

End of Cycle 2017 Data Resources

DR2_053_05 Acceptances by Predicted A level points and POLAR3

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Statistic: Number of Acceptances

Variables: Predicted A level points score, POLAR3 Quintile, Cycle Year

Coverage: Applied before June deadline, UK domiciled (excluding Scotland) 18 year olds and hold at least 3 predicted A levels

Definitions

POLAR3 Quintile

Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is classified as 'Not Assigned'. Please note: POLAR3 is only relevant for applicants aged 19 and under domiciled in the UK (as determined by EXACT definitions of age and domicile - please see relevant definition for more details), therefore any applicants outside of this cohort are classified as 'Not Applicable'. Following the inclusion of 2015 application cycle data a small change was made to allow for the assignment of POLAR3 to any new postcodes from 2011.

Predicted A level points score

A score attached to the predicted A level grade profile declared by the applicant on the application. The highest 3 grades are considered only, adding up the following points per grade: A* = 6, A = 5, B = 4, C = 3, D = 2, E = 1. AS Levels are not included. This variable is currently only available for 18 year-old applicants domiciled in England, Northern Ireland and Wales, any applicants outside of this cohort will be assigned the value 'Not applicable'. These scores are calculated purely for analytical purposes and do not relate to the UCAS tariff.

Cycle Year

The cycle in which the application was processed.

Number of Acceptances

Acceptance is defined as an applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education.

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Predicted A level points score, POLAR3 Quintile		Number of Acceptances by Cycle Year							
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
3 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	5	5	5	0	0	5	5	0
4 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	5	10	0	0	5	0	5	5
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	15	20	5	5	5	5	5	5
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	20	15	5	5	10	5	5	0
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	20	15	10	15	5	5	5	5
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	20	20	10	5	5	10	5	10
	Not assigned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	40	40	25	10	15	10	10	20
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	65	45	25	25	20	15	20	20
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	75	50	40	30	25	25	20	20
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	70	60	35	40	30	25	20	25
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	90	65	40	35	30	35	20	30
	Not assigned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	155	110	75	60	55	45	40	50
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	210	160	120	100	80	60	55	65
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	230	160	135	115	90	85	65	90
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	255	185	120	115	110	100	80	95
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	265	210	160	115	110	120	90	95
	Not assigned	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
7 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	295	210	190	175	140	140	125	130
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	410	355	255	215	200	170	165	160
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	510	440	280	270	270	255	205	220
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	565	410	325	320	275	260	230	220
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	605	475	380	330	280	295	305	280
	Not assigned	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
8 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	570	505	395	360	320	290	270	270
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	775	665	555	550	415	420	425	395
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,040	830	685	645	570	510	490	490
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,055	935	765	640	640	595	585	520
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,220	1,020	805	710	720	615	620	565
	Not assigned	10	5	5	10	10	0	5	10
9 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,125	1,105	905	825	810	770	745	750
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,660	1,455	1,225	1,190	1,060	1,015	990	1,020
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,030	1,840	1,570	1,455	1,380	1,335	1,250	1,145
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,285	2,140	1,705	1,610	1,585	1,490	1,375	1,330
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	2,455	2,240	1,895	1,765	1,690	1,565	1,580	1,500
	Not assigned	15	20	10	10	15	10	15	15

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		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
10 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,405	1,335	1,275	1,180	1,185	1,200	1,230	1,145
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,120	1,970	1,855	1,725	1,695	1,745	1,620	1,590
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,470	2,480	2,245	2,200	2,160	2,125	2,015	1,980
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,985	2,985	2,555	2,405	2,415	2,450	2,305	2,105
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,380	3,340	2,985	2,810	2,595	2,710	2,595	2,460
	Not assigned	20	15	15	20	15	15	15	20
11 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,470	1,530	1,490	1,530	1,550	1,620	1,610	1,645
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,285	2,445	2,195	2,290	2,165	2,380	2,340	2,270
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,045	3,065	2,895	2,915	2,890	2,935	2,885	2,815
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	3,615	3,835	3,320	3,460	3,405	3,440	3,400	3,425
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	4,510	4,635	3,910	3,965	3,760	3,990	3,935	3,815
	Not assigned	40	15	25	15	20	25	20	40
12 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,780	1,845	1,835	1,845	1,970	1,985	2,075	2,240
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,775	2,920	2,890	2,935	2,830	2,845	3,070	2,965
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,610	3,845	3,615	3,715	3,635	3,860	3,845	4,010
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	4,725	4,770	4,400	4,625	4,385	4,530	4,555	4,475
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	5,785	5,825	5,295	5,440	5,350	5,445	5,475	5,545
	Not assigned	35	25	25	15	30	30	35	45
13 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,555	1,735	1,615	1,870	1,860	2,035	2,055	2,200
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,665	2,785	2,700	2,870	2,875	3,095	3,210	3,230
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,570	3,755	3,650	3,830	3,950	4,265	4,250	4,210
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	4,845	4,980	4,765	5,215	4,965	5,490	5,560	5,385
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	6,365	6,905	6,425	6,535	6,795	7,005	7,210	7,155
	Not assigned	35	35	30	20	30	35	40	45
14 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,360	1,405	1,495	1,545	1,705	1,785	1,760	1,920
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,315	2,385	2,530	2,665	2,815	2,855	2,985	2,910
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,340	3,540	3,430	3,735	3,705	4,030	4,190	4,220
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	4,750	4,865	4,895	5,170	4,980	5,290	5,475	5,585
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	6,885	7,190	7,215	7,335	7,430	7,760	7,745	8,065
	Not assigned	30	40	30	30	25	25	30	55
15 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,485	1,490	1,440	1,490	1,480	1,390	1,510	1,635
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,755	2,645	2,500	2,655	2,605	2,560	2,630	2,715
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	4,145	3,875	3,645	3,740	3,615	3,655	3,700	4,070
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	6,330	5,710	5,260	5,525	5,090	5,360	5,245	5,490
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	9,840	9,130	8,430	8,575	8,320	8,290	8,315	8,540
	Not assigned	35	40	25	30	30	30	35	45
16 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	435	610	695	715	755	810	815	880
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	885	1,220	1,240	1,400	1,425	1,535	1,520	1,590
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,380	1,900	2,040	2,175	2,210	2,200	2,400	2,535
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,350	3,030	3,325	3,465	3,555	3,485	3,570	3,770
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	4,285	5,370	5,655	5,980	6,000	6,235	6,305	6,485
	Not assigned	15	25	20	15	15	20	20	25

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17 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	240	340	375	380	420	415	480	505
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	475	655	765	770	795	905	965	925
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	840	1,095	1,215	1,320	1,265	1,380	1,470	1,530
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,435	1,800	2,140	2,050	2,070	2,315	2,270	2,385
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,030	3,585	3,975	4,035	4,205	4,280	4,420	4,570
	Not assigned	10	5	15	15	15	15	15	20
18 points	POLAR3 Quintile 1	260	295	340	320	360	385	375	440
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	510	675	745	715	765	780	765	795
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	910	1,135	1,190	1,175	1,200	1,265	1,275	1,295
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,590	1,975	2,215	2,105	2,145	2,385	2,295	2,240
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,890	4,525	4,955	4,845	4,745	5,145	5,150	4,880
	Not assigned	10	10	10	15	10	15	20	25
Total		149,105	153,480	146,585	149,210	147,255	152,145	152,935	154,505