

# East of England

## Introduction

The East of England has an area of over 19,000 km<sup>2</sup>. The population is nearly 5.4 million, with a density of 282 people per km<sup>2</sup>. The county of Cambridgeshire is one of the fastest-growing areas of the country.

The south of the region borders on London and is densely populated. Other significant urban areas are Norwich, Peterborough and Cambridge.

## Economic development

The economic output of the East of England is around £82 billion, which is 10.6 per cent of the total UK GDP. Unemployment at 3.9 per cent is lower than the national average of 5.4 per cent. However, there are areas of significant deprivation along parts of the coast and particularly the Thames Gateway area in Essex. Important industries include telecommunications, electronics, pharmaceuticals, agriculture and food processing. The Cambridge area has the highest concentration of biotechnology firms outside the United States.

The total income of higher education institutions in the region is around £1,008 million per year.

## Higher education provision

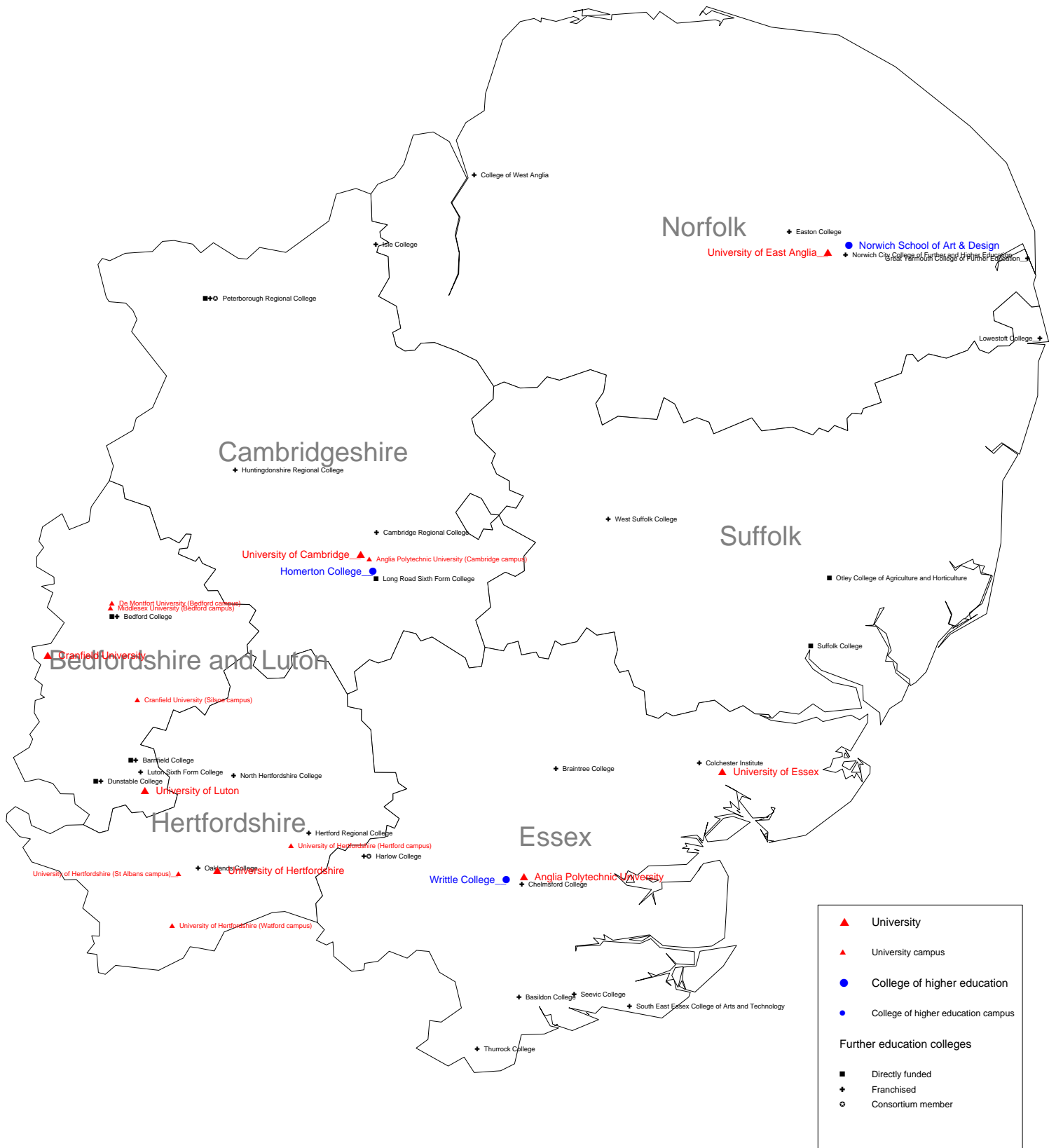
There are nine higher education institutions in the region: seven universities and two higher education colleges. These numbers exclude Homerton College, which is not funded by HEFCE. In addition there are 29 further education colleges (FECs) teaching higher education courses. The higher education student population is almost 89,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) students, of whom nearly 5,000 are registered at FECs. The institutions range in size from the University of Cambridge (nearly 19,000 student FTEs) to Norwich School of Art and Design (nearly 650 student FTEs).

All of the counties in the region contain a university with the exception of Suffolk, which does not contain any higher education institutions or campuses. The south of the region, just north of the M25, has the highest concentration of universities and colleges.

Note that although Homerton College's income is shown, HEFCE does not include Homerton in its survey of student numbers, so Homerton College is not included in page 79 of the East of England's profile.

## Student profile

The East of England has the highest proportion of postgraduate research students, and the highest percentage of part-time students. The region is a major exporter of young full-time undergraduates, and the proportion of this group of students studying in their home region is the lowest in England.



We accept that more work needs to be done on these maps, please e-mail suggestions to Lisa Readdy l.readdy@hefce.ac.uk

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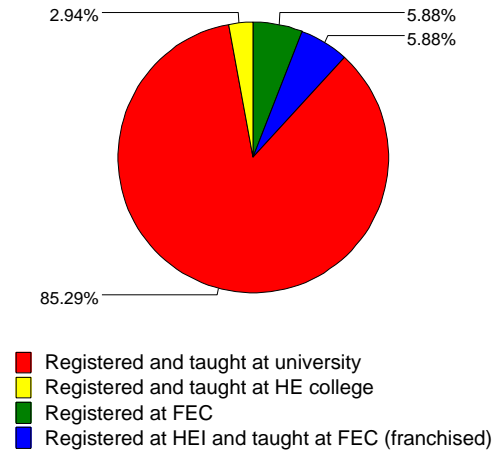
# HE students registered at East of England institutions 2001-02 and 2002-03

