

Undergraduate Admissions Statistics: 2011 entry

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Introduction

What's here

These tables are produced annually by the Undergraduate Admissions Office of the University of Oxford.

The data in the tables refers to candidates who applied in October 2010, irrespective of the year for which they were seeking admission. It does not include candidates holding deferred offers from the 2009 exercise.

Oxford is very competitive ...

More than 17,000 people applied to Oxford for 2011 entry. Oxford has around 3,000 places.

... And getting ever more so

Nearly **45,000** people a year achieve AAA at A-level nationally in 2010. The number of A grades at A-level has grown by over 68% in 10 years. Applications to Oxford have increased by **55%** in the last 10 years.

[Source: UCAS; Joint Council for Qualifications; Oxford University data]

Oxford is committed to recruiting the best candidates, irrespective of their age, colour, disability, ethnic origin, marital status, nationality, national origin, parental status, race, religion or belief, gender, sexual orientation, social background or educational background.

Headline figures

- The total number of **applicants** in December 2010 was **17,343**. This was an increase of **1.2** per cent over the corresponding figure of **17,144** in December 2009 and was at that time the largest number ever recorded.
- The total number of **acceptances** was **3,186**. This 3,186 includes 64 places for deferred entry in October 2012.
- 12,107 applications (69.8%) came from those with UK nationality; 1,957 (11.3%) from those with EU (non-UK) nationality, and 3,279 (18.9%) from those with non-EU nationality.
- 2,661 (83.5%) of acceptances went to those with UK nationality; 213 (6.7%) to those with EU (non-UK) nationality, and 312 (9.8%) to those with non-EU nationality.
- Of *UK students attending maintained or independent schools or colleges in the UK*, **57.7%** of places went to applicants from the state (maintained) sector and **42.3%** to applicants from the independent sector.
- *For all candidates of all domiciles*, 47.6% of places went to those from the state (maintained) sector, 37.3% to the independent sector, and 15.1% to 'other' (e.g. individual applicants and those applying from overseas).

School type

Introduction

For 2011 entry, of UK students attending maintained or independent schools or colleges in the UK, **57.7%** of places went to applicants from the state (maintained) sector and **42.3%** to applicants from the independent sector:

UK domiciled applications and acceptances by maintained (ie state) and independent sector (as percentages):

	Applications 2011 Total (%)	Acceptances 2011 Total (%)
Maintained sector	64.3	57.7
Independent	35.7	42.3
TOTAL	100.0	100.0

For all candidates, **47.6%** of places went to those from the state (maintained) sector, **37.3%** to the independent sector, and **15.1%** to 'other' (e.g. individual applicants and those applying from overseas).

	All domiciles	
	Applications 2011 Total (%)	Acceptances 2011 Total (%)
Maintained sector	43.9	47.6
Independent	27.8	37.3
Other	28.3	15.1
TOTAL	100.0	100.0

Statistics on the national context for Oxford's application numbers

- Nationally, although independent schools educate just 7% of the total UK school population, they account for 15% of all A-level entries, 30% of all A grades, and 33% of all those getting AAA.
[Source: Harris report]
- On average over 2007-9, 13.5% of state school students getting AAA or better (excluding General Studies) applied for courses Oxford doesn't offer.
[Source: UCAS]

Additional statistics on Oxford's acceptance numbers

- **State applicants' success rate is affected by subject choice:** state school students apply disproportionately for the most oversubscribed subjects. On average, **36%** of all state school applications between 2009 and 2011 were for the five most oversubscribed subjects at Oxford. This compared to just 32% of independent school applications. *(The five most oversubscribed subjects, based on the course with over 70 places with the highest applicant to places ratio between 2009 and 2011, were: Economics & Management, Medicine, PPE, Maths, and Law)*
- **State students also apply in disproportionately low numbers for the least oversubscribed subjects:** 17% of all independent school applications between 2009 and 2011 were for Oxford's five least oversubscribed subjects, compared to just 13% of all state school applications.
(The five least oversubscribed subjects, based on the courses with over 70 places with the

lowest applicant to places ratio between 2009 and 2011, were: Classics, Chemistry, Modern Languages, Biological Sciences, and Biochemistry)

More detailed breakdowns by school type

UK domiciled applications and acceptances by type of school/college in detail, 2011 entry

	Applications 2011		Acceptances 2011	
	Total	%	Total	%
Comprehensive	3,416	28.2	653	24.5
Grammar	2,028	16.8	490	18.4
Sixth-form colleges	1,402	11.6	263	9.9
FE Institutions ¹	475	3.9	73	2.7
Other maintained ²	138	1.1	29	1.1
Maintained sector	7,459	61.6	1,508	56.7
Independent	4,141	34.2	1,104	41.5
Other UK Institutions ³	40	0.3	9	0.3
Overseas Schools	42	0.3	6	0.2
Individuals	425	3.5	34	1.3
All other category	507	4.2	49	1.8
TOTAL	12,107	100.0	2,661	100.0

All domiciles: applications and acceptances by type of school/college in detail

	Applications 2011		Acceptances 2011	
	Total	%	Total	%
Comprehensive	3,437	19.8	653	20.5
Grammar	2,036	11.7	490	15.4
Sixth-form colleges	1,434	8.3	265	8.3
FE Institutions ¹	527	3.0	77	2.4
Other maintained ²	189	1.1	31	1.0
Maintained sector	7,623	44.0	1,516	47.6
Independent	4,818	27.8	1,188	37.3
Other UK Institutions ³	60	0.3	10	0.3
Overseas Schools	1,737	10.0	191	6.0
Individuals	3,105	17.9	281	8.8
All other category	4,902	28.3	482	15.1
TOTAL	17,343	100.0	3,186	100.0

Equivalent table from last year, for comparison:

	Applications 2010		Acceptances 2010	
	Total	%	Total	%
Comprehensive	3,440	20.1	625	19.8
Grammar	2,069	12.1	472	15.0
Sixth-form colleges	1,467	8.6	273	8.7
FE Institutions ¹	645	3.8	83	2.6
Other maintained ²	123	0.7	22	0.7

Maintained sector	7,744	45.2	1,475	46.8
Independent	5,229	30.5	1,277	40.5
Other UK Institutions ³	101	0.6	13	0.4
Overseas Schools	1,780	10.4	206	6.5
Individuals	2,290	13.4	183	5.8
All other category	4,171	24.3	402	12.7
TOTAL	17,144	100.0	3,154	100.0

1. FE Institutions comprise tertiary colleges and all types of further education colleges.
2. 'Other maintained' comprises Other Secondary Schools, Special Schools and City Technology Colleges
3. 'Other UK Institutions' mainly comprises Language Schools and HE Institutions, but also includes a few other UK institutions that are not classified as either maintained or independent

Table showing success rates (the percentage of all applicants that are accepted) by school type

Success rate by type of school/college: all domiciles

	Success rate 2011	Success rate 2010
	All (%)	All (%)
Comprehensive	19.0	18.2
Grammar	24.1	22.8
Sixth-form colleges	18.5	18.6
FE Institutions	14.6	12.9
Other maintained	16.4	17.9
Maintained sector	19.9	19.0
Independent	24.7	24.4
Other UK Institutions	16.7	12.9
Overseas Schools	11.0	11.6
Individuals	9.0	8.0
All other category	9.8	9.6
Total	18.4	18.4

Courses and school type

The table below shows, for each course, applications and acceptances by school type. It also shows success rates by course and by school type.

