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Young People Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET)

Monthly Report - January 2017

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The 2016 NEET and NK figures do not have weighting from September



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NEETs as a percentage of the Year 12 & Year 13 (16-17 academic age group)

	Total	Y12	Y13		Total	Y12	Y13
Nov-15	2.6%	1.7%	3.4%	Nov-16	2.5%	1.0%	3.2%
Dec-15	3.1%	2.2%	3.9%	Dec-16	2.9%	1.8%	3.9%
Jan-16	3.3%	2.5%	4.0%	Jan-17	3.0%	1.9%	4.1%

Not Knowns as a percentage of the Year 12 & Year 13 (16-17 academic age group)

	Total	Y12	Y13		Total	Y12	Y13
Nov-15	10.40%			Nov-16	6.5%	4.3%	8.6%
Dec-15	7.20%			Dec-16	4.7%	3.1%	6.2%
Jan-16	5.4%			Jan-17	3.2%	1.9%	4.4%

Participation as a percentage of the Year 12 & Year 13 (16-17 academic age group)

	Total	Y12	Y13		Total	Y12	Y13
Nov-15				Nov-16	88.7%	93.4%	84.1%
Dec-15				Dec-16	89.9%	94.2%	85.6%
Jan-16				Jan-17	90.9%	95.1%	86.8%

NEET & NK as a percentage of the Year 12 & Year 13 (16-17 academic age group)

	Total	Y12	Y13		Total	Y12	Y13
Nov-15				Nov-16	9.0%	5.8%	12.1%
Dec-15				Dec-16	7.5%	4.9%	10.1%
Jan-16				Jan-17	3.8%	8.4%	6.1%

3 Month Average (estimate)

	Total	Y12	Y13		Total	Y12	Y13
Jan-16	10.8%			Jan-17	7.6%	2.8%	4.8%

Headline Commentary

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The county cohort of young people in Years 12 & 13 during December was 34,145.

The target for the NEET population from January 2017 is that their number should be no more than 2.5% of the county cohort.

(a) Participation

In January the highest rate (90.9%) of participation in Education, Employment & Training by young people in Years 12 & 13 was recorded for the current academic year.

Incremental improvements were again recorded in the rate for young people in both Year 12 (95.1%) & Year 13 (86.8%), sustaining the pattern seen during Quarter 3 (October to December).

However a planned strategy is required to address the reasons underpinning the current trend for a lower participation rate recorded for young people in Year 13, when compared to that recorded for those in Year 12.

(b) NEET Cohort

In January 1007 young people, in Years 12 & 13, were recorded as being NEET, 2.98% of the overall cohort (34,145), slightly above the county target of 2.5%.

This finding compares with the totals for October, November & December which were respectively 732 (2.45%), 870 (2.76%) & 987 (2.89%).

The table below indicates the small numerical and percentage point increases recorded for each of the Year groups when compared to the findings for November and December. They are lower, however, than those recorded previously between each of the months in the current academic year to date.

Population	Cohort (January 2017)	Number & Percentage NEET			Change December to January	
		November	December	January	Num.	%
Year 12	16,753	254 (1.61%)	305 (1.82%)	313 (1.88%)	+8	+2.6
Year 13	17,392	616 (3.91%)	682 (3.92%)	694 (4.06%)	+12	+1.7
Yrs 12 & 13	34,145	870 (2.76%)	987 (2.89%)	1007 (2.98%)	+20	+2.0

(c) Not Knowns

In January significant reductions have been recorded, when compared to the findings for December, for the number of young people in both Years 12 & 13 who were without a known EET status. The findings were:

In December (the number of Not Knowns):

- (i) Year 12: 516 (3.08% of the cohort)
- (ii) Year 13: 1079 (6.21%)

In January:

- (i) Year 12: 317 (1.89%)
- (ii) Year 13: 768 (4.42%)

The reductions in numerical terms between December and January for both years were:

- (i) Year 12: 199 (38.6%)
- (ii) Year 13: 311 (28.8%)

These downward shifts represent significant progress. The improved knowledge of the EET status of young people will inform improved planning of the provision wanted and required by young people in these two age groups.

