

West Midlands continues to have relatively consistent levels of academisation across its LAs. Growth in academisation was broadly the same across the primary and secondary phases over the last 12 months.

1. The West Midlands is one of two regions where growth has been stronger than the national average in both the primary and secondary phases.
2. The region has amongst the highest number of good and outstanding academies amongst SATs and starter/established trusts.
3. Growth among the highest academised LAs in this region has been a little greater than in the lowest academised LAs in both phases, leading to a slight widening of the range between the highest and lowest LAs.
4. Levels of academisation across LAs ranges from 13 per cent in Cheshire West and Chester to 48 per cent in Stoke on Trent.

Key facts: 31 per cent of state schools in the region are academised.

22%

of **primary** schools are academies

68%

of **secondary** schools are academies

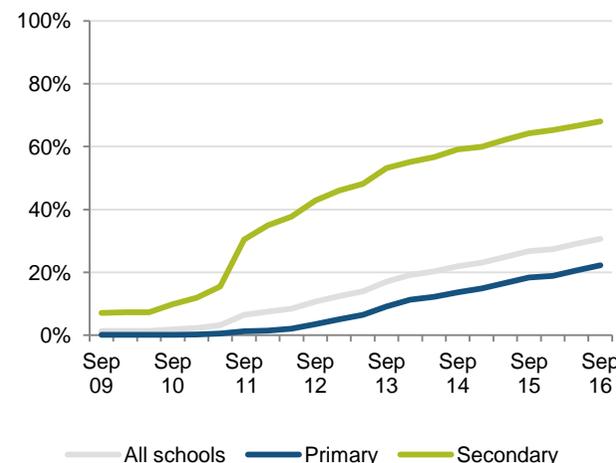
4.2

percentage point **increase** since September 2015

3.9

percentage point **increase** since September 2015

Academy growth in the secondary phase was amongst the highest when compared with other regions, but was in line with the national average in the primary phase.

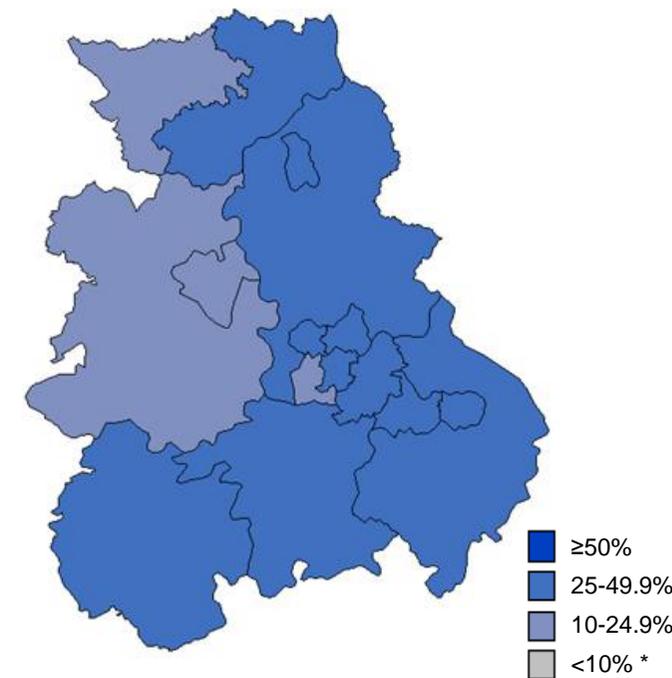
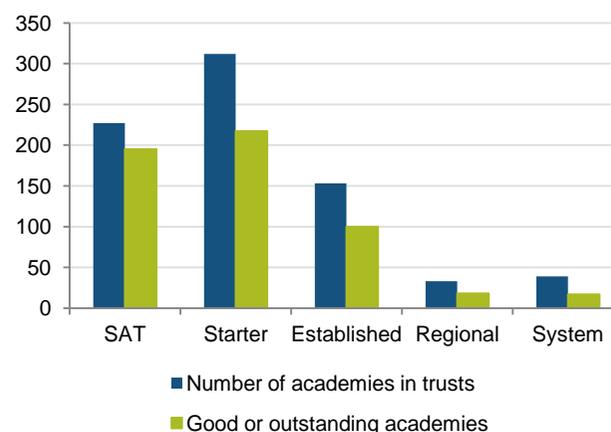


Growth has been higher among the most academised LAs in both phases, while the lowest academised LAs grew at a slower rate.

	Primary	Secondary
Top 5 academised LAs	5.1%	3.3%
Bottom 5 academised LAs	2.4%	2.2%

The level of academisation among LAs varies the least compared with other RSC regions: The most academised LA in this region has fewer than half of its schools with academy status.

The region has above average numbers of academies in starter/established trusts, and over two-thirds of these are good or outstanding.



* There are no LAs with <10 per cent academisation.