## Student numbers

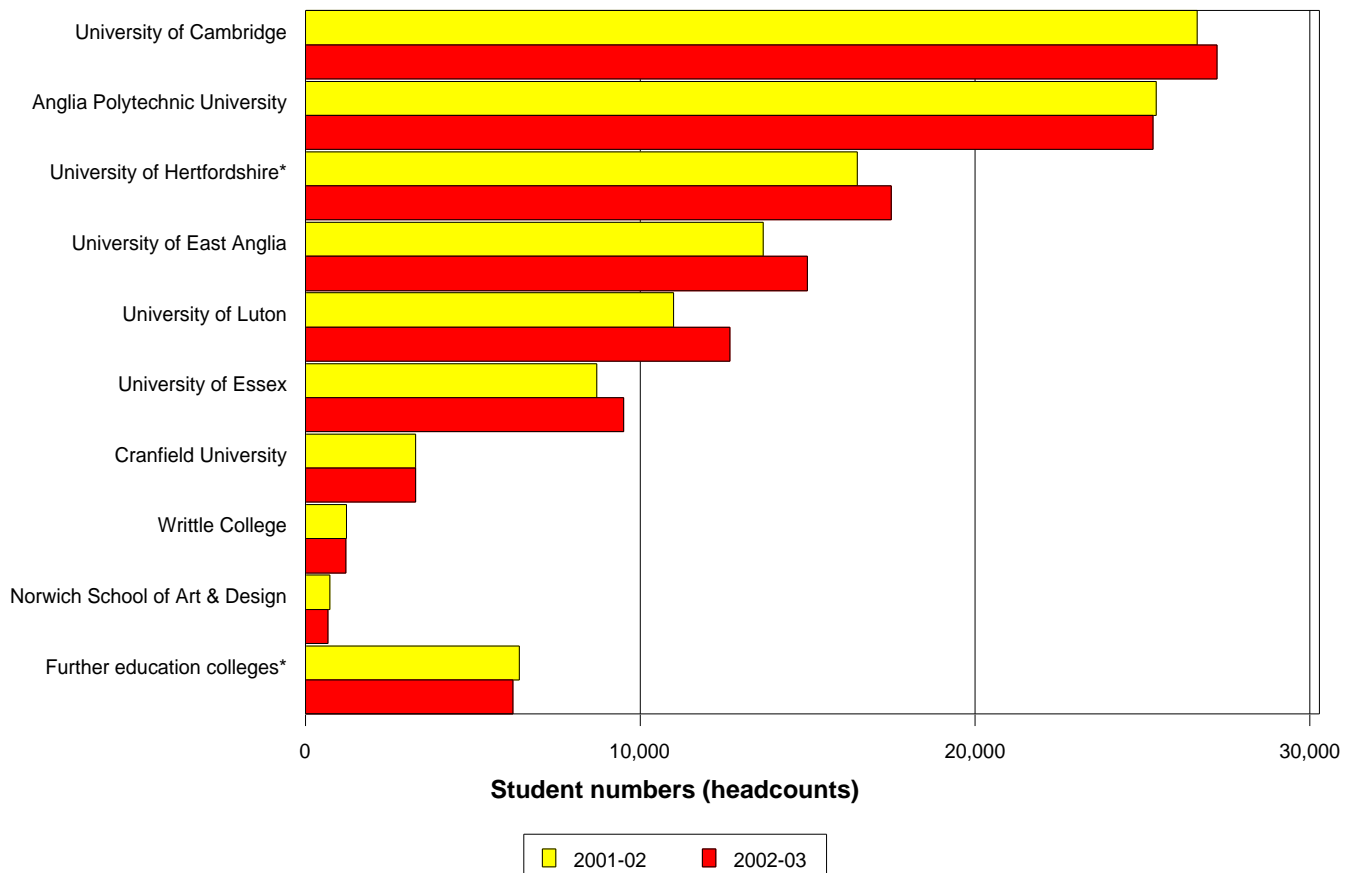
Headcounts *: 2001-02	2002-03
In HE institutions: 107,133	112,395
In FE colleges: 6,398	6,202
<b>Total: 113,531</b>	<b>118,597</b>

FTEs *: 2001-02	2002-03
In HE institutions: 80,305	84,056
In FE colleges: 4,946	4,866
<b>Total: 85,251</b>	<b>88,922</b>

HE student headcounts  
by type of institution 2002-03



## Higher education student numbers 2001-02 and 2002-03



\*Estimated numbers due to allocation between funding consortia members.

Cranfield University includes 989 student FTEs studying at the RMCS (Shrivenham) in the South-East.

# Learning in the East of England

## 2001-02

### HE students registered and taught in the East of England

Type	Headcounts	FTEs
HEI	105,585	76,314
Collaborative arrangements	8,786	6,498
FEC	5,154	3,477

### Open University students domiciled in the East of England

Headcounts	FTEs
17,331	7,135

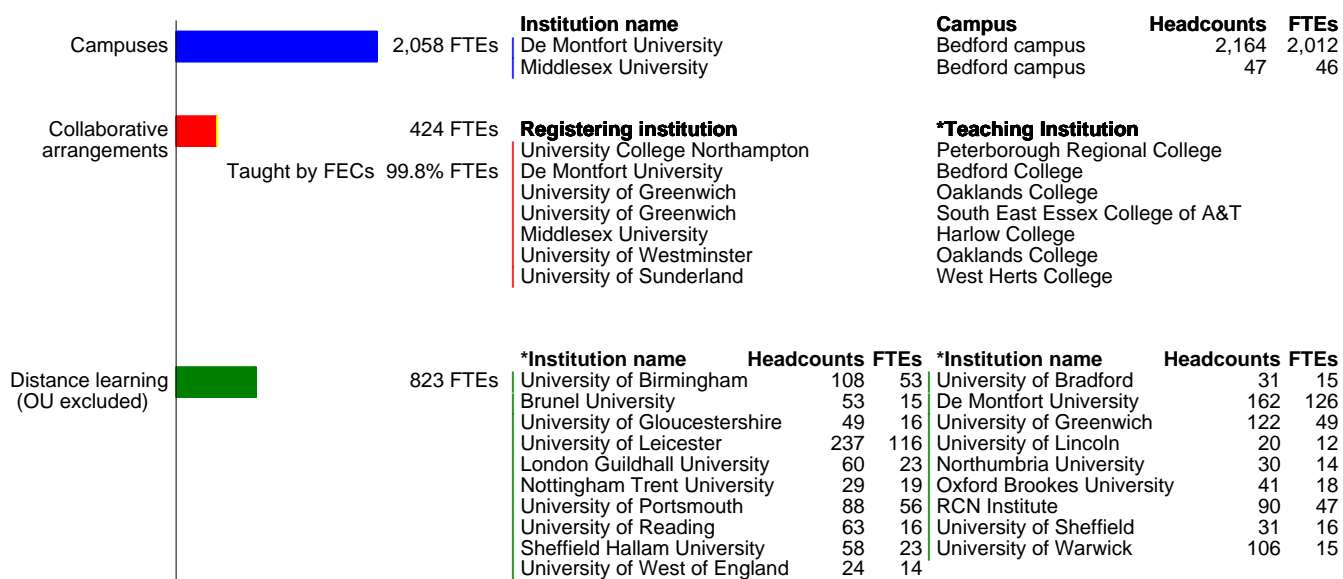
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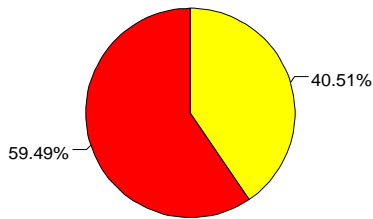


\*Institutions with fewer than 10 FTEs excluded.