(d) Year Group / Size

During Quarter 3 (October to December) there was been an upward trajectory in the number of young people in the cohort recorded as NEET, with the largest increase recorded amongst the Year 12 group.

However during January the recorded growth in the number of NEETs has levelled off, with increases restricted to 8 amongst young people in Year 12, and to 12 for those in Year 13.

This finding coupled with the improvement in the Participation Rates and the reductions in the number of Not Knowns indicates the overall progress that is being made towards the objective of maximising the engagement in EET amongst those young people in Years 12 & 13.

The critical challenge, as indicated above, is to reduce the number of NEETs amongst the Year 13 age group (694), a figure 122% higher than the number recorded for the Year 12 age group (313).

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Table 1 Y12 & Y13 NEET Summary	Total Cohort Y12 & Y13	No. NEET Y12 & Y13	% NEET Y12 & Y13	NEET Target Y12 & Y13 Jan 2017	Diff from target	No. NEET Y12	% NEET Y12	No. NEET Y13	% NEET Y13	Not knowns					
										No. Y12	% Y12	No. Y13	% Y13	Total	% of cohort
Kent	34,145	1,007	2.98%	2.50%	-0.48%	313	1.88%	694	4.06%	317	1.89%	768	4.42%	1085	3.18%
Ashford	3,038	87	2.91%	2.10%	-0.81%	30	2.04%	57	3.75%	24	1.63%	72	4.60%	96	3.16%
Canterbury	3,108	94	3.10%	2.04%	-1.06%	23	1.57%	71	4.53%	27	1.82%	63	3.88%	90	2.90%
Dartford	2,318	62	2.69%	2.54%	-0.15%	18	1.60%	44	3.73%	27	2.39%	61	5.13%	88	3.80%
Dover	2,483	60	2.44%	2.79%	0.35%	14	1.15%	46	3.69%	30	2.45%	60	4.76%	90	3.62%
Gravesham	2,557	83	3.32%	2.52%	-0.80%	26	2.08%	57	4.56%	22	1.74%	54	4.18%	76	2.97%
Maidstone	3,642	94	2.60%	2.49%	-0.11%	28	1.56%	66	3.64%	36	2.00%	77	4.19%	113	3.10%
Sevenoaks	2,385	32	1.34%	1.64%	0.30%	8	0.71%	24	1.92%	24	2.12%	62	4.95%	86	3.61%
Shepway	2,465	70	2.88%	3.03%	0.15%	30	2.48%	40	3.28%	19	1.56%	55	4.41%	74	3.00%
Swale	3,450	154	4.52%	3.04%	-1.48%	48	2.81%	106	6.24%	31	1.80%	81	4.69%	112	3.25%
Thanet	3,312	133	4.04%	3.49%	-0.55%	43	2.60%	90	5.49%	40	2.41%	74	4.47%	114	3.44%
Tonbridge & Malling	2,835	76	2.68%	1.67%	-1.01%	24	1.72%	52	3.61%	22	1.58%	54	3.74%	76	2.68%
Tunbridge Wells	2,552	62	2.45%	1.65%	-0.80%	21	1.68%	41	3.20%	15	1.20%	55	4.23%	70	2.74%

Table One – NEET Population

The table indicates that with respect to the target of 2.5% for the NEET population it was:

- (i) missed at county level (3.0%) by half a percentage point
- (ii) met in three, Sevenoaks (32, 1.3%), Tunbridge Wells (62, 2.4%) & Dover (60, 2.4%) of the twelve Districts
- (iii) narrowly missed (less than 0.5% over the target) in Ashford (2.9%), Dartford (2.7%), Maidstone (2.6%) and Tonbridge & Malling (2.7%)

