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Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI\_15-196)**

We have now considered your request of 08 October 2015 as clarified on 09, 22 and 30 October 2015 for “...the county in the UK each entrant in the last three academic years was from. i.e. the geographical location that each first year student would call home. If they are not from the UK, please state as other.”

Our response is on page 3 of this letter, together with a copy of your request, and we hope this will meet your requirements.

As per your last clarification of 30 October, we are excluding the breakdown of this information by course of study and halls of residence as contained in your original request. Further, following your clarification of 22 October, the data only includes first year undergraduate entrants.

We would, however, advise that just over 40% of the students that fall within the scope of your request do not have a county of origin allied with their student record. These students fall within the category ‘No county given’ within the data presented below. County of origin/domicile is not mandatory information to provide and therefore our records are dependent upon the willingness of incoming registrants to provide this information.

Additionally, a number of students are drawn from areas where they would not identify themselves as being from counties (e.g. London, Birmingham, Channel Islands). We also do not hold county data for students coming from Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland and these students are within the ‘No county given’ category.

The ‘Unknown’ category within the table below represents students who provided a value for county, but the value failed our validation checks, for example, because of misspellings.

Finally, as per your request, all non-UK entrants are presented within the category labelled ‘Other’.

For the purposes of anonymization, any values between 1 and 5 are recorded as ‘<5’ in the data presented.

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You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available [on their website](#)<sup>1</sup> or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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<sup>1</sup> [https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact\\_us](https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us)

## Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI\_15-196)

*I would like to know the following information under the Freedom of Information act. Could you please tell me the county in the UK each entrant in the last three academic years was from. i.e. the geographical location that each first year student would call home. If they are not from the UK, please state as other. I would like this information broken down by their course of study. I would also additionally like this information broken down by halls of residence. If they did not use halls of residence in their first year, please state as other.*

*[Amended on 09, 22 & 30 October to a request for simply the county of domicile of first year Undergraduate entrants over the last 3 years without reference to course, School or hall of residence]*

The response to your amended request is presented in the table below:

Postcode County	Number of Students		
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Buckinghamshire	37	29	47
Cambridgeshire	105	104	137
Cumbria	0	<5	8
Derbyshire	16	17	19
Devon	10	22	19
Dorset	13	11	11
East Sussex	28	28	47
Essex	229	208	265
Gloucestershire	12	6	10
Hampshire	44	38	46
Hertfordshire	114	104	169
Kent	107	100	141
Lancashire	12	9	12
Leicestershire	34	37	35
Lincolnshire	73	45	99
Norfolk	753	812	777
North Yorkshire	8	19	21
Northamptonshire	36	21	42
Nottinghamshire	16	26	21
Oxfordshire	19	13	31
Somerset	7	5	9
Staffordshire	7	<5	15
Suffolk	236	264	320
Surrey	46	61	77
Warwickshire	11	14	17
West Sussex	53	33	55
Worcestershire	10	7	13
No county given	934	892	1133
Other	1245	1184	1001
Unknown	<5	13	25