

# Most visited free attractions – North East 2017

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Rank	Name of Attraction	Category	2016 Visitors	2017 Visitors	% Change 16-17
1	Great North Museum: Hancock	Museums & Art Galleries	507,637	486,711	-4.1%
2	BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art	Museums & Art Galleries	530,882	444,394	-16.3%
3	Sunderland Museum and Winter Gardens	Museums & Art Galleries	322,851 (E)	385,627 (E)	+19.4%
4	Locomotion The National Railway Museum at Shildon	Museums & Art Galleries	236,934	185,107	-21.9%
5	South Shields Museum and Art Gallery	Museums & Art Galleries	120,860	113,778	-5.9%
6	Castle Eden Dene National Nature Reserve	Wildlife	100,000 (E)	100,000 (E)	0.0%
7	Woodhorn, Museum and Northumberland Archives	Museums & Art Galleries	58,938	69,956	+18.7%
8	Staveley Nature Reserve	Wildlife	30,000 (E)	50,000 (E)	+66.7%
9	East Durham Heritage and Lifeboat Centre	Visitor Centres	34,408	43,612	+26.7%
10	Stephenson Railway Museum	Museums & Art Galleries	34,601	39,122	+13.1%

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11	Shingley Art Gallery	Museums & Art Galleries	26,368	29,404	+11.5%
12	Museum of Archaeology	Museums & Art Galleries	28,641 (E)	29,046 (E)	+1.4%
13	Living Seas Centre	Wildlife	20,252	25,000 (E)	+23.4%
14	Hatton Art Gallery	Museums & Art Galleries	DK	22,256	N/A
15	RNLI Zetland Lifeboat Museum	Museums & Art Galleries	10,000	10,500	+5.0%
16	Penshaw Monument	Historic Properties	DK	3,210	N/A
17	St Andrew's Church	Places of Worship	95	1,500 (E)	+1478.9%
18	Washington F Pit (Seasonal)	Workplace	1,263	1,440	+14%
19	Guisborough Museum	Museums & Art Galleries	890	1,146	+28.8%
20	Tynemouth Volunteer Life Brigade Museum	Museums & Art Galleries	1,000 (E)	1,100 (E)	+10.0%

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