**SRG - Does it Pay to be a Scientist?**

**Average salaries by education level:**
- **PhD / Doctorate:** £33,600
- **Bachelor’s degree:** £37,180
- **Masters degree:** £35,310
- **Other:** £42,010

To **break through the £35,000 salary mark**, you’ll need to have studied a Ph.D. or a professional doctorate – this group earn on average over £8,410 more per year than those with a bachelor’s degree.

**Average salaries by experience accumulated:**
- **1 Yr or Less:** £17,923
- **1 Yr – 3 Yrs:** £23,073
- **3 Yrs – 5 Yrs:** £30,042
- **5 Yrs – 7 Yrs:** £33,333
- **7 Yrs – 9 Yrs:** £37,236
- **9 Yrs – 14 Yrs:** £47,247
- **14 Yrs – 20 Yrs:** £49,911
- **Over 20 Yrs:** £52,183

Interestingly, **starting salaries for Scientists have dropped £3,000** whereas there has been an **increase in salaries for those with 3 years’ or more experience in their field** in the past five years.

**Salaries by geographic region**
- **Scotland:** £36,430
- **North Ireland:** £36,210
- **N. Ireland:** £36,160
- **Yorkshire & Humber:** £36,160
- **North West:** £34,780
- **Wales:** £35,570
- **South West:** £37,730
- **South East:** £36,160
- **Midlands:** £35,550
- **East Anglia:** £34,630
- **London:** £38,570
- **Average UK salary:** £35,900

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