

End of Cycle 2016 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									
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
POLAR3 Quintile 1	Men	7,125	7,440	8,225	8,670	8,785	8,710	9,280	10,020	10,090	10,310
	Women	9,710	10,900	11,580	11,915	12,260	12,360	12,865	14,040	15,010	15,125
POLAR3 Quintile 2	Men	11,370	12,145	13,060	13,135	13,610	13,110	13,925	14,495	14,960	15,230
	Women	15,410	16,740	17,750	17,465	18,035	18,005	18,850	19,740	20,970	21,320
POLAR3 Quintile 3	Men	15,525	16,190	17,355	17,685	17,945	17,510	18,245	18,915	19,545	19,585
	Women	20,540	21,710	22,775	22,495	22,955	22,655	23,755	24,190	25,875	26,335
POLAR3 Quintile 4	Men	21,370	22,150	23,155	22,970	23,495	22,475	23,190	23,285	24,155	24,480
	Women	25,945	27,470	28,190	28,385	28,450	27,640	28,660	28,760	30,720	30,910
POLAR3 Quintile 5	Men	31,125	32,020	33,195	32,815	33,740	32,035	32,770	32,925	33,890	34,420
	Women	35,440	37,015	37,945	37,130	37,955	37,225	37,400	37,780	39,565	40,215
Not assigned	Men	510	1,520	510	220	195	185	185	195	245	440
	Women	565	1,920	520	235	230	205	190	210	330	570
Total		194,635	207,215	214,260	213,120	217,655	212,105	219,320	224,555	235,360	238,940