

Age of Applicants, Students and Staff of Welsh HEIs Compared to Population Distribution

Applicants* to UK Institutions

	Numbers					
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18	
	All	From Wales	All	From Wales	All	From Wales
17 and under	12,105	25	12,535	35	13,115	25
18 yrs	321,495	12,150	324,880	12,165	327,135	11,765
19 yrs	141,280	4,445	142,680	4,590	136,505	4,295
20 yrs	59,025	1,800	57,705	1,730	56,835	1,840
21 and over	184,575	6,780	180,555	6,880	166,260	6,695
Total	718,480	25,200	718,350	25,400	699,850	24,620

	Percentages					
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18	
	All	From Wales	All	From Wales	All	From Wales
17 and under	1.7%	0.1%	1.7%	0.1%	1.9%	0.1%
18 yrs	44.7%	48.2%	45.2%	47.9%	46.7%	47.8%
19 yrs	19.7%	17.6%	19.9%	18.1%	19.5%	17.4%
20 yrs	8.2%	7.1%	8.0%	6.8%	8.1%	7.5%
21 and over	25.7%	26.9%	25.1%	27.1%	23.8%	27.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

HE Students at Welsh HEIs and HE students at UK HEIs

	Numbers								
	HE Students at Welsh HEIs			HE Students at UK HEIs			Population**		
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	UK	Wales	
18 and under	14,450	15,125	13,905	259,605	263,620	267,175	2,378,027	117,791	
19	17,930	17,760	18,300	327,365	338,600	339,620	843,533	44,161	
20	18,785	18,930	19,010	341,640	347,875	360,275	873,320	46,320	
21 to 24	32,665	33,530	33,720	615,830	637,320	655,030	3,423,878	165,604	
25 to 29	14,660	14,210	14,295	258,360	258,340	259,280	4,306,340	185,728	
30 and over	30,160	29,805	30,325	477,805	471,905	461,495	39,482,294	1,947,556	
Unknown age	25	35	25	225	225	225			
Total	128,675	129,395	129,585	2,280,830	2,317,880	2,343,095	51,307,392	2,507,160	

	Percentages								
	HE Students at Welsh HEIs			HE Students at UK HEIs			Population**		
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	UK	Wales	
18 and under	11.2%	11.7%	10.7%	11.4%	11.4%	11.4%	4.6%	4.7%	
19	13.9%	13.7%	14.1%	14.4%	14.6%	14.5%	1.6%	1.8%	
20	14.6%	14.6%	14.7%	15.0%	15.0%	15.4%	1.7%	1.8%	
21 to 24	25.4%	25.9%	26.0%	27.0%	27.5%	28.0%	6.7%	6.6%	
25 to 29	11.4%	11.0%	11.0%	11.3%	11.1%	11.1%	8.4%	7.4%	
30 and over	23.4%	23.0%	23.4%	21.0%	20.4%	19.7%	77.0%	77.7%	
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Staff at Welsh HEIs

	Numbers								
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18		Population***		
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All	UK	Wales	
24 and under	560	1,490	945	1,815	675	1,335	4,725,875	229,495	
25 to 29	1,020	2,105	1,325	2,390	1,260	2,315	3,646,970	155,190	
30 to 34	1,350	2,805	1,585	2,970	1,520	2,850	3,520,570	147,010	
35 to 39	1,360	2,850	1,660	3,140	1,610	3,175	3,563,650	154,010	
40 to 44	1,375	2,815	1,545	2,950	1,480	2,850	3,970,970	180,635	
45 to 49	1,475	2,895	1,620	3,070	1,500	2,965	3,998,310	185,915	
50 to 54	1,505	2,805	1,625	2,950	1,510	2,800	3,406,355	161,830	
55 to 59	1,135	2,220	1,285	2,345	1,225	2,305	2,703,080	131,065	
60 to 64	680	1,310	800	1,435	760	1,395	1,855,770	89,340	
65 and over	490	670	605	790	510	685	1,050,780	51,495	
Unknown age	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Total	10,960	21,965	13,000	23,860	12,055	22,670	32,442,330	1,485,985	

	Percentages								
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18		Population***		
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All	UK	Wales	
24 and under	5.1%	6.8%	7.3%	7.6%	5.6%	5.9%	14.6%	15.4%	
25 to 29	9.3%	9.6%	10.2%	10.4%	10.4%	10.2%	11.2%	10.4%	
30 to 34	12.3%	12.8%	12.2%	12.4%	12.6%	12.6%	10.9%	9.9%	
35 to 39	12.4%	13.0%	12.8%	13.2%	13.4%	14.0%	11.0%	10.4%	
40 to 44	12.6%	12.8%	11.9%	12.4%	12.3%	12.6%	12.2%	12.2%	
45 to 49	13.5%	13.2%	12.5%	12.9%	12.5%	13.1%	12.3%	12.5%	
50 to 54	13.7%	12.8%	12.5%	12.4%	12.5%	12.4%	10.5%	10.9%	
55 to 59	10.4%	10.1%	9.9%	9.8%	10.1%	10.2%	8.3%	8.8%	
60 to 64	6.2%	6.0%	6.1%	6.0%	6.3%	6.2%	5.7%	6.0%	
65 and over	4.5%	3.0%	4.7%	3.3%	4.2%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%	
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Staff at Welsh HEIs on non-atypical contracts

