

## Annex 2 Review of research cost relativities 2008-09: summary

Number of HEIs who participated in the study 46

Key of Acronyms	
I-O	Institution-own funded Research
PGR	Postgraduate Research
RG&C	Externally Funded Research Grants and Contracts
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions

**Table 1a. Costs per TRAC (£000s)**

Note: RG&C is calculated using the net RG&C costs (i.e. without scholarships etc)

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	I-O costs		PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)		RG&C costs		I-O and RG&C costs		Total costs (all research)
			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector			
1	Total clinical medicine	i	Number of HEIs	30	29	30	30	30	30	30	
			Total costs	178,587	152,729	1,644,711	1,812,974	1,960,967			
			Average	5,953	5,267	54,824	60,432	65,366			
			1st Quartile	2,472	2,321	14,493	20,618	21,093			
			Median Value	4,988	4,428	41,244	50,399	53,479			
			3rd Quartile	7,260	6,870	69,639	73,757	77,821			
2	Total clinical dentistry	i	Number of HEIs	15	16	16	16	16	16	16	
			Total costs	14,689	11,639	35,466	50,603	62,242			
			Average	979	727	2,217	3,163	3,890			
			1st Quartile	264	340	945	1,524	2,058			
			Median Value	844	586	1,915	2,983	3,478			
			3rd Quartile	1,238	955	2,462	3,766	4,893			
3	Veterinary science	ii	Number of HEIs	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	
			Total costs	16,152	14,016	84,575	100,727	114,744			
			Average	2,019	1,752	10,572	12,591	14,343			
			1st Quartile	609	1,082	5,638	6,326	7,855			
			Median Value	820	1,502	9,313	10,499	12,413			
			3rd Quartile	1,571	2,360	11,271	16,875	19,258			
4	Anatomy and physiology	ii	Number of HEIs	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	
			Total costs	11,752	11,750	86,064	97,816	109,566			
			Average	839	839	6,147	6,987	7,826			
			1st Quartile	493	277	1,206	1,699	1,932			
			Median Value	625	604	3,730	4,112	4,617			
			3rd Quartile	1,195	1,173	7,209	7,994	9,377			
5	Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	Number of HEIs	19	18	18	19	19	19	19	
			Total costs	14,607	10,837	41,644	56,251	67,006			
			Average	769	602	2,314	2,961	3,527			
			1st Quartile	161	254	524	622	811			
			Median Value	678	366	1,160	1,830	2,326			
			3rd Quartile	1,263	652	2,222	3,509	4,159			
6	Health and community studies	ii	Number of HEIs	21	21	20	21	21	21	21	
			Total costs	7,919	4,707	27,985	35,924	40,632			
			Average	377	224	1,399	1,711	1,935			
			1st Quartile	108	56	484	714	732			
			Median Value	248	154	1,018	1,507	1,838			
			3rd Quartile	496	295	1,773	2,182	2,312			
7	Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	Number of HEIs	35	35	34	35	35	35	35	
			Total costs	35,081	24,064	71,704	114,567	138,052			
			Average	1,002	688	2,109	3,273	3,944			
			1st Quartile	514	250	999	1,544	1,890			
			Median Value	903	523	1,646	2,583	3,050			
			3rd Quartile	1,354	816	2,656	3,684	4,206			
8	Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	Number of HEIs	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	
			Total costs	9,486	16,107	65,725	75,211	91,318			
			Average	632	1,074	4,382	5,014	6,088			
			1st Quartile	270	324	1,914	2,255	2,863			
			Median Value	475	827	3,679	4,079	5,308			
			3rd Quartile	807	2,043	6,078	6,869	7,451			
10	Biosciences	ii	Number of HEIs	38	37	38	38	39	38	39	
			Total costs	88,054	110,842	714,079	740,808	915,674			
			Average	2,317	2,996	18,792	19,495	23,479			
			1st Quartile	747	1,258	5,285	5,332	8,238			
			Median Value	1,397	2,225	13,143	13,968	16,812			
			3rd Quartile	2,601	3,971	27,682	30,283	36,827			
11	Chemistry	ii	Number of HEIs	28	28	29	28	28	28	28	
			Total costs	32,813	72,167	230,345	239,985	305,629			
			Average	1,172	2,577	7,943	8,571	10,915			
			1st Quartile	509	1,005	3,151	3,574	4,405			
			Median Value	772	2,722	7,067	8,373	10,312			
			3rd Quartile	1,532	3,605	11,031	11,892	15,192			
12	Physics	ii	Number of HEIs	33	32	33	33	33	33	33	
			Total costs	37,934	52,616	316,084	329,496	381,114			
			Average	1,150	1,644	9,578	9,985	11,549			
			1st Quartile	272	636	2,742	3,146	3,810			
			Median Value	661	1,302	6,060	6,946	7,900			
			3rd Quartile	1,331	2,234	10,137	10,917	13,478			
13	Agriculture and forestry	ii	Number of HEIs	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
			Total costs	.	.	.	.	.			
			Average	.	.	.	.	.			
			1st Quartile	.	.	.	.	.			
			Median Value	.	.	.	.	.			
			3rd Quartile	.	.	.	.	.			
14	Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	Number of HEIs	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	
			Total costs	22,666	25,323	122,438	146,252	168,831			
			Average	944	1,055	5,102	6,094	7,035			
			1st Quartile	365	404	1,406	1,832	2,467			
			Median Value	695	875	4,080	4,965	5,784			
			3rd Quartile	1,078	1,373	8,237	9,232	11,218			
16	General engineering	ii	Number of HEIs	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	
			Total costs	24,436	26,011	98,999	123,435	149,446			
			Average	1,745	1,858	7,071	8,817	10,675			
			1st Quartile	224	368	2,569	2,884	3,402			
			Median Value	684	805	4,160	4,790	5,333			
			3rd Quartile	1,626	1,841	8,152	9,778	11,619			

HESA academic cost centre			I-O costs	PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)	RG&C costs	I-O and RG&C costs	Total costs (all research)	
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	
17	Chemical engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 7,711 593 242 361 971	13 20,888 1,607 668 1,103 1,641	13 55,208 4,247 1,775 4,129 4,983	13 62,919 4,840 2,043 4,394 6,035	13 83,807 6,447 2,946 5,964 8,432
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 12,033 926 330 776 1,407	12 24,570 2,048 725 1,100 3,228	13 79,213 6,093 2,175 6,724 8,884	13 91,246 7,019 2,421 8,491 10,187	13 116,335 8,949 3,284 10,056 13,433
19	Civil engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 14,169 590 222 351 744	23 19,718 857 399 697 1,249	22 56,902 2,586 1,272 2,141 3,814	24 71,071 2,961 1,300 2,644 4,022	24 90,790 3,783 1,686 3,444 5,615
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	28 26,306 939 294 697 1,134	28 47,965 1,713 825 1,314 2,059	27 152,714 5,656 2,144 4,464 7,750	29 181,781 6,268 2,696 4,904 8,119	29 229,746 7,922 3,568 6,363 9,642
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 23,627 984 469 723 1,060	24 44,153 1,840 695 1,092 2,781	23 120,136 5,223 1,799 4,038 7,058	23 142,315 6,188 2,267 5,632 7,938	24 197,975 8,249 3,038 6,949 10,689
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	20 20,179 1,009 383 664 1,538	20 11,596 580 205 611 827	20 49,014 2,451 877 2,122 3,144	21 69,193 3,295 1,373 2,523 4,455	21 80,926 3,854 1,495 3,786 5,293
24	Mathematics	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	36 63,392 1,761 648 1,331 2,061	35 33,140 947 264 691 1,370	35 80,310 2,295 893 1,700 2,993	36 143,702 3,992 1,733 2,996 4,871	36 178,460 4,957 2,358 3,748 6,169
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 42,348 1,086 481 783 1,320	39 33,602 862 260 596 1,169	39 117,720 3,018 1,034 1,837 3,058	38 138,990 3,658 1,806 2,713 3,950	38 169,343 4,456 2,086 3,274 4,721
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	3 .	3 .	2 .	3 .	3 .
27	Business and management studies	iv	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 102,328 2,693 1,150 2,008 2,919	38 34,809 916 325 628 1,408	38 93,522 2,461 617 1,789 2,789	38 197,444 5,196 2,230 3,609 6,594	39 252,092 6,464 2,531 4,221 8,206
28	Geography	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	29 25,262 871 473 839 1,182	29 16,217 559 344 504 713	28 61,120 2,183 1,207 1,882 2,929	29 88,580 3,054 1,877 2,862 4,584	29 104,418 3,601 2,518 3,573 5,194
29	Social studies	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 174,635 4,478 1,883 3,398 5,328	40 63,063 1,577 598 1,229 2,202	39 171,465 4,397 1,440 2,445 6,751	40 358,211 8,955 3,339 5,841 11,314	40 421,273 10,532 4,112 6,932 13,560
30	Media studies	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	19 8,291 436 225 381 627	18 2,323 129 70 115 163	17 6,953 409 142 240 712	20 15,677 784 370 578 971	20 17,999 900 411 692 1,174
31	Humanities	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 137,503 3,618 1,472 3,091 4,546	37 52,422 1,417 540 1,038 1,907	38 83,431 2,196 717 1,993 2,728	39 227,377 5,830 2,542 4,906 7,204	39 280,268 7,186 2,897 6,642 9,390
33	Design and creative arts	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 30,688 959 515 787 1,123	33 10,676 324 141 245 376	31 17,950 579 204 377 798	31 47,069 1,518 747 1,178 1,774	32 57,482 1,796 941 1,391 2,108
34	Education	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 36,703 1,147 476 698 1,233	32 29,208 913 271 614 1,066	32 71,482 2,234 473 1,197 2,313	32 108,385 3,387 1,128 2,081 3,467	32 138,587 4,331 1,633 3,027 4,194

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			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector				
35	Modern languages	v	Number of HEIs	31	30	27	30	31				
			Total costs	44,615	10,613	19,273	62,840	74,800				
			Average	1,439	354	714	2,095	2,413				
			1st Quartile	399	33	259	593	627				
			Median Value	981	344	478	1,673	1,914				
			3rd Quartile	1,997	511	942	2,578	3,397				
37	Archaeology	iii	Number of HEIs	19	19	20	20	20				
			Total costs	11,398	5,608	25,622	37,649	43,831				
			Average	600	295	1,281	1,882	2,192				
			1st Quartile	275	130	423	735	899				
			Median Value	430	233	754	1,431	1,777				
			3rd Quartile	822	443	1,996	2,756	3,171				
38	Sports science and leisure studies	iii	Number of HEIs	13	12	13	13	13				
			Total costs	6,213	5,139	9,600	15,813	21,960				
			Average	478	428	738	1,216	1,689				
			1st Quartile	150	86	231	461	599				
			Median Value	223	150	481	856	1,130				
			3rd Quartile	987	507	830	1,610	2,208				
41	Continuing education	v	Number of HEIs	9	8	9	10	10				
			Total costs	2,666	553	3,836	6,506	6,979				
			Average	296	69	426	651	698				
			1st Quartile	164	30	79	240	243				
			Median Value	294	44	157	482	494				
			3rd Quartile	487	98	268	585	786				
Total - all cost centres			Number of HEIs	45	45	45	45	45				
			Total costs	1,303,688	1,011,584	5,067,257	6,370,945	7,384,976				
			Average	28,971	22,480	112,606	141,577	164,111				
			1st Quartile	11,897	7,071	38,322	53,002	65,817				
			Median Value	24,961	18,728	77,362	101,670	118,405				
			3rd Quartile	38,247	33,082	149,274	185,050	219,278				

Table 2a. Costs per TRAC (£000s)

Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O costs		PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)		RG&C costs		I-O and RG&C costs		Total costs (all research)	
		Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector				
i	Number of observations	45	45	46	46	46	46	46			
	Total costs	193,276	164,368	1,680,176	1,863,576	2,023,209					
	Average	4,295	3,653	36,526	40,513	43,983					
	1st Quartile	953	586	2,150	3,107	3,690					
	Median Value	2,690	2,321	13,721	17,300	18,369					
	3rd Quartile	6,452	5,270	56,354	62,617	67,814					
ii	Number of observations	374	369	369	373	375					
	Total costs	441,641	560,797	2,419,753	2,733,779	3,358,732					
	Average	1,181	1,520	6,558	7,329	8,957					
	1st Quartile	349	442	1,600	2,052	2,634					
	Median Value	729	1,033	3,679	4,237	5,402					
	3rd Quartile	1,363	2,043	8,040	9,349	11,585					
iii	Number of observations	170	169	166	171	172					
	Total costs	144,241	84,756	276,941	430,221	515,392					
	Average	848	502	1,668	2,516	2,996					
	1st Quartile	318	173	480	856	1,124					
	Median Value	757	376	1,074	1,908	2,399					
	3rd Quartile	1,104	652	2,222	3,227	3,930					
iv	Number of observations	38	38	38	38	39					
	Total costs	102,328	34,809	93,522	197,444	252,092					
	Average	2,693	916	2,461	5,196	6,464					
	1st Quartile	1,150	325	617	2,230	2,531					
	Median Value	2,008	628	1,789	3,609	4,221					
	3rd Quartile	2,919	1,408	2,789	6,594	8,206					
v	Number of observations	188	165	162	171	172					
	Total costs	404,412	158,183	356,439	778,995	939,907					
	Average	2,407	959	2,200	4,556	5,465					
	1st Quartile	494	138	359	909	1,033					
	Median Value	1,267	554	1,206	2,636	3,275					
	3rd Quartile	3,219	1,232	2,440	5,563	6,932					

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Table 1b. PGR costs per TRAC (£000s)