The two Districts with the highest numbers and the highest percentages of their respective cohorts who are NEET continue from previous months in the academic year to be:

- (i) Swale 154 (4.5%)
- (ii) Thanet 133 (4.0%)

With respect to the shift in the numbers in the NEET population by District between December and January the findings were:

- (i) there was no change in Sevenoaks (32)
- (ii) four Districts recorded reductions, Canterbury (-7), Dover (-2), Maidstone (-9) & Tunbridge Wells (-5)
- (iii) seven Districts recorded increases, Ashford (+4), Dartford (+5), Gravesham (+1), Shepway (+11), Swale (+4), Thanet (+12) and Tonbridge & Malling (+6)
- (iv) only two Districts, Thanet & Swale, had more than 100 young people recorded as NEET whereas in December there were four who exceeded that number

Table 1b Y12 & Y13 NEET & Not Known Ranking	% NEET Y12 & Y13	% Not Known Y12 & Y13	Combine d total	Ranking
Kent	2.98%	3.18%	6.13%	
Ashford	2.91%	3.16%	6.02%	7
Canterbury	3.10%	2.90%	5.92%	6
Dartford	2.69%	3.80%	6.47%	10
Dover	2.44%	3.62%	6.04%	8
Gravesham	3.32%	2.97%	6.22%	9
Maidstone	2.60%	3.10%	5.68%	4
Sevenoaks	1.34%	3.61%	4.95%	1
Shepway	2.88%	3.00%	5.84%	5
Swale	4.52%	3.25%	7.71%	12
Thanet	4.04%	3.44%	7.46%	11
Tonbridge & Malling	2.68%	2.68%	5.36%	3
Tunbridge Wells	2.45%	2.74%	5.17%	2

Table 2 Y12 & Y13 NEET % Trends	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17
Kent	2.47	2.10	2.54	2.92	2.98							
Ashford	2.11	2.03	1.98	2.79	2.91							
Canterbury	2.70	2.27	2.63	3.32	3.10							
Dartford	1.96	1.68	2.01	2.47	2.69							
Dover	2.20	1.78	2.34	2.51	2.44							
Gravesham	3.06	2.42	3.01	3.28	3.32							
Maidstone	2.87	2.35	2.76	2.85	2.60							
Sevenoaks	1.12	0.86	1.28	1.35	1.34							
Shepway	2.32	1.84	2.15	2.43	2.88							
Swale	3.91	2.93	3.66	4.40	4.52							
Thanet	2.86	2.69	3.02	3.66	4.04							
Tonbridge & Malling	1.93	1.70	2.34	2.47	2.68							
Tunbridge Wells	1.76	1.95	2.64	2.68	2.45							

Table Two – NEET Population in Percentage Terms

Table 2 indicates that:

- (i) in percentage terms there has been a month on month increase in the size of the NEET population at county level since the start of the academic year in September (2.47%).
- (ii) the percentage increase in the population between December (2.92%) and January (2.98%) was the smallest during the academic year to date
- (iii) as was the case during December, eight of the Districts recorded performances stronger than that recorded for the county – the four exceeding the 2.98% recorded for the county were Swale (4.52%), Thanet (4.04%), Gravesham (3.32%) and Canterbury (3.10%)

Table 2b Historical data Y12 & Y13 NEET % Trends	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16

