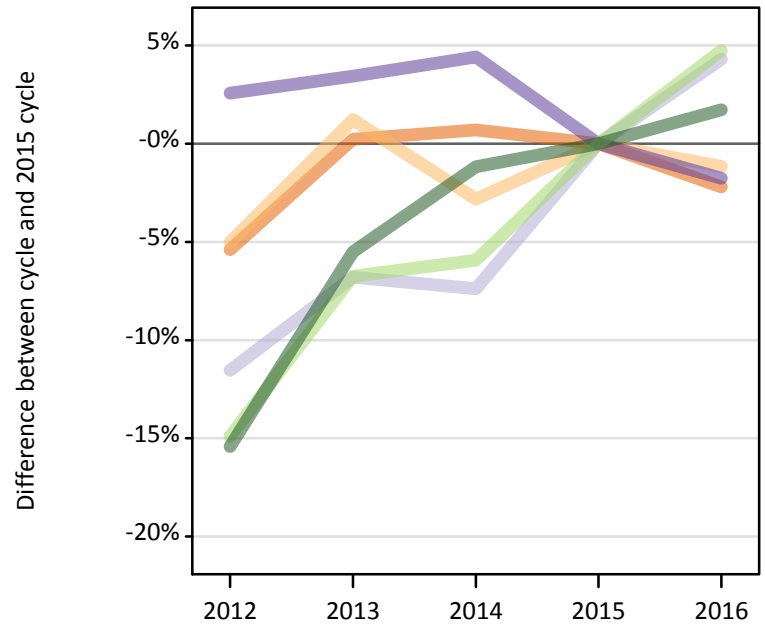


## Applicants at the interim December comparison point (2016 cycle)

### C.1 Applicants by domicile group at the December interim comparison point (first Monday in January)

Difference between cycle and 2015 cycle

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- EU (excluding UK)
- Not EU



### C.2 Applicants by domicile group at the December interim comparison point (first Monday in January)

Domicile of applicant	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
England	269,850	285,880	287,220	285,220	278,940
Northern Ireland	12,970	13,830	13,270	13,660	13,500
Scotland	23,130	24,370	24,220	26,150	27,270
Wales	14,340	14,460	14,600	13,980	13,740
--UK	320,290	338,540	339,310	339,000	333,450
EU (excluding UK)	17,450	19,120	19,290	20,510	21,480
Not EU	27,540	30,770	32,180	32,560	33,120
--All	365,280	388,430	390,780	392,070	388,050

### C.3 Applicants by domicile group at the December interim comparison point (first Monday in January)

Difference between cycle and 2015 cycle

Domicile of applicant	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
England	-5%	0%	1%	0%	-2%
Northern Ireland	-5%	1%	-3%	0%	-1%
Scotland	-12%	-7%	-7%	0%	4%
Wales	3%	3%	4%	0%	-2%
--UK	-6%	0%	0%	0%	-2%
EU (excluding UK)	-15%	-7%	-6%	0%	5%
Not EU	-15%	-6%	-1%	0%	2%
--All	-7%	-1%	0%	0%	-1%

## C.4 Increases between December interim comparison point and the January deadline in previous cycles

Proportional increase from interim comparison point

Domicile of applicant	2012	2013	2014	2015
England	42%	38%	42%	44%
Northern Ireland	41%	42%	47%	47%
Scotland	69%	64%	70%	72%
Wales	46%	41%	44%	50%
--UK	44%	40%	44%	47%
EU (excluding UK)	107%	99%	106%	108%
Not EU	55%	51%	56%	60%
--All	48%	44%	48%	51%

## C.5 Technical notes and definitions

Applicants have been able to submit applications for all 2016 courses since early September.

This statistical release covers all Main Scheme applicants, including those who have applied for courses with a 15 October deadline. Counts of RPAs (records of prior acceptance) are not included.

Applicant totals are those at the first Monday in January for each cycle (the 'interim comparison point').

The date of the interim comparison point varies from cycle to cycle. For the December interim comparison point the dates for the 2012 to 2016 cycles are 02/01/2012, 07/01/2013, 06/01/2014, 05/01/2015 and 04/01/2016 respectively.

Cycle to cycle proportional changes at the interim comparison points before the January deadline are often different (in both size and direction) from the proportional changes at the January deadline.

Counts of the number of applicants reported have been rounded to the nearest 10, this may result in instances where totals do not equal the sum of the components. Proportional changes are calculated from unrounded data and are presented rounded (to nearest 1 per cent).

### Applicant

A person who has made an application in the UCAS system during the cycle reported (including applications for deferred entry). Records of prior acceptance (RPAs) are excluded.

### Domicile

Reported from the declared area of permanent residence. The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man are reported under 'Not EU'.

### Main Scheme

The main UCAS Undergraduate application scheme, through which up to five providers/courses can be applied to. Opens in September and closes to new applications on 30 June.