# HE students registered at HEIs: characteristics

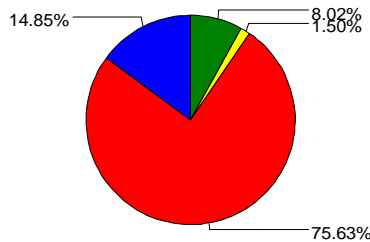
## Headcounts

Students by mode  
(2002-03)



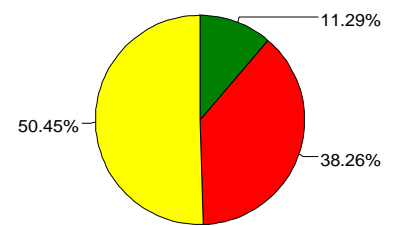
■ Full-time & sandwich  
■ Part-time

Students by level  
(2002-03)



■ Other undergraduate  
■ First degree  
■ Postgraduate taught  
■ Postgraduate research

Undergraduates by age on entry  
(2001-02)



■ Young  
■ 21-24  
■ Mature

## FTEs

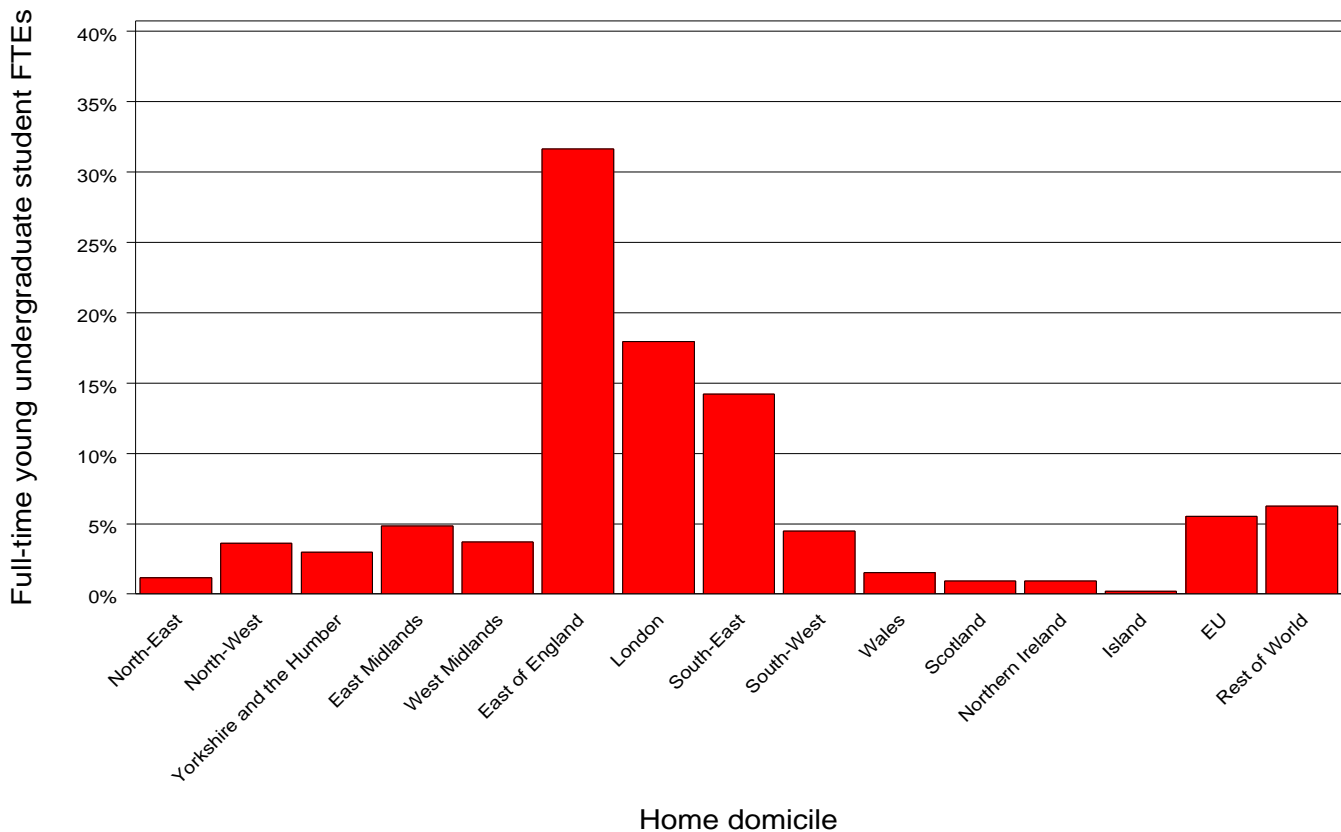
2001-02

2002-03

Overseas student % of FTEs: 18.9%  
Young % of UG FTEs: 63.4%  
Mature % of UG FTEs: 24.2%  
% Male: 46.7%

Part-time % of FTEs: 18.9%  
PG % of FTEs: 22.8%

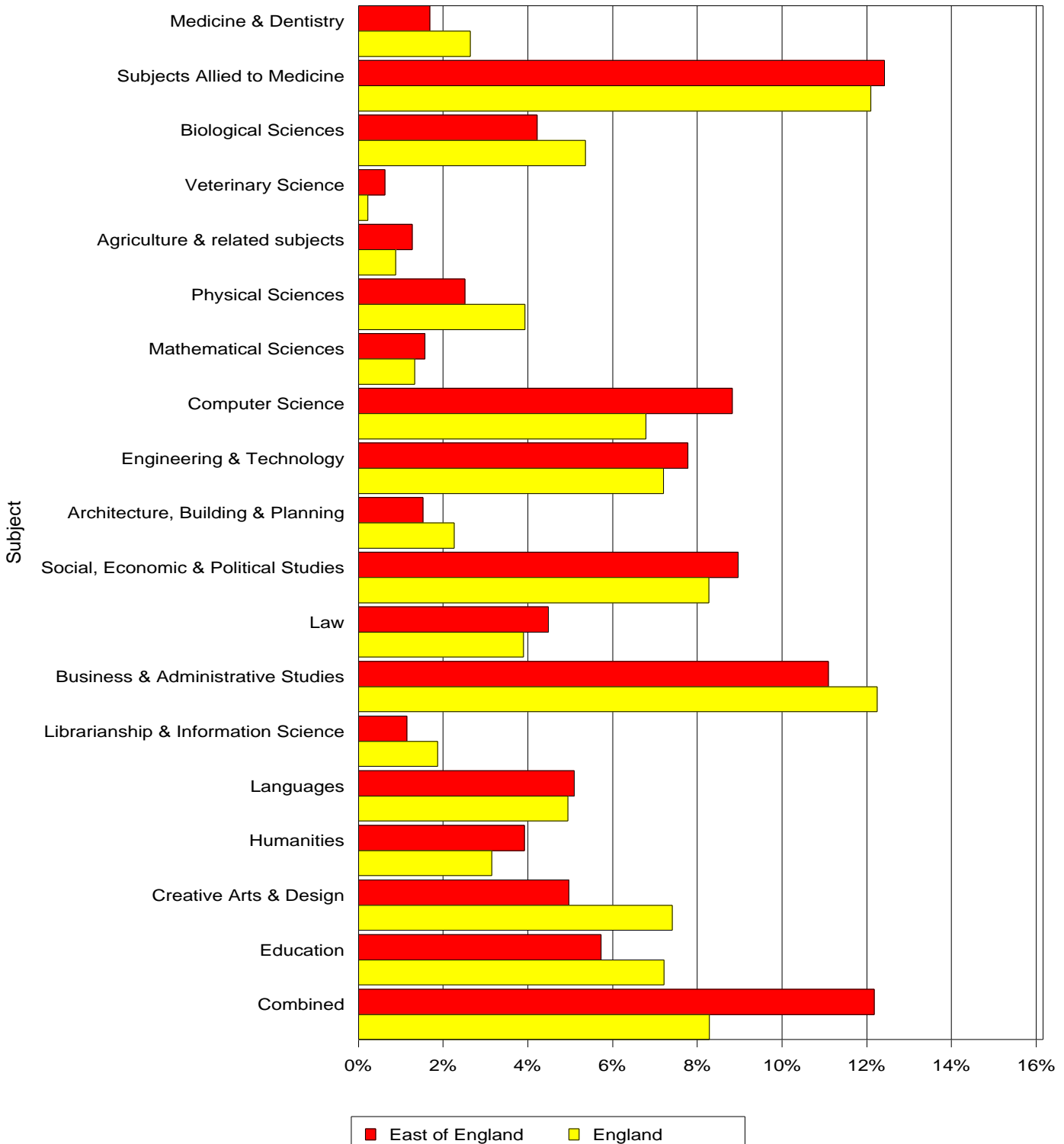
Where do young students at East of England HEIs in 2001-02 come from?