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Kent	2.13	2.02	2.59	3.10	3.31	3.59	3.76	3.89	4.16	4.14	3.26	4.54
Ashford	1.78	1.50	2.05	2.37	2.63	2.86	3.02	3.10	3.36	3.23	3.23	3.66
Canterbury	1.95	2.01	2.66	3.52	4.09	4.57	4.57	4.45	4.36	4.34	4.48	4.66
Dartford	1.95	1.95	2.37	3.27	3.39	3.57	3.54	3.97	4.37	4.29	4.59	4.76
Dover	2.03	1.88	2.53	3.15	2.60	3.03	3.43	3.48	4.31	4.32	4.28	4.47
Gravesham	2.45	2.81	3.04	3.62	4.10	4.17	4.37	4.10	4.22	4.50	4.78	5.67
Maidstone	1.85	1.91	2.58	3.21	3.40	3.60	3.62	3.80	3.99	3.99	3.79	5.67
Sevenoaks	1.61	1.56	1.94	2.38	2.26	2.47	2.39	2.36	2.36	2.65	2.40	2.53
Shepway	2.58	2.34	2.55	2.55	3.24	3.68	3.72	4.12	4.42	4.65	4.85	4.85
Swale	3.06	2.76	3.67	4.10	4.28	4.89	5.49	5.85	6.14	5.76	6.22	6.56
Thanet	2.36	2.19	3.08	3.56	3.89	3.73	4.05	4.02	4.60	4.41	4.39	4.92
Tonbridge & Malling	1.89	1.55	1.99	2.39	2.59	2.90	3.22	3.30	3.37	3.47	3.34	3.41
Tunbridge Wells	1.81	1.69	2.23	2.65	2.80	3.13	2.98	3.48	3.89	3.77	3.81	4.06

Table 3

Y12 & Y13 Not Known % Trends	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17
Kent	5.51	2.45	6.50	4.67	3.18							
Ashford	4.30	2.40	7.67	4.75	3.16							
Canterbury	4.72	2.62	5.96	4.11	2.90							
Dartford	4.52	2.07	8.20	5.83	3.80							
Dover	5.03	2.06	6.57	5.02	3.62							
Gravesham	8.12	2.76	6.21	4.82	2.97							
Maidstone	5.32	2.70	5.20	4.09	3.10							
Sevenoaks	3.01	1.08	7.27	5.39	3.61							
Shepway	5.85	2.15	6.12	4.18	3.00							
Swale	8.57	3.35	5.78	4.55	3.25							
Thanet	7.46	3.13	6.83	4.94	3.44							
Tonbridge & Malling	4.93	2.00	6.50	4.94	2.68							
Tunbridge Wells	4.08	2.32	6.46	3.91	2.74							

Table Three – Not Knowns As A Percentage of the Overall Cohort

The findings from this table reflect those reported above on the positive progress being made towards the minimisation of the percentage of the cohort (16 & 17 year olds) recorded without a known EET status.

The findings for January when compared with those for September (the start of the academic year) indicate:

- (i) the county figure (3.18%) represents a fall of 2.3 percentage points
- (ii) all Districts have recorded reductions in percentage terms
- (iii) when considering the data for each of the Districts, the greater downward shifts, measured in percentage points, have been recorded in:
 - a. Gravesham - 5.1%
 - b. Swale - 5.2%
 - c. Thanet - 4.0%

