

## 2013 cycle applicant figures – January deadline

- This statistical release summarises applicants in the 2013 UCAS application cycle at the January deadline (15 January 2013), together with the totals at the January deadline in previous cycles.
- People who submit their applications to UCAS by the January deadline are considered ‘on time’ applicants for the large majority of courses offered through UCAS.
- In the 2010 to 2012 cycles, around 85% of the end of cycle total of UK applicants had applied by the January deadline. That proportion is higher (around 97%) for 18 year old UK applicants.
- In the 2010 to 2012 cycles around 83% of the end of cycle EU applicants, and around 60% of non-EU applicants, had applied by the January deadline.
- In cycles prior to 2010, some courses had different deadline arrangements. This means that that the proportion of total end of cycle applicants applying by the January deadline in those cycles was lower, typically 76% for UK applicants and 94% for 18 year old UK applicants.
- This statistical release 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 2012.

**Table 1: Total applicants for all courses (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
England	271,663	291,075	320,469	345,106	421,448	426,208	384,170	395,608
Northern Ireland	15,930	15,446	15,302	15,939	18,435	19,130	18,292	19,587
Scotland	26,804	27,032	28,108	29,549	38,763	39,761	39,169	39,954
Wales	16,123	16,110	16,946	18,328	20,805	21,289	20,876	20,438
EU	19,058	22,074	23,493	26,728	36,534	40,790	36,205	37,991
Non EU	22,105	23,570	26,171	28,517	34,571	36,368	41,361	45,320
<b>Total</b>	<b>371,683</b>	<b>395,307</b>	<b>430,489</b>	<b>464,167</b>	<b>570,556</b>	<b>583,546</b>	<b>540,073</b>	<b>558,898</b>

**Table 2: Percentage cycle to cycle change of total applicants for all courses (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2007 vs. 2006	2008 vs. 2007	2009 vs. 2008	2010 vs. 2009	2011 vs. 2010	2012 vs. 2011	2013 vs. 2012
England	7.1%	10.1%	7.7%	22.1%	1.1%	-9.9%	3.0%
Northern Ireland	-3.0%	-0.9%	4.2%	15.7%	3.8%	-4.4%	7.1%
Scotland	0.9%	4.0%	5.1%	31.2%	2.6%	-1.5%	2.0%
Wales	-0.1%	5.2%	8.2%	13.5%	2.3%	-1.9%	-2.1%
EU	15.8%	6.4%	13.8%	36.7%	11.6%	-11.2%	4.9%
Non EU	6.6%	11.0%	9.0%	21.2%	5.2%	13.7%	9.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>22.9%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>-7.4%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>

**Table 3: Total applicants for all courses (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant and by first time applicant (FTA) or re-applier (RA).**

Applicant Domicile	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		2013	
	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA
England	273,972	17,103	300,902	19,567	320,646	24,460	385,496	35,952	375,322	50,886	341,883	42,287	354,315	41,293
Northern Ireland	14,532	914	14,514	788	15,051	888	17,068	1,367	16,826	2,304	16,204	2,088	17,304	2,283
Scotland	25,082	1,950	26,315	1,793	27,494	2,055	35,790	2,973	34,514	5,247	33,874	5,295	34,678	5,276
Wales	15,190	920	15,944	1,002	17,311	1,017	19,441	1,364	19,061	2,228	18,513	2,363	18,455	1,983
EU	20,903	1,171	22,069	1,424	25,119	1,609	34,229	2,305	37,586	3,204	33,432	2,773	35,179	2,812
Non EU	22,452	1,118	24,864	1,307	26,918	1,599	32,518	2,053	33,822	2,546	38,504	2,857	42,100	3,220
<b>Total</b>	<b>372,131</b>	<b>23,176</b>	<b>404,608</b>	<b>25,881</b>	<b>432,539</b>	<b>31,628</b>	<b>524,542</b>	<b>46,014</b>	<b>517,131</b>	<b>66,415</b>	<b>482,410</b>	<b>57,663</b>	<b>502,031</b>	<b>56,867</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 (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant and by first time applicant (FTA) or re-applier (RA)**

Applicant Domicile	2008 vs. 2007		2009 vs. 2008		2010 vs. 2009		2011 vs. 2010		2012 vs. 2011		2013 vs. 2012	
	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA	FTA	RA
England	9.8%	14.4%	6.6%	25.0%	20.2%	47.0%	-2.6%	41.5%	-8.9%	-16.9%	3.6%	-2.4%
Northern Ireland	-0.1%	-13.8%	3.7%	12.7%	13.4%	53.9%	-1.4%	68.5%	-3.7%	-9.4%	6.8%	9.3%
Scotland	4.9%	-8.1%	4.5%	14.6%	30.2%	44.7%	-3.6%	76.5%	-1.9%	0.9%	2.4%	-0.4%
Wales	5.0%	8.9%	8.6%	1.5%	12.3%	34.1%	-2.0%	63.3%	-2.9%	6.1%	-0.3%	-16.1%
EU	5.6%	21.6%	13.8%	13.0%	36.3%	43.3%	9.8%	39.0%	-11.1%	-13.5%	5.2%	1.4%
Non EU	10.7%	16.9%	8.3%	22.3%	20.8%	28.4%	4.0%	24.0%	13.8%	12.2%	9.3%	12.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	<b>6.9%</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>21.3%</b>	<b>45.5%</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>	<b>44.3%</b>	<b>-6.7%</b>	<b>-13.2%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>

**Table 5: UK 18 year old applicants for all courses (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
England	178,124	181,830	192,536	203,152	221,205	220,792	211,754	214,065
Northern Ireland	11,350	11,009	10,816	11,452	12,019	11,889	11,649	11,671
Scotland	17,043	16,265	16,999	17,423	19,557	19,162	18,947	18,929
Wales	10,570	10,186	10,606	11,380	11,683	11,367	11,209	10,910
<b>Total</b>	<b>217,087</b>	<b>219,290</b>	<b>230,957</b>	<b>243,407</b>	<b>264,464</b>	<b>263,210</b>	<b>253,559</b>	<b>255,575</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 January release

**Table 6: Percentage cycle to cycle change of UK 18 year old applicants for all courses (2006-2013) by domicile of applicant**

Applicant Domicile	2007 vs. 2006	2008 vs. 2007	2009 vs. 2008	2010 vs. 2009	2011 vs. 2010	2012 vs. 2011	2013 vs. 2012
England	2.1%	5.9%	5.5%	8.9%	-0.2%	-4.1%	1.1%
Northern Ireland	-3.0%	-1.8%	5.9%	5.0%	-1.1%	-2.0%	0.2%
Scotland	-4.6%	4.5%	2.5%	12.2%	-2.0%	-1.1%	-0.1%
Wales	-3.6%	4.1%	7.3%	2.7%	-2.7%	-1.4%	-2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>	<b>-3.7%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>

**Table 7: Application rates (applicants divided by population size) for UK 18 year olds by domicile**

Applicant Domicile	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
England	27.1%	28.0%	29.2%	30.6%	33.8%	35.0%	33.8%	34.8%
Northern Ireland	42.0%	41.7%	41.3%	43.5%	46.4%	47.2%	46.6%	48.2%
Scotland	26.6%	25.6%	25.8%	26.7%	30.6%	30.9%	31.2%	31.5%
Wales	26.4%	25.7%	26.7%	28.2%	29.2%	29.6%	29.7%	29.6%

Application rates are the proportion of the population who have made an application to UCAS. They are a measure of the level of applicant demand for higher education that takes account of any changes in the size of the population.