

End of Cycle 2016 Data Resources

DR2_038_05 Acceptances by POLAR3 and UK country

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Statistic: Number of Acceptances

Variables: POLAR3 Quintile , Applicant Domicile (High Level) , Cycle Year

Coverage: Applied before June deadline and UK domiciled 18 year olds

Definitions

Applicant Domicile (High Level)

Applicant's area of permanent residence summarised at a high level, individual UK country, EU and not EU. This variable is derived from domicile as declared by the applicant and does not guarantee fee status. The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man are assigned as 'Not EU'. See the additional technical notes at www.ucas.com for coverage and trends for Scotland.

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.

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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POLAR3 Quintile , Applicant Domicile (High Level)		Number of Acceptances by Cycle Year									
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
POLAR3 Quintile 1	England	14,510	15,915	17,315	18,100	18,735	18,445	19,455	21,085	22,060	22,335
	Northern Ireland	440	420	455	510	455	495	500	520	520	525
	Scotland	420	390	405	540	465	510	525	595	585	590
	Wales	1,050	1,135	1,240	1,265	1,220	1,295	1,270	1,490	1,470	1,545
POLAR3 Quintile 2	England	22,505	24,475	26,055	26,230	27,345	26,675	28,170	29,580	31,050	31,465
	Northern Ireland	785	775	835	775	830	760	800	845	755	885
	Scotland	1,145	1,175	1,300	1,390	1,370	1,295	1,340	1,380	1,460	1,480
	Wales	1,765	1,845	2,105	1,945	1,860	1,955	1,985	1,960	2,115	2,170
POLAR3 Quintile 3	England	30,605	32,340	34,375	34,645	35,710	34,555	36,295	37,385	39,565	39,895
	Northern Ireland	1,290	1,270	1,335	1,340	1,230	1,240	1,340	1,295	1,300	1,350
	Scotland	2,000	1,985	2,080	2,195	2,045	2,195	2,155	2,180	2,160	2,260
	Wales	1,580	1,610	1,790	1,670	1,605	1,665	1,585	1,730	1,765	1,750
POLAR3 Quintile 4	England	38,635	40,690	42,040	42,390	43,555	41,510	43,090	43,445	45,945	46,540
	Northern Ireland	2,675	2,635	2,835	2,690	2,590	2,540	2,610	2,540	2,470	2,550
	Scotland	3,145	3,250	3,525	3,585	3,300	3,295	3,290	3,360	3,410	3,385
	Wales	2,195	2,225	2,385	2,275	2,180	2,140	2,145	2,185	2,385	2,210
POLAR3 Quintile 5	England	52,865	55,050	56,810	56,330	58,500	55,850	56,525	57,670	60,130	61,235
	Northern Ireland	3,595	3,585	3,760	3,390	3,450	3,360	3,475	3,235	3,245	3,180
	Scotland	6,755	6,915	7,200	7,130	6,840	6,780	6,795	6,685	6,670	6,705
	Wales	2,645	2,650	2,810	2,655	2,580	2,610	2,615	2,610	2,680	2,805
Not assigned	England	785	2,585	500	375	340	310	285	330	480	865
	Northern Ireland	50	245	45	20	20	10	20	15	15	25
	Scotland	55	275	45	35	40	30	25	35	35	65
	Wales	50	195	30	15	15	20	15	15	20	30
Total		191,535	203,630	211,290	211,495	216,270	209,540	216,310	222,160	232,285	235,835