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NEET Quarterly Brief – July to September 2014

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The proportion of young people NEET fell across all summary age groups and was the lowest on record for 16-18 year olds.

The **16-18** NEET rate fell to 10.6% in July to September 2014, 1.6 percentage points lower than July to September 2013 and the lowest July to September figure since comparable data began in 2000.

The **19-24** NEET rate fell by 2.4 percentage points* (to 17.6%) in the same period and the overall **16-24** rate fell by 2.2 percentage points* (to 15.4%).

For **16-18** year olds, this change was driven by a fall in the proportion of those not in education or training (NET) and a rise in the employment rate of the NET group. For the **19-24** age group, the main driver was a rise in the employment rate to its highest level since 2008.

The proportion of those not in education or training (NET) fell across all summary age groups and was the lowest on record for 16-18 year olds.

The proportion of **16-18** year olds NET fell by 1.5 percentage points (to 20.4%) and was the lowest since comparable data began in 2000 when the rate was 10 percentage points higher.

The **19-24** NET rate fell by 0.2 percentage points (to 63.2%) and the overall **16-24** NET rate fell by 0.8 percentage points (to 49.7%).

Note: * - Changes are statistically significant

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1. Background and context

This note sets out the available statistics on young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) and young people not in education or training (NET) from three data sources. The data from all three sources cover England, and are based on academic age.

Estimates of 16-24 year olds NEET in the UK, based on calendar age, are published by ONS on the same day as this release. The long term trends in the ONS data are similar to those shown in this release, although the different coverage and ages used can lead to some discrepancies when comparing change between specific points in time. Further details and a link to the ONS publication are available in section 2.f.

Participation Statistical First Release (SFR)

These are the authoritative national estimates of NEET and NET rates. They are published annually in the 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' SFR. These data are only available annually and cannot be disaggregated to sub-national levels. These take account of revised 2011 Census data, published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

Quarterly Labour Force Survey (LFS)¹

Analysis of the LFS allows in-year estimates to be made of NEET and NET trends as well as estimates for other age groups, including 16-24, 18-24 and 19-24. The quarterly LFS estimates cannot be directly compared with the headline Participation SFR series which is based on more detailed but less timely data. This LFS data has now been reweighted to reflect ONS's revised population estimates based on the 2011 Census (for more details see the [ONS website](#)). Trends of the NEET and NET estimates are largely unaffected by the reweighting and tables showing the impact can be found on our [website](#).

The most recent LFS based estimates for NEET, for the period July to September 2014, are shown in the table below along with 2012 and 2013 data.

Local Authorities' Client Caseload Information System (CCIS)

CCIS is the database that local authorities use to record the activity of young people aged 16-19 resident in their area. Data can be aggregated to provide estimates for local authorities and regions within England.

¹ The methodology used to produce these data was revised in May 2013 to ensure harmonisation with the new ONS UK NEET estimates. Further information about this change and the impact on previously released data can be found in the [Harmonised NEET Methodology paper](#).

Headline Results Table

Table: NEET rates for different age cohorts: England 2012 – 2014

	July to September 2012	July to September 2013	July to September 2014	% point change from July to September 2013 to July to September 2014
Age 16	4.3%	5.4%	4.8%	-0.6ppts
Age 17	12.7%	14.5%	11.5%	-2.9ppts
Age 18	14.9%	16.3%	15.2%	-1.1ppts
Age 16-18	10.7%	12.2%	10.6%	-1.6ppts
Age 19-24	20.1%	20.0%	17.6%	-2.4ppts*
Age 16-24	17.2%	17.6%	15.4%	-2.2ppts*

