

End of Cycle 2017 Data Resources

DR2_039_01 Acceptances by POLAR3 and sex

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Statistic: Number of Acceptances

Variables: POLAR3 Quintile, Sex, Cycle Year

Coverage: UK domiciled 18 year olds

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.

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

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, Sex		Number of Acceptances by Cycle Year									
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
POLAR3 Quintile 1	Men	7,440	8,225	8,675	8,780	8,705	9,275	10,020	10,090	10,325	10,425
	Women	10,895	11,585	11,915	12,255	12,360	12,860	14,040	15,025	15,165	15,835
POLAR3 Quintile 2	Men	12,140	13,055	13,130	13,615	13,110	13,920	14,495	14,965	15,275	15,345
	Women	16,745	17,745	17,465	18,035	18,005	18,865	19,745	20,990	21,370	21,530
POLAR3 Quintile 3	Men	16,190	17,350	17,680	17,940	17,510	18,255	18,910	19,555	19,635	19,980
	Women	21,705	22,780	22,485	22,955	22,655	23,750	24,190	25,880	26,405	26,875
POLAR3 Quintile 4	Men	22,150	23,160	22,975	23,495	22,475	23,185	23,285	24,185	24,550	24,520
	Women	27,475	28,185	28,380	28,455	27,645	28,650	28,760	30,730	30,995	31,060
POLAR3 Quintile 5	Men	32,015	33,190	32,815	33,740	32,035	32,770	32,935	33,895	34,465	34,870
	Women	37,010	37,950	37,140	37,955	37,215	37,405	37,780	39,600	40,290	40,505
Not assigned	Men	1,525	520	220	200	185	185	195	195	215	300
	Women	1,920	520	235	230	205	190	210	250	250	345
Total		207,215	214,260	213,120	217,655	212,105	219,320	224,555	235,360	238,940	241,585