## Admissions 1998

Table 1 TYPE OF SCHOOL AND MODE OF ENTRY

|  |  |  | 1997 | 1996 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Applications | Pre $Q$ | Post Q | Total | Total |  |  |
| Maintained | 4,092 | 157 | 4,249 | 4,189 |  |  |
| Independent | 3,308 | 352 | 3,660 | 3,733 |  |  |
| Others | 847 | 584 | 1,431 | 1,613 |  |  |
|  | --- - | -- - - | --- | --- |  |  |
| Total | 8,247 | 1,093 | 9,340 | 9,535 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1997 |  | 1996 |  |
| Acceptances | Pre Q | Post Q | Total | \% | Total | \% |
| Maintained | 1,386 | 63 | 1,449 | 43.8 | 1,338 | 41.6 |
| Independent | 1,374 | 191 | 1,565 | 47.3 | 1,581 | 49.1 |
| Others | 151 | 143 | 294 | 8.9 | 300 | 9.3 |
|  | --- - | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- |  |
| Total | 2,911 | 397 | 3,308 | 100 | 3,219 | 100 |

Acceptance rate by school: Maintained 34.1\%; Independent 42.8\%; Others 20.5\%; Total: 35.4\%.

Acceptance rate by Application Route: Pre Q: 35.3\%; Post Q: 36.3\%; Total: 35.4\%.

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

Total No. of
Applications
Acceptances Candidates accepted through UCAS 1997

| Region of School | No. | \% | No. | \% | No. | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| North | 192 | 2.1 | 64 | 1.9 | 11,820 | 3.8 |
| North West | 854 | 9.1 | 355 | 10.7 | 28,758 | 9.3 |
| Yorkshire and Humberside | 378 | 4.0 | 155 | 4.7 | 20,746 | 6.7 |
| East Midlands | 326 | 3.5 | 121 | 3.7 | 17,666 | 5.7 |
| West Midlands | 534 | 5.7 | 192 | 5.8 | 23,095 | 7.5 |
| East Anglia | 297 | 3.2 | 133 | 4.0 | 9,096 | 3.0 |
| Greater London | 1,438 | 15.4 | 558 | 16.9 | 40,513 | 13.1 |
| South East | 2,085 | 22.3 | 831 | 25.1 | 54,492 | 17.7 |
| South West | 1,059 | 11.3 | 386 | 11.7 | 23,112 | 7.5 |
| Wales | 379 | 4.1 | 134 | 4.1 | 13,111 | 4.3 |
| Scotland | 208 | 2.2 | 64 | 1.9 | 24,136 | 7.8 |
| Northern Ireland | 126 | 1.4 | 46 | 1.4 | 9,846 | 3.2 |
| Overseas | 1,464 | 15.7 | 269 | 8.1 | 31,845 | 10.3 |
|  |  |  |  | - | - |  |
| Total | 9,340 | 100 | 3,308 | 100 | 308,236 | 100 |

Table 3 A-LEVEL SCORES OF POST Q ACCEPTANCES AND SCORES REQUIRED BY PRE Q CANDIDATES HOLDING OFFERS FOR 1998 ENTRY

| UCAS Score | Scores of Post Q <br> Acceptances | Scores required by Pre $Q$ Candidates holding offers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 30 and over | 230 | 654 |
| 28 | 50 | 2,227 |
| 26 | 17 | 67 |
| 24 | 5 | 18 |
| 22 | 2 | 5 |
| 20 | 3 | - |
| 18 | - | - |
| 16 | 1 | - |
| 14 | - | - |
| 12 | - | - |
| 10 | - | - |
| Below 10 | - | - |
| Total | 308 | 2,971 |
| 2(EE) | - | 16 |
|  | ------- | ----- |
|  | - | 2,987 |
| Two As | 13 | 90 |
| Total | Post Q 321 | Pre Q 3,077 |
| Other Quals./Offers | 76 | 249 |
| Total | 397 | 3,326 |
|  | - - | ------ |

Amongst the 249 offers classified as `others', there were 69 with the International
Baccalaureate, 37 with Scottish CSYS or Highers, 12 with the French Baccalaureate, 11 with the Abitur, 11 with the European Baccalaureate, and 10 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: $\mathrm{A}=5, \mathrm{~B}=4, \mathrm{C}=3, \mathrm{D}=2, \mathrm{E}=1$.)

## Table 3A 1997 ENTRY BY A LEVEL SCORE

The table below gives the A-level scores achieved by those students who entered Oxford in October 1997.