Source: Labour Force Survey, July to September

*Changes are statistically significant

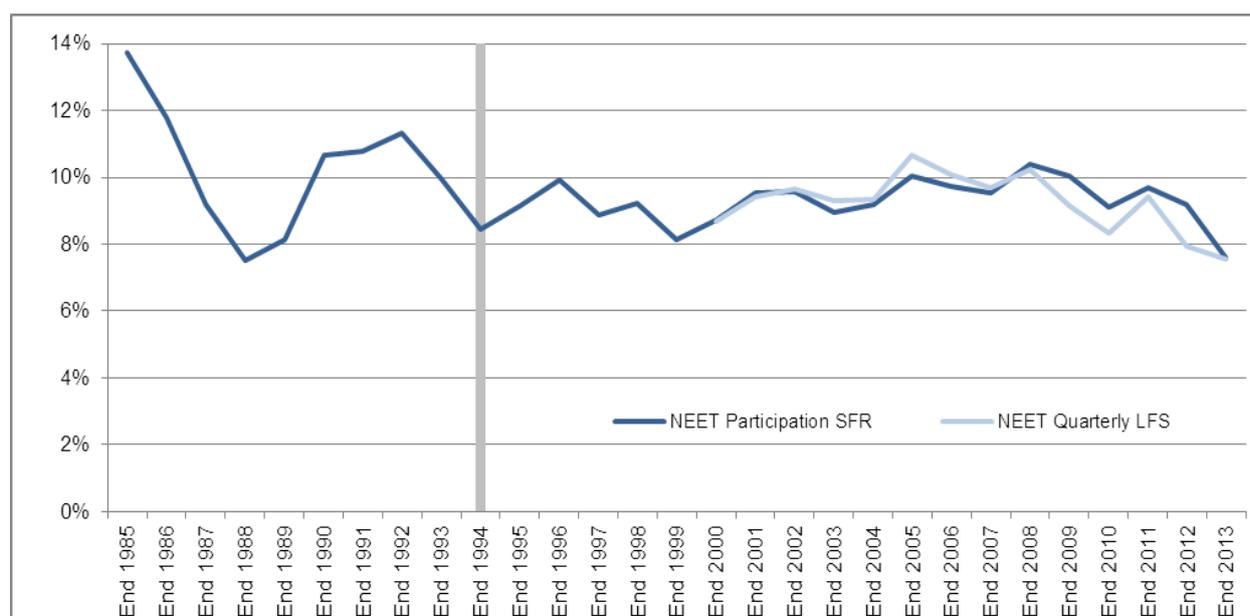
2. Trends

Historical Context

Understanding the historical trends in NEET rates is an important part of placing current performance in perspective. The chart below shows the NEET Participation SFR measure from 1985 along with the LFS NEET measure back to 2000 (the furthest back the LFS methodology can be applied consistently).

Since the fall in the proportion of NEET in the mid-1990s, the 16-18 NEET rate has tended to fluctuate at around 8-10%, although since 2008 both measures have shown a downward trend.

Chart 1: NEET historical series for 16-18 year olds: England, end 1985 - end 2013



Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' and analysis of Labour Force Survey (LFS), Oct-Dec Quarter.

Note: There is a break in the SFR time-series in 1994 due to changes in the source of further and higher education data. The pre-1994 data sources produced slightly higher NEET estimates for 16-18 year olds than later sources.

a. NEET Participation SFR series (last updated August 2014)

The Department's Statistical First Release (SFR) ['Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'](#), published in June 2014, is the primary source of national data on 16-18 year olds NEET. This showed that:

Participation in education or training had increased...	Between end 2012 and end 2013 the proportion of 16-18 year olds participating in education and training increased from 83.6% to 85.6%.
...the employment rate of the NET group had increased...	Over the same period, the employment rate of the 16-18 year olds not in education or training rose from 43.8% to 47.4%.
...resulting in a large fall in the proportion of young people NEET.	The result of these two factors is that the proportion of 16-18 year olds NEET at the end of 2013 decreased by 1.6 percentage points to 7.6%.

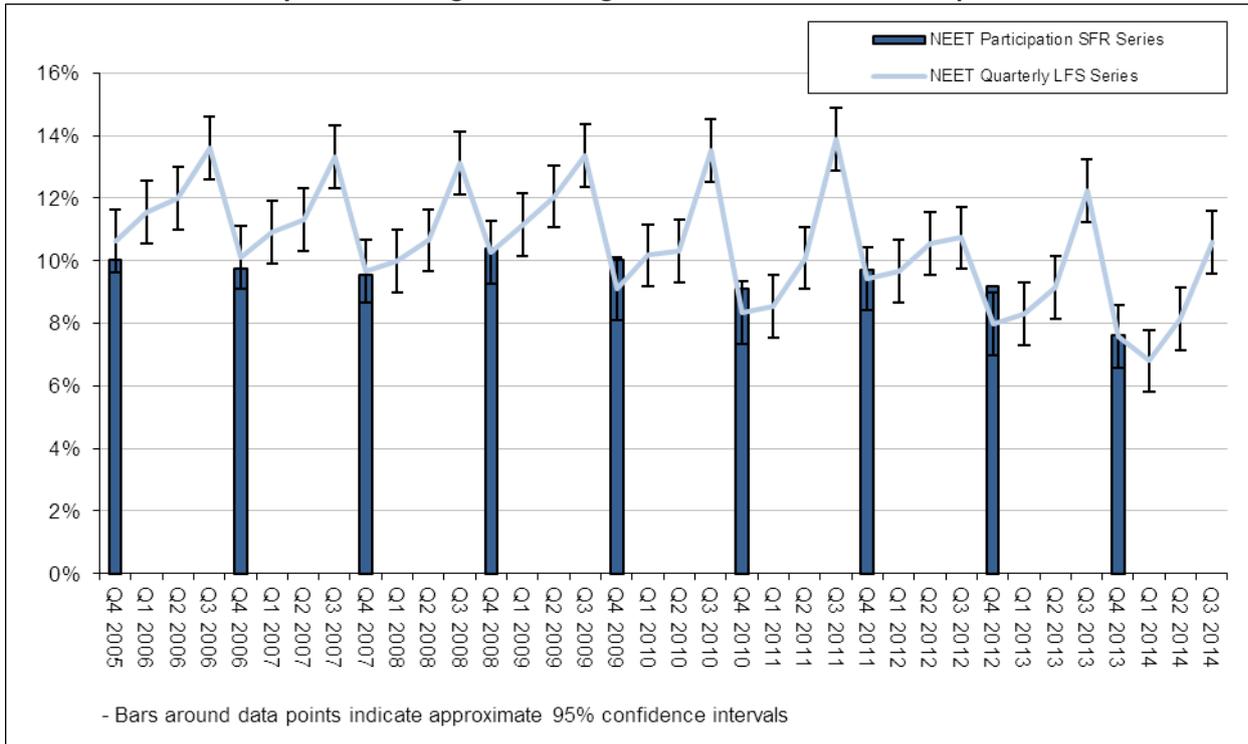
b. NEET quarterly LFS series (last updated November 2014)

We can monitor trends in NEET rates between the publications of the Participation SFR series using quarterly LFS data.

The trend data for 16-18 year olds shows seasonal patterns that reflect the academic year: lower rates in autumn (October to December) followed by a gradual rise in spring and early summer (January to June) with a peak in late summer (July to September).

