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Introduction

This note sets out the available statistics on young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) and young people not in education or training (NET) from three data sources:

i) Participation Statistical First Release (SFR)

These are the authoritative national estimates of NEET and NET rates. They are published annually in the 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' SFR. These data are only available annually and cannot be disaggregated to sub-national levels. These were updated in February 2013 to take account of revised 2011 Census data, published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

ii) Quarterly Labour Force Survey (LFS)

Analysis of the LFS allows in-year estimates to be made of NEET and NET trends as well as estimates for other age groups, including 16-24, 18-24 and 19-24. The quarterly LFS estimates cannot be directly compared with the headline Participation SFR series which is based on more detailed but less timely data. This LFS data has not yet been reweighted to reflect ONS's revised population estimates based on the 2011 Census. The ONS are due to complete this work in 2014.

The most recent LFS based estimates for NEET, from Quarter 4 2012, are shown in the following table along with 2010 and 2011 data.

Table: NEET rates for different age cohorts: England Q4 2010 - Q4 2012

	Quarter 4 2010	Quarter 4 2011	Quarter 4 2012	% point change from Q4 2011 to Q4 2012
Age 16	5.0%	6.0%	4.8%	-1.1
Age 17	6.6%	7.8%	5.4%	-2.4*
Age 18	13.9%	14.9%	14.4%	-0.5
Age 16-18	8.6%	9.6%	8.4%	-1.2
Age 19-24	18.8%	18.7%	17.9%	-0.8
Age 16-24	15.6%	15.9%	15.0%	-0.9

Source: Labour Force Survey Quarter 4

iii) Local Authorities' Client Caseload Information System (CCIS).

CCIS is the management information data that results from the duty on all Local Authorities to track the activity of young people aged 16-19 years old resident in their area. Data can be aggregated to provide estimates for regions within England.

The data from all three sources cover England.

Section 1- Trends. Focuses on the key trends in the NEET and NET data series for 16-18 year olds.

Section 2- Methodology and Notes. Explains the methodology used to derive the different series, and gives guidance on their usage.

Section 3- Tables. Contains four tables showing numbers and percentages for the key data series on NET and NEET.

^{*} Change is statistically significant

Trends

Historical Context

Understanding the historical trends in NEET rates is an important part of placing current performance in perspective. In order to do so, we have to use historical LFS data that is not directly comparable with any other series in this note, and so should be used as context only. The chart below also shows the NEET Participation SFR measure for comparison.

Since the fall in the proportion of NEET in the mid-1990s, approximately 9-10% of 16-18 year olds have been NEET.

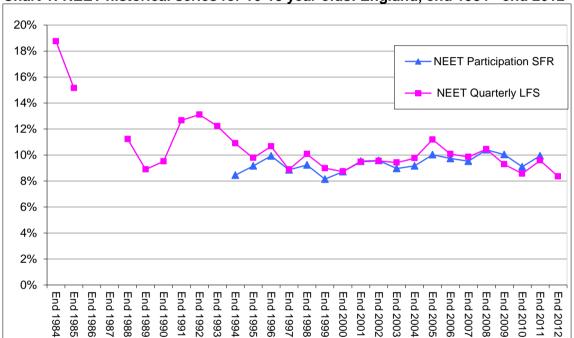


Chart 1: NEET historical series for 16-18 year olds: England, end 1984 - end 2012

Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' and analysis of Labour Force Survey (LFS). See footnote for Notes on LFS estimates¹:

a. NEET Participation SFR series (last updated February 2013)

The Department's Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' (link here) is the primary source of national data on 16-18 year olds NEET.

The latest Participation SFR NEET rate for 16-18 year olds, at end 2011, was 9.9%, a rise of 0.8 ppts from 9.1% at end 2010. The rise was a result of the employment rate of 16-18 year olds NET falling, despite participation in education and training increasing. Participation in education and training has risen every year since end 2001, from 75.3% to 83.1% at end 2011. However, the impact of increasing participation on the proportion NEET is counter-balanced by a falling employment rate of those 16-18 year olds not in education and training (NET). The employment rate for 16-18 year olds NET over the same period fell from 61.4% to 41.3%.

