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## NEET Statistics - Quarterly Brief – Quarter 3 2012 November 2012

### 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.

#### ii) Quarterly Labour Force Survey (LFS)<sup>1</sup>

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 SFR series which is based on more detailed but less timely data.

The most recent LFS based estimates for NEET are from Quarter 3 2012 which are shown in following table.

**Table: NEET rates for different age cohorts**

	Quarter 3 2010	Quarter 3 2011	Quarter 3 2012	% point change from Q3 2011 to Q3 2012
Age 16	6.7%	8.7%	6.2%	-2.5
Age 17	14.9%	15.1%	12.5%	-2.6
Age 18	19.5%	18.1%	14.9%	-3.1
Age 16-18	13.8%	14.0%	11.3%	-2.7
Age 19-24	18.6%	21.5%	19.6%	-2.0
Age 16-24	17.1%	19.2%	17.0%	-2.1

Source: Labour Force Survey Quarter 3

#### 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.

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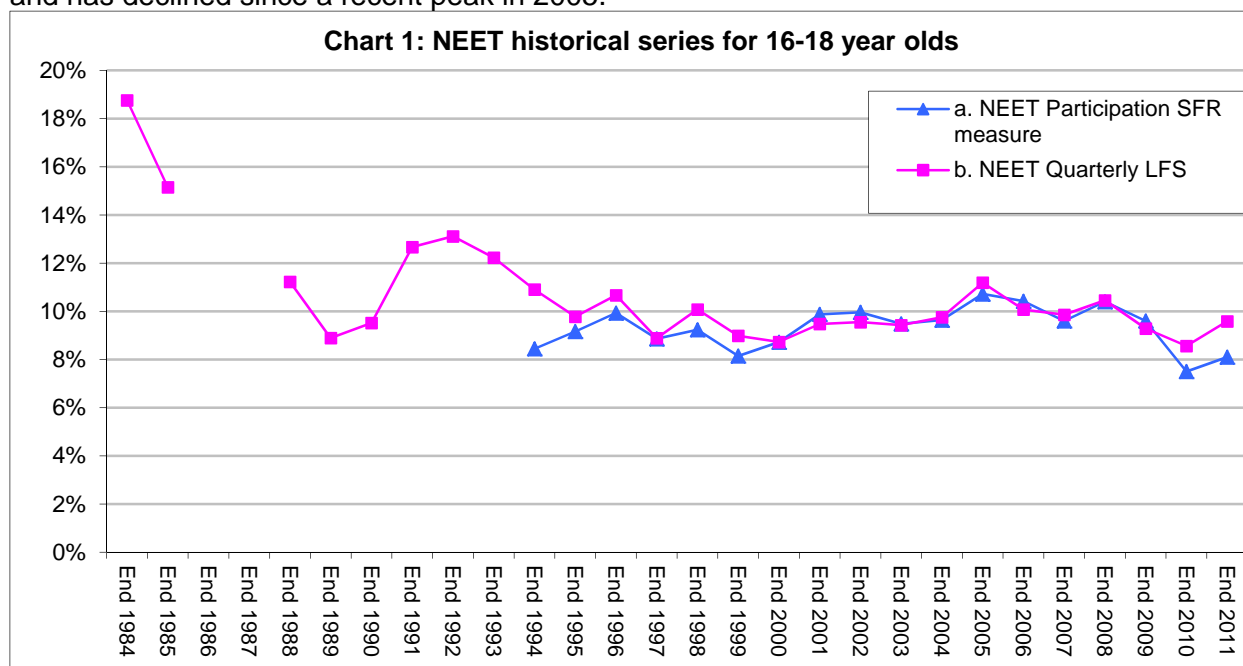
<sup>1</sup> LFS data from Quarter 3 2009 onwards has been reweighted to 2011 population estimates. Further reweighting in line with 2011 Census data is not expected until late 2013.

## 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.

The current proportion of young people aged 16-18 who are NEET is much lower than in the 1980s, and has declined since a recent peak in 2005.



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).

Note 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.