The proportion of 16-18 year olds NEET has decreased.	10.6% of 16-18 year olds were NEET in July to September 2014. The drop of 1.6 percentage points compared to the same period last year is not statistically significant. This is the lowest comparable figure since consistent data began in 2000 and is 3.3 percentage points lower than the high point of 13.9% in 2011.
This fall has been caused by increased participation and also employment.	The proportion of 16-18 year olds NET decreased by 1.5 percentage points in the last year (see section e for more details). The employment rate of the NET group rose by 4.1 percentage points in the last year to 48.1%.

Chart 2: NEET Quarterly LFS Series, age 16-18: England, Oct-Dec 2005 to Jul-Sep 2014



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR.

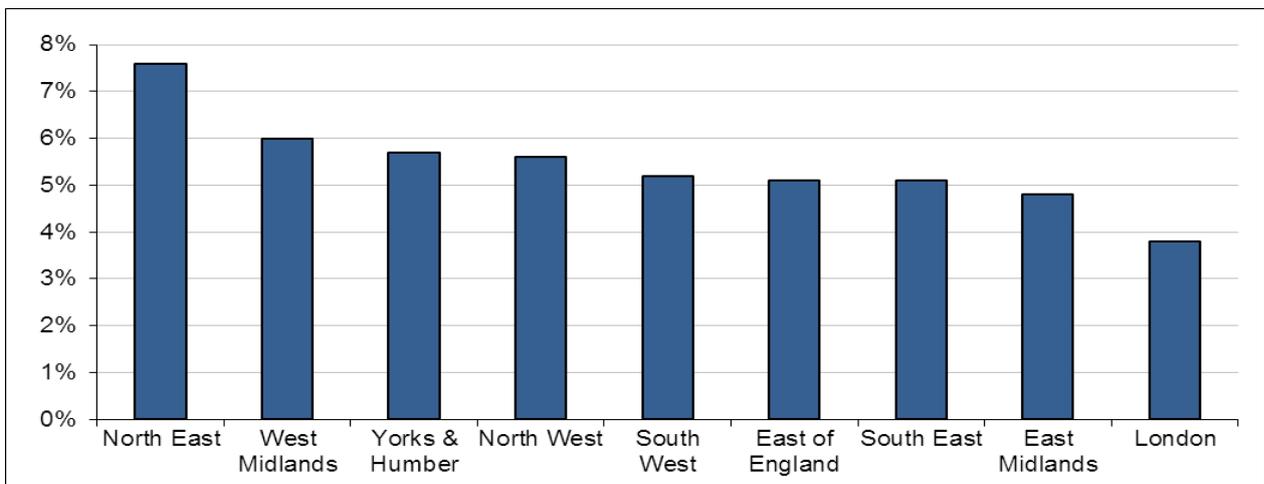
Note: Q1 relates to the months January to March, Q2 relates to April to June, Q3 relates to July to September and Q4 relates to October to December.

c. Regional NEET (last updated August 2014)

The regional picture on 16-18 NEET is taken from [Local Authorities' Client Caseload Information System \(CCIS\)](#), published in May 2014.

CCIS data indicates that the northern English regions have higher NEET rates, i.e. North East, North West and Yorkshire and Humberside. In comparison, London and East Midlands have the lowest NEET rates.

Chart 3: Regional NEET, age 16-18: England, Nov 2013-Jan 2014 average



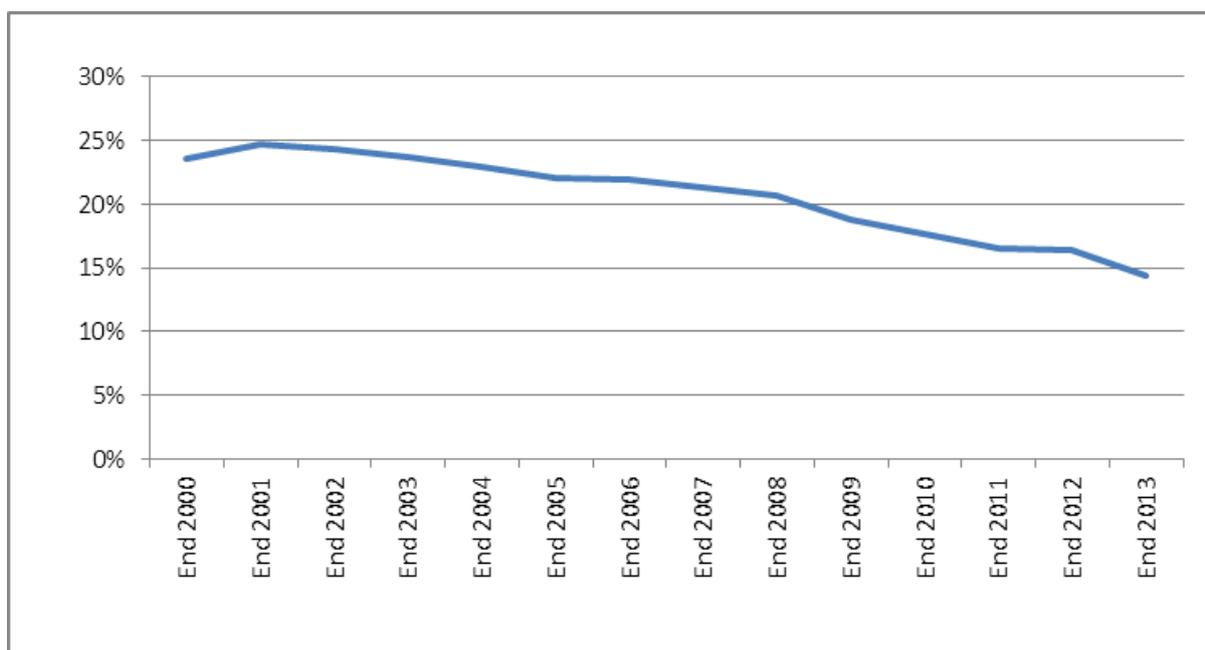
Source: Client Caseload Information System

