

Data Note

Subject Cinemas
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Cinemas

Definition: Buildings which have a fixed screen for cinema projection where tickets are available for the public to purchase.

Overview

There are more cinemas in 2022 than recorded in 2019 (123 vs 113). Although many cinemas are found in Central London (especially in the West End), there is at least one cinema in every London borough. Since 2019, 6 cinemas have closed and 16 have opened. Of the 123 cinemas opened in 2022, around 30% are independent cinemas and around 60% are managed by large and national chains. The rate of closures and new openings between 2019 and 2022 has been nearly identical between independent and chain cinemas.