



# Briefing: Confirmed places for nursing undergraduate courses 28 days after A level results day 2019

## Briefing Paper: Confirmed places for nursing courses – 19 September 2019

UCAS has [published](#) data on confirmed places 28 days after A level results day.

### Nursing figures

#### Placed applicants by route

Compared to the 2018 cycle, the number of placed applicants for nursing courses overall has risen by 5% with a total of 28,120 placed applicants. The number of placed applicants from all four home nations has increased as has the number of those from outside the EU (200 placed applicants in total, which is the highest number ever) and from the EU excluding the UK (410 applicants in total).

The number of main scheme applicants from the UK who were placed through Clearing was 2% higher than last year. The number of placed applicants who came through the firm route was 4% higher and the number of placed applicants who came through the insurance route increased by 11% to 600 applicants. 1,290 applicants from the UK were placed through other routes.

#### Placed applicants by domicile group

The overall number of placed applicants from **England** was 4% higher than in 2018. The number of those who came through the firm route was 3% higher than in 2018 and represented 81% of all placed applicants from England. The number of applicants who came through Clearing was 2% higher and the number of those who came through the insurance route was 16% higher. The number of currently unplaced applicants from England holding offers was 18% higher than last year whilst the number of those free to be placed in Clearing was slightly lower. The number of applicants who were placed direct to Clearing increased to 670 applicants.

The overall number of placed applicants from **Northern Ireland** was 5% higher than in 2018. The number of applicants who came through Clearing rose slightly to 100, whilst the number of those who came through the firm route was up 5%. Only 20 applicants came through the insurance route. 10 applicants were holding an offer. The number of unplaced applicants from Northern Ireland free to be placed in Clearing was 6% higher than last year.

The overall number of placed applicants from **Wales** was 5% higher than in 2018 and the number of applicants who came through the firm route was 6% higher. The number of applicants who came through Clearing increased to 110 applicants, whilst the number of those who came through the insurance route dropped to 20. The number of currently unplaced applicants free to be placed in Clearing was the same as in 2018 and 70 applicants were currently holding an offer. Like last year, 50 applicants were placed direct to Clearing.

The overall number of placed applicants from **Scotland** was 7% higher than in 2018. The number of applicants who came through Clearing decreased to 160 applicants, whilst the number of those who came through the insurance route remained the same (40 individuals). The number of applicants placed through the firm route was 10 higher than in 2018 and represented 90% of all placed applicants from Scotland. The number of currently unplaced applicants free to be placed in Clearing was 13% higher than last year and 50 applicants were currently holding an offer. The number of applicants who were placed direct to Clearing dropped to 40.

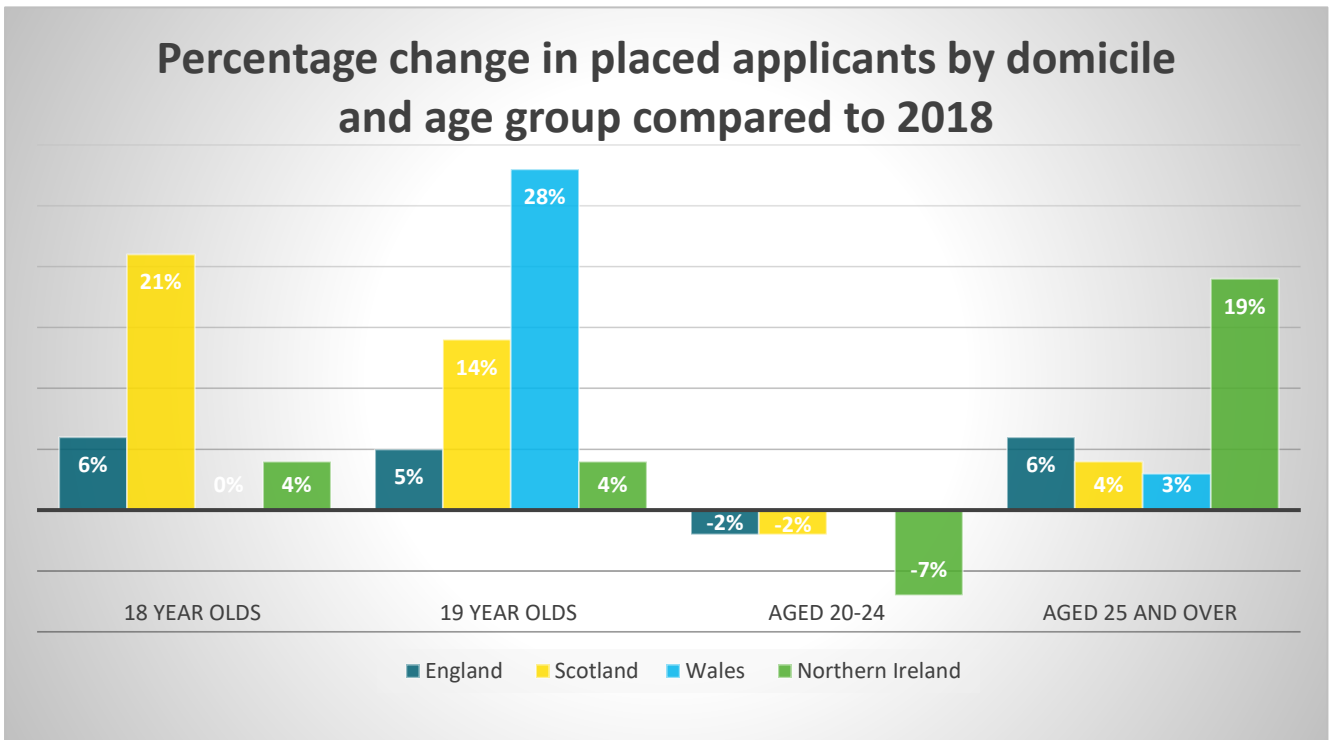
### Placed applicants by domicile and age group

The number of placed applicants **aged 18** from England and Scotland has increased by 6% and 21% respectively. The number of placed applicants aged 18 from Northern Ireland has increased by 4% whilst the number of those from Wales has remained the same.

There has been an increase in the number of placed applicants **aged 19** from all four nations. The number of those from England increased by 5%, from Scotland by 14%, from Wales by 28% and from Northern Ireland by 4%.

The number of placed applicants **aged 20-24** from England decreased by 2%, from Northern Ireland by 7% and from Scotland by 2%. The number of applicants aged 20-24 from Wales remained the same.

The number of placed applicants **aged 25 and over** from all nations has increased. In England there has been a 6% rise, in Northern Ireland 19%, in Scotland 4% and in Wales 3%.



### Placed applicants by domicile and sex

Overall, the number of male placed applicants to nursing courses has increased by 6% and the number of female placed applicants increase by 4% compared to 2018. Given the small number of **men** entering nursing courses, changes for this group for the four nations are marginal. Changes in the number of **women** entering nursing courses are therefore in line with overall developments described above.

### Unplaced applicants

There were 1,920 applicants to nursing courses who were holding an offer 28 days after A level results day. 13,420 applicants were free to be placed in Clearing. The number of applicants who were placed directly to Clearing remained the same as 2018.

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