

End of Cycle 2016 Data Resources

DR3_014_03 Applications by subject group and sex

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Statistic: Number of Applications

Variables: Subject Group (Summary Level) , Sex , Cycle Year

Coverage: Applications through the main scheme

Definitions

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

Subject Group (Summary Level)

Classifies courses into a summary level of 26 subjects. Each course is assigned up to three valid JACS3 subject codes (e.g. G100 – Mathematics) and a course balance indicator by UCAS, which are available for review by the provider. The course is assigned a subject based on these JACS3 subject codes and balance indicator, it largely correlates to the first two characters of the subject codes. Where there are more than one JACS3 subject codes for a given course, and the balance indicator is dual or triple, the first two characters of each subject code are reported in combination to a relevant category (e.g. Course with dual balance indicator with JACS3 subject codes B940 = Counselling and C843= Counselling psychology is assigned a subject 'Y Combined sciences'). Please note: Between 2007 and 2011 the subject codes assigned to each course were from the JACS2.0 classification, therefore JACS3 versions of the subject categories have been approximated for 2007 to 2011 to allow a consistent time series.

Cycle Year

The cycle in which the application was processed.

Number of Applications

Application is defined as a choice to a course in higher education through the UCAS main scheme. Each applicant can make up to five choices, which was reduced from six in 2008. The number of applications does not include choices made through the following acceptance routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs.

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| Subject Group (Summary Level) , Sex | | Number of Applications by Cycle Year | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| Group A Medicine and Dentistry | Men | 36,620 | 35,310 | 36,425 | 41,700 | 43,430 | 41,730 | 41,060 | 41,300 | 36,100 | 34,545 |
| | Women | 46,890 | 44,500 | 45,375 | 51,540 | 53,025 | 52,215 | 53,985 | 56,260 | 51,435 | 51,000 |
| Group B Subjects allied to Medicine | Men | 43,165 | 42,555 | 51,260 | 67,285 | 78,040 | 75,580 | 76,260 | 76,510 | 76,285 | 77,330 |
| | Women | 143,985 | 171,050 | 194,945 | 259,605 | 290,070 | 292,695 | 307,445 | 322,990 | 317,915 | 323,355 |
| Group C Biological Sciences | Men | 72,540 | 66,230 | 76,095 | 92,140 | 97,495 | 91,715 | 98,100 | 106,345 | 109,320 | 108,270 |
| | Women | 115,020 | 100,520 | 110,350 | 124,100 | 130,995 | 126,475 | 136,880 | 149,125 | 163,665 | 172,490 |
| Group D Veterinary Sciences, Agriculture and related | Men | 4,790 | 4,760 | 5,975 | 7,560 | 8,365 | 7,575 | 8,035 | 7,820 | 7,770 | 7,250 |
| | Women | 13,635 | 14,040 | 15,375 | 18,010 | 19,715 | 19,440 | 21,230 | 23,035 | 23,955 | 23,345 |
| Group F Physical Sciences | Men | 51,965 | 45,860 | 49,450 | 56,170 | 61,640 | 61,270 | 64,750 | 66,240 | 66,690 | 62,515 |
| | Women | 33,475 | 30,125 | 32,160 | 36,020 | 37,805 | 37,235 | 39,920 | 43,095 | 45,760 | 45,725 |
| Group G Mathematical Sciences | Men | 21,010 | 20,095 | 24,035 | 26,665 | 27,445 | 27,610 | 28,860 | 28,515 | 30,015 | 31,220 |
| | Women | 14,390 | 13,190 | 16,765 | 17,525 | 18,185 | 16,850 | 17,050 | 17,025 | 17,375 | 17,845 |
| Group H Engineering | Men | 99,150 | 91,620 | 107,060 | 117,670 | 123,025 | 118,550 | 125,905 | 136,255 | 142,545 | 140,965 |
| | Women | 14,020 | 13,420 | 15,725 | 17,055 | 17,805 | 18,745 | 20,440 | 24,885 | 28,730 | 29,350 |
| Group I Computer Sciences | Men | 67,540 | 60,040 | 67,570 | 77,030 | 83,295 | 77,455 | 86,345 | 97,310 | 107,110 | 110,660 |
| | Women | 12,185 | 11,080 | 12,315 | 13,230 | 13,810 | 12,475 | 13,355 | 14,990 | 17,115 | 18,490 |
| Group J Technologies | Men | 8,280 | 7,725 | 8,935 | 10,140 | 9,945 | 7,970 | 7,870 | 8,555 | 7,540 | 6,440 |
| | Women | 2,490 | 2,315 | 2,555 | 2,470 | 2,175 | 2,010 | 2,135 | 2,560 | 2,555 | 2,670 |
| Group K Architecture, Building and Planning | Men | 35,120 | 33,995 | 34,170 | 34,100 | 32,705 | 26,290 | 25,235 | 24,675 | 25,640 | 26,080 |
| | Women | 15,805 | 15,235 | 16,320 | 15,975 | 16,855 | 15,155 | 14,970 | 15,395 | 17,285 | 17,705 |
| Group L Social Studies | Men | 74,095 | 71,075 | 84,980 | 94,390 | 98,015 | 86,980 | 88,455 | 90,210 | 93,640 | 97,185 |
| | Women | 116,915 | 108,255 | 119,955 | 142,740 | 145,190 | 128,275 | 130,335 | 141,290 | 147,855 | 151,435 |
| Group M Law | Men | 42,505 | 37,580 | 41,940 | 44,400 | 47,150 | 43,945 | 46,140 | 44,155 | 45,255 | 46,545 |
| | Women | 68,155 | 63,815 | 68,945 | 72,620 | 75,700 | 73,885 | 77,680 | 78,505 | 82,765 | 87,380 |
| Group N Business and Admin studies | Men | 149,390 | 137,355 | 148,380 | 162,845 | 172,770 | 160,390 | 164,325 | 170,545 | 179,400 | 184,445 |
| | Women | 130,585 | 123,780 | 136,160 | 147,150 | 157,435 | 150,790 | 152,425 | 159,140 | 164,490 | 162,665 |
| Group P Mass Communication and Documentation | Men | 22,430 | 20,705 | 23,795 | 26,300 | 28,010 | 23,595 | 25,995 | 27,760 | 28,645 | 29,920 |
| | Women | 28,335 | 26,035 | 29,310 | 32,405 | 34,760 | 30,195 | 31,985 | 34,865 | 36,510 | 36,160 |
| Group Q Linguistics, Classics and related | Men | 19,700 | 17,570 | 20,380 | 20,955 | 20,155 | 17,860 | 16,980 | 17,315 | 16,220 | 15,505 |
| | Women | 49,095 | 44,605 | 49,650 | 53,520 | 51,345 | 47,850 | 48,730 | 49,245 | 50,355 | 49,085 |
| Group R European Languages, Literature and related | Men | 6,920 | 6,275 | 6,945 | 7,465 | 7,345 | 6,490 | 6,150 | 5,880 | 5,590 | 5,320 |
| | Women | 17,970 | 16,610 | 17,475 | 18,245 | 18,145 | 16,015 | 15,115 | 14,280 | 14,425 | 13,410 |
| Group T Non-European Languages, Literature and related | Men | 3,585 | 2,710 | 3,075 | 3,270 | 3,135 | 2,450 | 2,415 | 2,145 | 2,380 | 2,165 |
| | Women | 5,355 | 4,550 | 4,750 | 5,150 | 5,305 | 4,250 | 3,850 | 3,440 | 3,790 | 3,665 |
| Group V History and Philosophical studies | Men | 39,290 | 36,000 | 39,005 | 42,150 | 41,125 | 37,315 | 38,385 | 39,475 | 38,935 | 37,280 |
| | Women | 39,905 | 36,315 | 40,230 | 42,495 | 42,060 | 39,910 | 40,505 | 42,085 | 44,000 | 45,340 |
| Group W Creative Arts and Design | Men | 88,015 | 80,310 | 88,680 | 105,590 | 108,360 | 89,820 | 92,265 | 96,615 | 97,910 | 96,855 |
| | Women | 140,545 | 132,415 | 146,825 | 181,220 | 193,590 | 163,010 | 166,260 | 175,730 | 180,240 | 177,030 |
| Group X Education | Men | 9,355 | 8,470 | 11,265 | 14,715 | 15,965 | 14,470 | 13,415 | 13,155 | 15,970 | 15,685 |
| | Women | 62,785 | 57,690 | 63,685 | 72,990 | 78,305 | 71,515 | 70,180 | 70,320 | 77,880 | 76,980 |
| Y Combined arts | Men | 25,420 | 21,820 | 21,545 | 23,690 | 23,005 | 18,285 | 17,170 | 16,525 | 14,730 | 13,830 |
| | Women | 57,085 | 48,530 | 45,300 | 48,415 | 47,400 | 40,600 | 39,105 | 38,900 | 37,105 | 35,815 |