The figures are given as three-year averages, because numbers vary from year to year, so a single year can give a misleading picture.

The table gives figures for applicants of all domiciles.

Three-year average of applications and acceptances by course and type of school/college, 2009–11: all domiciles

	Maintained			Independent			Others		
	App	Acc	Success rate (%)	App	Acc	Success rate (%)	App	Acc	Success rate (%)
Arts									
Ancient & Modern History	33	8	23.5	34	8	24.3	9	1	15.4
Archaeology and Anthropology	24	6	26.8	31	12	40.2	27	7	25.0
Classical Archaeology & Ancient History	41	11	25.8	36	7	19.4	17	3	17.3
Classics	60	24	39.7	191	84	44.1	34	9	26.5
Classics & English	10	2	22.6	15	3	20.5	6	1	11.1
Classics & Modern Languages	6	2	36.8	19	8	43.9	6	0	5.6
Economics & Management	297	30	10.2	316	41	13.1	529	19	3.6
English	640	113	17.7	408	101	24.7	145	15	10.3
English & Modern Languages	90	12	13.4	39	9	24.1	31	2	5.4
European & Middle Eastern Languages	21	6	29.7	22	8	35.8	10	1	6.7
Fine Art	87	11	12.2	40	6	15.8	41	7	16.4
Geography	160	36	22.8	161	43	26.4	27	4	15.0
History	473	118	24.9	405	99	24.4	84	14	17.1
History & Economics	20	5	23.3	28	7	26.2	29	2	5.7
History & English	48	6	11.9	14	2	17.1	22	1	6.2
History & Modern Languages	57	8	14.7	35	8	21.9	10	0	0.0
History & Politics	148	23	15.7	77	13	17.3	89	10	10.9
History of Art	26	5	19.2	37	8	21.8	27	1	3.7
Law	525	91	17.3	215	53	24.5	417	53	12.7
Law/LSE	141	19	13.4	58	7	12.6	130	4	2.8
Mathematics & Philosophy	46	8	17.4	26	7	26.9	23	4	17.4
Modern Languages	252	79	31.2	275	88	31.9	46	12	25.2
Modern Languages & Linguistics	37	11	30.0	23	6	24.3	12	2	13.9
Music	94	29	30.9	87	35	40.8	19	2	12.1
Oriental Studies	57	16	28.1	46	15	32.8	52	10	19.1
Philosophy & Modern Languages	23	6	27.5	36	6	16.5	21	5	24.2
Philosophy & Theology	43	10	23.4	41	11	25.8	12	2	14.3
PPE	492	100	20.4	408	86	21.1	716	60	8.4
Physics & Philosophy	39	6	15.4	34	6	18.8	37	6	17.3
Theology	46	14	29.7	51	22	42.9	14	4	26.8
Theology & Oriental Studies	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	3	1	16.7
TOTAL ARTS	4,037	815	20.2	3,210	812	25.3	2,644	260	9.8

SCIENCES									
Biochemistry	160	53	32.9	86	31	36.4	99	11	11.5
Biological Sciences	181	56	30.9	115	38	33.3	80	12	15.0
Biomedical Sciences [§]	92	10	10.9	45	13	28.9	67	8	11.9
Chemistry	287	97	33.7	167	75	44.9	82	16	19.9
Computer Science	77	11	13.9	21	3	15.9	44	6	13.7
Earth Sciences	70	25	35.1	27	8	28.0	15	2	11.1
Engineering Science	246	64	25.9	213	64	30.2	269	20	7.4
Engineering Economics and Management	16	2	10.4	19	5	26.3	97	6	5.8
Experimental Psychology	124	28	22.9	67	17	25.0	58	6	10.9
Human Sciences	45	12	25.9	36	8	22.9	47	8	17.1
Materials Science and MEM	24	10	42.3	34	16	47.1	45	5	10.4
Mathematics	673	97	14.5	247	56	22.8	112	20	18.1
Mathematics & Computer Science	45	10	23.0	15	4	29.5	30	7	22.5
Mathematics & Statistics	58	5	9.2	49	6	12.2	83	13	15.3
Medicine	662	85	12.8	383	63	16.5	372	6	1.6
Physics	522	103	19.7	197	45	22.7	114	21	18.4
Psychology & Philosophy [*]	58	9	15.5	38	12	30.7	68	7	10.2
TOTAL SCIENCES	3,338	675	20.2	1,759	465	26.4	1,681	174	10.3
TOTAL	7,375	1,491	20.2	4,969	1,277	25.7	4,325	434	10.0

The figures for applications and acceptances are given to the nearest whole number. However, success rates have been calculated using non-rounded figures.

[§] New course so data from one year only

^{*} Data from previous years includes Physiology & Psychology and Physiology & Philosophy applicants

Colleges and school type

The table below shows, for each college,

- The percentage of applications to that college which came from the maintained (state) sector out of all applications from the maintained and independent sector; and
- The percentage of acceptances by that college that went to maintained sector out of all offers to the maintained and independent sector.

Three-year averages are also given because proportions vary from year to year, so a single year can give a misleading picture.

The table gives figures for UK-domiciled applicants only.

