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Introduction

1 A database of GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A/AS level & Advanced GNVQ examination results for each candidate has been assembled for the publication of secondary school and college performance tables for England in December 1998. This bulletin presents further analyses of this database. Full details of the sources and definitions of the data in this bulletin are given at the end of the text. The convention of referring to ages at the beginning of the academic year has been used to be consistent with the performance tables themselves. The results shown in this bulletin take account of any amendments notified by secondary schools and colleges and agreed since publication of the performance tables and the Statistical First Release (557/98) in November/December 1998. Final 1997/98 figures for each Local Education Authority are included in this bulletin – updating the data published in December 1998.

Key points

2 The tables show that:

- i 87.5 per cent of 15 year old pupils gained at least five GCSEs at grades A*-G or the GNVQ equivalent in 1997/98, 89.7 per cent of girls and 85.5 per cent of boys. (Table 1)
- ii The percentage of 15 year old girls in schools with 5 or more GCSEs at grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent has increased from 50.0 per cent in 1996/97 to 51.5 per cent in 1997/98. Achievements of girls remained well above those of boys, whose percentages with 5 or more grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent increased from 40.5 per cent in 1996/97 to 41.3 per cent in 1997/98. (Table 1)
- iii 94.8 per cent of 15 year old pupils in schools were entered for one or more GCSEs or the GNVQ equivalent in 1997/98 and 89.6 per cent were entered for five or more. On average, fifteen year old pupils attempted 8 or 9 GCSEs. (Tables 1 and 6)
- iv GCE A level pass rates (i.e. achievement at grades A-E) in school sixth forms were slightly higher than in sixth form colleges, 90.2 per cent and 88.3 per cent respectively. Pass rates at other Further Education sector colleges were 78.3 per cent for students aged 18 or below and 67.8 per cent for students aged 19 or above. The pass rate for all establishments was 88.2 (excluding candidates aged 19 or over in Further Education sector colleges). (Table 10)

v The average number of GCE A/AS/Advanced GNVQ passes per 17 year old candidate was 2.7 in comprehensive schools and 2.8 in sixth form colleges, compared with 2.0 in other Further Education sector colleges. When all establishments were looked at as a whole, the average number of passes was 2.8. (Table 11)

vi Overall 15.1 per cent of 17 year old men achieved a score of at least 30 compared with 13.9 per cent of women. However, the distribution of results for most types of institution showed that, apart from this 30 plus category, the percentages of females achieving higher scores was greater than that of males, and the percentages of females achieving lower scores was smaller than that of males. (Table 12)

vii More than 34 per cent of the 17 year old population achieved 2 or more GCE A/AS/ Advanced GNVQ passes in 1997/98, 37.9 per cent of women and 30.7 per cent of men. (Table 18)

GCSE/GNVQ attempts and achievements by 15 year old pupils

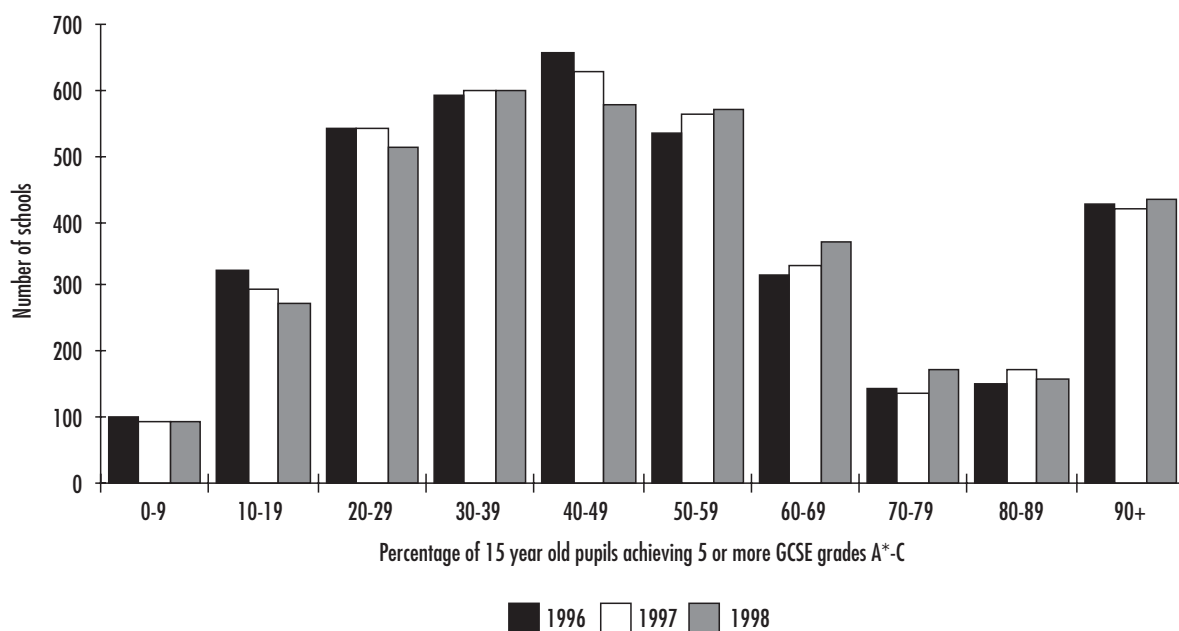
3 Some 41.3 per cent of boys aged 15 in all schools (including special schools), had achieved 5 or more higher grades at GCSE or the GNVQ equivalent by 1997/98 compared with 51.5 per cent for girls. The increase in percentage points over 1996/97 was higher for girls (1.5) than for boys (0.8). Maintained selective schools had the highest percentage of pupils aged 15 gaining 5 or more grades A*-C by 1997/98, with 95.4 per cent achieving this level, compared with 80.7 per cent in independent schools, 43.1 per cent in comprehensive schools and 31.1 per cent in modern schools. (Table 1)

4 Chart 1 shows how the distribution of all schools (excluding special schools and schools with less than 20 pupils aged 15) by decile ranges of the percentage of 15 year old pupils achieving 5 or more GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent, has changed between 1996 and 1998. The chart shows that the number of schools with 50 per cent or more pupils achieving 5 or more GCSE grades A*-C has tended to increase over the years while those with pupils achieving less has tended to decrease.

5 The proportion of pupils aged 15 gaining five or more grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent varied between LEAs and between regions. The average for the Inner London boroughs, at 33.3 per cent, was lower than non London metropolitan areas, which ranged from 35.9 per cent for South Yorkshire to 41.3 per cent for Greater Manchester. These were in turn lower than the shire counties which varied from 36.3 per cent in Durham to 61.4 per cent in Buckinghamshire. In each type of authority, girls achieved better results than boys. The only LEAs where the percentage of boys achieving five or more GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent was higher were Kensington & Chelsea and Hammersmith & Fulham. The Outer London authorities had lower

Chart 1:

Number of schools (excluding special schools and schools with less than 20 pupils aged 15) analysed by percentage of 15 year old pupils achieving 5 or more GCSE grades A*-C



GCSE/GNVQ achievements than the shire counties, but better than the non London metropolitan districts. (Tables 2 and 3)

6 Table 3 shows for each LEA, the distribution of maintained schools (excluding special schools) by various ranges of the percentage of 15 year old pupils gaining 5 or more grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent. For example, in Barnsley (South Yorkshire metropolitan county) only 7 per cent of schools had 40 per cent or more 15 year old pupils gaining 5 or more grades A*-C, whereas in North Somerset (South West Region) the proportion was 100 per cent. In England as a whole, the proportion of maintained schools with 40 per cent or more 15 year old pupils gaining 5 or more grades A*-C at GCSE or the GNVQ equivalent was 55 per cent, compared with 53 per cent in 1996/97 (Statistical Bulletin 6/98 published in June 1998). Clearly, the presence of selective schools in an LEA will affect the numbers of schools where high proportions of pupils gain five or more A*-C grades. (Table 3)

7 There was a considerable difference in the standard of achievement of girls and boys in modern languages, with 45 per cent of girls aged 15 achieving a GCSE grade A*-C in a modern language, compared with 29 per cent of boys. A higher proportion of girls also achieved GCSE grades A*-C in English – 59 per cent compared with 42 per cent of boys. The proportion of boys achieving a grade A*-C in geography was 24 per cent compared with 22 per cent for girls. A higher proportion of boys also achieved GCSE grades A*-C in physics, chemistry, biology, computer studies and physical education. (Table 5) The achievements by subject combinations refer to full GCSE courses and take no account of the GCSE short courses.

8 75 per cent of the 15 year olds in schools attempted the GCSE double science award – a much higher proportion than the single science award or the individual subjects of physics, chemistry or biology. (Tables 4 and 5)

9 Eighty nine per cent of pupils aged 15 in schools attempted a GCSE in both English and mathematics or in both mathematics and science, with 38 per cent achieving a grade A*-C in both English and mathematics or in both mathematics and science. Eighty eight per cent of pupils aged 15 attempted a GCSE in English, mathematics and a science, and 34 per cent achieved a grade A*-C in all three subjects. The proportion of 15 year old pupils in schools achieving this and also a grade A*-C in a modern foreign language was 32 per cent of girls and 23 per cent of boys. Chart 2 shows how the proportion of 15 year old boys and girls in schools achieving grades A*-C in these subject combinations has changed over the last 3 years. (Table 5)

GCSE achievements by students aged 16+ in schools and colleges

10 Table 6 shows the numbers of GCSE candidates by age, and the proportions with different achievements at GCSE in schools and colleges. Just under 107,600 students aged 16 entered one or more GCSE examinations in the academic year 1997/98. Forty seven per cent were in maintained schools and most of the remainder were in sixth form colleges and other Further Education sector colleges. There were also around 101,000 students aged 17 and over at all types of establishment that were entered for 1 or more GCSEs in 1997/98. Over 96 per cent of those attempting GCSE achieved at least one pass. (Table 6)

Chart 2:
Percentage of 15 year old pupils in schools achieving GCSE grades A*-C in each subject of selected subject combinations

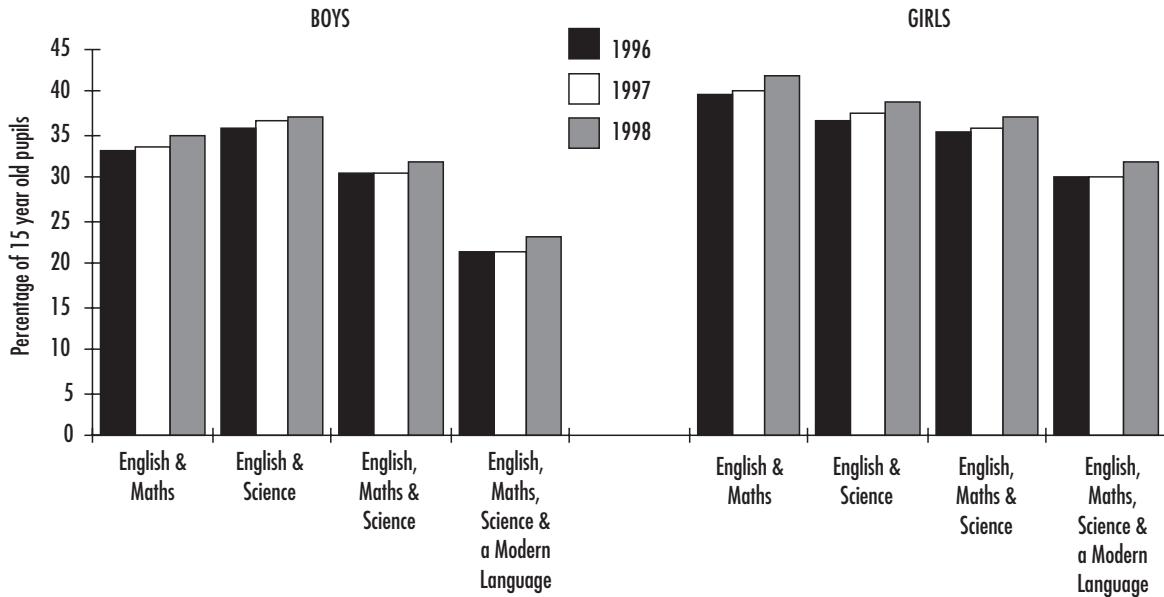
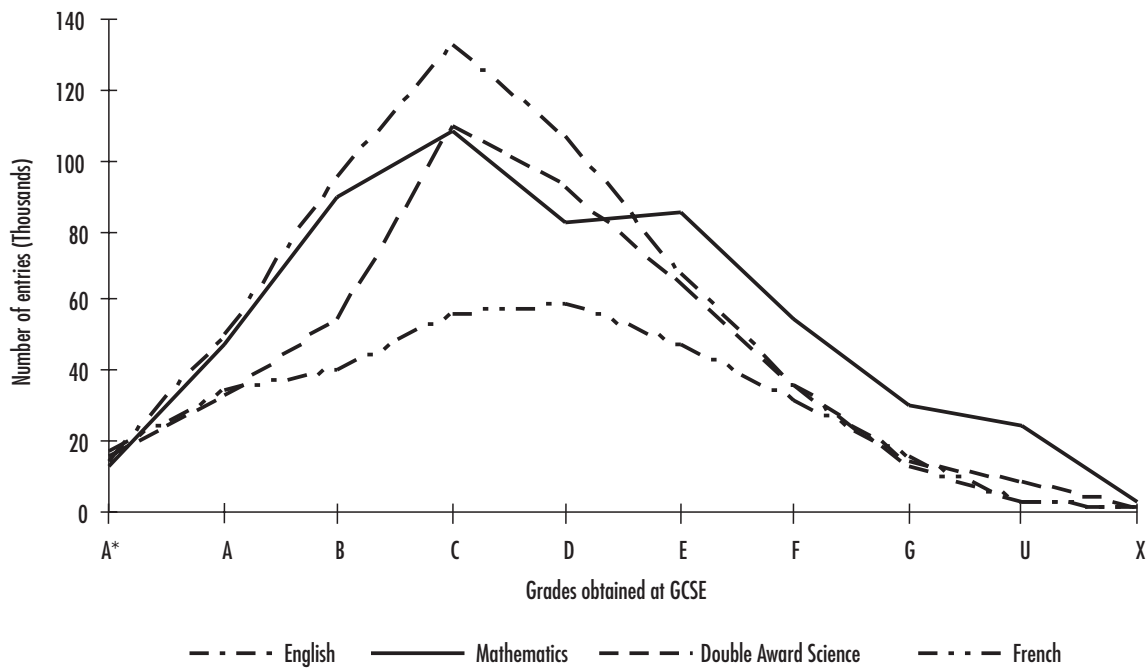


Chart 3:
Distribution of GCSE grades in selected subjects – 1997/98



Analysis of individual GCSE/GNVQ subjects by grades or types

11 For GCSE full courses, in the majority of subjects in 1997/98, the most common grade obtained by 15 year old candidates was grade C. In biology, chemistry and physics the most common grade was A (including A*) whereas in French and physical education it was D. There were just over four million six hundred thousand GCSE full course examination entries in 1997/98, of which 187.7 thousand resulted in the A* grade. There has been a significant increase in the numbers of 15 year olds taking GCSE short courses, from under 19,000 in 1996/97 to over 200,000 in 1997/98. The most popular subjects taken as GCSE short courses were religious studies, design & technology,

information systems and French. The GNVQ results of 15 year old pupils in schools show that business and health & social care were the most popular subjects at both GNVQ Part 1 and full GNVQ. (Table 7, 8 and 9)

12 Chart 3 shows the distribution of full GCSE grades obtained by 15 year old candidates by 1997/98 for English, mathematics, double award science and French. (Table 7)

GCE A level and AS examination passes in 1997/98

13 The proportion of GCE A level candidates who achieved 2 or more passes in the academic year 1997/98 was higher at schools (82.5 per cent) and at sixth form

colleges (76.4 per cent), than at other Further Education sector colleges (52.7 per cent of candidates aged 18 and under). This partly reflects the large numbers in Further Education who are aged 18 and who are retaking single subjects, and partly those in Further Education who are taking vocational qualifications in combination with one GCE A level, or who are taking the GCE A level on a part-time course. It may also be affected by the selection and examination entry policies of the institutions. (Table 10)

14 77.3 per cent of 17 year old GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ candidates at Further Education sector colleges had achieved two or more passes at GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ by 1997/98, compared with 87.8 per cent of all schools, 84.8 per cent in comprehensive schools, 95.9 per cent in selective schools and 69.0 per cent in modern schools. (Table 11)

15 The average point score of 17 year old GCE A/AS & Advanced GNVQ candidates in 1997/98 was 16.9, and was higher for women (17.1) than for men (16.7). More than 14 per cent of 17 year old candidates achieved a score of at least 30 points. This statistic varied considerably between different types of establishment, from 1.4 per cent of candidates in maintained modern schools, to 30.2 per cent in independent schools. The differences were due in part to the varying nature of what may be studied in schools and FE sector colleges and the qualifications of students on entry to colleges and schools, reflecting different policies on access to GCE A/AS level and Advanced GNVQ courses, and entry for examinations. (Table 12) The last point is explained in more detail in Statistical Bulletin 1/99, entitled 'GCSE and GCE A/AS performance of candidates attempting two or more GCE A levels or AS equivalents – 1997/98'. This bulletin shows how the GCE A/AS results of 17 year old candidates compare with their GCSE results.