# HE students registered at HEIs: subject

2001-02 (Open University excluded)

Percentage of HE students (FTEs)

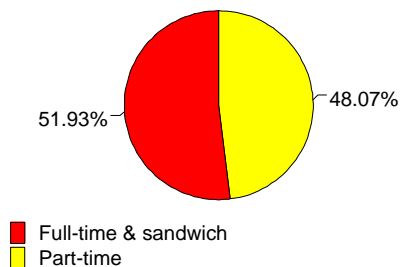


# HE students registered at FE colleges

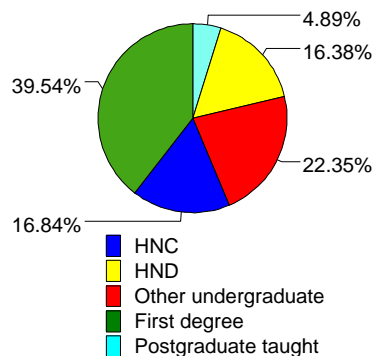
2002-03 Headcounts: 6,202, of which an estimated 2,018 are funded through consortia.

2002-03 FTEs: 4,866, of which an estimated 1,709 are funded through consortia.

Headcounts by mode



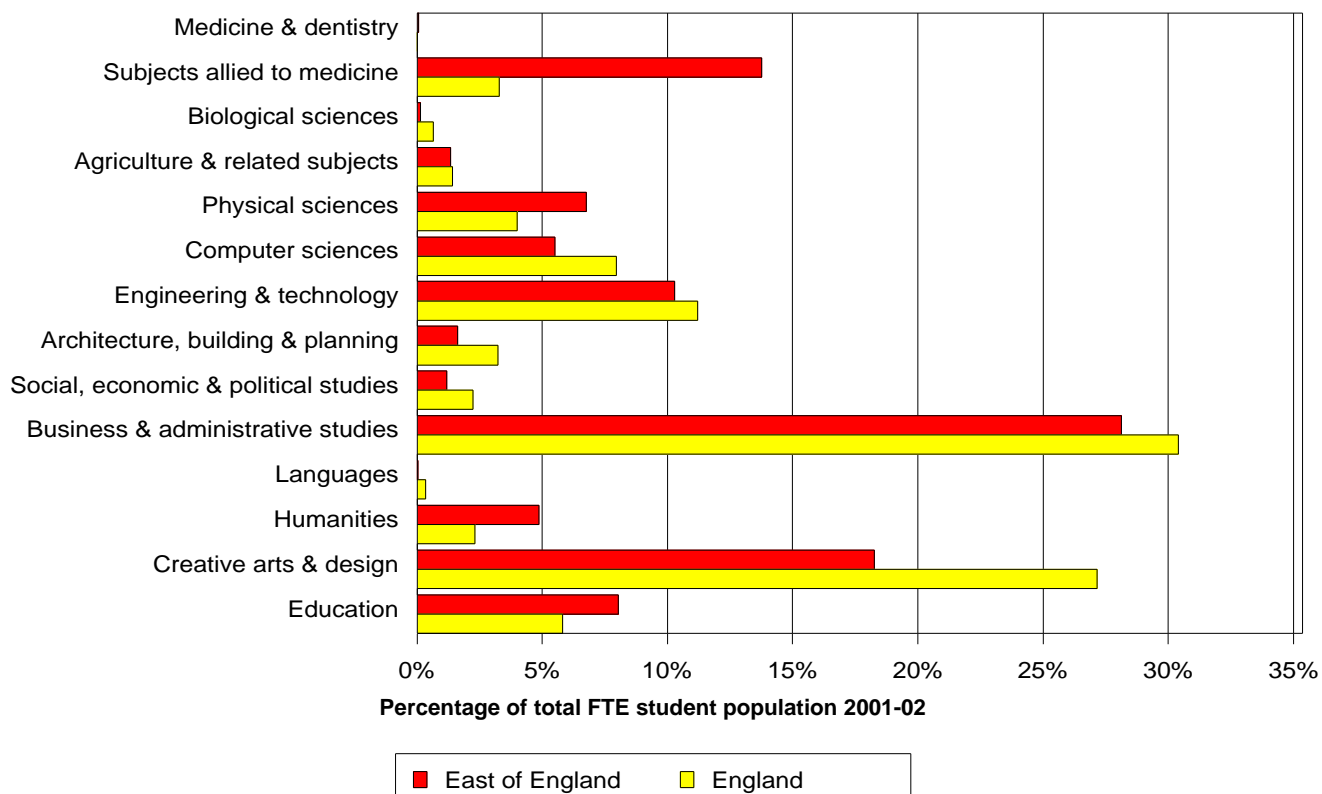
Headcounts by qualification aim



Source: HEIFES & HESES 2002-03

Source: HEIFES 2002-03 (directly funded); ISR 2001-02 (consortia)

## Subject breakdown of HE student population in FECs



## Major FEC providers of HE (over 500 FTEs)

College name	Directly funded 2002-03 FTEs	Consortium member 2002-03 FTEs	Collaborative arrangements 2001-02 FTEs
Colchester Institute	0	0	750
Hertford Regional College	0	281	281
North Hertfordshire College	0	245	268
Norwich City College of FHE	0	0	1,281
Oaklands College	0	332	440
Suffolk College	2,507	0	0
West Herts College	0	737	951

Students taught collaboratively at FECs in the region (2001-02):