HESA academic cost centre	Subject group for comparative purposes only		PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)	PGR scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc	PGR scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc as a percentage of total PGR costs
		Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
1 Total clinical medicine	i	Number of HEIs	29	17	17
		Total costs	152,729	19,778	12.9%
		Average	5,267	1,163	
		1st Quartile	2,321	404	7.5%
		Median Value	4,428	509	13.2%
		3rd Quartile	6,870	1,618	20.3%
2 Total clinical dentistry	i	Number of HEIs	16	10	10
		Total costs	11,639	511	4.4%
		Average	727	51	
		1st Quartile	340	10	1.5%
		Median Value	586	23	4.4%
		3rd Quartile	955	102	8.8%
3 Veterinary science	ii	Number of HEIs	8	7	7
		Total costs	14,016	2,771	19.8%
		Average	1,752	396	
		1st Quartile	1,082	34	5.3%
		Median Value	1,502	210	20.6%
		3rd Quartile	2,360	946	30.2%
4 Anatomy and physiology	ii	Number of HEIs	14	5	5
		Total costs	11,750	974	8.3%
		Average	839	195	
		1st Quartile	277	45	12.3%
		Median Value	604	143	15.0%
		3rd Quartile	1,173	252	17.3%
5 Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	Number of HEIs	18	13	13
		Total costs	10,837	261	2.4%
		Average	602	20	
		1st Quartile	254	1	0.2%
		Median Value	366	9	3.1%
		3rd Quartile	652	33	6.6%
6 Health and community studies	ii	Number of HEIs	21	9	9
		Total costs	4,707	121	2.6%
		Average	224	13	
		1st Quartile	56	3	1.4%
		Median Value	154	4	4.5%
		3rd Quartile	295	23	9.6%
7 Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	Number of HEIs	35	19	19
		Total costs	24,064	1,192	5.0%
		Average	688	63	
		1st Quartile	250	8	1.0%
		Median Value	523	26	4.4%
		3rd Quartile	816	92	9.3%
8 Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	Number of HEIs	15	9	9
		Total costs	16,107	1,457	9.0%
		Average	1,074	162	
		1st Quartile	324	37	5.4%
		Median Value	827	111	12.6%
		3rd Quartile	2,043	216	18.2%
10 Biosciences	ii	Number of HEIs	37	21	21
		Total costs	110,842	10,306	9.3%
		Average	2,996	491	
		1st Quartile	1,258	117	4.9%
		Median Value	2,225	311	11.6%
		3rd Quartile	3,971	713	23.5%
11 Chemistry	ii	Number of HEIs	28	17	17
		Total costs	72,167	7,926	11.0%
		Average	2,577	466	
		1st Quartile	1,005	302	10.6%
		Median Value	2,722	415	15.2%
		3rd Quartile	3,605	495	21.2%
12 Physics	ii	Number of HEIs	32	20	20
		Total costs	52,616	5,962	11.3%
		Average	1,644	298	
		1st Quartile	636	38	4.9%
		Median Value	1,302	136	14.5%
		3rd Quartile	2,234	237	25.5%
13 Agriculture and forestry	ii	Number of HEIs	2	1	1
		Total costs	.	.	.
		Average	.	.	.
		1st Quartile	.	.	.
		Median Value	.	.	.
		3rd Quartile	.	.	.
14 Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	Number of HEIs	24	14	14
		Total costs	25,323	2,742	10.8%
		Average	1,055	196	
		1st Quartile	404	54	6.9%
		Median Value	875	117	17.3%
		3rd Quartile	1,373	341	25.3%
16 General engineering	ii	Number of HEIs	14	8	8
		Total costs	26,011	4,503	17.3%
		Average	1,858	563	
		1st Quartile	368	25	3.4%
		Median Value	805	97	16.6%
		3rd Quartile	1,841	500	31.1%

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			Sector	Sector	Sector	
17	Chemical engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 20,888 1,607 668 1,103 1,641	8 2,642 330 47 266 439	8 12.6% 9.1% 20.5% 29.6%
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	12 24,570 2,048 725 1,100 3,228	7 2,359 337 81 189 647	7 9.6% 6.6% 24.4% 32.9%
19	Civil engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	23 19,718 857 399 697 1,249	14 2,608 186 61 133 249	14 13.2% 7.0% 13.8% 22.5%
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	28 47,965 1,713 825 1,314 2,059	19 7,130 375 135 282 467	19 14.9% 15.1% 23.5% 29.2%
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 44,153 1,840 695 1,092 2,781	17 7,543 444 67 162 781	17 17.1% 9.2% 22.6% 32.5%
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	20 11,596 580 205 611 827	11 965 88 3 35 171	11 8.3% 1.7% 10.3% 19.9%
24	Mathematics	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	35 33,140 947 264 691 1,370	18 3,862 215 49 76 413	18 11.7% 4.7% 14.4% 31.5%
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 33,602 862 260 596 1,169	23 3,607 157 52 110 312	23 10.7% 9.7% 19.0% 26.3%
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	3 . . . . .	. . . . . .	. . . . . .
27	Business and management studies	iv	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 34,809 916 325 628 1,408	19 1,190 63 5 14 77	19 3.4% 0.4% 3.7% 10.3%
28	Geography	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	29 16,217 559 344 504 713	17 873 51 24 35 54	17 5.4% 2.8% 8.0% 15.6%
29	Social studies	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	40 63,063 1,577 598 1,229 2,202	21 3,142 150 29 72 248	21 5.0% 1.8% 6.9% 11.9%
30	Media studies	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	18 2,323 129 70 115 163	5 90 18 2 17 25	5 3.9% 4.5% 9.5% 21.4%
31	Humanities	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	37 52,422 1,417 540 1,038 1,907	19 1,921 101 5 21 77	19 3.7% 0.3% 2.2% 6.7%
33	Design and creative arts	iii	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	33 10,676 324 141 245 376	11 574 52 0 4 50	11 5.4% 0.2% 1.2% 9.1%
34	Education	v	Number of HEIs Total costs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 29,208 913 271 614 1,066	9 79 9 1 3 5	9 0.3% 0.2% 1.0% 1.2%

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)			
			Sector	Sector	Sector	
35	Modern languages	v	Number of HEIs	30	10	10
			Total costs	10,613	171	1.6%
			Average	354	17	
			1st Quartile	33	2	0.8%
			Median Value	344	6	3.8%
			3rd Quartile	511	24	13.0%
37	Archaeology	iii	Number of HEIs	19	10	10
			Total costs	5,608	104	1.9%
			Average	295	10	
			1st Quartile	130	0	0.1%
			Median Value	233	7	4.0%
			3rd Quartile	443	16	8.1%
38	Sports science and leisure studies	iii	Number of HEIs	12	4	4
			Total costs	5,139	552	10.7%
			Average	428	138	
			1st Quartile	86	4	2.5%
			Median Value	150	21	13.1%
			3rd Quartile	507	272	26.7%
41	Continuing education	v	Number of HEIs	8	1	1
			Total costs	553	0	0.1%
			Average	69	0	
			1st Quartile	30	0	1.0%
			Median Value	44	0	1.0%
			3rd Quartile	98	0	1.0%
Total - all cost centres			Number of HEIs	45	26	26
			Total costs	1,011,584	98,047	9.7%
			Average	22,480	3,771	
			1st Quartile	7,071	882	8.2%
			Median Value	18,728	2,965	12.2%
			3rd Quartile	33,082	5,379	21.9%

Table 2b. PGR costs per TRAC (£000s)

Subject group for comparative purposes only		PGR costs (including scholarships, stipends, maintenance etc)		
		Sector	Sector	Sector
i	Number of observations	45	27	27
	Total costs	164,368	20,289	12.3%
	Average	3,653	751	
	1st Quartile	586	21	4.3%
	Median Value	2,321	186	8.8%
	3rd Quartile	5,270	777	19.5%
ii	Number of observations	369	217	217
	Total costs	560,797	66,572	11.9%
	Average	1,520	307	
	1st Quartile	442	49	6.6%
	Median Value	1,033	148	15.8%
	3rd Quartile	2,043	415	27.4%
iii	Number of observations	169	85	85
	Total costs	84,756	4,521	5.3%
	Average	502	53	
	1st Quartile	173	3	0.8%
	Median Value	376	24	4.6%
	3rd Quartile	652	50	11.1%
iv	Number of observations	38	19	19
	Total costs	34,809	1,190	3.4%
	Average	916	63	
	1st Quartile	325	5	0.4%
	Median Value	628	14	3.7%
	3rd Quartile	1,408	77	10.3%
v	Number of observations	165	65	65
	Total costs	158,183	5,403	3.4%
	Average	959	83	
	1st Quartile	138	3	1.0%
	Median Value	554	17	3.4%
	3rd Quartile	1,232	72	9.7%

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Table 3. FTEs per TRAC

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O academic staff FTEs	PGR student FTEs	RG&C academic staff FTEs	Total academic staff FTEs (I-O and RG&C)
				Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
1	Total clinical medicine	i	Number of HEIs	30	29	30	30
			Total FTEs	458.3	6,344.9	1,691.4	2,135.0
			Average	15.3	218.8	56.4	71.2
			1st Quartile	5.7	105.2	22.4	24.6
			Median Value	11.6	204.0	53.7	67.5
			3rd Quartile	17.8	310.5	68.7	105.9
2	Total clinical dentistry	i	Number of HEIs	15	16	16	16
			Total FTEs	73.4	339.7	78.4	152.4
			Average	4.9	21.2	4.9	9.5
			1st Quartile	2.0	12.6	2.3	5.8
			Median Value	3.5	22.2	4.3	7.4
			3rd Quartile	5.1	28.2	7.6	10.5
3	Veterinary science	ii	Number of HEIs	8	8	8	8
			Total FTEs	45.1	418.1	113.4	158.5
			Average	5.6	52.3	14.2	19.8
			1st Quartile	2.1	26.7	8.8	10.9
			Median Value	2.8	39.6	14.2	17.2
			3rd Quartile	5.3	76.0	19.5	24.4
4	Anatomy and physiology	ii	Number of HEIs	14	14	14	14
			Total FTEs	34.0	506.1	85.5	119.5
			Average	2.4	36.2	6.1	8.5
			1st Quartile	1.4	14.0	3.1	4.0
			Median Value	1.8	29.3	4.8	6.5
			3rd Quartile	2.7	48.7	9.2	14.2
5	Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	Number of HEIs	19	18	18	19
			Total FTEs	79.2	548.0	108.4	187.7
			Average	4.2	30.4	6.0	9.9
			1st Quartile	1.2	11.4	2.2	4.2
			Median Value	3.5	14.7	4.0	7.6
			3rd Quartile	6.7	38.0	5.7	12.4
6	Health and community studies	ii	Number of HEIs	21	21	20	21
			Total FTEs	44.3	291.2	77.4	121.7
			Average	2.1	13.9	3.9	5.8
			1st Quartile	0.8	7.2	2.2	3.9
			Median Value	1.5	11.7	3.8	4.6
			3rd Quartile	2.9	17.1	4.8	8.1
7	Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	Number of HEIs	35	35	34	35
			Total FTEs	167.3	1,668.0	191.0	364.2
			Average	4.8	47.7	5.6	10.4
			1st Quartile	2.4	22.3	3.3	6.2
			Median Value	4.3	33.0	4.7	9.7
			3rd Quartile	6.8	53.6	7.7	14.5
8	Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	Number of HEIs	15	15	15	15
			Total FTEs	35.1	771.4	104.6	139.7
			Average	2.3	51.4	7.0	9.3
			1st Quartile	1.0	22.0	3.4	5.8
			Median Value	1.6	39.1	5.5	7.3
			3rd Quartile	3.2	87.0	10.4	14.0
10	Biosciences	ii	Number of HEIs	38	37	38	38
			Total FTEs	213.2	4,974.1	738.9	925.0
			Average	5.6	134.4	19.4	24.3
			1st Quartile	2.1	69.1	8.4	10.4
			Median Value	4.3	111.0	18.9	22.5
			3rd Quartile	8.4	172.5	26.4	30.0
11	Chemistry	ii	Number of HEIs	28	28	29	28
			Total FTEs	83.7	3,042.3	293.4	363.1
			Average	3.0	108.7	10.1	13.0
			1st Quartile	1.8	58.1	5.5	7.4
			Median Value	2.6	107.7	10.0	12.4
			3rd Quartile	3.8	140.4	13.4	16.0
12	Physics	ii	Number of HEIs	33	32	33	33
			Total FTEs	125.2	2,467.0	409.0	519.2
			Average	3.8	77.1	12.4	15.7
			1st Quartile	1.1	35.4	4.7	6.5
			Median Value	2.5	63.1	9.6	11.9
			3rd Quartile	5.8	91.9	16.5	18.8
13	Agriculture and forestry	ii	Number of HEIs	2	2	2	2
			Total FTEs	.	.	.	.
			Average	.	.	.	.
			1st Quartile	.	.	.	.
			Median Value	.	.	.	.
			3rd Quartile	.	.	.	.
14	Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	Number of HEIs	24	24	24	24
			Total FTEs	82.4	1,353.3	227.5	306.8
			Average	3.4	56.4	9.5	12.8
			1st Quartile	1.3	23.5	3.6	5.8
			Median Value	2.8	51.2	6.8	9.7
			3rd Quartile	4.1	77.5	11.5	16.8
16	General engineering	ii	Number of HEIs	14	14	14	14
			Total FTEs	60.3	1,186.6	115.4	175.7
			Average	4.3	84.8	8.2	12.6
			1st Quartile	0.7	31.7	2.8	7.1
			Median Value	3.4	49.5	5.9	7.8
			3rd Quartile	5.0	82.8	7.6	11.9

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	I-O academic staff FTEs	PGR student FTEs	RG&C academic staff FTEs	Total academic staff FTEs (I O and RG&C)	
			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	
17	Chemical engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 13 17.1 1.3 0.6 1.1 2.0	13 13 881.3 67.8 40.4 53.7 84.1	13 13 70.6 5.4 3.2 5.2 7.1	13 13 87.7 6.7 4.6 6.6 7.6
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 12 26.0 2.0 1.2 1.7 3.1	12 12 961.6 80.1 45.6 68.9 101.7	13 13 91.2 7.0 4.9 6.2 7.7	13 13 117.3 9.0 6.3 8.4 9.9
19	Civil engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 23 45.3 1.9 0.9 1.5 2.4	23 23 904.9 39.3 13.7 39.0 54.3	22 22 103.1 4.7 2.1 5.0 6.7	24 24 148.4 6.2 3.0 5.9 9.2
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	28 27 98.3 3.5 1.3 3.0 4.2	28 27 2,159.9 77.1 40.1 63.1 100.2	27 27 274.4 10.2 4.4 9.4 13.2	29 29 374.2 12.9 6.3 10.9 14.4
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 24 74.6 3.1 1.3 2.5 3.6	24 24 1,804.1 75.2 32.9 50.9 93.9	23 23 213.2 9.3 4.3 6.0 13.4	23 23 285.2 12.4 5.8 8.6 17.0
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	20 20 91.6 4.6 2.2 3.7 5.9	20 20 821.3 41.1 14.8 31.6 53.4	20 20 119.7 6.0 3.0 5.8 8.4	21 21 211.3 10.1 6.0 9.7 14.4
24	Mathematics	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	36 35 385.7 10.7 4.2 9.6 14.2	35 35 1,738.5 49.7 25.0 37.6 67.0	35 35 271.7 7.8 3.8 6.7 10.9	36 36 657.4 18.3 9.4 16.3 24.6
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 38 187.7 4.8 2.0 3.5 7.1	39 38 1,976.4 50.7 26.1 40.5 63.5	39 38 237.5 6.1 2.3 5.1 7.9	38 38 400.4 10.5 6.5 9.0 12.4
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	3 3 .	3 3 .	2 2 .	3 3 .
27	Business and management studies	iv	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 38 559.6 14.7 8.3 12.0 16.7	38 38 2,108.7 55.5 21.7 51.4 68.8	38 38 293.4 7.7 2.8 5.5 9.6	38 38 850.8 22.4 12.7 16.4 27.8
28	Geography	iii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	29 28 135.3 4.7 2.5 4.3 6.7	29 28 962.3 33.2 22.8 29.5 42.0	28 28 180.0 6.4 4.1 5.9 7.5	29 29 317.2 10.9 7.6 11.1 14.2
29	Social studies	v	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 40 1,063.2 27.3 12.9 22.1 33.6	40 40 5,499.2 137.5 55.0 110.7 175.0	39 40 562.7 14.4 6.1 10.8 21.8	40 40 1,635.5 40.9 19.7 33.9 48.7
30	Media studies	v	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	19 18 55.1 2.9 1.1 2.3 4.1	18 18 278.1 15.4 7.0 14.1 19.4	17 17 33.6 2.0 0.7 1.4 2.3	20 20 89.4 4.5 2.1 3.4 5.8
31	Humanities	v	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 37 982.6 25.9 13.4 22.7 35.5	37 37 5,684.4 153.6 76.3 124.4 175.9	38 38 350.0 9.2 3.5 8.4 12.9	39 39 1,344.9 34.5 18.4 31.3 45.9
33	Design and creative arts	iii	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 31 169.3 5.3 3.5 4.6 5.9	33 31 1,022.8 31.0 17.5 27.0 38.4	31 31 71.9 2.3 0.6 1.5 3.7	31 31 236.9 7.6 4.6 6.0 8.6
34	Education	v	Number of HEIs Total FTEs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 32 197.6 6.2 2.5 4.8 6.5	32 32 2,777.0 86.8 31.1 64.6 106.5	32 32 189.3 5.9 2.6 4.6 8.3	32 32 381.5 11.9 5.8 8.6 13.5



HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	I-O academic staff FTEs	PGR student FTEs	RG&C academic staff FTEs	Total academic staff FTEs (I O and RG&C)
			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
35	Modern languages	v	31	30	27	30
		Number of HEIs	325.3	900.7	98.0	419.0
		Total FTEs	10.5	30.0	3.6	14.0
		Average	3.1	8.8	1.7	4.6
		1st Quartile	7.9	20.5	2.8	12.1
		Median Value	16.0	34.5	5.1	18.6
		3rd Quartile				
37	Archaeology	iii	19	19	20	20
		Number of HEIs	70.4	541.2	48.7	120.3
		Total FTEs	3.7	28.5	2.4	6.0
		Average	1.8	16.3	1.8	3.4
		1st Quartile	3.8	21.8	2.5	5.8
		Median Value	5.5	39.3	2.9	8.2
		3rd Quartile				
38	Sports science and leisure studies	iii	13	12	13	13
		Number of HEIs	32.9	241.2	33.1	65.9
		Total FTEs	2.5	20.1	2.5	5.1
		Average	0.6	6.4	0.7	2.2
		1st Quartile	1.5	10.0	2.0	3.4
		Median Value	3.2	28.7	3.0	6.0
		3rd Quartile				
41	Continuing education	v	9	8	9	10
		Number of HEIs	10.7	87.7	10.3	21.0
		Total FTEs	1.2	11.0	1.1	2.1
		Average	0.2	2.8	0.2	0.2
		1st Quartile	0.9	9.0	0.7	1.7
		Median Value	1.9	13.8	1.0	3.7
		3rd Quartile				
Total - all cost centres			45	45	45	45
		Number of HEIs	6,073.3	55,601.8	7,585.2	13,658.5
		Total FTEs	135.0	1,235.6	168.6	303.5
		Average	62.4	517.8	68.4	149.8
		1st Quartile	116.9	1,025.2	132.7	255.0
		Median Value	177.1	1,661.6	252.5	449.9
		3rd Quartile				

Table 4. FTEs per TRAC

Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O academic staff FTEs	PGR student FTEs	RG&C academic staff FTEs	Total academic staff FTEs (I O and RG&C)
		Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
i	Number of observations	45	45	46	46
	Total FTEs	531.7	6,684.6	1,769.8	2,287.4
	Average	11.8	148.5	38.5	49.7
	1st Quartile	3.5	23.0	4.3	7.8
	Median Value	7.7	69.2	21.0	26.7
	3rd Quartile	13.2	219.8	56.6	73.8
ii	Number of observations	374	369	369	373
	Total FTEs	1,560.3	25,555.5	3,455.8	4,931.2
	Average	4.2	69.3	9.4	13.2
	1st Quartile	1.3	26.0	3.7	5.8
	Median Value	2.7	51.0	6.7	10.0
	3rd Quartile	4.9	93.7	11.7	16.8
iii	Number of observations	170	169	166	171
	Total FTEs	752.0	5,838.6	755.1	1,511.8
	Average	4.4	34.5	4.5	8.8
	1st Quartile	2.2	15.2	2.0	4.3
	Median Value	3.8	26.0	3.7	7.7
	3rd Quartile	6.0	40.8	6.3	12.1
iv	Number of observations	38	38	38	38
	Total FTEs	559.6	2,108.7	293.4	850.8
	Average	14.7	55.5	7.7	22.4
	1st Quartile	8.3	21.7	2.8	12.7
	Median Value	12.0	51.4	5.5	16.4
	3rd Quartile	16.7	68.8	9.6	27.8
v	Number of observations	168	165	162	171
	Total FTEs	2,634.4	15,227.1	1,243.9	3,891.3
	Average	15.7	92.3	7.7	22.8
	1st Quartile	3.2	18.3	2.0	5.1
	Median Value	8.8	55.0	4.8	14.4
	3rd Quartile	22.5	122.5	10.9	32.1

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**Table 5. Research cost per FTE (£s)**

Note: RG&C is calculated using the net RG&C costs (i.e. without scholarships etc)

HESA academic cost centre			I-O cost per academic staff FTE	PGR cost per student FTE	RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	I-O and RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	Total research costs per academic staff FTE
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
1	Total clinical medicine	i	30	29	30	30	30
	Average		389,644	24,071	972,412	849,187	918,506
	1st Quartile		296,191	14,829	661,502	583,323	628,765
	Median Value		409,801	24,272	901,998	788,100	864,845
	3rd Quartile		545,987	36,921	1,312,455	1,079,248	1,122,703
2	Total clinical dentistry	i	15	16	16	16	16
	Average		200,125	34,266	452,307	332,001	408,366
	1st Quartile		178,082	20,225	391,748	274,118	363,114
	Median Value		244,817	28,839	471,666	387,192	503,504
	3rd Quartile		350,370	41,995	796,280	553,341	680,050
3	Veterinary science	ii	8	8	8	8	8
	Average		358,151	33,526	746,058	635,659	724,111
	1st Quartile		217,316	26,722	484,648	437,020	532,974
	Median Value		345,701	36,544	526,767	514,181	607,168
	3rd Quartile		455,464	47,153	824,260	719,751	834,473
4	Anatomy and physiology	ii	14	14	14	14	14
	Average		345,211	23,216	1,006,807	818,371	916,679
	1st Quartile		270,178	12,469	577,033	503,333	634,762
	Median Value		320,230	22,216	715,237	643,542	743,909
	3rd Quartile		416,261	29,234	983,492	878,896	944,376
5	Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	19	18	18	19	19
	Average		184,331	19,775	384,001	299,699	356,997
	1st Quartile		114,545	11,047	277,093	177,490	226,879
	Median Value		160,829	24,490	328,155	264,901	325,380
	3rd Quartile		306,795	40,270	482,086	422,342	491,149
6	Health and community studies	ii	21	21	20	21	21
	Average		178,666	16,164	361,782	295,229	333,915
	1st Quartile		113,188	10,000	202,408	200,584	218,156
	Median Value		192,036	13,489	303,190	280,120	333,776
	3rd Quartile		315,660	23,246	564,644	480,786	541,281
7	Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	35	35	34	35	35
	Average		209,750	14,427	375,449	314,597	379,084
	1st Quartile		146,379	10,350	232,750	210,171	253,457
	Median Value		207,229	13,571	351,754	262,197	306,244
	3rd Quartile		267,446	23,936	471,177	342,257	427,123
8	Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	15	15	15	15	15
	Average		270,014	20,880	628,467	538,329	653,614
	1st Quartile		182,432	17,118	570,454	484,379	599,142
	Median Value		318,824	25,694	705,994	633,581	740,600
	3rd Quartile		452,174	33,486	986,598	804,306	922,052
10	Biosciences	ii	38	37	38	38	39
	Average		413,004	22,284	966,441	800,867	961,432
	1st Quartile		212,236	15,303	586,618	509,452	532,804
	Median Value		330,922	20,989	830,286	691,202	903,548
	3rd Quartile		480,412	26,909	1,251,922	912,377	1,065,430
11	Chemistry	ii	28	28	29	28	28
	Average		392,211	23,721	785,109	660,872	841,642
	1st Quartile		190,646	16,794	486,002	421,198	561,172
	Median Value		305,046	23,135	640,209	560,833	785,225
	3rd Quartile		509,623	29,053	907,805	774,317	994,642
12	Physics	ii	33	32	33	33	33
	Average		302,949	21,327	772,842	634,629	734,049
	1st Quartile		185,417	15,759	505,452	437,064	539,063
	Median Value		328,183	20,612	600,525	527,387	638,678
	3rd Quartile		452,742	27,661	836,085	630,994	742,261
13	Agriculture and forestry	ii	2	2	2	2	2
	Average		.	.	.	.	.
	1st Quartile		.	.	.	.	.
	Median Value		.	.	.	.	.
	3rd Quartile		.	.	.	.	.
14	Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	24	24	24	24	24
	Average		275,018	18,713	538,187	476,651	550,239
	1st Quartile		164,517	12,566	306,410	274,396	336,132
	Median Value		233,563	16,765	521,575	458,495	551,062
	3rd Quartile		356,949	24,892	729,526	564,126	651,170
16	General engineering	ii	14	14	14	14	14
	Average		405,064	21,920	857,922	702,452	850,476
	1st Quartile		173,342	12,446	569,382	445,714	495,103
	Median Value		293,037	19,734	777,394	609,814	752,726
	3rd Quartile		568,745	26,040	1,227,528	853,358	1,084,228

HESA academic cost centre			I-O cost per academic staff FTE	PGR cost per student FTE	RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	I-O and RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	Total research costs per academic staff FTE
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
17	Chemical engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 451,976 23,701 288,800 431,604 22,271 28,619	13 781,758 14,205 561,709 607,152 22,271 28,619	13 717,588 517,110 571,678 736,869	13 955,813 710,336 860,348 1,058,777
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 462,304 25,553 289,474 14,339 489,057 20,003 531,178 28,096	12 868,242 13,339 642,614 20,003 815,546 28,096 1,084,516	13 778,136 636,097 651,310 997,391	13 992,095 752,678 795,906 1,189,380
19	Civil engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 312,784 21,791 181,251 15,342 279,435 21,973 336,368 29,365	23 552,026 15,342 359,248 21,973 489,608 29,365 666,836	24 478,984 301,341 409,601 565,270	24 611,875 381,201 533,198 713,136
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	28 267,593 22,207 163,160 15,559 259,229 21,670 330,871 25,315	27 556,637 15,559 379,087 21,670 534,773 25,315 796,875	29 485,761 316,938 472,697 547,018	29 613,935 399,275 606,742 693,902
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 316,727 24,474 204,628 18,817 315,464 21,941 460,520 27,344	23 563,446 18,817 407,499 21,941 560,617 27,344 817,409	23 499,047 362,392 467,871 649,314	24 674,298 500,388 680,768 832,821
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	20 220,343 14,119 163,897 10,662 192,094 13,032 246,439 19,676	20 409,440 10,662 264,511 13,032 293,201 19,676 394,414	21 327,478 223,457 257,613 303,061	21 383,008 272,100 305,751 359,121
24	Mathematics	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	36 164,355 19,063 121,683 12,369 158,305 18,243 193,875 25,308	35 295,561 12,369 184,478 18,243 274,126 25,308 381,087	36 218,584 160,515 195,219 265,391	36 271,455 219,693 244,436 336,786
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 225,655 17,001 145,378 10,699 189,708 16,022 324,322 21,877	39 495,671 10,699 340,741 16,022 416,871 21,877 560,519	38 347,124 255,150 337,070 403,241	38 422,929 309,436 403,493 493,235
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	3 . . . .	3 . . . .	2 . . . .	3 . . . .
27	Business and management studies	iv	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 182,865 16,508 138,211 10,132 157,991 16,786 224,249 21,907	38 318,755 10,132 194,675 16,786 257,785 21,907 417,047	38 232,059 163,503 206,557 240,961	39 287,791 202,981 247,114 307,194
28	Geography	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	29 186,703 16,853 143,579 12,784 200,568 15,169 227,005 22,528	29 339,486 12,784 233,408 15,169 303,687 22,528 472,869	28 279,257 213,624 271,637 336,515	29 329,188 245,021 328,902 386,255
29	Social studies	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 164,257 11,468 133,137 7,803 145,609 12,593 203,517 16,959	40 304,717 7,803 193,186 12,593 375,821 16,959	39 219,027 159,094 183,644 257,432	40 257,586 197,763 225,050 298,608
30	Media studies	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	19 150,382 8,353 104,702 5,414 137,958 9,058 224,149 12,500	18 207,131 5,414 170,529 9,058 314,752 12,500	20 175,443 121,353 174,566 269,600	20 201,439 135,677 216,214 284,735
31	Humanities	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 139,939 9,222 109,198 6,439 128,207 10,199 160,757 13,047	37 238,348 6,439 185,429 10,199 315,714 13,047	38 169,064 126,837 154,689 183,643	39 208,391 159,899 192,414 217,558
33	Design and creative arts	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 181,240 10,438 126,648 7,967 176,964 10,426 225,686 13,143	33 249,627 7,967 177,918 10,426 405,877 13,143	31 198,723 170,006 200,000 228,091	32 241,837 207,245 250,013 277,551
34	Education	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 185,776 10,518 129,547 7,086 177,646 9,312 250,540 12,529	32 377,545 7,086 191,065 9,312 371,194 12,529	32 284,069 169,189 225,211 327,872	32 363,228 223,738 289,079 395,420

