Table I TYPE OF SCHOOL AND MODE OF ENTRY

Applications Maintained Independent Others	Pre Q 3,993 3,322 1,067	Post Q 196 411 546	1996 Total 4,189 3,733 1,613	1995 Total 4,235 3,786 1,527		
Total	8,382	1,153	9,535	9,548		
Acceptances	Pre Q	Post Q	1996 Total	%	1995 Total	%
Maintained	1,270	1 0st Q 68	1,338	41.6	1,480	43.6
Independent	1,394	187	1,581	49.1	1,612	47.4
Others	171	129	300	9.3	305	9.0
Total	2,835	384	3,219	100	3,397	100

Acceptance rate by school: Maintained 31.9%; Independent 42.4%; Others 18.6%; Total: 33.8%.

Acceptance rate by Application Route: Pre Q 33.8%; Post Q: 33.3%; Total: 33.8%.

## Table 2 NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF APPLICATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES OF CANDIDATES BY REGION OF DOMICILE

					Total $\Lambda$	lo. of
					Candidates	accepted
	Applic	cations	Accep	tances	through UCAS 1995	
Region of School	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
North	202	2.1	67	2.1	10,732	4.1
North West	780	8.2	290	9.0	25,565	9.7
Yorkshire and Humberside	451	4.7	167	5.2	17,543	6.7
East Midlands	322	3.4	123	3.8	15,174	5.7
West Midlands	555	5.8	209	6.5	20,380	7.7
East Anglia	296	3.1	116	3.6	7,875	3.0
Greater London	1,460	15.3	543	16.9	33,264	12.6
South East	2,172	22.8	803	24.9	48,971	18.6
South West	1,078	11.3	386	12.0	20,261	7.7
Wales	325	3.4	106	3.3	11,253	4.3
Scotland	211	2.2	74	2.3	21,168	8.0
Northern Ireland	112	1.2	47	1.5	8,461	3.2
Overseas	1,571	16.5	288	8.9	22,898	8.7
Total	9,535	100	3,219	100	263,545	100

## Table 3 A-LEVEL SCORES OF POST Q ACCEPTANCES AND SCORES REQUIRED BY PRE Q CANDIDATES HOLDING OFFERS FOR 1997 ENTRY

	Scores of	Scores Required
UCAS	Post Q	by Pre-Q Candidates
Score	Acceptances	holding offers
30 and over	252	681
28	34	2,096
26	15	64
24	4	9
22	-	1
20	3	-
18	1	-
16	-	-
14	-	-
12	-	1
10	-	-
Below 10	-	-
Total	309	2,852
2(EE)	-	29
	309	2,881
Two As	20	92
Total:	Post Q 329	Pre Q 2,973
Other Quals./Offers	55	244
Total	384	3,217

Amongst the 244 offers classified as 'others', there were 50 with the International Baccalaureate, 38 with Scottish CSYS or Highers, 12 with the French Baccalaureate, 12 with the Abitur, 9 with the European Baccalaureate, and 8 with Irish Highers.

(The A level scoring system is as follows:

A level grade: A = 10, B = 8, C = 6, D = 4, E = 2.

AS level grade: A = 5, B = 4, C = 3, D = 2, E = 1.)

## Table 3A 1996 ENTRY BY A-LEVEL SCORE

The table below gives the A-level scores achieved by those students who entered Oxford in October 1996.

3,017 of the new entrants held qualifications in three A-level subjects. 274 had completed their A levels before they applied, the remaining 2,743 were offered places before taking A levels in the summer of 1996.

(A-level grades: A = 10, B - 8, C = 6, D = 4, E = 2)

(AS-level grades: A = 5, B = 4, C = 3, D = 2, E = 1)

	Post	Q	Pre	Q	Total 1990	5 intake
A-level Score	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
AAA 30	220	80.3	1,798	65.5	2,018	66.9
28	32	11.7	534	19.5	566	18.7
26	10	3.6	223	8.1	233	7.7
24	5	1.8	106	3.9	111	3.7
22	2	0.7	40	1.5	42	1.4
20	2	0.7	25	0.9	27	0.9
18	0}		4}		4}	
16	0}		7}		7}	
14	1}	1.21	2}	0.6	3}	0.7
12	1}		0}		1}	
Below 12	1}		4}		5}	
	274	100	2,743	100	3,017	100

## Table 4 NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF ACCEPTANCES BY GCE EXAMINATION BOARD

			Total A level		
	Acceptances		candidates	s 1997	
Examination Board	No.	%	No.	%	
Oxford and Cambridge	617	20.9	38,916	6.4	
Cambridge	434	14.7	87,532	14.4	
Oxford	144	4.9	37,004	6.1	
London	819	27.7	150,055	24.6	
Northern	532	18.0	100,400	16.5	
Welsh	69	2.3	15,982	2.6	
Associated	294	10.0	168,916	27.8	
Northern Ireland	45	1.5	9,984	1.6	
Total	2,954	100	608,789	100	
Scottish	44				
Others	221				

In Table 4 one Board is assigned to each candidate. Where candidates have taken A levels with more than one Board, they are assigned to the Board with which they took the majority of their subjects; and if candidates took the same number of A levels with each of several Boards, they are assigned to the Board first named on their form.

