

End of Cycle 2016 Data Resources

DR2_038_01 Acceptances by POLAR3 and UK country

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Statistic: Number of Acceptances

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

Coverage: 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	14,880	16,315	17,660	18,230	18,880	18,715	19,800	21,425	22,480	22,730
	Northern Ireland	440	425	455	510	455	495	500	520	520	525
	Scotland	430	425	415	560	470	530	545	600	605	600
	Wales	1,080	1,180	1,275	1,285	1,235	1,330	1,305	1,515	1,500	1,580
POLAR3 Quintile 2	England	23,015	24,975	26,485	26,425	27,535	27,025	28,570	30,005	31,505	31,920
	Northern Ireland	785	775	840	775	830	765	805	845	760	890
	Scotland	1,160	1,225	1,325	1,435	1,395	1,330	1,380	1,390	1,505	1,530
	Wales	1,820	1,910	2,160	1,965	1,880	1,990	2,020	1,995	2,165	2,215
POLAR3 Quintile 3	England	31,130	32,910	34,845	34,860	35,960	34,980	36,810	37,860	40,085	40,440
	Northern Ireland	1,295	1,275	1,340	1,345	1,235	1,245	1,340	1,295	1,300	1,350
	Scotland	2,030	2,060	2,115	2,290	2,085	2,250	2,230	2,185	2,235	2,335
	Wales	1,615	1,655	1,830	1,685	1,625	1,690	1,625	1,760	1,800	1,790
POLAR3 Quintile 4	England	39,210	41,285	42,510	42,615	43,805	41,985	43,645	43,915	46,430	47,080
	Northern Ireland	2,680	2,635	2,835	2,690	2,595	2,540	2,610	2,545	2,475	2,550
	Scotland	3,185	3,405	3,565	3,750	3,355	3,405	3,415	3,370	3,555	3,515
	Wales	2,240	2,290	2,425	2,300	2,195	2,180	2,180	2,215	2,420	2,245
POLAR3 Quintile 5	England	53,440	55,635	57,255	56,580	58,745	56,340	57,130	58,130	60,675	61,785
	Northern Ireland	3,600	3,590	3,765	3,395	3,455	3,365	3,480	3,235	3,250	3,180
	Scotland	6,835	7,120	7,270	7,300	6,905	6,900	6,905	6,700	6,805	6,830
	Wales	2,690	2,690	2,850	2,670	2,590	2,650	2,655	2,640	2,725	2,840
Not assigned	England	910	2,705	585	385	350	325	310	340	505	890
	Northern Ireland	50	245	45	20	20	10	20	15	15	25
	Scotland	60	285	370	35	40	35	25	35	35	65
	Wales	50	200	35	20	15	20	20	15	25	30
Total		194,635	207,215	214,260	213,120	217,655	212,105	219,320	224,555	235,360	238,940