¹ Notes on LFS estimates: Annual data sets are used for 1984 to 1991. Estimates for 1986 and 1987 are unavailable due to data issues. Quarter 4 data is used from 1992 onwards. Between 1992 and 1994 the data does not exclude individuals answering yes to the qulnow variable, and between 1995 and 1999 individuals sampled in December were not asked the qulnow variable. This may mean that between 1992 and 1999 the proportion NEET is very slightly over-estimated.

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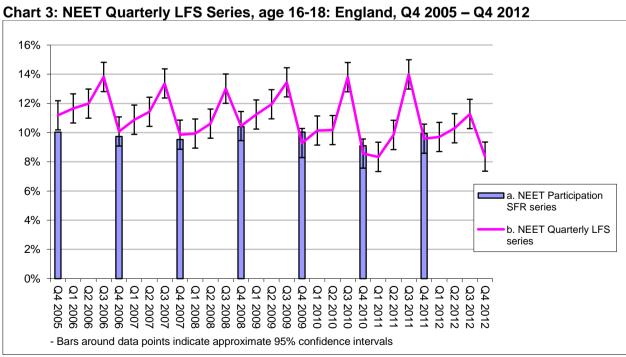
Chart 2: NEET Participation SFR series, age 16-18: England, end 1999 - end 2011

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

b. NEET quarterly LFS series (last updated February 2013)

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

The trend data for 16-18 year olds shows seasonal patterns that reflect the academic year: lower rates in autumn (Quarter 4, October to December) followed by a gradual rise in spring and early summer (Quarters 1 & 2, January to June) with a peak in late summer (Quarter 3, July to September).



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR. Note: The Q4 2012 SFR data will be available in June 2013.

The latest data show that the proportion of 16-18 year olds NEET decreased by 1.2 ppts to 8.4% in the fourth quarter of 2012, compared to the fourth quarter of 2011. This decrease was not statistically significant.

This decrease of 1.2 percentage points was driven broadly equally by two factors; an increase in participation in education and training, and an increase in the NET employment rate. The NET employment rate for 16-18 increased by 5.5 percentage points, from 39.7% in Q4 2011 to 45.2% in Q4 2012; this was the first Quarter 4 increase since 2006.

There had been some evidence of increasing seasonality in the NEET data, seen by comparing Q4 troughs to the following Q3 peak (roughly the same cohort of people). The difference between Q4 2008 and Q3 2009 was 3.0 ppts; between Q4 2009 and Q3 2010 it was 4.5 ppts; and between Q4 2010 and Q3 2011 it was 5.4 ppts. However, the increase between Q4 2011 to Q3 2012 was just 1.7 ppts.

c. Regional NEET (last updated April 2012)

The regional picture on 16-18 NEET is taken from Local Authorities' Client Caseload Information System (CCIS).

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

Note that CCIS data tend to show a lower percentage NEET than either the Participation SFR or LFS data sources.

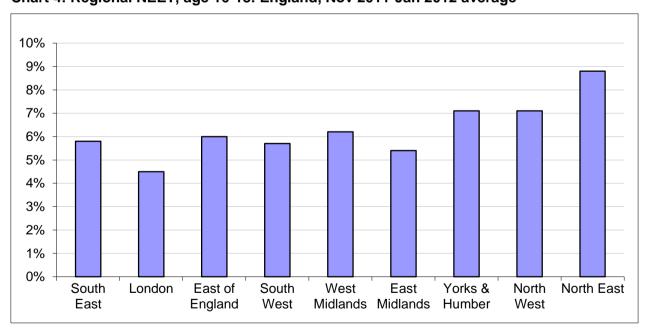


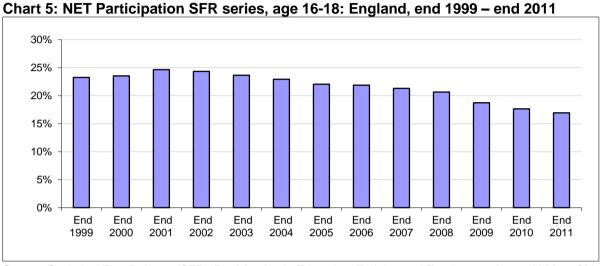
Chart 4: Regional NEET, age 16-18: England, Nov 2011-Jan 2012 average

