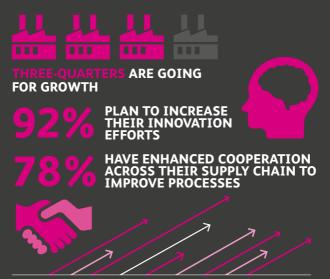


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MAKING THE INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY WORK FOR MANUFACTURING

Britain's manufacturers are ambitious about the future and about improving their productivity.



Government must support manufacturers' growth ambitions by making the UK a more internationally competitive location for industry.



WHY UK MANUFACTURING MATTERS





82% OF UK ADULTS AGREE

"A strong manufacturing sector is essential for the UK economy's future growth"





PRODUCTIVITY

THAN THE WHOLE ECONOMY AVERAGE



HIGHER THAN AND INCREASING FASTER THAN SERVICES





"The UK should aim to be in the top 5 manufacturing nations in the world by output"

"I would be proud to work in the UK manufacturing industry"

AN INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY IS NEEDED TO UNDERPIN A STRONGER ECONOMY

The right industrial strategy foundations are needed to enable manufacturing ambition and help secure wider social objectives. These include higher living standards through higher levels of productivity and the creation of high-skilled jobs.

The foundations that are needed from government:





The need for an industrial strategy is given further impetus as the structure of the economy is set to be transformed by Britain's exit from the European Union.

GOVERNMENT'S 'FIRST DRAFT' INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY WAS A STRONG START

The **focus was on cross-cutting policy areas** aimed at addressing the UK's **productivity challenges** and the strategy was presented as a **whole of government plan** with the Prime Minister taking the lead.

But **there were some gaps**, and industry will be looking to government to fill these gaps in the final draft expected before the end of 2017, to ensure the strategy is more robust and will deliver on expectations.

GOVERNMENT ALREADY PLAYS A ROLE IN DETERMINING ECONOMIC OUTCOMES

Through its daily decisions on procurement, international relations and regulation, the government shapes the economy.



THE AMOUNT THE GOVERNMENT SPENDS IN A YEAR ON GOODS AND SERVICES





£242bn

THE AMOUNT OF NET REGULATORY SAVINGS DELIVERED IN THE 12 MONTHS TO MAY 2016

83

THE NUMBER OF MINISTERIAL VISITS TO PRIORITY TRADE MARKETS IN 2016/17

An industrial strategy is about making that role more transparent, coherent and effective ensuring a stable framework through which businesses can take decisions with certainty to fulfil their ambitions.

WHO SHOULD AN INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY BE FOR?

An industrial strategy will need to be cognisant of, and responsive to, all **sectors that want to innovate and grow.** But in addition to that, there will always need to be special attention given to businesses in new sectors and new capabilities. These will deliver a competitive advantage or help the UK meet societal aims or overcome challenges.



WHAT COULD A SUCCESSFUL INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY HELP DELIVER?

Closing the productivity gap with competitors

Greater productivity gains in our lagging industries Growing businesses with more turnover accounted for by mid-size companies

> Reducing our trade deficit Raising the proportion of exportintensive companies Increasing the diversity of the markets we sell to More innovative firms, spending more Keeping the UK as an innovation leader in Europe Investing to catch up with competitors in automation technology Agreater economic growth contribution from investment

FILLING IN THE GAPS – WHAT'S MISSING IN THE INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY?



How will we know the industrial strategy is working? Stronger metrics are needed.





An ambiguous Sector Deals sign off process could undermine business confidence in industrial strategy.

BUILD ON EXISTING STRUCTURES TO ROLL OUT DEVOLUTION TO ALL AREAS

Task Local Enterprise Partnerships with being the Deal makers for Devolution Deals to help foster more industrious places.

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determines the competitiveness of the economy.

SET OUT HOW CROSS-GOVERNMENT COLLABORATION AND POLICY CONSISTENCY WILL BE ACHIEVED





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EEF is the voice of UK manufacturing and engineering. Everything we do is designed to help our industry thrive, innovate and compete.

Our membership and business services packages deliver expert support to thousands of companies in the UK, helping them to improve processes and productivity, maintain safe workplaces and attract, develop and retain skilled, productive and flexible workforces.

And, because we understand manufacturers so well, policy makers trust our advice and welcome our involvement in their deliberations. We work with them to create policies that are in the best interests of manufacturing, that encourage a high growth industry and boost its ability to make a positive contribution to the UK's real economy.

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UK MANUFACTURING 2016/17, THE FACTS:

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45% OF UK EXPORTS

OF BUSINESS R&D