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	I-O cost per academic staff FTE	PGR cost per student FTE	RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	I-O and RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	Total research costs per academic staff FTE
			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
35	Modern languages	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	31 30 11,783 7,014 13,136 20,380	30 27 196,705 132,836 166,992 218,019	30 30 149,960 119,598 141,854 165,995	31 31 176,605 144,039 172,480 216,011
37	Archaeology	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	19 19 10,362 7,739 10,395 12,121	20 20 526,426 233,660 328,040 672,513	20 20 313,073 171,778 222,679 387,914	20 20 364,478 206,034 272,001 455,566
38	Sports science and leisure studies	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 12 21,302 10,344 19,186 23,240	13 13 290,425 165,789 295,333 421,157	13 13 239,784 145,436 240,238 302,381	13 13 332,988 219,056 317,010 420,000
41	Continuing education	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	9 8 6,308 2,154 6,103 13,155	8 9 374,053 156,394 329,167 410,000	10 10 310,407 156,510 342,257 765,425	10 10 332,974 169,676 355,322 776,216
Total - all cost centres			Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	45 45 18,193 13,663 17,265 22,702	45 45 668,046 418,904 563,089 800,867	45 45 466,444 289,691 394,528 462,508	45 45 540,686 377,512 463,813 536,472

Table 6. Research cost per FTE (£s)

Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O cost per academic staff FTE	PGR cost per student FTE	RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	I-O and RG&C cost per academic staff FTE	Total research costs per academic staff FTE
		Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
i	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	30 30 363,483 289,885 355,564 533,659	29 29 24,589 15,105 24,272 35,818	30 30 949,368 652,173 865,028 1,293,746	30 30 814,725 564,168 736,132 1,054,324	30 30 884,513 630,637 795,082 1,100,796
ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	43 43 283,043 181,739 268,418 360,215	43 43 21,944 14,618 20,505 27,248	43 43 700,196 456,126 585,682 916,104	42 42 554,379 394,666 483,509 614,136	43 43 676,200 496,253 614,580 736,640
iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 39 191,811 142,431 192,366 256,760	40 40 14,517 9,837 13,715 19,672	40 40 366,744 258,246 349,791 452,135	39 39 284,582 225,481 262,378 322,301	40 40 340,733 256,523 341,850 383,432
iv	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 38 182,865 138,211 157,991 224,249	38 38 16,508 10,132 16,786 21,907	38 38 318,755 194,675 257,785 417,047	38 38 232,059 163,503 206,557 240,961	39 39 287,791 202,981 247,114 307,194
v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	42 42 153,511 124,918 146,708 183,195	42 42 10,388 7,215 11,983 14,234	42 42 286,556 198,731 259,015 353,687	42 42 200,190 149,917 178,043 235,640	42 42 241,263 193,769 210,972 277,230

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Number of HEIs who participated in the study 46

Key of Acronyms	
I-O	Institution-own funded Research
PGR	Postgraduate Research
RG&C	Externally Funded Research Grants and Contracts
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions

**Table 7. Cost relativities**

Note: RG&C is calculated using the net RG&C costs (i.e. without scholarships etc)

HESA academic cost centre			I-O cost relativity	PGR cost relativity	RG&C cost relativity	I-O and RG&C cost relativity	Total research cost relativity
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
1	Total clinical medicine	i	28	27	28	28	28
	Average		2.54	2.32	3.39	4.24	3.81
	1st Quartile		2.08	1.71	2.29	3.07	2.86
	Median Value		2.79	2.37	3.15	4.04	3.63
	3rd Quartile		3.37	3.39	4.70	5.11	4.43
2	Total clinical dentistry	i	15	16	16	16	16
	Average		1.30	3.30	1.58	1.66	1.69
	1st Quartile		1.21	1.67	1.47	1.63	1.58
	Median Value		1.55	2.85	1.71	2.06	2.19
	3rd Quartile		2.36	3.32	2.54	2.52	2.68
3	Veterinary science	ii	7	7	7	7	7
	Average		2.33	3.23	2.60	3.18	3.00
	1st Quartile		1.38	2.10	1.68	2.78	2.64
	Median Value		2.04	2.57	1.96	2.99	3.10
	3rd Quartile		2.94	3.71	3.58	4.16	3.96
4	Anatomy and physiology	ii	14	14	14	14	14
	Average		2.25	2.23	3.51	4.09	3.80
	1st Quartile		1.60	1.45	1.69	2.46	2.61
	Median Value		2.15	2.16	2.68	3.73	3.64
	3rd Quartile		2.93	3.86	3.73	5.06	4.71
5	Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	19	18	18	19	19
	Average		1.20	1.90	1.34	1.50	1.48
	1st Quartile		1.02	0.89	0.91	1.09	1.13
	Median Value		1.23	1.63	1.25	1.39	1.31
	3rd Quartile		1.95	2.71	2.10	2.16	2.30
6	Health and community studies	ii	21	21	20	21	21
	Average		1.16	1.56	1.26	1.47	1.38
	1st Quartile		0.97	0.93	0.83	1.19	1.16
	Median Value		1.38	1.39	1.26	1.70	1.39
	3rd Quartile		1.79	1.98	2.11	2.26	2.16
7	Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	35	35	34	35	35
	Average		1.37	1.39	1.31	1.57	1.57
	1st Quartile		1.09	0.98	1.00	1.17	1.04
	Median Value		1.47	1.33	1.22	1.61	1.59
	3rd Quartile		1.77	1.88	1.77	2.06	2.03
8	Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	15	15	15	15	15
	Average		1.76	2.01	2.19	2.69	2.71
	1st Quartile		1.36	1.50	1.77	2.31	2.42
	Median Value		2.17	2.37	2.33	3.41	3.13
	3rd Quartile		2.61	2.74	3.24	3.90	3.72
10	Biosciences	ii	37	36	37	38	38
	Average		2.69	2.15	3.37	4.00	3.98
	1st Quartile		1.61	1.36	2.19	2.59	2.56
	Median Value		2.11	2.01	2.75	3.48	3.28
	3rd Quartile		2.80	2.70	3.90	4.95	4.80
11	Chemistry	ii	28	28	29	28	28
	Average		2.55	2.28	2.74	3.30	3.49
	1st Quartile		1.20	1.50	2.07	2.11	2.35
	Median Value		2.23	1.82	2.69	3.40	3.41
	3rd Quartile		3.15	2.87	3.23	3.86	4.25
12	Physics	ii	33	32	33	33	33
	Average		1.97	2.05	2.70	3.17	3.04
	1st Quartile		1.30	1.19	1.74	2.25	2.20
	Median Value		1.69	1.79	2.33	2.94	2.85
	3rd Quartile		2.58	2.25	2.91	3.57	3.47
13	Agriculture and forestry	ii	2	2	2	2	2
	Average		.	.	.	.	.
	1st Quartile		.	.	.	.	.
	Median Value		.	.	.	.	.
	3rd Quartile		.	.	.	.	.
14	Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	24	24	24	24	24
	Average		1.79	1.80	1.88	2.38	2.28
	1st Quartile		1.12	1.41	1.34	1.82	1.78
	Median Value		1.51	1.81	1.88	2.26	2.25
	3rd Quartile		2.38	2.37	2.75	3.04	2.95
16	General engineering	ii	14	14	14	14	14
	Average		2.64	2.11	2.99	3.51	3.53
	1st Quartile		1.36	1.37	1.85	2.41	2.53
	Median Value		1.95	1.64	2.50	3.24	3.22
	3rd Quartile		2.30	2.95	3.68	4.00	3.91

HESA academic cost centre			I-O cost relativity	PGR cost relativity	RG&C cost relativity	I-O and RG&C cost relativity	Total research cost relativity	
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	
17	Chemical engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 2.94 1.93 2.17 2.63	13 2.28 1.60 1.78 2.26	13 2.73 2.21 3.17 3.35	13 3.58 2.45 3.56 4.15	13 3.96 2.91 3.95 4.26
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	13 3.01 2.10 2.84 3.50	12 2.46 1.25 1.68 2.51	13 3.03 2.60 3.23 3.60	13 3.89 3.15 3.67 5.15	13 4.11 2.90 3.78 5.80
19	Civil engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 2.04 1.39 1.70 2.17	23 2.10 1.41 1.91 2.10	22 1.93 1.71 2.04 2.73	24 2.39 1.88 2.20 2.78	24 2.54 1.92 2.34 3.05
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	28 1.74 1.22 1.68 2.00	28 2.14 1.43 1.79 2.14	27 1.94 1.65 2.13 2.71	29 2.43 1.85 2.53 3.05	29 2.54 1.91 2.38 3.26
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	24 2.06 1.52 2.01 2.55	24 2.36 1.67 1.98 2.24	23 1.97 1.79 2.30 2.75	23 2.49 2.00 2.60 3.24	24 2.79 2.15 2.87 3.45
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	20 1.44 1.05 1.21 1.62	20 1.36 1.12 1.30 1.58	20 1.43 1.09 1.30 1.84	21 1.64 1.13 1.54 1.81	21 1.59 1.14 1.54 1.76
24	Mathematics	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	36 1.07 0.89 0.99 1.14	35 1.84 1.22 1.64 2.18	35 1.03 0.77 1.02 1.35	36 1.09 0.92 1.02 1.19	36 1.13 0.94 1.12 1.27
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 1.47 1.07 1.31 1.84	39 1.64 1.02 1.55 2.00	39 1.73 1.27 1.90 2.13	38 1.73 1.43 1.75 2.18	38 1.75 1.40 1.83 2.23
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	3 .	3 .	2 .	3 .	3 .
27	Business and management studies	iv	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	37 1.19 0.96 1.12 1.25	38 1.59 1.09 1.43 2.08	38 1.11 0.84 1.19 1.37	37 1.16 1.00 1.17 1.27	38 1.19 0.98 1.14 1.35
28	Geography	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	29 1.22 1.00 1.27 1.48	29 1.62 1.20 1.48 1.89	28 1.18 0.92 1.15 1.62	29 1.39 1.16 1.43 1.78	29 1.36 1.15 1.37 1.69
29	Social studies	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	39 1.07 1.00 1.04 1.13	40 1.10 1.00 1.08 1.28	39 1.06 0.92 1.02 1.18	40 1.09 0.99 1.06 1.16	40 1.07 0.97 1.04 1.15
30	Media studies	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	19 0.98 0.88 1.01 1.32	18 0.80 0.71 0.85 1.05	17 0.72 0.69 1.00 1.20	20 0.88 0.80 0.97 1.18	20 0.83 0.74 0.98 1.15
31	Humanities	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	38 0.91 0.87 0.93 1.00	37 0.89 0.84 0.89 1.00	38 0.83 0.72 0.93 1.12	39 0.84 0.79 0.88 0.98	39 0.86 0.78 0.89 1.01
33	Design and creative arts	iii	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 1.18 0.99 1.11 1.37	33 1.00 0.77 1.00 1.30	31 0.87 0.72 1.06 1.36	31 0.99 0.85 1.03 1.21	32 1.00 0.83 1.09 1.26
34	Education	v	Number of HEIs Average 1st Quartile Median Value 3rd Quartile	32 1.21 0.98 1.19 1.63	32 1.01 0.72 0.89 1.10	32 1.32 0.90 0.98 1.37	32 1.42 0.99 1.16 1.41	32 1.51 1.08 1.30 1.49

HESA academic cost centre			I-O cost relativity	PGR cost relativity	RG&C cost relativity	I-O and RG&C cost relativity	Total research cost relativity	
Subject group for comparative purposes only			Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	
35	Modern languages	v	Number of HEIs	31	30	27	30	31
			Average	0.89	1.13	0.69	0.75	0.73
			1st Quartile	0.81	0.88	0.56	0.70	0.64
			Median Value	0.95	1.28	0.65	0.81	0.79
			3rd Quartile	1.05	1.54	0.88	0.98	0.97
37	Archaeology	iii	Number of HEIs	19	19	20	20	20
			Average	1.06	1.00	1.84	1.56	1.51
			1st Quartile	0.89	0.59	0.81	0.94	0.93
			Median Value	1.06	0.96	1.26	1.41	1.24
			3rd Quartile	1.42	1.24	2.25	2.00	1.96
38	Sports science and leisure studies	iii	Number of HEIs	13	12	13	13	13
			Average	1.23	2.05	1.01	1.20	1.38
			1st Quartile	1.03	1.03	0.88	1.24	1.21
			Median Value	1.39	1.39	1.47	1.30	1.51
			3rd Quartile	1.96	2.75	1.68	1.87	1.83
41	Continuing education	v	Number of HEIs	9	8	9	10	10
			Average	1.62	0.61	1.31	1.55	1.38
			1st Quartile	1.13	0.29	0.61	0.85	0.84
			Median Value	1.41	0.56	1.16	1.76	1.51
			3rd Quartile	1.87	1.06	1.60	3.04	2.81
Total - all cost centres			Number of HEIs	42	42	42	42	42
			Average	1.40	1.75	2.33	2.33	2.24
			1st Quartile	1.21	1.26	1.52	1.62	1.56
			Median Value	1.35	1.51	2.23	2.11	2.08
			3rd Quartile	1.45	1.90	2.62	2.57	2.37

Table 8. Cost relativities

Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O cost relativity	PGR cost relativity	RG&C cost relativity	I-O and RG&C cost relativity	Total research cost relativity
		Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector	Sector
i	Number of HEIs	28	27	28	28	28
	Average	2.37	2.37	3.31	4.07	3.67
	1st Quartile	1.85	1.71	2.27	2.95	2.80
	Median Value	2.57	2.29	3.11	3.94	3.53
	3rd Quartile	3.29	3.39	4.49	5.00	4.33
ii	Number of HEIs	41	41	41	41	41
	Average	1.84	2.11	2.44	2.77	2.80
	1st Quartile	1.40	1.44	1.88	2.20	2.16
	Median Value	1.64	1.85	2.48	2.67	2.64
	3rd Quartile	2.12	2.26	2.92	3.18	3.21
iii	Number of HEIs	39	40	40	39	40
	Average	1.25	1.40	1.28	1.42	1.41
	1st Quartile	1.06	1.05	1.12	1.23	1.21
	Median Value	1.31	1.25	1.30	1.50	1.46
	3rd Quartile	1.56	1.69	1.69	1.80	1.80
iv	Number of HEIs	37	38	38	37	38
	Average	1.19	1.59	1.11	1.16	1.19
	1st Quartile	0.96	1.09	0.84	1.00	0.98
	Median Value	1.12	1.43	1.19	1.17	1.14
	3rd Quartile	1.25	2.08	1.37	1.27	1.35
v	Number of HEIs	42	42	42	42	42
	Average	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	1st Quartile	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Median Value	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
	3rd Quartile	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

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Number of HEIs who participated in the study

Key of Acronyms	
I-O	Institution-own funded Research
PGR	Postgraduate Research
RG&C	Externally Funded Research Grants and Contracts
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions

Table 9. Research assistants per TRAC (FTEs)

