



**MetroCentre** is now considered to be the leading shopping centre in the United Kingdom, regaining the top spot it lost to Bluewater in 2000.

This follows significant redevelopment and extension at MetroCentre over the past two years and is the key finding of detailed analysis undertaken over the past six months. The overall score for MetroCentre has increased as a result of this activity while the Bluewater score has remained fairly constant.

The revised national top ten, listed below, also shows two new entries from our previous analysis. The Manchester Arndale has regained its prominent position following the redevelopment of the past few years that caused it to temporarily drop out of the national top twenty. East Kilbride Shopping Centre, created by the amalgamation and redevelopment of six interlinking shopping centres, rockets into the top ten at eighth place.

The recently extended Trafford Centre has now overtaken Lakeside Shopping Centre, where the score fell slightly and, with the improving Meadowhall, is now one of the big four centres scoring over 7,000 points.

2006 Rank	2004 Rank	2000 Rank	1998 Rank	Scheme	Location	2006 Points	2004 Points	Gross Area (Sq. Ft.)
1	2	2	1	MetroCentre	Gateshead	7,771	7,354	1,818,000
2	1	1	***	Bluewater	Dartford - Greenhithe	7,719	7,743	1,610,000
3	3	4	3	Meadowhall	Sheffield	7,326	7,193	1,484,000
4	5	6	***	The Trafford Centre	Manchester - Trafford	7,028	6,435	1,600,000
5	4	3	2	Lakeside Shopping Centre	Grays - Thurrock	6,764	6,900	1,403,000
6	6	5	4	Merry Hill Centre	Brierley Hill	6,427	6,383	1,500,000
7	7	7	5	the centre:mk	Milton Keynes	5,928	5,938	1,300,000
8	124	100	74	East Kilbride Shopping Centre	East Kilbride	5,514	2,342	1,190,000
9	21	9	6	Manchester Arndale	Manchester	5,208	4,246	1,400,000
10	9	14	12	Whitgift Centre	Croydon	4,974	5,070	1,236,000

As a result of current redevelopment work, Eldon Square Shopping Centre in Newcastle-upon-Tyne has temporarily slipped to eleventh place but, like the Manchester Arndale, is expected to return to the top ten once development is complete.

There are twenty-two new entries to this year's top 500 listing with Chapelfield in Norwich and Drake Circus Shopping Centre in Plymouth both appearing in the top 100.

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