Cambridge innovation in numbers

The Cambridge Cluster
There are currently...

- **4,700+** knowledge intensive firms
- **61,100+** people employed by knowledge intensive firms
- **£12.3bn** in total turnover of knowledge intensive firms

- **3rd** most successful University innovation ecosystem in the world (MIT Skoltech Initiative Report, 2014)
- **29%** of people work in the knowledge intensive sectors
- **341.1** patent applications published per 100,000 residents

- **690+** knowledge intensive services companies
- **560+** high-tech manufacturing companies
- **420+** life science and healthcare companies
- **3000+** information technology and communication companies

Highest in the UK and more than the next four cities combined
The University

11,500+
people employed directly by the University

University expenditure of £1,807m

University income of £1,870m

98
Cambridge affiliates have been awarded the Nobel Prize since 1904

1,700+
researchers supported by Cambridge Enterprise (the University’s knowledge and technology transfer office)

19,200+
students at the University of Cambridge

87%
of submissions deemed world leading or internationally excellent in research according to the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF)

£1.6bn
in follow-on funding raised by University of Cambridge spin-outs in the Cambridge Enterprise portfolio since 1995

97.5%
...the 5-year survival rate of Cambridge Enterprise portfolio companies*

£68.6m
The total for translational research funding won with the support of Cambridge Enterprise, 2011-17

260+
firms founded by Cambridge University Computer Lab alumni

91.1%
Cambridge recent leavers are in employment or full-time study, no matter the degree. A further 5.43% are travelling or not looking for work


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