HESA academic cost centre		Subject group for comparative purposes only	I-O research assistants per TRAC	RG&C research assistants per TRAC	Total research assistants per TRAC
			Sector	Sector	Sector
1	Total clinical medicine	i	18	31	31
		Number of HEIs	450.1	8,828.9	9,279.0
		Total research assistants	25.0	284.8	299.3
		Average	10.0	71.3	71.3
		1st Quartile	17.8	161.2	189.6
		Median Value	38.8	347.7	351.6
		3rd Quartile			
2	Total clinical dentistry	i	10	16	16
		Number of HEIs	20.7	142.6	163.2
		Total research assistants	2.1	8.9	10.2
		Average	0.7	3.6	3.8
		1st Quartile	0.9	7.0	7.5
		Median Value	2.6	10.6	11.5
		3rd Quartile			
3	Veterinary science	ii	4	8	8
		Number of HEIs	31.4	405.3	436.6
		Total research assistants	7.8	50.7	54.6
		Average	3.9	25.2	26.9
		1st Quartile	5.3	42.3	51.0
		Median Value	11.8	57.8	60.9
		3rd Quartile			
4	Anatomy and physiology	ii	6	14	14
		Number of HEIs	27.2	491.8	519.0
		Total research assistants	4.5	35.1	37.1
		Average	3.0	5.2	6.7
		1st Quartile	5.4	20.0	22.3
		Median Value	6.3	33.9	40.1
		3rd Quartile			
5	Nursing and paramedical studies	iii	13	19	19
		Number of HEIs	40.4	139.1	179.4
		Total research assistants	3.1	7.3	9.4
		Average	0.5	1.2	1.8
		1st Quartile	2.2	4.8	6.5
		Median Value	4.7	9.9	19.2
		3rd Quartile			
6	Health and community studies	ii	9	18	18
		Number of HEIs	18.0	136.5	154.5
		Total research assistants	2.0	7.6	8.6
		Average	1.5	1.5	2.5
		1st Quartile	1.9	2.7	3.9
		Median Value	2.2	10.4	10.4
		3rd Quartile			
7	Psychology and behavioural sciences	iii	20	33	33
		Number of HEIs	84.3	534.2	618.5
		Total research assistants	4.2	16.2	18.7
		Average	1.4	4.4	6.3
		1st Quartile	4.5	8.3	9.8
		Median Value	6.3	22.0	26.5
		3rd Quartile			
8	Pharmacy and pharmacology	ii	4	13	13
		Number of HEIs	13.2	315.6	328.8
		Total research assistants	3.3	24.3	25.3
		Average	1.8	11.1	11.1
		1st Quartile	3.6	23.2	23.6
		Median Value	4.8	34.9	34.9
		3rd Quartile			
10	Biosciences	ii	21	36	36
		Number of HEIs	297.8	3,915.0	4,212.8
		Total research assistants	14.2	108.8	117.0
		Average	2.7	22.6	22.6
		1st Quartile	9.3	75.3	89.6
		Median Value	21.9	136.8	169.5
		3rd Quartile			
11	Chemistry	ii	15	28	28
		Number of HEIs	66.8	1,187.9	1,254.7
		Total research assistants	4.5	42.4	44.8
		Average	2.0	16.3	17.6
		1st Quartile	3.5	35.5	37.4
		Median Value	4.3	58.4	65.9
		3rd Quartile			
12	Physics	ii	15	30	30
		Number of HEIs	49.7	1,710.6	1,760.3
		Total research assistants	3.3	57.0	58.7
		Average	0.6	19.0	24.0
		1st Quartile	0.9	40.6	44.5
		Median Value	5.6	65.7	66.5
		3rd Quartile			
13	Agriculture and forestry	ii	1	1	1
		Number of HEIs	.	.	.
		Total research assistants	.	.	.
		Average	.	.	.
		1st Quartile	.	.	.
		Median Value	.	.	.
		3rd Quartile	.	.	.
14	Earth, marine and environmental sciences	ii	10	23	23
		Number of HEIs	39.5	644.7	684.2
		Total research assistants	4.0	28.0	29.7
		Average	1.5	6.8	6.8
		1st Quartile	2.2	13.1	13.1
		Median Value	7.7	47.9	47.9
		3rd Quartile			
16	General engineering	ii	9	13	13
		Number of HEIs	29.9	571.6	601.5
		Total research assistants	3.3	44.0	46.3
		Average	1.0	13.4	17.3
		1st Quartile	2.5	22.9	23.0
		Median Value	3.5	45.3	45.3
		3rd Quartile			



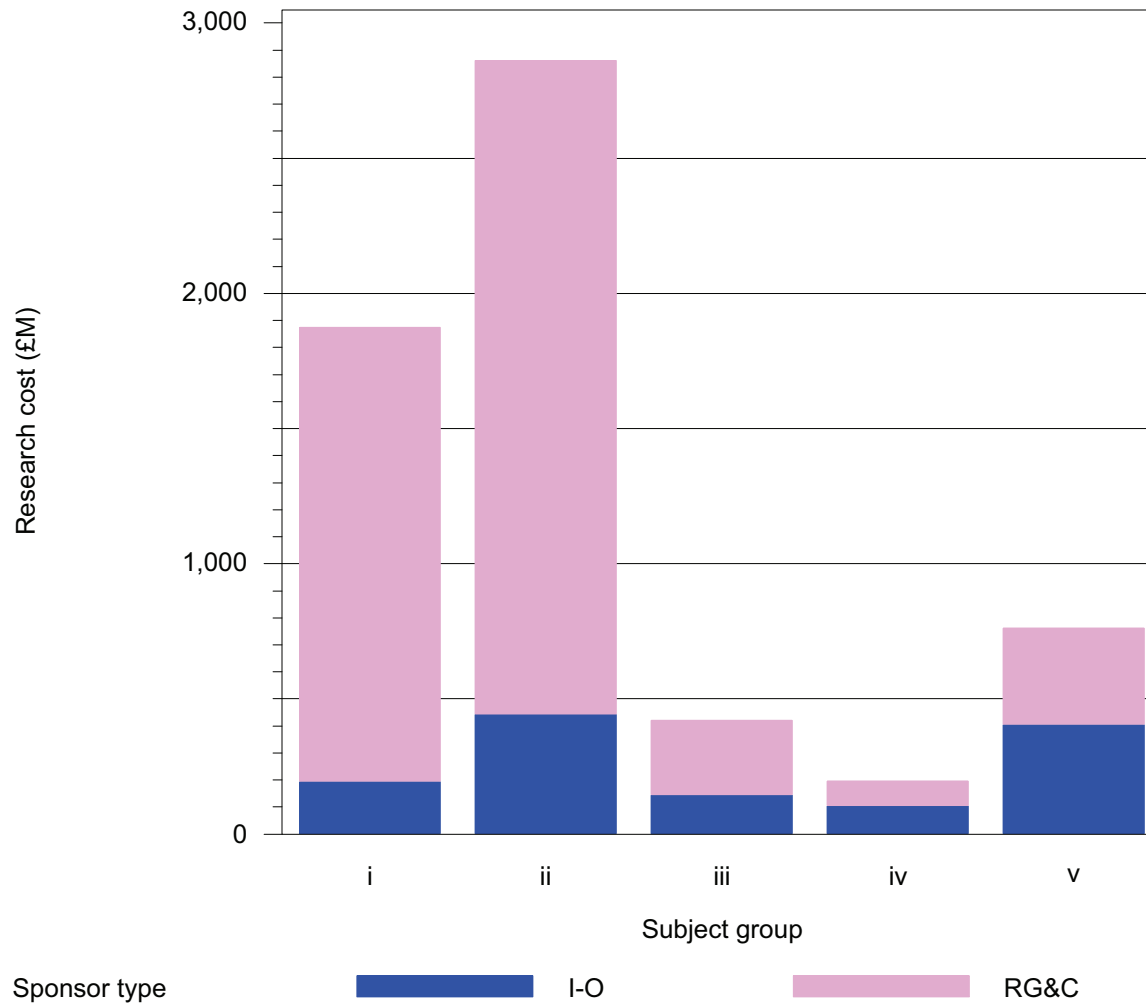
HESA academic cost centre			I-O research assistants per TRAC	RG&C research assistants per TRAC	Total research assistants per TRAC
Subject group for comparative purposes only		Sector	Sector	Sector	
17	Chemical engineering	ii	5	13	13
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	12.4	240.1	252.5
		Average	2.5	18.5	19.4
		1st Quartile	1.9	5.6	6.4
		Median Value	2.0	18.5	18.8
		3rd Quartile	2.6	20.0	23.6
18	Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering	ii	6	13	13
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	26.6	386.6	413.2
		Average	4.4	29.7	31.8
		1st Quartile	1.6	11.0	14.0
		Median Value	2.6	15.0	15.4
		3rd Quartile	3.0	59.6	59.6
19	Civil engineering	ii	11	21	21
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	30.0	289.9	319.9
		Average	2.7	13.8	15.2
		1st Quartile	0.8	4.8	5.0
		Median Value	2.0	8.4	9.5
		3rd Quartile	3.5	16.5	17.0
20	Electrical, electronic and computer engineering	ii	13	26	26
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	76.2	906.2	982.4
		Average	5.9	34.9	37.8
		1st Quartile	2.2	10.1	13.4
		Median Value	4.3	25.6	30.0
		3rd Quartile	5.2	36.2	44.0
21	Mechanical, aero and production engineering	ii	10	23	23
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	57.8	616.5	674.3
		Average	5.8	26.8	29.3
		1st Quartile	2.4	8.0	8.7
		Median Value	5.4	17.8	17.8
		3rd Quartile	6.3	50.6	50.6
23	Architecture, built environment and planning	iii	10	18	18
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	59.8	222.3	282.1
		Average	6.0	12.3	15.7
		1st Quartile	1.5	1.7	1.7
		Median Value	3.3	5.5	8.1
		3rd Quartile	7.3	21.0	28.3
24	Mathematics	ii	14	31	31
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	33.2	470.7	503.9
		Average	2.4	15.2	16.3
		1st Quartile	1.0	4.3	5.6
		Median Value	1.4	8.4	9.5
		3rd Quartile	2.3	16.0	16.0
25	Information technology, systems sciences & computer software engineering	ii	21	37	37
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	56.9	733.0	789.9
		Average	2.7	19.8	21.3
		1st Quartile	0.8	6.0	7.6
		Median Value	1.8	13.1	16.2
		3rd Quartile	4.1	19.7	20.1
26	Catering & hospitality management	iii	1	1	1
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	.	.	.
		Average	.	.	.
		1st Quartile	.	.	.
		Median Value	.	.	.
		3rd Quartile	.	.	.
27	Business and management studies	iv	21	36	36
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	82.2	297.1	379.3
		Average	3.9	8.3	10.5
		1st Quartile	1.5	2.1	4.0
		Median Value	2.4	4.7	6.7
		3rd Quartile	4.5	8.4	11.9
28	Geography	iii	17	28	28
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	56.1	252.9	309.0
		Average	3.3	9.0	11.0
		1st Quartile	1.2	4.1	4.7
		Median Value	2.4	6.6	8.2
		3rd Quartile	5.1	11.0	16.1
29	Social studies	v	23	38	38
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	140.9	847.3	988.2
		Average	6.1	22.3	26.0
		1st Quartile	1.7	4.9	8.9
		Median Value	4.1	10.8	14.8
		3rd Quartile	8.2	24.9	29.4
30	Media studies	v	9	12	12
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	12.8	18.0	30.8
		Average	1.4	1.5	2.6
		1st Quartile	0.6	0.3	0.8
		Median Value	1.0	1.0	1.2
		3rd Quartile	1.3	2.4	3.2
31	Humanities	v	19	36	36
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	68.8	444.9	513.7
		Average	3.6	12.4	14.3
		1st Quartile	1.6	2.2	5.7
		Median Value	2.5	8.4	11.2
		3rd Quartile	5.5	13.0	14.8
33	Design and creative arts	iii	16	28	28
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	30.8	63.0	93.8
		Average	1.9	2.2	3.3
		1st Quartile	0.3	0.7	0.7
		Median Value	0.4	1.6	2.1
		3rd Quartile	2.0	2.8	3.8
34	Education	v	17	30	30
		Number of HEIs			
		Total research assistants	39.2	355.9	395.2
		Average	2.3	11.9	13.2
		1st Quartile	0.8	1.0	2.1
		Median Value	1.7	4.1	6.0
		3rd Quartile	3.3	10.1	11.9

Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O research assistants per TRAC	RG&C research assistants per TRAC	Total research assistants per TRAC	
		Sector	Sector	Sector	
HESA academic cost centre					
35 Modern languages	v	Number of HEIs	11	23	23
		Total research assistants	14.1	78.9	92.9
		Average	1.3	3.4	4.0
		1st Quartile	0.2	0.3	0.7
		Median Value	0.4	2.0	2.4
		3rd Quartile	0.9	3.0	4.8
37 Archaeology	iii	Number of HEIs	9	19	19
		Total research assistants	18.1	140.3	158.4
		Average	2.0	7.4	8.3
		1st Quartile	0.6	1.1	2.1
		Median Value	1.0	4.3	4.3
		3rd Quartile	1.7	9.0	14.1
38 Sports science and leisure studies	iii	Number of HEIs	5	10	10
		Total research assistants	9.6	36.4	46.0
		Average	1.9	3.6	4.6
		1st Quartile	0.7	0.4	1.4
		Median Value	1.0	3.3	3.7
		3rd Quartile	3.5	4.6	5.4
41 Continuing education	v	Number of HEIs	3	4	4
		Total research assistants	8.8	2.6	11.5
		Average	2.9	0.7	2.9
		1st Quartile	0.6	0.2	0.6
		Median Value	0.8	0.6	1.4
		3rd Quartile	7.5	1.1	5.2
Total - all cost centres		Number of HEIs	27	44	44
		Total research assistants	2,013.8	25,438.0	27,451.8
		Average	74.6	578.1	623.9
		1st Quartile	31.4	168.4	177.6
		Median Value	67.9	390.0	424.0
		3rd Quartile	84.0	723.5	781.7

