

Annex 3 – Pupil characteristics and attainment data

Table A - Percentage of pupils known to be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) by academy status (1)

Type of academy (5)	All pupils (2)(3)		
	Number on roll	Number of pupils known to be eligible for FSM	Percentage known to be eligible for FSM
Primary converter academy	1,285,463	260,640	20.3
Primary sponsored academy	465,953	147,102	31.6
Primary free school	52,198	9,353	17.9
Total primary academies	1,803,614	417,095	23.1
Secondary converter academy	1,838,997	265,423	14.4
Secondary sponsored academy	737,568	212,389	28.8
Secondary free schools, UTCs and studio schools	154,481	33,456	21.7
Total secondary academies	2,731,046	511,268	18.7
Special converter academies	40,490	17,061	42.1
Special sponsored academies	7,848	4,082	52.0
Special free schools	3,747	1,519	40.5
Total special academies	52,085	22,662	43.5
AP converter academies (4)	2,786	1,481	53.2
AP sponsored academies (4)	1,187	668	56.3
AP free schools (4)	1,147	499	43.5
Total AP academies (4)	5,120	2,648	51.7
Total all academies	4,591,865	953,673	20.8

Source: School Census, January 2021

1. Includes middle/all through schools as deemed.
2. Includes full time and part time pupils who are sole or dual main registrations. Includes boarders.
3. Pupils who have full time attendance and are aged 15 or under, or pupils who have part time attendance and are aged between 5 and 15.
4. Alternative provision establishments also teach dual subsidiary registered pupils who are not included in these totals.
5. Includes free schools, university technical colleges and studio schools.

Table B: Pupils with special educational needs in academies, 2021 (1)(2)

Type of School	Number on roll	Pupils with statements of SEN/ EHC plan		Pupils with SEN support		Total pupils with SEN	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Primary converter academy	1,285,463	25,264	2.0	155,413	12.1	180,677	14.1
Sponsor-led primary academy	465,953	10,063	2.2	66,798	14.3	76,861	16.5
Primary free schools	52,198	915	1.8	5,397	10.3	6,312	12.1
Total primary academies	1,803,614	36,242	2.0	227,608	12.6	263,850	14.6
Secondary converter academy	1,838,997	33,243	1.8	189,562	10.3	222,805	12.1
Sponsor-led secondary academy	737,568	15,198	2.1	102,589	13.9	117,787	16.0
Secondary free schools, UTCs and studio schools	154,481	3,287	2.1	19,327	12.5	22,614	14.6
Total secondary academies	2,731,046	51,728	1.9	311,478	11.4	363,206	13.3
Special converter academy	40,490	40,013	98.8	416	1.0	40,429	99.8
Sponsor-led special academy	7,848	7,763	98.9	85	1.1	7,848	100.0
Special free schools	3,747	3,693	98.6	54	1.4	3,747	100.0
Total special academies	52,085	51,469	98.8	555	1.1	52,024	99.9
Total alternative provision academies	5,120	1,243	24.3	2,874	56.1	4,117	80.4

Source: School Census, January 2021

(1) Includes all academies including free schools, university technology colleges and studio schools.

(2) Excludes nursery schools, independent schools, general hospital schools and pupil referral units

Table C1: 16 to 18 Average point score (APS) per entry, state-funded schools¹ in 2019, 2020 and 2021

	Academic			Applied General			Tech Level		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Local authority maintained mainstream schools	32.12	38.46	40.58	28.73	32.49	33.89	31.86	34.87	36.26
Sponsored academies - mainstream	28.32	36.12	38.54	29.33	33.59	34.09	31.17	34.70	34.89
Converter academies - mainstream	33.99	39.45	41.34	29.29	32.55	34.27	32.98	35.59	37.02
Free schools	29.76	36.89	40.77	28.82	32.16	33.56	37.01	37.92	38.03
Free schools (16-19)	37.48	40.82	42.49	31.02	31.95	35.58	30.09	32.76	34.10
University technical colleges (UTCs)	22.79	32.90	35.75	30.51	30.89	32.69	31.11	32.59	33.07
Studio schools	25.39	35.36	37.30	27.55	31.91	31.63	30.33	31.66	31.20
All state-funded mainstream schools	33.07	38.94	40.96	29.21	32.74	34.14	32.12	34.71	35.71

Source: *A Level and other 16-18 results: 2021*, <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/a-level-and-other-16-to-18-results>

Footnotes

i Students who attend multiple institutions during 16 to 18 can be included more than once in institution breakdowns.

ii 'All state-funded schools' includes city technology colleges (CTCs) and state-funded special schools. Figures for these institution types are not shown separately in the table. Excludes pupil referral units (PRUs), alternative provision (AP), hospital schools, non-maintained special schools, independent schools, independent special schools, and independent schools approved to take pupils with special educational needs (SEN).