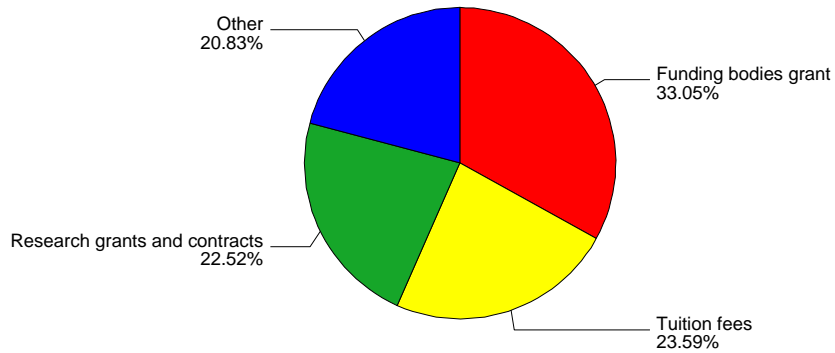
Headcounts: 8,064

FTEs: 6,163

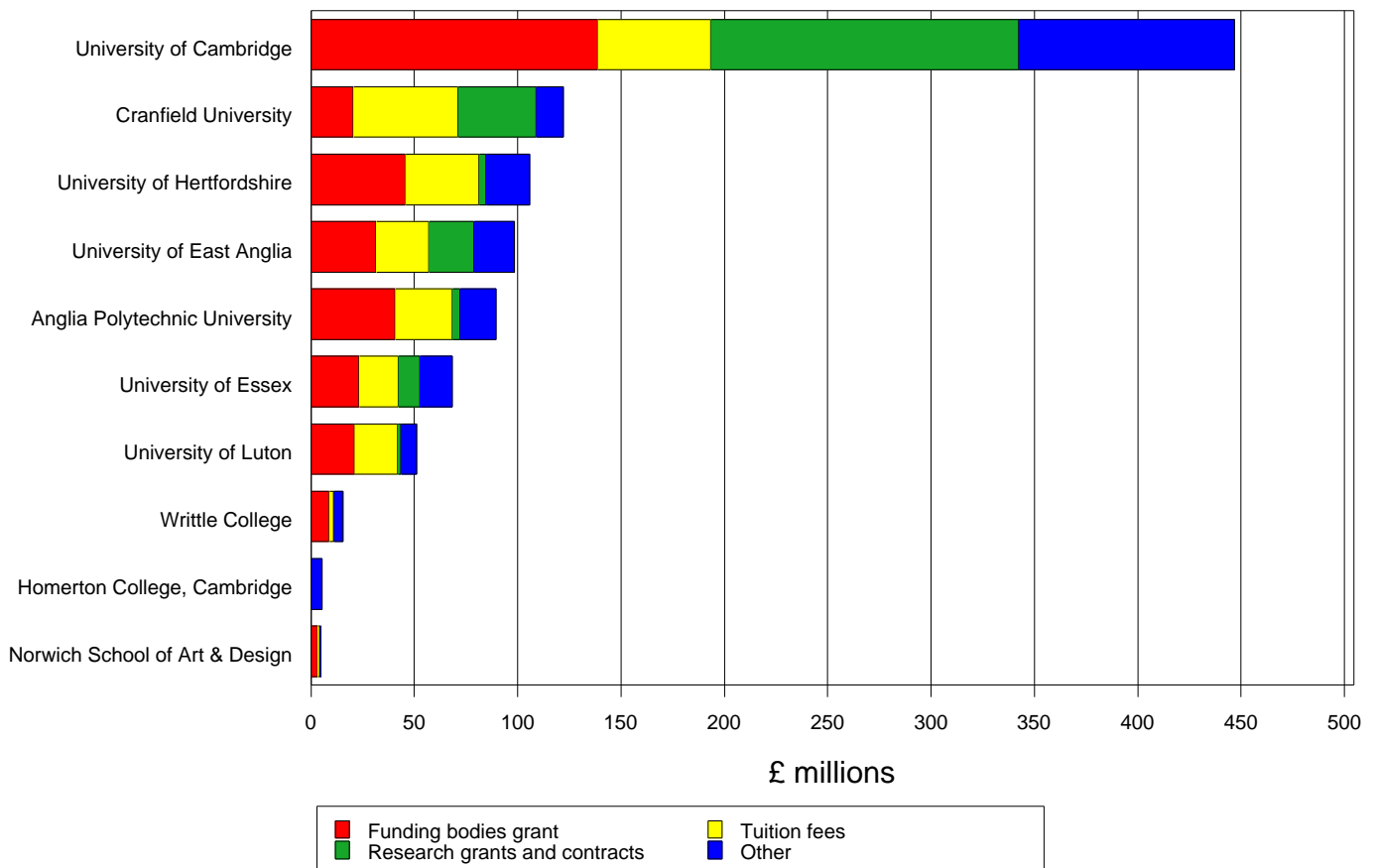
# Income to HE institutions 2001-02

Total income to