UK domiciled applications and acceptances by college

	Applications and acceptances for 2011		Three-year average of applications and acceptances 2009–11	
	Applications from maintained (%)	Acceptances for maintained (%)	Applications from maintained (%)	Acceptances for maintained (%)
Balliol	70.5	63.3	68.9	62.6
Brasenose	52.5	48.8	52.2	49.8
Christ Church	65.8	52.9	62.4	51.3
Corpus Christi	63.1	53.2	64.3	55.7
Exeter	56.7	57.1	54.9	54.2
Harris Manchester¹	93.3	50.0	82.0	50.0
Hertford	71.4	66.7	70.5	61.7
Jesus	72.0	50.0	71.4	56.5
Keble	65.5	50.0	65.7	53.1
Lady Margaret Hall	61.4	49.0	60.4	50.6
Lincoln	61.8	62.0	58.7	53.5
Magdalen	66.4	64.9	65.4	57.8
Mansfield	82.8	82.7	78.0	69.4
Merton	74.9	69.2	70.5	66.2
New	59.6	52.4	56.3	50.2
Oriel	60.8	63.8	58.2	56.4
Pembroke	48.7	45.2	49.3	49.8
Queen's	56.5	48.8	58.6	56.0
Somerville	65.0	67.4	64.0	59.6
St Anne's	64.5	59.3	67.8	58.1
St Catherine's	64.2	53.2	65.8	56.6
St Edmund Hall	55.9	57.7	51.5	51.7
St Hilda's	74.6	62.8	69.7	56.5
St Hugh's	73.3	57.0	69.1	58.9
St John's	71.5	56.8	70.0	54.1
St Peter's	57.5	56.2	55.4	52.5
Trinity	56.5	49.3	53.3	45.1
University	67.3	62.7	60.4	52.3
Wadham	70.5	67.0	72.0	62.5
Worcester	65.1	62.7	58.1	60.9
Average	64.3	57.9	62.7	55.9

1. For mature students, aged 21 or over

Nationality and domicile

- For entry 2011, 12,107 applications (69.8%) came from those with UK nationality; 1,957 (11.3%) from those with EU (non-UK) nationality, and 3,279 (18.9%) from those with non-EU nationality.
- For entry 2011, 2,661 (83.5%) of acceptances went to those with UK nationality; 213 (6.7%) to those with EU (non-UK) nationality, and 312 (9.8%) to those with non-EU nationality.
- Applications from international students have more than doubled over the past ten years.
- Oxford's *total* student body, including postgraduates, has students from over 145 countries and territories.
- Over a third of Oxford's *total* student body (undergraduates and postgraduates across all year groups) - more than 7,500 students out of 20,000 - are citizens of foreign countries: 15% of undergraduates (across all year groups) and 61% of graduate students.
- 40% of Oxford's academic staff are citizens of foreign countries, coming from almost 100 different countries and territories.

Applications and acceptances by domicile

	2011			2010		
	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)
UK	12,107	2,661	22.0	12,333	2,664	21.6
EU, not UK	1,957	213	10.9	1,906	190	10.0
Outside UK	3,279	312	9.5	2,905	300	10.3
Grand Total	17,343	3,186	18.4	17,144	3,154	18.4

Candidates outside the UK

The tables below give information about candidates outside of the UK; both those within the EU, and those outside the EU.

Figures are given by both nationality and domicile.

Non-EU applications, offers and acceptances by Nationality & Domicile for October 2011

	Nationality			Domicile		
	Apps		SR%	Apps		SR%
	No	Acceptances		No	Acceptances	
China	663	69	10.4	577	66	11.4
United States	413	46	11.1	422	45	10.7
Singapore	303	44	14.5	348	47	13.5
Hong Kong	133	12	9.0	296	33	11.1
Canada	162	8	4.9	163	9	5.5
Pakistan	174	10	5.7	161	10	6.2
India	210	16	7.6	138	8	5.8
Malaysia	140	13	9.3	128	11	8.6
South Korea	173	13	7.5	125	12	9.6
Australia	98	19	19.4	72	16	22.2
Switzerland	25	4	16.0	64	6	9.4

Norway	60	6	10.0	62	5	8.1
Nigeria	63	4	6.3	52	3	5.8
United Arab Emirates	3	0	0.0	51	3	5.9
Vietnam	40	1	2.5	39	1	2.6
Thailand	34	6	17.6	36	7	19.4
Russia	65	5	7.7	34	0	0.0
Mauritius	25	2	8.0	24	2	8.3
New Zealand	27	4	14.8	24	5	20.8
Sri Lanka	32	0	0.0	24	0	0.0
Sub-total	2,843	282	9.9	2,840	289	10.2
Others	511	34	6.7	439	23	5.2
Total	3,354	316	10.7	3,279	312	9.5

Listed using top 20 countries by domicile

EU applications, offers and acceptances by Nationality & Domicile for October 2011

	Nationality			Domicile		
	Apps	Acceptances		Apps	Acceptances	
		No	SR%		No	SR%
Austria	50	4	8.0	52	5	9.6
Belgium	51	1	2.0	66	5	7.6
Bulgaria	79	6	7.6	64	6	9.4
Cyprus	21	0	0.0	29	0	0.0
Czech Republic	51	9	17.6	45	8	17.8
Denmark	47	5	10.6	37	5	13.5
Estonia	18	4	22.2	17	4	23.5
Finland	46	9	19.6	34	6	17.6
France	196	20	10.2	175	19	10.9
Germany	462	61	13.2	439	49	11.2
Greece	37	1	2.7	30	2	6.7
Hungary	25	2	8.0	18	2	11.1
Italy	154	14	9.1	132	11	8.3
Latvia	6	0	0.0	6	0	0.0
Lithuania	31	2	6.5	21	2	9.5
Luxembourg	3	1	33.3	16	3	18.8
Malta	3	0	0.0	5	0	0.0
Netherlands	97	11	11.3	81	11	13.6
Poland	216	22	10.2	174	20	11.5
Portugal	40	1	2.5	36	0	0.0
Republic of Ireland	199	22	11.1	124	8	6.5
Romania	108	19	17.6	100	19	19.0
Slovakia	34	4	11.8	28	5	17.9
Slovenia	13	3	23.1	13	3	23.1
Spain	77	8	10.4	95	8	8.4
Sweden	136	14	10.3	120	12	10.0
Total	2,200	243	11.0	1,957	213	10.9

UK region of domicile

Candidates within the UK

The table and figures below give regional information about candidates domiciled in the UK.

Applications and acceptances by region of domicile for entry 2011

Region	Applications for entry 2011		Acceptances for entry 2011		Total number of candidates accepted through UCAS 2010	
	No	%	No	%	No	%
North-East	278	1.6	53	1.7	15,578	3.3
North-West	1,086	6.3	228	7.2	50,248	10.5
Yorkshire & Humbs	587	3.4	115	3.6	31,972	6.7
East Midlands	616	3.6	132	4.1	26,747	5.6
West Midlands	905	5.2	189	5.9	35,998	7.5
Eastern	1,031	5.9	267	8.4	36,586	7.6
Greater London	2,650	15.3	620	19.5	66,835	14.0
South East	2,676	15.4	614	19.3	57,544	12.0
South West	1,351	7.8	276	8.7	33,440	7.0
Wales	476	2.7	74	2.3	17,932	3.7
Scotland	284	1.6	54	1.7	30,421	6.3
Northern Ireland	167	1.0	39	1.2	13,437	2.8
Overseas	5,236	30.2	525	16.5	62,346	13.0
Total	17,343	100.0	3,186	100.0	479,084	100.0

Courses

Applications and acceptances by course, 2011 entry: all domiciles

The table below shows the number of applications and acceptances for each course for 2011 entry, the success rate (the proportion of applicants who got a place), and the number of applicants per place available. The table is repeated below, organised by success rate.