	Numbers								
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18		Population***		
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All	UK	Wales	
24 and under	145	1,070	140	1,010	110	765	4,725,875	229,495	
25 to 29	780	1,865	785	1,850	760	1,815	3,646,970	155,190	
30 to 34	1,205	2,665	1,310	2,695	1,345	2,670	3,520,570	147,010	
35 to 39	1,265	2,760	1,415	2,895	1,490	3,055	3,563,650	154,010	
40 to 44	1,315	2,750	1,380	2,785	1,405	2,775	3,970,970	180,635	
45 to 49	1,410	2,830	1,460	2,910	1,425	2,890	3,998,310	185,915	
50 to 54	1,420	2,720	1,475	2,800	1,440	2,725	3,406,355	161,830	
55 to 59	1,085	2,170	1,160	2,215	1,160	2,240	2,703,080	131,065	
60 to 64	625	1,250	670	1,305	695	1,330	1,855,770	89,340	
65 and over	415	590	450	635	430	605	1,050,780	51,495	
Unknown age	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Total	9,670	20,670	10,240	21,095	10,255	20,870	32,442,330	1,485,985	

	Percentages								
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18		Population***		
	Academic	All	Academic	All	Academic	All	UK	Wales	
24 and under	1.5%	5.2%	1.3%	-4.8%	1.1%	3.7%	14.6%	15.4%	
25 to 29	8.1%	9.0%	7.6%	8.8%	7.4%	8.7%	11.2%	10.4%	
30 to 34	12.5%	12.9%	12.8%	12.8%	13.1%	12.8%	10.9%	9.9%	
35 to 39	13.1%	13.3%	13.8%	13.7%	14.5%	14.6%	11.0%	10.4%	
40 to 44	13.6%	13.3%	13.5%	13.2%	13.7%	13.3%	12.2%	12.2%	
45 to 49	14.6%	13.7%	14.3%	13.8%	13.9%	13.8%	12.3%	12.5%	
50 to 54	14.7%	13.2%	14.4%	13.3%	14.0%	13.1%	10.5%	10.9%	
55 to 59	11.2%	10.5%	11.3%	10.5%	11.3%	10.7%	8.3%	8.8%	
60 to 64	6.4%	6.0%	6.5%	6.2%	6.8%	6.4%	5.7%	6.0%	
65 and over	4.3%	2.9%	4.4%	3.0%	4.2%	2.9%	3.2%	3.5%	
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	90.4%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Academic staff at Welsh HEIs on atypical contracts

	Numbers				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Population***	
				UK	Wales
24 and under	415	810	570	4,725,875	229,495
25 to 29	240	540	500	3,646,970	155,190
30 to 34	145	275	175	3,520,570	147,010
35 to 39	95	245	120	3,563,650	154,010
40 to 44	60	165	75	3,970,970	180,635
45 to 49	65	160	75	3,998,310	185,915
50 to 54	85	150	75	3,406,355	161,830
55 to 59	50	125	65	2,703,080	131,065
60 to 64	60	130	65	1,855,770	89,340
65 and over	75	155	80	1,050,780	51,495
Unknown age	0	0	0		
Total	1,295	2,760	1,800	32,442,330	1,485,985

	Percentages				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Population***	
				UK	Wales
24 and under	32.2%	29.3%	31.6%	14.6%	15.4%
25 to 29	18.6%	19.6%	27.8%	11.2%	10.4%
30 to 34	11.1%	10.0%	9.8%	10.9%	9.9%
35 to 39	7.3%	8.9%	6.7%	11.0%	10.4%
40 to 44	4.7%	6.0%	4.2%	12.2%	12.2%
45 to 49	5.1%	5.8%	4.2%	12.3%	12.5%
50 to 54	6.6%	5.4%	4.1%	10.5%	10.9%
55 to 59	4.0%	4.6%	3.6%	8.3%	8.8%
60 to 64	4.6%	4.7%	3.6%	5.7%	6.0%
65 and over	6.0%	5.7%	4.4%	3.2%	3.5%
Total	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 age

*UCAS end of cycle applicant figures - all domiciles

**Population data from Census 2011 for those aged 16 and over

***Population data from Census 2011 for economically active and aged 16 and over

HEFCW's standard data disclosure control procedure has been applied. This means that:

All numbers are rounded up or down to the nearest multiple of 5. Any number lower than 2.5 is rounded to 0. Halves are rounded upwards (e.g. 2.5 is rounded to 5).

Percentages are calculated on unrounded data. Percentages calculated on populations which contain fewer than 22.5 individuals are suppressed and represented as ".".

Totals are the rounded sum of unrounded data and may not equal the sum of rounded data shown

Students

HESA student registration population

Staff

HESA contract population

From 2015/16 collection onwards, atypical non-academic staff are no longer included in the coverage of the HESA staff record. This means that data for 'All' staff shown in the 'Staff at Welsh HEIs' table includes data for academic staff on both atypical and non-atypical contracts, and data for non-academic staff on non-atypical contracts.

Student and staff populations have been revised to bring them into line with HESA standard publication populations. This means that data shown here is not comparable with data previously published by HEFCW for 2015/16 and earlier.