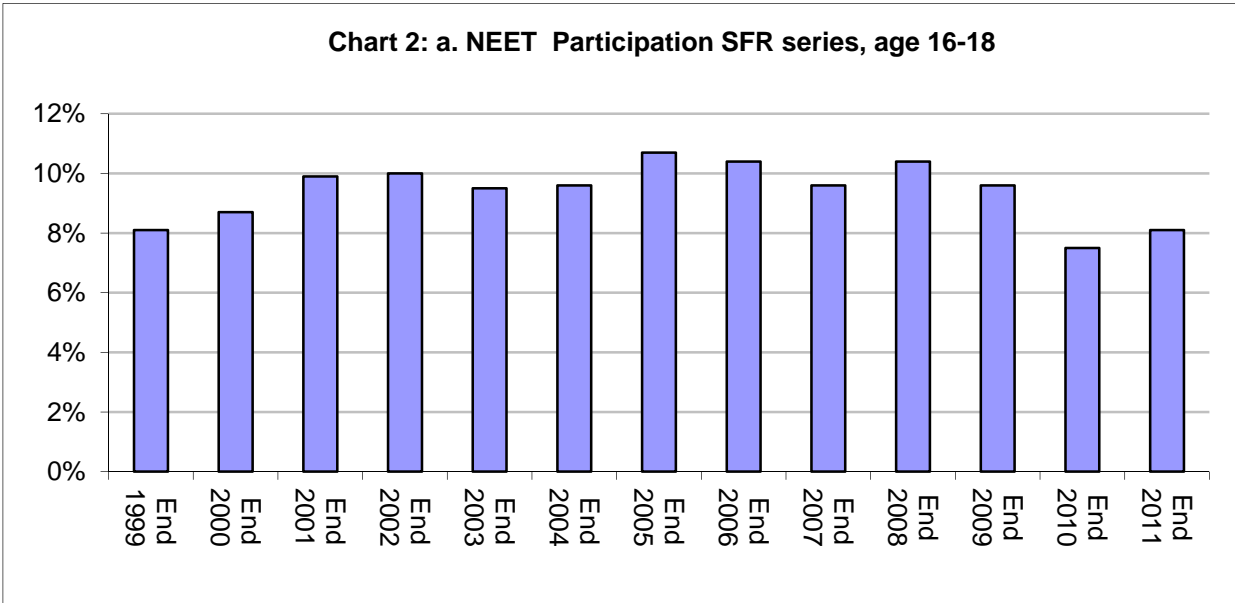
Between 1992 and 1994 the data does not exclude individuals answering yes to the qulnow variable, and between 1995 and 1999 individuals sampled in December were not asked the qulnow variable. This may mean that between 1992 and 1999 the proportion NEET is very slightly over-estimated.

#### a. NEET Participation SFR series (last updated June 2012)

The Department's Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England' 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 8.1%, a rise of 0.6 percentage points from 7.5% 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 2002, from 75.0% to 85.4% 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 same period 2002-2011 fell from 60% to 44%.

