

Wednesfield factsheet

Tata Steel's distribution and service centre at Wednesfield, West Midlands, has specialised in distribution and processing for 20 years, but the site itself has been home to steel for over a century.

The site houses four processing centres, providing services to key market sectors such as automotive, lifting & excavating, construction and general engineering.



21
years

Wednesfield has processed and distributed steel for two decades



UK's largest

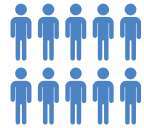
Wednesfield is the UK's largest steel distribution and processing centre, and the only one to be supported by a domestic steel mill.

2,000+
customers



More than 2,000 customers served, including yellow goods and automotive brands such as JCB, Jaguar Land Rover, General Motors, Caterpillar and BMW Mini

525
employees



Europe's most complete range

Wednesfield offers the most complete range of steel processing capability from a single site in all of Europe.



Key to the automotive sector

Over £12m has been invested in Wednesfield's dedicated Automotive Service Centre in the last three years.

The site produces sophisticated, differentiated steel products, known as tailor welded blanks and press blanks, for car body panels, side impact bars and chassis & suspension among others.

In total, it houses 13 processing units, able to provide a complete range of sheets, slit coils, blanks, press blanks and tailor welded blanks in both steel and aluminium.

In addition to JLR and BMW Mini, it also supplies GM, Honda, Nissan and their Tier 1/2 suppliers and pressworkers.

£20m investment in the site over the last three years:

- Tailor Welded Blanking**
 £4m investment in additional Tailor Welded Blanking capacity that will treble the number of parts produced, supporting new export opportunities for high-value products
- Multi-Metal Press Blanking**
 £4m investment in large-scale press blanking capability for aluminium as well as steel
- Two-Dimensional Tailor Welded blanks**
 £4m investment in sophisticated 2D blanks, combining up to 5 parts of varying thickness and grade, providing customers weight-saving opportunities for automotive components
- Profiling Centre**
 £3m investment in additional plate profiling and machining capacity to support yellow good manufacturers
- Light Gauge Hub**
 £1m investment in the creation of a large-scale facility producing slit coils, sheets and blanks for many diverse applications.

Tata Steel's own rail terminal at Round Oak, West Midlands, provides a direct link and warehousing service to the main steel-consuming region of the UK.

The facility handles 10 trains per week, transporting over 700,000 tonnes of steel per annum; removing more than 28,000 lorry journeys per year.



Coins

Nearly all of the 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p UK coins in circulation are processed at Wednesfield, and originate from steel made in Port Talbot.



Road safety

Highway safety barriers up and down British roads are processed at Steelpark, including our Vetex range of products.



Yellow goods

We supply profiled and machined steel plate, decoiled sheets and bar to the worlds largest yellow goods manufacturers



Automotive

Thousands of parts for automotive customers are shaped and blanked at Steelpark, including body sides, door panels, hoods and side impact bars.



Light Gauge applications

Steel processed at Wednesfield's light gauge centres can be found in everything from racking and shelving, to office furniture and storage drums.



Distribution UK & Ireland

Tata Steel's extensive UK and Ireland distribution and service network processes coil and sheet products and houses:

- National Processing hubs in Wednesfield, Llanwern in Wales and Lisburn in Northern Ireland
- Metal Centres across the UK
- A dedicated Rail Terminal at Roundoak.