Table 4

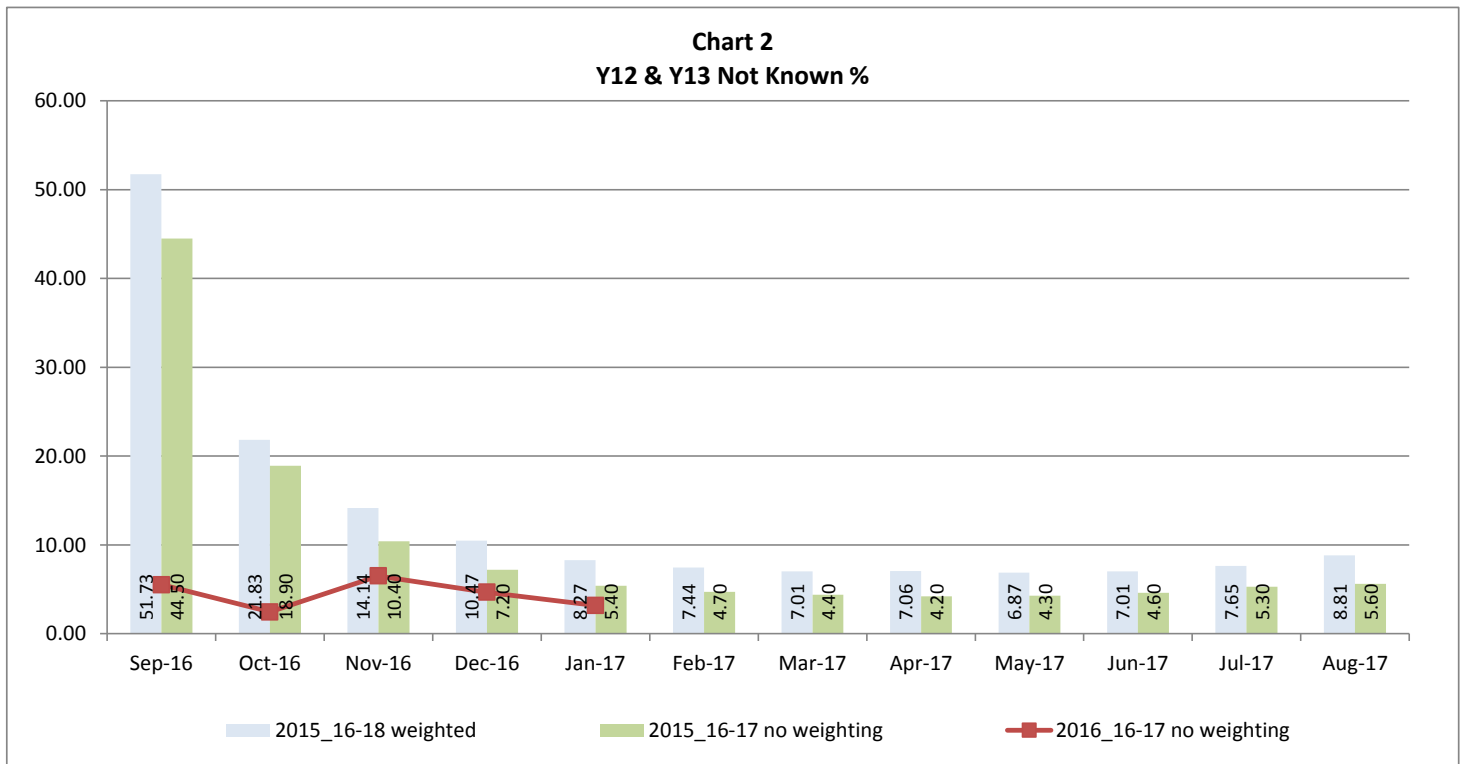
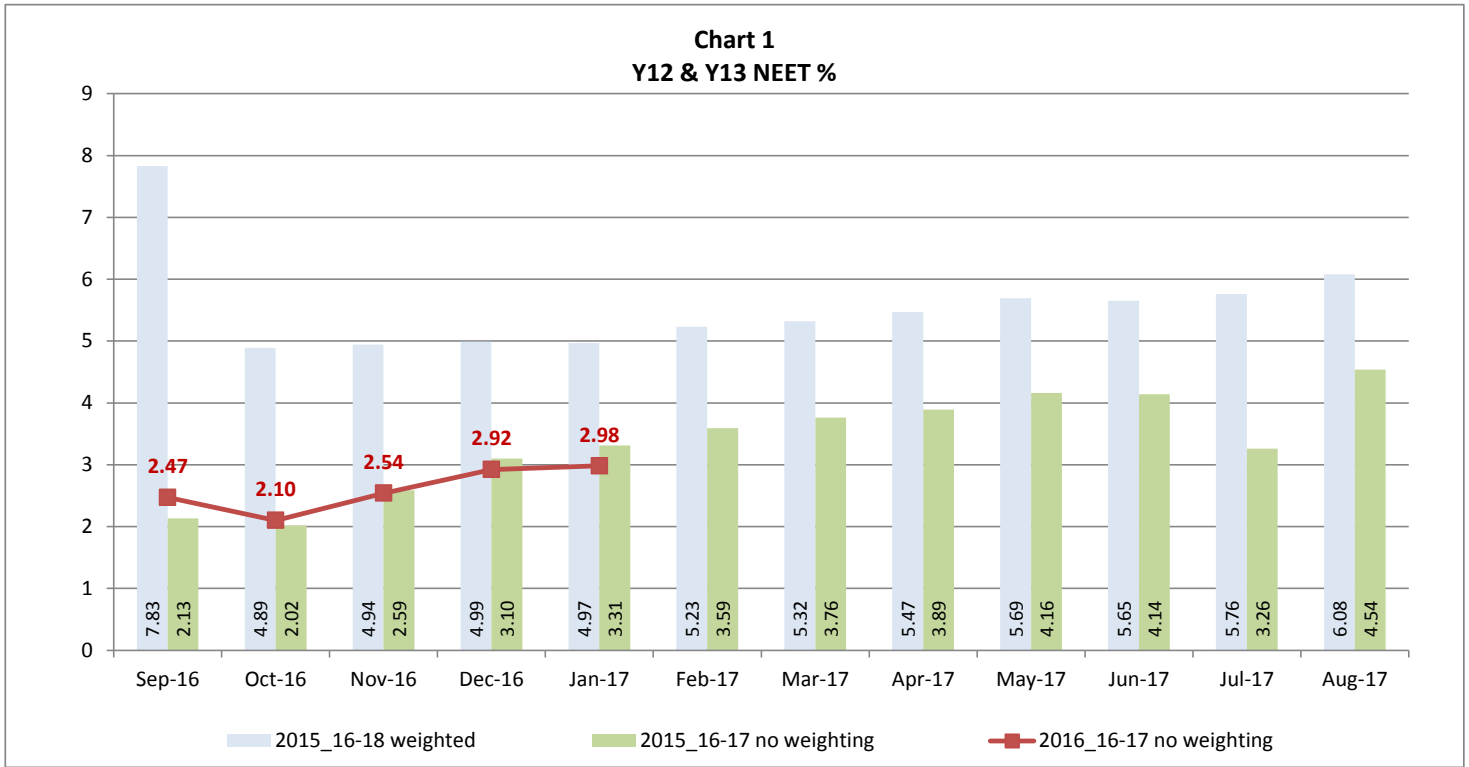
	NEETs based on length of time in NEET (Y12-Y13)					Equivalent - January 2015 (16-18)					Progress RPA - Participating	
	0-6 weeks	7-13 weeks	14-26 weeks	27-52 weeks	52+ weeks	0-6 weeks	7-13 weeks	14-26 weeks	27-52 weeks	52+ weeks	% Age 16	% Age 17
Kent	46	132	253	369	207	140	200	431	855	761	95.10%	86.80%
Ashford	8	16	16	34	13	9	24	40	54	39	95.20%	85.00%
Canterbury	2	9	26	35	22	20	26	42	81	80	96.00%	87.30%
Dartford	2	9	17	24	10	7	8	19	69	44	95.00%	86.60%
Dover	8	6	12	25	9	9	15	24	35	56	95.20%	87.60%
Gravesham	1	8	13	38	23	16	15	48	90	62	95.00%	86.90%
Maidstone	2	16	18	29	29	12	22	45	91	72	94.80%	87.10%
Sevenoaks	1	2	13	10	6	4	6	31	51	43	96.20%	88.80%
Shepway	4	11	16	27	12	16	14	39	39	56	95.50%	88.20%
Swale	8	21	38	51	36	14	32	49	122	89	93.50%	84.30%
Thanet	6	22	44	43	18	23	19	44	71	98	94.10%	85.30%
Tonbridge & Malling	1	6	25	29	15	4	5	30	68	66	95.40%	87.40%
Tunbridge Wells	3	6	15	24	14	6	14	20	84	56	95.70%	88.30%