Applications and acceptances by course, 2011 entry: all domiciles

	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)	Applicants per place
ARTS				
Ancient & Modern History	74	16	21.6	4.6
Archaeology and Anthropology	87	25	28.7	3.5
Classical Archaeology & Ancient History	107	22	20.6	4.9
Classics	292	117	40.1	2.5
Classics & English	36	7	19.4	5.1
Classics & Modern Languages	38	12	31.6	3.2
Economics & Management	1,086	89	8.2	12.2
English	1,152	220	19.1	5.2
English & Modern Languages	166	20	12.0	8.3
European & Middle Eastern Languages	54	15	27.8	3.6
Fine Art	193	23	11.9	8.4
Geography	344	81	23.5	4.2
History	960	225	23.4	4.3
History & Economics	85	14	16.5	6.1
History & English	86	13	15.1	6.6
History & Modern Languages	94	16	17.0	5.9
History & Politics	316	48	15.2	6.6
History of Art	105	14	13.3	7.5
Law	1,223	202	16.5	6.1
Law/LSE	341	28	8.2	12.2
Mathematics & Philosophy	95	16	16.8	5.9
Modern Languages	582	185	31.8	3.1
Modern Languages & Linguistics	68	15	22.1	4.5
Music	232	65	28.0	3.6
Oriental Studies	150	41	27.3	3.7
Philosophy & Modern Languages	79	16	20.3	4.9
Philosophy & Theology	96	25	26.0	3.8
Physics & Philosophy	116	25	21.6	4.6
PPE	1,676	248	14.8	6.8
Theology	107	31	29.0	3.5
Theology & Oriental Studies	6	2	33.3	3.0
TOTAL ARTS	10,046	1,876	18.7	5.4
SCIENCES				

Biochemistry	391	90	23.0	4.3
Biological Sciences	399	102	25.6	3.9
Biomedical Sciences	204	31	15.2	6.6
Chemistry	560	188	33.6	3.0
Computer Science	151	25	16.6	6.0
Earth Sciences	146	35	24.0	4.2
Engineering Science	820	156	19.0	5.3
EEM	131	11	8.4	11.9
Experimental Psychology	262	47	17.9	5.6
Human Sciences	167	28	16.8	6.0
Materials Science (inc. MEM)	106	28	26.4	3.8
Mathematics	1,133	173	15.3	6.5
Mathematics & Computer Science	99	26	26.3	3.8
Mathematics & Statistics	209	26	12.4	8.0
Medicine	1,487	151	10.2	9.8
Physics	893	166	18.6	5.4
Psychology & Philosophy	139	27	19.4	5.1
TOTAL SCIENCES	7,297	1,310	18.0	5.6
TOTAL	17,343	3,186	18.4	5.4

The five large courses (over 70 places) with the **lowest success rates** (i.e. the highest number of applicants competing for each place available) are (lowest success rate first):

Economics & Management

Medicine

Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Mathematics

Law

The five large courses (over 70 places) with the **highest success rates** (i.e. the lowest number of applicants competing for each place available) are (highest success rate first):

Classics

Chemistry

Modern Languages

Biological Sciences

Geography

Sorted by success rate

The table below shows the same data sorted by success rate, with the highest success rate (ie the lowest number of applicants per place) first.

Applications and acceptances by course, 2011 entry: all domiciles

	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)	Applicants per place
Classics	292	117	40.1	2.5
Chemistry	560	188	33.6	3.0
Theology & Oriental Studies	6	2	33.3	3.0
Modern Languages	582	185	31.8	3.1
Classics & Modern Languages	38	12	31.6	3.2
Theology	107	31	29.0	3.5

Archaeology and Anthropology	87	25	28.7	3.5
Music	232	65	28.0	3.6
European & Middle Eastern Languages	54	15	27.8	3.6
Oriental Studies	150	41	27.3	3.7
Materials Sciences (inc. MEM)	106	28	26.4	3.8
Mathematics & Computer Science	99	26	26.3	3.8
Philosophy & Theology	96	25	26.0	3.8
Biological Sciences	399	102	25.6	3.9
Earth Sciences	146	35	24.0	4.2
Geography	344	81	23.5	4.2
History	960	225	23.4	4.3
Biochemistry	391	90	23.0	4.3
Modern Languages & Linguistics	68	15	22.1	4.5
Ancient & Modern History	74	16	21.6	4.6
Physics & Philosophy	116	25	21.6	4.6
Classical Arch & Ancient History	107	22	20.6	4.9
Philosophy & Modern Languages	79	16	20.3	4.9
Classics & English	36	7	19.4	5.1
Psychology & Philosophy	139	27	19.4	5.1
English	1,152	220	19.1	5.2
Engineering Science	820	156	19.0	5.3
Physics	893	166	18.6	5.4
Experimental Psychology	262	47	17.9	5.6
History & Modern Languages	94	16	17.0	5.9
Mathematics & Philosophy	95	16	16.8	5.9
Human Sciences	167	28	16.8	6.0
Computer Science	151	25	16.6	6.0
Law	1,223	202	16.5	6.1
History & Economics	85	14	16.5	6.1
Mathematics	1,133	173	15.3	6.5
Biomedical Sciences	204	31	15.2	6.6
History & Politics	316	48	15.2	6.6
History & English	86	13	15.1	6.6
PPE	1,676	248	14.8	6.8
History of Art	105	14	13.3	7.5
Mathematics & Statistics	209	26	12.4	8.0
English & Modern Languages	166	20	12.0	8.3
Fine Art	193	23	11.9	8.4
Medicine	1,487	151	10.2	9.8
EEM	131	11	8.4	11.9
Law/LSE	341	28	8.2	12.2
Economics & Management	1,086	89	8.2	12.2

Shortlisting for interview

The table below shows the proportion of applicants for each course that were shortlisted for interview over the last three years.