**Table 10. Research assistants per TRAC**

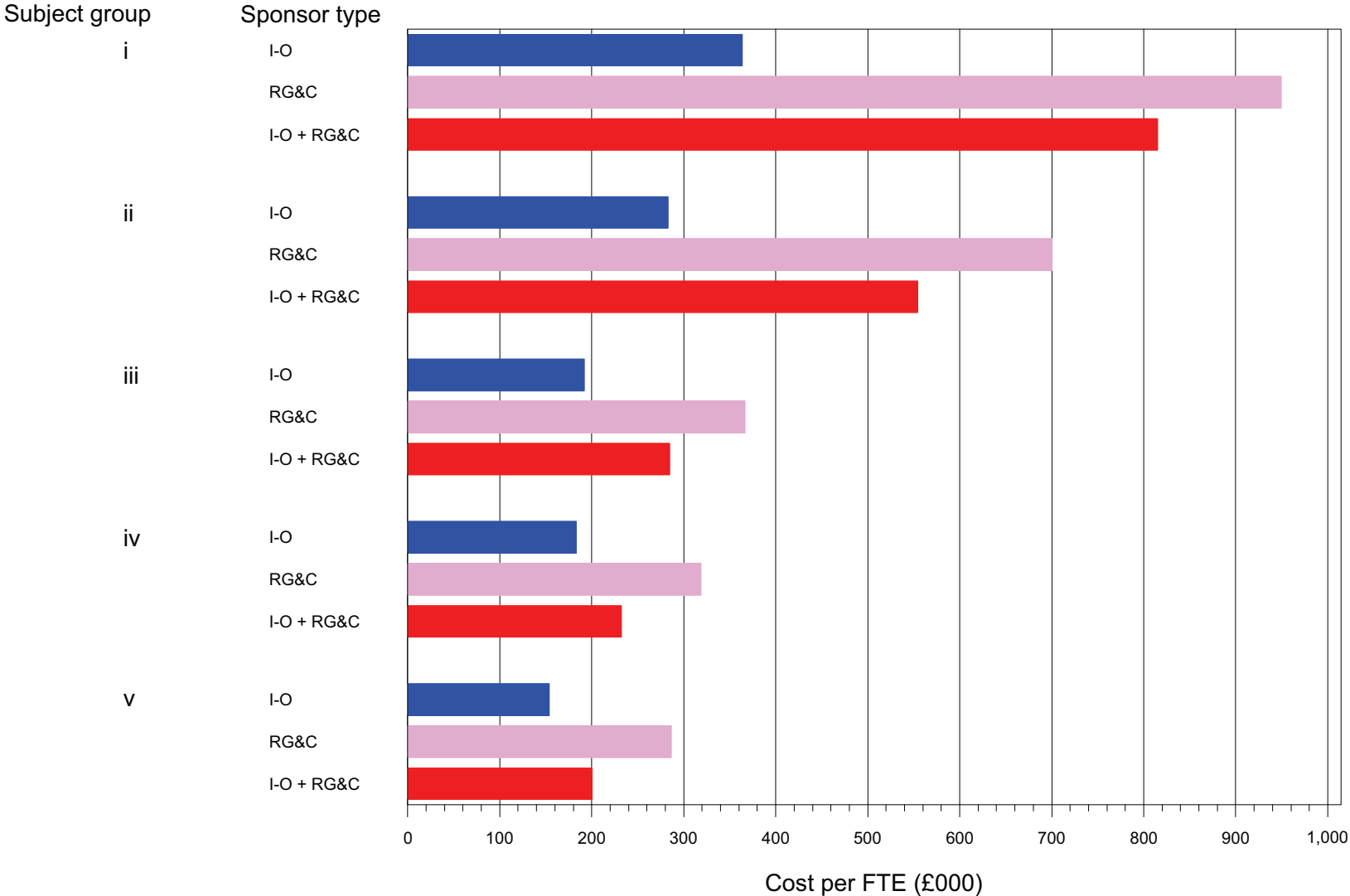
Subject group for comparative purposes only		I-O research assistants per TRAC	RG&C research assistants per TRAC	Total research assistants per TRAC
		Sector	Sector	Sector
i	Number of observations	28	47	47
	Total research assistants	470.8	8,971.5	9,442.3
	Average	16.8	190.9	200.9
	1st Quartile	1.6	7.9	8.6
	Median Value	9.0	71.3	71.3
	3rd Quartile	26.2	274.6	300.1
ii	Number of observations	174	348	348
	Total research assistants	876.0	13,033.2	13,909.2
	Average	5.0	37.5	40.0
	1st Quartile	1.3	6.6	8.1
	Median Value	2.6	18.5	20.1
	3rd Quartile	6.0	47.9	50.8
iii	Number of observations	91	156	156
	Total research assistants	299.7	1,388.5	1,688.2
	Average	3.3	8.9	10.8
	1st Quartile	0.5	1.5	2.0
	Median Value	1.9	4.4	6.3
	3rd Quartile	4.9	10.4	15.2
iv	Number of observations	21	36	36
	Total research assistants	82.2	297.1	379.3
	Average	3.9	8.3	10.5
	1st Quartile	1.5	2.1	4.0
	Median Value	2.4	4.7	6.7
	3rd Quartile	4.5	8.4	11.9
v	Number of observations	82	143	143
	Total research assistants	284.6	1,747.6	2,032.2
	Average	3.5	12.2	14.2
	1st Quartile	0.9	1.1	2.0
	Median Value	2.2	4.6	7.7
	3rd Quartile	4.8	12.3	14.5

Figure 1. Volumes of activity: research costs for each subject group, by sponsor type  
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I-O=Institution-own funded Research  
RG&C=Externally funded Research Grants and Contracts

Figure 2. Research cost per staff FTE: for each subject group, by sponsor type  
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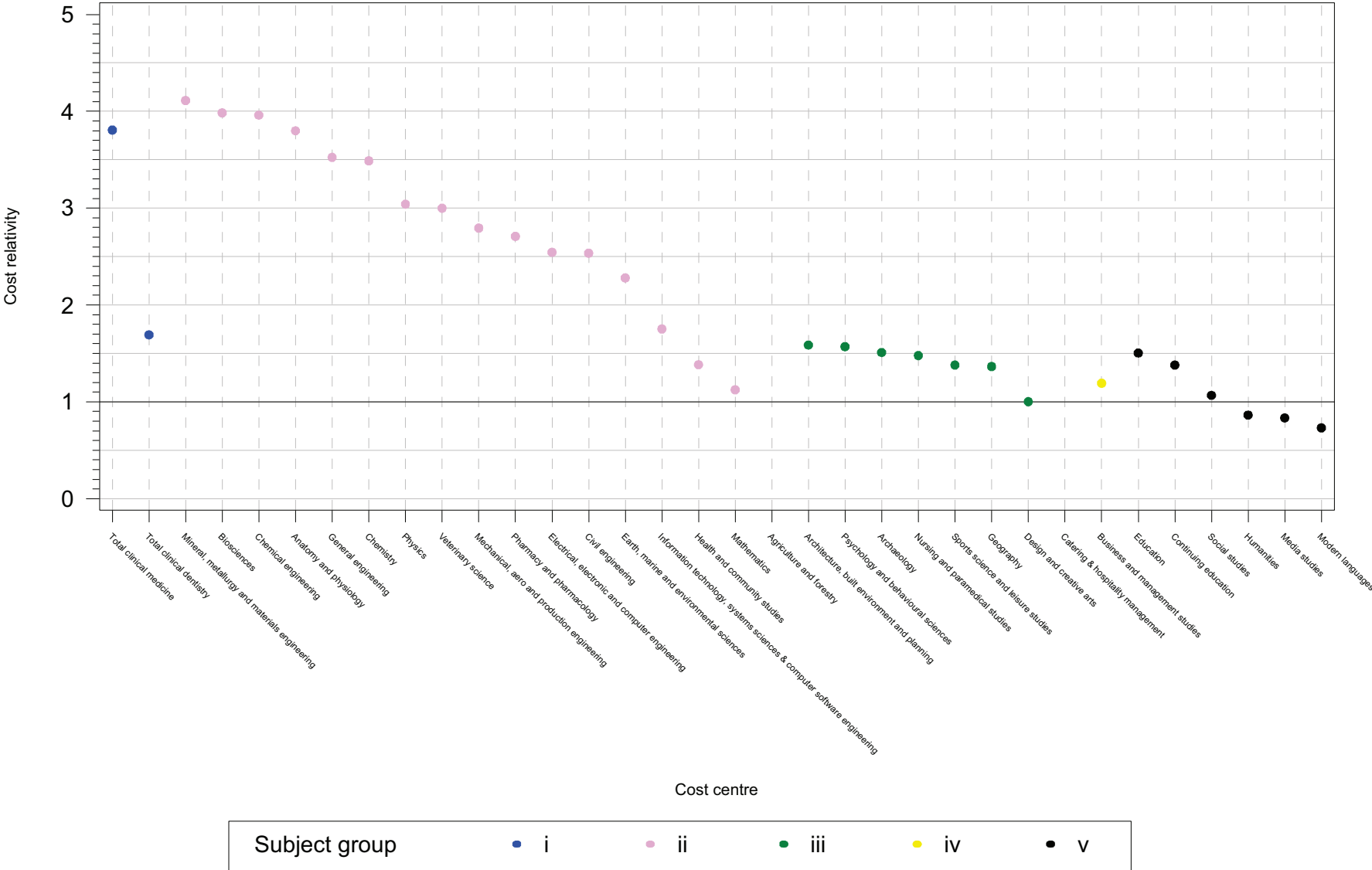
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I-O + RG&C=Institution-own funded Research + Externally funded Research Grants and Contracts

Source: 2008-09 TRAC Review of Research Cost Relativities returns

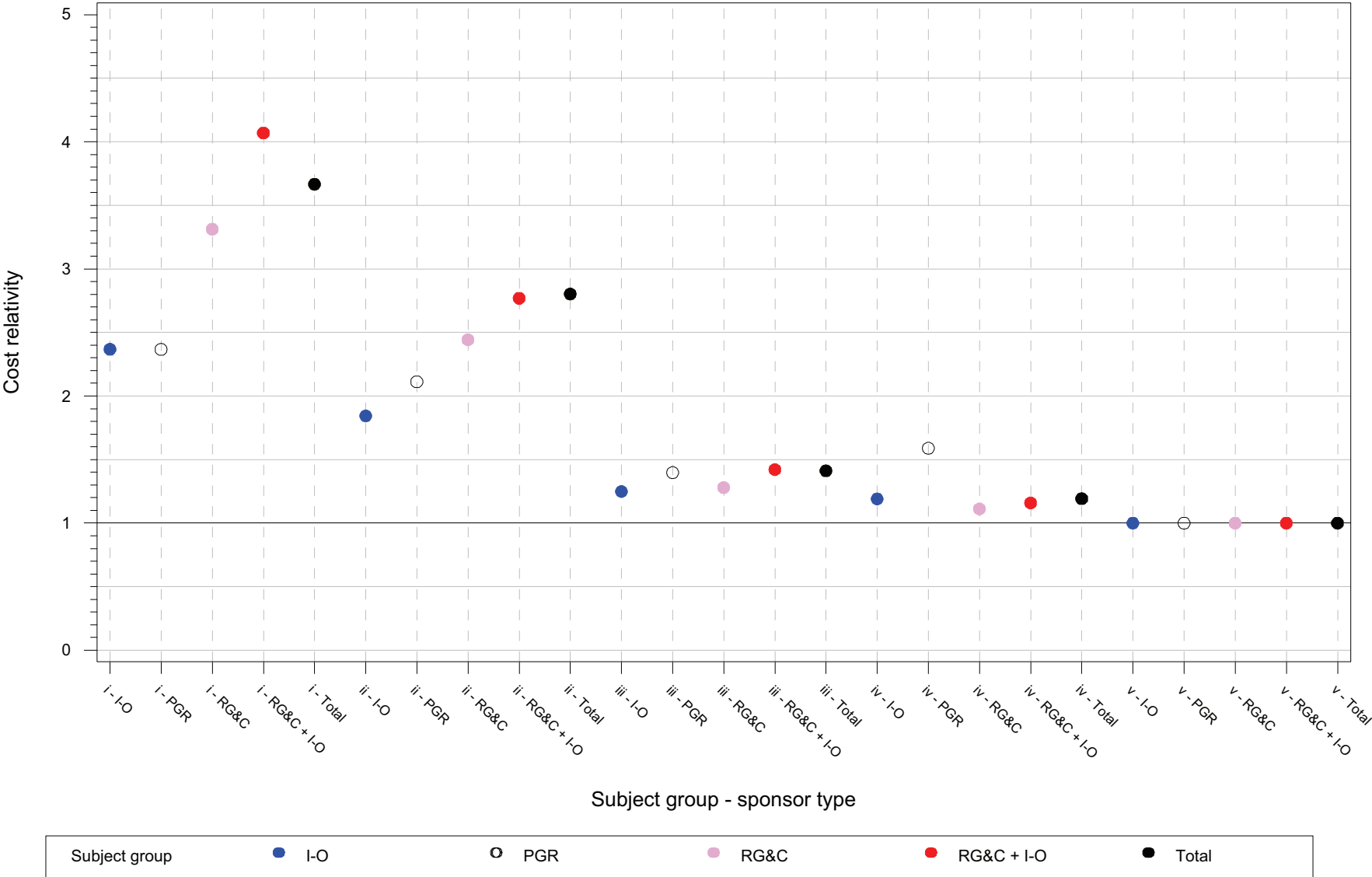
Figure 3. Total research cost relativities: for each cost centre, by subject group  
2008-09



Note: No data is shown for cost centre 13 (Agriculture and forestry) and cost centre 26 (Catering and hospitality management) as there were too few respondents in these cost centres.

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Figure 4. Research cost relativities: by sponsor type, grouped by subject group  
2008-09



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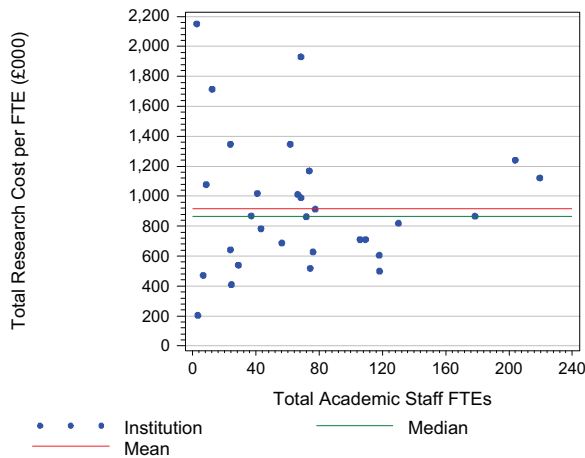
## Plots of 2008-09 Total research cost per FTE and academic staff FTEs for each cost centre

Each plot is a scatter graph of research costs per FTE (£000) against academic staff FTEs, taken from the 2008-09 TRAC Review of Research Cost Relativities data collection. The data have been displayed in this way so that the reader can appreciate the spread of data in any particular cost centre. The red and green lines represent the mean (total subject-related costs divided by total academic staff FTEs) and the median respectively. Also shown for comparison between cost centres, below each chart, are the upper and lower quartiles of the cost per FTE (£).