Table Four: Length of Time Young People are NEET

The findings from this table, which are similar in terms of trends to those reported in both November and December, indicate:

- (i) the trend has continued in the numbers of young people recorded as being NEET increasing incrementally for those who have been NEET for between 0-6 weeks, 7-13 weeks, 14-26 weeks
- (ii) the number of young people who have been NEET for between 7-13 weeks (132) is very close to being three times the number who have been NEET for between 0-6 weeks (46)
- (iii) similarly to (ii) the number who have been NEET for between 14-26 weeks (253) is close to being twice that of the number who have been NEET for between 7-13 weeks (132)
- (iv) the Districts with the higher numbers of young people being NEET for between both 7-13 weeks and 14-26 weeks are those with the overall higher NEET populations:
 - e.g. a. Swale 21 & 38 (respectively)
 - b. Thanet 22 & 44
 - c. Maidstone 16 & 18
- (v) positively the numbers of young people in the longer time bands have fallen since December reflecting the overall progress being made

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Table 5													
Y12 & Y13 cohort by Vulnerable Group	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17
Children in Care (CIC)	991	1048	1073	1064	1067	1078	1062	1050	1022	777	936	869	838
subset CIC resp. not known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
subset CIC KCC responsibility	782	840	865	860	866	860	844	832	648	409	691	718	704
subset CIC OOC responsibility	209	208	208	203	201	199	198	198	198	75	138	137	128
Caring for own child	260	276	287	300	314	336	346	358	169	78	84	91	98
Asylum seeker	456	492	523	526	536	551	552	547	562	326	392	396	392
Carer not own child	74	77	78	80	83	87	90	92	56	21	22	24	25
Substance Misuse	61	62	63	64	63	63	63	66	40	17	40	19	18
Care Leaver (CL)	185	187	190	192	207	208	216	228	342	19	27	41	48
subset CL resp. not known	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
subset CL KCC responsibility	173	175	178	180	194	194	193	193	193	3	23	38	45
subset CL OOC responsibility	11	11	11	11	12	12	12	12	12	1	2	2	1
Supervised by YOT	132	176	180	178	180	183	138	119	163	129	138	114	110
Pregnancy	153	167	177	190	199	208	209	217	124	53	63	66	70
Parent not caring for own child	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	1	1	1	1
SEND (16-18 year olds)	2220	2209	2208	2231	2230	2230	2228	2242	2224	2221	2214	2217	2198
SEND (19+ year olds)	467	413	375	341	323	245	203	157	924	929	916	885	792
SEND with EHCP flag													1740
Total SEND vulnerable group	2687	2622	2583	2572	2553	2475	2431	2399	3148	3150	3130	3102	2990
Total 16-18 cohort with at least one vulnerable group	3737	3846	3900	3941	3982	4020	3998	4021					
Total 16-17 cohort with at least one vulnerable group									2394	2403	2470	2524	2501
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Tables Five, Six & Seven: Vulnerable Groups

Please note that one young person may be included in more than one vulnerable group.

338 young people (334 in December) included in at least one vulnerable group were recorded as being NEET. They represented 33.6% of the total NEET population.

