

Economic Development in Darmstadt

General Information

History

Emperor Ludwig der Bayer appoints Darmstadt the status of a city 23 July 1330

Following long-time residence and capital of Hesse-Darmstadt

In the early 20th century center of the German arts&crafts-movement („Jugendstil“)

Population

Population (main residence)	138,623
Foreign nationals	16.6%
Population (secondary residence)	10,420

Students

Students including	33,547
– University of Technology	21,260
– University of Applied Sciences	11,040
– Protestant College of Darmstadt	1,247

Source: Datenreport 2004, Statistische Kurzberichte 2/2005

Selection of prominent international enterprises with headquarters or major activities in Darmstadt

Merck · Deutsche Telekom · Wella · Deutsche Post · Degussa Röhm · Schenck · Goldwell · Software AG · Computer Associates

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Economic Resources

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

(1) Regional GDP per capita in Europe (EU) Darmstadt (administration district) 32,465 KKS Rank No. 13
in comparison

– Inner London 66,756 KKS
– Ile de France (Paris) 37,283 KKS

(2) GDP per capita in Germany Darmstadt (administration district) 32,465 KKS Rank No. 3
in comparison

– Hamburg 39,756 KKS
– Oberbayern (Munich) 33,445 KKS

Source: eurostat press release No. 13/2005

Rankings in magazines

"Die NUMMER 1 im Internet" – „The No. 1 in Internet“

result

Rank No. 2 among 100 German cities

Source: Focus Magazine 12/2000

"Deutschlands Regionen im High-Tech-Test" – „High-tech-test of the German regions“

result

Rank No. 3 among all 97 German regions

Source: Wirtschaftswoche Magazine 38/2002

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Job Market

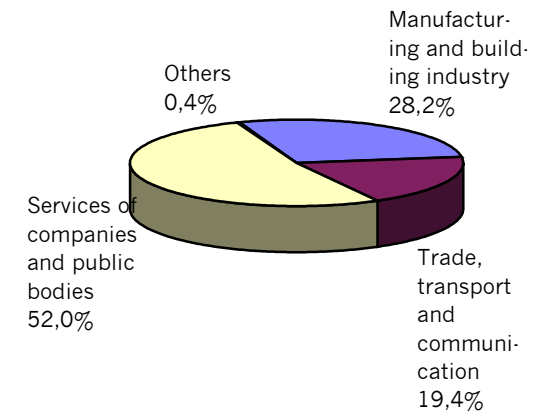
Employees

2003: approx. 120,000

Unemployment rate

December 2004 9.9 %

Employees contributing to National Insurance listed by sectors



Source: Statistische Berichte 2/2002, Bundesagentur für Arbeit, own survey

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Traffic Network

Road traffic

Federal motorways (Autobahnen)
Darmstadt motorway intersection A 5 and A 67
8 km / 5 miles away A 661

Federal highways (Bundesstraßen)
B 3, B 26, B 42, B 426

Integration in Federal railway system

Darmstadt main station Intercity Express (ICE)
 Intercity (IC)
 Interregio (IR)
 Suburban railway to Frankfurt

Air traffic

Frankfurt Airport
25 km / 15.5 miles or 20 minutes by car

Distances to major business locations

Frankfurt 25 minutes by car

London, Paris, Milan, Zurich,
Vienna, Copenhagen within 2 hours by plane

Touristic destinations nearby

Heidelberg, Bergstrasse, Odenwald, Rheingau with Rudesheim, Rhine Valley with Loreley

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Centre of the technology region
Rhine-Main-Neckar

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Science, R&D in Darmstadt

Research institutes

- Academy for Musical Art – Akademie für Tonkunst
- Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences – FH Darmstadt
- Darmstadt University of Technology – TU Darmstadt
- Deutsche Post AG, R&D-Department
- Deutsche Telekom AG, R&D-Department
- European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites – EUMETSAT
- European Space Operations Centre – ESOC
- Federal Biological Research Institute – BBA
- Fraunhofer-Institute for Computer Graphics – FhG-IGD
- Fraunhofer-Institute for Integrated Publication and Information Systems – FhG-IPSI
- Fraunhofer-Institute for Secure Telecooperation – FhG-SIT
- Fraunhofer-Institute for Structural Strength – FhG-LBF
- German Institute for Research about Poland – Deutsches Poleninstitut
- German Plastics Institute – Deutsches Kunststoffinstitut
- Heavy-Ion Research Institute – GSI
- Hesse Centre for Design – Design Zentrum Hessen
- Hesse State and University Library
- Hesse State Archives
- Hesse State Museum
- International Music Institute – IMD
- International Network of Institutions for Advanced Education, Training and R&D in Computer Graphics – INI-GraphicsNet
- Institute for Art and Culture Mathildenhöhe
- Institute for Biodynamic Research – IBDF
- Institute for Integrated Traffic and Transportation Systems – ZIV
- Institute for Jazz – Jazz-Institut Darmstadt
- Institute for New Technical Form – INTEF
- Institute for Research on Housing and Environment – IWU
- Protestant University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt – EFH Darmstadt

Source: TU Darmstadt, own survey

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