16 Differences in A/AS/AGNVQ average point scores were also apparent between different Local Education Authority areas. The North West GOR had the highest average score of 17.9 and the North East had the lowest at 15.8, compared with 16.9 for England as a whole. (Table 13)

Success rates in selected subjects at GCE A/AS level

17 Women of all ages entered for GCE A levels in mathematics, physics, and technology had higher success rates than men, although a much greater number of 17 year old men entered and passed these subjects. The opposite was true of history and French at GCE A level. Two of the most common subjects at GCE A level were English and mathematics, and women who entered them had a slightly higher pass rate than men. The proportions of the age group entering and passing English were much higher for women than men (15.7 per cent compared with 6.2 per cent), with the position reversed for mathematics (5.5 per cent compared with 8.8 per cent). (Tables 15 and 16)

Analysis of individual GCE A/AS level achievements of 17 year olds analysed by subject and grades

18 There were over 605,000 GCE A level entries made by 17 year old candidates, of which nearly 107,000 resulted in A grades. English, mathematics, social studies and general studies were the most popular subjects at GCE A level. The most common grade achieved in mathematics was A with a considerable difference between the numbers achieving grades A and B. Biology, French and Economics had a fairly even distribution with nearly equal numbers gaining grades A, B, C and D. (Table 17)

19 Chart 4 shows the grade distribution for GCE A level chemistry, mathematics, geography, English and French for 17 year old candidates in 1997/98. (Table 17)

Chart 4:
Distribution of GCE A level grades in selected subjects – 1997/98

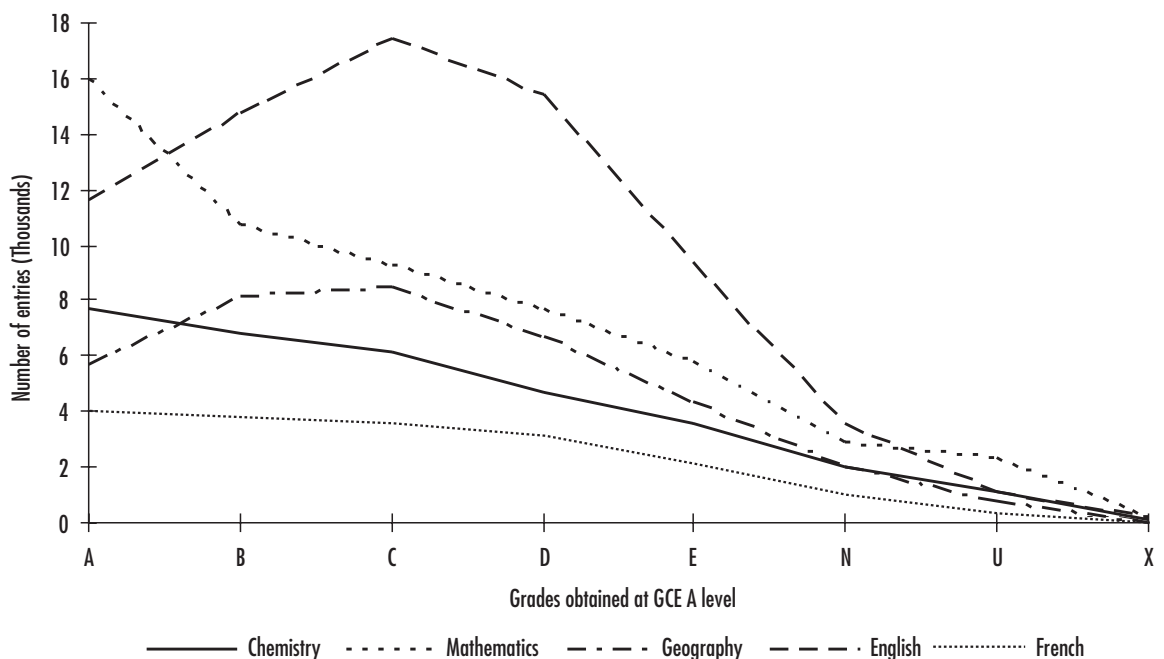
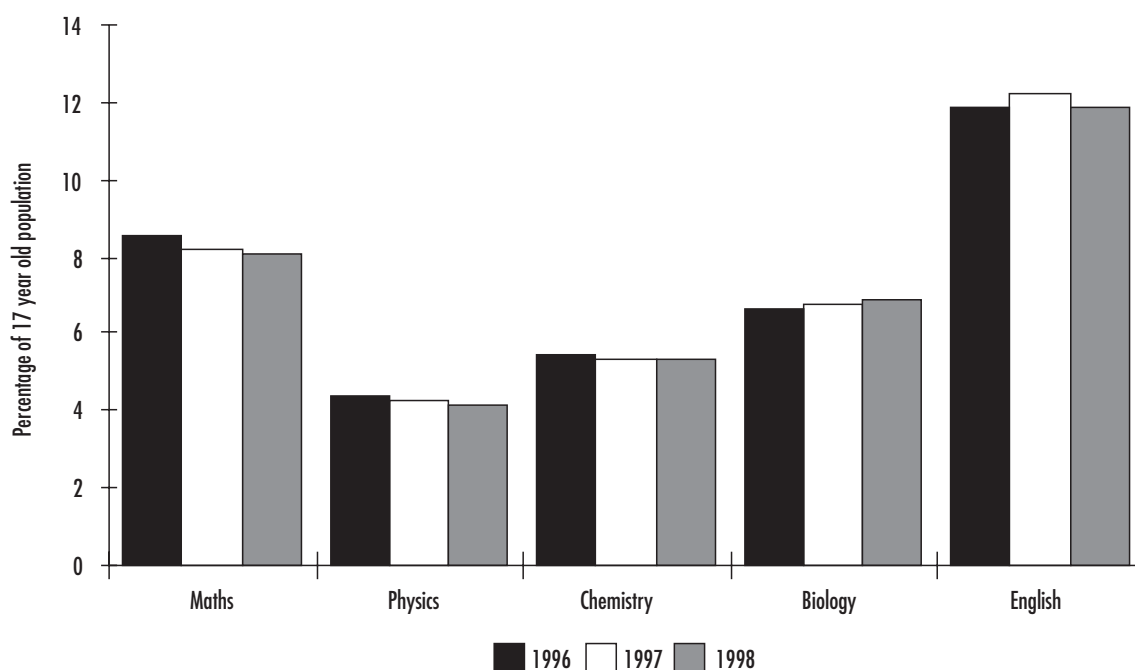


Chart 5:

Proportion of young people passing GCE A/AS level in selected subjects – 1995/96 to 1997/98



Proportion of young people achieving a GCE A/AS pass in selected subjects.

20 Chart 5 shows how the proportion of young people passing GCE A/AS level in selected subjects (as a percentage of the 17 year old population) has changed from 1995/96 to 1997/98. The proportion of young people (aged 18 and under) passing GCE A/AS level in biology has risen slightly over the years from 1995/96 to 1997/98. The percentages for mathematics, physics and chemistry have decreased slightly. For English there was an increase of 0.4 percentage point from 11.9 to 12.3 between 1995/96 and 1996/97 and then a similar decline of 0.4 percentage points from 1996/97 to 1997/98. (Tables 15 and 16)

Time series of GCE A/AS level & Advanced GNVQ results of students aged 18 and under from 1995/96 to 1997/98

21 Table 18 shows the number of candidates aged 18 or under who achieved their GCE A/AS level (or AGNVQ equivalent) passes for the first time in each of the relevant years. In 1997/98, 212,200 young people in schools and Further Education sector colleges had achieved two or more GCE A/AS (or AGNVQ equivalent) passes (34.2 per cent of the 17 year old population) compared with 175,700 (29.2 per cent) in 1996/97. In 1997/98, some 76,400 (12.3 per cent) achieved this level in Further Education sector colleges (Table 18) compared with 9.2 per cent in 1996/97. This significant increase is largely due to AGNVQs being included for the 1st time in 1997/98.

Advanced GNVQ achievements of candidates in 1997/98

22 Advanced level GNVQs are now becoming popular along side the traditional GCE A levels. Besides the 220 thousand young people that gained GCE A levels in 1997/98, there were over 18 thousand 17 year old candidates who completed an Advanced GNVQ. Of these candidates 48 per cent achieved a merit pass, 29 per cent achieved a distinction and 23 per cent achieved a basic pass. A full Advanced GNVQ award is broadly equivalent to 2 GCE A level passes. The most popular subjects taken were business studies, leisure & tourism, health & social care, Art & Design and Information Technology. (Table 17A)

National Targets for Education and Training

23 The GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A/AS level & Advanced GNVQ results described in this bulletin make a major contribution – but only a contribution – to the achievement of the National Learning Targets for England for the year 2002. The targets (revised in March 1999) are:

By age 16:

- at least 50% to achieve 5 or more higher grade (A*-C) GCSEs or the equivalent
- at least 95% to achieve 1 or more GCSE or the equivalent

By age 19:

- at least 85% to achieve a level 2 qualification i.e. 5 GCSEs at grade C or above, an Intermediate GNVQ or an NVQ level 2

By age 21:

- at least 60% to achieve a level 3 qualification i.e. 2 GCE A levels, an Advanced GNVQ or an NVQ level 3. Note: AS examinations count as half a GCE A level.

24 National monitoring of progress towards these targets, taking account of all academic and vocational qualifications gained by the target ages, is based on data from the Labour Force Survey (LFS). The latest estimates for Autumn 1998 show that within England, 73 per cent of 19 year olds had a level 2 qualification or above and 51 per cent of 21 year olds had a level 3 qualification.

25 Note that the targets for 21 year olds cannot be compared directly with the attainment of 17 year olds in 1997/98 given in Table 11 however, because they relate to an older cohort. The bulk of the difference between A/AS/AGNVQ attainment by 17 year olds and level 3 attainment by age 21 is accounted for by vocational qualifications, although a small proportion of young people do achieve A/AS/AGNVQs between the ages of 18 and 21.

26 The substantial increases in GCSE and GCE A level attainment since 1992/93, with the percentage of 15 year olds with 5 or more GCSE grades A*-C up by 5 percentage points (from 41 per cent to 46 per cent), and the percentage of 17 year olds with 2 or more GCE A levels (or equivalent) up by 10 percentage points (from 24 per cent to 34 per cent), will feed through into further progress towards the National Targets (as measured by the LFS) over the next four years. However, significant increases in the proportion of young people gaining vocational qualifications are also needed if the targets are to be achieved.

Definitions and Sources

27 The data on examination entries and passes were obtained from the GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A/AS & AGNVQ examination boards and groups. After further processing by the Department's contractors, the data were used to publish the Secondary school and the Secondary school and college (16-18) performance tables, under the Parent's Charter. The data for schools and Further Education sector colleges were checked by the institutions concerned before being used in the performance tables. Results for GCSE/GNVQ candidates aged 15 and GCE A/AS & AGNVQ candidates aged 17 (but not for other ages) were accumulated from entries made by the candidates in the previous academic years. Results for pupils in the 16-18 age range were taken over the 1997/98 academic year only.

28 The results for 15 year olds show their overall achievements in GCSEs, GCSE (Short Courses), Part One GNVQs (Foundation and Intermediate), full GNVQs (Foundation and Intermediate) and the GNVQ Language Units. GCSE (Sort Courses) are of the same academic standard as a full GCSE but have half the

content. GCSE (Short Courses) and GNVQ awards have been reported on the basis of the following broad equivalencies:

Qualification		Number of GCSEs	GCSE grades
GNVQ Part One	Intermediate	2	A*-C
	Foundation	2	D-G
GNVQ Full	Intermediate	4	A*-C
	Foundation	4	D-G
GNVQ Language unit	Intermediate	1/2	A
	Foundation	1/2	D
GCSE Short Course		1/2	same grade

The figures for those achieving 1 or more GCSE grade A*-G or the GNVQ equivalent also include those 15 year olds that achieved at least one pass in a GCSE short course or GNVQ language unit.

29 The A/AS/AGNVQ mean score figures in tables 11, 12, 13, 14, and 18 include Advanced GNVQ qualifications for the first time. This is in line with their inclusion in the points score system in this year's performance tables. A new table (17A) has been added to detail Advanced GNVQ achievements.

30 Where a candidate had attempted an examination in the same subject more than once, only the highest value pass was counted. A GCE A level pass was always taken in place of an AS examination pass in the same subject, regardless of the AS grade. A GCSE full course pass was always taken in place of the GCSE short course in the same subject. Sixth form colleges transferred out of the school sector in April 1993 and have been included within the Further Education sector since 1992/93. Schools data prior to 1992/93 is therefore not strictly comparable with the later years.

31 The pupil population aged 15 is taken from the annual schools census carried out in January 1998, as modified by schools when they were consulted in October about the information to be published in the performance tables. The estimates of the 17 year old population in Table 11 and 18 use the GAD source. A pupil's age is that at the start of the academic year (i.e. 31 August 1997). Fifteen year olds are therefore in the last year of compulsory education and seventeen year olds are in the second year of post compulsory education.

32 GCSE/GNVQ point scores are determined by totalling pupils' individual GCSE/GNVQ results as follows:

GCSE: grades A to G count as 7 to 1 points respectively, with A* counting as 8; GCSE Short Courses grades A to G count as 3 1/2 to 1/2 respectively, with A* counting as 4.

GNVQ: grades D, M and P count as 7 1/2, 6 and 5 points respectively at Intermediate level, and 4, 3

and 1½ point respectively at Foundation level. These points need to be multiplied by 2 for GNVQ Part One and by 4 for GNVQ Full.

33 GCE A/AS/AGNVQ point scores are derived as follows: an A level pass and an AS examination pass are classified as grade E or above. Each grade at AS examination is counted as half that grade at A level. Scores are calculated as shown below:

A level		AS examination		Advanced GNVQ	
A	10	A	5	Distinction	18
B	8	B	4	Merit	12
C	6	C	3	Pass	6
D	4	D	2		
E	2	E	1		

34 The National Targets for Education and Training were launched in 1991, based on proposals first made by the CBI. In 1993, an independent body – the National Advisory Council for Education and Training Targets (NACETT) – was set up by Government to monitor and report on progress towards the Targets, to advise Government on policies likely to promote progress, and to increase commitment to the Targets by education and training providers and employers. The Targets include “Foundation” and “Lifetime” Targets, the first relating to levels of attainment by young people, and the second to levels in the workforce as a whole. In July 1994 NACETT initiated a review of the Targets, resulting in a revised set of Targets, which were announced and endorsed by the Government in the second Competitiveness White Paper in May 1995. The discussion in paragraphs 23-26 above relates to these revised Targets.

35 Rounding – totals of columnar figures which have been rounded to aid clarity may not give the same total as shown in the table.

36 Table 19 gives the final 1997/98 figures for Local Education Authority areas, updating the information published in the Secondary school and the Secondary school and college (16-18) performance tables published in December 1998.

Further Information

37 Enquiries on the contents of this bulletin should be addressed to Analytical Services Branch, Level 5B, Department for Education and Employment, Caxton House, 6-12 Tothill Street, London SW1H 9NF (Tel: 0171 273 5938). The combined Secondary school and College performance tables are available on disk. The disks can be used on PCs with Microsoft Windows version 3.1 or later. The disks are available, free of charge, from the DfEE Publications Centre, PO Box 5050, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 6ZQ (Telephone 0845 602 2260). Booklets for schools in individual local education authorities are also available from this source. The Secondary school and college performance tables for the years 1994-98, are also available on the Internet on <http://www.open.gov.uk/dfee/perform.htm>.

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TABLE 1:
GCSE/GNVQ attempts and achievements by 15 year old pupils (1) by the end of 1997/98 (2)

School Type	Number of 15 year old pupils (1)	Percentage entered for 5+ GCSEs	Percentage who achieved at GCSE or GNVQ equivalent			Percentage entered for 1+ GCSEs	Percentage who achieved at GCSE or GNVQ equivalent	
			5+ A*-C Grades	4+ A*-C Grades	5+ A*-G Grades		1+ A*-C Grades	1+ A*-G Grades
Comprehensives Schools (3) (4)								
Boys	241,699	90.7	38.0	42.9	88.0	96.2	65.5	94.6
Girls	235,712	92.9	48.4	53.5	90.9	96.8	75.7	95.6
Total	477,411	91.8	43.1	48.2	89.5	96.5	70.6	95.1
Selective Schools (3)								
Boys	9,770	99.1	94.3	95.9	98.9	99.5	98.7	99.4
Girls	10,202	99.1	96.5	97.5	99.0	99.4	99.1	99.4
Total	19,972	99.1	95.4	96.7	99.0	99.5	98.9	99.4
Modern Schools (3)								
Boys	10,107	89.5	25.1	30.9	86.3	96.2	59.7	94.2
Girls	10,397	92.1	36.9	43.3	90.1	96.4	70.9	95.1
Total	20,504	90.8	31.1	37.2	88.2	96.3	65.4	94.6
Other Maintained Schools (5)								
Boys	9,191	4.2	0.3	0.4	3.3	30.5	5.9	26.3
Girls	4,559	5.2	0.4	0.7	4.5	32.0	9.1	29.1
Total	13,750	4.5	0.3	0.5	3.7	31.0	7.0	27.2
All Maintained Schools								
Boys	270,767	88.0	38.2	42.9	85.5	94.1	64.5	92.4
Girls	260,870	91.6	48.9	53.9	89.7	95.8	75.3	94.5
Total	531,637	89.8	43.5	48.3	87.6	94.9	69.8	93.5
Independent Schools (6)								
Boys	22,830	85.4	77.8	80.2	85.0	91.5	88.2	91.2
Girls	20,743	89.7	84.0	86.0	89.4	94.8	93.4	94.7
Total	43,573	87.4	80.7	82.9	87.1	93.1	90.6	92.8
All Schools								
Boys	293,597	87.8	41.3	45.8	85.5	93.9	66.3	92.3
Girls	281,613	91.5	51.5	56.3	89.7	95.7	76.6	94.6
Total	575,210	89.6	46.3	50.9	87.5	94.8	71.4	93.4
All Schools								
Boys in 1997/98	293,597	87.8	41.3	45.8	85.5	93.9	66.3	92.3
Boys in 1996/97	299,509	88.0	40.5	44.9	84.4	93.1	65.2	91.2
Boys in 1995/96	303,327	87.6	39.9	44.4	84.0	92.9	64.8	91.1
Girls in 1997/98	281,613	91.5	51.5	56.3	89.7	95.7	76.6	94.6
Girls in 1996/97	287,257	91.2	50.0	54.9	88.6	95.0	76.0	93.5
Girls in 1995/96	290,708	91.0	49.4	54.4	88.3	94.9	75.9	93.4
Boys and Girls in 1997/98	575,210	89.6	46.3	50.9	87.5	94.8	71.4	93.4
Boys and Girls in 1996/97	586,766	89.6	45.1	49.8	86.4	94.0	70.5	92.3
Boys and Girls in 1995/96	594,035	89.3	44.5	49.3	86.1	93.9	70.2	92.2

(1) Number of pupils on roll aged 15 at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

(3) Including LEA and Grant maintained schools.

(4) Including City Technology Colleges.

(5) Including LEA and Grant maintained special schools, hospital schools and pupil referral units.

(6) Including non maintained special schools.

