

The future of jobs

in economics



Economic decisions shape the conditions individuals and organisations operate in. As well as paving the way into specialist work, economics provides transferable skills such as problem solving and data analysis.

Subject skills:



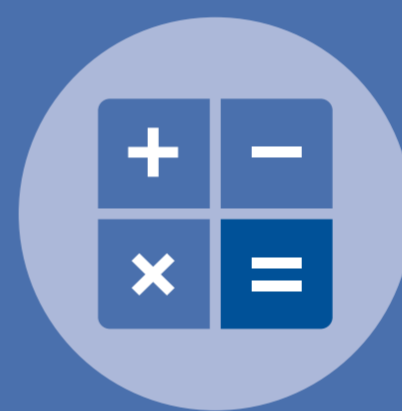
Communication



Data analysis



Decision making



Numeracy



Problem solving



CONSULTANCY › SPACE ECONOMIST

- You'll analyse the economic and commercial potential of space ventures so governments and companies can approve projects.
- Space can help meet our needs – such as through asteroid mining, which will make up for dwindling resources on Earth.
- UK jobs for economists and statisticians will grow by 7.2% to 2027, and rising space exploration makes this a promising niche.

Subject skill

Critical thinking: You'll think critically to help businesses make sound economic decisions about space ventures.



IT & THE INTERNET › DIGITAL AND TECHNOLOGY ECONOMIST

- You'll work in a tech company, using your economic skills and knowledge to help understand and solve business problems.
- Companies including Amazon, Airbnb, Uber, Microsoft and Google are employing increasing numbers of economists.
- In 2019, the UK's digital tech sector grew nearly 6 times faster than the national average, now employing 2.9 million people.

Subject skill

Data analysis: Your role will involve analysing tech companies' data, delivering insights to help develop the business.

How will the most popular industries for economics graduates change?

Business, HR and finance › Big data is playing an increasingly important role in business.

Marketing, PR and sales › Market research jobs are expected to grow by around 10% to 2027.

Clerical › Many basic technical tasks are expected to be automated over the coming decade.



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