

Modern Apprenticeship Statistics – Guidance

<p>Statistics covered</p>	<p>Modern Apprenticeships (MAs)</p>
<p>What is available</p>	<p>Volume of: New Starts, Leavers, In Training, Achievements and % Achievement Rates. These figures are for the year to date and are updated on a quarterly basis. Additional data is also included in our supplementary tables.</p> <p>Data is published by age, level, occupational grouping, framework and gender at Scotland level. Various local authority level tables are also available.</p> <p>Some additional modern apprenticeship and other data (e.g. Annual Participation Measure) at local authority level is also available on our website.</p>
<p>Equality data</p>	<p>Data is split by gender, disability, ethnicity and care experience.</p>
<p>Sources and methods</p>	<p>Data Sources: - Financial and Information Processing System (FIPS) and Corporate Training System (CTS).</p> <p>All data is entered and maintained by organisations contracted with Skills Development Scotland (SDS) to deliver Modern Apprenticeships.</p> <p>Activities Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input of MA start information and records maintenance throughout period of training • Claims processing • Recording of leaving details <p>Data integrity checks are made by SDS on an ongoing basis. Final checks are completed prior to production of reports.</p>

Definitions and data quality

Starts

Note: There has been a change to the way in which starts are calculated from 1st April 2019

The changes are primarily related to the timescales for counting new starts and movement to new frameworks at the same / higher level.

- Timescales for counting re-entrants as new starts has been extended to three calendar years from their previous leaving date as opposed to eight weeks from their previous leaving date.
- MA progressions within three calendar years from their previous leaving date will now be counted as a new start if the higher-level framework is **different** to the previous framework. All MA progressions were previously discounted from new start volumes if they had progressed within eight weeks of their previous leaving date.
- MA re-entrants to a **different** framework within 3 calendar years of their previous leaving date will now be counted as a new start. All MA re-entrants were previously discounted from new start volumes if they had re-entered within eight weeks of their previous leaving date regardless of the framework.

From 1st April 2019

Starts Include:

- MAs recorded and approved as new starts in FIPS within stated period of report.

Counted as a New Start if the following conditions are met:

1. The participant is a first-time entrant with no prior engagement in a Modern Apprenticeship.
2. The participant is starting a different Modern Apprenticeship framework within three calendar years of leaving the previous Modern Apprenticeship.
3. The participant is starting a different and higher-level framework from the previous Modern Apprenticeship.
4. The participant is starting the same Modern Apprenticeship framework at any level greater than 3 calendar years since the previous Modern Apprenticeship.

Note:- Starts are counted when approved in the system.

The above changes have been made to accommodate a new way of working following the introduction of a new system. This allows Training Providers to manage their contracts with SDS more efficiently as they now have real time contract volume information.

For Information**Method prior to 1st April 2019****Starts Included:**

- MAs recorded and approved as starts in FIPS within stated period of report.

Excluded:

- MAs who have left and re-started at the same level or a higher level within 8 weeks of their previously recorded leaving date.
- MAs who have re-entered training via the Adopt an Apprentice initiative within 8 weeks of their previously recorded leaving date.

Note:- Starts were counted when approved in the system

Leavers

Note: There has been a change to the way in which leavers are calculated from 1st April 2019

The change is related to the way in which leavers are counted

- All leavers are now counted as opposed to some leavers being previously discounted if the MA re-entered training within eight weeks from their previous leaving date.

Exceptions

As in previous years, leavers with the following leaver reasons are discounted:

- Maternity / Paternity
- Redundancy
- Business ceased trading
- Death
- Admin Error (please note – if this code is used the start is also discounted and any monies paid automatically undone)

From 1st April 2019**Leavers**

A leaver is counted as a leaver if the following conditions are met:

1. The participant has completed the Modern Apprenticeship and been awarded a Modern Apprenticeship Certificate and is recorded as a leaver.
2. The participant does not complete the Modern Apprenticeship and is recorded as a leaver.

Note: - The leaving date is counted when the leaving details are recorded on the system.

For Information

Method prior to 1st April 2019

Leavers Included:

- MAs where a leaving date was entered within the stated period of the report and has not re-joined the programme in 8 weeks. An exception to this rule was where an
- MA achieved and progressed to a higher-level MA. The leaver was counted regardless of re-start timescale.

Note: - The leaving date was counted when the leaving details were recorded on the system.

In Training

Includes:

- MAs approved prior to the end of the stated period and no leaving details entered.

Note: All MAs approved in the current and previous financial years regardless of whether or not they have been counted as a new start are included. i.e. it includes re-starts

Achievements as a % of all Leavers

Calculation:

- Number of achievements divided by the number of leavers, final result displayed as a %

Note: - There may be less leavers than achievements displayed against a few frameworks resulting in the current year achievement rate exceeding 100%. Reason: Leaver information has been entered and counted in the previous financial year; however, the MA achievement has only been approved and counted in the current financial year.

	<p>MA Frameworks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where there is an update to an MA Framework, only MAs registered on FIPS against the new MA framework are counted against this. In the majority of cases MAs will remain on the MA Framework they are originally registered against until completion. There are however a few exceptions to this rule. <p>The local authority is based on MA residence as recorded by the provider (trainee home address). Post Code information is checked during the data integrity phase prior to creating any reports. Workplace is not included in any current statistics publications.</p>
<p>Revisions policy and provisional estimates where appropriate</p>	<p>Revisions and corrections are not normally needed. Where this is required, what the revision is will be displayed clearly on the front page of the reports available online.</p>
<p>Comparisons with other UK countries (optional)</p>	<p>This may be looked at in future.</p>
<p>Comparisons over time and between areas</p>	<p>MA Reports are available for previous financial years, however, age groups and levels may differ.</p> <p>Prior Year Information available:</p> <p>2008/09</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Groups: 16-19 and 20+ • Levels : Level 3+ <p>2009/10 to 2011/12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Groups: 16-19 and 20+ • Levels : Level 2 and Level 3+ <p>2012/13 to 2017/18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Groups: 16-19, 20-24 and 25+ • Levels: Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 and Level 5 <p>2018/19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levels: - VQ level 3, 4 and 5; and SCQF level 5, 6, 7, 8 , 9, 10, 11. • The majority of VQs were aligned to SCQF levels in 2017/18, to support a transition to reporting MA statistics by SCQF level from Q1 2018/19. Through time, there will be no starts, in training, achievement or leavers data at VQ level as frameworks are fully transitioned to SCQF levels.
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