

Disability of Applicants, Students and Staff of Welsh HEIs Compared to Population Distributions of Disability

UK domiciled applicants to UK Institutions

	Numbers		
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Learning Difficulty	13,605	16,503	17,130
Blind/partially sighted	711	968	896
Deaf/hearing impairment	1,210	1,414	1,522
Wheelchair user/mobility difficulties	794	860	969
Mental health difficulties	1,201	1,483	1,730
Unseen disability	2,966	3,239	3,565
Multiple disabilities	821	952	978
Autistic spectrum disorder	625	851	1,166
Disability not listed above	4,037	3,494	3,659
Disabled sub-total	25,970	29,764	31,615
No known disability	428,178	472,697	512,670
Total	454,148	502,461	544,285

	Percentages		
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Learning Difficulty	3.0	3.3	3.1
Blind/partially sighted	0.2	0.2	0.2
Deaf/hearing impairment	0.3	0.3	0.3
Wheelchair user/mobility difficulties	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mental health difficulties	0.3	0.3	0.3
Unseen disability	0.7	0.6	0.7
Multiple disabilities	0.2	0.2	0.2
Autistic spectrum disorder	0.1	0.2	0.2
Disability not listed above	0.9	0.7	0.7
Disabled sub-total	5.7	5.9	5.8
No known disability	94.3	94.1	94.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

HE Students at Welsh HEIs and HE students at UK HEIs

	HE students at Welsh HEIs			HE students at UK HEIs***		
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Disabled Students' Allowance						
Disability, in receipt of DSA	4,458	4,688	4,827	64,123	70,170	75,825
Disability, not in receipt of DSA	5,004	4,727	5,232	82,693	87,067	92,789
Disability, information about DSA not known/not sought	1,341	1,724	1,290	25,099	25,692	23,068
Disabled sub-total	10,803	11,139	11,349	171,915	182,929	191,682
No known disability	127,973	130,645	130,579	2,279,523	2,350,313	2,431,263
Total	138,776	141,784	141,928	2,451,438	2,533,242	2,622,945
Disability Type						
Blind/partially sighted	254	251	235	3,830	4,075	4,104
Deaf/hearing impairment	574	587	517	7,146	7,745	7,616
Wheelchair user/mobility difficulties	672	612	525	6,625	6,063	6,153
Personal care support	27	18	9	370	283	253
Mental health difficulties	697	739	738	10,126	11,762	13,714
Unseen disability	1,960	1,903	1,926	27,103	28,373	28,327
Multiple disabilities	879	918	956	15,776	16,809	17,519
Autistic spectrum disorder	92	120	164	1,481	1,950	2,617
Specific learning disability e.g. Dyslexia	4,526	4,776	5,245	78,588	85,174	91,610
Disability not listed above	1,122	1,215	1,034	20,907	20,695	19,713
Disabled sub-total	10,803	11,139	11,349	171,915	182,929	191,682
No known disability	120,110	122,384	123,881	2,054,770	2,129,306	2,264,929
Information refused	147	268	392	4,289	12,138	8,764
Information not sought	12	8	6	5,707	4,766	4,067
Not known	7,704	7,985	6,300	214,720	204,103	153,559
Not sought/not known sub-total	7,863	8,261	6,698	224,716	221,007	166,390
Total	138,776	141,784	141,928	2,451,438	2,533,242	2,622,945

