finance funding is on Silbury Boulevard.
- **ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND** has its Commercial Business and Corporate Centre on Silbury Boulevard.
- **SG HAMBROS** a private bank with offices on Midsummer Boulevard.



IT/TECHNOLOGY

Milton Keynes is a modern business city which is home to a growing number of IT and technology companies, including the following:

- **AERO TEC LABORATORIES** race car fuel tank manufacturer based at Rooksley.
- **ALPS ELECTRIC (UK) LTD** the Japanese integrated electronic devices maker, is based in Wymbush.
- **BERGQUIST UK LTD** electronic component suppliers based at Crownhill.
- **CHEMETALL PLC** chemical treatment suppliers based in Bletchley.
- **COMPUTACENTER** Europe's leading independent provider of IT infrastructure services, has two offices in Milton Keynes, both at Linford Wood (Sunrise Parkway and Centric at Capital Drive).
- **DRS DATA & RESEARCH SERVICES** the leading manufacturer of Optical Mark Readers, is based at Linford Wood.
- **DYNAMIC AIR** provide local manufacturing, sales, technical and service support, based at Granby.
- **EDS** the US-owned IT solutions company, has a major base in Wavendon and also a local office on Midsummer Boulevard.
- **EVESHAM TECHNOLOGY** the leading computer manufacturer and retailer, has a Milton Keynes base on Witan Gate.
- **GEDAS UK** the IT company, which specialises in the IT needs of the motor industry, is based in Tilbrook.
- **GETRONICS** the IT solutions company, has its Enterprise Service Centre at Linford Wood.
- **HOLOPHANE EUROPE LTD** prismatic lighting manufacturers based in Bletchley.
- **INDIUM CORPORATION OF EUROPE** solder paste manufacturers based at Kingston.
- **INGRAM MICRO** the world's largest global business-to-business wholesale provider of technology products and supply chain management services, is based at Wymbush.
- **INTERPOWER COMPONENTS LTD** electronic component supplier based at Knowhill.



IT/TECHNOLOGY

- **MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC** which specialises in the sales and marketing of automation controls components, is based at Linford Wood.
- **MERCHANTS GROUP** the Contact Centre IT solutions group, is based on Avebury Boulevard.
- **MORGANA SYSTEMS** the digital printing company, is based at Knowhill.
- **PACE EUROPE LTD** electronic systems & suppliers based at Knowhill.
- **ROCKWELL AUTOMATION (UK) LTD** automation systems & equipment based at Bletchley and Kiln Farm.
- **SIEMENS COMMUNICATIONS** is based at Willen Lake.
- **UNISYS** the multinational IT company, has its UK Customer Service Centre based at Fox Milne.
- **HQ** • **WD-40 COMPANY LTD** UK HQ for well-known industrial and domestic lubricant producer, located at Kiln Farm.



PROPERTY PROFESSIONALS

Milton Keynes is a rapidly expanding modern business city. As a major regional centre, it is home to a large number of property consultancies and development professionals including:

- **ABBEYGATE DEVELOPMENTS** property developers based on South Row, Central Milton Keynes.
- **AITCHISON RAFFETY GROUP** offers a full range of commercial property services, based at Fox Milne.
- **BIDWELLS** based at Fox Milne.
- **BROWN & LEE** chartered surveyors and property consultants, based at Furzton.
- **COMMERCIAL LYNX** commercial, industrial and retail property consultants based in Mount Farm.
- **CURRIE AND BROWN GROUP** property project management consultancy, based on South Fifth Street.
- **DAVID LOCK ASSOCIATES** the firm of town planners and urban designers work throughout the UK as well as MK, master-planning large scale sites but also offering planning advice to growing companies.
- **DOUGLAS DUFF** chartered surveyors, based at Linford Wood.
- **ELLIOT CHARLES GROUP** property developers based in Stony Stratford.
- **FRONTIER ESTATES** property developers based at Caldecotte Business Park.
- **GAZELEY PROPERTIES** property developers, based at Linford Wood.
- **GERALD EVE** chartered surveyors and property consultants, based on Avebury Boulevard.
- **KIRKBY & DIAMOND** chartered valuation, building and quantity surveyors, rural practice & commercial property consultants based in Central Milton Keynes.
- **KNIGHT FRANK** global property consultancy based in The Hub, Central Milton Keynes.
- **LAMBERT SMITH HAMPTON** based on Silbury Boulevard.
- **PATRICK PUNCH & CO** chartered surveyors based on Midsummer Boulevard.



