## **South Oxfordshire 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.

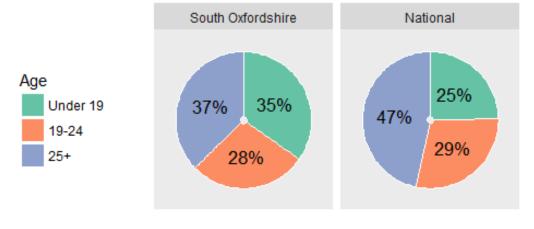
For the data which informs the graphs, please see tables at the end.

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

## A. South Oxfordshire Apprenticeships in 2016/17

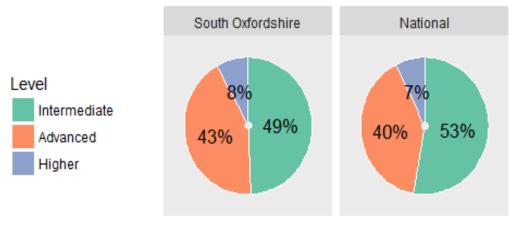
- 1. There were **750** apprenticeship starts in South Oxfordshire in 2016/17.
- 2. *Ages:* Nationally nearly half of apprenticeship starts were among those aged 25+. In South Oxfordshire by contrast, only 37% were in this higher age group. See Figure 1.

Figure 1: South Oxfordshire 2016/17, Age of Apprenticeship Starts



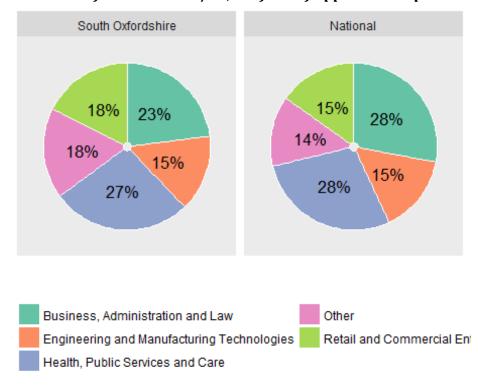
3. *Levels:* The majority of apprenticeships starts were at Intermediate or Advanced levels. However, the number of starts at Higher level has increased through time; this category degree now includes degree level apprenticeships. See Figure 2.

Figure 2: South Oxfordshire 2016/17, Level of Apprenticeship Starts



4. *Subject Sectors:* Apprentices may choose from a wide variety of subjects, as can be seen in Figure 3.

Figure 3: South Oxfordshire 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.

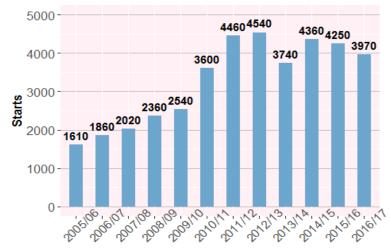


Figure 4: Oxfordshire Apprenticeships since 2005/6

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.

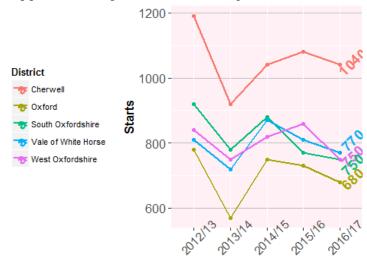


Figure 5: Apprenticeship Starts across Oxfordshire districts

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

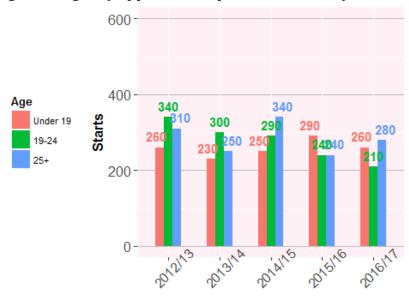


Figure 6: Ages of Apprenticeship Starts, South Oxfordshire

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 those starting 'Higher' level apprenticeships has been small but is increasing slowly.

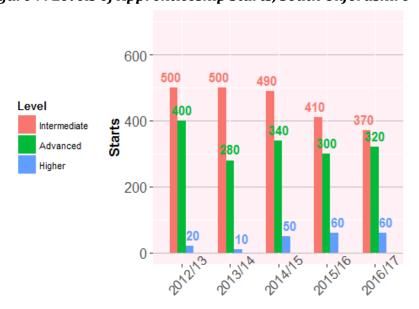


Figure 7: Levels of Apprenticeship Starts, South Oxfordshire

## **C. Data Tables**

Table 1: South Oxfordshire: Apprenticeship Starts by Age

District	Age	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
South Oxfordshire	Under 19	260	230	250	290	260
South Oxfordshire	19-24	340	300	290	240	210
South Oxfordshire	25+	310	250	340	240	280
South Oxfordshire	All Ages	920	780	880	770	750
National	Under 19	114500	119800	125900	131400	121300
National	19-24	165400	159100	160200	153900	141100
National	25+	230300	161600	213900	224100	229000
National	All Ages	510200	440400	499900	509400	491300

Table 2: South Oxfordshire: Apprenticeship Starts by Level

District	Level	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
South Oxfordshire	Intermediate	500	500	490	410	370
South Oxfordshire	Advanced	400	280	340	300	320
South Oxfordshire	Higher	20	10	50	60	60
South Oxfordshire	All	920	780	880	770	750
National	Intermediate	292800	286500	298300	291300	259400
National	Advanced	207700	144700	181800	190900	195800
National	Higher	9800	9200	19800	27200	36100
National	All	510200	440400	499900	509400	491300

Table 3: South Oxfordshire: Apprenticeship Starts by Sector

Sector Subject	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care	20	30	30	20	30
Arts, Media and Publishing	0	0	0	0	0
Business, Administration and Law	210	160	240	200	170
Construction, Planning and the Built Environment	40	40	40	40	40
Education and Training	20	10	0	10	0
Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies	110	100	110	110	110
Health, Public Services and Care	210	180	220	200	200
Information and Communication Technology	20	20	20	30	20
Languages, Literature and Culture	0	0	0	0	0
Leisure, Travel and Tourism	50	50	50	40	40
Preparation for Life and Work	0	0	0	0	0
Retail and Commercial Enterprise	250	190	190	120	130
Science and Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
All	920	780	880	770	750

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