**Chart 2: a. NEET Participation SFR series, age 16-18**



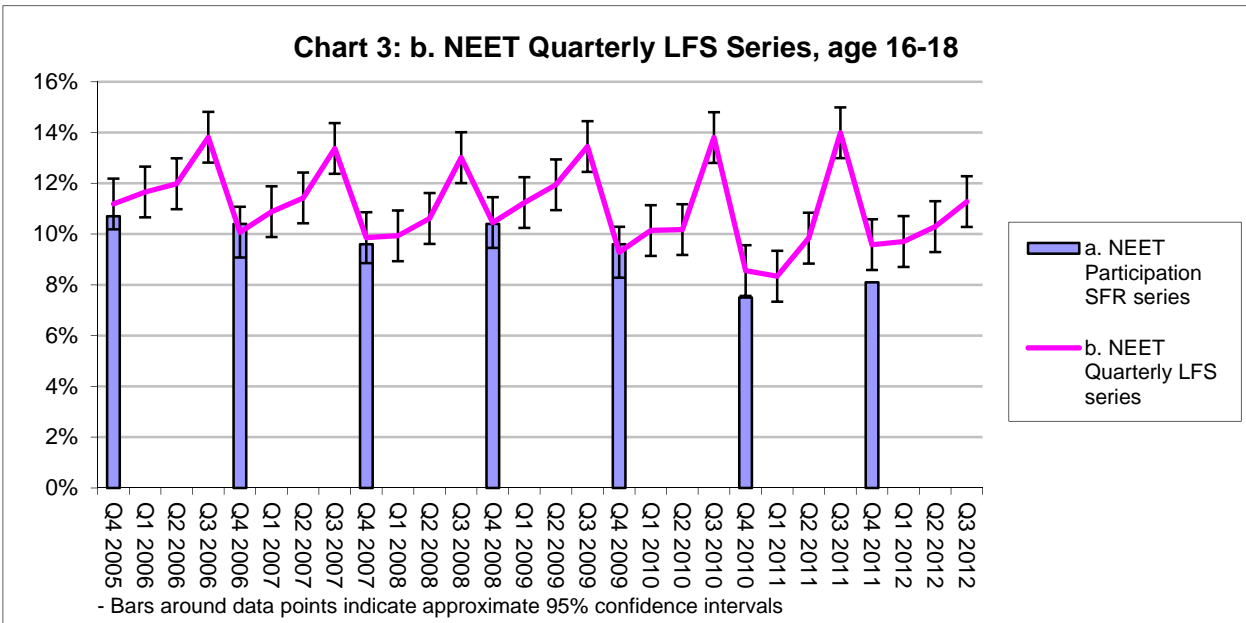
Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'

**b. NEET quarterly LFS series (last updated November 2012)**

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).

**Chart 3: b. NEET Quarterly LFS Series, age 16-18**



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR

The latest data show that the proportion of 16-18 year olds NEET decreased by 2.7 percentage points to 11.3% in the third quarter of 2012, compared to the third quarter of 2011. This decrease was statistically significant.

This decrease of 2.7 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 9 percentage points, from 40% in Q3 2011 to 49% in Q3 2012. This was statistically significant and was the first Quarter 3 increase since 2008.

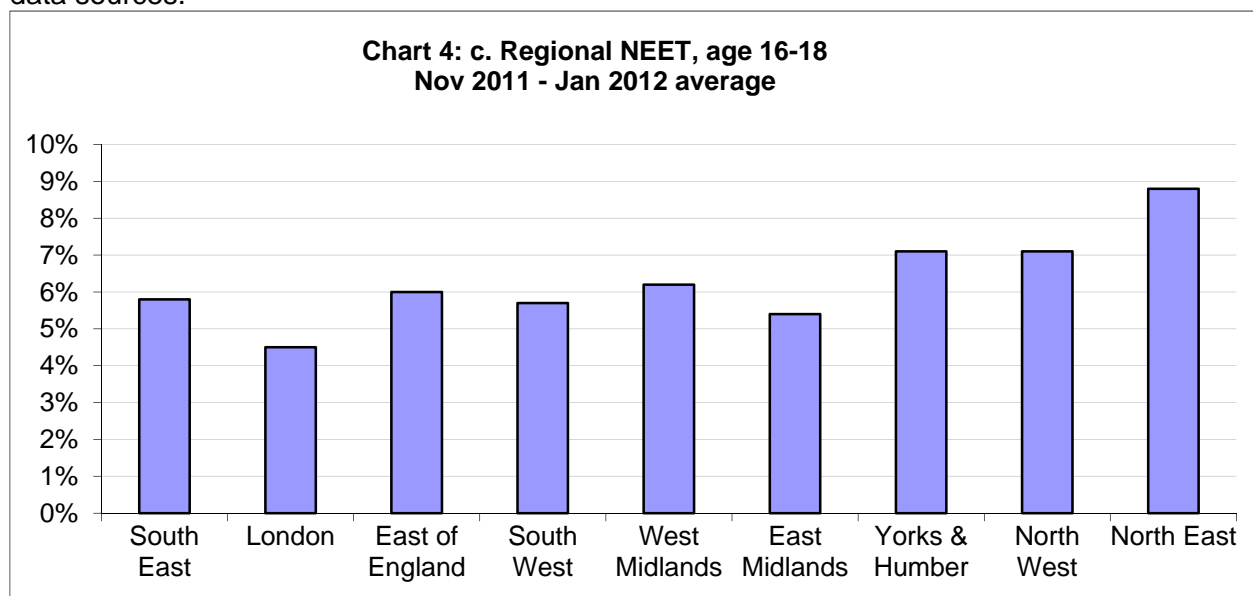
There had been some evidence of increasing seasonality in the NEET data, seen by comparing Q4 troughs to the following Q3 peak (roughly the same cohort of people). The difference between Q4 2008 and Q3 2009 was 2.9 percentage points; between Q4 2009 and Q3 2010 it was 4.5 percentage points; and between Q4 2010 and Q3 2011 it was 5.4 percentage points. However, the increase between Q4 2011 to Q3 2012 was just 1.7 percentage points.