Applicants shortlisted for interview by course, 2009–11

	2011	2010	2009
	Shortlisted (%)	Shortlisted (%)	Shortlisted (%)
ARTS			
Ancient & Modern History	68.0	73.2	76.8
Archaeology/Anthropology	82.6	88.0	93.0
Classical Arch & Ancient History	89.7	92.6	93.7
Classics	95.9	96.6	98.9
Classics & English	91.9	82.4	100.0
Classics & Modern Languages	91.9	96.8	92.3
Economics & Management	29.8	34.0	53.0
English	66.6	66.4	70.8
English & Modern Languages	68.9	65.8	73.0
European & Mid Eastern Languages	79.7	84.2	78.0
Fine Art	25.5	32.9	34.8
Geography	92.4	96.1	94.5
History	70.7	73.1	74.9
History & Economics	56.5	56.8	64.9
History & English	60.2	68.5	70.5
History & Modern Languages	76.3	71.4	68.4
History & Politics	57.8	63.2	69.2
History of Art	41.3	47.7	57.9
Law	40.1	53.0	49.9
Law/LSE	46.5	46.6	50.2
Mathematics & Philosophy	48.5	56.2	71.3
Modern Languages	90.3	90.2	91.1
Modern Languages & Linguistics	92.5	85.9	84.9
Music	85.3	90.4	94.8
Oriental Studies	86.2	81.5	84.2
Philosophy & Modern Languages	80.0	85.4	89.0
Philosophy & Theology	81.1	78.2	80.7
Physics & Philosophy	45.7	43.8	56.3
PPE	45.9	48.6	59.7
Theology	80.2	88.2	81.8
Theology & Oriental Studies	83.3	85.7	
ARTS OVERALL	58.9	62.5	67.7
SCIENCES			
Biochemistry	83.3	94.8	96.8
Biological Sciences	73.5	82.7	91.3
Biomedical Sciences	59.1		
Chemistry	96.2	97.2	96.0
Computer Science	52.3	52.4	44.0
Earth Science	90.4	92.6	98.6
Engineering Science	57.8	61.7	79.2
EEM	45.4	46.0	74.6
Experimental Psychology	57.5	55.1	80.7

Human Sciences	92.8	92.5	94.6
Materials Science	73.8	75.2	80.0
Mathematics	51.7	59.8	65.3
Mathematics & Statistics	56.7	72.0	69.9
Mathematics & Computer Science	66.3	72.5	69.2
Medicine	30.1	31.4	36.8
Physics	49.3	51.2	55.7
Psychology & Philosophy #	55.0	59.8	73.7
SCIENCE OVERALL	56.7	60.6	67.0
TOTAL	58.0	61.7	67.4

College choice

Oxford has 30 colleges that admit undergraduate students. They all admit both men and women. Most colleges offer most courses.

Applicants to Oxford do not need to name a college of preference but can choose to do so.

Colleges work co-operatively to try and ensure all applicants for a particular subject, across all colleges, can be compared against one another, in order that the very best people get Oxford places. As a result, **over 25% of successful candidates for 2011 entry are at a college other than the college they named as their preference.**

This table shows this and breaks it down by application route:

Acceptances by college choice, 2011 entry

	Pre Q	Post Q	Graduate	Total
Accepted by first choice college	2,058	300	24	2,382
Accepted by college other than first choice	701	85	18	804
Total	2,759	385	42	3,186

Open applications

Applicants to Oxford do not need to name a college of preference. They have the option of making an open application, and then a computer algorithm assigns them a nominal 'college of preference'. When considering candidates, tutors do not know whether or not the candidates chose to name a college of preference.

A total of 3,150 candidates submitted open applications for entry 2011. All colleges received some allocated candidates. The table below shows the number of open applications by course.

Subject	Open applications
Medicine	351
Economics & Management	334
Philosophy, Politics and Economics	301
Law	279
Engineering	217
Mathematics	183
Physics	147
English Language and Literature	139
Other subjects	1,199
Total	3,150

Qualifications

The majority of applicants for undergraduate courses apply with A-levels, but Oxford accepts a range of different qualifications.

A prediction of AAA at A level (excluding General Studies), or equivalent, makes someone a potential candidate for Oxford. However, around 45,000 people a year achieve AAA excluding General Studies, and Oxford only has around 3,200 places.

Almost all offers for Oxford places were set at AAA for 2011 entry. In some circumstances candidates who miss their conditional offer may be accepted anyway if there were extenuating circumstances such as illness. For 2012 entry some course at Oxford will set a conditional offer of at least one A*, see: [Oxford's policy on the use of A* in conditional offers for 2012 entry](#)

The table below shows the A-level grades of candidates applying and getting offers for 2011 entry.

Best 3 A-level grades achieved	Applicants	Offers	Success rate
Less than AAA (including A*A*B etc)	2,675	147	5.5%
AAA	1,708	261	15.3%
A*AA	2,879	570	19.8%
A*A*A	2,509	737	29.4%
A*A*A*	2,266	999	44.1%
Total	12,037	2,714	22.5%

Candidates may have taken more than 3 A-levels but table shows only the best 3 A-levels.

The table below shows the A-level grades of accepted candidates for 2011 entry.

Acceptances for 2011 entry: A-levels

Best 3 A-level grades achieved	No	%
A*A*A*	978	38.5
A*A*A	721	28.4
A*AA	554	21.8
AAA	252	9.9
Less than AAA (including A*A*B etc)	33	1.3
Total	2,538	100

The data above is based on the best three A-levels completed by candidates during 2010 and 2011.

Candidates may have taken more than 3 A-levels but table shows only the best 3 A-levels.

Note that applicants with A-level grades below AAA may have achieved additional Pre-U qualifications or A-levels prior to 2010.

The table below shows the numbers of offers made to, and final acceptances for, candidates not taking A levels.

Acceptances for 2011 entry

Type of qualification	Offers	Acceptances
A-levels	2,471	2,295
A-level/Pre-U combination	70	67
Pre-U	17	15
International Baccalaureate	216	172
Scottish (Advanced Highers or Highers)	35	30
Singaporean SIPCAL	27	17
English Language requirements (as sole condition)	26	22
US APTs or SATs	19	13
Romanian Diploma de Bacalaureat	17	15
German Abitur	14	13
French Baccalaureate (incl International Option)	12	12
Polish Matura	10	9
Irish Leaving Certificate	10	9
Dutch VWO	7	6
Australian ATAR/UAI	7	7
European Baccalaureate	6	6
Other	83	70
Total	3,047	2,778

Success by application route, 2011 entry: all domiciles

The tables below show the number of applications and acceptances by application route. 'Pre Q' (pre-qualification) refers to candidates applying before their final school/college examination results are known. 'Post Q' (post-qualification) refers to candidates applying after their final school/college examination results are known. 'Graduate' refers to candidates who are applying having already graduated from a first undergraduate degree.

