

Leeds City Region COVID-19 Dashboard



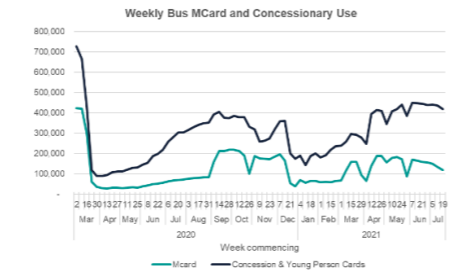
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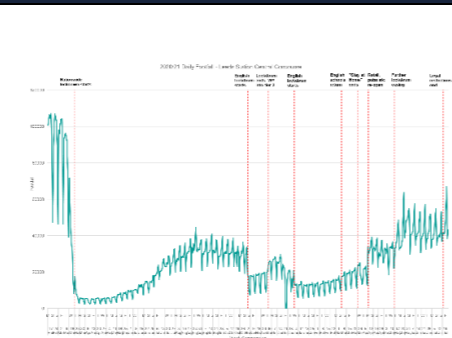
Local bus patronage

For the week beginning Monday 19th July 2021, the combined level of MCard and concessionary fare use shows a 53% reduction against the week beginning 2nd March 2020, a 6% decrease against the previous week.
Source: WYCA NERO Reports



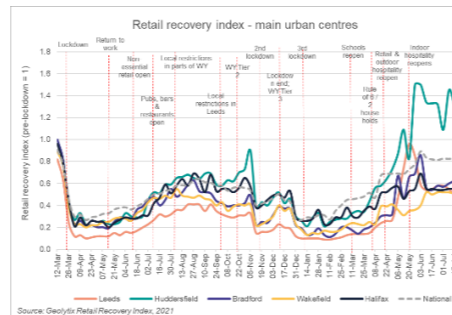
Station footfall

Data from Network Rail shows total daily footfall levels on Leeds Station Central Concourse. For the week beginning Monday 19th July 2021, this shows a 49% reduction against the week beginning 2nd March 2020, a 14% increase against the previous week.
Source: Network Rail / Station Capacity Team
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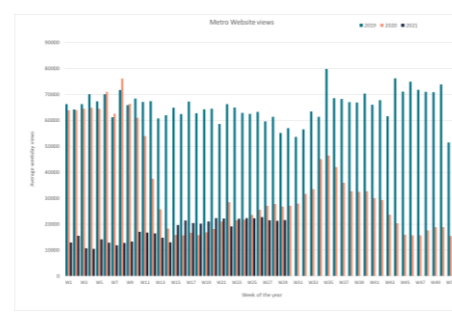
City / town centre activity

Activity in four of West Yorkshire's four main urban centres, aside from Bradford have dropped slightly from previous weeks. Bradford has seen a slight increase growing to 69% of pre-pandemic baseline. The main urban centres have footfall well under the per-pandemic baseline. The exception was Huddersfield, which has consistently exceeded its pre-pandemic baseline of 22% above, a slight drop from previous week.



Metro website hits

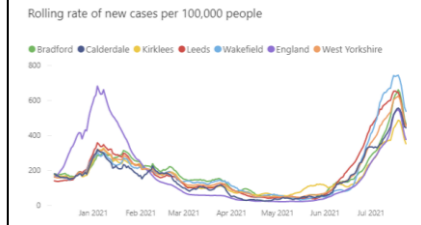
In the last week the average number of pageviews for the METRO website was 39% of the number in the same week of 2019. The average number of weekday pageviews increased 2% from the previous week, and is 40% higher than the lowest point in 2020.



Social and economic impacts

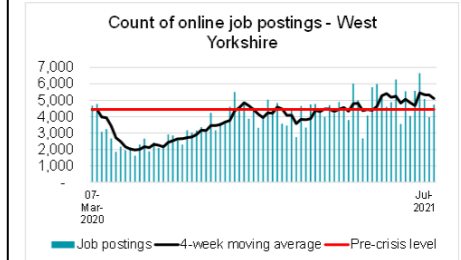
Local virus prevalence

As of the 24th July 2021, the 7-day moving average West Yorkshire COVID-19 rate was 449.9 cases per 100k. This represents a steep decline from the most recent peak of 624 cases per 100k in the week ending 19th July. Currently Wakefield has the highest case rate at 536.3 cases per 100k. With Kirklees having the lowest 350.9 cases per 100k.



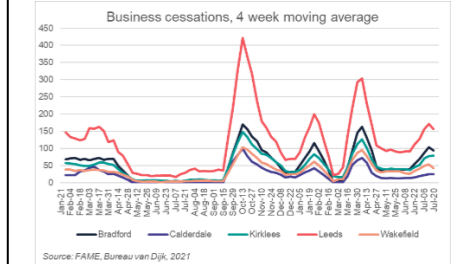
Local labour market

The number of vacancies for jobs in West Yorkshire posted online during week ending 24 July fell by 4% compared with the previous week, based on a 4-week moving average (national average decline: 3%). These small movements in the weekly count reflect the underlying volatility in this indicator. The overall picture remains positive: the moving average has now been above its pre-crisis level (week ending March 14 2020) for 13 consecutive weeks.



Local business / economic data

There were 399 business liquidations in West Yorkshire up to the week ending 20th July, based on a four week moving average, according to data from Bureau van Dijk's Fame database. This represents a downward trend from previous weeks high of 498. At local authority level, the latest four week moving average is up 159% in Bradford – the fastest increase among LAs, with Calderdale seeing the lowest increase at 77%.



Local business insight

The chart on the right shows the number of issues reported to growth managers by businesses in the region, broken down by month. Over the year issues around Importing & Exporting and Workforce & People have been the most reported issues. In July 32% of issues have been reported are around Importing & Exporting, overtaking issues around Workforce & People at 30%.

