

End of Cycle 2017 Data Resources

DR3_033_01 Acceptances by subject group and POLAR3

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Statistic: Number of Acceptances

Variables: Subject Group (Summary Level), POLAR3 Quintile, Cycle Year

Coverage: UK domiciled and 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.

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 Acceptances

Acceptance is defined as an applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education.

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		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Group A Medicine and Dentistry	POLAR3 Quintile 1	175	160	185	180	180	185	190	200	250	305
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	400	415	385	400	380	395	425	430	465	500
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	660	700	690	630	700	630	615	605	695	735
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,205	1,160	1,115	1,105	1,110	1,065	1,075	1,030	1,075	1,155
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	2,545	2,470	2,525	2,335	2,510	2,380	2,275	2,190	2,255	2,260
	Not assigned	45	10	5	5	5	5	10	10	15	10
Group B Subjects allied to Medicine	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,400	1,505	1,460	1,410	1,400	1,415	1,585	1,600	1,770	2,000
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,080	2,335	2,300	2,185	2,175	2,240	2,305	2,370	2,545	2,875
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,725	2,820	2,870	2,785	2,775	2,920	2,925	3,045	3,215	3,400
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	3,195	3,295	3,580	3,490	3,405	3,490	3,345	3,460	3,595	3,760
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,935	4,070	4,220	4,410	4,230	4,125	4,175	4,255	4,150	4,235
	Not assigned	245	40	25	20	20	25	25	10	25	35
Group C Biological Sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,910	2,105	2,245	2,265	2,420	2,670	3,125	3,385	3,455	3,420
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,920	3,150	3,385	3,450	3,460	3,680	4,150	4,560	4,885	4,765
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,790	4,080	4,165	4,200	4,260	4,640	4,980	5,560	5,700	5,920
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	4,670	4,960	5,285	5,365	5,205	5,510	5,855	6,260	6,630	6,635
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	5,840	6,395	6,555	6,510	6,685	6,820	7,285	7,705	8,090	8,100
	Not assigned	325	75	40	40	35	35	35	50	55	75
Group D Veterinary Sciences, Agriculture and related	POLAR3 Quintile 1	165	180	215	240	215	260	260	285	280	300
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	265	300	310	380	350	370	370	425	390	410
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	355	470	485	530	470	520	510	560	555	565
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	590	615	655	680	680	730	680	795	785	770
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	735	780	810	845	850	870	870	935	970	900
	Not assigned	45	20	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	10
Group F Physical Sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	750	865	880	905	890	965	1,045	1,140	1,080	1,165
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,355	1,405	1,505	1,580	1,610	1,645	1,660	1,820	1,725	1,765
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,825	1,925	2,085	2,130	2,160	2,235	2,325	2,375	2,340	2,355
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,675	2,760	2,845	2,965	2,960	3,110	3,105	3,340	3,045	2,950
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,785	4,085	4,180	4,330	4,395	4,580	4,625	4,630	4,315	4,485
	Not assigned	150	25	25	25	15	20	15	20	20	30
Group G Mathematical Sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	310	375	380	445	395	440	415	470	475	525
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	575	610	640	680	715	745	755	730	770	760
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	710	905	910	925	925	915	930	975	1,000	1,075
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	980	1,135	1,215	1,235	1,255	1,310	1,305	1,300	1,340	1,400
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,540	1,805	1,740	1,895	1,810	1,900	1,885	1,905	2,020	2,040
	Not assigned	45	10	10	5	10	10	5	15	5	15
Group H Engineering	POLAR3 Quintile 1	590	645	750	750	745	830	1,000	975	1,100	1,145
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,095	1,200	1,220	1,285	1,300	1,390	1,610	1,725	1,810	1,755
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,635	1,785	1,835	1,830	1,935	2,045	2,175	2,380	2,535	2,435
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,325	2,610	2,630	2,640	2,630	2,835	2,910	3,250	3,155	3,225
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,565	4,020	4,130	4,265	4,260	4,505	4,720	5,010	4,975	5,065
	Not assigned	145	75	30	30	30	20	30	30	25	40

