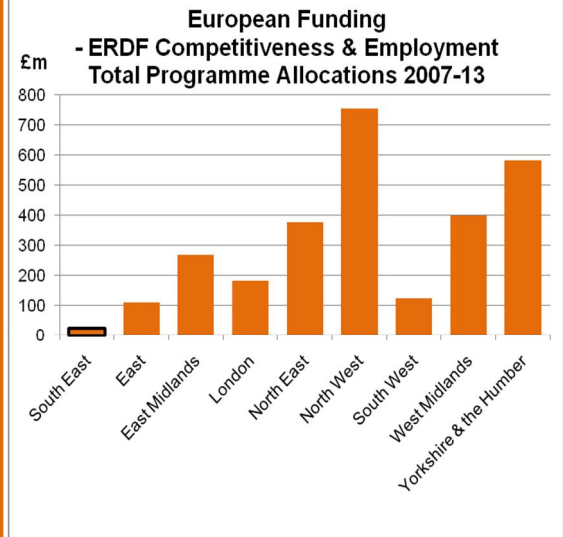
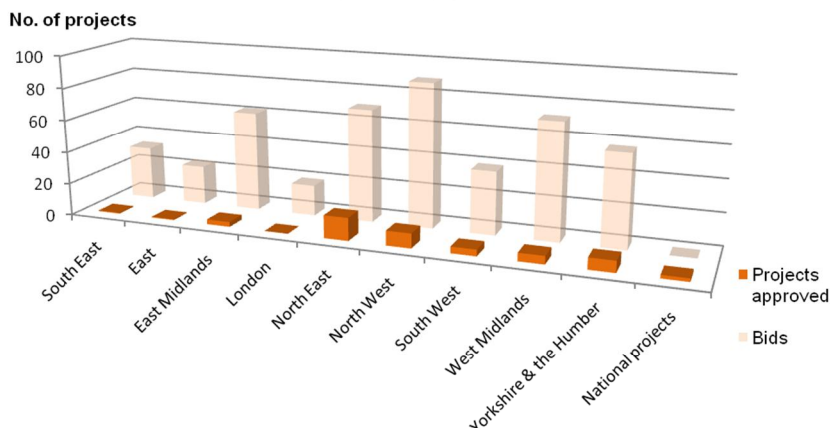


Key Issues/Messages:

- South East local authorities receive the lowest average central government formula grant funding per head, at just £374 in 2011/12, some £185 less than the national average.
- Although 33 bids were made to the government's Regional Growth Fund, only one project with joint benefits to the East and South East was approved by government. 44 were approved across the rest of England.
- At £23.7m over 6 years, the South East received the lowest total allocation of European Regional Development Funds of all the English regions. less than 1% of the national pot.
- Taking into account the economic situation and increasing population size of the South East, there is a need for fairer levels of central government and European funding for the South East to drive forward economic recovery.



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More detailed information, including local authority breakdown where available, is on SEEC Data Dashboard (July 2011) sheets:

- C1. Local Government Finance
- C2. Regional Growth Fund

SEEC's full Data Dashboard includes 6 themes, available at secouncils.gov.uk:

- A. Economy & Employment
- B. Housing & Infrastructure
- C. Public Finance & Grants
- D. Demography
- E. International Migration
- F. Environment