all HEIs: £1,008 million

Income to all HEIs by source



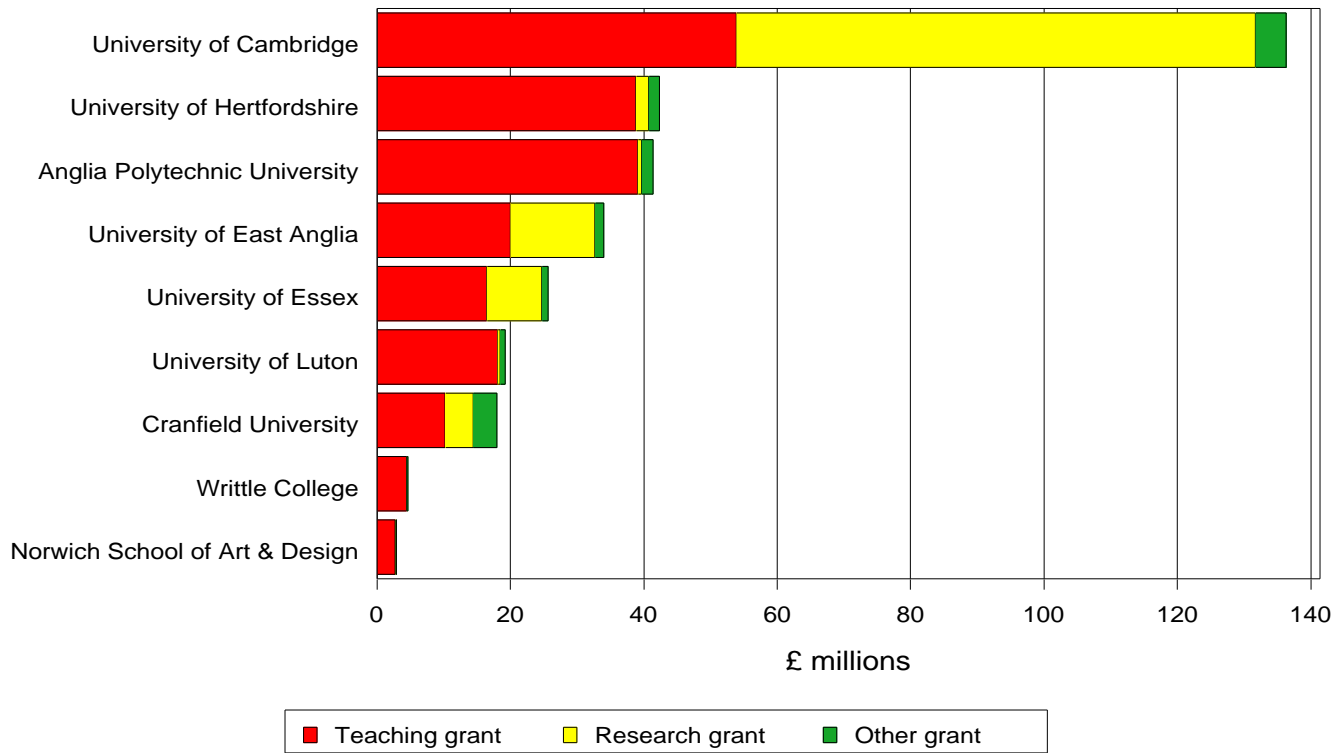
Income to individual HEIs by source





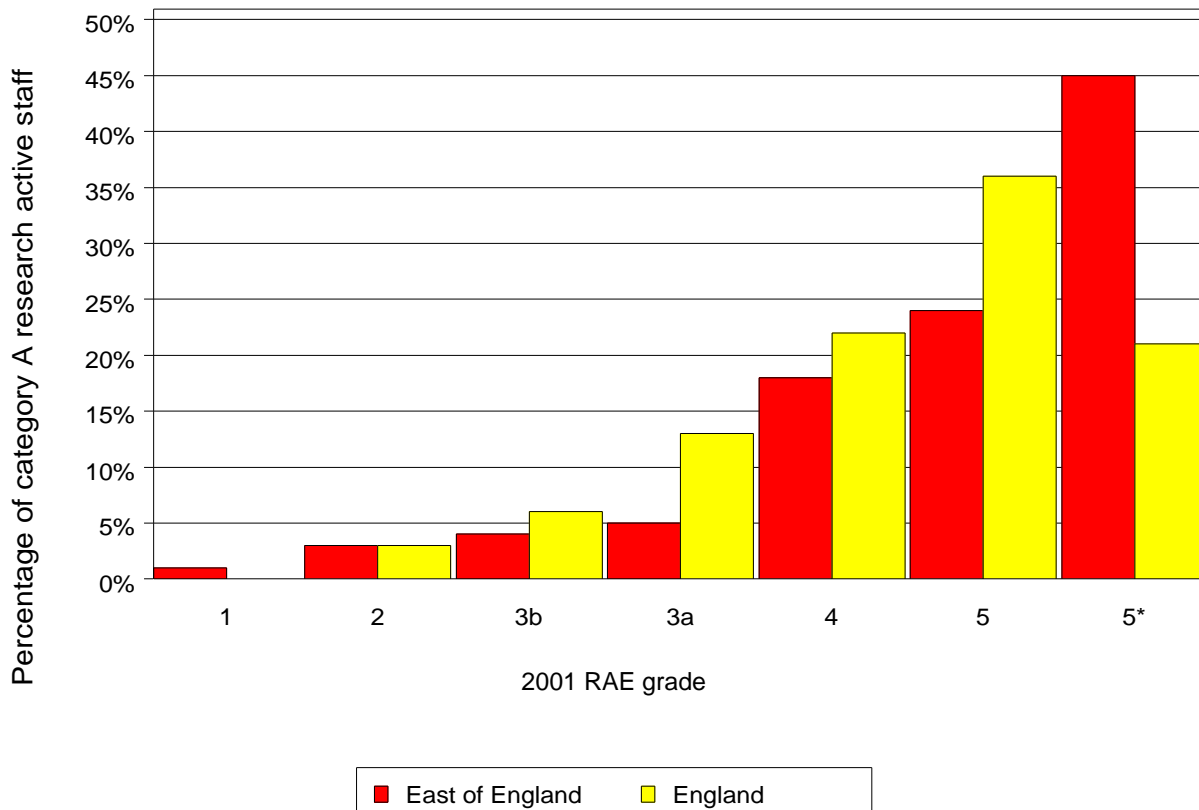