Note that Local Authority CCIS data are published annually and tend to show a lower percentage NEET than either the Participation SFR or LFS data sources. In addition, regional NEET estimates for 16-24, 18-24 and 19-24 year olds summary age groups based on the LFS are published as supplementary tables alongside this Quarterly Brief.

d. NET Participation SFR series (last updated August 2014)

When examining NEET data, it is also important to contextualise it with data on the proportion of young people not in education or training (NET). These data are also taken from the SFR 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'.

Chart 4: NET Participation SFR series, age 16-18: England, end 2000 – end 2013



Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'

The latest Participation SFR NET rate, for end 2013, was 14.4%, a fall of 2.0 percentage points from end 2012. This is the lowest comparable figure since consistent data began in 1994.

e. NET quarterly LFS series (last updated November 2014)

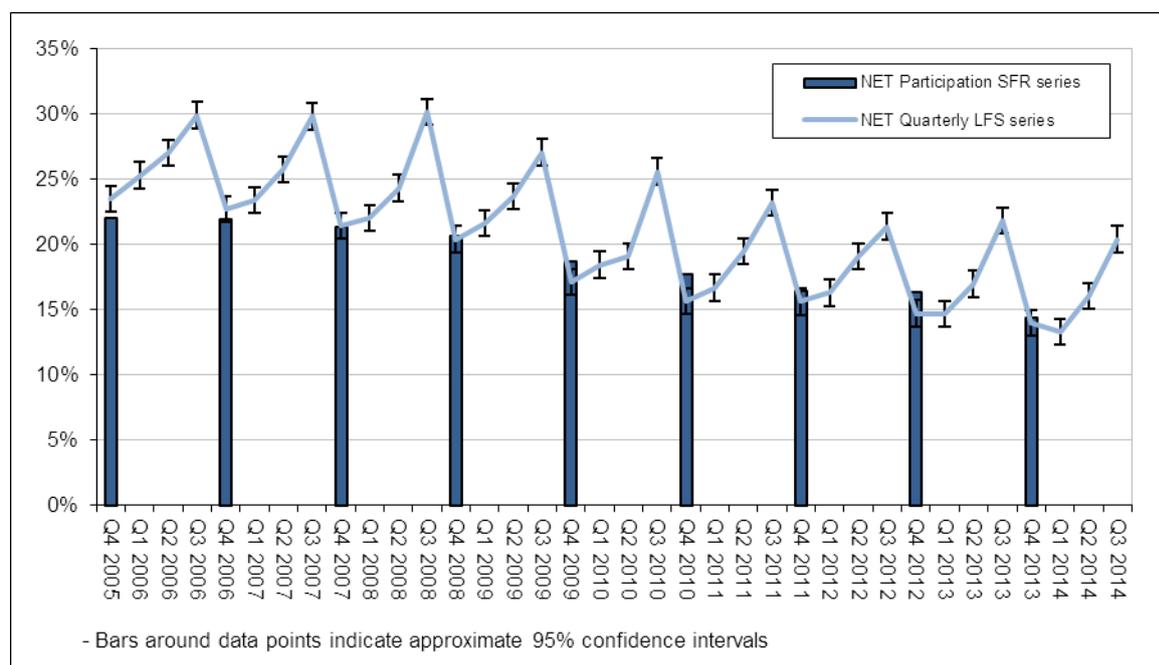
As with the NEET data, we can look at the in-year NET trend data using the quarterly LFS. The NET series shows the same seasonal pattern as the NEET series. The latest data shows that:

The proportion of 16-18 year olds NET has decreased... 20.4 % of 16-18 year olds were NET in July to September 2014. This is a drop of 1.5 percentage points compared to the same period last year. This is the lowest comparable figure since consistent data began in 2000 and is 11.8 percentage points lower than the peak of 32.2% in 2003.

...with a fall in each age of this summary group. There was a lower proportion of 16, 17 and 18 year olds NET in July to September 2014 compared to 2013. At age 16, 5.9% were NET in this quarter which is 1.2 percentage points lower than the same quarter last year. This is the first cohort to whom Raising the Participation Age applies.*

* [Raising the Participation Age](#)

Chart 5: NET Quarterly LFS series, age 16-18: England, Oct-Dec 2005 to Jul-Sep 2014



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR.

Note: Q1 relates to the months January to March, Q2 relates to April to June, Q3 relates to July to September and Q4 relates to October to December.