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Subject Group (Summary Level), POLAR3 Quintile		Number of Acceptances by Cycle Year									
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Group I Computer Sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	835	970	1,005	1,035	1,035	1,145	1,320	1,450	1,395	1,425
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,190	1,360	1,325	1,360	1,325	1,580	1,740	1,830	1,885	1,900
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,415	1,650	1,710	1,655	1,620	1,805	1,990	2,245	2,295	2,320
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,700	1,755	1,760	1,825	1,695	1,925	2,110	2,365	2,380	2,465
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,935	2,000	1,930	2,080	1,895	2,210	2,245	2,560	2,680	2,760
	Not assigned	95	50	15	10	15	15	15	15	20	30
Group J Technologies	POLAR3 Quintile 1	75	100	100	95	75	105	90	90	65	60
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	130	160	165	180	135	145	130	130	95	90
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	150	205	220	210	175	165	165	145	145	155
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	220	255	275	260	230	220	220	220	140	175
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	285	335	375	340	275	300	310	270	250	235
	Not assigned	25	15	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0
Group K Architecture, Building and Planning	POLAR3 Quintile 1	270	280	265	270	240	230	260	255	280	330
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	525	495	435	420	390	360	385	405	450	515
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	710	740	655	605	540	540	520	560	625	690
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,120	1,095	885	850	740	675	675	730	870	905
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,790	1,595	1,320	1,270	1,150	1,040	1,015	1,080	1,205	1,275
	Not assigned	90	15	5	5	5	5	5	5	10	10
Group L Social Studies	POLAR3 Quintile 1	960	1,130	1,185	1,310	1,290	1,475	1,700	1,855	2,080	2,265
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,575	1,815	1,860	1,935	2,040	2,195	2,410	2,745	2,950	3,145
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,225	2,590	2,705	2,830	2,770	3,045	3,345	3,760	3,870	4,270
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	3,145	3,505	3,620	3,650	3,580	3,875	3,925	4,540	4,855	5,170
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	5,210	5,745	5,790	6,050	5,625	5,955	6,145	6,860	7,250	7,675
	Not assigned	220	80	40	35	30	30	35	40	40	55
Group M Law	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,140	1,170	1,225	1,180	1,230	1,300	1,355	1,445	1,650	1,810
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,605	1,790	1,675	1,685	1,710	1,905	1,750	2,000	2,100	2,375
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,100	2,200	2,145	2,200	2,105	2,260	2,255	2,375	2,460	2,760
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,450	2,560	2,440	2,510	2,415	2,440	2,410	2,475	2,680	2,885
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,045	3,315	3,070	3,085	3,040	3,110	2,955	3,065	3,335	3,540
	Not assigned	160	40	20	15	15	15	25	25	25	35
Group N Business and Admin studies	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,790	2,070	1,975	2,060	2,090	2,220	2,405	2,595	2,605	2,645
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,930	3,300	3,155	3,385	3,245	3,320	3,540	3,690	4,025	4,045
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,970	4,310	4,235	4,295	4,280	4,435	4,535	4,895	5,180	5,150
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	5,130	5,515	5,365	5,515	5,145	5,350	5,390	5,770	6,230	5,945
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	7,270	7,505	7,020	7,440	7,070	7,170	7,225	7,475	8,165	8,140
	Not assigned	375	150	60	45	50	55	45	65	55	90
Group P Mass Communication and Documentation	POLAR3 Quintile 1	575	615	650	640	670	660	800	810	850	800
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	785	880	905	895	885	975	1,085	1,110	1,160	1,080
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	950	1,115	1,095	1,240	1,060	1,150	1,250	1,315	1,315	1,335
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,170	1,325	1,215	1,325	1,205	1,310	1,360	1,495	1,560	1,510
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,380	1,500	1,475	1,605	1,320	1,410	1,480	1,580	1,690	1,745
	Not assigned	90	25	20	5	15	10	15	10	20	20