Source: Client Caseload Information System

Note: Local Authority CCIS data are published annually. In addition, regional NEET estimates for 16-24 year olds based on the LFS are now published as supplementary tables alongside this Quarterly Brief. Both publications appear on the DfE website: <u>Link Here.</u>

d. NET Participation SFR series (last updated February 2013)

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



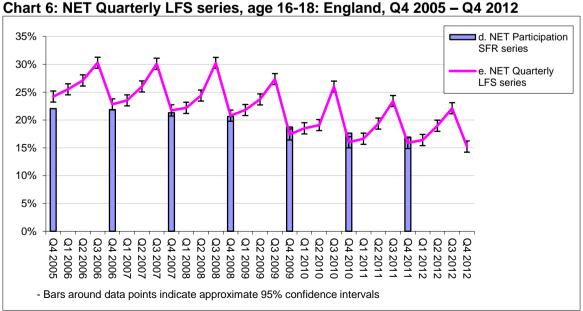
Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'

The latest Participation SFR NET rate, for end 2011, was 16.9%. This is the lowest Participation SFR NET rate for 16-18 year olds since consistent records began in 1994, and the tenth successive annual fall since 2001.

e. NET quarterly LFS series (last updated February 2013)

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

The proportion of 16-18 year olds NET fell by 0.6 ppts to 15.2% in the fourth quarter of 2012, compared to 15.9% in the fourth quarter of 2011. Although this was not statistically significant, it was the lowest quarter 4 rate since consistent records began in 2000, and the proportion NET has steadily decreased, by 9.0 ppts, since 2005.



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR. Note: The Q4 2012 SFR data will be available in June 2013.

2. Methodology and Notes

a. NEET and NET Participation SFR series

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

b. NEET and NET quarterly LFS series

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Description	These series are quarterly estimates of NEET and NET amongst young people from the LFS. It is not directly comparable with the Participation SFR measure.
Uses	These series provide more timely data on the recent trends in NEET and NET since the last Participation SFR. Trends should be assessed by comparing the current quarter with the same quarter in the previous year to account for seasonal effects. Quarter on quarter changes, i.e. Quarter 4 to Quarter 1, should not be quoted. The NET series should be used as context for any NEET data.
Geographical coverage	England
Age coverage	Academic age 16 to 24
Published source	Quarterly Labour Force Survey
Primary sources	Quarterly Labour Force Survey
Last Period Covered	Quarter 4 2012
Last published	February 2012 (does not include revised population estimates based on Census 2011)
Next published	May 2013

c. Regional NEET

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Description	This series is a 3 month average snapshot estimate of the regional NEET rate taken from the Local Authority Client Caseload Information System (CCIS) data. It is neither directly comparable with the LFS nor the Participation SFR series due to the use of 'currency' rules. The activity status of young people in education or employment is not actively checked every month, but has a shelf life depending on the type of educational course or the nature of the employment. For young people whose currency is lapsed a historical assumption is made on the proportion NEET, taking into account their previously reported activity. Full details are published in a technical specification available here: NCCIS management information requirement The combination of both factors leads to estimates of NEET in the CCIS data that tend to be lower than those estimated from the LFS or those reported in the annual Participation Statistical First Release (SFR).
Uses	This series shows the data, aggregated in regions, used by Local Authorities to inform local activity and target setting.
Geographical Coverage	England
Age coverage	Academic age 16 to 18 (previously calendar age)
Published source	Management information published on the DfE website as policy data: 16- to 18-year-olds NEET
Primary sources	Client Caseload Information System (CCIS)
Last Period Covered	November 2011 – January 2012 average.
Last published	April 2012
Next published	Due April 2013

d. Scheduled revisions to previously published statistics

Labour Force Survey (LFS) datasets are routinely reweighted in line with population estimates. The most recent update introduced a new weighting variable, PWT11, to LFS datasets from Quarter 3 2009 onwards.

The PWT11 weights do not reflect the most recent population estimates for England and Wales, announced by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) on 16th July 2012. ONS plan to release LFS data (from 2001 onwards) reweighted in line with the 2011 Census, in 2014.