TABLE 2:
GCSE/GNVQ achievements by 15 year old pupils (1) in maintained schools (2) in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (3)

LEA	BOYS					GIRLS				
	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old
		5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades			5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	
NORTH EAST GOR	15,532	32.9	83.8	91.0	31.1	14,901	41.4	87.4	92.8	35.7
Hartlepool UA	568	31.2	83.8	91.0	30.8	589	37.9	88.3	93.0	34.3
Middlesbrough UA	933	25.0	77.0	87.2	26.1	840	30.4	78.0	88.5	29.0
Redcar & Cleveland UA	1,037	34.1	85.6	92.5	31.5	1,011	43.6	86.4	91.7	36.4
Stockton on Tees UA	1,252	35.6	82.3	90.4	32.2	1,141	44.8	86.5	92.2	36.6
Darlington UA	568	33.5	82.6	90.0	31.5	538	40.9	85.1	89.6	34.9
Durham County	2,960	30.6	83.3	91.1	30.3	2,812	41.1	88.3	93.7	35.8
Northumberland	1,908	40.4	89.1	93.1	34.6	1,837	50.0	91.7	95.0	39.2
Tyne & Wear Met County	6,306	32.3	83.6	90.9	30.9	6,133	39.8	87.5	92.9	35.4
Gateshead	1,155	35.5	84.2	89.5	33.6	1,104	43.8	85.8	91.0	37.6
Newcastle upon Tyne	1,353	29.3	77.7	86.3	27.8	1,336	32.7	82.6	89.6	31.2
North Tyneside	1,008	39.5	88.9	92.5	33.8	1,029	49.5	91.7	94.0	38.8
South Tyneside	905	34.9	86.7	93.4	31.8	915	38.9	89.8	94.3	35.0
Sunderland	1,885	27.5	83.1	93.1	29.5	1,749	37.3	88.8	95.2	35.4
NORTH WEST GOR	40,169	37.2	85.4	92.3	32.6	39,170	47.4	89.2	94.2	37.6
Halton	817	28.8	84.3	93.0	29.6	767	39.2	89.2	94.3	34.9
Warrington	1,105	42.4	91.2	96.2	35.8	1,087	54.4	94.5	97.2	41.4
Cheshire	3,797	47.8	91.4	95.9	37.6	3,832	58.2	93.4	96.8	42.5
Cumbria	2,784	38.9	87.3	93.5	33.8	2,732	49.1	90.0	95.0	38.9
Greater Manchester Met County	14,871	35.4	84.7	91.6	31.5	14,319	45.8	88.9	94.0	36.8
Bolton	1,670	34.4	84.9	90.5	31.8	1,572	46.6	87.9	92.4	37.8
Bury	1,125	43.0	94.5	98.6	36.1	1,006	52.4	96.4	98.8	41.0
Manchester	1,941	22.4	72.2	83.4	24.0	2,001	34.9	82.0	91.1	31.2
Oldham	1,602	31.4	82.2	89.4	29.8	1,507	42.8	87.4	92.2	35.6
Rochdale	1,233	30.8	83.0	91.3	28.9	1,134	41.9	87.2	91.9	34.3
Salford	1,140	30.8	84.0	91.4	28.8	1,047	36.0	88.8	94.6	32.9
Stockport	1,536	45.2	90.2	94.9	35.3	1,536	55.1	90.7	95.1	39.1
Tameside	1,375	35.2	87.6	94.1	31.2	1,332	41.7	90.9	95.6	35.4
Trafford	1,269	48.8	88.3	93.5	37.7	1,315	59.5	91.6	95.0	41.7
Wigan	1,980	37.2	85.9	92.9	33.7	1,869	49.5	90.5	95.6	39.9
Blackburn with Darwin	935	32.3	85.2	92.2	31.4	945	39.3	88.6	95.0	35.9
Blackpool	608	30.3	83.2	93.9	29.3	668	38.6	84.3	92.4	33.6
Lancashire	6,669	41.3	88.3	94.3	35.0	6,402	52.9	91.7	95.4	40.3
Merseyside	8,583	32.9	80.7	89.2	30.4	8,418	41.9	85.4	91.8	34.8
Knowsley	886	20.1	70.0	81.5	22.6	877	25.8	78.1	86.2	27.1
Liverpool	2,839	26.3	73.6	85.9	26.1	2,735	35.8	81.4	90.3	31.4
St Helens	1,127	33.9	86.2	91.9	31.6	1,129	45.2	88.8	93.7	36.2
Sefton	1,736	40.2	90.4	93.1	35.4	1,707	48.7	92.3	95.6	39.7
Wirral	1,995	40.9	83.9	92.4	35.2	1,970	49.8	86.2	91.8	37.8

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LEA	BOYS					GIRLS				
	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old
		5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades			5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER GOR	29,212	33.7	83.4	90.7	30.7	27,744	44.1	87.6	92.9	36.0
East Riding of Yorkshire	1,823	40.6	89.3	94.5	34.6	1,761	53.5	91.8	95.6	40.0
Kingston-upon-Hull UA	1,568	18.6	74.8	85.5	23.3	1,413	27.6	79.9	87.9	27.8
North East Lincolnshire UA	1,081	29.8	79.3	88.1	28.8	1,024	36.9	86.3	91.8	32.9
North Lincolnshire UA	994	37.0	89.8	95.7	33.7	946	46.8	91.2	96.5	38.5
York UA	843	44.4	90.2	94.3	36.0	812	53.7	93.0	95.8	41.0
North Yorkshire	3,223	50.6	90.3	95.4	38.5	3,073	62.4	93.8	97.0	44.1
South Yorkshire Met County	7,515	30.2	81.8	89.3	29.3	6,903	40.9	86.3	91.9	34.6
Barnsley	1,388	24.6	79.9	88.8	26.3	1,134	36.1	84.9	92.2	32.9
Doncaster	1,849	29.2	80.6	88.6	28.6	1,713	39.3	85.6	91.0	33.7
Rotherham	1,726	30.8	82.4	89.6	30.1	1,661	43.0	87.1	92.7	35.4
Sheffield	2,552	33.5	83.3	89.8	30.8	2,395	42.9	86.8	91.9	35.6
West Yorkshire Met County	12,165	31.5	82.1	90.0	29.4	11,812	41.5	86.6	92.1	34.8
Bradford	3,034	25.0	76.9	87.5	25.6	2,892	34.3	82.9	90.5	31.1
Calderdale	1,155	33.6	83.6	92.4	30.9	1,174	45.1	87.8	93.7	36.5
Kirklees	2,291	34.2	84.4	90.7	31.1	2,228	45.5	89.1	93.1	37.0
Leeds	3,879	33.6	83.1	89.6	30.1	3,735	42.3	85.6	90.6	34.9
Wakefield	1,806	33.3	85.0	92.9	30.8	1,783	44.2	90.9	95.6	36.5
EAST MIDLANDS GOR	23,616	37.5	85.7	92.8	32.7	22,747	48.7	89.8	94.8	38.2
Derby UA	1,321	34.6	86.1	94.2	31.2	1,297	41.9	88.7	93.6	35.0
Derbyshire County	4,000	40.1	88.5	94.3	34.4	3,787	51.8	91.3	96.1	40.0
Leicester UA	1,781	31.4	77.4	89.8	28.0	1,709	38.3	83.1	92.5	32.0
Rutland UA	233	38.6	94.4	98.7	36.6	187	50.8	94.7	96.8	42.0
Leicestershire County	3,415	39.3	87.6	93.3	33.5	3,268	52.7	91.3	95.4	39.4
Lincolnshire	3,510	41.9	87.0	93.1	34.4	3,410	55.1	92.2	95.6	40.8
Northamptonshire	3,576	39.4	89.0	94.2	34.9	3,488	49.8	92.0	96.0	40.2
Nottingham City	1,309	21.5	70.7	84.6	23.4	1,314	31.0	77.1	88.4	28.6
Nottinghamshire	4,471	36.6	85.4	92.8	32.3	4,287	48.2	90.6	94.6	38.2
WEST MIDLANDS GOR	30,977	36.0	85.0	92.5	32.0	29,936	46.7	89.1	94.3	37.3
Hereford	836	40.8	86.6	94.1	34.4	808	54.5	92.3	95.4	41.0
Worcester	2,953	39.8	85.4	92.1	33.4	2,839	51.8	89.2	94.0	39.4
The Wrekin	1,046	41.6	89.7	94.5	36.4	899	49.9	90.1	93.9	38.9
Shropshire	1,528	46.3	91.6	97.0	37.6	1,522	60.2	95.4	98.0	44.3
Stoke on Trent UA	1,397	28.6	83.0	91.6	28.5	1,302	36.9	86.6	92.0	32.5
Staffordshire County	4,731	39.7	88.3	94.5	33.8	4,589	50.5	91.9	95.3	39.1
Warwickshire	2,708	40.8	90.0	94.1	34.8	2,665	51.4	91.6	95.6	39.5
West Midlands Met County	15,778	32.4	82.2	91.2	30.0	15,312	42.7	87.2	93.6	35.4
Birmingham	5,930	30.4	79.9	90.6	29.1	5,582	41.8	86.8	93.4	35.2
Coventry	1,749	31.3	82.9	90.2	29.9	1,718	43.0	87.4	92.7	35.3
Dudley	1,886	38.9	85.2	93.6	32.5	1,774	50.0	90.0	95.5	38.1
Sandwell	1,782	24.0	81.6	89.0	26.7	1,737	33.6	85.0	91.5	30.6
Solihull	1,439	47.7	88.5	95.6	36.4	1,393	56.9	91.8	96.3	41.9
Walsall	1,694	32.0	81.1	91.6	30.0	1,704	37.3	83.7	93.9	33.7
Wolverhampton	1,298	29.2	82.5	89.4	28.2	1,404	40.0	87.6	92.9	34.6

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LEA	BOYS					GIRLS				
	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old	Number of 15 year olds	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE/GNVQ point score per 15 year old
		5+ A*-C	5+ A*-G	1+ A*-G			5+ A*-C	5+ A*-G	1+ A*-G	
		grades	grades	grades			grades	grades	grades	
EASTERN GOR	29,138	43.1	88.9	94.4	36.0	28,597	53.8	92.2	95.9	41.5
Luton UA	1,079	32.8	90.3	96.0	34.4	1,041	37.4	94.6	99.8	37.5
Bedfordshire County	2,223	42.7	89.7	93.8	36.4	2,108	50.7	92.1	95.4	41.0
Peterborough	1,069	37.9	86.9	92.5	33.9	1,029	44.8	88.0	92.8	37.2
Cambridgeshire	2,609	46.0	88.8	95.0	37.4	2,583	57.3	91.9	95.7	43.0
Southend	939	43.7	81.5	89.6	36.2	809	53.9	86.5	92.3	41.0
Thurrock	701	29.0	82.0	91.4	29.9	786	39.4	89.6	94.3	36.6
Essex	7,125	42.2	89.2	94.3	35.9	7,134	54.9	93.0	96.2	42.1
Hertfordshire	5,832	47.2	89.5	95.0	37.0	5,739	61.0	93.4	96.2	43.4
Norfolk	4,006	41.8	86.6	93.6	34.2	3,942	50.3	90.4	95.4	39.1
Suffolk	3,555	44.9	92.7	96.1	37.9	3,426	54.1	93.5	96.4	42.3
LONDON GOR	32,976	36.5	84.2	92.9	32.6	32,536	47.7	89.8	95.4	38.7
Inner London Boroughs	10,342	27.3	79.1	91.8	28.2	10,492	37.5	86.9	95.0	34.4
Camden	704	39.5	83.2	92.9	32.5	1,013	50.1	89.0	94.1	39.0
Hackney	534	20.0	72.8	93.1	25.2	834	30.6	82.6	93.0	32.7
Hammersmith & Fulham	507	44.6	84.6	93.5	34.6	474	42.4	85.0	93.5	37.8
Haringey	944	21.6	74.9	90.8	24.7	861	32.1	81.2	93.8	30.0
Islington	829	20.4	76.5	91.2	24.4	577	27.4	78.2	88.7	29.3
Kensington & Chelsea	287	46.0	80.5	90.2	37.6	262	44.7	85.5	95.0	37.8
Lambeth	546	25.3	82.4	92.7	28.5	706	31.6	88.1	95.3	33.1
Lewisham	1,076	27.7	79.9	93.3	28.5	980	38.5	88.5	94.9	34.0
Newham	1,331	28.9	86.4	95.3	31.2	1,402	38.9	91.4	98.1	35.6
Southwark	899	20.9	70.3	87.8	24.0	896	37.3	89.2	99.9	34.5
Tower Hamlets	1,145	24.2	81.8	93.8	27.4	1,109	31.2	89.4	96.3	33.3
Wandsworth	909	28.7	78.0	91.0	29.3	724	42.1	89.4	96.1	36.9
Westminster. City of	631	25.0	73.2	83.8	25.5	654	43.6	82.6	90.7	35.0
Outer London Boroughs	22,634	40.7	86.6	93.4	34.7	22,044	52.6	91.2	95.6	40.8
Barking & Dagenham	910	26.8	80.8	90.7	27.9	776	36.6	88.8	95.1	32.6
Barnet	1,645	50.5	87.7	92.0	38.1	1,599	62.2	91.2	95.1	45.5
Bexley	1,266	41.9	90.2	94.7	34.9	1,228	53.3	93.9	97.0	41.2
Brent	1,067	37.2	86.0	92.4	33.1	1,121	52.0	92.1	96.0	40.1
Bromley	1,502	49.0	91.6	95.5	38.7	1,476	61.9	95.3	97.6	44.3
Croydon	1,604	32.9	83.9	94.0	31.2	1,623	46.1	88.8	94.5	38.6
Ealing	1,179	36.9	85.0	92.6	32.4	1,248	51.8	90.9	95.9	40.4
Enfield	1,593	37.5	87.3	94.1	33.6	1,488	45.7	89.9	95.1	37.2
Greenwich	1,118	26.4	74.4	86.7	27.7	1,215	39.3	86.0	93.1	35.2
Harrow	1,067	46.6	90.7	95.7	37.3	1,007	59.4	92.7	95.7	43.1
Havering	1,393	45.8	89.8	95.5	37.2	1,329	54.6	93.2	96.1	42.3
Hillingdon	1,266	38.4	86.0	92.3	33.5	1,203	49.9	89.9	94.3	39.5
Hounslow	1,259	41.3	84.5	93.4	33.7	1,233	51.8	90.3	97.5	40.8
Kingston upon Thames	616	51.5	83.8	90.3	39.3	711	64.7	91.8	94.4	46.4
Merton	807	30.9	81.3	91.2	29.7	782	44.0	88.5	93.4	36.6
Redbridge	1,367	48.5	91.6	97.1	40.1	1,268	61.4	93.9	98.3	45.2
Richmond upon Thames	729	45.7	92.6	96.4	37.4	708	55.6	92.5	96.3	42.2
Sutton	1,028	54.4	90.2	94.7	41.6	936	61.8	93.3	96.3	45.6
Waltham Forest	1,218	30.2	84.2	91.5	29.8	1,093	45.0	88.7	93.1	36.5

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		5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades			5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	
SOUTH EAST GOR	40,752	43.9	89.3	94.2	36.3	39,124	54.7	92.3	95.7	41.5
Bracknell Forest	532	38.9	90.8	94.5	33.9	515	52.0	92.6	95.9	39.5
Reading	469	37.7	78.3	86.8	35.7	443	47.9	85.3	91.2	40.0
Slough	629	39.1	89.3	95.7	34.2	625	46.7	93.3	97.3	39.1
West Berkshire	881	47.3	93.8	96.5	37.6	807	62.3	96.0	97.5	43.2
Windsor & Maidenhead	788	55.7	93.3	97.0	40.9	675	59.0	95.3	97.8	43.2
Wokingham	874	53.2	91.4	95.9	38.1	759	59.7	93.7	96.0	43.6
Milton Keynes UA	1,256	28.7	85.3	92.8	32.4	1,110	41.2	89.7	94.5	38.4
Buckinghamshire County	2,580	55.0	90.2	95.2	41.8	2,544	64.1	92.0	95.1	44.0
Brighton and Hove UA	1,015	38.1	83.2	91.3	32.7	970	46.5	86.2	92.9	36.8
East Sussex County	2,240	41.3	87.6	93.5	35.0	2,296	52.4	92.4	95.7	41.0
Portsmouth UA	840	25.1	80.7	86.1	27.9	833	36.3	85.8	90.0	32.2
Southampton UA	1,086	33.9	87.1	93.3	32.7	1,080	48.1	91.6	96.5	40.4
Hampshire County	6,586	45.3	92.4	95.8	37.9	6,048	57.7	94.3	96.9	43.0
Isle of Wight	654	32.1	85.0	92.0	31.0	712	46.8	91.4	95.5	38.7
Kent	7,302	44.5	88.6	94.3	35.9	7,100	54.0	91.5	95.9	40.3
Rochester & Gillingham	1,501	38.1	88.2	94.5	32.9	1,558	49.2	91.2	94.7	38.7
Oxfordshire	3,002	40.4	86.0	92.8	34.4	2,864	52.9	90.6	95.3	41.1
Surrey	4,712	48.5	91.2	94.2	38.3	4,424	59.1	93.5	95.6	43.7
West Sussex	3,805	46.0	91.6	94.8	37.3	3,761	57.5	93.6	95.9	43.4
SOUTH WEST GOR	25,739	43.4	89.5	95.1	36.1	24,672	54.1	92.5	96.0	41.2
Bath & NE Somerset UA	990	47.4	88.8	94.8	37.2	958	59.3	94.7	98.2	43.3
Bristol UA	1,563	25.0	77.4	87.5	26.6	1,448	33.2	83.6	90.8	31.4
North Somerset UA	1,074	45.4	89.3	96.6	36.4	990	59.2	93.0	96.9	42.1
South Gloucestershire UA	1,474	39.9	89.9	94.0	34.9	1,276	51.2	93.8	95.9	40.2
Cornwall	2,757	45.3	92.3	97.4	37.6	2,617	57.1	94.1	97.3	42.4
Isles of Scilly	10	60.0	100.0	100.0	46.2	11	72.7	100.0	100.0	47.7
Plymouth	1,535	37.7	89.6	94.0	34.3	1,452	49.8	91.9	95.6	39.5
Torbay	682	43.7	88.4	95.6	35.7	669	52.3	87.3	91.9	38.5
Devon	3,398	41.4	89.7	95.9	35.7	3,249	53.0	92.5	96.8	41.1
Bournemouth UA	786	46.1	87.4	93.8	36.7	789	52.3	91.9	96.1	41.8
Poole UA	830	46.5	91.9	95.7	39.1	768	60.4	92.7	95.4	44.3
Dorset County	1,943	43.8	91.5	95.3	36.5	1,945	56.2	93.9	96.2	42.4
Gloucestershire	3,070	49.8	91.5	95.9	38.9	3,004	59.7	93.8	96.5	43.5
Somerset	2,490	47.0	91.0	96.3	37.6	2,357	55.7	93.8	97.2	42.6
Swindon UA	997	40.3	87.0	93.5	33.3	982	46.9	90.7	95.3	36.8
Wiltshire County	2,140	47.1	89.5	95.0	37.5	2,157	56.7	92.6	95.4	42.4
England Average	268,111	38.6	86.3	93.0	33.5	259,427	49.2	90.2	94.8	38.8

(1) Number of pupils on roll aged 15 at the start of the 1996/97 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Including LEA-maintained schools, Grant-Maintained schools, special schools, and City Technology Colleges.