	Pre Q			Post Q			Graduate		
	App	Acc	SR %	App	Acc	SR %	App	Acc	SR %
Maintained sector	7,142	1,391	19.5	477	125	26.2	4	0	0.0
Independent	4,273	1,034	24.2	545	154	28.3	0	0	
Others	3,660	334	9.1	900	106	11.8	342	42	12.3
TOTAL	15,075	2,759	18.3	1,922	385	20.0	346	42	12.1

last year's figures for comparison:

Success by application route, 2010 entry: all domiciles

	Pre Q			Post Q			Graduate		
	App	Acc	SR %	App	Acc	SR %	App	Acc	SR %
Maintained sector	7,249	1,379	19.0	440	92	20.9	55	4	7.3
Independent	4,552	1,093	24.0	652	182	27.9	25	2	8.0
Others	3,207	279	8.7	720	106	14.7	244	17	7.0
TOTAL	15,008	2,751	18.3	1,812	380	21.0	324	23	7.1

Ethnic origin

All Oxford colleges are committed to recruiting the best candidates, irrespective of their age, colour, disability, ethnic origin, marital status, nationality, national origin, parental status, race, religion or belief, gender, sexual orientation, social background or educational background.

The University's race equality policy can be found here:

www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/policy/race.shtml

Tutors do not have information on ethnicity during the selection process.

Context for these figures

These figures only show ethnic origin for UK undergraduate students for the 2011 year of entry.

The percentage of *all* students (undergraduates and postgraduates) across all years, of all nationalities, who are BME (Black and minority ethnic) is **20%**.

Students do not have to name their ethnic origin if they prefer not to. The table below only includes those who did name their ethnic origin.

Applications, acceptances and success rate of UK undergraduate students by known ethnic origin, 2011 entry

	Applications		Acceptances		Success rate %
	No	%	No	%	
Bangladeshi	71	0.6	7	0.3	9.9
Chinese	243	2.1	33	1.3	13.6
Indian	479	4.2	69	2.7	14.4
Pakistani	143	1.2	7	0.3	4.9
Other Asian	195	1.7	28	1.1	14.4
Black Caribbean	37	0.3	7	0.3	18.9
Black African	187	1.6	24	0.9	12.8
Black Other	4	0.0	1	0.0	25.0
White & Black Caribbean	73	0.6	21	0.8	28.8
White & Black African	34	0.3	10	0.4	29.4
White & Asian	301	2.6	64	2.5	21.3
Other mixed	177	1.5	43	1.7	24.3
White	9,417	82.1	2,264	87.3	24.0
Other	116	1.0	16	0.6	13.8
Total	11,477	100.0	2,594	100.0	22.6

Contextual statistics for these figures

The national picture for school attainment

In 2007, around 23% of all white students gained AAA, and a similar proportion of BME students overall gained AAA. Among Black students, 9.6% gained AAA.

In numbers: nearly 26,000 white students got three As or better at A-level excluding General Studies in 2007, compared to nearly 4,650 BME students, of whom 353 were Black.

[Source: Cambridge Assessments and UCAS data]

The national picture for applications to Oxford

Those BME students gaining top grades are more likely to apply to Oxford than their white peers: In 2009, more than 29,000 white students got three As or better at A-level excluding General Studies and around **28.4%** of them applied to Oxford; nearly 5,800 BME students got three As or better at A-level excluding General Studies and more than **30%** of them applied to Oxford; 452 Black students got three As or better at A-level excluding General Studies, and nearly **half** of them applied to Oxford.

[Source: UCAS and Oxford University data]

Oxford is attracting a higher proportion of AAA applicants of BME ethnicity than the sector as a whole: of the students who got AAA or better at A-level (excluding General Studies) applying through UCAS in 2009, **16.1%** came from ethnic minority backgrounds. The proportion of UK students applying to Oxford from stated BME backgrounds was **17.1%** in the same year.

[Source: UCAS and Oxford University data]

Success rate

As the table above shows, some ethnic groups had a lower success rate in entry 2011 than the average.

Statistics show that BME applicants' success rate is affected by subject choice - BME students apply disproportionately for the most oversubscribed courses:

- Previous analysis of 2009 showed, for example, Oxford's three most oversubscribed large (over 70 places) courses (Economics & Management, Medicine and Mathematics) accounted for 43% of *all* BME applicants – compared to just 17% of all white applicants.
- Oxford's three most oversubscribed large (over 70 places) courses (Economics & Management, Medicine and Mathematics) accounted for 44% of *all* Black applicants – compared to just 17% of all white applicants.
- Subject breakdown:
 - 28.8% of all Black applicants for 2009 entry applied for Medicine**, compared to just 7% of all white applicants.
 - 10.4% of all Black applicants for 2009 entry applied for Economics & Management**, compared to just 3.6% of all white applicants.

Gender

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The table below shows applications, acceptances and success rate by course and gender for 2011 entry.

Applications and acceptances by course and gender, 2011 entry: all domiciles

	Applications			Acceptances			Success rate (%)		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
ARTS									
Ancient & Modern History	48	26	74	11	5	16	22.9	19.2	21.6
Archaeology and Anthropology	22	65	87	6	19	25	27.3	29.2	28.7
Classical Archaeology & Ancient History	51	56	107	5	17	22	9.8	30.4	20.6
Classics	147	145	292	61	56	117	41.5	38.6	40.1
Classics & English	6	30	36	0	7	7	0.0	23.3	19.4
Classics & Modern Languages	13	25	38	5	7	12	38.5	28.0	31.6
Economics & Management	674	412	1,086	54	35	89	8.0	8.5	8.2
English	347	805	1,152	83	137	220	23.9	17.0	19.1
English & Modern Languages	27	139	166	6	14	20	22.2	10.1	12.0
European & Middle Eastern Languages	15	39	54	6	9	15	40.0	23.1	27.8
Fine Art	41	152	193	5	18	23	12.2	11.8	11.9
Geography	159	185	344	35	46	81	22.0	24.9	23.5
History	522	438	960	119	106	225	22.8	24.2	23.4
History & Economics	62	23	85	10	4	14	16.6	17.4	16.5
History & English	24	62	86	4	9	13	16.7	14.5	15.1
History & Modern Languages	32	62	94	1	15	16	3.1	24.2	17.0
History & Politics	180	136	316	26	22	48	14.4	16.2	15.2
History of Art	22	83	105	2	12	14	9.1	14.5	13.3
Law	525	698	1,223	83	119	202	15.8	17.0	16.5
Law/LSE	111	230	341	11	17	28	9.9	7.4	8.2
Mathematics & Philosophy	55	40	95	13	3	16	23.6	7.5	16.8
Modern Languages	181	401	582	55	130	185	30.4	32.4	31.8
Modern Languages & Linguistics	19	49	68	4	11	15	21.1	22.4	22.1
Music	109	123	232	29	36	65	26.6	29.3	28.0
Oriental Studies	57	93	150	21	20	41	36.8	21.5	27.3
Philosophy & Modern Languages	35	44	79	5	11	16	14.3	25.0	20.3
Philosophy & Theology	56	40	96	15	10	25	26.8	25.0	26.0
Physics & Philosophy	76	40	116	15	10	25	19.7	25.0	21.6
PPE	1,023	653	1,676	170	78	248	16.6	11.9	14.8
Theology	56	51	107	18	13	31	32.1	25.5	29.0
Theology & Oriental Studies	1	5	6	1	1	2	100.0	20.0	33.3
TOTAL ARTS	4,696	5,350	10,046	879	997	1,876	18.7	18.6	18.7
SCIENCES									
Biochemistry	190	201	391	50	40	90	26.3	19.9	23.0

