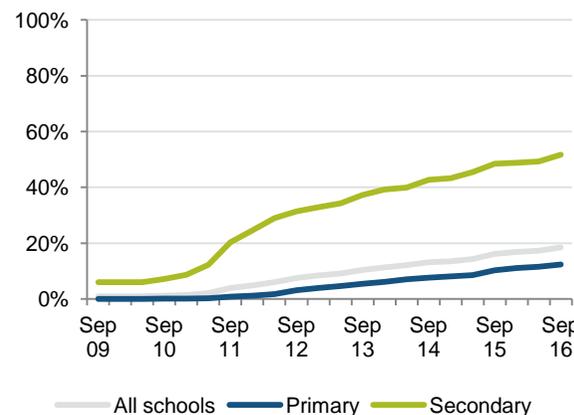


North of England has the joint lowest level of academisation (with Lancashire and West Yorkshire) amongst RSC regions but growth in the secondary phase during 2015–16 is just above the national average.

1. Growth in academisation in the primary phase was the joint lowest of all RSCs over the last 12 months.
2. The region has by far the lowest number of academies in SATs and starter/established trusts.
3. Growth among the highest academised LAs in this region has been strong, particularly within the primary phase. This was largely due to Middlesbrough, which has had the second highest growth (23 per cent) amongst all LAs over the last 12 months.
4. This region has the country's least academised LA (North Tyneside at four per cent) and the fourth most academised LA nationally (Darlington at 78 per cent).

Growth in academisation was stronger than average in the secondary phase but continues to be weaker in the primary.



Growth over the last 12 months was high among the top five academised LAs in the primary phase, while it was above average for both the top five and bottom five in the secondary phase.

	Primary	Secondary
Top 5 academised LAs	7.8%	3.6%
Bottom 5 academised LAs	0.8%	4.0%

The level of academisation varies greatly by LA; Although there are two LAs where more than 50 per cent of schools are academies, three of the four largest LAs in the region have fewer than 15 per cent of schools academised.

Key facts: 18 per cent of state schools in the region are academised.

12%

of **primary** schools are academies

2.1

percentage point **increase** since September 2015

52%

of **secondary** schools are academies

3.2

percentage point **increase** since September 2015

The region has the lowest number of academies in starter/established trusts of all RSCs, but almost three-quarters of these are good or outstanding.

