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East Anglia's Productivity Challenge: Exploring the issues

Despite a relatively high level of productivity, the East of England showed a poor record of raising output per working hour compared to other main regions and devolved nations in the UK over the past decade, according to a TPI report by the Bennett Institute for Public Policy at the University of Cambridge and the East Anglia Productivity Forum.

- Read the [insight paper](#) and the [executive summary](#)
- Read the reports for Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, North West England and the Midlands [on our website](#). London and the South and Yorkshire, Humberside and the North East are to come.



TPI insights into Levelling Up

With the Levelling Up white paper out today, catch up on TPI insights and analysis on what's needed to turn a slogan into meaningful regional growth. There's academic papers, videos, blogs and podcast episodes. Our most recent insights are from [Enrico Vanini](#) on identifying industrial renewal paths of places for Levelling Up and Professor Andy Westwood, who has been quoted by [Sky News](#). Explore them all [on our website](#).

The state of small business Britain 2021: enabling the triple transition

The Enterprise Research Centre (ERC) has released its annual review of trends affecting small and medium-sized enterprises in the UK. The ERC, a joint research



organisation based at Warwick and Aston Universities, has several TPI members. Read the report [on the ERC website](#).



Productivity Commission: international best practice

Register to watch The Productivity Commission's second oral evidence session on international best practice on Thursday, 17 February from 2pm-4.30pm on the [NIESR website](#). You can view the first evidence session about sizing the productivity problem on [YouTube](#), and [read the written submissions](#).



Making public sector productivity practical

TPI Managing Director Bart van Ark writes why productivity in the public sector is important and how to measure the outputs and outcomes in a service delivery model in an article for Capita, who also sponsor our [podcast series](#). Read Bart's insights on [Capita's website](#).



Do climate policies explain the productivity puzzle?

Have increased stringency of environmental regulations affected productivity growth in advanced economies? Find out in our newest [working paper](#) by Victor Ajayi, Geoffroy Dolphin, Karim Anaya and Michael Pollitt from Cambridge Judge Business School.



Has government Covid-19 business support helped?

Covid-19 government support schemes for smaller businesses are contributing to more positive investment intentions and employee wellbeing, and in doing so potentially sustaining or growing productivity in the longer term, write Halima Jibril and Stephen Roper in a blog

[published on the TPI website](#). They co-authored the TPI research paper *Covid-19 business support and SME productivity in the UK* with Mark Hart.



IPM No. 41: Is Egypt really more productive than the U.S?

The latest issue of the the [International Productivity Monitor](#), in collaboration with the Centre for the Study of Living Standards, is now out and includes the article:

[Is Egypt really more productive than the United States? The data behind the Penn World Table](#) by Robert Inklaar and Pieter Woltjer.

- A new feature in recent versions of the Penn World Table is data on comparative levels of total factor productivity (TFP) across countries. In the latest version, several countries have a TFP level well above that of the United States, including Egypt.

If you do not yet have a complimentary subscription to the IPM, please sign up [on our website](#).

Upcoming Events

- 2 February** *How behavioural insights has transformed public policy, and what next* Original Thinking lecture with TPI's Professor Felicity Algate. Book on the [AMBS website](#).
- 9 February** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Tony Venables.
- 16 February** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Elodie Andrieu.
- 17 February** Productivity Commission second evidence session focusing on international best practice. More details on the [NIESR website](#).
- 2 March** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Jagjit Chadha.
- 9 March** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). John Ponquiz.
- 16 March** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Issam Samiri.
- 23 March** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Richard Jones & Eoin O'Sullivan.
- 30 March** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Manuel Tong & Diane Coyle.
- 6 April** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Kim Myungun.
- 13 April** Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Oleksii Romanko.

TPI Publications

Our Working Papers and Productivity Insight Papers can be [found on our website](#).

- Inward investment and UK productivity [Read](#)
- Understanding productivity: Organisational Capital perspectives [Read](#)
- Leveraging the benefits of location decision into performance [Read](#)
- Incentive regulation, productivity growth and environmental effects: the case of electricity networks in

- Climate change and fiscal responsibility [Read](#)
- UK's Industrial Policy: Learning from the past? [Read](#).
- The idea of productivity [Read](#)
- Covid-19 business support and SME productivity in the UK [Read](#)
- Uber And Beyond: Policy Implications for the UK [Read](#)
- Public Investments in COVID-19 green packages [Read](#)
- Great Britain [Read](#)
- Productivity in UK healthcare during and after the Covid-19 pandemic [Read](#)
- A concerted effort to tackle the productivity puzzle during the post-COVID era [Read](#)
- Human Capital & productivity [Read](#)
- Productivity & the Pandemic [Read](#)
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