3. Methodology and Notes

a. NEET and NET Participation SFR series

Description	These data give the definitive measures for 16-18 NEET and NET rates in England.
Uses	These series should be used as the national time series for 16-18 year olds NEET and NET in England. The NET series should be used as context for any NEET data.
Geographical Coverage	England
Age coverage	Academic age 16 to 18
Published source	Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'
Primary sources	The Schools' Census Pupil Level Annual Schools' Census The Individualised Learner Record (ILR) Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) Higher Education Students Early Statistics (HESES) Labour Force Survey Mid-year estimates and projections of population from the Office for National Statistics (ONS)
Last period covered	End 2013
Last published	June 2014. Includes revised population estimates based on Census 2011.
Next published	June 2015

b. NEET and NET quarterly LFS series

Description	These series are quarterly estimates of NEET and NET amongst young people from the LFS. They are not directly comparable with the Participation SFR measure. However, these statistics are produced using the same methodology as the ONS UK NEET estimate. Full details are published in the technical specification .
Uses	These series provide more timely data on the recent trends in NEET and NET since the last Participation SFR. Trends should be assessed by comparing the current time period with the same time period in the previous year, to account for seasonal effects. For example, October-December figures should not be compared with January-March figures. The NET series should be used as context for any NEET data.
Geographical coverage	England
Age coverage	Academic age 16 to 24
Published source	Quarterly Labour Force Survey
Primary sources	Quarterly Labour Force Survey
Last Period Covered	July-September 2014
Last published	November 2014. Includes revised population estimates based on Census 2011.
Next published	February 2015

c. Regional NEET

Description	<p>This series is a 3 month average snapshot estimate of the regional NEET rate taken from the Local Authority Client Caseload Information System (CCIS) data. It is neither directly comparable with the LFS nor the Participation SFR series due to the use of 'currency' rules. The activity status of young people in education or employment is not actively checked every month, but has a shelf life depending on the type of educational course or the nature of the employment.</p> <p>For young people whose currency is lapsed a historical assumption is made on the proportion NEET, taking into account their previously reported activity.</p> <p>The combination of both factors leads to estimates of NEET in the CCIS data that tend to be lower than those estimated from the LFS or those reported in the annual participation statistical first release.</p>
Uses	This series shows the data, aggregated in regions, used by Local Authorities to inform local activity and target setting.
Geographical Coverage	England
Age coverage	Academic age 16 to 18
Published source	Management information published on the DfE website as policy data: 16- to 18-year-olds NEET
Primary sources	Client Caseload Information System (CCIS)
Last Period Covered	November 2013 – January 2014 average
Last published	May 2014
Next published	June 2015

d. Scheduled revisions to previously published statistics

Labour Force Survey (LFS) datasets are routinely reweighted in line with population estimates. The most recent update introduced a new weighting variable, PWT14, to LFS datasets from July - September 2001 onwards. This is the first Quarterly Brief to use this reweighted data and more information as to its impact on the NEET and NET rates is available in an additional spreadsheets on our [website](#).

The PWT14 weights reflects the most recent population estimates for England and Wales, announced by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) on 16th July 2012.

ONS have produced a comparison of the 2011 Census and the LFS labour market indicators which can be found at the following link: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/census/2011-census/key-statistics-for-local-authorities-in-england-and-wales/rpt-labour.html>

This statistical first release reproduces statistics from the DfE '[Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England](#)' SFR which rely on mid-year population estimates which have already been revised based on the 2011 Census.

e. National Statistics Publication

The United Kingdom Statistics Authority has designated these statistics as National Statistics, in accordance with the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 and signifying compliance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics.

Designation can be broadly interpreted to mean that the statistics:

- meet identified user needs;
- are well explained and readily accessible;
- are produced according to sound methods, and
- are managed impartially and objectively in the public interest.

Once statistics have been designated as National Statistics it is a statutory requirement that the Code of Practice shall continue to be observed.

f. Equivalent statistics from the Welsh Assembly Government, Scottish Government and the Office for National Statistics (ONS)

	Welsh Assembly Government (WG)	Scottish Government (SG)	Office for National Statistics (ONS)
Description	1. Annual SFR statistics produced in a method analogous to the DfE annual SFR.	1. Statistics based on the Annual Population Survey (APS).	1. Monthly Labour Force Survey (LFS) statistics for young people not in full-time education and not in employment -Table 14 from the Labour Market Statistics bulletin.
	2. Quarterly Statistics based on the Annual Population Survey (APS). Definition of NEET corresponds to that used in the DfE NEET Quarterly Brief	2. Annual school leaver statistics	2. Quarterly Statistics based on the Labour Force Survey (LFS). Definition of NEET corresponds to that used in the DfE NEET Quarterly Brief.
	3. Pupil destinations based on Careers Wales Survey.	3. Combination of DWP benefits data and school leaver destinations	
Uses	1. Regarded as the definitive measure of headline NEET estimates in Wales.	1. National estimates of NEET.	1. Part of wider labour market statistics; rolling 3-month average both seasonally-adjusted and not seasonally-adjusted; roughly equivalent to NEET but will include some young people in part-time education.
	2. Timely data; regional or single-age estimates based on averaging 3 years of data.	2. Proportion of young people in 'positive destinations'. The complement is roughly equivalent to NEET, but will include some young people in part-time education.	2. UK estimate, seasonally adjusted.
	3. Local area estimates of NEET.	3. Local area estimates of NEET.	
Geographical Coverage	Wales	Scotland	United Kingdom (UK)
Age coverage	Academic age 16-18, 19-24 (SFR); academic age 16-18, 19-24 (APS); interviews in October following Year 11 (Careers Wales)	Actual age 16-19.	Actual age 16-17 and 18-24.
Published source	1. Welsh Government Participation of Young People in Education and the Labour Market, 2012 and 2013 (provisional)	1. Local Area Labour Markets in Scotland: Statistics from the Annual Population Survey 2013	1. UK Labour Market - November 2014
	2. Young People Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET), Year to 30 June 2014	2. Summary statistics for attainment, leaver destinations and healthy living, No. 4: 2014 Edition	2. ONS UK NEET, November 2014
	3. Pupil Destinations from Schools in Wales, 2013	3. More Choices More Chances	