Biological Sciences	159	240	399	39	63	102	24.5	26.3	25.6
Biomedical Sciences	68	136	204	12	19	31	17.6	14.0	15.2
Chemistry	313	247	560	104	84	188	33.2	34.0	33.6
Computer Science	123	28	151	20	5	25	16.3	17.9	16.6
Earth Sciences	81	65	146	23	12	35	28.4	18.5	24.0
Engineering Science	637	183	820	117	39	156	18.4	21.3	19.0
EEM	90	41	131	8	3	11	8.9	7.3	8.4
Experimental Psychology	49	213	262	11	36	47	22.4	16.9	17.9
Human Sciences	42	125	167	7	21	28	16.7	16.8	16.8
Materials Science (inc. MEM)	64	42	106	16	12	28	25.0	28.6	26.4
Mathematics	706	427	1,133	123	50	173	17.4	11.7	15.3
Mathematics & Computer Science	80	19	99	23	3	26	28.8	15.8	26.3
Mathematics & Statistics	110	99	209	13	13	26	11.8	13.1	12.4
Medicine	704	783	1,487	84	67	151	11.9	8.6	10.2
Physics	707	186	893	140	26	166	19.8	14.0	18.6
Psychology & Philosophy	46	93	139	9	18	27	19.6	19.4	19.4
TOTAL SCIENCES	4,169	3,128	7,297	799	511	1,310	19.2	16.3	18.0
TOTAL	8,865	8,478	17,343	1,678	1,508	3,186	18.9	17.8	18.4

The table below shows applications and acceptances for UK domiciled candidates by school type and gender for 2011 entry.

UK domiciled applications and acceptances by type of school/college and gender, 2011 entry

	Applications 2011				Acceptances 2011			
	Male	Female	Total	%	Male	Female	Total	%
Comprehensive	1,757	1,659	3,416	28.2	333	320	653	24.5
Grammar	1,013	1,015	2,028	16.8	251	239	490	18.4
Sixth-form colleges	702	700	1,402	11.6	137	126	263	9.9
FE Institutions ¹	213	262	475	3.9	29	44	73	2.7
Other maintained ²	93	45	138	1.1	27	2	29	1.1
Maintained sector	3,778	3,681	7,459	61.6	777	731	1,508	56.7
Independent	2,207	1,934	4,141	34.2	597	507	1,104	41.5
Other UK Institutions ³	12	28	40	0.3	2	7	9	0.3
Overseas Schools	17	25	42	0.3	2	4	6	0.2
Individuals	240	185	425	3.5	19	15	34	1.3
All other category	269	238	507	4.2	23	26	49	1.8
TOTAL	6,254	5,853	12,107	100.0	1,397	1,264	2,661	100.0

The table below shows applications and acceptances for candidates of all domiciles by school type and gender for 2011 entry.

Applications and acceptances by type of school/college and gender: all domiciles

	Applications 2011				Acceptances 2011			
	Male	Female	Total	%	Male	Female	Total	%
Comprehensive	1,770	1,667	3,437	19.8	333	320	653	20.5
Grammar	1,018	1,018	2,036	11.7	251	239	490	15.4
Sixth-form colleges	718	716	1,434	8.3	138	127	265	8.3

FE Institutions ¹	241	286	527	3.0	31	46	77	2.4
Other maintained ²	117	72	189	1.1	29	2	31	1.0
Maintained sector	3,864	3,759	7,623	44.0	782	734	1,516	47.6
Independent	2,532	2,286	4,818	27.8	639	549	1,188	37.3
Other UK Institutions ³	22	38	60	0.3	3	7	10	0.3
Overseas Schools	851	886	1,737	10.0	90	101	191	6.0
Individuals	1,596	1,509	3,105	17.9	164	117	281	8.8
All other category	2,469	2,433	4,902	28.3	257	225	482	15.1
TOTAL	8,865	8,478	17,343	100.0	1,678	1,508	3,186	100.0

Last year's figures for comparison:

	Applications 2010				Acceptances 2010			
	Male	Female	Total	%	Male	Female	Total	%
Comprehensive	1,758	1,682	3,440	22.5	326	299	625	19.5
Grammar	1,071	998	2,069	13.5	273	199	472	14.7
Sixth-form colleges	749	718	1,467	9.6	148	125	273	8.5
FE Institutions ¹	332	313	645	4.2	41	42	83	2.6
Other maintained ²	86	37	123	0.8	14	8	22	0.7
Maintained sector	3,996	3,748	7,744	45.2	802	673	1,475	46.8
Independent	2,813	2,416	5,229	30.5	740	537	1,277	40.5
Other UK Institutions ³	47	54	101	0.7	6	7	13	0.4
Overseas Schools	901	879	1,780	11.7	108	98	206	6.4
Individuals	1,159	1,131	2,290	15.0	107	76	183	5.7
All other category	2,107	2,064	4,171	24.3	221	181	402	12.7
TOTAL	8,916	8,228	17,144	100.0	1,763	1,391	3,154	100.0

1. FE Institutions comprise tertiary colleges and all types of further education colleges.
2. The 'Other maintained' category comprises other secondary schools, special schools and city technology colleges
3. 'Other UK Institutions' mainly comprises language schools and HE Institutions, but also includes a few other UK institutions that are not classified as either maintained or independent

