

Scotland

Scotland is already benefiting from investments to boost living standards, spread opportunity, restore local pride and empower local leaders.

12 regions across Scotland will see **£1.5bn** of UK Government investment through City and Growth Deals. Of these, the Ayrshire Growth Deal will see a total of up to **£103m** invested to create over 7,000 new jobs across Ayrshire. The Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal will deliver up to **£265m** of investment over the next ten to 15 years, supporting cross-border partnership, innovation and growth. The Tay Cities Region Deal will deliver up to **£150m** of investment to the region, including in aviation and cyber security, and Stirling and Clackmannanshire will see **£45m** of investment.

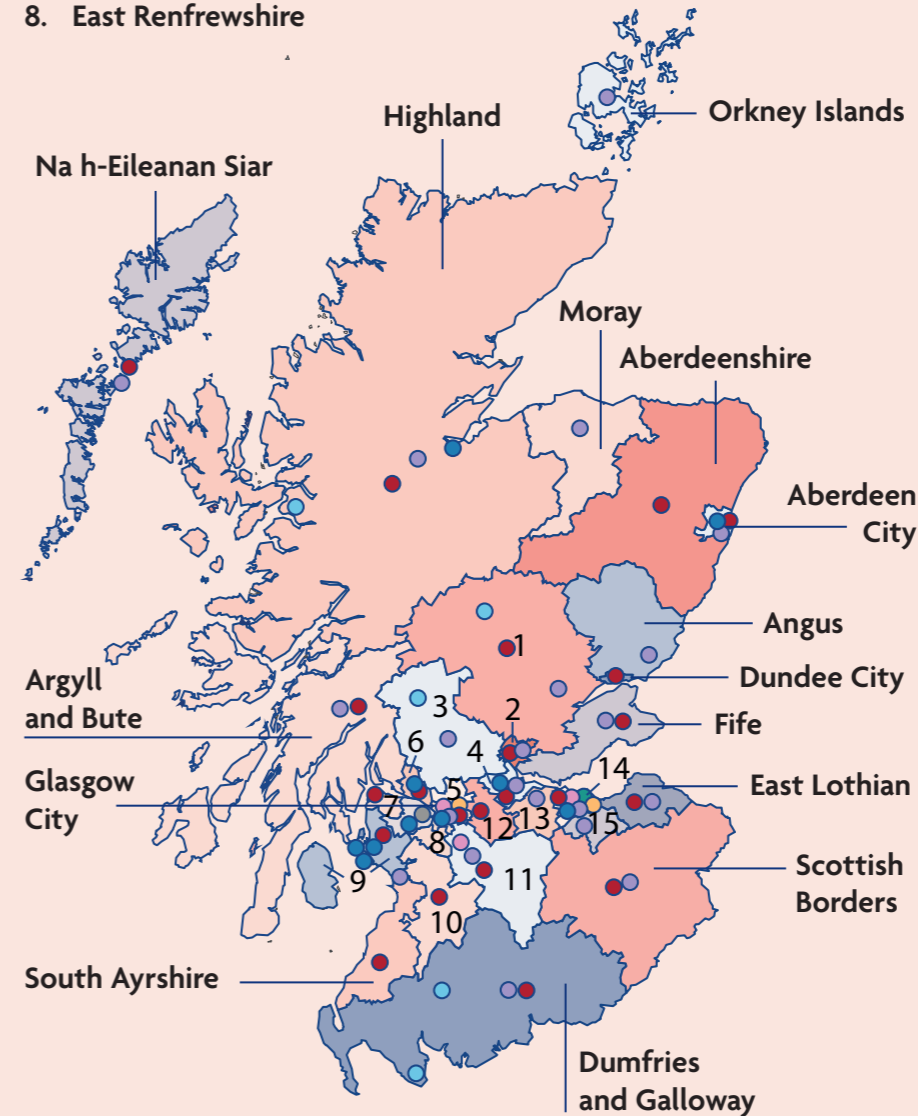
The first round of the Levelling Up Fund is backing eight projects in Scotland with

£172m of investment. Cultural and heritage attractions will be revitalised, including with the transformation of the Pollok Stables and Sawmill in Glasgow into a Net Zero hydro-powered heritage and community centre. Transport connectivity will be enhanced with a new direct route between Glasgow and the Three Towns in North Ayrshire, upgrades to Westfield Roundabout in Falkirk and improved links to Renfrewshire's Advanced Manufacturing Innovation District. Additionally, Granton Waterfront will be developed in Edinburgh, the Artizan Shopping Centre in West Dunbartonshire will be remodelled, Inverness Castle will be redeveloped and a new marketplace in Aberdeen City Centre will be delivered.

The UK Government will continue to work closely with the Scottish Government on a range of policies to drive tangible change in places and improve life chances.



