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Corrections to the Learners and Apprentices Survey report

Summary

The published report for the Learners and Apprentices Survey 2018 has been updated and republished to rectify minor errors and inconsistencies in two sets of figures. The first relate to the proportion of FE learners and apprentices who were claiming out-of-work benefits prior to starting their learning. The second relate to the proportion of FE learners and apprentices who had never worked prior to completing their learning and moved into work.

The corrections slightly reduce the proportion of FE learners and apprentices who were claiming out-of-work benefits prior to starting their learning and slightly increase the proportion of FE learners and apprentices who had never worked prior to their learning and moved into work. The effect of these changes are small and do not change the narrative of the report.

Description of error and impact

Post-publication, a small number of inconsistencies were identified within the published report. It was decided to republish the report to correct this.

There were minor errors in analysis of FE learners and apprentices who had claimed out-of-work benefits prior to their learning. The figures in the report have been updated to be defined consistently.

Analysis of FE learners and apprentices who had never worked prior to their learning and moved into work had been inconsistent in including or excluding those who were self-employed, which was a small proportion of the overall sample. These figures have been updated to include both employed and self-employed for FE learners and apprentices.

Annex 1: corrections to the Learners and Apprentices Survey 2018 report

The current report has been corrected and re-published on Gov.uk reflecting the following changes.

Page number	Change / new text (corrected figure in bold)	Original report
5	"Consistent with this, 25% of FE learners were claiming out-of-work benefits before they started their course."	27%
6	"Three-quarters (75%) of apprentices who had never worked before completing their apprenticeship had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview. Nearly a quarter (26%) of FE learners who had never worked before completing their learning had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview."	74%
6	"Three-quarters (75%) of apprentices who had never worked before completing their apprenticeship had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview. Nearly a quarter (26%) of FE learners who had never worked before completing their learning had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview."	23%
18	"Consistent with this, more than a quarter (25%) of FE learners were claiming out-of-work benefits before starting their course."	27%
31	"FE learners were twice as likely as apprentices to be looking for work before starting the course (20% compared with 10%) and were significantly more likely to have been claiming out-of-work benefits before their course started (25% of FE learners compared with five per cent of apprentices)."	27%
31	"FE learners were twice as likely as apprentices to be looking for work before starting the course (20% compared with 10%) and were significantly more likely to have been claiming out-of-work benefits before their course started (25% of FE learners compared with five per cent of apprentices)."	six per cent
32	" Five per cent of apprentices were claiming out-of-work benefits before starting their apprenticeship compared with a quarter of FE learners (25%)."	six per cent

32	"Five percent of apprentices were claiming out-of-work benefits before starting their apprenticeship compared with a quarter of FE learners (25%)."	27%
38	"Three quarters (75%) of apprentices who had never worked before completing their apprenticeship had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview (many still working for their apprenticeship employer)."	74%
38	"A quarter (26%) of FE learners who had never worked before completing their learning had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview."	23%
42	"Very positively, two thirds (65%) of the 844 apprentices who had never previously had a job before completing their apprenticeship remained in full-time employment at the time of the interview."	850
42	"If we factor in part-time employment, three-quarters (75%) of apprentices who had never previously had a job before completing their apprenticeship were working at the time of interview."	74%
42	"Further, a large proportion who were not working before their apprenticeship had moved into either further training or education, or (another) apprenticeship (13% combined)."	12%
43	Figure 12 - apprentices working full time 65%	64%
43	Figure 12 - FE working full time 13%	12%
43	Figure 12 - FE working part time 13%	12%
43	"A quarter (26%) were in work at the time of interview, split evenly between full- and part-time working, but it was most common for these learners to be unemployed (45% were unemployed and either looking for or not looking for work)."	25%
71	"In particular, 75% of apprentices who had never worked before completing their apprenticeship had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview."	74%
71	"A quarter (26%) of FE learners who had never worked before completing their learning had moved into and remained in paid work at the time of interview."	23%



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