**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.

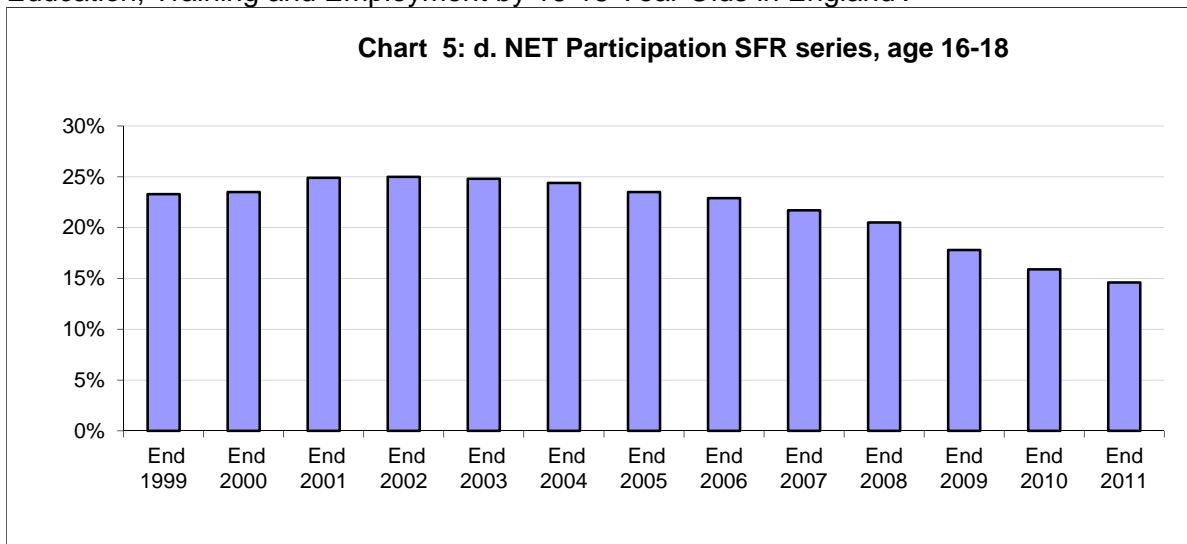


Source: Client Caseload Information System

Note: Local Authority CCIS data are published annually on the DfE website: [Link Here](#); regional NEET estimates for 16-24 year olds based on the LFS are now published as supplementary tables alongside this Quarterly Brief: [Link Here](#).

**d. NET Participation SFR series (last updated June 2012)**

When looking at 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'.



