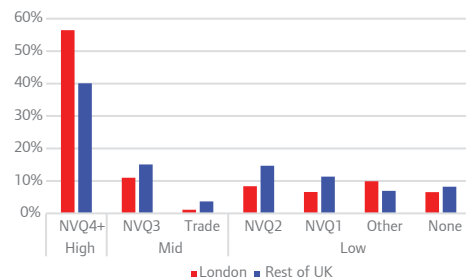


Skills strategy for Londoners: Evidence base

Qualification level

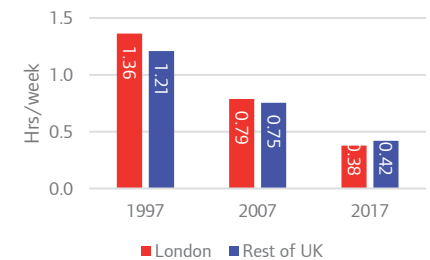
London residents are highly qualified compared to the rest of the UK. In 2017, **56%** of Londoners age 25-64 had **degree-level qualifications**, compared to 40% in the rest of the UK.



This skills evidence base supports the Mayor's skills strategy, 'Skills for Londoners'. It covers the demand for and supply of skills, inequalities in skills, employer training, and the training and education system.

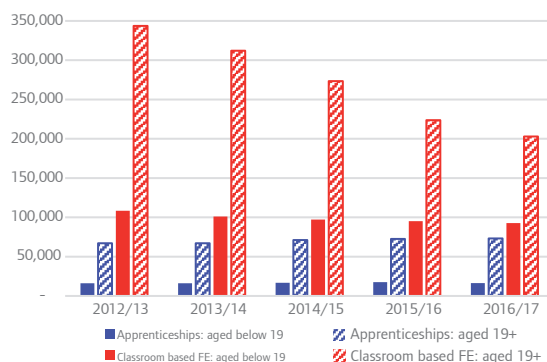
Falls in training

In 2017, in London, there were **0.4 hours** of **training** undertaken in the past week for every person employed. The level of employer training in London (and the rest of the UK) has fallen over the past 20 years.



Further education & apprenticeships

Spending on adult education has fallen since 2010, reflected in lower participation. Between 2012/13 & 2016/17 the number of adult Londoners (age 19+) in **classroom-based further education fell 41%**, although the number of adult apprenticeships increased by 9% in this period.



Skills gaps & shortages

In 2015, almost **200,000** people working in London were considered to be **under-skilled** for their job (4.4% of employment). There were also 40,000 vacancies that employers found hard to fill because of a lack of skills.