Table 5 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES BY FACULTY

					% Accept	
	• •	cations	Accept		Applica	
Arts	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995
Ancient and Modern History	51	78 ~ ~	13	30	25.5	38.5
Archaeology and Anthropology	64	55	24	22	37.5	40.0
Classics	204	219	136	145	66.7	66.2
Classics and English	24	20	9	8	37.5	40.0
Classics and Modern Languages	25	33	10	11	40.0	33.3
Economics and Management	416	358	69	42	16.6	11.7
English	888	1,016	252	271	28.4	26.7
English and Modern Languages	119	115	22	27	18.5	23.5
European and Middle Eastern Languages	12	20	5	5	41.7	25.0
Fine Art	156	132	20	21	12.8	15.9
Geography	232	254	101	106	43.5	41.7
Law	884	900	241	260	29.4	28.9
Law with Law Studies in Europe	242	254	25	19	10.3	7.5
Mathematics and Philosophy	54	35	24	15	50.0	42.9
Modern History	680	696	289	289	42.5	41.5
Modern History and Economics	45	55	11	19	24.4	34.5
Modern History and English	76	60	15	14	19.7	23.3
Modern History and Modern Languages	99	80	37	29	37.4	36.3
Modern Languages	412	428	198	207	48.1	48.4
Music	94	104	54	52	57.4	50.0
Oriental Studies	110	107	37	43	33.6	40.2
Philosophy and Modern Languages	46	60	17	32	37.0	53.3
Philosophy and Theology	37	52	12	25	32.4	48.1
Physics and Philosophy	53	50	12	20	22.6	40.0
PPE	986	989	278	320	28.2	32.4
Theology	76 	84	56	49	73.7	58.3
Total Arts	6,085	6,254	1,967	2,081	32.3	33.3
Sciences						
Biochemistry	180	157	89	92	49.4	58.6
Biological Sciences	237	184	99	108	41.8	58.7
Chemistry	264	292	194	201	73.5	68.8
Computation	95	60	18	22	18.9	36.7
Earth Sciences (Geology)	46	40	30	32	65.2	80.0
Engineering Science	325	336	112	127	34.5	37.8
Engineering and Computer Science	58	60	12	14	20.7	23.3
Engineering, Economics, and Management	83	79	28	23	33.7	29.1
Engineering and Materials	21	14	9	5	42.1	35.7
Experimental Psychology	162	161	44	41	27.2	25.5
Human Sciences	98	105	44	40	44.9	38.1
Mathematics	446	448	183	201	41.0	44.9
Mathematics and Computation	79	81	41	40	51.9	49.4
Medicine	633	619	102	101	16.1	16.3
Metallurgy and MEM	39	36	23	27	59.0	75.0
Physics	445	391	173	170	38.9	43.5
Physiological Sciences	34	44	12	19	35.3	43.2
PPP	205	187	39	53	19.0	28.3
Total Sciences	3,450	3,294		1,316	36.3	40.0
Total	9,535	9,548	3,219	3,397	33.8	35.6

Table 6 ACCEPTANCES BY COLLEGE CHOICE

	Pre Q		Pos	Post Q		Total	
Accepted by	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
First choice	1,349	1,091	188	120	1,537	1,211	
Second choice	79	69	9	15	88	84	
Third choice	22	37	3	2	25	39	
Other	94	94	26	21	120	115	
	1,544	1,291	226	158	1,770	1,449	
Total	2,8	35	38	34	3,2	19	

Candidates are given the opportunity of applying to Oxford without having to name a college of preference. A total of 982 candidates submitted open applications. The missing college of preference was allocated by the Admissions Office computer which took into account the application patterns produced by the candidates who had named a college. 130 of the 982 who submitted open applications gained places, which is an acceptance rate of 13.3 per cent. All colleges were allocated some open application candidates; five were allocated fewer than 10, nine were allocated between 10 and 20, ten were allocated between 21 and 50, and three were allocated between 50 and 100. One college received 150 allocated candidates and another 112.

Table 7 NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF HOME APPLICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ACCEPTANCES AND PERCENTAGE SUCCESS RATES AND A-LEVEL SCORES FOR 1997 ENTRY BY ETHNIC ORIGIN

	Applica	tions	1	Acceptances			
	No.	%	No.	Success	A- $Level$		
				Rate %	Scores		
Bangladeshi	28	0.3	2	7.1	26.0		
Chinese	106	1.3	33	31.1	29.7		
Indian	250	3.1	70	28.0	29.5		
Pakistani	104	1.3	28	26.9	28.8		
Other Asian	119	1.5	34	28.6	29.0		
Black	89	1.1	16	18.0	28.7		
White	6,935	86.3	2,642	38.1	29.2		
Other	163	2.0	51	31.3	28.8		
Unknown	245	3.0	66	26.9	29.2		
Total	8,039	100	2,942	36.6	29.2		

Source: UCAS.