

## Most visited 20 free attractions – North East England 2013

\*Note: Country Parks excluded as numbers may include visitors to the park only E = Estimate

Rank	Name of Attraction	Category	2012 Visitors	2013 Visitors	% Change 12-13
1	Durham Cathedral	Places of Worship	600,000 (E)	712,000 (E)	+18.7%
2	BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art	Museums & Art Galleries	456,678	529,172	+15.9%
3	Sunderland Museum and Winter Gardens	Museums & Art Galleries	302,190 (E)	341,845 (E)	+13.1%
4	Laing Art Gallery	Museums & Art Galleries	256,661	226,134	-11.9%
5	Locomotion: The National Railway Museum at Shildon	Museums & Art Galleries	193,000	183,000	-5.2%
6	Durham World Heritage Site Visitor Centre	Visitor Centres	108,775 (E)	164,102 (E)	+50.9
7	National Glass Centre	Museums & Art Galleries	78,000 (E)	127,000 (E)	+62.8%
8	Castle Eden Dene National Nature Reserve	Wildlife	100,000 (E)	100,000 (E)	0.0%
9	Hexham Abbey	Places of Worship	93,000 (E)	95,000 (E)	+2.2%
10	Saltholme Wildlife Reserve & Discovery Park	Wildlife	68,541	76,659	+11.8%
11	The Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas	Places of Worship	55,000	55,000	0.0%
12	Flodden Battlefield	Historic Properties	13,500	46,000	+240.7%
13	Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art	Museums & Art Galleries	29,360 (E)	28,118 (E)	-4.2%
14	Monkwearmouth Station Museum	Museums & Art Galleries	27,902	24,154	-13.4%
15	Bill Quay Farm	Farms	24,000 (E)	24,000 (E)	0.0%
16	Bessie Surtees House	Historic Properties	11,555	11,869	+2.7%
17	St Michael & All Angels Church	Places of Worship	6,000	4,665	-22.3%
18	Escomb Saxon Church	Places of Worship	2,363 (E)	2,400 (E)	+1.6%
19	Washington 'F' Pit	Workplaces	1,126	1,022	-9.2%
20	Ankers House & St Mary and St Cuthbert's Church	Places of Worship	457	718	+57.1%
21	St Mary the Virgin Church	Places of Worship	430	533	+24.0%