

# South & Vale Apprenticeships 2016/17

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This data note on apprenticeships has been compiled using data from the Department of Education (DfE) going up to 2016/17, available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/fe-data-library-apprenticeships>.

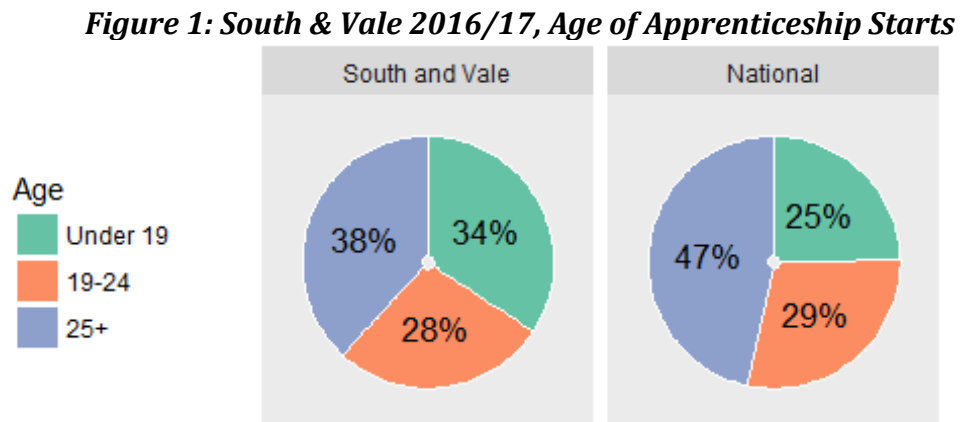
It is emphasized that this is **provisional** data and is subject to revision.

For the data which informs the graphs, please see tables at the end.

For further data and breakdowns, please contact Clare McLening (OxLEP) or Bella Image (Oxford City Council).

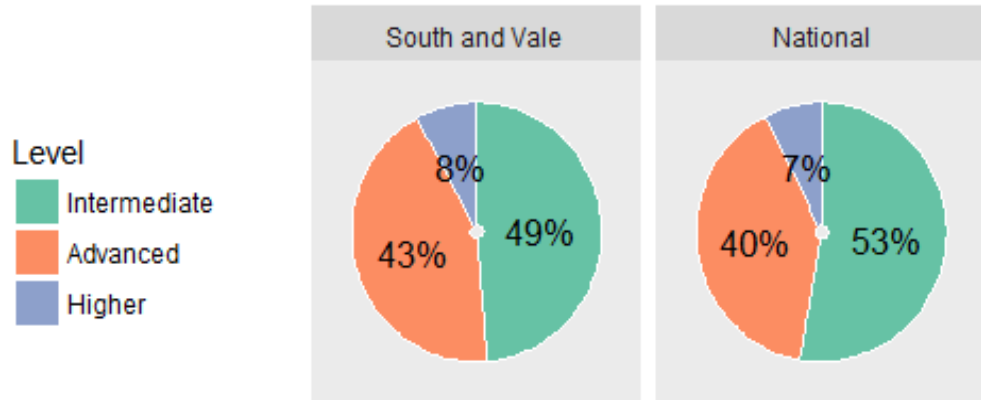
## A. South & Vale Apprenticeships in 2016/17

1. There were **1520** apprenticeship starts in South & Vale in 2016/17.
2. *Ages:* Apprenticeships have traditionally been seen as a training option for young people, with 53% nationally starting below age 25. However in South and Vale, 62% were under 25. See Figure 1.



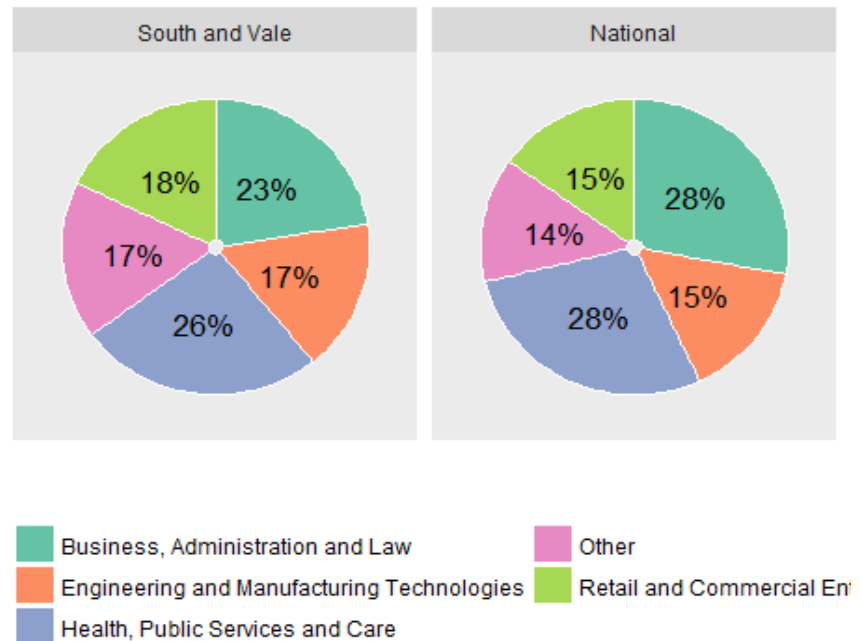
- Levels:** The majority of apprenticeships starts were at Intermediate or Advanced levels. However, the number of starts at Higher level has increased through time; indeed, degree level apprenticeships are now available (included in the 'Higher' category). See Figure 2.