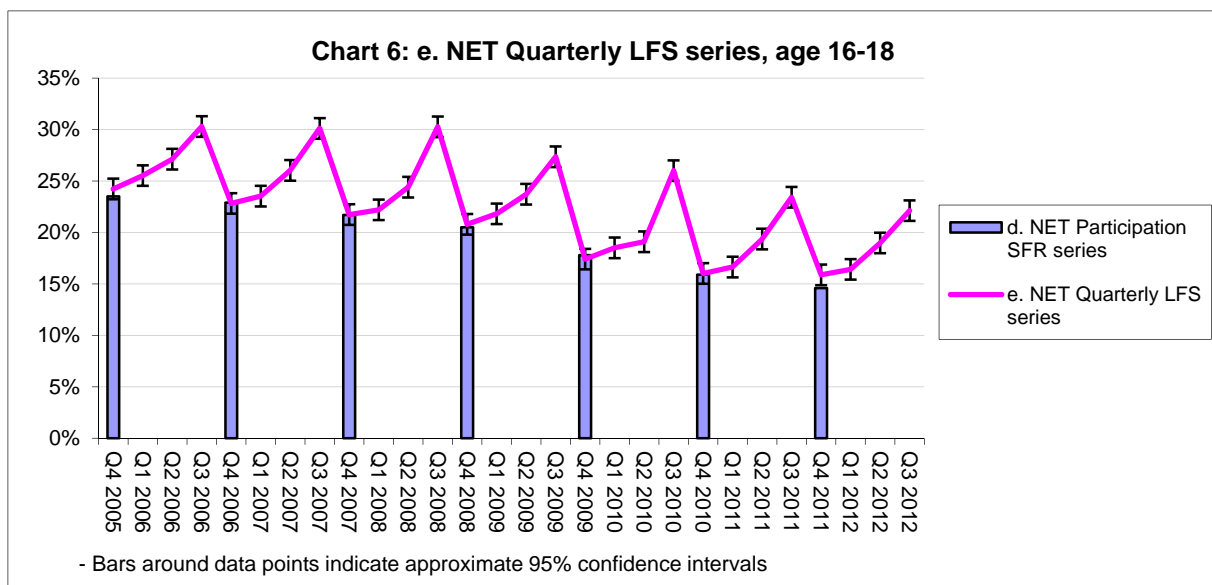
Source: Statistical First Release (SFR) 'Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England'

The latest Participation SFR NET rate, for end 2011, was 14.6%. This is the lowest Participation SFR NET rate for 16-18 year olds since consistent records began in 1994, and the ninth successive annual fall since 2002. The proportion of young people not in education and training (NET) has fallen for 16, 17 and 18 year olds every year since 2004.

**e. NET quarterly LFS series (last updated November 2012)**

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 1.3 percentage points to 22.1% in the third quarter of 2012, compared to 23.4% in the third quarter of 2011. Although this was not statistically significant, it was the lowest Quarter 3 rate since consistent records began in 2000, and the proportion NET has steadily decreased, by 8.1 percentage points, since 2008.



Source: Quarterly Labour Force Survey and Participation SFR

## 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.
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) and the Government Actuary's Department (GAD).
Last period covered	End 2011
Last published	June 2012
Next published	June 2013

### b. NEET and NET quarterly LFS series

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 3 2012
Last published	November 2012
Next published	February 2013

### c. Regional NEET

Description	<p>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.</p> <p>For young people whose currency is lapsed a historical assumption is made on the proportion NEET, taking into account their previously reported activity.</p> <p>Full details are published in a technical specification available here: <a href="#">NCCIS management information requirement</a></p> <p>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).</p>
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: <a href="#">16- to 18-year-olds NEET</a>
Primary sources	Client Caseload Information System (CCIS)
Last Period Covered	November 2011 – January 2012 average.
Last published	April 2012
Next published	TBA

#### **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 16<sup>th</sup> July 2012, and the first population data to be influenced by the 2011 Census. ONS plan to release LFS data (from 2001 onwards) reweighted in line with the 2011 Census in late 2013.

This Statistical Release also reproduces statistics from the DfE '[Participation in Education, Training and Employment by 16-18 Year Olds in England](#)' SFR which rely on mid-year population estimates. Although ONS have updated current population estimates, the mid-year population estimates for 2001 to 2011 are still to be updated. Following their release the Participation SFR estimates will also be revised accordingly. See Participation SFR Technical Notes for more information about planned revisions to estimates.

#### **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)**

	<b>Welsh Assembly Government (WG)</b>	<b>Scottish Government (SG)</b>	<b>Office for National Statistics (ONS)</b>
Description	1. Annual SFR statistics produced in a method analogous to the DfE annual SFR.	1. Statistics based on the Annual Population Survey (APS).	Monthly Labour Force Survey (LFS) statistics for young people not in full-time education and not in employment -Table 14 from the Labour Market Statistics bulletin.
	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	
	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.	1. National estimates of NEET.	Part of wider labour market statistics; rolling 3-month average both seasonally-adjusted and not seasonally-adjusted; roughly equivalent to NEET but will include some young people in part-time education.
	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.	
	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	<a href="#">1. Welsh Government   Participation of Young People in Education and the Labour Market, 2010 and 2011 (provisional)</a>	<a href="#">1. Local Area Labour Markets in Scotland: Statistics from the Annual Population Survey 2011</a>	<a href="#">Labour Market Statistics - November 2012</a>
	<a href="#">2. Young People Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET), Year to 30 June 2012</a>	<a href="#">2. Summary statistics for attainment, leaver destinations and healthy living, No. 2: 2012 Edition</a>	
	<a href="#">3. Pupil Destinations from Schools in Wales, 2011</a>	<a href="#">3. More Choices More Chances</a>	

