Economic growth and higher education

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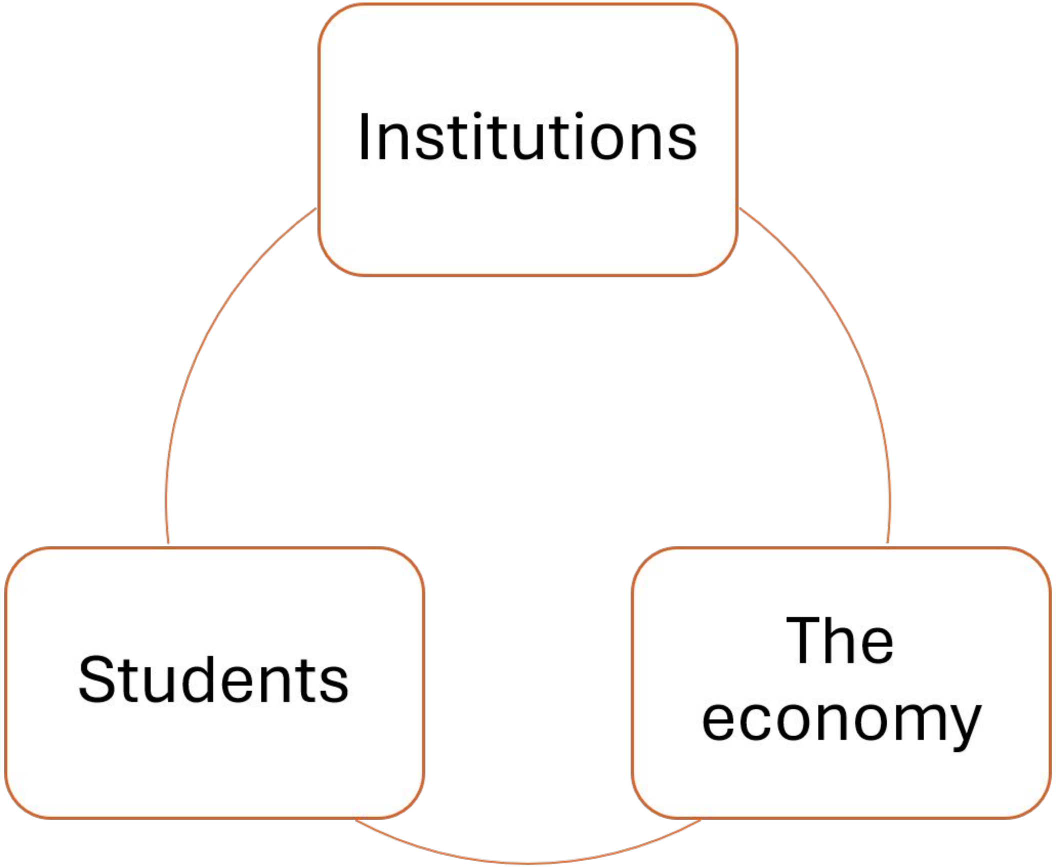
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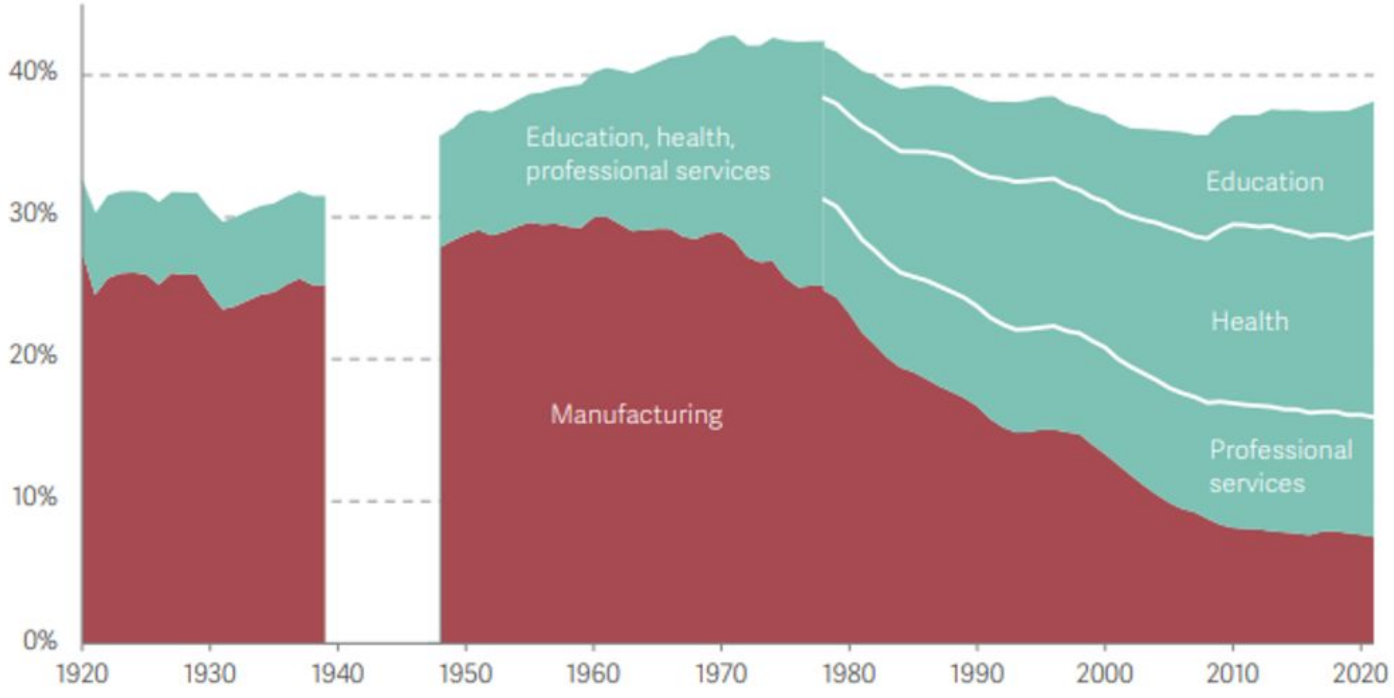
FIGURE 1: **Jobs in manufacturing fell sharply from 1970 onwards, and were replaced by jobs in services**