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		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Group Q Linguistics, Classics and related	POLAR3 Quintile 1	580	665	675	705	680	715	710	745	700	715
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	905	1,025	1,050	1,025	1,115	1,170	1,120	1,180	1,055	1,015
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,215	1,465	1,335	1,450	1,445	1,510	1,455	1,455	1,460	1,460
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,755	1,905	1,910	1,850	1,965	1,890	1,930	1,885	1,900	1,765
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	2,585	2,765	2,830	2,705	2,750	2,745	2,745	2,720	2,660	2,560
	Not assigned	100	25	10	10	15	5	10	15	10	20
Group R European Languages, Literature and related	POLAR3 Quintile 1	160	185	200	160	150	135	185	160	135	150
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	315	345	325	290	280	270	245	275	255	220
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	480	460	495	505	455	400	385	440	375	350
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	765	800	825	750	715	670	620	630	575	575
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,330	1,350	1,470	1,415	1,310	1,255	1,175	1,180	1,095	1,065
	Not assigned	45	10	5	5	5	5	5	10	10	5
Group T Non-European Languages, Literature and related	POLAR3 Quintile 1	35	55	45	55	45	45	30	55	50	65
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	105	70	85	85	75	75	65	85	75	85
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	165	120	105	120	115	130	105	120	105	105
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	210	220	200	200	195	165	155	170	165	160
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	395	380	365	345	325	260	250	280	240	210
	Not assigned	10	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
Group V History and Philosophical studies	POLAR3 Quintile 1	590	665	710	695	720	770	795	865	835	795
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,080	1,090	1,095	1,195	1,130	1,270	1,290	1,380	1,335	1,230
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,450	1,545	1,595	1,635	1,655	1,650	1,785	1,765	1,795	1,645
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,135	2,260	2,280	2,335	2,255	2,335	2,420	2,475	2,520	2,190
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,535	3,775	3,590	3,695	3,735	3,650	3,720	3,840	3,840	3,650
	Not assigned	165	30	15	20	20	10	20	15	20	25
Group W Creative Arts and Design	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,895	2,105	2,205	2,420	2,425	2,495	2,700	2,780	2,775	2,775
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	2,575	3,035	2,990	3,125	3,095	3,200	3,545	3,720	3,605	3,445
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	3,240	3,560	3,425	3,690	3,495	3,720	3,860	4,215	4,170	4,070
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	3,855	4,270	4,125	4,405	4,095	4,305	4,370	4,810	4,765	4,705
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	4,430	4,690	4,685	5,100	4,620	4,660	5,060	5,395	5,410	5,400
	Not assigned	385	140	45	50	40	35	40	45	45	60
Group X Education	POLAR3 Quintile 1	875	935	1,015	1,050	1,155	1,155	1,245	1,215	1,165	1,140
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,290	1,285	1,335	1,455	1,545	1,525	1,590	1,545	1,540	1,465
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,410	1,525	1,615	1,615	1,700	1,715	1,760	1,775	1,700	1,625
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,530	1,705	1,695	1,800	1,855	1,845	1,815	1,795	1,600	1,635
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,585	1,740	1,595	1,890	1,870	1,775	1,700	1,640	1,570	1,495
	Not assigned	95	40	5	10	5	10	5	5	15	15
Y Combined arts	POLAR3 Quintile 1	745	695	715	750	645	620	605	630	565	520
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,230	1,105	1,010	1,060	960	940	850	900	775	700
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,545	1,375	1,360	1,315	1,285	1,220	1,090	1,100	995	965
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,955	1,735	1,755	1,680	1,555	1,460	1,390	1,370	1,260	1,165
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	2,635	2,390	2,390	2,295	2,050	1,960	1,955	1,815	1,830	1,690
	Not assigned	130	20	15	20	15	15	15	5	10	15

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Y Combined sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	390	380	420	400	440	430	430	385	340	365
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	600	580	550	630	610	585	595	535	480	480
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	815	730	780	795	700	810	760	700	580	590
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,105	965	1,010	1,035	950	950	940	795	740	680
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,480	1,340	1,255	1,300	1,180	1,240	1,135	1,110	1,000	940
	Not assigned	70	15	5	10	10	5	5	5	5	5
Y Combined social sciences	POLAR3 Quintile 1	255	230	225	255	205	220	265	260	245	255
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	450	390	385	345	330	345	360	365	380	395
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	580	510	490	510	500	425	470	510	510	530
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	715	625	630	525	485	545	545	540	570	580
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	1,155	960	860	850	825	790	765	890	920	905
	Not assigned	50	10	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	10
Y Sciences combined with Social Sciences or Arts	POLAR3 Quintile 1	1,165	1,085	1,200	1,125	1,080	995	885	820	730	635
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	1,785	1,615	1,565	1,600	1,275	1,375	1,210	1,010	880	875
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	2,185	1,905	1,835	1,855	1,625	1,635	1,465	1,135	1,045	980
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	2,740	2,315	2,175	2,175	1,840	1,840	1,645	1,395	1,205	1,270
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	3,590	2,970	2,875	2,675	2,300	2,270	1,945	1,785	1,605	1,645
	Not assigned	185	60	25	25	15	10	20	10	10	10
Y Social Sciences combined with Arts	POLAR3 Quintile 1	535	480	490	470	455	425	460	450	400	420
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	870	785	730	770	670	690	665	635	665	645
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	1,150	1,040	1,000	985	965	920	955	865	840	865
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	1,715	1,460	1,400	1,340	1,265	1,180	1,145	1,210	1,160	1,110
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	2,585	2,270	2,055	2,130	1,910	1,840	1,685	1,830	1,770	1,880
	Not assigned	120	40	15	20	10	10	10	10	10	15
Z General, other combined and unknown	POLAR3 Quintile 1	160	160	165	155	195	220	195	205	215	225
	POLAR3 Quintile 2	245	265	205	255	315	395	400	360	340	345
	POLAR3 Quintile 3	430	395	315	355	450	565	495	550	525	515
	POLAR3 Quintile 4	555	530	460	440	685	810	695	815	735	800
	POLAR3 Quintile 5	855	885	840	845	1,255	1,360	1,380	1,485	1,465	1,475
	Not assigned	40	15	0	0	5	5	5	10	10	10
Total		207,215	214,260	213,120	217,655	212,105	219,320	224,555	235,360	238,940	241,585