### 3. Tables

<b>Table 1(a to c): Not in Employment, Education, or Training (NEET)</b>						<b>Numbers</b>			
<b>a. NEET Participation SFR series</b>		<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
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		48,600	59,000	75,100	107,600	182,700			
End 2002		49,300	58,000	81,700	107,300	189,000			
End 2003		49,800	49,400	85,000	99,100	184,200			
End 2004		48,700	60,600	80,800	109,300	190,100			
End 2005		50,400	70,100	93,100	120,500	213,600			
End 2006		44,700	64,900	100,300	109,600	209,800			
End 2007		36,700	61,700	94,400	98,400	192,800			
End 2008		33,100	60,800	116,300	93,900	210,200			
End 2009		25,700	49,000	116,300	74,700	191,000			
End 2010		16,900	46,100	84,300	62,900	147,200			
End 2011		17,500	42,600	94,900	60,000	154,900			
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data</i>		<i>Period: End 1999 to End 2011</i>							
<b>b. NEET Quarterly LFS series</b>		<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
Q3 2007		60,000	98,000	103,000	158,000	262,000	911,000	753,000	649,000
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		36,000	49,000	92,000	85,000	177,000	957,000	872,000	780,000
Q1 2012		37,000	56,000	88,000	93,000	181,000	949,000	856,000	768,000
Q2 2012		35,000	59,000	97,000	93,000	191,000	968,000	875,000	778,000
Q3 2012		37,000	77,000	92,000	115,000	206,000	1,027,000	912,000	821,000
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey</i>		<i>Period: Q3 2007 to Q3 2012 time series</i>							
<b>c. Regional NEET</b>		<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
South East									
London									
East of England									
South West									
West Midlands									
East Midlands									
Yorks & Humber									
North West									
North East									
<i>Source: Client Caseload Information System</i>		<i>Period: Nov 2011 - Jan 2012 average</i>							

<b>Table 2 (d to e): Not in Education and Training (NET)</b>						<b>Numbers</b>		
<b>d. NET Participation SFR series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
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	90,700	132,800	236,300	223,400	459,800			
End 2002	85,700	140,300	248,300	225,900	474,200			
End 2003	85,300	133,200	261,300	218,500	479,800			
End 2004	84,300	136,700	259,100	220,900	480,100			
End 2005	76,000	134,500	258,900	210,400	469,300			
End 2006	71,300	126,400	264,200	197,700	461,900			
End 2007	63,100	119,600	254,700	182,700	437,400			
End 2008	46,800	110,300	258,000	157,100	415,100			
End 2009	32,400	81,400	242,000	113,800	355,900			
End 2010	21,900	68,500	220,100	90,400	310,500			
End 2011	20,700	59,400	198,200	80,100	278,300			
<b>Source:</b> Labour Force Survey and Admin Data						<b>Period:</b> End 1999 to End 2011		
<b>e. NET Quarterly LFS series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
Q3 2007	96,000	214,000	279,000	310,000	589,000	3,115,000	2,806,000	2,527,000
Q4 2007	70,000	117,000	236,000	187,000	424,000	2,797,000	2,610,000	2,374,000
Q1 2008	71,000	121,000	240,000	192,000	432,000	2,796,000	2,604,000	2,364,000
Q2 2008	77,000	141,000	262,000	218,000	480,000	2,920,000	2,702,000	2,440,000
Q3 2008	87,000	216,000	291,000	303,000	594,000	3,230,000	2,927,000	2,635,000
Q4 2008	62,000	102,000	246,000	164,000	410,000	2,807,000	2,643,000	2,397,000
Q1 2009	59,000	120,000	247,000	179,000	427,000	2,822,000	2,643,000	2,395,000
Q2 2009	71,000	135,000	259,000	206,000	466,000	2,884,000	2,678,000	2,418,000
Q3 2009	79,000	173,000	281,000	252,000	534,000	3,116,000	2,864,000	2,583,000
Q4 2009	42,000	82,000	209,000	125,000	333,000	2,719,000	2,595,000	2,386,000
Q1 2010	39,000	99,000	218,000	138,000	356,000	2,740,000	2,601,000	2,384,000
Q2 2010	41,000	109,000	220,000	150,000	370,000	2,753,000	2,603,000	2,383,000
Q3 2010	57,000	180,000	263,000	237,000	500,000	3,117,000	2,880,000	2,617,000
Q4 2010	40,000	62,000	202,000	102,000	304,000	2,780,000	2,679,000	2,476,000
Q1 2011	42,000	74,000	202,000	116,000	318,000	2,774,000	2,658,000	2,456,000
Q2 2011	53,000	98,000	215,000	151,000	366,000	2,972,000	2,821,000	2,606,000
Q3 2011	74,000	149,000	224,000	223,000	447,000	3,151,000	2,929,000	2,705,000
Q4 2011	44,000	72,000	178,000	116,000	294,000	2,729,000	2,613,000	2,435,000
Q1 2012	44,000	79,000	183,000	123,000	306,000	2,726,000	2,603,000	2,420,000
Q2 2012	50,000	94,000	208,000	144,000	352,000	2,913,000	2,769,000	2,561,000
Q3 2012	58,000	127,000	220,000	185,000	405,000	3,070,000	2,885,000	2,665,000
<b>Source:</b> Labour Force Survey						<b>Period:</b> Q3 2007 to Q3 2012 time series		