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

In contrast, this Statistical Release reproduces statistics from the DfE '<u>Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' SFR</u> which rely on mid-year population estimates which have been revised based on the 2011 Census.

e. National Statistics Publication

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

Designation can be broadly interpreted to mean that the statistics:

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

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

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

	Welsh Assembly Government (WG)	Scottish Government (SG)	Office for National Statistics (ONS)		
Description	Annual SFR statistics produced in a method analogous to the DfE annual SFR.	Statistics based on the Annual Population Survey (APS).	Monthly Labour Force Survey (LFS) statistics for young people not in full-time education		
	2. Statistics based on the Annual Population Survey (APS). Definition of NEET corresponds to that used in the DfE NEET Quarterly Brief	2. Annual school leaver statistics	and not in employment -Table 14 from the Labour Market Statistics bulletin.		
	3. Pupil destinations based on Careers Wales Survey.	3. Combination of DWP benefits data and school leaver destinations			
Uses	1. Regarded as the definitive measure of headline NEET estimates in Wales.	National estimates of NEET.	Part of wider labour market statistics; rolling 3-month		
	2. Timely data; regional or single-age estimates based on averaging 3 years of data.	2. Proportion of young people in positive destinations'. The complement is roughly equivalent to NEET, but will include some young people in part-time education.	average both seasonally- adjusted and not seasonally- adjusted; roughly equivalent to NEET but will include some young people in part-time education.		
	3. Local area estimates of NEET.	3. Local area estimates of NEET.			
Geographical Coverage	Wales	Scotland	United Kingdom (UK)		
Age coverage	Academic age 16-18, 19-24 (SFR); academic age 16-18, 19-24 (APS); interviews in October following Year 11 (Careers Wales)	Actual age 16-19.	Actual age 16-17 and 18-24.		
Published source	1. Welsh Government Participation of Young People in Education and the Labour Market, 2010 and 2011 (provisional)	1. Local Area Labour Markets in Scotland: Statistics from the Annual Population Survey 2011	<u>Labour Market Statistics -</u> <u>February 2013</u>		
	2. Young People Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET), Year to 30 Sept 2012	2. Summary statistics for attainment, leaver destinations and healthy living, No. 2: 2012 Edition			
	3. Pupil Destinations from Schools in Wales, 2011	3. More Choices More Chances			

3. Tables

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

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a. NEET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 1999	40,600	42,500	62,400	83,100	145,500			
End 2000	40,700	44,200	71,300	84,800	156,100			
End 2001	46,700	55,500	73,600	102,100	175,800			
End 2002	47,300	57,300	75,600	104,600	180,200			
End 2003	44,600	47,200	79,700	91,800	171,500			
End 2004	45,400	53,500	78,700	98,800	177,600			
End 2005	48,100	62,700	85,500	110,800	196,300			
End 2006	44,700	58,200	90,400	103,000	193,300			
End 2007	41,100	58,900	91,400	100,000	191,500			
End 2008	38,800	62,300	110,500	101,100	211,600			
End 2009	36,000	52,500	114,800	88,500	203,200			
End 2010	33,600 35,100	54,100	95,000	87,700	182,800 197,600			
End 2011 Source: Labour Force Survey a	,	56,300	106,200 Period:	91,400 End 1999 to Er				
				16-17	16-18			
b. NEET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	year olds	year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q4 2007	45,000	59,000	88,000	104,000	192,000	783,000	679,000	591,000
Q1 2008	42,000	63,000	89,000	104,000	193,000	811,000	707,000	618,000
Q2 2008	45,000	65,000	99,000	110,000	209,000	840,000	730,000	631,000
Q3 2008	53,000	100,000	102,000	153,000	256,000	971,000	818,000	716,000
Q4 2008	47,000	55,000	104,000	102,000	206,000	853,000	751,000	647,000
Q1 2009	42,000	66,000	112,000	108,000	220,000	929,000	821,000	709,000
Q2 2009	52,000	74,000	109,000	125,000	234,000	954,000	829,000	719,000
Q3 2009	56,000	93,000	113,000	150,000	262,000	1,073,000	923,000	811,000
Q4 2009	34,000	49,000	94,000	84,000	178,000	893,000	810,000	716,000
Q1 2010	31,000	59,000	104,000	91,000	195,000	925,000	834,000	729,000
Q2 2010	30,000	68,000	99,000	98,000	197,000	868,000	770,000	671,000
Q3 2010	42,000	100,000	124,000	141,000	265,000	1,022,000	880,000	756,000
Q4 2010	32,000	41,000	90,000	73,000	163,000	937,000	864,000	774,000
Q1 2011	32,000	50,000	77,000	82,000	159,000	925,000	843,000	765,000
Q2 2011	40,000	54,000	91,000	95,000	186,000	979,000	884,000	793,000
Q3 2011	55,000	95,000	117,000	150,000	267,000	1,163,000	1,013,000	896,000
Q4 2011 Q1 2012	36,000	49,000	92,000	85,000	177,000	957,000	872,000	780,000
Q1 2012 Q2 2012	37,000 35,000	56,000 59,000	88,000	93,000 93,000	181,000 191,000	949,000 968,000	856,000 875,000	768,000 778,000
Q2 2012 Q3 2012	37,000	77,000	97,000 92,000	115,000	206,000	1,027,000	912,000	821,000
Q4 2012	28,000	33,000	92,000	61,000	153,000	893,000	831,000	739,000
Source: Labour Force Survey	20,000	00,000	Period:	,	2012 time serie		001,000	700,000
*Note: the Labour For	ce Survey has n	ot been reweig	hted to reflect t	he Census 2011	population so	the numbers sho	uld be used with o	aution
				16-17	16-18			
c. Regional NEET	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	year olds	year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
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Yorks & Humber								
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Table 2: Not in Education and Training (NET): England