Proportion of employment by selected sectors: UK, 1920-2021



SOURCE: Analysis of ONS, Workforce Jobs; Bank of England, Millennium of Macroeconomic Data.


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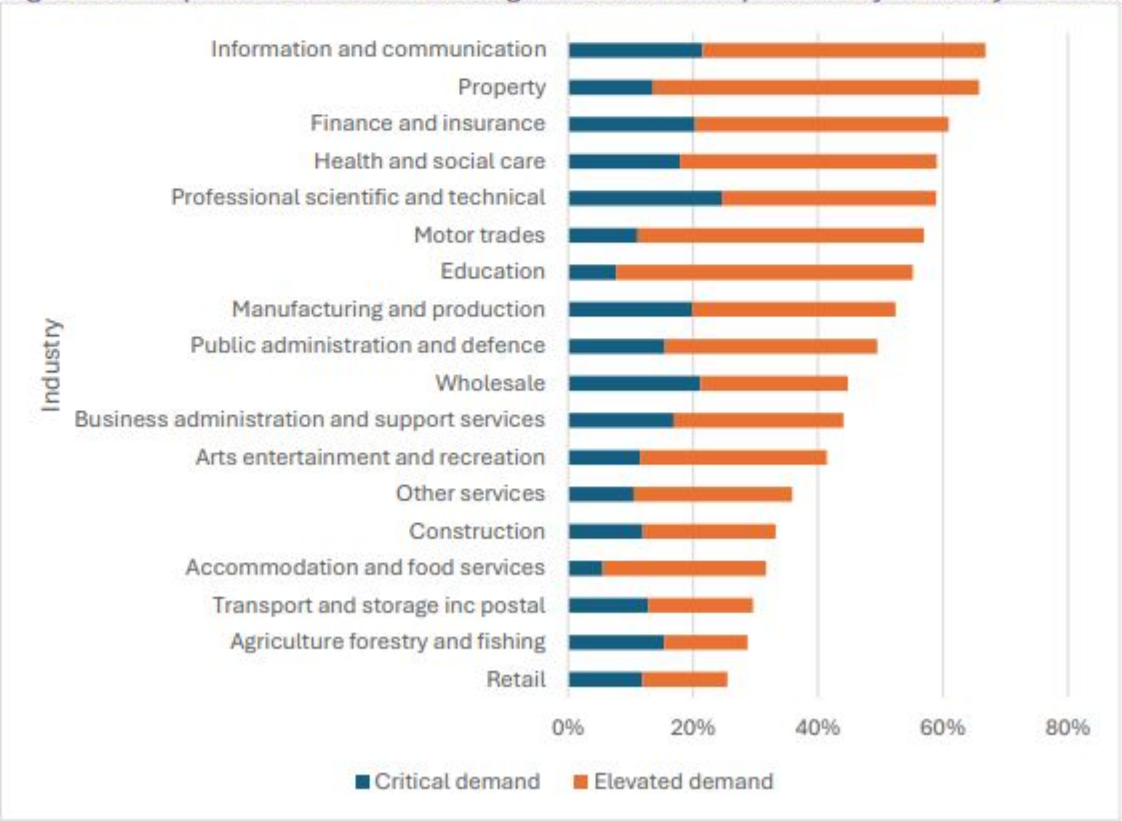
Figure 2: Proportion of workers in high demand occupations by industry in 2025