<b>Table 3 (a to c): Not in Employment, Education, or Training (NEET)</b>						<b>Percentage</b>		
<b>a. NEET Participation SFR series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
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	7.7%	9.6%	12.5%	8.6%	9.9%			
End 2002	7.8%	9.1%	13.1%	8.4%	10.0%			
End 2003	7.7%	7.7%	13.0%	7.7%	9.5%			
End 2004	7.3%	9.3%	12.4%	8.3%	9.6%			
End 2005	7.7%	10.4%	14.0%	9.1%	10.7%			
End 2006	6.7%	9.8%	14.7%	8.2%	10.4%			
End 2007	5.5%	9.2%	14.0%	7.3%	9.6%			
End 2008	5.0%	9.0%	17.0%	7.0%	10.4%			
End 2009	4.0%	7.3%	16.9%	5.7%	9.6%			
End 2010	2.7%	7.2%	12.5%	4.9%	7.5%			
End 2011	2.8%	6.7%	14.5%	4.8%	8.1%			
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data</i>						<i>Period: End 1999 to End 2011</i>		
<b>b. NEET Quarterly LFS series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
Q3 2007	9.2%	14.6%	16.3%	12.0%	13.4%	15.4%	16.4%	16.4%
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%	15.4%
Q2 2008	7.0%	9.7%	15.1%	8.4%	10.6%	14.0%	15.5%	15.6%
Q3 2008	8.5%	14.8%	15.5%	11.8%	13.0%	16.2%	17.4%	17.7%
Q4 2008	7.4%	8.3%	15.4%	7.9%	10.5%	14.2%	15.9%	16.0%
Q1 2009	6.5%	10.0%	17.1%	8.3%	11.2%	15.5%	17.6%	17.6%
Q2 2009	8.0%	11.2%	16.5%	9.6%	11.9%	15.9%	17.6%	17.8%
Q3 2009	8.8%	14.6%	16.7%	11.7%	13.4%	18.0%	19.7%	20.2%
Q4 2009	5.6%	7.4%	14.8%	6.5%	9.3%	14.9%	17.1%	17.5%
Q1 2010	5.0%	8.8%	16.6%	7.0%	10.1%	15.3%	17.6%	17.8%
Q2 2010	5.0%	10.2%	15.0%	7.7%	10.2%	14.4%	16.2%	16.4%
Q3 2010	6.7%	14.9%	19.5%	11.0%	13.8%	17.1%	18.7%	18.6%
Q4 2010	5.0%	6.6%	13.9%	5.8%	8.6%	15.6%	18.2%	18.8%
Q1 2011	5.0%	8.0%	12.0%	6.5%	8.3%	15.3%	17.7%	18.6%
Q2 2011	6.4%	8.8%	14.3%	7.6%	9.8%	16.2%	18.4%	19.1%
Q3 2011	8.7%	15.1%	18.1%	11.9%	14.0%	19.2%	21.1%	21.5%
Q4 2011	6.0%	7.8%	14.9%	6.9%	9.6%	15.9%	18.2%	18.7%
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%	19.6%
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey</i>						<i>Period: Q3 2007 to Q3 2012 time series</i>		
<b>c. Regional NEET</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
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%			
North West	4.5%	7.1%	9.8%	5.8%	7.1%			
North East	5.2%	8.7%	12.6%	6.9%	8.8%			
<i>Source: Client Caseload Information System</i>						<i>Period: Nov 2011 - Jan 2012 average</i>		