¹ It should be noted that the cancellation of summer 2020 and 2021 exams and the different method of awarding grades led to a set of student attainment statistics that are unlike previous years. This means that year on year changes in the statistics reported may reflect the different process for awarding grades in 2020 and 2021 rather than changes in the underlying performance of students or particular school types.

Table C2: Change in APS per entry, state-funded schools from 2019 to 2021 (with 2021 student numbers for context²)

	Academic		Applied General		Tech Level	
	Students	Change	Students	Change	Students	Change
Local authority maintained mainstream schools	31,802	8.45	10,667	5.16	1,313	4.4
Sponsored academies - mainstream	18,268	10.23	10,645	4.76	1,594	3.72
Converter academies - mainstream	127,684	7.35	33,711	4.97	3,734	4.05
Free schools	2634	11.01	392	4.73	90	1.02
Free schools (16-19)	4400	5.01	831	4.56	70	4.01
University technical colleges (UTCs)	1482	12.95	849	2.18	1,080	1.96
Studio schools	317	11.91	333	4.07	139	0.87
All state-funded mainstream schools	187,016	7.89	57,559	4.93	8,029	3.59

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² Care should be taken interpreting changes based on small numbers of students

Table D1: Percentage of state-funded students at the end of 16 to 18 study, who are retained to the end of their main level 3 study programme (core aim) at a provider, by institution type, 2019 to 2021

	Academic			Applied General			Tech Level		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Local authority maintained mainstream schools	92.8	93.8	95.0	84.2	85.3	88.1	83.3	84.8	86.0
Sponsored academies - mainstream	91.2	92.1	92.9	83.8	84.2	86.5	80.2	84.7	87.6
Converter academies - mainstream	93.5	94.3	95.4	85.9	86.2	88.6	85.7	87.3	90.7
Free schools	92.3	91.6	89.4	85.7	85.3	88.1	78.1	80.6	70.7
Free schools (16-19)	90.5	92.0	93.9	94.8	91.0	88.6	78.0	90.2	100.0
University technical colleges (UTCs)	74.0	77.4	83.8	85.8	82.7	89.9	82.5	83.5	88.2
Studio schools	80.3	81.1	93.4	87.8	80.7	86.9	85.2	85.6	87.5
All state-funded mainstream schools	93.0	93.9	94.9	85.1	85.6	88.1	83.6	85.7	88.9
Sixth Form Colleges	87.2	88.2	91.8	88.7	86.3	91.2	88.0	85.9	92.1
Other FE sector colleges	85.7	85.1	90.6	89.6	89.7	93.3	89.9	90.7	91.4
All FE sector colleges	86.6	87.0	91.4	89.4	89.1	92.9	89.8	90.5	91.4
All state-funded mainstream providers	91.3	92.0	94.1	86.5	86.9	89.9	87.9	89.2	90.6

Source: *A Level and other 16-18 results: 2021*, <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/a-level-and-other-16-to-18-results>

Footnotes

'All state-funded mainstream providers' Includes LA maintained mainstream schools, academies, free schools, city technology colleges, studio schools, and UTCs (excludes all special schools, pupil referral units, alternative provision, and independent schools).

Table D2: Change in percentage (ppts) of retained students, by institution type, from 2019 to 2021 (with 2021 student numbers for context³)

	Academic		Applied General		Tech Level	
	Students	Change	Students	Change	Students	Change
Local authority maintained mainstream schools	28,386	2.2	8,197	4.0	910	2.7
Sponsored academies - mainstream	14,341	1.7	8,783	2.8	1,139	7.5
Converter academies - mainstream	118,152	1.9	22,771	2.8	2,637	5.0
Free schools	2,435	-2.8	269	2.4	41	-7.4
Free schools (16-19)	4,295	3.4	533	-6.3	120	22.0
University technical colleges (UTCs)	618	9.8	724	4.2	1,125	5.7
Studio schools	166	13.0	305	-1.0	96	2.3
All state-funded schools	168,794	1.9	41,667	3.0	6,080	5.4
Sixth Form Colleges	34,108	4.6	4,543	2.5	645	4.1
Other FE sector colleges	20,622	5.0	19,795	3.7	13,198	1.5
All FE sector colleges	54,730	4.7	24,338	3.5	13,843	1.6
All state-funded mainstream providers	223,524	2.8	66,005	3.3	19,923	2.7

Footnotes

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