

Scottish Local Authorities Economic Development (SLAED) Performance Indicators and links to the National Performance Framework

Scotland's [National Performance Framework](#) was developed to capture Scotland's values and aspirations. It covers a broad range of areas including an aim to achieve inclusive and sustainable growth.

There are parallels between some of the framework indicators and some [SLAED performance indicators](#). SLAED indicators are focussed on Local Authorities and many of the economic measures used in the framework are not available at a local level.

Local Authorities play a valuable role in improving many of the framework measures and there are links across all of the national outcome areas. Below are the current links between SLAED indicators and the National Performance Framework. Direct links are where the measures are the same and use the same source data. Indirect links use different data but aim to highlight the same issue or outcome.

Economy

Direct link

NPF: Access to superfast broadband

Percentage of residential and non-residential addresses where superfast broadband is available.

Source: Ofcom

SLAED: % Premises able to receive Superfast Broadband (30Mbit/s)

This measures the percentage of premises in each council area able to access Superfast Broadband (30Mbit/s)

Source: Ofcom

Indirect links

Productivity (NPF) is similar to GVA per hour worked/job filled (SLAED) with the framework data is displayed as a ranking against key trading partners.

Income Inequality (NPF) is similar to 5 year % Change in median income vs change in lowest quintile (SLAED) as they both seek to measure inequality changes over time.

Entrepreneurial Activity (NPF) is related to New Business Starts (SLAED) as they both seek to measure entrepreneurial activity in different ways.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions (NPF) is related to Carbon emissions per capita (SLAED) ¹

Education

Direct link



NPF: Skill Profile of the Population

Proportion of adults aged 16-64 with low or no qualifications at SCQF level 4 or below

Source: Annual Population Survey

SLAED: OC7 Working age population with low/no qualifications

Provides a percentage of the working age population (aged 16-64) that have either no formal qualifications or qualifications at SCQF (Scottish Credit & Qualifications Framework) Level 4 or lower.

Source: Scottish Government

Source: Annual Population Survey

Fair Work and Business

Direct link

NPF: Employees on the living wage

This indicator measures the percentage of workers earning less than the living wage.

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE)

SLAED: IG5 Percentage of those earning less than the Real Living Wage

This measures employees who are earning less than the Living Wage in Scotland and is based on employees who are aged 18+, on the PAYE system on adult rates and whose pay was not affected by absence. Levels are calculated using low pay calibration weights in line with ONS guidance and hourly earnings excludes any overtime payments. The Local Authorities are 'workplace' based, so the data includes all those that work in the Council area regardless of where they live.

Source: Supplementary ASHE Analysis (Scottish Government)

Indirect link

The number of businesses (NPF) is related to New Business Starts (SLAED)

Economic Participation (NPF) is related to Claimants in out-of-work benefits (SLAED)

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¹ For the 2020-21 SLAED report, Carbon emissions will be reintroduced.