(3) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

TABLE 3:
GCSE/GNVQ achievements in maintained schools (1) (2) by 15 year old (3) pupils in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (4)

LEA	Number of schools	Percentage of pupils with 5+ A*-C GCSE grades or GNVQ	Percentage of maintained schools in which the following percentages of pupils achieved 5+ GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent					
			Under 10	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-59	60-Plus
NORTH EAST GOR	168	37.9	4	11	21	29	26	9
Hartlepool UA	6	35.3	0	17	17	33	33	0
Middlesbrough UA	12	28.2	33	0	25	17	25	0
Redcar & Cleveland UA	13	39.1	0	31	23	8	23	15
Stockton on Tees UA	14	41.4	0	14	14	21	36	14
Darlington UA	7	37.9	0	14	14	43	29	0
Durham County	36	36.3	0	3	39	28	28	3
Northumberland	16	45.9	0	0	13	38	31	19
Tyne & Wear Met County	64	36.9	3	14	16	34	22	11
Gateshead	13	40.4	0	31	8	31	8	23
Newcastle upon Tyne	12	31.9	17	17	17	17	33	0
North Tyneside	11	45.5	0	0	0	45	27	27
South Tyneside	11	37.9	0	0	27	36	36	0
Sunderland	17	32.9	0	18	24	41	12	6
NORTH WEST GOR	391	44.3	1	7	17	23	35	17
Halton	9	34.9	0	22	22	22	22	11
Warrington	12	49.2	0	0	17	17	42	25
Cheshire	46	53.6	0	0	13	11	39	37
Cumbria	42	44.1	0	0	21	26	40	12
Greater Manchester Met County	176	41.3	2	13	18	25	30	13
Bolton	16	40.9	0	6	13	44	31	6
Bury	14	47.8	0	0	21	0	50	29
Manchester	28	29.6	4	32	21	29	11	4
Oldham	15	37.9	0	20	13	33	20	13
Rochdale	14	36.7	0	7	21	21	50	0
Salford	18	33.9	6	17	28	28	17	6
Stockport	14	51.0	0	0	7	14	57	21
Tameside	18	39.0	0	11	6	44	33	6
Trafford	18	55.2	0	11	28	11	11	39
Wigan	21	44.3	5	5	19	19	38	14
Blackburn with Darwin	9	36.7	0	11	11	33	44	0
Blackpool	8	35.4	0	13	38	25	25	0
Lancashire	89	47.8	0	3	12	24	42	19
MERSEYSIDE	103	38.2	7	16	27	14	20	17
Knowsley	11	23.7	0	36	45	18	0	0
Liverpool	35	31.8	20	20	23	9	14	14
St Helens	12	40.5	0	8	25	25	33	8
Sefton	22	45.1	0	14	18	9	41	18
Wirral	23	46.2	0	4	35	17	13	30

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GCSE/GNVQ achievements in maintained schools (1) (2) by 15 year old (3) pupils in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (4)

LEA	Number of schools	Percentage of pupils with 5+ A*-C GCSE grades or GNVQ	Percentage of maintained schools in which the following percentages of pupils achieved 5+ GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent					
			Under 10	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-59	60-Plus
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER	316	39.3	3	11	22	20	32	12
East Riding of Yorkshire	18	47.8	0	0	11	17	67	6
Kingston-upon-Hull UA	16	23.3	19	19	38	13	13	0
North East Lincolnshire UA	12	33.6	8	17	42	0	17	17
North Lincolnshire UA	14	42.2	0	0	7	29	57	7
York UA	12	50.0	0	8	17	17	33	25
North Yorkshire	42	57.1	2	0	5	7	50	36
South Yorkshire Met County	75	35.9	0	15	33	21	24	7
Barnsley	14	30.0	0	21	36	36	7	0
Doncaster	17	34.7	0	6	65	0	24	6
Rotherham	17	37.5	0	6	29	24	41	0
Sheffield	27	38.6	0	22	15	26	22	15
West Yorkshire Met County	127	37.0	5	14	20	25	27	9
Bradford	25	29.9	8	24	16	32	12	8
Calderdale	15	39.7	7	13	20	33	13	13
Kirklees	25	40.5	0	12	20	36	16	16
Leeds	44	38.3	7	16	20	14	34	9
Wakefield	18	39.6	0	0	22	22	56	0
EAST MIDLANDS GOR	280	43.5	4	10	16	18	38	14
Derby UA	15	38.9	7	13	27	7	33	13
Derbyshire County	47	46.3	0	2	17	11	53	17
Leicester UA	21	35.7	10	14	24	14	38	0
Rutland UA	3	44.0	0	0	0	33	33	33
Leicestershire County	18	46.1	0	0	6	17	67	11
Lincolnshire	63	49.3	5	17	17	11	22	27
Northamptonshire	41	45.2	0	7	5	29	46	12
Nottingham City	22	26.9	23	27	23	5	14	9
Nottinghamshire	50	42.7	0	2	18	34	40	6
WEST MIDLANDS GOR	381	42.1	3	10	18	21	34	15
Hereford	14	47.8	0	7	0	29	43	21
Worcester	30	46.6	0	7	3	23	57	10
The Wrekin	14	46.5	7	7	21	7	29	29
Shropshire	22	53.6	0	0	0	14	59	27
Stoke on Trent UA	17	33.1	6	0	41	24	24	6
Staffordshire County	55	45.7	0	4	5	31	45	15
Warwickshire	37	47.0	0	3	11	32	32	22
West Midlands Met County	192	38.4	4	16	26	16	25	13
Birmingham	79	36.9	9	22	23	13	20	14
Coventry	19	38.1	0	11	21	26	37	5
Dudley	22	45.3	0	5	23	9	59	5
Sandwell	20	29.4	0	20	30	40	10	0
Solihull	14	53.2	0	14	7	7	21	50
Walsall	20	35.3	0	20	40	10	20	10
Wolverhampton	18	35.6	6	6	44	17	17	11

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GCSE/GNVQ achievements in maintained schools (1) (2) by 15 year old (3) pupils in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (4)

LEA	Number of schools	Percentage of pupils with 5+ A*-C GCSE grades or GNVQ	Percentage of maintained schools in which the following percentages of pupils achieved 5+ GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent					
			Under 10	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-59	60-Plus
EASTERN GOR	330	49.5	0	4	10	19	41	26
Luton UA	12	35.7	0	0	33	42	25	0
Bedfordshire County	18	47.5	6	6	0	22	56	11
Peterborough	13	42.2	0	8	8	38	38	8
Cambridgeshire	29	52.4	0	0	7	14	45	34
Southend	12	49.8	0	8	33	8	8	42
Thurrock	10	35.1	0	30	10	40	10	10
Essex	80	49.3	0	5	8	20	40	28
Hertfordshire	79	55.1	0	3	11	16	30	39
Norfolk	52	46.6	0	2	10	23	54	12
Suffolk	38	50.0	0	0	5	11	58	26
LONDON GOR	404	42.9	1	12	20	16	32	20
Inner London Boroughs	136	33.3	2	24	26	13	25	9
Camden	11	46.6	0	18	9	0	55	18
Hackney	9	27.7	0	22	33	33	0	11
Hammersmith & Fulham	8	45.7	0	38	13	0	13	38
Haringey	10	27.0	0	50	10	20	20	0
Islington	9	23.7	0	33	56	0	11	0
Kensington & Chelsea	4	45.9	0	0	25	0	50	25
Lambeth	10	29.9	0	20	30	20	30	0
Lewisham	14	33.8	0	29	29	14	14	14
Newham	14	34.2	0	21	29	14	36	0
Southwark	14	29.9	7	21	21	7	43	0
Tower Hamlets	15	28.4	7	13	40	27	13	0
Wandsworth	10	36.9	10	20	20	10	30	10
Westminster, City of	8	34.7	0	25	25	13	13	25
Outer London Boroughs	268	47.4	0	5	16	18	35	26
Barking & Dagenham	8	31.7	0	13	38	25	25	0
Barnet	21	56.9	0	5	10	10	33	43
Bexley	16	48.1	0	0	44	13	19	25
Brent	13	45.3	8	0	0	23	69	0
Bromley	17	56.3	0	0	0	29	24	47
Croydon	23	40.2	0	13	13	22	35	17
Ealing	12	45.8	0	0	17	17	50	17
Enfield	16	42.0	0	13	25	13	31	19
Greenwich	14	34.3	0	14	29	21	14	21
Harrow	10	53.4	0	0	0	10	70	20
Havering	18	50.6	0	6	11	22	28	33
Hillingdon	15	44.9	0	7	20	7	47	20
Hounslow	14	47.1	0	0	21	7	43	29
Kingston upon Thames	10	59.8	0	0	10	0	50	40
Merton	9	38.2	0	22	11	22	33	11
Redbridge	15	55.6	0	0	0	27	33	40
Richmond upon Thames	8	51.1	0	0	13	13	38	38
Sutton	13	59.0	0	0	15	15	15	54
Waltham Forest	16	37.9	0	6	31	31	31	0

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GCSE/GNVQ achievements in maintained schools (1) (2) by 15 year old (3) pupils in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (4)

LEA	Number of schools	Percentage of pupils with 5+ A*-C GCSE grades or GNVQ	Percentage of maintained schools in which the following percentages of pupils achieved 5+ GCSE grades A*-C or the GNVQ equivalent					
			Under 10	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-59	60-Plus
SOUTH EAST GOR	478	50.3	2	7	11	15	34	30
Bracknell Forest	6	46.1	0	0	17	17	50	17
Reading	8	45.1	0	25	0	38	13	25
Slough	11	43.6	9	36	18	0	0	36
West Berkshire	11	55.5	0	0	0	27	27	45
Windsor & Maidenhead	10	58.0	0	0	10	20	30	40
Wokingham	9	57.4	0	0	0	22	33	44
Milton Keynes UA	8	35.3	0	13	38	0	38	13
Buckinghamshire County	34	61.4	0	9	9	18	26	38
Brighton and Hove UA	10	43.5	0	20	10	10	60	0
East Sussex County	25	47.9	4	0	8	28	36	24
Portsmouth UA	8	31.9	13	13	25	13	38	0
Southampton UA	14	42.0	0	7	29	14	43	7
Hampshire County	71	52.2	1	3	6	8	48	34
Isle of Wight	5	40.6	0	0	0	40	60	0
Kent	105	50.3	5	13	17	16	15	33
Rochester & Gillingham	20	44.2	0	25	25	10	10	30
Oxfordshire	35	47.3	3	0	6	17	57	17
Surrey	52	55.1	0	0	6	17	38	38
West Sussex	36	52.8	0	0	8	8	56	28
SOUTH WEST GOR	278	49.9	1	3	10	14	51	22
Bath & NE Somerset UA	13	54.5	0	0	8	15	46	31
Bristol UA	22	30.1	9	18	36	23	5	9
North Somerset UA	10	52.8	0	0	0	0	80	20
South Gloucestershire UA	15	46.1	0	0	7	27	47	20
Cornwall	31	51.4	0	0	0	16	74	10
Isles of Scilly	1	66.7	0	0	0	0	0	100
Plymouth	18	44.8	0	17	17	11	28	28
Torbay	8	49.7	0	13	13	13	13	50
Devon	37	47.6	0	0	8	11	73	8
Bournemouth UA	10	50.4	0	10	10	30	20	30
Poole UA	8	53.9	0	13	13	0	38	38
Dorset County	20	50.7	0	0	5	5	75	15
Gloucestershire	42	56.0	0	2	7	17	33	40
Somerset	30	52.0	0	0	10	13	47	30
Swindon UA	11	44.7	0	9	9	18	45	18
Wiltshire County	28	52.6	0	0	14	4	57	25
TOTAL ENGLAND	3,129	44.6	2	8	16	19	35	19

(1) Excluding special schools and including City Technology Colleges.

(2) Excluding schools with less than five 15 year old pupils.

(3) Number of pupils on roll aged 15 at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(4) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

TABLE 4:
GCSE attempts and achievements (1) in selected subjects by 15 year old pupils in schools (2) by the end of 1997/98 (3)

Thousands

	Attempted GCSE			Achieved grade A*-C			Achieved grade A*-G		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Any Subject	275.2	269.1	544.4	194.4	215.3	409.7	270.8	266.1	536.8
English/Mathematics	255.9	256.5	512.5	101.5	117.4	218.9	243.9	245.5	489.5
Mathematics/Science	258.7	255.1	513.7	107.5	109.0	216.5	244.1	242.4	486.5
English/Mathematics/Science	251.9	252.5	504.4	92.8	105.1	197.9	238.7	240.7	479.4
English/Mathematics/Science and a Modern Language	206.6	224.6	431.2	67.0	91.1	158.1	196.5	215.2	411.7
English	259.6	261.0	520.0	124.6	167.0	291.6	256.3	258.4	514.7
Mathematics	265.9	261.0	526.9	124.9	125.1	250.0	251.7	248.5	500.2
Any Science	263.6	259.2	522.8	129.7	130.9	260.7	255.6	252.8	508.3
Single Award Science	26.1	26.3	52.4	4.1	5.8	9.8	23.7	24.5	48.2
Double Award Science	214.2	217.1	431.3	104.1	110.5	214.6	208.6	212.5	421.2
Physics	22.4	13.8	36.2	19.9	12.3	32.2	22.2	13.8	36.0
Chemistry	22.1	14.4	36.5	19.8	13.1	32.9	22.0	14.4	36.4
Biological Sciences	22.4	14.5	37.9	19.6	13.9	33.5	22.2	15.4	37.6
Other Sciences	2.6	1.2	3.8	1.1	0.4	1.5	2.4	1.2	3.6
Design & Technology(4)	195.6	179.9	375.5	81.5	100.7	182.2	185.7	174.7	360.4
Computer Studies	25.2	17.4	42.7	13.4	10.7	24.1	24.2	16.9	41.1
Information Systems(4)	15.6	10.0	25.7	7.8	5.5	13.3	15.0	9.7	24.7
Business Studies	47.4	41.0	88.5	22.9	21.8	44.7	45.3	39.6	84.9
Home Economics	3.5	38.6	42.0	1.0	16.8	17.8	3.1	36.6	39.7
Geography	132.4	103.5	235.9	69.3	60.8	130.1	128.5	100.9	229.4
History	92.4	96.7	189.1	51.0	59.1	110.1	88.5	94.0	182.5
Music	16.5	21.6	38.2	10.2	15.7	25.9	157.9	21.2	37.0
Any Modern Language	213.6	231.1	444.7	86.2	126.8	213.0	209.4	228.1	437.5
French	146.2	160.9	307.3	59.6	89.6	149.1	143.6	159.0	302.6
German	60.6	66.8	127.4	28.6	40.8	69.4	59.6	66.1	125.7
Spanish	16.4	22.4	38.8	7.0	13.0	20.0	15.9	22.1	38.0
Other Modern Languages	8.3	9.8	18.2	5.4	7.4	12.9	8.1	9.7	17.8
Art and Design	88.6	92.2	180.7	44.9	65.9	110.9	86.0	90.7	176.8
Classical Studies	7.0	6.5	13.5	6.0	5.8	11.8	6.8	6.4	13.2
Physical Education	54.2	29.5	83.7	26.4	15.5	42.0	53.6	29.1	82.7
Religious Education	37.7	56.5	94.2	17.2	34.5	51.7	35.2	54.8	90.0
Any other subjects	228.0	224.1	472.1	127.0	173.2	300.2	223.3	241.2	464.4

(1) For each subject, only one attempt is counted - that which achieved the highest grade.

(2) Those in all schools who were 15 at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(3) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

(4) Combined syllabuses for Design and Technology and Information Systems are shown with the main subjects.

TABLE 5:
GCSE attempts and achievements (1) in selected subjects by 15 year old pupils in schools (2) by the end of 1997/98 (3)

Percentages of the 15 year old pupils in schools

	Attempted GCSE			Achieved grade A*-C			Achieved grade A*-G		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Any Subject (000s)	275	269	544	194	215	410	271	266	537
Any Subject	94	96	95	66	76	71	92	94	93
English/Mathematics	87	91	89	35	42	38	83	87	85
Mathematics/Science	88	91	89	37	39	38	83	86	85
English/Mathematics/Science	86	90	88	32	37	34	81	85	83
English/Mathematics/Science and a Modern Language	70	80	75	23	32	27	67	76	72
English	88	92	90	42	59	51	87	92	89
Mathematics	91	93	92	43	44	43	86	88	87
Any Science	90	92	91	44	46	45	87	90	88
Single Award Science	9	9	9	1	2	2	8	9	8
Double Award Science	73	77	75	35	39	37	71	75	73
Physics	8	5	6	7	4	6	8	5	6
Chemistry	8	5	6	7	5	6	7	5	6
Biological Sciences	8	6	7	7	5	6	8	5	7
Other Sciences	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Design & Technology (4)	67	64	65	28	36	32	63	62	63
Computer Studies	9	6	7	5	4	4	8	6	7
Information Systems (4)	5	4	4	3	2	2	5	3	4
Business Studies	16	15	15	8	8	8	15	14	15
Home Economics	1	14	7	0	6	3	1	13	7
Geography	45	37	41	24	22	23	44	36	40
History	31	34	33	17	21	19	30	33	32
Music	6	8	7	3	6	5	5	8	6
Any Modern Language	73	82	77	29	45	37	71	81	76
French	50	57	53	20	32	26	49	56	53
German	21	24	22	10	14	12	20	23	22
Spanish	6	8	7	2	5	3	5	8	7
Other Modern Languages	3	4	3	2	3	2	3	3	3
Art and Design	30	33	31	15	23	19	29	32	31
Classical Studies	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Physical Education	18	10	15	9	6	7	18	10	14
Religious Education	13	20	16	6	12	9	12	19	16
Any other subjects	78	87	82	43	62	52	76	86	81

(1) For each subject, only one attempt is counted - that which achieved the highest grade.

(2) Those in all schools who were 15 at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(3) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

(4) Combined syllabuses for Design & Technology and Information Systems are shown with the main subject.

TABLE 6:
GCSE/GNVQ attempts and achievements by students in schools and Further Education sector colleges in 1997/98 (1)(2)

	Males				Females				Average number of attempts per candidate
	Entered for 1+ GCSEs or GNVQ equivalent	Percentage of those attempting at least 1 GCSE or GNVQ equivalent achieving			Entered for 1+ GCSEs or GNVQ equivalent	Percentage of those attempting at least 1 GCSE or GNVQ equivalent achieving			
		5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades		5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	
Maintained Schools (3)(4)									
Under 15	14,241	2.5	3.2	94.1	14,915	2.8	3.4	95.6	1.2
15	253,684	40.6	91.1	98.3	248,468	51.1	94.0	98.8	8.7
16	25,088	3.0	9.4	93.8	25,545	2.7	7.5	93.8	1.9
17-Plus	6,631	0.2	0.9	88.9	10,728	0.1	0.5	88.6	1.2
Total	299,644	34.8	78.1	97.5	299,656	42.8	78.7	97.8	7.5
Independent Schools (3)									
Under 15	6,313	7.7	8.5	99.1	4,610	13.9	14.5	99.4	2.1
15	20,032	85.2	93.4	99.7	18,625	88.9	95.0	99.9	8.5
16	4,314	26.1	37.5	98.2	3,394	24.8	32.1	98.1	3.7
17-Plus	1,741	3.3	7.6	95.4	1,654	3.4	7.0	95.8	1.7
Total	32,400	57.8	64.8	99.2	28,283	64.0	69.2	99.3	6.4
Sixth Form Colleges									
Under 15	46	2.2	4.3	95.7	86	1.2	1.2	96.5	1.2
15	78	6.4	12.8	93.6	123	5.7	15.4	94.3	2.2
16	8,916	1.7	8.5	95.7	9,478	1.5	6.1	95.7	1.8
17-Plus	4,966	0.2	1.0	90.6	5,947	0.1	0.4	91.3	1.2
Total	14,006	1.2	5.9	93.9	15,634	1.0	4.0	94.0	1.6
Other FE Sector Colleges									
Under 15	265	0.4	0.4	90.6	416	0.5	0.5	95.7	1.1
15	663	2.4	5.0	86.3	677	2.5	6.4	88.2	2.3
16	15,146	1.0	4.6	88.9	15,710	0.9	3.5	89.6	1.8
17-Plus	26,540	0.1	0.5	82.8	42,886	0.1	0.3	85.6	1.2
Total	42,614	0.5	2.0	85.1	59,689	0.3	1.2	86.7	1.4
All FE Sector Colleges									
Under 15	311	0.6	1.0	91.3	502	0.6	0.6	95.8	1.1
15	741	2.8	5.8	87.0	800	3.0	7.8	89.1	2.3
16	24,062	1.3	6.0	91.4	25,188	1.1	4.5	91.9	1.8
17-Plus	31,506	0.2	0.6	84.0	48,833	0.1	0.3	86.3	1.2
Total	56,620	0.7	3.0	87.2	75,323	0.5	1.8	88.2	1.5
All Establishments									
Under 15	20,865	4.0	4.7	95.6	20,027	5.3	5.9	96.4	1.4
15	274,457	43.8	91.0	98.4	267,893	53.6	93.8	98.8	8.6
16	53,464	4.1	10.2	93.1	54,127	3.4	7.6	93.2	2.0
17-Plus	39,878	0.3	0.9	85.3	61,215	0.2	0.5	87.0	1.2
Total	388,664	31.7	66.0	96.1	403,262	36.4	63.7	96.2	6.4

(1) Attempts and passes in the 1997/98 academic year only.

(2) Ages as at 31 August 1997.

(3) Including special schools.

