

MAYOR OF LONDON

Data Note

Subject Dance rehearsal studios

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Dance rehearsal studios

Definition: Buildings which provide bookable studios for the dance sector. Spaces within drama/dance/music schools are not included unless they are publicly bookable spaces.

Overview

There has been a decrease in dance rehearsal studios, going from 283 in 2018 to 252 in 2022. This can be explained by 38 spaces closing their doors (38), replaced by 8 new spaces. This translates into a high rate of decrease compared to the performing arts sector in general (-10% vs -4%), due to both a higher proportion of closures (14% vs 10%) and lower proportion of openings (3% vs 6%). Closures have mainly taken place in Inner London, particularly in the boroughs of Hackney, Lambeth and Lewisham. A relatively high proportion of spaces have relocated, with 5% of studios now based in a different location than in 2018. While Central London has the highest concentration, dance rehearsal studios can be found all over London.