2,994 of the new entrants held qualifications in three A-level subjects. 303 had completed their A levels before they applied, the remaining 2,691 were offered places before taking A levels in the summer of 1997.
(A level grades: $\mathrm{A}=10, \mathrm{~B}=8, \mathrm{C}=6, \mathrm{D}=4, \mathrm{E}=2$.)
(AS level grades: $\mathrm{A}=5, \mathrm{~B}=4, \mathrm{C}=3, \mathrm{D}=2, \mathrm{E}=1$.)

|  | Post Q |  | Pre $Q$ |  | Total 1997 intake |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A level Score | Total | \% | Total | \% | Total | \% |
| 30 (AAA) | 228 | 75.3 | 1,948 | 72.4 | 2,176 | 72.6 |
| 28 | 53 | 17.5 | 537 | 20.0 | 590 | 19.7 |
| 26 | 18 | 5.9 | 164 | 6.1 | 182 | 6.1 |
| 24 | 3 | 1.0 | 25 | 0.9 | 28 | 0.9 |
| 22 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0.5 | 14 | 0.5 |
| 20 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.1 |
| 18 | 1 \} |  | 1 \} |  | 2 \} |  |
| 16 | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  |
| 14 | 0 \} | 0.3 | 0 \} | 0.03 | 0 \} | 0.1 |
| 12 | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  |
| Below 12 | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  | 0 \} |  |
|  | 303 | 100 | 2,691 | 100 | 2,994 | 100 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4 NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF ACCEPTANCES BY GCE EXAMINATION BOARD

|  | Acceptances |  | Total A Level candidates 1998 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Examination Board | No. | \% | No. | \% |
| Oxford and Cambridge* | 1,306 | 42.5 | 132,901 | 22.0 |
| London | 886 | 28.8 | 112,653 | 18.6 |
| Northern | 512 | 16.7 | 104,824 | 17.4 |
| Welsh | 78 | 2.5 | 26,510 | 4.4 |
| Associated | 253 | 8.3 | 216,323 | 35.8 |
| Northern Ireland | 38 | 1.2 | 10,719 | 1.8 |
|  | -- - | - | --- - |  |
| Total | 3,073 | 100 | 603,930 | 100 |
|  | ---- | -- | --- - | - |
| Scottish | 37 |  |  |  |
| Others | 198 |  |  |  |

*The Oxford and Cambridge (OCB) now incorporates the Cambridge Local Examination Syndicate (UCLES) and the Oxford Delegacy of Local Examinations (UODLE).

In Table 4 one Board is assigned to each candidate. Where candidates have taken A levels with more than one Board, they are assigned 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 named first on their form.

Table 5 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES BY FACULTY

|  | Applications |  | Acceptances |  | \% Acceptances to Applications |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arts | 1997 | 1996 | 1997 | 1996 | 1997 | 1996 |
| Ancient and Modern History | 60 | 51 | 25 | 13 | 41.7 | 25.5 |
| Archaeology and Anthropology | 56 | 64 | 23 | 24 | 41.1 | 37.5 |
| Classics | 172 | 204 | 130 | 136 | 75.6 | 66.7 |
| Classics and English | 26 | 24 | 15 | 9 | 57.7 | 37.5 |
| Classics and Modern Languages | 17 | 25 | 9 | 10 | 52.9 | 40.0 |
| Economics and Management | 444 | 416 | 80 | 69 | 18.0 | 16.6 |
| English | 879 | 888 | 262 | 252 | 29.8 | 28.4 |
| English and Modern Languages | 131 | 119 | 34 | 22 | 25.9 | 18.5 |
| European and Middle Eastern Languages | 4 | 12 | 2 | 5 | 50.0 | 41.7 |
| Fine Art | 126 | 156 | 21 | 20 | 16.7 | 12.8 |
| Geography | 223 | 232 | 102 | 101 | 45.7 | 43.5 |
| Law | 838 | 884 | 239 | 241 | 28.5 | 29.4 |
| Law with Law Studies in Europe | 247 | 242 | 24 | 25 | 9.7 | 10.3 |
| Mathematics and Philosophy | 46 | 54 | 22 | 24 | 47.8 | 50.0 |
| Modern History | 695 | 680 | 279 | 289 | 40.1 | 42.5 |
| Modern History and Economics | 56 | 45 | 10 | 11 | 17.9 | 24.4 |
| Modern History and English | 68 | 76 | 15 | 15 | 22.1 | 19.7 |
| Modern History and Modern Languages | 72 | 99 | 22 | 37 | 30.6 | 37.4 |
| Modern Languages | 381 | 412 | 204 | 198 | 53.5 | 48.1 |
| Music | 77 | 94 | 52 | 54 | 67.5 | 57.4 |
| Oriental Studies | 89 | 110 | 44 | 37 | 49.4 | 33.6 |
| Philosophy and Modern Languages | 60 | 46 | 24 | 17 | 40.0 | 37.0 |
| Philosophy and Theology | 56 | 37 | 22 | 12 | 39.3 | 32.4 |
| Physics and Philosophy | 41 | 53 | 15 | 12 | 36.6 | 22.6 |
| PPE | 990 | 986 | 295 | 278 | 29.8 | 28.2 |
| Theology | 70 | 76 | 43 | 56 | 61.4 | 73.7 |
| Total Arts | 5,924 | 6,085 | 2,013 | 1,967 | 34.0 | 32.3 |