	HE students at Welsh HEIs			HE students at UK HEIs		
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Disabled Students' Allowance						
Disability, in receipt of DSA	41.3	42.1	42.5	37.3	38.4	39.6
Disability, not in receipt of DSA	46.3	42.4	46.1	48.1	47.6	48.4
Disability, information about DSA not known/not sought	12.4	15.5	11.4	14.6	14.0	12.0
Disabled sub-total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No known disability	91.7	91.7	91.6	92.3	92.1	92.2
Information refused						
Information not sought						
Not known						
Not sought/not known sub-total						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Disability Type						
Blind/partially sighted	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Deaf/hearing impairment	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Wheelchair user/mobility difficulties	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Personal care support	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mental health difficulties	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
Unseen disability	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2
Multiple disabilities	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Autistic spectrum disorder	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Specific learning disability e.g. Dyslexia	3.5	3.6	3.9	3.5	3.7	3.7
Disability not listed above	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8
Disabled sub-total	8.3	8.3	8.4	7.7	7.9	7.8
No known disability	91.7	91.7	91.6	92.3	92.1	92.2
Information refused						
Information not sought						
Not known						
Not sought/not known sub-total						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Staff at Welsh HEIs

	Numbers					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disability Type						
Specific learning disability			41	137	60	177
Long-standing illness or health condition			88	292	126	341
Mental health condition			20	46	24	64
Physical impairment or mobility issues			55	128	61	129
Deaf or serious hearing impairment			28	94	32	95
Blind or serious visual impairment			8	20	9	25
Other type of disability****			57	166	65	195
Disabled sub-total	268	709	297	883	377	1,026
No known disability	12,082	26,300	10,849	24,003	11,014	24,652
Information not provided	517	989	2,393	3,557	1,573	2,493
Total	12,867	27,998	13,539	28,443	12,964	28,171

	Percentages					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disability Type						
Specific learning disability			0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7
Long-standing illness or health condition			0.8	1.2	1.1	1.3
Mental health condition			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Physical impairment or mobility issues			0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Deaf or serious hearing impairment			0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4
Blind or serious visual impairment			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other type of disability			0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8
Disabled sub-total	2.2	2.6	2.7	3.5	3.3	4.0
Not known to be disabled	97.8	97.4	97.3	96.5	96.7	96.0
Information not provided						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
DLA recipients*	116,310	116,520	116,810
Population**	2,976,100	2,990,100	2,999,300
Aged 16-64	1,889,000	1,897,700	1,900,900
% (based on age 16-64)	6.2%	6.1%	6.1%

Staff at Welsh HEIs on atypical contracts

	Numbers					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disabled	43	72	29	42	49	91
No known disability	2,237	4,948	1,113	2,704	1,288	3,011
Information not provided	290	576	1,956	2,737	1,412	2,203
Total	2,570	5,596	3,098	5,483	2,749	5,305

	Percentages					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disabled	1.9	1.4	2.5	1.5	3.7	2.9
Not known to be disabled	98.1	98.6	97.5	98.5	96.3	97.1
Information not provided						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Staff at Welsh HEIs on non-atypical contracts

	Numbers					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disabled	225	637	268	841	328	935
No known disability	9,845	21,352	9,736	21,299	9,726	21,641
Information not provided	227	413	437	820	161	290
Total	10,297	22,402	10,441	22,960	10,215	22,866

	Percentages					
	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All
Disabled	2.2	2.9	2.7	3.8	3.3	4.1
Not known to be disabled	97.8	97.1	97.3	96.2	96.7	95.9
Information not provided						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: UCAS, HESA Student Record and HESA Staff Record

Notes
 Percentages exclude those with unknown disability status
 Students in receipt of DSA are UK domiciled only
 Disability type introduced in the HESA staff record in 2008/09
 Due to a large number of cells containing small values data by disability type for staff on atypical and non-atypical contracts is not displayed
 Numbers of staff on atypical/non-atypical contracts for 2007/08 and 2008/09 may differ to data previously published due to a change in the method of sorting staff prior to reducing to a headcount

*DWP benefit payments for disability living allowance at August of each year in Wales from working age population (16-64) (includes DSA in combination with other benefits)
 **Mid year population estimates for Wales
 ***Disabled sub-totals don't agree as a small number of students with no known disability were coded as either claiming DSA or not claiming despite a disability
 ****Data for general learning disability and cognitive impairment included in other type of disability