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d. NET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 1999	77,500	111,600	226,200	189,200	415,400			
End 2000	82,700	116,300	222,400	198,900	421,300			
End 2001	88,300	131,500	235,200	219,800	455,100			
End 2002	80,100	135,200	242,300	215,300	457,600			
End 2003	75,700	125,700	251,200	201,500	452,700			
End 2004	74,500	124,200	245,500	198,700	444,100			
End 2005	68,300	122,300	241,000	190,500	431,500			
End 2006	67,100	117,400	250,200	184,600	434,800			
End 2007	66,700	116,000	245,600	182,700	428,300			
End 2008	52,800	114,000	253,000	166,800	419,800			
End 2009	44,800	87,500	247,200	132,200	379,400			
End 2010	42,900	81,600	230,300	124,500	354,700			
End 2011	42,000	80,900	213,500	122,900	336,400			
Source: Labour Force Survey and	nd Admin Data		Period:	End 1999 to Er	nd 2011			
e. NET Quarterly				16-17	16-18			
LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	year olds	year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q4 2007	70,000	117,000	236,000	187,000	424,000	2,797,000	2,610,000	2,374,000
		117,000	230,000	107,000	424.000	2,737,000	2,010,000	2,374,000
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Q1 2008	71,000	121,000	240,000	192,000	432,000	2,796,000	2,604,000	
Q1 2008 Q2 2008	71,000 77,000	121,000 141,000	240,000 262,000	192,000 218,000	432,000 480,000	2,920,000	2,604,000 2,702,000	2,440,000
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*Note: the Labour Force Survey has not been reweighted to reflect the Census 2011 population so the numbers should be used with caution