(4) Including City Technology Colleges.

TABLE 7:
GCSE results of 15 year olds (1) in educational establishments, analysed by subject and grade – by the end of 1997/98 (2)

Subjects	Grades obtained										Thousands
											Total
	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U	X	Entries
SCIENCES											
Biological Science	4.7	10.6	10.6	7.6	2.8	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	38.1
Chemistry	5.4	10.2	10.2	7.2	2.4	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	36.6
Physics	6.3	9.3	9.4	7.2	2.7	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	36.3
Single Award Science	0.2	0.6	1.7	7.4	10.4	12.2	10.1	5.7	3.8	0.4	52.5
Double Award Science	15.3	33.8	55.2	110.2	92.1	64.7	36.1	13.8	8.9	0.8	431.6
Other Science	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.0	3.9
Mathematics	12.8	47.1	88.8	108.7	81.6	85.3	55.4	31.0	24.0	3.1	537.9
Design & Technology (3)	8.5	35.8	52.9	87.0	73.0	55.1	35.1	18.4	11.8	3.8	381.4
Computer Studies	1.9	4.4	6.5	11.4	7.7	5.1	2.9	1.4	1.2	0.3	42.8
Information Systems (3)	0.5	2.4	4.3	6.1	4.8	3.3	2.3	1.1	0.8	0.2	25.7
Home Economics	0.8	2.8	4.7	9.8	8.5	7.0	4.6	2.6	1.9	0.5	43.2
SOCIAL SCIENCES											
Business Studies	2.3	7.5	12.4	22.5	16.3	11.7	7.8	4.4	2.9	0.6	88.5
Geography	10.9	28.6	38.5	52.2	42.2	29.4	18.7	9.1	5.4	1.1	236.2
History	9.6	27.4	37.4	35.7	26.1	21.2	15.7	9.5	5.6	1.0	189.2
Economics	0.2	0.7	1.2	1.4	1.0	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	5.8
Humanities	0.4	1.5	3.0	4.2	4.1	3.8	2.8	1.6	0.9	0.1	22.4
Social Studies	0.3	1.3	2.5	4.2	3.0	2.1	1.3	0.7	0.7	0.2	16.2
Physical Education	3.0	8.4	14.4	16.4	20.5	13.0	5.8	1.7	0.5	0.4	84.2
Vocational Studies	0.3	1.6	3.3	4.5	3.1	2.3	1.5	1.0	0.9	0.2	18.6
ARTS											
Art and Design	11.8	23.3	33.9	43.4	29.0	20.1	12.1	5.4	1.3	2.8	183.2
English	13.9	50.2	94.6	133.3	107.3	67.3	35.9	12.9	3.6	1.8	520.8
English Literature	16.0	47.1	87.0	123.2	81.9	51.6	24.9	10.3	5.5	1.7	449.2
Drama	2.8	12.3	19.5	18.0	11.7	7.1	3.2	1.3	0.3	0.6	76.9
Communication Studies	0.9	3.1	5.5	6.9	6.1	4.3	2.6	1.2	0.2	0.4	31.2
French	17.6	34.8	40.6	56.2	59.0	47.7	31.5	15.4	2.2	2.2	307.4
German	8.0	15.8	19.9	25.7	23.2	17.2	10.8	5.1	0.8	0.8	127.4
Spanish	2.9	5.0	5.6	6.6	6.3	5.5	4.0	2.2	0.4	0.4	38.9
Other Modern Languages	3.1	4.7	3.3	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.3	19.0
Classical Studies	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.0	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	14.4
Music	3.2	7.3	8.3	7.2	4.5	3.2	2.2	1.2	0.7	0.5	38.3
Religious Studies	4.9	11.5	17.0	18.3	13.3	11.1	8.5	5.4	3.6	0.5	94.2
Total	187.7	488.0	751.0	1,058.3	840.9	622.2	374.8	177.5	98.2	25.9	4,626.7

(1) Number of 15 year olds, in all educational establishments, at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

(3) Combined syllabuses for Design & Technology and Information Systems are shown with the main subject.

TABLE 8:
GCSE Short Courses results of 15 year olds (1) in educational establishments, analysed by subject and grade – by the end of 1997/98 (2)

Subjects	Grades obtained										Total Entries
	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U	X	
SCIENCES											
Design & Technology (3)	648	3,250	5,235	9,257	8,650	6,596	4,717	3,070	2,504	959	44,888
Computer Studies	231	315	433	977	996	812	598	262	287	96	5,007
Information Systems (3)	449	2,069	3,842	8,182	7,346	6,059	4,583	2,660	2,612	734	38,536
SOCIAL SCIENCES											
Geography	62	234	558	1,096	939	893	826	663	694	64	6,029
History	62	295	610	873	864	916	888	824	696	71	6,103
Physical Education	57	245	488	667	798	740	431	164	93	55	3,738
ARTS											
Art and Design	85	231	427	588	607	497	343	225	112	133	3,248
French	10	30	137	646	1,834	3,257	3,667	2,176	518	749	13,133
German	1	15	44	231	500	838	798	502	79	198	3,206
Spanish	1	6	14	77	155	344	380	237	32	67	1,313
Music	8	41	64	72	76	72	48	25	23	44	473
Religious Studies	3,045	6,030	10,732	14,412	11,381	10,468	7,696	5,190	3,803	1,885	74,642
Total	4,659	12,761	22,584	37,078	34,146	31,492	24,975	15,998	11,453	5,055	200,316

(1) Number of 15 year olds, in all educational establishments, at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

(3) Combined syllabuses for Design & Technology and Information Systems are shown with the main subject.

TABLE 9:
GNVQ results of 15 year old pupils (1) in all schools, analysed by subject, qualification and level – by the end of 1997/98 (2)

Subjects	Qualifications obtained					
	GNVQ Part One		Full GNVQ		GNVQ Language Unit	
	Intermediate	Foundation	Intermediate	Foundation	Intermediate	Foundation
Art & Design	324	52	52	50	-	-
Business	1735	412	184	155	-	-
Health & Social Care	969	570	59	148	-	-
Leisure & Tourism	248	65	76	126	-	-
Manufacturing	405	161	35	39	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	12	-	-
Hospitality & Catering	-	-	8	19	-	-
Engineering	-	-	19	15	-	-
Information Technology	756	93	24	3	-	-
French	-	-	-	-	4	52
German	-	-	-	-	7	26
Spanish	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other	63	15	5	2	-	-
Total	4500	1368	462	569	11	79

(1) Number of 15 year olds, in all schools, at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Including attempts and achievements by these pupils in previous academic years.

TABLE 10:
GCE A level and AS examination attempts and passes in 1997/98 (1) analysed by establishment type

	Number of candidates	Number of attempts per candidate	Successful (2) attempts as a percentage of attempts	Percentage of candidates gaining passes:			Mean number of passes per candidate
				3 or more	2	1	
A Levels							
Schools (3)							
Males	75,023	3.0	89.3	64.8	16.6	13.7	2.7
Females	79,858	3.0	91.0	66.9	16.5	12.8	2.7
Total	154,881	3.0	90.2	65.9	16.6	13.3	2.7
Sixth Form Colleges							
Males	20,064	2.8	86.6	54.7	19.9	17.6	2.5
Females	24,338	2.9	89.6	60.1	17.9	16.5	2.6
Total	44,402	2.9	88.3	57.6	18.8	17.0	2.5
Other FE Sector Colleges (Aged 18 or below)							
Males	17,716	2.2	75.7	30.2	19.9	30.6	1.7
Females	25,220	2.3	80.2	34.0	20.4	30.2	1.8
Total	42,936	2.2	78.3	32.5	20.2	30.4	1.8
All Establishments (4)							
Males	112,803	2.9	87.2	57.6	17.7	17.1	2.5
Females	129,416	2.8	89.0	59.2	17.6	16.9	2.5
Total	242,219	2.8	88.2	58.4	17.6	17.0	2.5
Other FE Sector Colleges (Aged 19 or above)							
Males	10,602	1.4	64.9	5.5	9.7	52.5	0.9
Females	16,669	1.2	69.9	2.9	7.2	61.5	0.8
Total	27,271	1.3	67.8	3.9	8.2	58.0	0.9
AS Examinations							
Schools (3)							
	Schools(2)						
Males	17,542	1.1	71.2	0.2	4.8	68.0	0.8
Females	16,037	1.1	76.1	0.3	5.7	71.6	0.8
Total	33,579	1.1	73.5	0.3	5.2	69.7	0.8
Sixth Form Colleges							
Males	5,837	1.2	65.8	0.5	7.9	60.7	0.8
Females	6,129	1.1	72.5	0.5	7.9	66.0	0.8
Total	11,966	1.2	69.2	0.5	7.9	63.4	0.8
Other FE Sector Colleges (Aged 18 or below)							
Males	5,132	1.1	54.4	0.2	4.5	51.9	0.6
Females	6,285	1.1	61.3	0.3	3.8	59.6	0.7
Total	11,417	1.1	58.1	0.2	4.1	56.1	0.7
All Establishments (4)							
Males	28,511	1.1	67.0	0.3	5.4	63.6	0.8
Females	28,451	1.1	72.0	0.4	5.8	67.7	0.8
Total	56,962	1.1	69.5	0.3	5.6	65.6	0.8
Other FE Sector Colleges (Aged 19 or above)							
Males	1,584	1.1	53.7	0.1	2.2	53.0	0.6
Females	2,078	1.0	63.5	0.1	1.3	63.2	0.7
Total	3,662	1.1	59.2	0.1	1.7	58.8	0.6

(1) Attempts and passes in the 1997/98 academic year only.

(2) The total number of grade A-E passes as a percentage of the total number of attempts.

(3) Including all candidates of all ages in all maintained and independent schools.

(4) Including all candidates in all schools and sixth form colleges, and all of those aged 18 or below in other FE sector colleges.

TABLE 11:

GCE A/AS level and AGNVQ attempts and passes by 17 year old students by the end of 1997/98 (1) analysed by establishment type

	Number of candidates	Mean number of passes per candidate	Percentage of candidates gaining passes (3)			Percentage of 17 year olds (2) gaining passes (3)	
			3 or more	2 / 2.5	1 / 1.5	3 or more	2 / 2.5
Comprehensive Schools (4) (5)							
Males	43,071	2.7	60.2	22.5	11.3	8.1	3.0
Females	49,368	2.8	63.9	22.7	9.2	10.4	3.7
Total	92,439	2.7	62.2	22.6	10.2	9.3	3.4
Selective Schools (4)							
Males	8,042	3.4	85.4	9.9	3.4	2.2	0.3
Females	8,825	3.3	86.6	9.9	2.8	2.5	0.3
Total	16,867	3.4	86.0	9.9	3.1	2.3	0.3
Modern Schools (4)							
Males	765	1.9	31.0	35.6	18.3	0.1	0.1
Females	1,094	2.1	36.1	34.6	19.2	0.1	0.1
Total	1,859	2.0	34.0	35.0	18.8	0.1	0.1
Other Maintained Schools (6)							
Males	2	1.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Females	4	1.1	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Total	6	1.1	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Independent Schools (7)							
Males	16,047	3.2	84.2	8.7	5.2	4.2	0.4
Females	14,251	3.2	85.7	8.5	4.6	4.0	0.4
Total	30,298	3.2	84.9	8.6	4.9	4.1	0.4
All schools							
Males	67,927	2.9	68.5	17.9	9.0	14.6	3.8
Females	73,542	2.9	70.4	18.6	7.7	17.1	4.5
Total	141,469	2.9	69.5	18.3	8.3	15.8	4.2
Sixth Form Colleges							
Males	16,545	2.8	63.0	20.5	10.1	3.3	1.1
Females	20,981	2.9	68.8	19.5	7.7	4.8	1.4
Total	37,526	2.8	66.3	19.9	8.8	4.0	1.2
Other FE Sector Colleges							
Males	16,018	1.9	30.2	36.3	14.3	1.5	1.8
Females	22,757	2.0	35.5	34.8	14.6	2.7	2.6
Total	38,775	2.0	33.3	35.4	14.4	2.1	2.2
All FE Sector Colleges							
Males	32,563	2.3	46.9	28.3	12.1	4.8	2.9
Females	43,738	2.4	51.5	27.5	11.3	7.4	4.0
Total	76,301	2.4	49.5	27.8	11.7	6.1	3.4
All Establishments							
Males	100,490	2.7	61.5	21.3	10.0	19.4	6.7
Females	117,280	2.7	63.4	21.9	9.0	24.6	8.5
Total	217,770	2.7	62.5	21.6	9.5	21.9	7.6

(1) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years (possibly at other institutions).

(2) The GAD estimate of the 17 year olds population in England, ie. aged 17 at the end of August 1997.

(3) Including both GCE A level and AS examination passes with each AS pass counted as half of an A level pass - total passes are rounded down to the nearest whole number.

(4) Including LEA and Grant maintained schools

(5) Including City Technology Colleges.

(6) Including LEA and Grant maintained special schools, hospital schools and pupil referral units.

(7) Including non maintained special schools

TABLE 12:
GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ examination scores (1) achieved by 17 year old students by the end of 1997/98 (2) analysed by establishment type

	Number of candidates	Mean score	Percentage of candidates who achieved a score of:						
			1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-Plus
Comprehensive Schools (3) (4)									
Males	43,071	15.7	11.3	14.9	21.4	13.5	14.6	7.5	11.9
Females	49,368	16.6	8.9	13.2	21.7	15.2	17.1	8.9	11.6
Total	92,439	16.1	10.0	14.0	21.5	14.4	15.9	8.3	11.7
Selective Schools (3)									
Males	8,042	22.9	3.6	6.8	14.1	13.1	19.1	12.6	29.8
Females	8,825	22.9	2.6	5.9	14.2	13.3	21.3	15.1	27.2
Total	16,867	22.9	3.1	6.3	14.1	13.2	20.3	13.9	28.4
Modern Schools (3)									
Males	765	10.0	15.8	19.3	25.0	13.1	8.0	3.0	1.7
Females	1,094	11.4	14.3	19.6	25.2	15.3	11.7	4.1	1.2
Total	1,859	10.8	14.9	19.5	25.1	14.4	10.2	3.7	1.4
Other Maintained Schools (5)									
Males	2	2.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Females	4	3.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	6	2.8	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Independent Schools (6)									
Males	16,047	23.3	3.6	6.6	12.8	11.6	19.3	14.3	30.3
Females	14,251	23.7	2.5	5.7	11.9	11.5	21.4	16.2	30.1
Total	30,298	23.5	3.1	6.2	12.4	11.5	20.3	15.2	30.2
All Schools									
Males	67,927	18.3	8.6	12.0	18.5	13.0	16.2	9.7	18.2
Females	73,542	18.6	7.0	11.0	19.0	14.2	18.3	11.0	16.9
Total	141,469	18.5	7.8	11.5	18.7	13.6	17.3	10.3	17.6
Sixth Form Colleges									
Males	16,545	16.4	10.3	14.9	20.0	12.9	15.1	8.8	13.2
Females	20,981	17.7	7.5	11.4	20.6	15.4	18.0	9.7	14.2
Total	37,526	17.1	8.7	13.0	20.3	14.3	16.7	9.3	13.8
Other FE Sector Colleges									
Males	16,018	10.5	13.6	19.3	24.0	11.1	7.7	3.5	4.0
Females	22,757	11.7	13.0	16.7	24.6	14.5	10.0	4.5	4.0
Total	38,775	11.2	13.2	17.8	24.4	13.1	9.0	4.1	4.0
All FE Sector Colleges									
Males	32,563	13.5	11.9	17.1	22.0	12.0	11.5	6.2	8.7
Females	43,738	14.6	10.4	14.2	22.7	14.9	13.8	7.0	8.9
Total	76,301	14.1	11.0	15.4	22.4	13.7	12.8	6.7	8.8
All Establishments									
Males	100,490	16.7	9.7	13.7	19.6	12.7	14.6	8.6	15.1
Females	117,280	17.1	8.3	12.2	20.3	14.5	16.7	9.5	13.9
Total	217,770	16.9	8.9	12.9	20.0	13.7	15.7	9.1	14.5

(1) Including both GCE A level and AS examination passes with each AS pass counted as half of an A level pass - total passes are rounded down to the nearest whole number.

(2) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years (possibly at other institutions).

(3) Including LEA and Grant maintained schools

(4) Including City Technology Colleges.

(5) Including LEA and Grant maintained special schools, hospital schools and pupil referral units.

(6) Including non maintained special schools

TABLE 13:

Mean scores (1) achieved by 17 year old GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ candidates in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (2)

LEA	Overall	Males	Females	Maintained Schools (3)	Independent Schools (3)	Sixth Form Colleges	Other FE Sector Colleges
NORTH EAST GOR	15.8	15.5	16.0	16.7	23.1	17.1	10.3
Hartlepool UA	15.0	16.5	14.0	17.8	-	15.1	10.9
Middlesborough UA	13.8	14.1	13.7	14.0	-	15.6	12.6
Redcar & Cleveland UA	17.2	18.2	16.4	-	-	18.0	11.5
Stockton on Tees UA	20.0	20.8	19.2	21.6	27.5	17.7	7.4
Darlington UA	17.2	16.1	17.9	18.1	25.4	18.0	7.5
Durham County	15.5	15.2	15.8	17.0	20.7	-	8.6
Northumberland	16.6	15.8	17.3	17.1	18.4	-	7.6
Tyne & Wear Met County	14.8	14.2	15.3	15.7	22.7	15.1	10.5
Gateshead	15.0	14.4	15.5	16.4	2.0	-	6.8
Newcastle upon Tyne	16.7	16.2	17.2	14.7	23.8	-	8.6
North Tyneside	15.5	14.6	16.2	16.0	19.3	15.1	9.0
South Tyneside	12.3	11.5	12.9	13.8	-	-	11.9
Sunderland	12.7	12.1	13.0	16.9	7.2	-	11.0
NORTH WEST GOR	17.9	17.8	18.0	19.1	26.4	16.9	12.7
Halton	16.6	15.6	17.4	11.6	-	19.5	9.3
Warrington	16.9	16.0	17.7	17.4	-	18.4	7.7
Cheshire	19.3	19.4	19.3	19.5	25.4	22.8	11.0
Cumbria	17.8	18.2	17.4	17.6	24.3	17.7	7.6
Greater Manchester Met County	17.3	17.2	17.5	19.7	28.0	15.9	10.9
Bolton	19.2	20.2	18.3	19.2	31.3	14.2	6.0
Bury	17.0	16.1	17.7	-	25.8	16.5	14.5
Manchester	19.5	19.5	19.4	19.5	26.8	13.5	6.1
Oldham	17.6	16.9	18.0	18.7	27.1	15.4	7.8
Rochdale	14.3	15.2	13.6	16.7	-	-	10.7
Salford	13.5	12.5	14.2	-	17.5	13.6	10.3
Stockport	17.3	17.0	17.6	-	32.1	16.3	8.5
Tameside	13.8	13.5	14.1	10.7	-	15.0	7.9
Trafford	19.8	19.2	20.4	23.5	17.8	-	7.7
Wigan	16.3	15.9	16.7	16.3	-	19.8	11.6
Blackburn with Darwin	18.0	18.8	17.3	16.9	28.0	16.1	14.7
Blackpool	17.7	18.5	17.1	16.8	25.0	17.6	9.3
Lancashire	18.5	18.1	18.9	20.5	21.4	18.1	16.0
MERSEYSIDE	17.4	17.8	17.1	16.9	25.3	19.8	9.0
Knowsley	9.6	9.9	9.3	7.9	-	-	11.0
Liverpool	15.6	17.3	14.3	15.6	24.2	-	6.3
St Helens	18.6	18.2	19.0	17.6	-	21.0	8.2
Sefton	18.4	18.3	18.5	16.6	25.0	22.0	10.9
Wirral	18.4	18.5	18.3	18.9	26.5	14.8	4.5