4. Tables

Table 1: Number Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET): England

a. NEET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 2000	40,700	44,200	71,300	84,800	156,100			
End 2001	46,700	55,500	73,600	102,100	175,800			
End 2002	47,300	57,300	75,600	104,600	180,200			
End 2003	44,600	47,200	79,700	91,800	171,500			
End 2004	45,400	53,500	78,700	98,800	177,600			
End 2005	48,100	62,700	85,500	110,800	196,300			
End 2006	44,700	58,200	90,400	103,000	193,300			
End 2007	41,100	58,900	91,400	100,000	191,500			
End 2008	38,800	62,300	110,500	101,100	211,600			
End 2009	36,000	52,500	114,800	88,500	203,200			
End 2010	33,600	54,100	95,000	87,700	182,800			
End 2011	35,000	55,900	102,100	90,900	193,000			
End 2012	37,800	46,200	97,400	84,000	181,400			
End 2013	25,900	39,900	82,300	65,800	148,000			

Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data. Period: End 2000 to End 2013

b. NEET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q3 2009	52,000	96,000	113,000	148,000	262,000	1,056,000	908,000	794,000
Q4 2009	28,000	49,000	98,000	77,000	175,000	880,000	803,000	705,000
Q1 2010	32,000	59,000	107,000	91,000	198,000	912,000	821,000	714,000
Q2 2010	32,000	69,000	102,000	100,000	202,000	864,000	763,000	662,000
Q3 2010	39,000	102,000	124,000	140,000	264,000	1,020,000	880,000	756,000
Q4 2010	28,000	41,000	92,000	70,000	161,000	933,000	863,000	772,000
Q1 2011	35,000	50,000	82,000	85,000	167,000	923,000	838,000	756,000
Q2 2011	43,000	57,000	96,000	100,000	196,000	989,000	889,000	793,000
Q3 2011	50,000	100,000	123,000	151,000	274,000	1,179,000	1,028,000	905,000
Q4 2011	32,000	52,000	96,000	84,000	180,000	967,000	883,000	787,000
Q1 2012	39,000	58,000	89,000	98,000	186,000	955,000	858,000	769,000
Q2 2012	37,000	61,000	104,000	98,000	202,000	981,000	883,000	779,000
Q3 2012	26,000	82,000	95,000	108,000	203,000	1,038,000	930,000	835,000
Q4 2012	22,000	33,000	97,000	55,000	152,000	894,000	839,000	742,000
Q1 2013	27,000	42,000	90,000	68,000	158,000	909,000	840,000	750,000
Q2 2013	30,000	56,000	89,000	86,000	175,000	933,000	847,000	759,000
Q3 2013	32,000	93,000	105,000	125,000	231,000	1,068,000	943,000	837,000
Q4 2013	21,000	30,000	93,000	51,000	144,000	849,000	799,000	705,000
Q1 2014	20,000	28,000	80,000	48,000	128,000	778,000	730,000	651,000
Q2 2014	24,000	46,000	83,000	70,000	153,000	811,000	741,000	659,000
Q3 2014	30,000	72,000	99,000	102,000	202,000	932,000	830,000	731,000

Source: Labour Force Survey. Time series for the period: Jul-Sep 2009 to Jul-Sep 2014.

Note: Q1 relates to the months January-March, Q2 to April-June, Q3 to July-September and Q4 to October-December

c. Regional NEET	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
South East								
London								
East of England								
South West								
West Midlands								
East Midlands								
Yorks & Humber								
North West								
North East								

CCIS data is collected by local authorities and covers only those young people known to them. As a result, the number of young people known to local authorities to be NEET is considerably lower than that estimated by other sources and is excluded from this publication to avoid confusion.

Table 2: Number Not in Education or Training (NET): England

d. NET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 2000	82,700	116,300	222,400	198,900	421,300			
End 2001	88,300	131,500	235,200	219,800	455,100			
End 2002	80,100	135,200	242,300	215,300	457,600			
End 2003	75,700	125,700	251,200	201,500	452,700			
End 2004	74,500	124,200	245,500	198,700	444,100			
End 2005	68,300	122,300	241,000	190,500	431,500			
End 2006	67,100	117,400	250,200	184,600	434,800			
End 2007	66,700	116,000	245,600	182,700	428,300			
End 2008	52,800	114,000	253,000	166,800	419,800			
End 2009	44,800	87,400	247,200	132,200	379,400			
End 2010	42,900	81,600	230,300	124,500	354,700			
End 2011	41,900	80,400	205,200	122,300	327,500			
End 2012	44,700	72,000	205,900	116,700	322,500			
End 2013	28,700	69,200	183,400	97,900	281,200			

Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data. Period: End 2000 to End 2013

e. NET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q3 2009	74,000	176,000	280,000	251,000	530,000	3,058,000	2,808,000	2,528,000
Q4 2009	36,000	82,000	213,000	118,000	331,000	2,667,000	2,549,000	2,336,000
Q1 2010	40,000	98,000	220,000	138,000	358,000	2,687,000	2,549,000	2,328,000
Q2 2010	43,000	109,000	223,000	152,000	374,000	2,703,000	2,552,000	2,329,000
Q3 2010	54,000	181,000	265,000	235,000	500,000	3,064,000	2,829,000	2,564,000
Q4 2010	36,000	63,000	204,000	99,000	303,000	2,733,000	2,633,000	2,429,000
Q1 2011	45,000	75,000	208,000	119,000	327,000	2,738,000	2,618,000	2,411,000
Q2 2011	55,000	101,000	222,000	156,000	378,000	2,941,000	2,786,000	2,563,000
Q3 2011	69,000	155,000	233,000	224,000	457,000	3,126,000	2,902,000	2,669,000
Q4 2011	40,000	75,000	183,000	115,000	298,000	2,711,000	2,596,000	2,413,000
Q1 2012	46,000	81,000	187,000	127,000	314,000	2,697,000	2,570,000	2,383,000
Q2 2012	52,000	98,000	216,000	150,000	366,000	2,880,000	2,730,000	2,514,000
Q3 2012	47,000	132,000	226,000	179,000	405,000	3,035,000	2,856,000	2,630,000
Q4 2012	30,000	55,000	195,000	85,000	280,000	2,720,000	2,635,000	2,440,000
Q1 2013	30,000	60,000	191,000	90,000	281,000	2,668,000	2,578,000	2,387,000
Q2 2013	36,000	88,000	200,000	123,000	324,000	2,792,000	2,668,000	2,468,000
Q3 2013	43,000	149,000	221,000	191,000	412,000	3,066,000	2,875,000	2,653,000
Q4 2013	24,000	49,000	193,000	73,000	266,000	2,683,000	2,610,000	2,417,000
Q1 2014	23,000	49,000	178,000	72,000	251,000	2,595,000	2,523,000	2,344,000
Q2 2014	29,000	78,000	195,000	107,000	302,000	2,779,000	2,672,000	2,477,000
Q3 2014	37,000	132,000	220,000	169,000	389,000	3,008,000	2,839,000	2,620,000

Source: Labour Force Survey. Time series for the period: Jul-Sep 2009 to Jul-Sep 2014.

Note: Q1 relates to the months January-March, Q2 to April-June, Q3 to July-September and Q4 to October-December

Table 3: Percentage Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET): England

a. NEET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 2000	6.7%	7.4%	12.2%	7.0%	8.7%			
End 2001	7.4%	9.1%	12.2%	8.2%	9.5%			
End 2002	7.6%	9.0%	12.2%	8.3%	9.6%			
End 2003	7.0%	7.5%	12.4%	7.2%	9.0%			
End 2004	6.9%	8.3%	12.3%	7.6%	9.2%			
End 2005	7.4%	9.5%	13.2%	8.5%	10.0%			
End 2006	6.7%	8.9%	13.5%	7.8%	9.7%			
End 2007	6.1%	8.8%	13.8%	7.4%	9.5%			
End 2008	5.8%	9.1%	16.2%	7.5%	10.4%			
End 2009	5.5%	7.8%	16.5%	6.7%	10.0%			
End 2010	5.1%	8.2%	13.8%	6.6%	9.1%			
End 2011	5.4%	8.4%	15.2%	6.9%	9.7%			
End 2012	5.8%	7.1%	14.5%	6.5%	9.2%			
End 2013	4.0%	6.1%	12.5%	5.1%	7.6%			

Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data, Period: End 2000 to End 2013

b. NEET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q3 2009	8.2%	15.0%	16.7%	11.6%	13.4%	17.8%	19.6%	20.0%
Q4 2009	4.5%	7.4%	15.3%	6.0%	9.1%	14.8%	17.2%	17.5%
Q1 2010	5.1%	8.6%	16.8%	6.9%	10.2%	15.2%	17.6%	17.7%
Q2 2010	5.2%	10.1%	15.2%	7.8%	10.3%	14.4%	16.3%	16.5%
Q3 2010	6.2%	15.0%	19.1%	10.8%	13.5%	17.1%	18.9%	18.9%
Q4 2010	4.3%	6.6%	13.9%	5.4%	8.3%	15.6%	18.3%	19.0%
Q1 2011	5.3%	8.0%	12.4%	6.6%	8.5%	15.3%	17.7%	18.6%
Q2 2011	6.5%	9.1%	14.6%	7.8%	10.1%	16.3%	18.6%	19.3%
Q3 2011	7.7%	15.5%	18.4%	11.6%	13.9%	19.4%	21.5%	22.0%
Q4 2011	5.1%	8.1%	14.9%	6.6%	9.4%	16.0%	18.5%	19.0%
Q1 2012	6.2%	9.0%	13.8%	7.6%	9.7%	15.8%	18.0%	18.7%
Q2 2012	5.8%	9.7%	15.9%	7.8%	10.6%	16.2%	18.4%	18.7%
Q3 2012	4.3%	12.7%	14.9%	8.6%	10.7%	17.2%	19.4%	20.1%
Q4 2012	3.6%	5.3%	14.5%	4.5%	8.0%	14.9%	17.6%	18.1%
Q1 2013	4.6%	6.1%	13.8%	5.4%	8.3%	15.0%	17.6%	18.1%
Q2 2013	5.0%	8.1%	14.4%	6.7%	9.2%	15.4%	17.7%	18.2%
Q3 2013	5.4%	14.5%	16.3%	10.1%	12.2%	17.6%	19.5%	20.0%
Q4 2013	3.2%	4.9%	14.3%	4.1%	7.6%	14.1%	16.7%	17.1%
Q1 2014	3.2%	4.6%	12.6%	3.8%	6.8%	13.0%	15.4%	15.9%
Q2 2014	3.8%	7.4%	13.0%	5.6%	8.1%	13.5%	15.6%	16.0%
Q3 2014	4.8%	11.5%	15.2%	8.2%	10.6%	15.4%	17.3%	17.6%

Source: Labour Force Survey. Time series for the period: Jul-Sep 2009 to Jul-Sep 2014.