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

							Perce	ntage
a. NEET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 1999	6.8%	7.2%	10.4%	7.0%	8.1%			
End 2000	6.7%	7.4%	12.2%	7.0%	8.7%			
End 2001	7.4%	9.1%	12.2%	8.2%	9.5%			
End 2002	7.6%	9.0%	12.2%	8.3%	9.6%			
End 2003	7.0%	7.5%	12.4%	7.2%	9.0%			
End 2004	6.9%	8.3%	12.3%	7.6%	9.2%			
End 2005	7.4%	9.5%	13.2%	8.5%	10.0%			
End 2006	6.7%	8.9%	13.5%	7.8%	9.7%			
End 2007	6.1%	8.8%	13.8%	7.4%	9.5%			
End 2008	5.8%	9.1%	16.2%	7.5%	10.4%			
End 2009	5.5%	7.8%	16.5%	6.7%	10.0%			
End 2010	5.1%	8.2%	13.8%	6.6%	9.1%			
End 2011	5.4%	8.4%	15.8%	7.0%	9.9%			
Source: Labour Force Su			Period:	End 1999 to E				
b. NEET Quarterly LFS series*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
Q4 2007	6.9%	9.0%	13.7%	8.0%	9.9%	13.2%	14.6%	14.8%
Q1 2008	6.3%	9.6%	14.0%	8.0%	9.9%	13.6%	15.2%	15.49
Q2 2008	7.0%	9.7%	15.1%	8.4%	10.6%	14.0%	15.5%	15.69
Q3 2008	8.5%	14.8%	15.5%	11.8%	13.0%	16.2%	17.4%	17.79
Q4 2008	7.4%	8.3%	15.4%	7.9%	10.5%	14.2%	15.9%	16.09
Q1 2009	6.5%	10.0%	17.1%	8.3%	11.2%	15.5%	17.6%	17.69
Q2 2009	8.0%	11.2%	16.5%	9.6%	11.9%	15.9%	17.6%	17.89
Q3 2009	8.8%	14.6%	16.7%	11.7%	13.4%	18.0%	19.7%	20.29
Q3 2009 Q4 2009	5.6%	7.4%	14.8%	6.5%	9.3%	14.9%	17.1%	17.59
Q1 2010	5.0%	8.8%	16.6%	7.0%	10.1%	15.3%	17.1%	17.89
Q2 2010								
Q2 2010 Q3 2010	5.0% 6.7%	10.2%	15.0%	7.7% 11.0%	10.2%	14.4%	16.2%	16.49
Q3 2010 Q4 2010		14.9%	19.5%	5.8%	13.8%	17.1%	18.7% 18.2%	18.69
	5.0%	6.6%	13.9%		8.6%	15.6%		18.89
Q1 2011	5.0%	8.0%	12.0%	6.5%	8.3%	15.3%	17.7%	18.69
Q2 2011	6.4%	8.8%	14.3%	7.6%	9.8%	16.2%	18.4%	19.19
Q3 2011	8.7%	15.1%	18.1%	11.9%	14.0%	19.2%	21.1%	21.59
Q4 2011	6.0%	7.8%	14.9%	6.9%	9.6%	15.9%	18.2%	18.79
Q1 2012	6.1%	8.9%	14.1%	7.5%	9.7%	15.8%	17.9%	18.5%
Q2 2012	5.6%	9.6%	15.5%	7.6%	10.3%	16.0%	18.1%	18.5%
Q3 2012	6.2%	12.5%	14.9%	9.4%	11.3%	17.0%	19.0%	19.69
Q4 2012 Source: Labour Force Survey	4.8%	5.4%	14.4% Period:	5.1%	8.4% 1 2012 time serie	15.0%	17.5%	17.99
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c. Regional NEET	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
South East	3.7%	5.8%	7.9%	4.8%	5.8%			
London	2.5%	4.5%	6.3%	3.6%	4.5%			
East of England	3.8%	6.0%	8.4%	4.9%	6.0%			
South West	3.6%	5.7%	7.9%	4.7%	5.7%			
West Midlands	3.9%	6.0%	8.8%	5.0%	6.2%			
East Midlands	3.6%	5.4%	7.7%	4.5%	5.4%			
Yorks & Humber	4.9%	7.3%	9.2%	6.1%	7.1%			
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North West	4.5%	7.1%	9.8%	5.8%	7.1%			