<b>Table 4 (d to e): Not in Education and Training (NET)</b>								
<i>Percentage</i>								
<b>d. NET Participation SFR series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
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	14.3%	21.7%	39.3%	17.9%	24.9%			
End 2002	13.6%	21.9%	39.9%	17.8%	25.0%			
End 2003	13.2%	20.8%	40.1%	17.0%	24.8%			
End 2004	12.7%	20.9%	39.8%	16.7%	24.4%			
End 2005	11.6%	20.0%	38.9%	15.8%	23.5%			
End 2006	10.7%	19.0%	38.7%	14.9%	22.9%			
End 2007	9.4%	17.8%	37.8%	13.6%	21.7%			
End 2008	7.1%	16.3%	37.7%	11.7%	20.5%			
End 2009	5.1%	12.2%	35.2%	8.7%	17.8%			
End 2010	3.5%	10.6%	32.5%	7.1%	15.9%			
End 2011	3.3%	9.3%	30.4%	6.4%	14.6%			
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey and Admin Data</i>								
<i>Period: End 1999 to End 2011</i>								
<b>e. NET Quarterly LFS series</b>	<b>16 year olds</b>	<b>17 year olds</b>	<b>18 year olds</b>	<b>16-17 year olds</b>	<b>16-18 year olds</b>	<b>16-24 year olds</b>	<b>18-24 year olds</b>	<b>19-24 year olds</b>
Q3 2007	14.8%	31.7%	43.9%	23.5%	30.1%	52.7%	61.0%	63.8%
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%	65.2%
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%	59.9%
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%	58.4%
Q1 2010	6.4%	14.6%	34.7%	10.7%	18.5%	45.5%	55.0%	58.1%
Q2 2010	6.7%	16.2%	33.5%	11.7%	19.1%	45.7%	54.9%	58.4%
Q3 2010	9.2%	26.8%	41.4%	18.4%	26.0%	52.1%	61.3%	64.4%
Q4 2010	6.3%	10.1%	31.3%	8.1%	16.0%	46.3%	56.3%	60.2%
Q1 2011	6.5%	11.9%	31.4%	9.1%	16.6%	46.0%	55.7%	59.5%
Q2 2011	8.3%	15.9%	33.7%	12.0%	19.4%	49.1%	58.8%	62.7%
Q3 2011	11.7%	23.6%	34.7%	17.7%	23.4%	51.9%	60.9%	65.0%
Q4 2011	7.3%	11.5%	28.6%	9.4%	15.9%	45.3%	54.6%	58.4%
Q1 2012	7.2%	12.6%	29.4%	9.9%	16.4%	45.3%	54.4%	58.2%
Q2 2012	8.1%	15.5%	33.0%	11.8%	19.0%	48.1%	57.2%	60.9%
Q3 2012	9.7%	20.5%	35.8%	15.2%	22.1%	50.9%	60.0%	63.5%
<i>Source: Labour Force Survey</i>								
<i>Period: Q3 2007 to Q3 2012 time series</i>								

Additional tables are published with this brief – these show a regional breakdown of the quarterly NEET statistics for 16-24, 18-24 and 19-24 year olds, and time-series data from 2001. Please see the [DfE Q3 2012 NEET Quarterly Brief](#) web-page.