**Figure 2: South & Vale 2016/17, Level of Apprenticeship Starts**



- Subject Sectors:** Apprentices may choose from a wide variety of subjects, as can be seen in Figure 3. South and Vale have slightly starts more than average in “Engineering & Manufacturing Technologies” and in “Retail and Commercial Enterprise”.

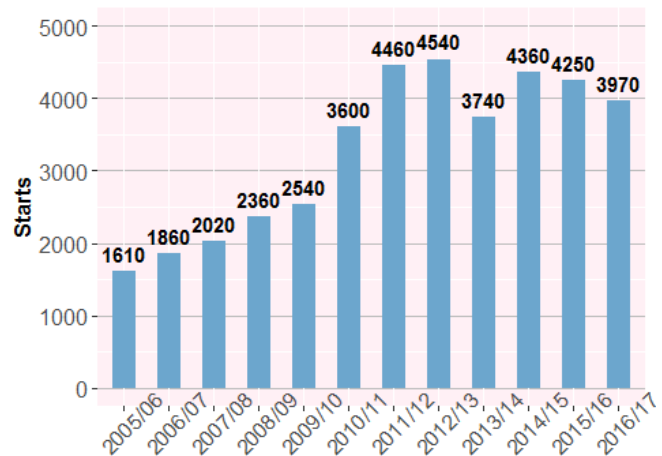
**Figure 3: South & Vale 2016/17, Subjects of Apprenticeship Starts**



## B. Time Series

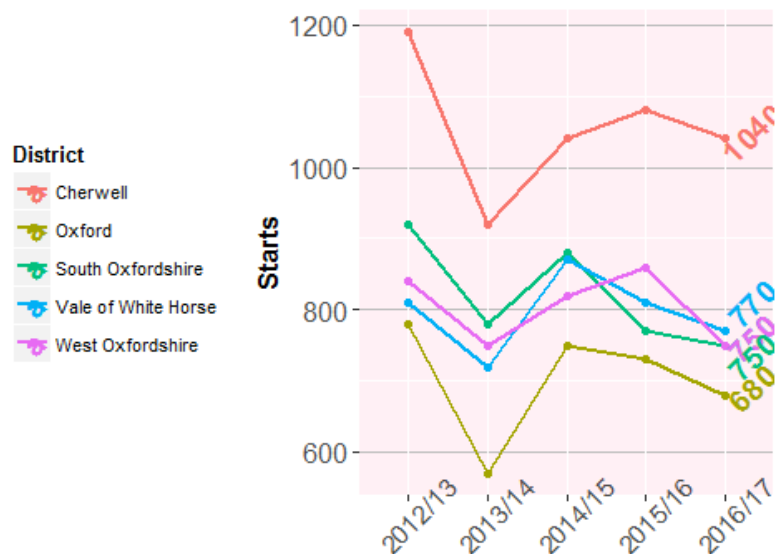
5. *History:* The current time series for apprenticeship starts goes back to 2005/06.
- In 2010/11 and 2011/12 there was a considerable increase in starts, mostly due to increased government funding.
  - In 2013/14 starts went down due to the introduction of the Advanced Learner Loan. This particularly affected those aged 25+ (compare Figure 6 below).
  - In 2014/15 the loan was abolished for Apprentices, leading to an increase to almost the previous level.

**Figure 4: Oxfordshire Apprenticeships since 2005/6**



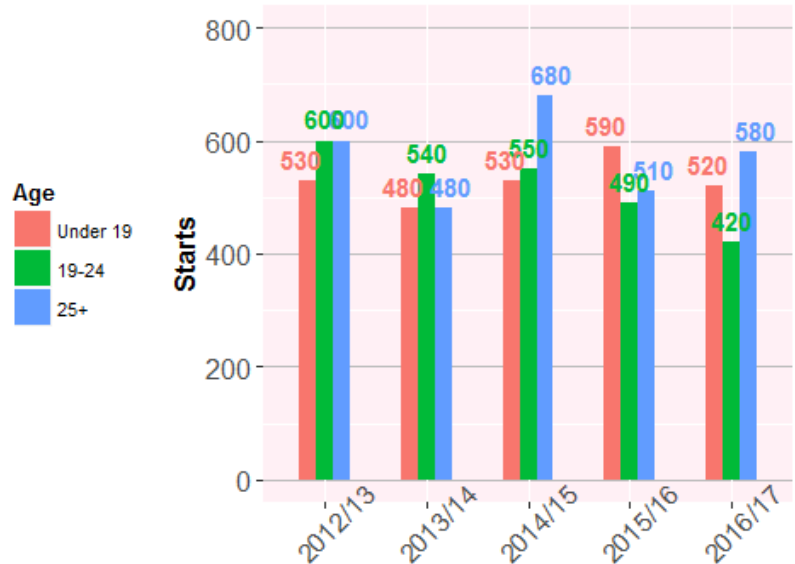
6. Since 2012/3, the data has been broken down by Oxfordshire district; see Figure 5. The last few years highlight the 2013/4 drop and a small recent decline. However, these figures are still far higher than a decade before.