Success rate by type of school/college and gender: all domiciles

	Success rate 2011			Success rate 2010		
	Male (%)	Female (%)	All (%)	Male (%)	Female (%)	All (%)
Comprehensive	18.8	19.2	19.0	18.5	17.8	18.2
Grammar	24.7	23.5	24.1	25.5	19.9	22.8
Sixth-form colleges	19.2	17.7	18.5	19.8	17.4	18.6
FE Institutions ¹	12.9	16.1	14.6	12.3	13.4	12.9
Other maintained ²	24.8	2.8	16.4	16.3	21.6	17.9
Maintained sector	20.2	19.5	19.9	20.1	18.0	19.0
Independent	25.2	24.0	24.7	26.3	22.2	24.4
Other UK Institutions ³	13.6	18.4	16.7	12.8	13.0	12.9
Overseas Schools	10.6	11.4	11.0	12.0	11.1	11.6
Individuals	10.3	7.8	9.0	9.2	6.7	8.0

All other category	10.4	9.2	9.8	10.5	8.8	9.6
TOTAL	18.9	17.8	18.4	19.8	16.9	18.4

Disability

All Oxford colleges are committed to recruiting the best candidates, irrespective of their age, colour, disability, ethnic origin, marital status, nationality, national origin, parental status, race, religion or belief, gender, sexual orientation, social background or educational background.

The University's disability policy and other information on disability services and support can be found here:

www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/disab/

The table below gives applications, acceptances and success rate by disability for entry 2011. It only includes those who declared a disability; not all disabled candidates declare their disability at this stage.

Applications, acceptances and success rate by disability, 2011 entry

Disability code	Disability type	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)
B	Autistic disorder	47	13	27.7
C	Blind/partial sight	15	2	13.3
D	Deaf/partial hearing	18	7	38.9
E	Long standing illness	95	25	26.3
F	Mental health	73	16	21.9
G	Learning difficulty	406	81	20.0
H	Wheelchair/mobility	32	6	18.8
I	Other disability	116	23	19.8
J	Multiple disabilities	37	8	21.6
Total		839	181	21.6

Last year's table for comparison

Disability code	Disability type	Applications	Acceptances	Success rate (%)
B	Autistic disorder	48	15	31.3
C	Blind/partial sight	13	1	7.7
D	Deaf/partial hearing	19	4	21.1
E	Long standing illness	85	15	17.6
F	Mental health	59	9	15.3
G	Learning difficulty	390	64	16.4
H	Wheelchair/mobility	32	7	21.9
I	Other disability	123	18	14.6
J	Multiple disabilities	25	3	12.0
Total		794	136	17.1

Stages of the selection system

The tables below show progression through the selection process: how many candidates applying were shortlisted for interview, how many of those interviewed were offered places, and how many of those offers translated into final acceptances.

Nearly 60% of all candidates applying to Oxford were shortlisted for interview. Decisions on invitation to interview are based on predicted A-level grades, achieved GCSE grades, personal statement and reference, and crucially, for many subjects, performance on pre-interview subject-specific aptitude tests.

Just over one-third of those interviewed received offers of a place at Oxford. Offers are made on the basis of the full range of information available on a candidate, comparing them to the whole field of candidates, not just on the basis of the interviews. Predicted and achieved grades, aptitude test scores and performance in at least two interviews are all fed in to the decision. Each candidate invited for interview will have at least two and up to four interviews, increasingly at two different colleges. More than 90% of offers at Oxford translate into acceptances of a place. Those with offers who do not end up at Oxford may not come for a variety of reasons, including missing the conditions of their offer or turning down the offer.

Progression by domicile, 2011 entry

This table shows the stages of progression through the admission process broken down by domicile.

	All domiciles	UK		EU-not UK		Non EU	
		No.	As %	No.	As %	No.	As %
Applications	17,343	12,107	69.8	1,957	11.3	3,279	18.9
Short-listed	9,903	7,741	78.2	702	7.1	1,460	14.7
Offers	3,477	2,862	82.3	227	6.8	378	10.9
Final acceptances	3,186	2,661	83.5	213	6.7	312	9.8

235 of the 17,343 candidates withdrew their application at some point during the process and are only included in the 'applications' figure above. 146 of these 235 were UK, 35 were EU other than UK and 54 non EU.

UK domiciled progression by school sector, 2011 entry

This table shows the stages of progression through the admission process broken down by school type, for UK domiciled applicants.

	All	Maintained sector		Independent sector		Other	
		No.	As %	No.	As %	No.	As %
Applications	12,107	7,459	61.6	4,141	34.2	507	4.2
Short-listed	7,741	4,482	57.9	3,059	39.5	200	2.6
Offers	2,862	1,637	57.2	1,163	40.6	62	2.2
Final acceptances	2,661	1,508	56.7	1,104	41.5	49	1.8

146 of the 12,107 UK domiciled candidates withdrew their application at some stage during the process and are only included in the 'applications' figure above. 96 of this 146 were from the maintained sector, 33 from the independent sector and 17 from the 'other' sector.

Last year's table for comparison

	All	Maintained sector		Independent sector		Other	
		No.	As %	No.	As %	No.	As %
Applications	12,333	7,584	61.5	4,528	36.7	221	1.8
Short-listed	7,914	4,515	57.1	3,314	41.9	85	1.1
Offers	2,854	1,592	55.8	1,233	43.2	29	1.0
Final acceptances	2,664	1,462	54.9	1,178	44.2	24	0.9

Contextual data

2011 marked the third year of the use of a flagging system for contextual data to decide which extra students to invite to interview. The aspects of contextual data looked at were the performance of the candidate's school at GCSE and A-level; socio-economic circumstances by home postcode; and whether an applicant has been in care.

No matter what contextual information there is on a candidate they will still need to meet the standard conditional offer for a place and be within the top 80% in any pre-interview tests before they are invited to interview.

The University will 'flag' a candidate if they have one flag from the prior education **and** socio-economics background categories, or be flagged for being in care. When a candidate is flagged it is **strongly recommended that they are invited to interview.**

Contextual information only comes into play in deciding which extra students are invited to interview. It plays no part in deciding who gets an offer, or what that offer is.

Shortlisting rates of candidates with contextual data flagging

2011 entry	Applications	Met academic criteria shortlisted	% shortlisted	Accepts	Success rate (%)
Flagged applicants	598	366	61.2	93	15.6
All UK domiciled applicants	12,107	7,741	63.9	2,661	22.0

Last year's figures for comparison:

2010 entry ¹	Applications	Met academic criteria shortlisted	% shortlisted	Accepts	Success rate (%)
Flagged applicants	478	283	59.2	71	14.9
All UK domiciled applicants	12,333	7,609	61.7	2,664	21.6

¹ Contextual data flagging in 2010 was based on a slightly different set of parameters to that in 2011.