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| | | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| Y Combined sciences | Men | 24,700 | 21,160 | 21,155 | 23,855 | 24,630 | 21,830 | 22,040 | 22,105 | 19,030 | 16,865 |
| | Women | 18,920 | 16,535 | 15,645 | 16,880 | 18,155 | 17,060 | 17,365 | 17,845 | 17,270 | 15,835 |
| Y Combined social sciences | Men | 20,350 | 17,920 | 16,830 | 17,385 | 16,415 | 14,640 | 14,490 | 14,975 | 15,715 | 16,740 |
| | Women | 20,995 | 18,505 | 16,890 | 17,925 | 17,720 | 15,455 | 14,890 | 15,680 | 15,725 | 15,785 |
| Y Sciences combined with Social Sciences or Arts | Men | 62,080 | 57,115 | 53,650 | 60,465 | 58,450 | 47,845 | 43,625 | 39,240 | 31,385 | 27,055 |
| | Women | 59,955 | 52,750 | 47,025 | 49,590 | 47,465 | 39,630 | 37,585 | 36,265 | 33,660 | 31,780 |
| Y Social Sciences combined with Arts | Men | 31,135 | 26,790 | 24,840 | 25,775 | 24,955 | 21,250 | 20,815 | 19,180 | 17,935 | 18,070 |
| | Women | 46,650 | 41,315 | 37,615 | 40,915 | 39,910 | 34,645 | 34,370 | 32,810 | 32,835 | 31,355 |
| Z General, other combined and unknown | Men | 8,840 | 7,745 | 8,380 | 8,675 | 9,005 | 12,980 | 14,320 | 15,550 | 16,455 | 16,735 |
| | Women | 11,930 | 9,675 | 10,255 | 10,315 | 10,195 | 13,970 | 14,680 | 16,425 | 18,165 | 18,425 |
| Total | | 2,355,070 | 2,195,635 | 2,387,415 | 2,720,500 | 2,847,010 | 2,636,250 | 2,711,870 | 2,824,540 | 2,891,075 | 2,899,585 |