£86bn of R&D funding announced ahead of the Spending Review

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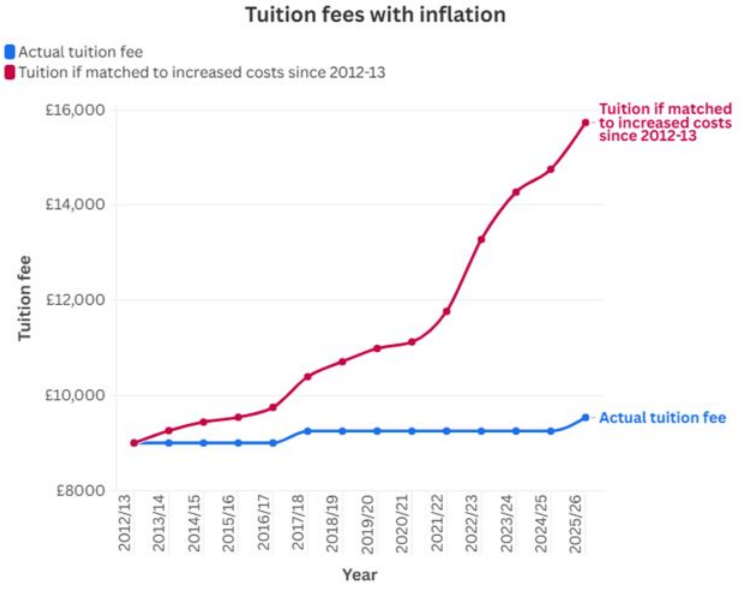
The Russell Group responds to the
to 2029/30, ahead of the upcoming

Average weekly earnings annual growth rates in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, January to March 2001 to October to December 2025

The key cost problem- *Universities UK Tuition Fees Rise What Does it Mean*

Tuition fees have been at a standstill since 2017, meaning that when taking inflation into consideration, the tuition fee is currently worth just £5,924 in 2012–13 prices.

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The great UKRI budget shake-up

The next four years of research funding will be organised in a very different way. Michael Salmon and James Coe explore how

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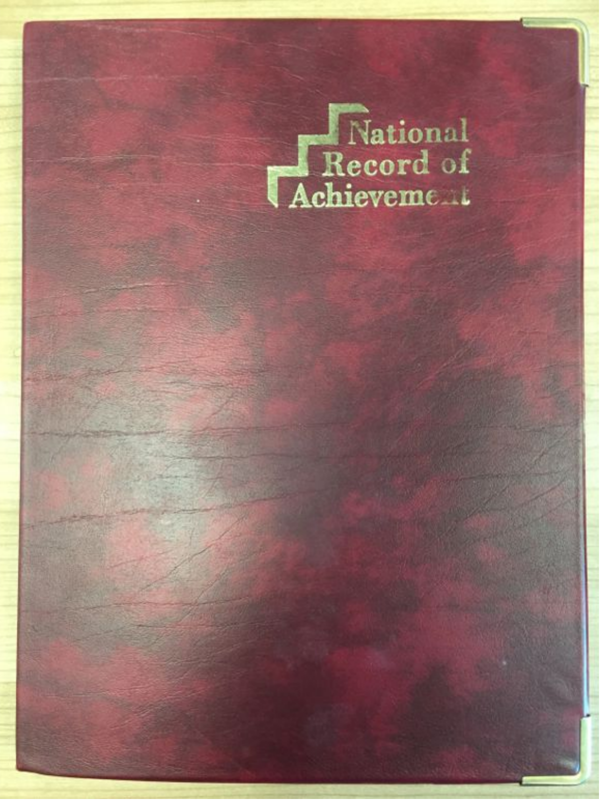
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