Table 4: Not in Education and Training (NET): England

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d. NET Participation SFR series	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year olds
End 1999	12.9%	18.9%	37.9%	15.9%	23.3%			
End 2000	13.6%	19.4%	38.0%	16.5%	23.5%			
End 2001	14.0%	21.5%	39.1%	17.7%	24.7%			
End 2002	12.8%	21.3%	39.2%	17.1%	24.3%			
End 2003	11.9%	19.9%	39.0%	15.9%	23.7%			
End 2004	11.4%	19.4%	38.4%	15.3%	22.9%			
End 2005	10.5%	18.5%	37.1%	14.6%	22.0%			
End 2006	10.1%	17.9%	37.4%	14.0%	21.9%			
End 2007	9.9%	17.3%	37.0%	13.6%	21.3%			
End 2008	7.9%	16.7%	37.2%	12.3%	20.6%			
End 2009	6.8%	12.9%	35.6%	9.9%	18.7%			
End 2010	6.5%	12.3%	33.5%	9.4%	17.7%			
End 2011	6.5%	12.1%	31.7%	9.4%	16.9%			
Source: Labour Force S	urvey and Admin	Data	Period:	End 1999 to E	nd 2011			
. NET Quarterly LFS eries*	16 year olds	17 year olds	18 year olds	16-17 year olds	16-18 year olds	16-24 year olds	18-24 year olds	19-24 year old
Q4 2007	10.8%	17.9%	36.7%	14.3%	21.7%	47.0%	56.1%	59.3
Q1 2008	10.7%	18.7%	37.6%	14.7%	22.2%	47.0%	56.1%	59.0
Q2 2008	12.0%	21.1%	40.1%	16.6%	24.4%	48.6%	57.5%	60.4
Q3 2008	13.9%	32.0%	44.1%	23.3%	30.3%	53.8%	62.2%	65.29
Q4 2008	9.7%	15.4%	36.6%	12.6%	20.8%	46.7%	56.1%	59.4
Q1 2009	9.2%	18.2%	37.9%	13.7%	21.8%	47.2%	56.5%	59.5
Q2 2009	11.1%	20.4%	39.2%	15.8%	23.7%	48.1%	57.0%	59.99
Q3 2009	12.3%	27.1%	41.8%	19.7%	27.4%	52.2%	61.0%	64.3
Q4 2009	6.8%	12.4%	32.9%	9.7%	17.4%	45.3%	55.0%	58.49
Q1 2010	6.4%	14.6%	34.7%	10.7%	18.5%	45.5%	55.0%	58.1°
	6.7%	16.2%	33.5%	11.7%	19.1%	45.7%	54.9%	58.49
					26.0%	52.1%	61.3%	64.49
Q2 2010 Q3 2010	9.2%	26.8%	41.4%	18.4%	20.070			60.29
Q2 2010	9.2% 6.3%	26.8% 10.1%	41.4% 31.3%	18.4% 8.1%	16.0%	46.3%	56.3%	
Q2 2010 Q3 2010						46.3% 46.0%	56.3% 55.7%	
Q2 2010 Q3 2010 Q4 2010	6.3%	10.1%	31.3%	8.1%	16.0%			59.59
Q2 2010 Q3 2010 Q4 2010 Q1 2011	6.3% 6.5%	10.1% 11.9%	31.3% 31.4%	8.1% 9.1%	16.0% 16.6%	46.0%	55.7%	59.5° 62.7°
Q2 2010 Q3 2010 Q4 2010 Q1 2011 Q2 2011	6.3% 6.5% 8.3%	10.1% 11.9% 15.9%	31.3% 31.4% 33.7%	8.1% 9.1% 12.0%	16.0% 16.6% 19.4%	46.0% 49.1%	55.7% 58.8%	59.5° 62.7° 65.0°
Q2 2010 Q3 2010 Q4 2010 Q1 2011 Q2 2011 Q3 2011	6.3% 6.5% 8.3% 11.7%	10.1% 11.9% 15.9% 23.6%	31.3% 31.4% 33.7% 34.7%	8.1% 9.1% 12.0% 17.7%	16.0% 16.6% 19.4% 23.4%	46.0% 49.1% 51.9%	55.7% 58.8% 60.9%	59.5° 62.7° 65.0° 58.4°
Q2 2010 Q3 2010 Q4 2010 Q1 2011 Q2 2011 Q3 2011 Q4 2011	6.3% 6.5% 8.3% 11.7% 7.3%	10.1% 11.9% 15.9% 23.6% 11.5%	31.3% 31.4% 33.7% 34.7% 28.6%	8.1% 9.1% 12.0% 17.7% 9.4%	16.0% 16.6% 19.4% 23.4% 15.9%	46.0% 49.1% 51.9% 45.3%	55.7% 58.8% 60.9% 54.6%	59.5° 62.7° 65.0° 58.4° 58.2°
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