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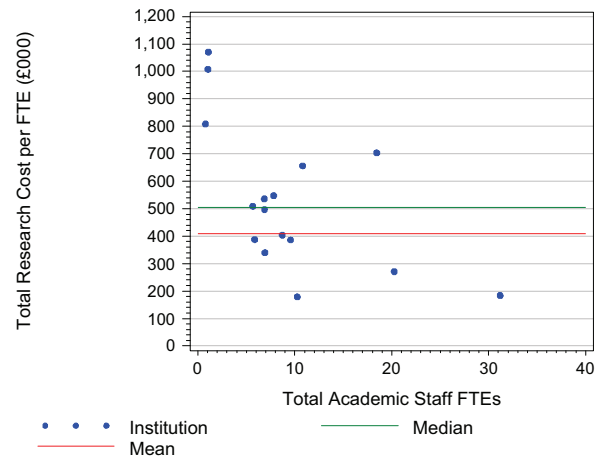
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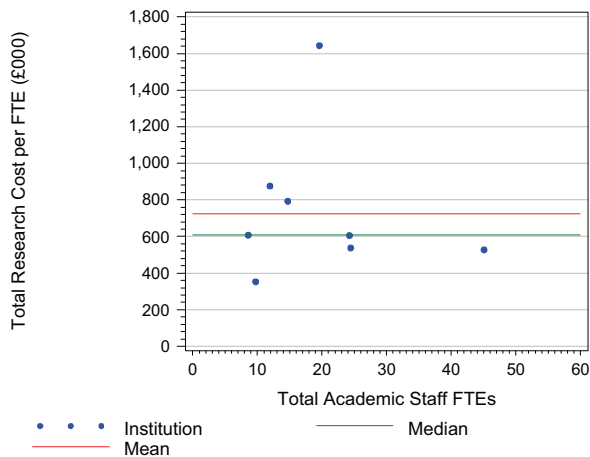
Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
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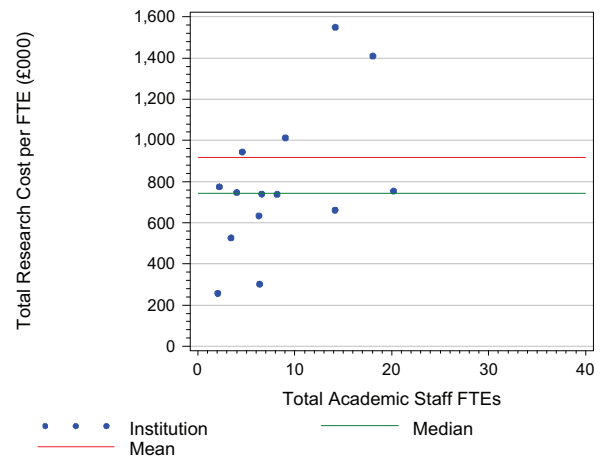
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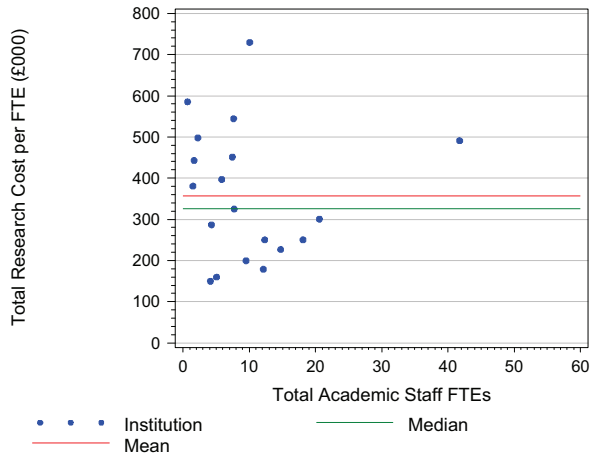
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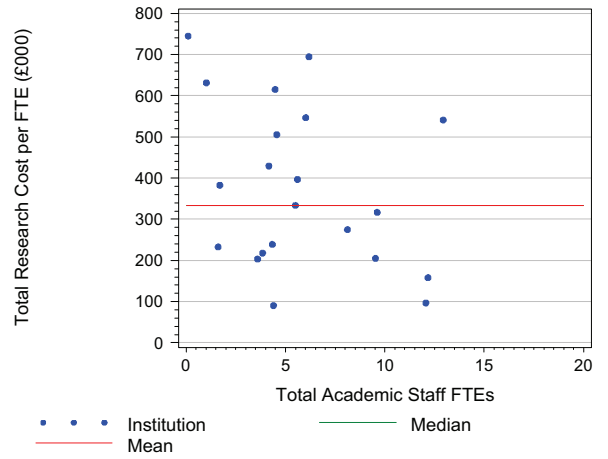
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05 Nursing and paramedical studies



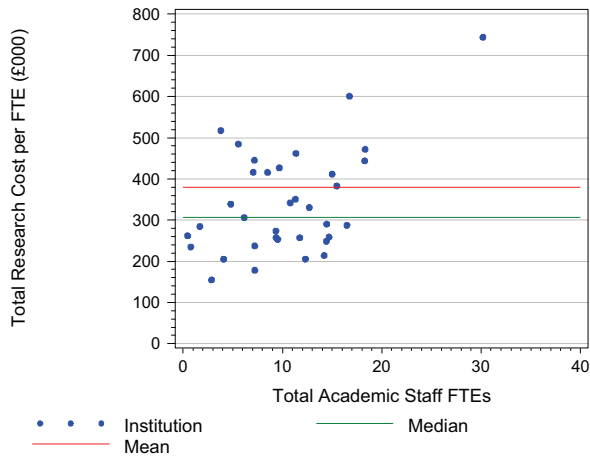
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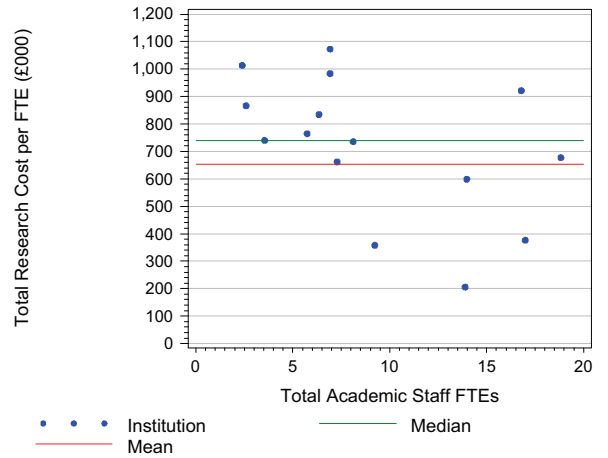
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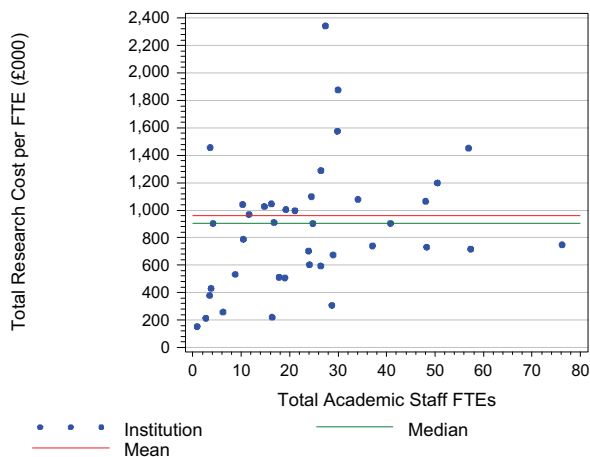
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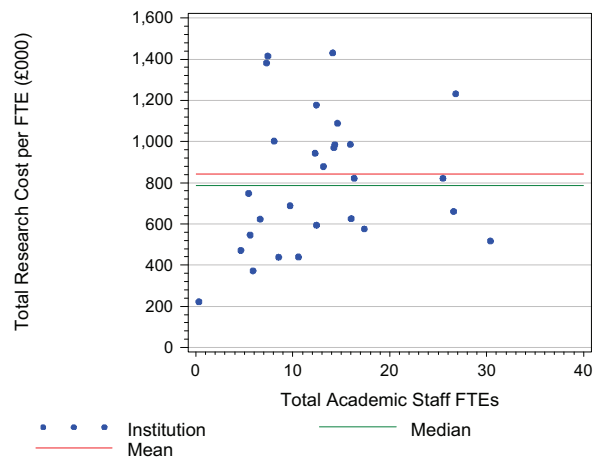
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10 Biosciences



Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
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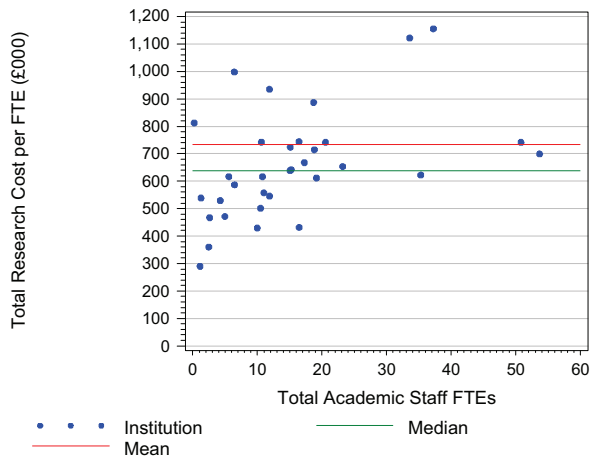
11 Chemistry



Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
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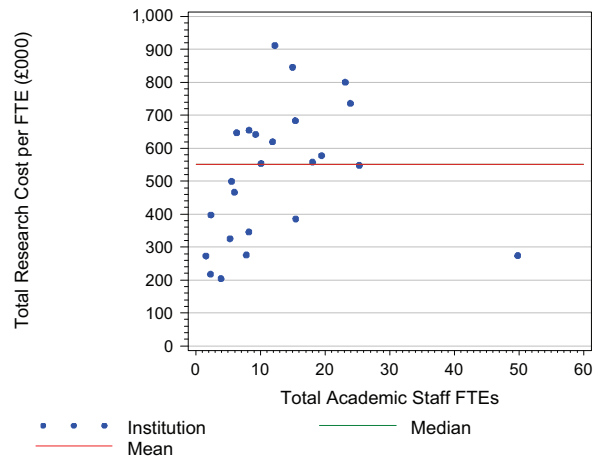


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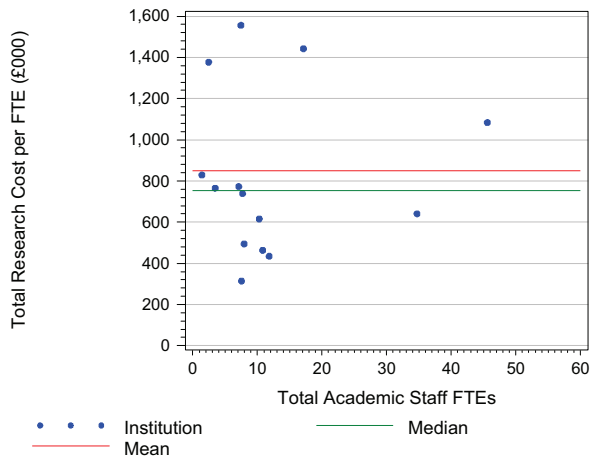
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14 Earth, marine and environmental sciences



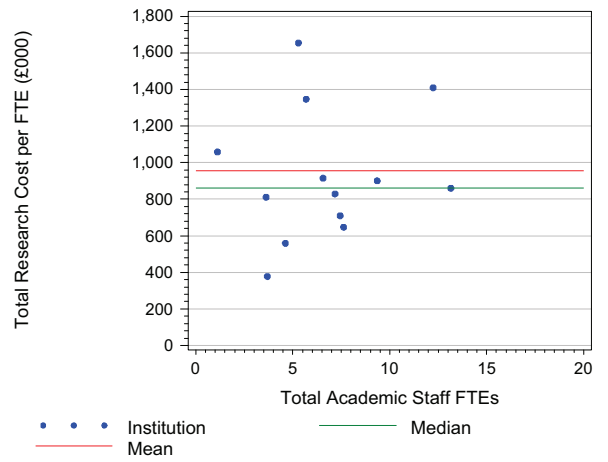
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16 General engineering



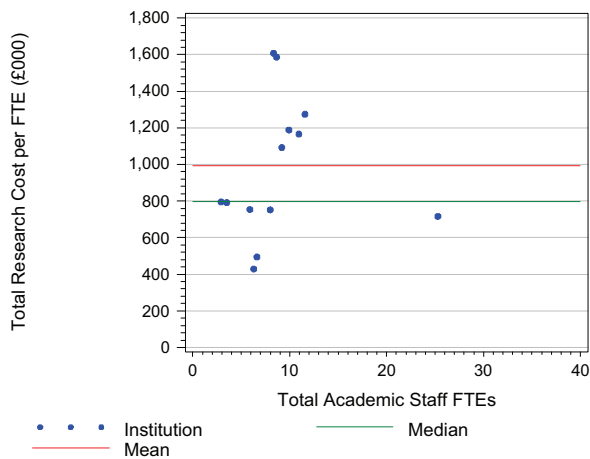
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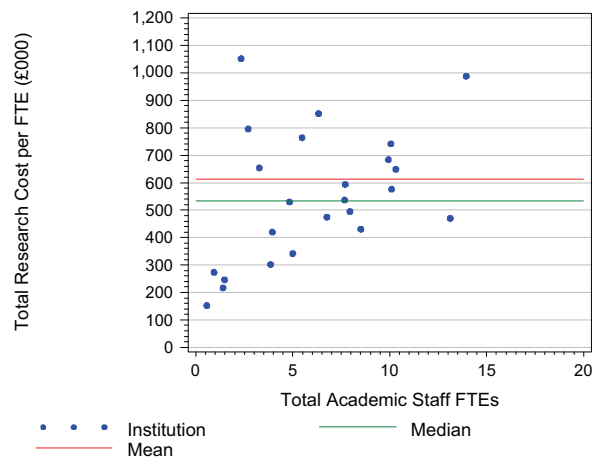
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18 Mineral, metallurgy and materials engineering



