The foreign born make up the largest share of the population in Bradford (15.8%) and Sheffield (13.6%) with much lower shares in other areas such as North East Lincolnshire (5.1%) and East Riding (5.7%).

Most migrants in Yorkshire and the Humber are from non-EU countries: 56% in 2017, compared to a UK average of 61%. In 2017 there were:

- 236,000 EU-born residents (4% of the region’s population; 44% of the region’s foreign-born residents)
- 299,000 non-EU born residents (6% of the region’s population; 56% of the region’s foreign-born residents)
- 4,839,000 UK-born residents (90% of the region’s population)

What are the top countries of birth for migrants in Yorkshire and the Humber?

The top countries of birth in Yorkshire and the Humber in 2017 were:

- Poland: 83,000 or 16% of the region’s foreign born
- Pakistan: 80,000 or 15%
- Romania: 29,000 or 5%
- India: 26,000 or 5%
- Germany: 21,000 or 4%

All these countries are also among the top countries of origin for the UK as a whole.

What industries do foreign-born workers in Yorkshire and the Humber work in?

Approximately 12% of people working in Yorkshire and Humber are foreign born, lower than the UK average of 18%. This includes 6% from EU countries (154,000 workers) and 6% from non-EU countries (56,000 workers).

The top industry grouping employing EU migrants in 2017 was retail (38,000 EU-born workers), and the top industry grouping employing non-EU migrants was health, education and public administration (49,000 non-EU born workers). These figures exclude seasonal agricultural work, which is not captured in the official data.