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Mean scores (1) achieved by 17 year old GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ candidates in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (2)

LEA	Overall	Males	Females	Maintained Schools (3)	Independent Schools (3)	Sixth Form Colleges	Other FE Sector Colleges
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER GOR	17.4	17.3	17.5	17.7	25.1	18.7	10.5
East Riding of Yorkshire	16.4	15.9	16.8	16.6	19.4	-	8.0
Kingston-upon-Hull UA	17.0	17.1	16.9	17.0	30.7	15.6	9.3
North East Lincolnshire UA	13.7	14.5	13.1	14.2	13.4	14.5	10.4
North Lincolnshire UA	17.8	17.4	18.1	14.8	-	19.8	7.6
York UA	19.8	19.6	19.9	20.4	27.6	18.9	8.1
North Yorkshire	19.0	19.7	18.5	19.9	23.1	17.2	11.4
South Yorkshire Met County	16.6	16.6	16.6	18.0	27.4	18.9	12.2
Barnsley	14.9	14.3	15.2	20.0	-	-	13.3
Doncaster	14.2	14.0	14.3	15.5	12.6	-	6.4
Rotherham	16.8	17.0	16.6	16.4	-	18.9	7.6
Sheffield	18.5	18.5	18.4	21.6	28.2	-	13.2
West Yorkshire Met County	17.4	17.0	17.7	16.9	24.9	20.3	8.8
Bradford	16.2	15.8	16.5	15.5	25.8	-	8.5
Calderdale	16.5	16.7	16.4	17.2	15.8	-	11.4
Kirklees	18.6	17.8	19.2	17.1	19.6	21.3	8.7
Leeds	17.6	17.2	17.9	18.2	27.1	19.2	7.4
Wakefield	17.6	17.3	17.9	15.2	25.8	19.0	10.7
EAST MIDLANDS GOR	16.6	16.3	17.0	17.1	24.4	15.0	9.9
Derby UA	14.0	12.8	14.8	15.3	28.7	-	11.2
Derbyshire County	17.5	17.7	17.3	18.7	20.7	-	10.4
Leicester UA	15.4	15.2	15.5	14.7	29.0	14.7	9.3
Rutland UA	19.8	18.7	20.9	-	21.4	16.7	-
Leicestershire County	17.3	16.8	17.8	16.6	26.6	-	10.8
Lincolnshire	18.4	17.9	18.9	20.2	20.6	-	8.6
Northamptonshire	15.4	15.2	15.6	15.2	24.0	-	9.8
Nottingham City	17.3	16.6	17.9	15.0	31.7	14.9	9.9
Nottinghamshire	15.2	14.7	15.6	16.0	20.3	-	9.4
WEST MIDLANDS GOR	16.8	16.9	16.7	17.2	25.9	17.3	9.5
Hereford	17.0	16.3	17.6	16.3	26.3	17.2	9.8
Worcester	17.7	17.3	18.0	17.5	24.5	16.0	8.8
The Wrekin	18.4	18.0	18.8	20.0	21.6	17.2	7.1
Shropshire	18.6	18.7	18.5	17.0	22.3	19.2	13.0
Stoke on Trent UA	16.9	16.2	17.6	19.5	-	18.0	6.6
Staffordshire County	16.0	15.6	16.3	17.3	24.9	-	9.1
Warwickshire	17.1	17.4	16.8	17.7	25.4	16.6	10.0
West Midlands Met County	16.4	16.9	15.9	16.7	28.9	17.1	9.4
Birmingham	17.0	17.3	16.7	18.2	28.9	13.1	9.7
Coventry	17.0	17.7	16.4	15.6	31.5	-	7.7
Dudley	16.1	16.6	15.5	18.1	-	25.2	10.2
Sandwell	11.8	12.2	11.4	13.1	-	10.8	8.3
Solihull	16.7	17.0	16.3	14.4	30.3	16.1	9.3
Walsall	16.1	16.8	15.5	16.9	-	-	6.4
Wolverhampton	16.0	17.0	15.2	15.1	24.6	-	7.5

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LEA	Overall	Males	Females	Maintained Schools (3)	Independent Schools (3)	Sixth Form Colleges	Other FE Sector Colleges
EASTERN GOR	16.8	16.5	17.2	17.1	22.1	18.3	9.5
Luton UA	13.0	11.9	13.7	11.9	-	13.6	7.7
Bedfordshire County	18.3	17.9	18.7	17.7	23.7	-	5.7
Peterborough	15.1	14.4	15.7	16.3	17.3	-	9.0
Cambridgeshire	19.1	18.5	19.7	16.0	21.5	22.6	8.6
Southend	17.1	15.6	18.8	21.1	-	-	9.6
Thurrock	13.3	12.5	13.9	-	-	14.0	5.9
Essex	16.8	16.5	17.1	18.2	19.6	18.2	10.9
Hertfordshire	17.0	17.1	16.9	16.9	23.2	-	9.0
Norfolk	16.0	15.1	16.8	16.5	23.1	15.6	9.7
Suffolk	16.0	15.8	16.1	15.9	20.1	-	8.4
LONDON GOR	16.1	16.0	16.2	15.6	24.2	14.7	10.5
City of London	25.9	26.4	25.3	-	25.9	-	-
Inner London Boroughs	15.9	15.9	16.0	14.4	23.1	13.0	9.5
Camden	16.3	15.9	16.5	16.0	22.8	-	8.5
Hackney	9.5	8.6	9.8	9.0	-	-	10.1
Hammersmith & Fulham	21.7	21.9	21.5	20.6	25.5	-	9.0
Haringey	15.9	16.9	14.6	12.7	25.7	-	5.2
Islington	12.0	11.1	12.7	10.3	5.0	-	12.4
Kensington & Chelsea	16.0	15.6	16.2	16.5	16.7	14.4	9.3
Lambeth	17.3	13.1	18.7	14.5	20.6	-	10.4
Lewisham	14.2	13.5	14.8	12.6	22.3	14.0	5.3
Newham	10.9	10.0	11.5	12.6	-	10.6	10.4
Southwark	21.4	21.1	21.9	10.3	25.1	-	4.5
Tower Hamlets	9.4	8.3	10.0	8.9	-	-	10.2
Wandsworth	14.2	12.9	15.3	14.9	19.7	13.7	6.6
Westminster. City of	20.2	22.0	18.8	15.4	27.0	-	9.3
Outer London Boroughs	16.1	16.0	16.2	15.9	25.0	15.3	10.8
Barking & Dagenham	11.5	11.4	11.6	11.5	-	-	11.7
Barnet	16.5	16.2	16.8	17.1	17.9	19.3	7.7
Bexley	15.5	15.3	15.7	16.2	-	-	7.1
Brent	13.6	14.0	13.3	13.9	-	-	4.3
Bromley	16.1	15.4	16.7	16.8	21.1	-	10.7
Croydon	16.8	17.8	16.0	12.9	26.7	14.9	8.5
Ealing	15.1	13.5	16.2	13.7	19.8	-	13.0
Enfield	14.9	14.6	15.2	15.7	-	-	7.8
Greenwich	14.9	15.5	14.3	12.6	23.3	-	7.2
Harrow	16.2	15.7	16.7	-	25.2	18.0	11.4
Havering	16.3	15.5	16.9	20.3	-	15.2	9.2
Hillingdon	15.1	13.8	16.0	15.2	23.5	-	6.7
Hounslow	13.2	12.7	13.6	13.8	10.0	-	6.6
Kingston upon Thames	15.3	14.8	15.7	17.9	22.3	-	9.9
Merton	17.8	18.5	16.7	14.3	26.7	11.5	8.2
Redbridge	16.1	15.2	16.8	15.2	30.2	-	4.1
Richmond upon Thames	20.0	21.4	18.5	-	30.8	-	14.7
Sutton	19.6	19.4	19.8	19.6	24.1	-	9.8
Waltham Forest	14.8	15.4	14.3	16.1	26.8	12.6	6.9

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LEA	Overall	Males	Females	Maintained Schools (3)	Independent Schools (3)	Sixth Form Colleges	Other FE Sector Colleges
SOUTH EAST GOR	17.1	16.8	17.3	16.9	22.1	17.1	11.6
Bracknell Forest	16.9	18.1	15.5	15.5	22.5	-	8.1
Reading	18.7	17.9	19.2	18.9	22.4	-	8.5
Slough	14.4	13.6	15.1	18.7	-	-	8.2
West Berkshire	17.3	15.1	19.4	16.3	20.8	-	7.0
Windsor & Maidenhead	21.4	23.4	18.5	16.5	28.2	-	7.7
Wokingham	16.4	15.9	17.0	16.1	18.1	-	-
Milton Keynes UA	14.0	13.7	14.2	15.0	16.1	-	8.1
Buckinghamshire County	19.3	19.8	19.0	19.9	23.2	-	8.3
Brighton and Hove UA	17.7	16.4	18.7	14.7	22.1	18.6	5.4
East Sussex County	14.4	13.4	15.2	14.3	18.2	14.1	11.8
Portsmouth UA	17.1	17.1	17.1	8.8	22.4	15.6	6.2
Southampton UA	15.2	15.7	14.6	16.3	21.4	13.8	7.7
Hampshire County	17.4	16.8	17.9	17.6	24.7	18.0	14.6
Isle of Wight	16.1	15.9	16.2	15.9	21.5	-	9.8
Kent	17.2	17.3	17.1	17.3	22.7	-	9.3
Rochester & Gillingham	15.8	16.0	15.7	16.8	20.4	-	9.1
Oxfordshire	16.7	16.9	16.5	15.8	22.4	-	11.4
Surrey	17.5	16.6	18.3	16.6	21.8	16.8	11.4
West Sussex	16.0	15.5	16.5	15.5	18.6	17.4	9.9
SOUTH WEST GOR	17.1	16.5	17.6	17.3	21.6	15.8	13.8
Bath & NE Somerset UA	17.1	16.1	18.0	15.6	22.5	-	9.6
Bristol UA	16.5	15.8	16.9	12.9	21.0	14.8	8.4
North Somerset UA	16.1	16.0	16.3	17.0	18.2	-	6.6
South Gloucestershire UA	15.4	14.9	15.8	16.3	29.0	-	13.2
Cornwall	17.1	16.4	17.7	16.2	22.6	-	16.9
Isles of Scilly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plymouth	17.0	16.3	17.6	17.2	23.2	-	10.8
Torbay	17.4	16.7	17.9	20.5	11.5	-	9.4
Devon	16.1	15.1	16.8	15.5	19.5	-	15.3
Bournemouth UA	20.2	20.3	20.1	20.4	18.0	-	-
Poole UA	16.4	16.3	16.6	20.6	22.1	-	8.4
Dorset County	17.4	17.4	17.4	16.5	21.5	-	14.7
Gloucestershire	18.2	17.3	18.8	19.0	21.8	-	13.0
Somerset	17.3	17.2	17.4	16.2	21.4	16.7	14.9
Swindon UA	14.8	14.7	14.9	17.7	-	-	14.1
Wiltshire County	18.3	17.2	19.1	17.5	24.6	-	10.0
TOTAL ENGLAND	16.9	16.7	17.1	17.1	23.5	17.1	11.2

(1) Including both GCE A level and AS examination passes with each AS pass counted as half of an A level pass
- total passes are rounded down to the nearest whole number.

(2) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years (possibly at other institutions).

(3) Including special schools in which GCE A levels and AS examinations were taken.

TABLE 14:

Mean scores (1) achieved by 17 year old GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ candidates in maintained schools (2) in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (3)

LEA	Number of candidates	Average point score	Percentage of candidates with a mean score of:					
			1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25 plus
NORTH EAST GOR	4,843	16.7	9	14	21	15	16	21
Hartlepool UA	82	17.8	5	18	23	15	13	23
Middlesbrough UA	48	14.0	6	21	21	31	8	8
Redcar & Cleveland UA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stockton on Tees UA	184	21.6	5	9	16	13	21	36
Darlington UA	35	18.1	9	20	14	9	17	29
Durham County	1,057	17.0	9	12	22	14	17	22
Northumberland	1,403	17.1	9	13	22	14	16	23
Tyne & Wear Met County	2,034	15.7	10	15	21	15	16	18
Gateshead	544	16.4	7	12	22	18	17	19
Newcastle upon Tyne	639	14.7	12	18	21	13	15	16
North Tyneside	502	16.0	9	14	24	16	18	17
South Tyneside	84	13.8	12	21	24	18	12	12
Sunderland	265	16.9	12	14	16	13	17	24
NORTH WEST GOR	8,377	19.1	7	11	18	13	16	30
Halton	129	11.6	23	19	14	13	10	12
Warrington	459	17.4	10	10	24	14	15	23
Cheshire	2,307	19.5	7	11	18	13	16	32
Cumbria	1,543	17.6	9	12	17	13	16	26
Greater Manchester Met County	2,186	19.7	7	9	19	14	18	31
Bolton	512	19.2	6	11	21	14	16	31
Bury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manchester	206	19.5	9	9	14	17	23	27
Oldham	313	18.7	6	12	18	16	18	27
Rochdale	278	16.7	10	14	20	15	15	23
Salford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stockport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tameside	21	10.7	29	10	24	10	5	14
Trafford	640	23.5	3	5	17	12	19	44
Wigan	216	16.3	13	12	24	14	17	19
Blackburn with Darwin	96	16.9	8	14	16	19	16	22
Blackpool	61	16.8	11	10	25	8	18	23
Lancashire	1,596	20.5	6	10	17	12	16	36
MERSEYSIDE	3,626	16.9	11	13	21	12	14	24
Knowsley	119	7.9	31	23	19	3	5	6
Liverpool	1,127	15.6	12	15	20	13	13	20
St Helens	435	17.6	10	14	21	12	14	25
Sefton	739	16.6	11	12	22	14	14	22
Wirral	1,206	18.9	9	11	20	11	15	31

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LEA	Number of candidates	Average point score	Percentage of candidates with a mean score of:					
			1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25 plus
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER	10,477	17.7	9	12	20	13	15	26
East Riding of Yorkshire	936	16.6	10	16	21	12	15	23
Kingston-upon-Hull UA	63	17.0	21	6	8	10	22	27
North East Lincolnshire UA	183	14.2	12	21	19	13	16	15
North Lincolnshire UA	67	14.8	16	16	15	13	15	19
York UA	260	20.4	6	9	18	14	20	31
North Yorkshire	1,958	19.9	7	11	19	13	15	33
South Yorkshire Met County	2,275	18.0	10	13	18	12	15	28
Barnsley	118	20.0	9	15	16	14	8	36
Doncaster	826	15.5	14	14	20	11	14	20
Rotherham	575	16.4	12	18	17	13	15	22
Sheffield	756	21.6	6	9	16	13	16	39
West Yorkshire Met County	4,735	16.9	9	12	21	13	15	24
Bradford	1,333	15.5	10	13	22	13	15	19
Calderdale	649	17.2	8	12	21	16	15	23
Kirklees	604	17.1	9	12	21	15	16	22
Leeds	1,779	18.2	8	10	20	13	15	29
Wakefield	370	15.2	16	15	22	10	10	21
EAST MIDLANDS GOR	11,800	17.1	10	13	20	14	16	24
Derby UA	378	15.3	10	15	23	19	16	15
Derbyshire County	2,071	18.7	8	12	17	14	15	30
Leicester UA	216	14.7	11	13	21	14	13	19
Rutland UA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leicestershire County	2,272	16.6	11	14	21	13	15	23
Lincolnshire	2,039	20.2	7	9	17	14	18	33
Northamptonshire	2,231	15.2	10	14	23	15	17	16
Nottingham City	181	15.0	14	17	21	14	12	18
Nottinghamshire	2,412	16.0	12	14	21	12	15	21
WEST MIDLANDS GOR	11,559	17.2	11	13	20	13	15	24
Hereford	129	16.3	9	14	20	12	16	23
Worcester	1,553	17.5	9	13	22	13	15	25
The Wrekin	288	20.0	5	11	19	15	18	30
Shropshire	398	17.0	11	14	21	14	14	24
Stoke on Trent UA	91	19.5	11	8	14	13	20	33
Staffordshire County	2,582	17.3	10	13	20	12	16	24
Warwickshire	1,307	17.7	9	12	19	13	17	26
West Midlands Met County	5,211	16.7	12	14	20	13	15	24
Birmingham	2,173	18.2	11	12	17	11	15	29
Coventry	881	15.6	11	14	21	16	15	18
Dudley	164	18.1	12	10	21	13	13	29
Sandwell	287	13.1	14	19	21	11	14	14
Solihull	248	15.1	11	16	23	17	15	17
Walsall	845	16.9	12	12	20	12	15	24
Wolverhampton	613	15.1	12	17	23	12	13	17

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LEA	Number of candidates	Average point score	Percentage of candidates with a mean score of:					
			1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25 plus
EASTERN GOR	15,124	17.1	8	13	21	15	17	22
Luton UA	52	11.9	21	13	13	15	23	4
Bedfordshire County	1,575	17.7	8	13	21	16	16	24
Peterborough	686	16.3	10	15	20	13	18	20
Cambridgeshire	866	16.0	10	13	22	16	17	19
Southend	544	21.1	6	10	15	9	16	40
Thurrock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Essex	2,875	18.2	9	12	20	15	16	26
Hertfordshire	4,374	16.9	8	14	22	14	17	22
Norfolk	1,895	16.5	9	13	21	16	15	21
Suffolk	2,257	15.9	8	15	24	16	17	17
LONDON GOR	13,910	15.6	10	14	22	14	17	18
Inner London Boroughs	2,792	14.4	11	15	23	14	16	15
Camden	714	16.0	6	14	23	16	19	18
Hackney	89	9.0	25	20	25	7	7	4
Hammersmith & Fulham	259	20.6	6	9	14	16	20	34
Haringey	298	12.7	13	19	20	13	16	9
Islington	56	10.3	18	25	21	11	7	7
Kensington & Chelsea	139	16.5	6	12	24	14	22	18
Lambeth	10	14.5	0	40	30	10	0	20
Lewisham	321	12.6	16	14	23	14	14	10
Newham	79	12.6	11	23	18	22	15	6
Southwark	63	10.3	19	21	30	16	3	5
Tower Hamlets	203	8.9	17	15	30	10	8	2
Wandsworth	308	14.9	11	15	22	14	17	16
Westminster. City of	253	15.4	9	15	23	13	19	16
Outer London Boroughs	11,118	15.9	10	14	22	14	17	19
Barking & Dagenham	263	11.5	15	20	24	11	15	6
Barnet	1,149	17.1	7	11	20	15	20	22
Bexley	790	16.2	10	12	22	14	15	21
Brent	521	13.9	10	14	30	16	17	10
Bromley	1,219	16.8	8	12	21	16	18	22
Croydon	366	12.9	17	18	24	11	12	14
Ealing	469	13.7	14	14	26	14	15	12
Enfield	1,001	15.7	11	14	21	12	16	20
Greenwich	341	12.6	13	22	24	13	14	9
Harrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Havering	425	20.3	4	11	19	13	16	36
Hillingdon	872	15.2	8	16	25	17	16	15
Hounslow	751	13.8	13	16	25	16	15	12
Kingston upon Thames	574	17.9	6	11	18	14	20	27
Merton	196	14.3	9	16	21	14	17	15
Redbridge	1,209	15.2	12	13	20	13	17	18
Richmond upon Thames	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sutton	852	19.6	7	11	17	14	18	31
Waltham Forest	120	16.1	8	18	21	17	18	18