Note: Q1 relates to the months January-March, Q2 to April-June, Q3 to July-September and Q4 to October-December

c. Regional NEET	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
South East	2.4%	4.7%	8.4%	3.5%	5.1%			
London	1.5%	3.2%	7.2%	2.4%	3.8%			
East of England	2.5%	4.9%	8.1%	3.7%	5.1%			
South West	2.3%	5.0%	8.7%	3.6%	5.2%			
West Midlands	2.7%	6.0%	9.7%	4.3%	6.0%			
East Midlands	2.3%	4.9%	7.3%	3.6%	4.8%			
Yorks & Humber	2.7%	5.6%	8.8%	4.2%	5.7%			
North West	2.8%	5.2%	9.0%	4.0%	5.6%			
North East	3.3%	6.8%	13.0%	5.0%	7.6%			

CCIS data is collected by local authorities and covers only those young people known to them. As a result, the number of young people known to local authorities to be NEET is considerably lower than that estimated by other sources and is excluded from this publication to avoid confusion.

Table 4: Percentage Not in Education or Training (NET): England

d. NET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 2000	13.6%	19.4%	38.0%	16.5%	23.5%			
End 2001	14.0%	21.5%	39.1%	17.7%	24.7%			
End 2002	12.8%	21.3%	39.2%	17.1%	24.3%			
End 2003	11.9%	19.9%	39.0%	15.9%	23.7%			
End 2004	11.4%	19.4%	38.4%	15.3%	22.9%			
End 2005	10.5%	18.5%	37.1%	14.6%	22.0%			
End 2006	10.1%	17.9%	37.4%	14.0%	21.9%			
End 2007	9.9%	17.3%	37.0%	13.6%	21.3%			
End 2008	7.9%	16.7%	37.2%	12.3%	20.6%			
End 2009	6.8%	12.9%	35.6%	9.9%	18.7%			
End 2010	6.5%	12.3%	33.5%	9.4%	17.7%			
End 2011	6.5%	12.1%	30.6%	9.3%	16.5%			
End 2012	6.9%	11.1%	30.7%	9.0%	16.4%			
End 2013	4.4%	10.6%	27.9%	7.5%	14.4%			

Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data, Period: End 2000 to End 2013

e. NET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q3 2009	11.6%	27.4%	41.3%	19.5%	27.1%	51.6%	60.5%	63.8%
Q4 2009	5.8%	12.3%	33.3%	9.1%	17.2%	44.8%	54.6%	58.0%
Q1 2010	6.4%	14.4%	34.7%	10.6%	18.4%	44.9%	54.5%	57.6%
Q2 2010	6.9%	16.1%	33.3%	11.7%	19.1%	45.2%	54.4%	57.9%
Q3 2010	8.6%	26.7%	40.8%	18.0%	25.6%	51.4%	60.7%	64.0%
Q4 2010	5.5%	10.1%	31.0%	7.8%	15.7%	45.5%	55.8%	59.8%
Q1 2011	6.7%	11.8%	31.4%	9.2%	16.7%	45.4%	55.3%	59.2%
Q2 2011	8.4%	16.0%	33.8%	12.1%	19.5%	48.6%	58.5%	62.4%
Q3 2011	10.6%	23.8%	34.9%	17.2%	23.2%	51.4%	60.6%	64.8%
Q4 2011	6.4%	11.7%	28.6%	9.1%	15.6%	44.8%	54.3%	58.3%
Q1 2012	7.3%	12.5%	29.0%	9.9%	16.3%	44.6%	53.9%	57.9%
Q2 2012	8.3%	15.5%	33.0%	11.9%	19.1%	47.4%	56.8%	60.5%
Q3 2012	7.7%	20.6%	35.4%	14.3%	21.4%	50.2%	59.6%	63.3%
Q4 2012	4.9%	8.7%	29.4%	6.8%	14.7%	45.2%	55.2%	59.3%
Q1 2013	5.1%	8.8%	29.3%	7.1%	14.7%	44.1%	53.8%	57.7%
Q2 2013	5.9%	12.8%	32.6%	9.5%	17.0%	46.0%	55.8%	59.2%
Q3 2013	7.2%	23.2%	34.1%	15.4%	21.9%	50.5%	59.5%	63.5%
Q4 2013	3.7%	8.1%	29.6%	5.8%	14.0%	44.5%	54.6%	58.6%
Q1 2014	3.5%	8.2%	28.1%	5.8%	13.3%	43.4%	53.3%	57.2%
Q2 2014	4.7%	12.5%	30.6%	8.6%	16.1%	46.3%	56.1%	60.0%
Q3 2014	5.9%	21.0%	33.7%	13.5%	20.4%	49.7%	59.2%	63.2%

Source: Labour Force Survey, Period: Jul-Sep 2009 to Jul-Sep 2014 time series

Note: Q1 relates to the months January-March, Q2 to April-June, Q3 to July-September and Q4 to October-December

Additional tables are published with this brief – these show a regional breakdown of the quarterly NEET statistics for 16-24, 18-24 and 19-24 year olds, and time-series data from 2001. Please see the [DfE NEET Statistics - Quarterly Brief – July to September 2014](#) webpage.



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