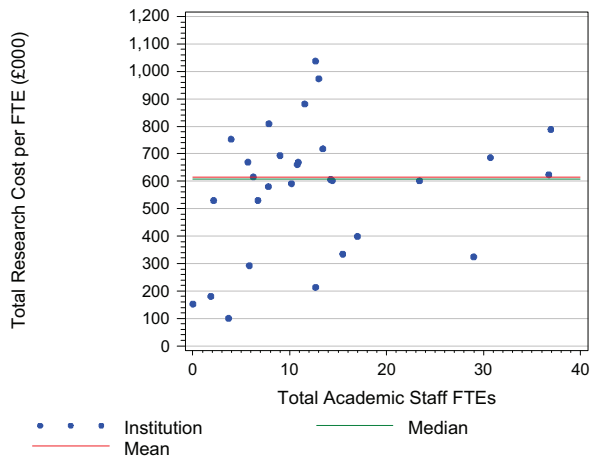
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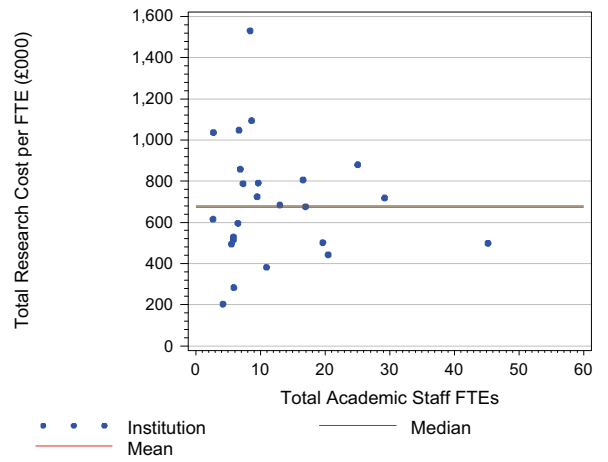
Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
381,201	713,136

20 Electrical, electronic and computer engineering



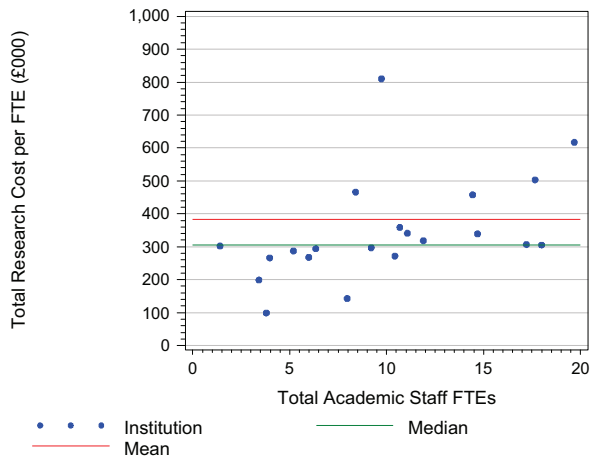
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21 Mechanical, aero and production engineering



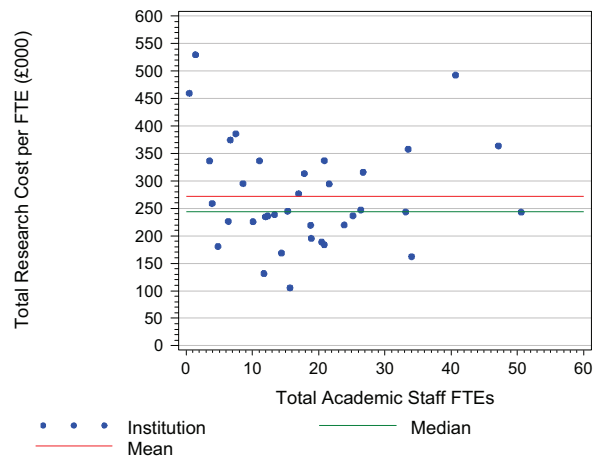
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23 Architecture, built environment and planning



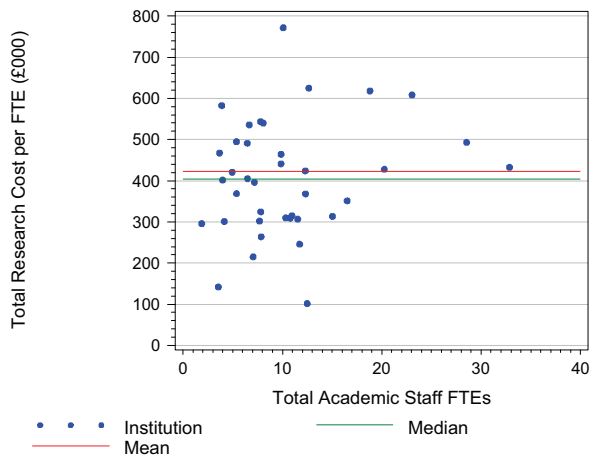
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24 Mathematics



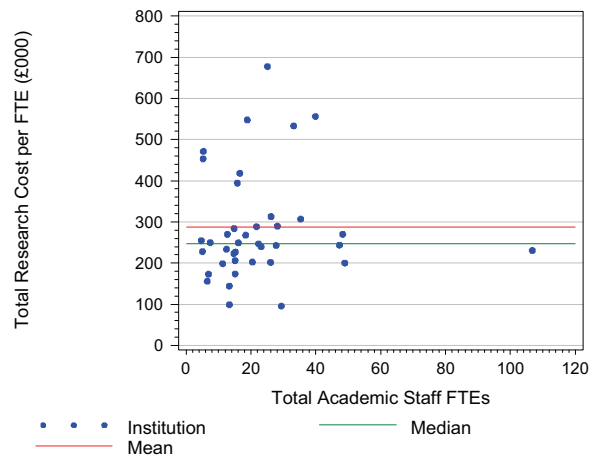
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25 Information technology, systems sciences and computer software engineering



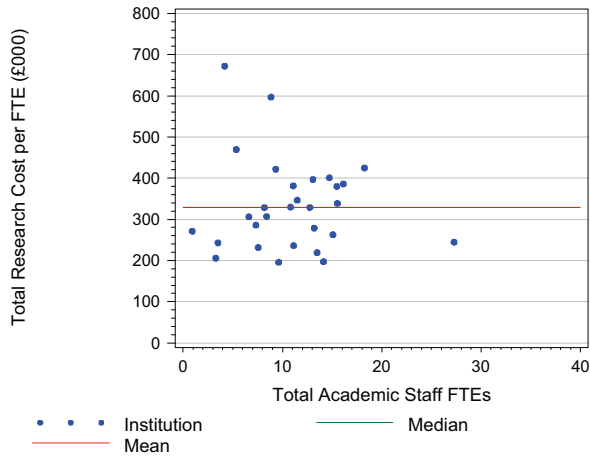
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27 Business and management studies



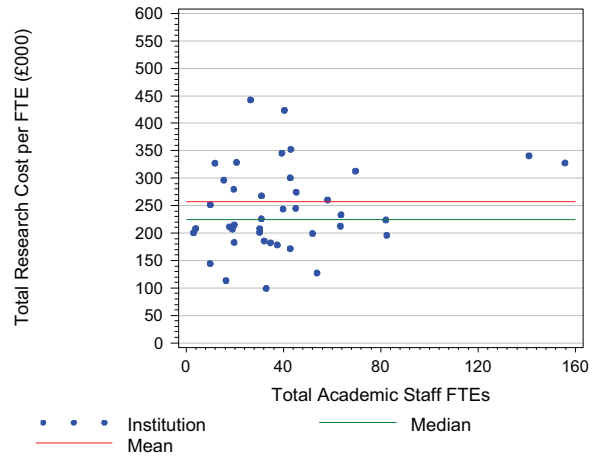
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28 Geography



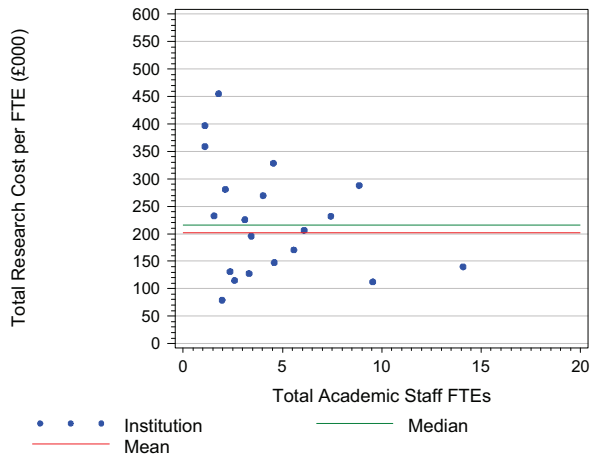
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29 Social studies



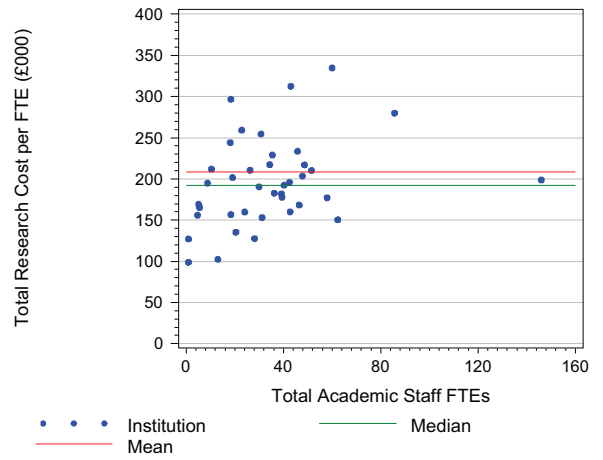
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30 Media studies



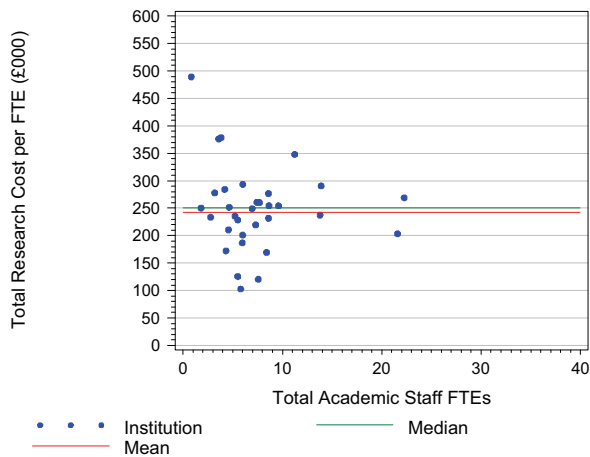
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31 Humanities and language based studies



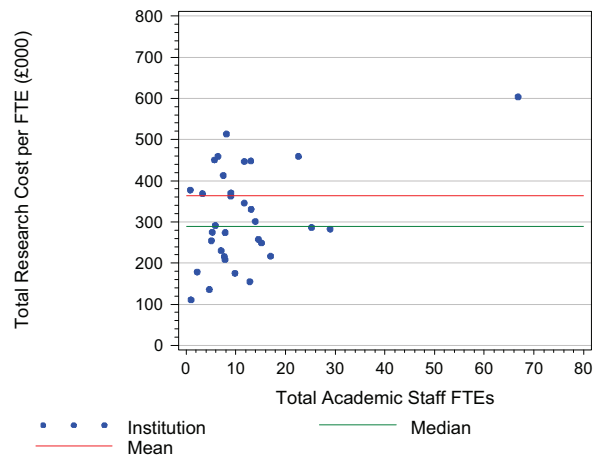
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33 Design and creative arts



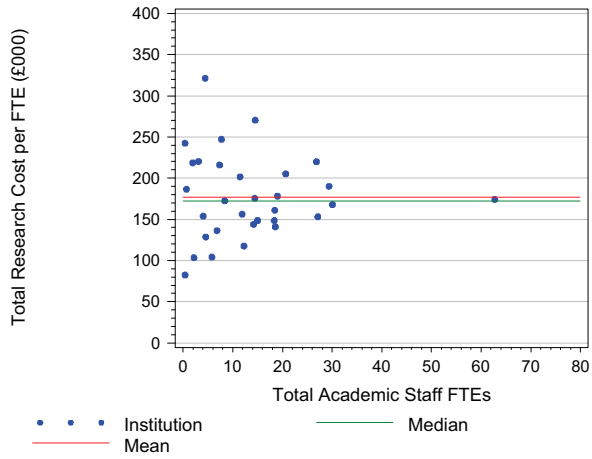
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34 Education



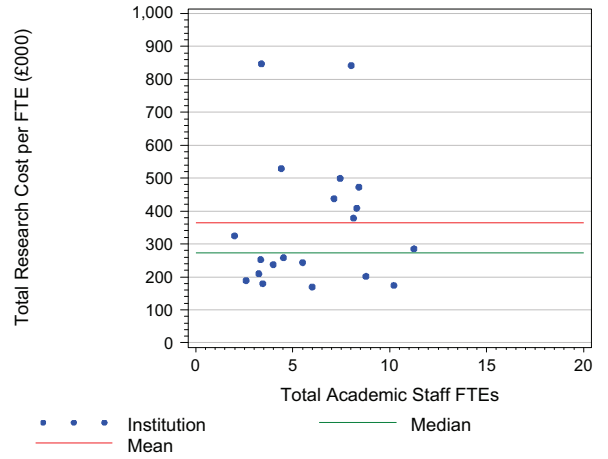
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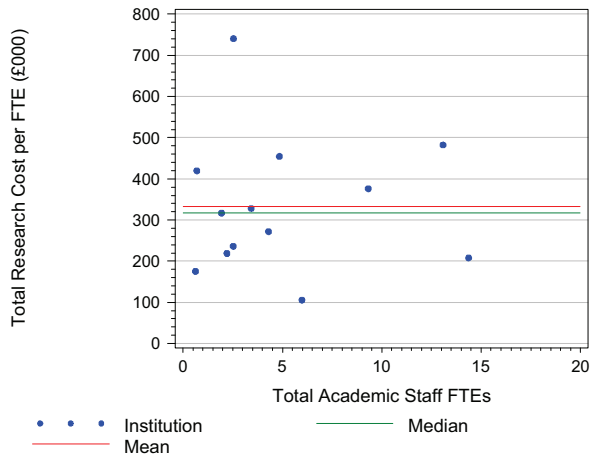
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### 37 Archaeology



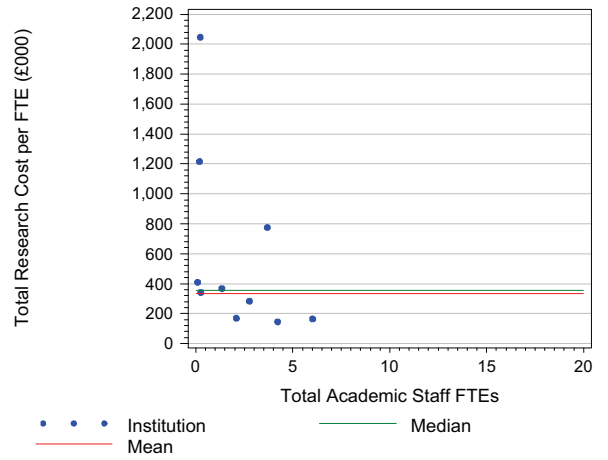
Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
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### 38 Sports science and leisure studies



Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
219,056	420,000

### 41 Continuing education



Lower Quartile	Upper Quartile
169,676	776,216