

# UK Medical Technology Sector

## Bioscience and Health Technology

### Sector Statistics 2020



Office for  
Life Sciences

#### Headlines



#### Sector characteristics

**65%** of life science industry businesses operate in the Med Tech sector

These businesses account for:

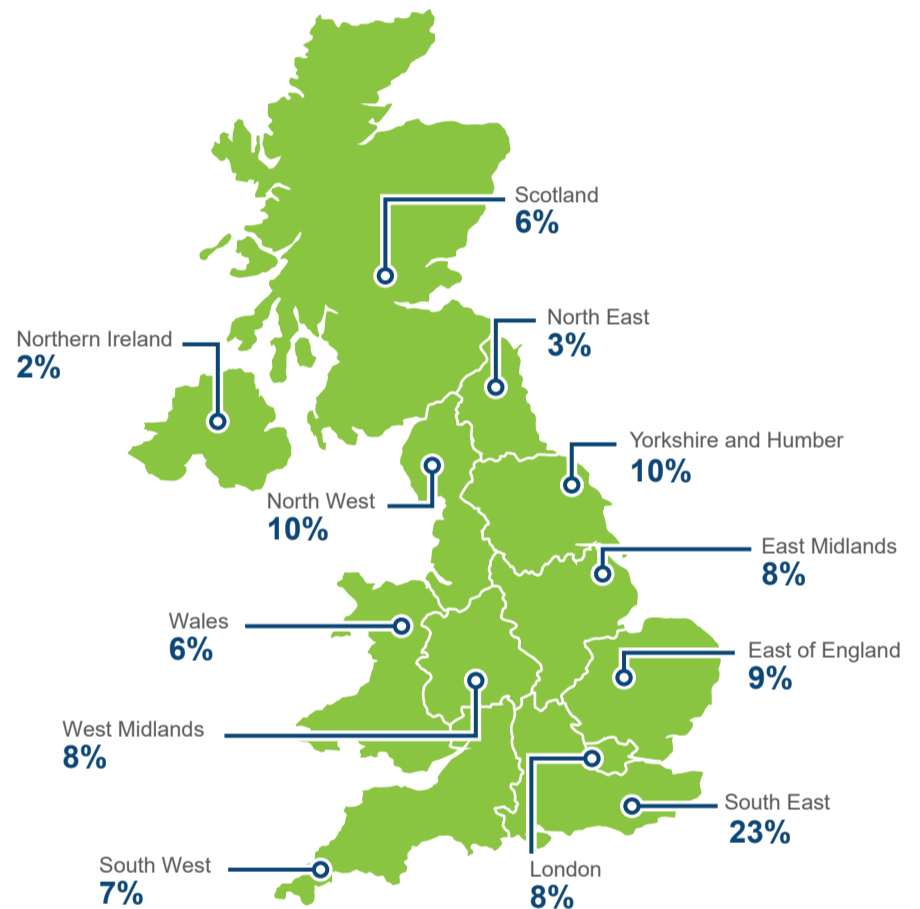
**52%** of life science industry employment

**31%** of life science industry turnover

#### What is the Medical Technology sector?

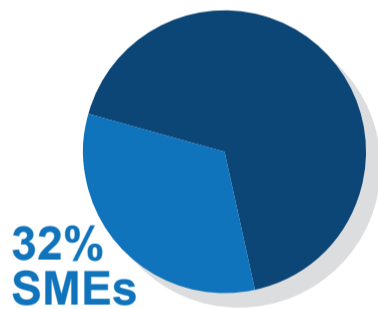
Businesses involved in developing and/or producing Med Tech products, from single-use consumables, such as syringes, to complex hospital equipment and digital health. Includes supply chain and specialist service sector.

#### Distribution of employment across UK



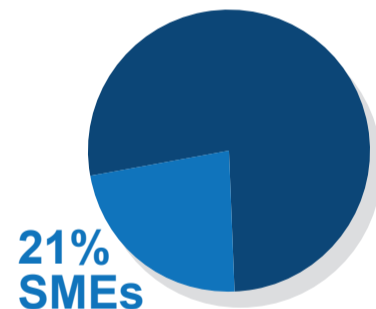
#### Sector employment

**68%**  
Large Companies



#### Sector turnover

**79%**  
Large Companies



\*For a small number of records (<1% of employment and turnover for the Med Tech sector) it is not possible to classify businesses as SMEs or non-SMEs. These 'unclassified' businesses are excluded from both the SME and non-SME totals.

#### Largest core segments by employment

- 1 Digital Health
- 2 Single Use Technology
- 3 In vitro diagnostics

Top 3 segments account for  
**32%**  
of all employment in the core Medical Technology sector

#### Largest core segments by turnover

- 1 Single Use Technology
- 2 Digital Health
- 3 In vitro diagnostics

Top 3 segments account for  
**27%**  
of all turnover in the core Medical Technology sector

#### Employment and turnover 2011 to 2020

**+14%**  
Employment  
**+3%**  
Turnover

The Core Med Tech sector increased **employment** by **13,100**, and **turnover** by **£0.7bn.**

#### Service and supply chain

An essential cluster of specialist suppliers supports the Medical Technology sector in the UK. Does not include non-life science companies.

**1,290** businesses

**31,600** employees

**£5.6bn** turnover

**23%** of sector employment

**20%** of sector turnover

For more information

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/bioscience-and-health-technology-database-annual-reports>