TABLE 14: CONTINUED

Mean scores (1) achieved by 17 year old GCE A/AS level & AGNVQ candidates in maintained schools (2) in each Local Education Authority by the end of 1997/98 (3)

LEA	Number of candidates	Average point score	Percentage of candidates with a mean score of:					
			1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25 plus
SOUTH EAST GOR	19,189	16.9	8	13	21	16	18	22
Bracknell Forest	298	15.5	8	19	19	17	15	18
Reading	322	18.9	8	12	15	12	15	34
Slough	359	18.7	7	10	23	15	18	26
West Berkshire	684	16.3	7	13	25	15	20	17
Windsor & Maidenhead	513	16.5	8	13	25	16	16	20
Wokingham	736	16.1	9	15	21	18	17	19
Milton Keynes UA	578	15.0	11	17	23	12	15	17
Buckinghamshire County	2,446	20.0	4	9	17	16	20	32
Brighton and Hove UA	244	14.7	10	13	28	15	18	13
East Sussex County	773	14.3	10	15	24	15	16	13
Portsmouth UA	20	8.8	30	40	10	10	10	0
Southampton UA	50	16.3	12	10	22	12	20	22
Hampshire County	570	17.6	8	12	18	19	16	24
Isle of Wight	460	15.9	8	15	26	15	14	20
Kent	4,886	17.3	8	12	19	16	18	23
Rochester & Gillingham	953	16.9	9	15	20	14	16	23
Oxfordshire	1,687	15.8	10	14	22	16	18	17
Surrey	2,089	16.6	10	13	21	16	19	19
West Sussex	1,521	15.5	11	14	23	16	17	16
SOUTH WEST GOR	12,136	17.3	8	13	20	15	18	23
Bath & NE Somerset UA	644	15.6	8	15	23	15	18	16
Bristol UA	393	12.9	17	18	19	11	16	12
North Somerset UA	753	17.0	8	13	22	16	19	20
South Gloucestershire UA	785	16.3	10	15	21	14	14	22
Cornwall	854	16.2	9	11	22	14	18	20
Isles of Scilly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plymouth	946	17.2	8	14	20	14	17	23
Torbay	427	20.5	6	10	15	14	17	35
Devon	1,251	15.5	13	15	20	16	16	17
Bournemouth UA	537	20.4	4	9	16	17	20	33
Poole UA	569	20.6	5	10	15	15	20	33
Dorset County	1,016	16.5	9	14	22	15	17	20
Gloucestershire	1,855	19.0	6	11	20	14	19	28
Somerset	661	16.2	9	14	21	16	17	19
Swindon UA	155	17.7	5	11	21	19	17	23
Wiltshire County	1,290	17.5	7	12	19	18	18	23
England Average	111,041	17.1	9	13	20	14	16	23

(1) Including both GCE A level and AS examination passes with each AS pass counted as half of an A level pass and AGNVQ as 2 passes – total passes are rounded down to the nearest whole number.

(2) Excluding special schools.

(3) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years (possibly at other institutions).

TABLE 15:
Success rates (1) of GCE A level and AS examination candidates of all ages in selected subjects in all schools and colleges in 1997/98 (2)

	Males				Females			
	All age groups		Aged 16-18 (3)		All age groups		Aged 16-18 (3)	
	Candidates	Success rate	Candidates	Success rate	Candidates	Success rate	Candidates	Success rate
Any Subject								
A Level	123,405	90.2	110,171	92.7	146,085	91.1	125,894	94.0
AS Examination	30,095	68.5	27,365	69.2	30,529	73.2	27,362	74.0
English								
A Level	26,031	90.1	24,155	91.4	60,651	91.5	55,977	92.6
AS Examination	797	84.6	654	85.5	1,606	84.9	1,346	86.3
Mathematics								
A Level	37,415	86.9	35,825	87.8	21,447	89.7	20,615	90.4
AS Examination	8,095	60.9	7,299	62.4	5,032	65.9	4,544	67.6
Physics								
A Level	23,809	88.1	23,052	88.6	6,796	90.3	6,533	91.0
AS Examination	1,668	56.6	1,555	57.3	524	68.3	475	69.9
Chemistry								
A Level	20,962	87.7	20,110	88.4	17,790	89.1	16,966	90.0
AS Examination	843	42.7	763	41.7	767	50.2	707	51.5
Biology								
A Level	21,074	84.8	19,817	85.9	31,182	86.7	29,063	88.4
AS Examination	1,428	51.9	1,264	51.7	2,069	57.7	1,751	56.5
Technology								
A Level	9,092	86.7	9,037	86.8	2,839	90.5	2,825	90.6
AS Examination	197	79.7	186	79.0	59	72.9	54	70.4
Geography								
A Level	21,299	90.5	21,003	90.7	18,038	92.3	17,829	92.5
AS Examination	635	69.0	614	69.1	484	68.4	470	68.1
History								
A Level	16,241	86.6	15,483	87.9	19,824	86.0	18,954	87.3
AS Examination	192	57.3	169	56.8	326	66.3	290	68.6
Music								
A Level	2,486	90.0	2,319	91.0	3,503	94.0	3,387	94.1
AS Examination	506	81.4	481	81.1	504	87.9	477	88.3
French								
A Level	6,262	92.3	5,899	93.2	14,360	90.6	13,730	90.8
AS Examination	1,038	82.0	789	82.5	1,476	75.1	1,226	75.6
Business Studies								
A Level	17,328	85.0	16,061	87.3	14,773	84.6	13,584	87.0
AS Examination	1,374	72.9	1,322	73.2	1,138	78.9	1,094	79.8
General Studies								
A Level	38,299	84.6	37,879	84.8	41,201	84.3	40,838	84.4
AS Examination	5,001	71.6	4,912	71.7	5,260	74.5	5,150	74.6

(1) The total number of grade A-E passes as a percentage of the total number of attempts.

(2) GCE A /AS level attempts and passes in the 1997/98 academic year only.

(3) Age at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

TABLE 16:
Successful (1) 17 year old GCE A level and AS examination candidates in selected subjects in schools and colleges by the end of 1997/98 (2)

	Successful candidates in all establishments						Successful candidates in schools (3)	
	Overall		Males		Females		Number	Percentage
	Number	Percentage (4)	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage		
Any Subject								
A Level	188,897	30.4	86,677	27.2	102,220	33.8	131,354	21.2
AS Examination	27,716	4.5	13,667	4.3	14,049	4.6	18,159	2.9
English								
A Level	67,238	10.8	19,881	6.2	47,357	15.7	46,577	7.5
AS Examination	1,284	0.2	462	0.1	822	0.3	757	0.1
Mathematics								
A Level	44,734	7.2	28,176	8.8	16,558	5.5	34,291	5.5
AS Examination	6,093	1.0	3,695	1.2	2,398	0.8	4,410	0.7
Physics								
A Level	23,714	3.8	18,489	5.8	5,225	1.7	18,819	3.0
AS Examination	782	0.1	561	0.2	221	0.1	480	0.1
Chemistry								
A Level	29,003	4.7	15,639	4.9	13,364	4.4	22,771	3.7
AS Examination	510	0.1	242	0.1	268	0.1	304	0.0
Biology								
A Level	37,844	6.1	14,871	4.7	22,973	7.6	28,607	4.6
AS Examination	1,082	0.2	420	0.1	662	0.2	567	0.1
Technology								
A Level	9,718	1.6	7,298	2.3	2,420	0.8	8,038	1.3
AS Examination	128	0.0	104	0.0	24	0.0	86	0.0
Geography								
A Level	33,426	5.4	17,766	5.6	15,660	5.2	26,812	4.3
AS Examination	404	0.1	219	0.1	185	0.1	209	0.0
History								
A Level	27,994	4.5	12,523	3.9	15,471	5.1	21,776	3.5
AS Examination	207	0.0	72	0.0	135	0.0	117	0.0
Music								
A Level	4,804	0.8	1,880	0.6	2,924	1.0	3,622	0.6
AS Examination	699	0.1	315	0.1	384	0.1	516	0.1
French								
A Level	16,617	2.7	5,018	1.6	11,599	3.8	13,189	2.1
AS Examination	1,314	0.2	563	0.2	751	0.2	1,005	0.2
Business Studies								
A Level	22,913	3.7	12,250	3.8	10,663	3.5	14,986	2.4
AS Examination	1,122	0.2	608	0.2	514	0.2	620	0.1
General Studies								
A Level	62,920	10.1	30,201	9.5	32,719	10.8	46,458	7.5
AS Examination	6,041	1.0	2,892	0.9	3,149	1.0	4,721	0.8

(1) Those with at least one grade A-E pass in the subject(s) concerned.

(2) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years.

(3) All maintained and independent schools, including special schools and City Technology Colleges.

(4) The percentage of the total 17 year old population at the end of August 1997 (as estimated by the GAD), who are successful.

TABLE 17:

GCE A level and AS examination results of 17 year old students in schools and colleges analysed by subject and grade – by the end of 1997/98 (1)

	Grades obtained								Total Entries
	A	B	C	D	E	N	U	X	
A Levels									
Biological sciences	7,216	8,494	8,424	7,629	6,083	2,952	1,896	123	42,826
Chemistry	7,744	6,872	6,116	4,745	3,526	2,062	1,132	70	32,269
Physics	6,164	5,547	4,981	4,080	2,942	1,630	996	97	26,440
Other Science	673	997	1,273	1,365	948	380	167	37	5,840
Mathematics	15,995	10,742	9,274	7,708	5,809	2,949	2,318	184	54,980
Computer Studies	855	1,156	1,640	1,559	1,421	931	807	80	8,450
Design and Technology	1,401	1,578	2,612	2,491	1,776	822	384	92	11,156
Information Systems	114	365	711	677	447	160	51	0	2,525
Home Economics	187	244	333	360	250	153	122	1	1,650
Business Studies	2,282	5,446	6,498	5,372	3,316	1,696	886	108	25,612
Geography	5,694	8,157	8,548	6,690	4,337	2,041	821	35	36,324
History	5,111	6,283	6,710	5,938	3,952	2,063	1,452	118	31,627
Economics	2,993	2,980	3,222	2,761	2,000	1,202	884	45	16,088
Social Studies	6,908	9,209	9,902	8,304	6,253	3,616	2,796	331	47,333
Physical Education	1,152	1,603	2,778	3,032	2,180	949	279	54	12,027
Vocational Studies	204	363	349	333	319	224	309	56	2,158
Art and Design	6,642	5,665	6,641	4,856	2,603	762	231	437	27,840
English	11,670	14,768	17,424	15,458	9,397	3,573	1,167	243	73,700
Communication Studies	2,639	4,047	6,083	5,301	2,856	1,249	860	189	23,224
French	3,969	3,782	3,562	3,152	2,152	976	491	57	18,152
German	2,042	1,616	1,660	1,326	943	392	206	39	8,233
Spanish	1,049	913	821	574	413	160	129	14	4,074
Other Modern Languages	890	644	411	261	120	58	54	37	2,475
Classical Studies	1,405	1,179	1,024	709	423	198	96	21	5,055
Music	1,093	1,111	1,250	1,025	580	223	118	25	5,429
Religious Studies	996	1,331	1,431	1,237	683	327	212	18	6,235
General Studies	9,906	12,503	15,151	14,365	10,995	6,046	4,021	548	73,536
Total	106,998	117,609	128,843	111,319	76,731	37,803	22,888	3,059	605,320
AS Examinations									
Biological sciences	44	92	105	206	635	450	434	47	2,019
Chemistry	19	43	59	135	254	285	284	17	1,096
Physics	42	72	119	201	348	274	263	15	1,335
Other Science	189	231	280	297	269	188	192	35	1,681
Mathematics	856	812	984	1354	2158	1305	1919	176	9,565
Computer Studies	51	66	98	127	144	116	137	26	766
Design and Technology	19	27	26	26	30	22	8	5	163
Home Economics	6	3	3	6	9	2	14	0	43
Business Studies	79	171	252	311	309	150	141	42	1,455
Geography	35	43	67	95	164	92	97	7	600
History	20	29	46	56	56	46	52	13	319
Economics	42	70	70	103	102	78	84	17	567
Social Studies	304	539	723	842	1143	598	1117	168	5,440
Physical Education	54	51	62	41	37	17	10	13	285
Vocational Studies	40	52	90	95	100	69	82	24	552
Art and Design	136	202	282	269	207	93	50	58	1,297
English	140	238	384	309	224	89	67	30	1,483
Communication Studies	15	67	139	135	52	28	13	8	457
French	147	191	262	328	386	169	147	26	1,664
German	67	93	117	149	176	54	34	8	699
Spanish	42	49	45	59	59	29	30	9	322
Other Modern Languages	27	39	34	16	5	3	1	4	129
Classical Studies	92	69	61	64	48	32	43	7	417
Music	147	146	173	131	99	40	38	9	787
Religious Studies	124	165	211	264	230	121	133	22	1,270
General Studies	678	939	1,408	1,510	1,506	837	1,256	130	8,264
Information Systems	29	88	176	309	272	163	103	13	1,153
Total	3,446	4,591	6,280	7,443	9,024	5,351	6,753	929	43,850

(1) Including attempts and passes by these students in previous academic years

TABLE 17A:

Advanced GNVQ results of 17 year old students in all schools and FE sector colleges, analysed by subject by the end of 1997/98

	Qualifications obtained				Total Entries
	Advanced GNVQ				
	Distinction	Merit	Pass only	No result	
Art & Design	658	1,070	593	197	2,518
Business	2,162	3,195	1,224	1,239	7,820
Health & Social Care	866	1,323	532	346	3,067
Leisure & Tourism	808	1,671	924	622	4,025
Manufacturing	11	11	18	7	47
Construction	54	130	39	51	274
Hospitality & Catering	74	249	170	109	602
Science	84	205	137	82	508
Engineering	81	218	121	108	528
Information Technology	226	509	357	200	1,292
Media: Communication & Production	158	237	64	75	534
Retail & Distribution	10	22	5	15	52
Performing Arts	31	37	18	16	102
Other	20	24	21	1	66
Total	5,243	8,901	4,223	3,068	21,435

TABLE 18:
GCE A-level/AS & AGNVQ achievements (1) of candidates (2) in all Schools and Colleges – 1995/96 to 1997/98 (3)

	1995/1996			1996/1997			1997/1998		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Schools									
Pupils with 1 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) passes	61.2	64.2	125.3	65.4	69.2	134.6	71.0	77.0	148.0
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	95.4	96.4	95.9	95.6	96.7	96.2	96.2	97.3	96.9
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	21.5	23.9	22.7	21.1	23.7	22.4	22.3	25.5	23.8
Pupils with 2 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) passes	54.3	57.2	111.5	58.2	62.3	120.5	64.7	71.0	135.7
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	84.6	86.0	85.3	85.1	87.1	86.1	87.7	89.8	88.8
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	19.1	21.4	20.2	18.8	21.3	20.0	20.3	23.5	21.9
Pupils with 3 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) passes	44.0	46.0	90.0	47.4	50.5	97.9	50.2	55.3	105.5
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	68.7	69.1	68.9	69.3	70.6	70.0	68.0	69.9	69.0
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	15.5	17.1	16.3	15.3	17.3	16.3	15.8	18.3	17.0
FE Sector Colleges									
Students with 1 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) pass	27.6	36.2	63.8	29.2	39.4	68.6	38.0	49.4	87.4
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	87.9	89.6	88.9	89.0	90.9	90.1	86.8	89.6	88.4
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	9.7	13.5	11.6	9.4	13.5	11.4	11.9	16.3	14.1
Students with 2 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) pass	21.8	29.1	51.0	23.3	31.9	55.2	33.1	43.4	76.5
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	69.5	72.1	71.0	70.9	73.8	72.5	75.6	78.7	77.3
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	7.7	10.9	9.2	7.5	10.9	9.2	10.4	14.3	12.3
Students with 3 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) passes	16.0	21.7	37.7	17.2	24.0	41.3	18.6	26.3	44.9
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	50.9	53.8	52.5	52.5	55.5	54.2	42.5	47.7	45.4
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	5.6	8.1	6.8	5.6	8.2	6.9	5.8	8.7	7.2
Schools and FE Sector Colleges									
Candidates with 1 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) pass	88.8	100.4	189.2	94.6	108.6	203.1	109.0	126.4	235.3
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	93.0	93.9	93.4	93.5	94.5	94.0	92.7	94.2	93.5
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	31.2	37.5	34.2	30.6	37.1	33.8	34.2	41.8	37.9
Candidates with 2 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) pass	76.1	86.4	162.5	81.5	94.2	175.7	97.7	114.5	212.2
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	79.7	80.7	80.2	80.5	82.1	81.3	83.1	85.3	84.3
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	26.7	32.2	29.4	26.3	32.2	29.2	30.7	37.9	34.2
Candidates with 3 or more GCE A-level (or AS/AGNVQ equivalent) passes	60.0	67.7	127.7	64.6	74.6	139.2	68.9	81.6	150.4
– as % of those attempting A/AS/AGNVQ exams	62.8	63.3	63.1	63.8	64.9	64.4	58.6	60.8	59.7
– as % of the 17 year old age group(4)	21.1	25.3	23.1	20.9	25.5	23.1	21.6	27.0	24.2

(1) Each GCE AS attempt or pass counts as half of a GCE A-level and each AGNVQ as 2 attempts or 2 passes

(2) Figures are derived from the number of candidates aged 18 or under who achieved the stated result for the first time, in the relevant year, in all Schools and Further Education Sector Colleges.

(3) Figures for 1997/1998 include the Advanced GNVQ which is equivalent to two GCE A levels.