PROPERTY PROFESSIONALS

- **STIMPSONS EVES** chartered surveyors based at Newport Pagnell.
- **WILLOWBRITE** property investors, developers and managers based in Woolstone.



LEGAL

Milton Keynes is also home to a growing number of legal firms.

- **BORNEOS** based on Silbury Boulevard and in Newport Pagnell.
- **DENTON WILDE SAPTE** based on Upper Fifth Street.
- **EMW PICTON HOWELL LLP** based at Knowhill.
- **FRANKLINS SOLICITORS** based on Silbury Boulevard.
- **GORVINS SOLICITORS** based at Knowhill.
- **HOWES PERCIVAL** based on Upper Third Street.
- **KIMBELLS** based at Knowhill.
- **MATTHEW ARNOLD & BALDWIN** based on Grafton Gate.
- **PURCELL SOLICITORS** based on Silbury Boulevard.
- **SHOOSMITHS** based on Witan Gate.
- **TOLLERS** based on Silbury Boulevard.



TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Milton Keynes plays host to operations for a number of leading telecoms companies, including:

- **BRITEYELLOW** provides mobile and wireless communications technology expertise and delivery and is based at the Cranfield Innovation Centre.
- **BT** the leading telecoms company, has major premises in Milton Keynes including its Computer Support Centre in Bletchley.
- **HQ** • **CABLE & WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS** has local presence with offices on Buckingham Road, Bletchley.



OTHER EMERGING SECTORS

Other business sectors, currently in their infancy, may begin to emerge more strongly in future, led by the major organisations which are already in Milton Keynes.

PROFESSIONAL BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

- **BRITISH STANDARDS INSTITUTION (BSI)** is based at Linford Wood.
- **THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES** has offices on Avebury Boulevard.
- **THE INSTITUTE OF GROUNDSMANSHIP** is based at Wolverton Mill.

PUBLIC SECTOR

- **BRITISH WATERWAYS** has its South East regional office on Elder Gate.
- **HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS** has a base on Silbury Boulevard.
- **HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AGENCY (HCA)** the national Housing and Regeneration Agency for England, is based on Midsummer Boulevard.
- **THE AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD** is based at Winterhill.
- **THE FOREIGN & COMMONWEALTH OFFICE** has offices at Hanslope and in Central Milton Keynes.



CHARITY SECTOR

- **ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY** has a branch in Stoney Stratford.
- **ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE WITH M.E.** is based at Tongwell.
- **MILTON KEYNES COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** a local independent grant-making charity for voluntary and community groups, based on Midsummer Boulevard.
- **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED CHILDREN** is a membership charity based at Bletchley.
- **NATIONAL ENERGY FOUNDATION** based at Knowlhill, is a charity which works with people and businesses to help them implement energy efficient measures and use renewable energy sources.
- **SPINAL INJURIES ASSOCIATION** has its HQ at Oldbrook.
- **SPORTS LEADERS UK** is a personal development charity for young people, based at Linford Wood.
- **WORLD VISION** the leading international development agency, has its UK HQ at Fox Milne.



INVESTING IN MILTON KEYNES

With a tremendous track record in attracting business to the area since its creation, Milton Keynes welcomes inward investment from overseas and UK companies. The city also encourages and enables reinvestment and long term expansion from companies already here.

Invest Milton Keynes is the inward investment agency for the city. We offer you the following free services:

- Online site and premises search
- Relocation and market information
- Assistance with relocating staff and families
- Lists of local suppliers
- City tours for business enquirers
- Ongoing information and support

FIND OUT MORE

For further information please contact Ann Everitt or Kelly Bowman on 01908 200 800 or visit our website.

Invest  Milton Keynes
www.investmiltonkeynes.com

The details contained in this document are for information only. While Invest Milton Keynes makes every effort to check that the information contained in these pages is correct and up-to-date at the time of publication, it cannot be held responsible for any errors or omissions. All trademarks in this document are the property of their respective owners. Information correct as of November 2008.

