

Academies/free schools

Impact Indicator 23: Number of academies opened nationally

Impact Indicator 24: Number of free schools opened nationally

Impact Indicator 25: Academies and free schools opened nationally as a percentage of all

mainstream schools

About the indicator

These indicators measure the numbers of academies and free schools that have opened nationally and the number of state-funded, mainstream academies and free schools as a percentage of total state-funded mainstream schools. These indicators refer only to converter academies and sponsor led academies.

Why we measure it

The government believes that all schools should become academies or free schools which benefit from greater freedoms to innovate, raise standards and to increase the variety of schools in areas where there is demand.

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The data

The data (based on provisional key stage 2 and key stage 4 results)

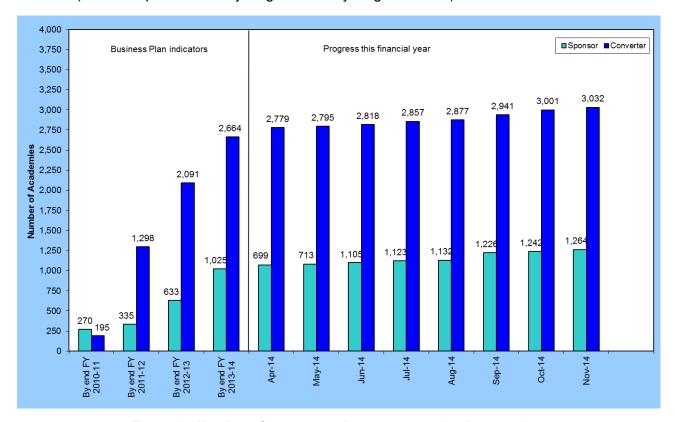


Figure 1 - Number of sponsor and converter academies over time

Source: Academies published lists on the Department for Education website (details given below

Data for indicators 23, 24 and 25

	By end FY 2010-11	By end FY 2011-12	By end FY 2012-13	By end FT 2013-14	<u>Apr-14</u>	<u>May-14</u>	<u>Jun-14</u>	<u>Jul-14</u>	<u>Aug-14</u>	<u>Sep-14</u>	<u>Oct-14</u>	<u>Nov-14</u>
Converter academies (including special and alternative provision)	195	1,298	2,091	2,664	2,779	2,795	2,818	2,857	2,877	2,941	3,001	3,032
Sponsored academies (including special and alternative provision)	270	335	633	1,025	1,071	1,084	1,105	1,123	1,132	1,226	1,242	1,264
Special and alternative provision academies	0	23	68	121	132	132	133	136	138	147	155	157
Free schools (including special and alternative provision) (1)	0	24	80	174	175	174	174	174	174	250	251	252
Special and alternative provision free schools	0	0	8	26	26	26	26	26	26	39	40	40
Total (including special schools)	465	1,657	2,804	3,863	4,025	4,053	4,097	4,154	4,183	4,417	4,494	4,548
Total (excluding special schools)	465	1,634	2,728	3,716	3,867	3,895	3,938	3,992	4,019	4,231	4,299	4,351
Mainstream state-funded schools	20,197	20,087	20,064	20,114	20,118	20,111	20,100	20,101	20,100	20,166	20,165	20,161
Mainstream academies & free schools as a percentage of all mainstream state-funded schools	2.3%	8.1%	13.6%	18.5%	19.2%	19.4%	19.6%	19.9%	20.0%	21.0%	21.3%	21.6%

⁽¹⁾ Free Schools exclude university technical colleges and studio schools

Further information

Visit the following resources for more details.

Further information on these indicators and associated data can be found within our Statistical First Release

• https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-gcses-key-stage-4

Lists of open academies and academies in development can be found at

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-academies-and-academy-projects-in-development

Information about open free schools can be found at

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/free-schools-open-schools-andsuccessful-applications

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