Sciences

| Biochemistry | 161 | 180 | 83 | 89 | 51.6 | 49.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Biological Sciences | 237 | 237 | 109 | 99 | 46.0 | 41.8 |
| Chemistry | 315 | 264 | 183 | 194 | 58.1 | 73.5 |
| Computation | 64 | 95 | 16 | 18 | 25.0 | 18.9 |
| Earth Sciences (Geology) | 56 | 46 | 33 | 30 | 58.9 | 65.2 |
| Enginering Science | 327 | 325 | 135 | 112 | 41.3 | 34.5 |
| Engineering and Computer Science | 58 | 58 | 19 | 12 | 32.8 | 20.7 |
| Engineering, Economics and | 77 | 83 | 22 | 28 | 28.6 | 33.7 |
| Management | 9 | 21 | 5 | 9 | 55.6 | 42.1 |
| Engineering and Materials | 155 | 162 | 38 | 44 | 24.5 | 27.2 |
| Experimental Psychology | 91 | 98 | 46 | 44 | 50.5 | 44.9 |
| Human Sciences | 423 | 446 | 185 | 183 | 43.7 | 41.0 |
| Mathematics |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Mathematics and Computation | 77 | 79 | 36 | 41 | 46.8 | 51.9 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Medicine | 654 | 633 | 109 | 102 | 16.7 | 16.1 |
| Metallurgy and MEM | 38 | 39 | 23 | 23 | 60.5 | 59.0 |
| Physics | 438 | 445 | 184 | 173 | 42.0 | 39.0 |
| Physiological Sciences | 44 | 34 | 21 | 12 | 47.7 | 35.3 |
| PPP | 192 | 205 | 48 | 39 | 25.0 | 19.0 |
|  | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | .--- |
| Total Sciences | 3,416 | 3,450 | 1,295 | 1,252 | 37.9 | 36.3 |
|  | ---- | ---- | --- | ---- | ---- | --- |
| TOTAL | 9,340 | 9,535 | 3,308 | 3,219 | 35.4 | 33.8 |

Table 6 ACCEPTANCES BY COLLEGE CHOICE

|  | Pre Q |  | Post $Q$ |  | Total |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Accepted by | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| First choice | 1,319 | 1,116 | 194 | 124 | 1,513 | 1,240 |
| Second choice | 88 | 82 | 13 | 17 | 101 | 99 |
| Third choice | 26 | 30 | 4 | 2 | 30 | 32 |
| Other | 141 | 109 | 27 | 16 | 168 | 125 |
|  | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 1,574 | 1,337 | 238 | 159 | 1,812 | 1,496 |
| Total | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | --- |
|  | 2,911 |  | 397 |  | 3,308 |  |
|  | --- |  | --- |  | --- |  |

Candidates are given the opportunity of applying to Oxford without having to name a college of preference. A total of 854 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. 101 of the 854 who submitted open applications gained places, which is an acceptance rate of 11.8 per cent. All colleges were allocated some open application candidates; eight were allocated fewer than 10 , six were allocated between 10 and 20 , ten were allocated between 21 and 50 , and three were allocated between 50 and 100 . One college received 140 allocated candidates.

Table 7 NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF HOME APPLICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ACCEPTANCES AND PERCENTAGE SUCCESS RATES AND A-LEVEL SCORES FOR 1998 ENTRY BY ETHNIC ORIGIN.

|  | Applications |  | Acceptances |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | No. | $\%$ | No. | Success Rate A-level <br> $\%$ |  |
| Bangladeshi | 30 | 0.4 | 4 | 13.3 | 30.0 |
| Chinese | 86 | 1.1 | 27 | 31.4 | 29.6 |
| Indian | 220 | 2.8 | 61 | 27.7 | 29.1 |
| Pakistani | 99 | 1.3 | 23 | 23.2 | 29.6 |
| Other Asian | 127 | 1.6 | 34 | 26.8 | 29.2 |
| Black | 95 | 1.2 | 26 | 27.4 | 29.1 |
| White | 6,765 | 85.9 | 2,742 | 40.5 | 29.4 |
| Other | 153 | 1.9 | 50 | 32.7 | 28.6 |
| Unknown | 297 | 3.8 | 82 | 27.6 | 29.4 |
|  | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Total | 7,872 | 100 | 3,049 | 38.7 | 29.3 |
|  | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |

Source: UCAS.