# HEFCE funding

2003-04



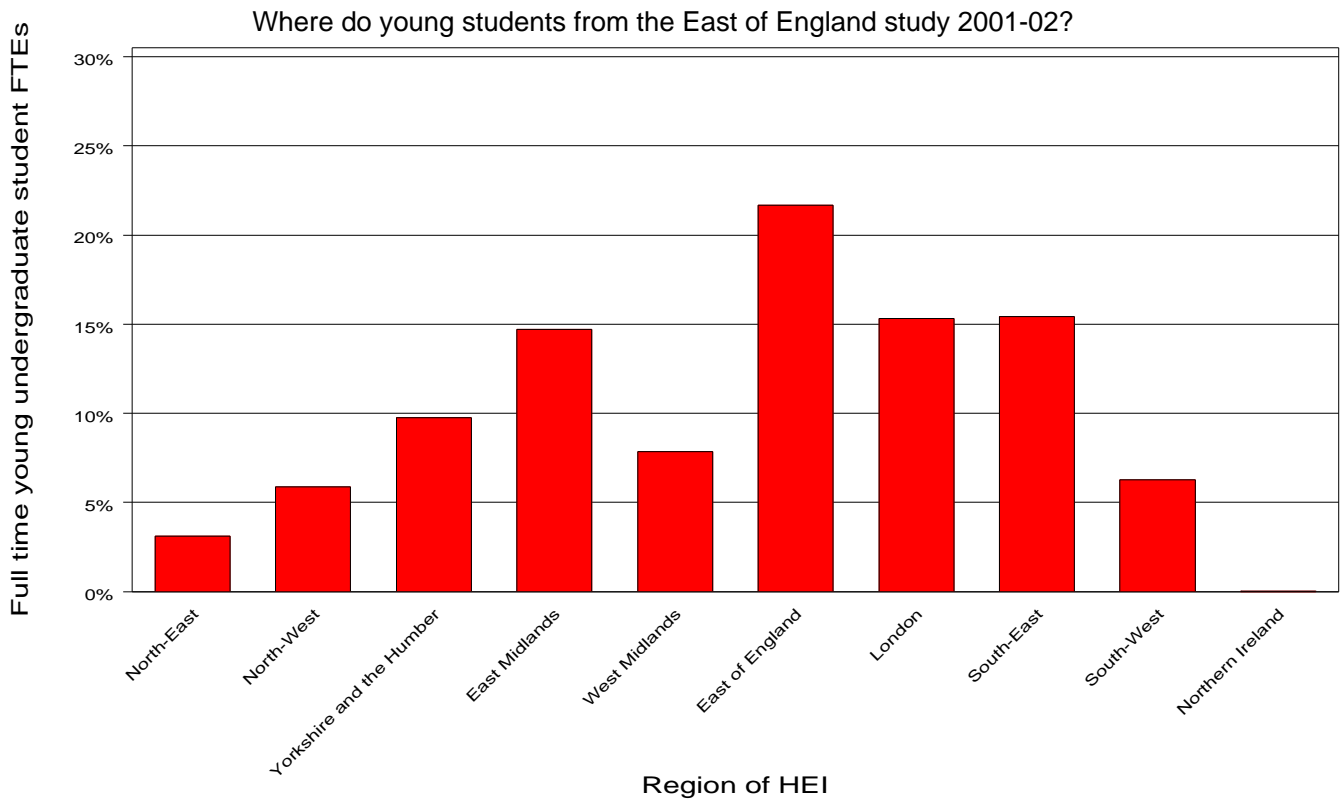
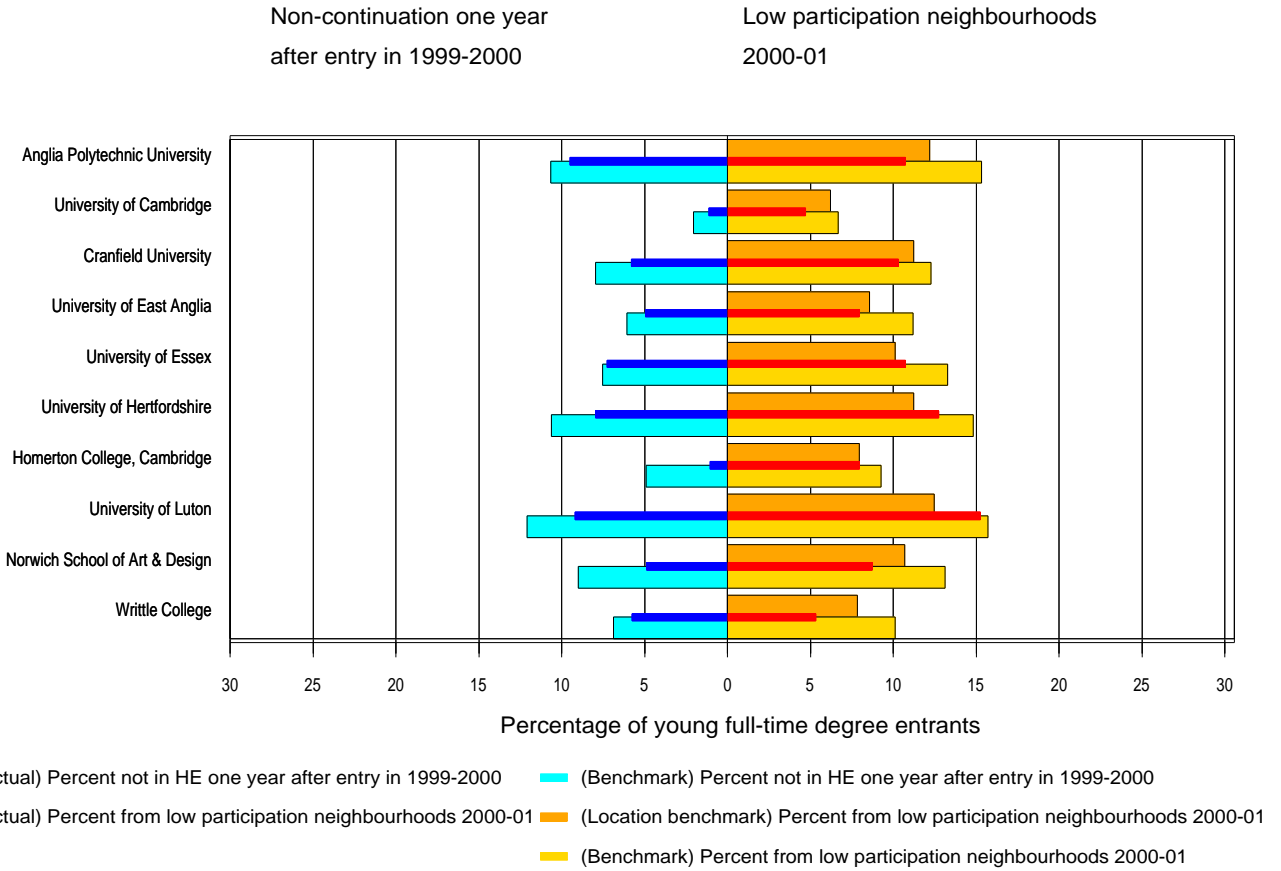
# Research Assessment Exercise performance

