

# End of Cycle 2017 Data Resources

## DR3\_032\_03 Applications by deferred and age

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**Statistic:** Number of Applications

**Variables:** Deferred Status, Age Band, Cycle Year

**Coverage:** Applications through the main scheme

### Definitions

#### Age Band

Derived from date of birth declared by the applicant, age is aligned with the cut off points for school/college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK the cohort cut off for England and Wales has been used. Age then is grouped in the following bands: '17 and under', '18', '19', '20', '21 and Over'. Please note: if the derived age is outside of the range 11-100 then it is set to 18 by default.

#### Deferred Status

Indicates if an application is deferred. Most applications are into the academic year that starts immediately at the end of the cycle, for example into the academic 2013-14 year from the 2013 application cycle. Applications can also be deferred for entry into the following academic year, for example into the 2014-15 academic from the 2013 cycle. These are called deferred applications.

#### 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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Deferred Status, Age Band		Number of Applications by Cycle Year									
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Deferred	17 and under	2,830	2,570	2,490	1,980	2,190	1,895	2,000	2,255	2,160	2,540
	18	99,280	96,340	91,640	42,945	69,545	63,540	64,215	68,695	69,500	72,035
	19	10,615	10,840	12,535	8,025	9,675	10,575	10,625	11,210	11,100	10,635
	20	3,305	3,875	4,745	3,950	4,380	4,430	4,810	4,660	4,255	3,920
	21 and over	8,475	9,960	15,670	12,910	12,680	12,220	13,080	13,685	11,955	10,580
Not deferred	17 and under	30,800	33,215	35,505	37,510	38,980	42,730	47,625	48,970	51,535	53,935
	18	1,095,370	1,168,985	1,275,810	1,351,170	1,280,905	1,307,415	1,354,855	1,415,115	1,431,720	1,433,610
	19	414,650	457,350	541,720	597,555	510,570	555,990	575,945	585,340	589,480	555,000
	20	160,225	175,060	206,680	222,580	198,285	202,165	217,125	210,360	204,595	195,540
	21 and over	370,090	429,215	533,695	568,380	509,040	510,915	534,260	530,785	523,275	455,545
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,195,635</b>	<b>2,387,415</b>	<b>2,720,500</b>	<b>2,847,010</b>	<b>2,636,250</b>	<b>2,711,870</b>	<b>2,824,540</b>	<b>2,891,075</b>	<b>2,899,585</b>	<b>2,793,335</b>