

## 2013 cycle applicant figures – December 2012

- This statistical release relates to applicants in the 2013 UCAS application cycle at 17 December 2012.
- It includes applicants who have applied for any course including those with a 15 October deadline.
- Figures relating exclusively to the 2013 cycle [15 October deadline](#) were published in October.
- The proportion of applicants who have applied by December can vary from cycle to cycle. In the 2012 application cycle, around 60 per cent of the applicants recorded at the 15 January 2012 deadline had applied by December 2011.
- Typically over one per cent of applicants recorded at the 15 January deadline apply each day around the December reference point. This means cycle to cycle comparisons in December can be particularly affected by calendar effects such as school term dates and the number of days remaining until the 15 January deadline.

Data reported as at Monday 17 December 2012 (00:05) compared to similar points in previous cycles.

**Table 1: Total applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
England	227,251	259,567	268,117	245,882	229,932
Northern Ireland	10,696	11,158	11,118	10,480	10,528
Scotland	16,449	17,377	14,729	14,617	14,052
Wales	11,900	12,726	12,944	12,701	11,218
EU	12,381	14,962	16,143	14,422	14,144
Non EU	18,519	20,005	21,013	23,806	23,987
<b>Total</b>	<b>297,196</b>	<b>335,795</b>	<b>344,064</b>	<b>321,908</b>	<b>303,861</b>

**Table 2: Percentage cycle to cycle change of total applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2010 vs 2009	2011 vs 2010	2012 vs 2011	2013 vs 2012
England	14.2%	3.3%	-8.3%	-6.5%
Northern Ireland	4.3%	-0.4%	-5.7%	0.5%
Scotland	5.6%	-15.2%	-0.8%	-3.9%
Wales	6.9%	1.7%	-1.9%	-11.7%
EU	20.8%	7.9%	-10.7%	-1.9%
Non EU	8.0%	5.0%	13.3%	0.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>-6.4%</b>	<b>-5.6%</b>

**Table 3: Total applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant and by first time applicant (FTA) or re-applier (RA).**

Applicant Domicile	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013	
	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA
England	213,298	13,953	240,519	19,048	241,272	26,845	223,478	22,404	209,958	19,974
Northern Ireland	10,360	336	10,687	471	10,292	826	9,754	726	9,780	748
Scotland	15,680	769	16,466	911	13,331	1,398	13,199	1,418	12,769	1,283
Wales	11,355	545	12,020	706	11,868	1,076	11,531	1,170	10,294	924
EU	11,627	754	14,018	944	14,936	1,207	13,406	1,016	13,165	979
Non EU	17,581	938	18,888	1,117	19,810	1,203	22,377	1,429	22,477	1,510
<b>Total</b>	<b>279,901</b>	<b>17,295</b>	<b>312,598</b>	<b>23,197</b>	<b>311,509</b>	<b>32,555</b>	<b>293,745</b>	<b>28,163</b>	<b>278,443</b>	<b>25,418</b>

An applicant is counted as a re-applier if they made an application in the previous cycle.

**Table 4: Percentage cycle to cycle change of total applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant and by first time applicant (FTA) or re-applier (RA)**

Applicant Domicile	2010 vs 2009		2011 vs 2010		2012 vs 2011		2013 vs 2012	
	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA
England	12.8%	36.5%	0.3%	40.9%	-7.4%	-16.5%	-6.0%	-10.8%
Northern Ireland	3.2%	40.2%	-3.7%	75.4%	-5.2%	-12.1%	0.3%	3.0%
Scotland	5.0%	18.5%	-19.0%	53.5%	-1.0%	1.4%	-3.3%	-9.5%
Wales	5.9%	29.5%	-1.3%	52.4%	-2.8%	8.7%	-10.7%	-21.0%
EU	20.6%	25.2%	6.5%	27.9%	-10.2%	-15.8%	-1.8%	-3.6%
Non EU	7.4%	19.1%	4.9%	7.7%	13.0%	18.8%	0.4%	5.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	<b>34.1%</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>	<b>40.3%</b>	<b>-5.7%</b>	<b>-13.5%</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>	<b>-9.7%</b>

**Table 5: UK 18 year old applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
England	158,111	171,354	170,919	166,328	155,375
Northern Ireland	8,989	9,003	8,736	8,406	8,276
Scotland	12,429	12,379	9,711	9,838	9,636
Wales	8,544	8,795	8,367	8,235	7,341
<b>Total</b>	<b>188,073</b>	<b>201,531</b>	<b>197,733</b>	<b>192,807</b>	<b>180,628</b>

In this release, age is defined in relation to the school cohorts as set by the country of domicile; therefore these figures for 2011 and 2012 will not match last year's December release

**Table 6: Percentage cycle to cycle change of UK 18 year old applicants for all courses (2009-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2010 vs 2009	2011 vs 2010	2012 vs 2011	2013 vs 2012
England	8.4%	-0.3%	-2.7%	-6.6%
Northern Ireland	0.2%	-3.0%	-3.8%	-1.5%
Scotland	-0.4%	-21.6%	1.3%	-2.1%
Wales	2.9%	-4.9%	-1.6%	-10.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>	<b>-6.3%</b>