Research-active academic staff by RAE grade



# Performance indicators for participation and non-continuation

## Young full-time degree entrants to HEIs in the East of England

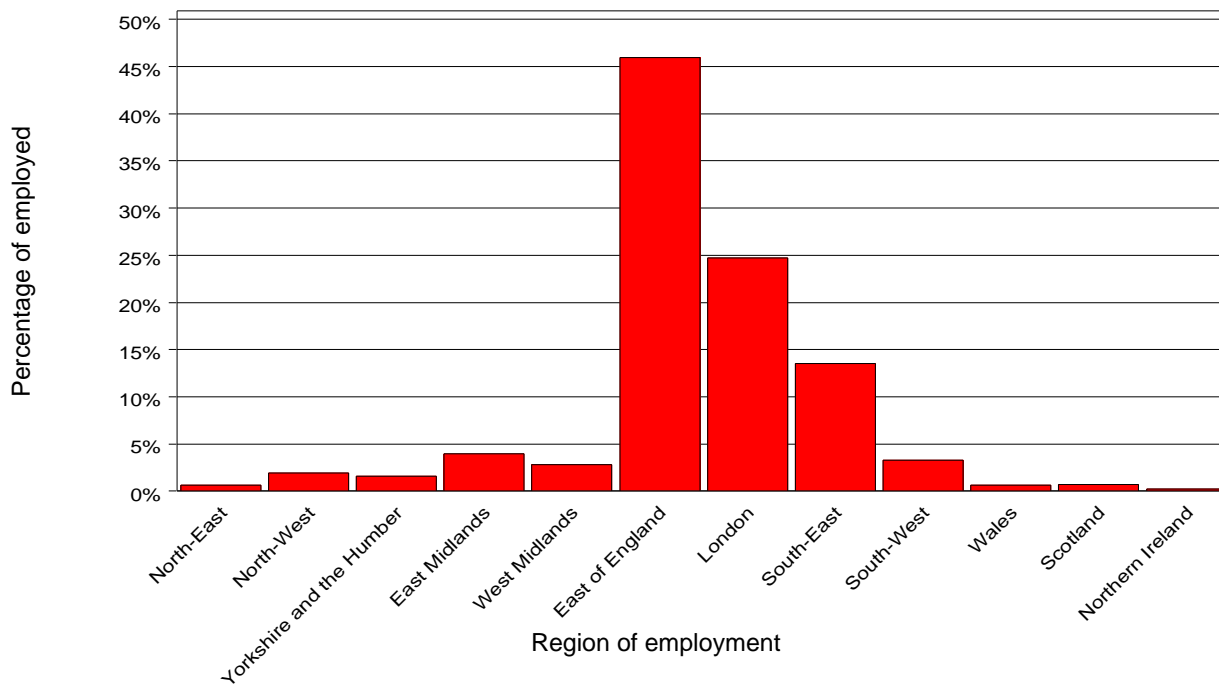


# First destinations of graduates

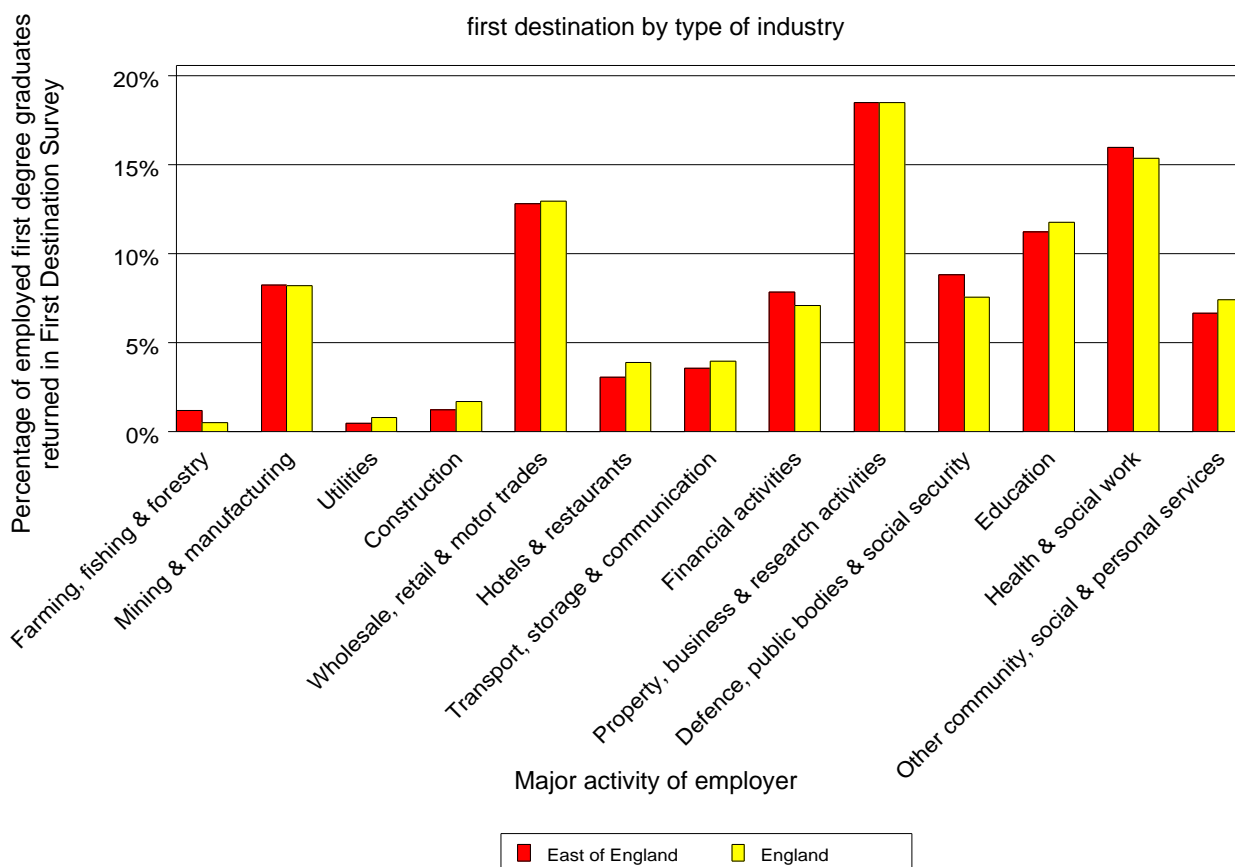
## Full-time first degree students graduating from HEIs in 2001:

Employed: 61% Further study: 26% Unemployed: 6% Other: 7%

Where do graduates from East of England HEIs find employment?

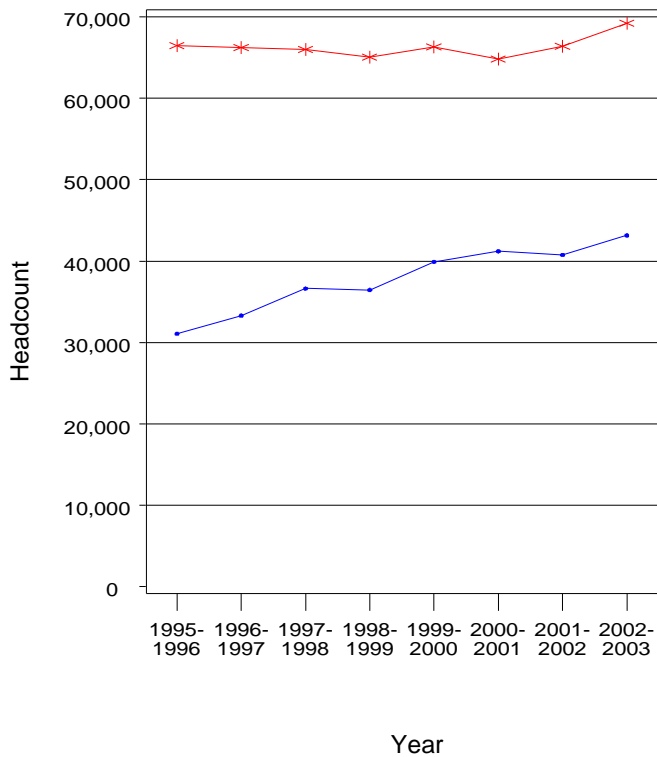


Employed graduates of East of England HEIs:  
first destination by type of industry

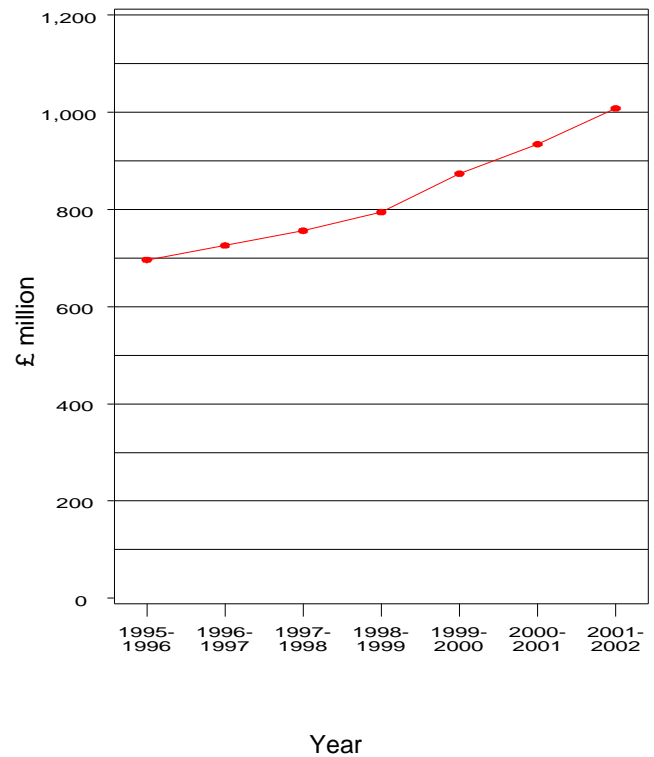


# Trends in higher education

**Students at HEIs by mode  
(headcounts)**



**Total income to HEIs**



\* \* \* Full-time plus sandwich  
● ● ● Part-time

## Population and economics

**Total population (2001):** 5,394,900

**By age group (%)**

	0-15	16-44	45-59	60 and over
East of England	20.1	38.9	19.6	21.4
England	20.1	40.2	18.9	20.8

**Population change (%)  
(1991-2000)**

East of England	6
England	3.7

**Economic indicators**

	GDP/head (1999)	Unemployment (%, summer 2002)
East of England	£15,094	3.9
England	£13,278	5.2