1. Perth and Kinross
2. Clackmannanshire
3. Stirling
4. Falkirk
5. East Dunbartonshire
6. West Dunbartonshire
7. Inverclyde
8. East Renfrewshire
9. North Ayrshire
10. East Ayrshire
11. South Lanarkshire
12. North Lanarkshire
13. West Lothian
14. City of Edinburgh
15. Midlothian



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- **Levelling Up Fund:** Inverness, Aberdeen, Glasgow, the Three Towns in North Ayrshire (Ardrossan, Saltcoats and Stevenston), Renfrewshire, Edinburgh, Falkirk and West Dunbartonshire.
 - **City and Growth Deals:** Glasgow City Region, Aberdeen City Region, Inverness and the Highlands, Edinburgh and South East Scotland, Stirling and Clackmannanshire, Tay Cities, Ayrshire, Borderlands, Moray, Argyll and Bute, Falkirk and the Islands (Orkney, Shetland and the Outer Hebrides).
 - **Community Renewal Fund:** Argyll and Bute, Dumfries and Galloway, East Ayrshire, Falkirk, Glasgow City, Inverclyde, Na h-Eileanan Siar, North Ayrshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Ayrshire, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire, Clackmannanshire, East Lothian, Edinburgh, Fife, Highland, Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Dundee, Perth and Kinross.
 - **Community Ownership Fund:** Whithorn, Inverie, New Galloway, Kinloch Rannoch and Callander.
 - **Strength in Places Fund:** Glasgow and Edinburgh.
 - **Civil Service relocation:** Glasgow, East Kilbride and Edinburgh.
 - **Trade and investment hub:** Edinburgh.
 - **Medicines Manufacturing Innovation Centre:** Renfrewshire.



Scotland on the global stage

In October and November 2021, Glasgow hosted the **COP26 UN Climate Change Conference**, showcasing Scotland on the global stage. The Prime Minister brought together heads of state, climate experts and campaigners to agree coordinated action to tackle climate change. Glasgow, Scotland, and the whole of the UK, will benefit economically from having hosted the summit, including future growth in international tourism.

The UK Government has been taking action to level up Scotland:



Empowering local leaders and communities

£4.6bn additional funding to the Scottish Government per year on average through the Barnett formula from 2022-23 to 2024-25, on top of its annual baseline funding of £36.7bn. This funding enables the Scottish Government to provide additional investments in areas such as health, social care and education.

£1.5bn of UK Government investment has been committed to City and Growth Deals since 2014. These now cover every part of Scotland and will stimulate economic growth and jobs through investment in local projects.



Boosting productivity, pay, jobs and living standards

Over 8,900 homes and businesses will get access to next-generation broadband speeds thanks to £12.5m awarded through the UK Government's nationwide gigabit programme.

Expanding the trade and investment hub in Edinburgh to ensure Scotland benefits from the UK's global trade policy.

A pilot Innovation Accelerator centred on Glasgow City Region with access to £100m in funding. This is a new partnership to support the City Region to become a globally competitive centre for research and innovation.

£21m through the Strength in Places Fund for south west Scotland and Cumbria to develop technology to support and decarbonise the dairy industry, £38m for medical innovation and research in Glasgow and £23m for the Global Open Finance Centre of Excellence in Edinburgh.

£1.9bn for farmers and land managers and £42.2m to support fisheries from the UK Government over the 2021 Spending Review period. The UK Government has extended the recommendations of the Bew Review so that additional funding will continue to be provided to farmers in Scotland over the next three years.

Gigabit broadband coverage in Scotland increased from 5% in November 2019 to 60% in November

2021, and is forecast to reach 70-80% by 2025.

£500m committed across the UK through the Shared Rural Network programme to improve 4G coverage by 2025, increasing coverage to 91% in Scotland.

North Sea Transition Deal signed to support workers, businesses and the supply chain in the oil and gas industry, concentrated in the north east of Scotland, with the transition to a low carbon future, and £27m for the Aberdeen Energy Transition Zone.

The Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal, involving £265m of UK Government investment, is supporting cross-border partnership, innovation and growth, including £65m in Scotland.

217,430 new businesses created in Scotland between 2010 and 2020.

£150m for the British Business Bank to establish a new investment fund in Scotland to support access to finance for Scottish businesses, working closely with the Scottish Government and Scottish National Development Bank.

£13m for the Medicines Manufacturing Innovation Centre in Renfrewshire which will improve domestic medicine manufacturing to prepare for the risk of future health crises.



Spreading opportunity and improving public services

500 extra jobs for civil servants to be employed by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office in East Kilbride and a planned Cabinet Office base in Glasgow by 2024, providing new jobs, attracting investment and bringing policymakers closer to the people they serve in Scotland.

10,970 Kickstart jobs started by young people and 19 Youth Hubs opened to help young jobseekers access local training and job opportunities.

736,500 jobs were furloughed and protected in Scotland through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme.



Restoring local pride

Over £170m for eight projects in Scotland from the Levelling Up Fund including in Inverness, Aberdeen, Falkirk and West Dunbartonshire.

Up to £3m over three years to boost Glasgow's cultural offer. The funding will be directed to the Burrell Collection, recognising its important cultural and economic contribution to the UK.

Up to £1m made available to support the delivery of an Extreme E race in Scotland, the 2022 Hebrides X-Prix. The event will highlight the climate challenges faced by different ecosystems and showcase Hebridean green Hydrogen to a global audience.

Over £1m from the Community Ownership Fund, representing 20% of the total value of fundable bids, for five projects to protect valued community assets in Whithorn, Inverie, New Galloway, Kinloch Rannoch and Callander.

£18m through the Community Renewal Fund for over 50 projects across Scotland including an employment and wellbeing programme for people living in the Scottish Borders.

£2m of UK Government funding to improve grassroots sports facilities and increase opportunities for people to get involved in sports, especially in communities most in need.