**Figure 5: Apprenticeship Starts across Oxfordshire districts**



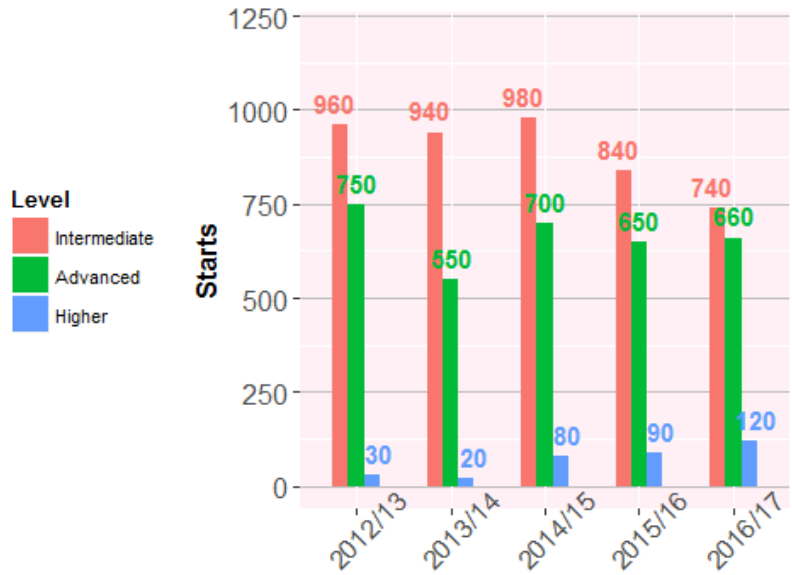
7. *Ages*: Figure 6 shows that the number of apprenticeship starts by age.

**Figure 6: Ages of Apprenticeship Starts, South & Vale**



8. *Levels*: Apprenticeships can be done at a number of levels, namely Intermediate (=NVQ2), Advanced (=NVQ3), and Higher (=NVQ4 or higher, up to degree level). The number of 'Higher' starts (the top level) has increased since 2012/13, while the number of starts in other levels has decreased.

**Figure 7: Levels of Apprenticeship Starts, South & Vale**



## C. Data Tables

**Table 1: South & Vale: Apprenticeship Starts by Age**

District	Age	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
South and Vale	Under 19	530	480	530	590	520
South and Vale	19-24	600	540	550	490	420
South and Vale	25+	600	480	680	510	580
<b>South and Vale</b>	<b>All Ages</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>1580</b>	<b>1520</b>
National	Under 19	114500	119800	125900	131400	121300
National	19-24	165400	159100	160200	153900	141100
National	25+	230300	161600	213900	224100	229000
<b>National</b>	<b>All Ages</b>	<b>510200</b>	<b>440400</b>	<b>499900</b>	<b>509400</b>	<b>491300</b>

**Table 2: South & Vale: Apprenticeship Starts by Level**

District	Level	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
South and Vale	Intermediate	960	940	980	840	740
South and Vale	Advanced	750	550	700	650	660
South and Vale	Higher	30	20	80	90	120
<b>South and Vale</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>1580</b>	<b>1520</b>
National	Intermediate	292800	286500	298300	291300	259400
National	Advanced	207700	144700	181800	190900	195800
National	Higher	9800	9200	19800	27200	36100
<b>National</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>510200</b>	<b>440400</b>	<b>499900</b>	<b>509400</b>	<b>491300</b>

**Table 3: South & Vale: Apprenticeship Starts by Sector**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>2012/ 13</b>	<b>2013/ 14</b>	<b>2014/ 15</b>	<b>2015/ 16</b>	<b>2016/ 17</b>
Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care	50	50	60	50	60
Arts, Media and Publishing	0	0	0	0	0
Business, Administration and Law	420	300	450	370	340
Construction, Planning and the Built Environment	70	80	80	100	80
Education and Training	30	20	0	20	10
Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies	240	250	250	260	250
Health, Public Services and Care	400	360	430	390	390
Information and Communication Technology	40	40	50	50	40
Languages, Literature and Culture	0	0	0	0	0
Leisure, Travel and Tourism	80	80	70	70	70
Preparation for Life and Work	0	0	0	0	0
Retail and Commercial Enterprise	420	320	370	270	270
Science and Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>All</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>1580</b>	<b>1520</b>

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