(4) The GAD estimates of the population aged 17 at 31 August are:

1995/1996			1996/1997			1997/1998		
Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
284.6	268.0	552.6	309.4	292.4	601.8	318.5	302.5	621.0

TABLE 19:

Update of data published in the Secondary School & School and College Performance Tables for the 16-18 age group in December 1998 – for each Local Education Authority

LEA	Percentage of 15 year old pupils (1) achieving at GCSE or or GNVQ equivalent:			Average GCSE point score	Percentage achieving pre-16 Vocational Qualification (2)	Average point score of 16-18 year old candidates (1)			AGNVQ	Percentage achieving post-16 Vocational Qualification (3)	
	5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades			entered for fewer than 2 A/AS	entered for 2 or more A/AS	per entry		Advanced	Intermediate
	NORTH EAST GOR										
Hartlepool UA	34.6	86.1	92.0	32.6	-	1.9	15.1	4.6	9.9	82.4	82.4
Middlesborough UA	27.5	77.4	87.8	27.5	87.1	2.8	15.6	4.7	10.5	76.7	63.2
Redcar & Cleveland UA	38.8	86.0	92.1	33.9	52.6	1.9	17.0	4.6	9.1	57.3	53.1
Stockton on Tees UA	40.0	84.3	91.3	34.3	99.2	3.1	19.2	5.7	10.1	86.5	52.1
Darlington UA	37.1	83.8	89.8	33.1	32.0	2.8	18.0	5.2	9.9	87.4	73.9
Durham County	35.7	85.7	92.4	33.0	68.5	2.8	16.5	5.0	9.5	75.7	65.2
Northumberland	45.1	90.4	94.0	36.9	75.6	2.9	17.9	5.3	9.4	73.7	63.8
Tyne & Wear Met County											
Gateshead	39.6	85.0	90.3	35.5	55.1	2.8	15.6	5.1	10.2	88.3	67.4
Newcastle upon Tyne	31.0	80.1	87.9	29.5	70.1	2.6	13.9	4.6	9.3	89.8	72.1
North Tyneside	44.5	90.3	93.2	36.3	100.0	2.9	15.5	4.8	11.0	92.1	65.8
South Tyneside	36.9	88.3	93.8	33.5	69.6	2.8	13.0	4.7	8.2	86.4	63.4
Sunderland	32.3	85.9	94.1	32.3	77.3	2.0	13.4	4.2	9.7	78.4	60.4
NORTH WEST GOR											
Halton	33.8	86.7	93.6	32.2	76.8	2.0	16.5	4.4	8.8	42.1	46.0
Warrington	48.4	92.8	96.7	38.6	92.5	2.3	17.8	4.9	9.5	75.6	61.3
Cheshire	53.0	92.4	96.3	40.1	58.4	2.8	19.7	5.3	9.9	82.8	75.9
Cumbria	43.9	88.7	94.2	36.3	90.1	2.3	18.3	5.0	10.1	79.0	66.3
Greater Manchester Met County											
Bolton	40.3	86.3	91.4	34.7	65.0	1.9	16.7	4.8	8.4	38.8	32.1
Bury	47.4	95.4	98.7	38.4	62.8	2.5	15.9	4.4	7.7	86.6	63.0
Manchester	28.7	77.2	87.3	27.6	77.1	3.2	14.6	4.6	11.6	54.4	69.0
Oldham	36.9	84.7	90.7	32.6	58.1	3.2	16.6	5.2	10.3	83.8	65.3
Rochdale	36.1	85.0	91.6	31.5	92.3	2.2	15.1	4.4	7.4	85.0	71.0
Salford	33.3	86.3	92.9	30.7	64.2	1.5	13.5	4.2	9.5	81.0	62.0
Stockport	50.2	90.4	95.0	37.2	85.3	2.8	16.5	5.0	10.2	71.7	63.2
Tameside	38.4	89.2	94.8	33.3	94.2	2.1	14.3	4.3	9.5	89.2	60.0
Trafford	54.3	90.0	94.2	39.7	76.0	2.5	21.3	5.7	7.3	83.0	55.5
Wigan	43.2	88.2	94.2	36.7	80.4	2.7	17.2	5.0	8.7	74.7	63.0
Blackburn with Darwin	35.8	86.9	93.6	33.7	82.1	3.5	16.8	5.1	7.7	90.8	66.8
Blackpool	34.6	83.8	93.1	31.6	48.0	2.7	16.1	5.0	7.4	77.9	73.0
Lancashire	47.0	90.0	94.9	37.6	69.7	2.8	19.8	5.4	9.1	85.2	66.6
MERSEYSIDE											
Knowsley	22.9	74.0	83.8	24.8	66.2	2.9	10.8	3.6	7.7	87.0	73.5
Liverpool	30.9	77.4	88.1	28.7	63.6	2.9	15.3	4.6	8.4	86.4	58.9
St Helens	39.5	87.5	92.8	33.9	83.5	2.2	19.6	5.2	10.7	67.5	74.2
Sefton	44.4	91.3	94.3	37.5	74.6	2.3	17.6	4.9	11.0	68.5	57.4
Wirral	45.3	85.1	92.1	36.5	78.3	2.4	18.3	5.2	7.3	66.0	47.4

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	5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	Average GCSE point score	Percentage achieving pre-16 Vocational Qualification (2)	entered for			AGNVQ	Advanced	Intermediate
						entered for fewer than 2 A/AS	entered for 2 or more A/AS	per entry			
YORKSHIRE & HUMBER GOR											
East Riding of Yorkshire	47.0	90.5	95.0	37.3	65.4	3.0	16.8	4.8	10.3	90.0	79.0
Kingston-upon-Hull UA	22.8	77.2	86.6	25.4	32.4	3.9	15.2	4.4	11.0	71.0	63.3
North East Lincolnshire UA	33.3	82.7	89.9	30.8	88.1	3.1	14.1	4.6	10.8	-	70.0
North Lincolnshire UA	41.8	90.5	96.1	36.0	88.2	2.8	18.5	5.0	10.3	84.9	62.3
York UA	48.9	91.5	95.0	38.5	81.5	3.1	19.6	5.4	9.0	76.2	66.2
North Yorkshire	56.4	92.0	96.2	41.2	72.0	3.3	19.7	5.4	9.8	93.5	72.1
South Yorkshire Met County											
Barnsley	29.8	82.2	90.3	29.3	69.4	3.0	16.0	4.8	11.0	75.5	51.0
Doncaster	34.1	83.0	89.7	31.1	36.0	2.6	15.3	4.3	6.0	82.5	56.2
Rotherham	36.8	84.7	91.1	32.7	97.8	2.9	17.1	4.9	8.6	74.6	70.5
Sheffield	38.0	85.0	90.8	33.1	72.6	3.1	18.4	5.4	10.0	72.1	50.4
West Yorkshire Met County											
Bradford	29.6	79.8	89.0	28.3	77.4	2.8	15.4	4.5	9.4	73.7	65.9
Calderdale	39.4	85.7	93.0	33.7	27.3	2.5	17.4	4.9	11.2	-	50.0
Kirklees	39.8	86.7	91.9	34.0	74.0	2.7	19.2	5.4	10.8	76.2	70.8
Leeds	37.9	84.3	90.1	32.5	85.2	2.6	18.2	5.0	8.6	73.1	65.8
Wakefield	38.7	88.0	94.2	33.6	91.7	3.0	16.6	4.8	7.5	80.7	58.4
EAST MIDLANDS GOR											
Derby UA	38.2	87.4	93.9	33.1	90.0	2.8	13.8	4.5	10.4	78.3	50.3
Derbyshire County	45.8	89.9	95.2	37.1	76.8	3.4	17.9	5.0	9.9	83.6	66.6
Leicester UA	34.8	80.2	91.1	30.0	79.7	2.6	14.5	4.9	8.0	81.7	62.5
Rutland UA	44.0	94.5	97.9	39.0	-	3.3	17.7	5.2	6.5	-	86.7
Leicestershire County	45.8	89.4	94.3	36.4	84.9	2.3	16.7	5.0	10.6	87.3	71.5
Lincolnshire	48.4	89.6	94.4	37.5	73.3	2.5	19.2	5.3	9.4	83.2	64.1
Northamptonshire	44.5	90.5	95.1	37.5	77.7	2.3	15.1	4.8	9.2	81.3	72.4
Nottingham City	26.2	73.9	86.5	26.0	64.2	2.6	14.3	4.6	9.3	75.0	62.8
Nottinghamshire	42.3	88.0	93.7	35.2	72.9	2.7	15.7	4.7	10.2	75.2	65.9
WEST MIDLANDS GOR											
Hereford	47.5	89.4	94.8	37.6	73.9	3.6	17.2	5.8	9.9	77.6	65.7
Worcester	45.7	87.3	93.0	36.4	76.3	2.2	16.9	5.0	9.3	81.5	70.1
The Wrekin	45.4	89.9	94.2	37.6	97.0	2.7	19.0	5.3	10.8	85.7	63.4
Shropshire	53.3	93.5	97.5	40.9	72.5	3.3	17.9	5.1	9.0	97.0	81.5
Stoke on Trent UA	32.6	84.7	91.8	30.4	42.1	2.1	17.9	4.9	7.4	75.3	68.2
Staffordshire County	45.0	90.1	94.9	36.4	86.1	2.4	16.2	4.7	9.8	75.0	67.5
Warwickshire	46.0	90.8	94.8	37.1	69.2	2.9	16.6	5.1	10.0	80.2	73.6
West Midlands Met County											
Birmingham	35.9	83.2	91.9	32.1	73.9	2.7	15.8	4.6	9.7	75.7	62.9
Coventry	37.1	85.1	91.4	32.6	90.0	2.7	15.3	4.7	9.3	77.3	66.8
Dudley	44.3	87.5	94.6	35.2	72.0	1.9	17.4	5.0	10.4	85.0	69.0
Sandwell	28.7	83.3	90.3	28.7	58.8	2.1	12.3	3.8	8.6	73.3	71.4
Solihull	52.2	90.1	95.9	39.1	94.5	3.0	16.2	5.3	9.9	77.1	69.7
Walsall	34.6	82.4	92.8	31.8	91.1	2.1	17.3	5.0	8.2	69.4	59.9
Wolverhampton	34.8	85.2	91.2	31.5	93.4	2.8	14.0	4.3	11.6	70.1	71.1

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	5+ A*-C	5+ A*-G	1+ A*-G			entered for	entered for	per		Advanced	Intermediate
	grades	grades	grades			fewer than	2 or more	entry			
						2 A/AS	A/AS				
EASTERN GOR											
Luton UA	35.0	92.4	97.9	35.9	100.0	2.8	14.1	4.6	9.5	77.8	68.7
Bedfordshire County	46.6	90.8	94.6	38.6	69.1	3.0	17.5	5.2	9.4	72.6	62.9
Peterborough	41.3	87.5	92.7	35.5	57.9	2.4	16.1	5.0	8.9	69.7	60.2
Cambridgeshire	51.6	90.3	95.3	40.2	84.2	3.5	19.7	5.9	8.8	87.1	65.2
Southend	48.4	83.8	90.8	38.4	45.6	2.7	20.9	5.9	8.2	94.1	85.1
Thurrock	34.5	86.0	92.9	33.4	100.0	4.3	14.4	5.1	8.1	84.0	66.1
Essex	48.6	91.1	95.3	39.0	90.7	2.5	17.4	5.1	9.4	85.9	61.9
Hertfordshire	54.0	91.5	95.6	40.2	64.8	2.8	16.4	5.3	8.8	80.9	62.4
Norfolk	46.0	88.5	94.5	36.6	81.4	3.0	16.2	5.2	9.5	78.8	69.3
Suffolk	49.4	93.1	96.2	40.1	77.9	2.9	15.8	5.2	9.8	82.6	70.9
LONDON GOR											
Inner London Boroughs											
Camden	45.8	86.7	93.6	36.3	100.0	4.0	14.8	5.3	13.3	69.3	63.7
Hackney	26.5	78.8	93.1	29.8	80.8	2.7	10.4	3.7	9.9	70.1	50.0
Hammersmith & Fulham	43.5	84.8	93.5	36.2	87.8	4.3	18.4	5.8	10.0	81.3	49.7
Haringey	26.6	77.9	92.2	27.2	43.2	2.5	13.2	4.5	8.9	66.2	54.8
Islington	23.3	77.2	90.2	26.4	88.9	3.5	12.1	4.4	7.4	70.2	50.9
Kensington & Chelsea	45.4	82.9	92.5	37.7	80.0	5.0	15.5	5.4	8.5	100.0	66.9
Lambeth	28.8	85.6	94.2	31.1	100.0	2.8	11.8	4.0	11.5	78.6	52.9
Lewisham	32.8	84.0	94.1	31.1	100.0	3.0	13.6	4.5	10.7	82.8	66.0
Newham	34.0	88.9	96.8	33.4	86.0	3.1	11.5	4.0	10.6	73.0	58.1
Southwark	29.1	79.7	93.8	29.2	94.4	4.3	9.0	3.7	9.8	76.3	56.4
Tower Hamlets	27.6	85.6	95.0	30.3	71.7	2.0	10.5	3.7	11.1	97.9	66.4
Wandsworth	34.7	83.0	93.3	32.7	72.9	3.5	13.9	4.9	9.0	84.1	61.8
Westminster. City of	34.5	78.0	87.3	30.3	77.8	3.4	13.0	4.6	10.8	58.8	61.2
Outer London Boroughs											
Barking & Dagenham	31.3	84.5	92.7	30.1	66.7	4.0	12.7	4.6	8.6	84.7	64.8
Barnet	56.3	89.5	93.5	41.8	97.4	3.3	16.7	5.7	8.8	75.8	72.2
Bexley	47.6	92.0	95.8	38.0	96.9	2.6	16.0	5.1	10.6	78.4	55.6
Brent	44.8	89.1	94.2	36.7	83.3	2.5	14.2	4.8	9.9	78.3	59.6
Bromley	55.4	93.5	96.5	41.4	-	2.6	15.9	5.0	10.0	74.6	62.0
Croydon	39.5	86.3	94.2	34.9	76.9	2.9	14.2	4.8	8.8	74.9	64.2
Ealing	44.6	88.0	94.3	36.5	93.1	3.6	13.8	4.8	10.4	52.6	45.8
Enfield	41.5	88.5	94.6	35.3	85.7	3.2	15.6	5.1	8.7	68.5	58.5
Greenwich	33.1	80.5	90.0	31.6	46.7	3.0	12.5	4.5	10.9	60.5	71.4
Harrow	52.8	91.7	95.7	40.2	75.0	2.3	13.4	4.4	10.0	84.6	65.1
Havering	50.1	91.5	95.8	39.7	55.4	2.6	16.9	4.8	9.1	71.2	58.6
Hillingdon	44.0	87.9	93.3	36.5	-	2.7	14.3	4.9	8.1	83.1	61.4
Hounslow	46.5	87.4	95.4	37.2	91.7	2.9	13.3	4.7	10.6	82.5	70.8
Kingston upon Thames	58.6	88.1	92.5	43.1	59.6	2.4	15.6	5.3	10.0	77.5	52.7
Merton	37.3	84.8	92.3	33.1	84.9	2.2	13.2	4.4	11.4	76.0	61.0
Redbridge	54.7	92.7	97.7	42.5	-	2.4	15.5	5.2	10.6	94.7	54.9
Richmond upon Thames	50.6	92.6	96.4	39.8	99.5	3.2	15.4	5.3	9.9	83.6	72.0
Sutton	57.9	91.6	95.5	43.5	80.6	3.3	20.3	6.0	8.3	78.9	74.2
Waltham Forest	37.2	86.3	92.3	33.0	-	2.8	13.0	4.4	8.4	72.4	52.9

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	5+ A*-C grades	5+ A*-G grades	1+ A*-G grades	Average GCSE point score	entered for fewer than 2 A/AS	entered for 2 or more A/AS	per entry	AGNVQ	Advanced	Intermediate	
SOUTH EAST GOR											
Bracknell Forest	45.4	91.7	95.2	36.7	57.5	3.4	15.5	5.2	9.2	80.6	75.9
Reading	42.7	81.7	88.9	37.7	-	2.3	17.0	5.6	9.8	80.0	55.3
Slough	42.9	91.3	96.5	36.7	83.3	2.2	16.4	4.9	8.5	66.7	81.0
West Berkshire	54.5	94.8	97.0	40.3	-	2.7	16.3	5.3	9.5	74.7	65.0
Windsor and Maidenhead	57.2	94.2	97.3	42.0	-	3.1	16.8	5.6	12.2	78.8	85.5
Wokingham	56.2	92.5	96.0	40.7	27.3	3.5	16.1	5.5	11.8	100.0	86.6
Milton Keynes UA	34.6	87.4	93.6	35.2	80.0	2.8	15.3	4.7	9.5	72.7	70.2
Buckinghamshire County	59.5	91.1	95.2	42.9	65.4	2.7	20.2	6.1	9.8	84.9	74.0
Brighton and Hove UA	42.2	84.6	92.1	34.7	89.5	2.9	16.7	5.1	9.8	79.7	51.8
East Sussex County	46.9	90.0	94.6	38.0	85.1	2.7	14.9	4.9	9.5	85.6	70.3
Portsmouth UA	30.7	83.3	88.0	30.0	-	2.4	14.5	4.5	8.6	61.6	60.6
Southampton UA	41.0	89.3	94.9	36.5	100.0	2.7	14.5	4.9	9.0	63.5	69.4
Hampshire County	51.2	93.3	96.3	40.3	79.9	2.9	17.7	5.3	9.9	80.3	69.6
Isle of Wight	39.8	88.4	93.9	35.1	46.8	3.3	16.1	5.3	10.1	91.9	55.6
Kent	49.2	90.0	95.1	38.1	84.4	2.5	17.1	5.4	10.0	79.2	67.8
Rochester & Gillingham	43.8	89.7	94.6	35.8	87.2	2.3	15.9	4.9	10.2	80.9	67.0
Oxfordshire	46.5	88.3	94.0	37.7	76.0	3.3	15.3	5.2	9.5	81.0	68.2
Surrey	53.6	92.3	94.9	40.9	68.0	3.3	16.7	5.3	9.7	67.4	64.4
West Sussex	51.7	92.6	95.3	40.3	45.9	3.0	16.6	5.4	9.6	73.2	65.8
SOUTH WEST GOR											
Bath & NE Somerset UA	53.2	91.7	96.5	40.2	77.5	2.9	15.5	5.3	9.5	77.4	67.0
Bristol UA	29.0	80.4	89.1	28.9	72.8	2.4	13.6	4.4	9.1	66.1	50.9
North Somerset UA	52.0	91.1	96.8	39.1	88.6	2.8	17.2	5.3	9.7	71.4	69.4
South Gloucestershire UA	45.1	91.7	94.9	37.3	64.3	2.6	16.1	5.1	10.7	82.7	73.7
Cornwall	51.1	93.2	97.4	39.9	84.4	2.9	17.8	5.2	10.1	89.4	74.0
Isles of Scilly	66.7	100.0	100.0	47.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plymouth	43.6	90.7	94.8	36.8	94.9	2.9	18.0	5.3	10.0	87.4	71.5
Torbay	48.0	87.9	93.8	37.1	53.6	2.7	18.2	5.4	11.3	79.6	59.2
Devon	47.0	91.1	96.3	38.4	87.2	3.5	16.3	5.2	10.5	86.3	74.9
Bournemouth UA	49.2	89.7	94.9	39.3	81.4	3.1	20.8	5.8	13.1	78.6	81.3
Poole UA	53.2	92.3	95.6	41.6	40.0	2.8	17.7	5.2	9.0	76.6	46.6
Dorset County	50.0	92.7	95.7	39.4	75.7	2.7	17.5	5.2	10.9	76.3	71.1
Gloucestershire	54.7	92.6	96.2	41.2	91.3	2.8	18.4	5.5	9.9	61.9	68.9
Somerset	51.2	92.3	96.7	40.0	93.5	3.3	17.1	5.5	11.1	90.4	79.8
Swindon UA	43.6	88.8	94.4	35.0	88.7	2.7	15.8	5.2	10.0	75.0	66.5
Wiltshire County	51.9	91.0	95.2	40.0	62.0	2.9	17.4	5.6	9.8	85.9	67.7
England Average (Secondary School Tables)	46.3	87.5	93.4	37.0	77.6						
England Average (School and College Performance Tables for the 16-18 age group).						3.0	17.8	5.4	9.6	78.9	65.2

(1) Age at the start of the 1997/98 academic year, ie. 31 August 1997.

(2) Candidates aged 15 studying for vocational qualifications or units awarded by C&G and RSA.

(3) Candidates aged 16-18 in the final year of study for Advanced GNVQs, BTEC National Certificate or Diploma or C&G National Diploma of Vocational Education.