(a) Vulnerable Groups & NEET Representation

Key findings from these tables include:

(i) the number of Kent Children in Care who are NEET has remained constant (71) when compared with December

(ii) a recorded increase of young parents in the cohort, increasing from 91 in December to 197 in January - there has been a corresponding increase in the number amongst this population recorded as NEET, rising from 65 in December to 148 in January

(iii) a similar pattern has occurred with the recording of young women who are pregnant and NEET, increasing in number from December (55) to 117 in January

(iv) the number of young people recorded as SEND in the overall cohort decreased by 19 between December and January but there was a small increase (+9) to 209 in the number of them recorded as being NEET

(v) the number known to YOT increased within the cohort but the number of them recorded as NEET (37) was lower than in December

Vulnerable Group	Number Recorded as NEET	Number in the Cohort	Percentage NEET
Children in Care (Kent)	71	704	10.1
Pregnancy	117	145	80.7
Young Parents	148	197	75.1
Youth Justice	37	121	30.6
SEND	209	2198	9.5

(b) Vulnerable Groups: Not Knowns

The downward trend in the number of young people amongst the vulnerable groups with a Not Known EET status has been sustained.

The numbers amongst the Child in Care (Kent) and the YOT populations remain very low but the data suggests that a continuing improvement in tracking is required for both the Leaving Care (18+) and the SEND (16-18 years) to ensure accurate recording of their status.

Table 6													
Y12 & Y13 NEET by Vulnerable Group	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17
Children in Care (CIC)	102	104	112	103	105	107	107	111	75	47	68	81	79
subset CIC resp. not known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
subset CIC KCC responsibility	84	84	91	83	86	84	75	75	52	35	53	71	71
subset CIC OOC responsibility	18	20	21	20	19	19	19	19	19	4	4	5	8
Caring for own child	196	211	220	230	243	256	265	275	130	51	58	65	70
Asylum seeker	2	4	6	4	3	4	5	4	4	0	3	2	3
Carer not own child	25	29	31	31	34	36	39	42	22	8	8	11	10
Substance Misuse	11	13	14	17	15	16	16	20	10	9	12	12	9
Care Leaver (CL)	43	46	48	59	65	65	71	73	63	1	4	9	13
subset CL resp. not known	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
subset CL KCC responsibility	39	41	43	50	60	60	59	59	59	0	23	38	45
subset CL OOC responsibility	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1	2	2	1
Supervised by YOT	50	65	73	72	70	69	55	51	54	39	41	40	35
Pregnancy	114	122	132	142	147	156	159	164	99	38	50	55	56
Parent not caring for own child	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	0	0	0	0
SEND (16-18 year olds)	244	261	265	264	272	282	288	296	162	144	184	200	209
SEND (19+ year olds)	65	49	43	37	27	20	14	5	124	118	112	106	89
SEND with EHCP flag													85
Total SEND vulnerable group	309	310	308	301	299	302	302	301	286	262	296	306	298
Total 16-18 NEET with at least one vulnerable group	682	745	783	800	827	853	870	904					
Total 16-17 NEET with at least one vulnerable group									239	226	285	334	338

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Table 7														
Y12 & Y13 Not Knowns by Vulnerable Group	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	
Children in Care (CIC)	33	22	21	16	25	32	38	50	481	94	115	23	9	
subset CIC KCC responsibility	18	11	10	8	13	19	11	5	5	57	36	7	4	
subset CIC OOC responsibility	15	11	11	8	12	5	11	11	11	32	21	15	4	
Caring for own child	20	22	21	20	21	21	22	25	22	6	3	4	4	
Asylum seeker	7	6	8	8	12	8	11	30	92	24	54	6	4	
Carer not own child	11	8	8	8	9	11	10	11	18	2	2	1	1	
Substance Misuse	10	7	7	7	7	6	8	10	20	4	3	2	2	
Care Leaver (CL)	42	31	31	21	24	26	32	47	113	6	5	2	0	
subset CL resp. not known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
subset CL KCC responsibility	37	27	27	17	19	19	19	19	19	0	3	1	0	
subset CL OOC responsibility	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	0	1	1	0	
Supervised by YOT	11	11	12	10	12	16	16	13	53	17	10	2	1	
Pregnancy	17	18	17	19	19	17	16	17	17	9	6	3	3	
Parent not caring for own child	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	
SEND (16-18 year olds)	167	118	116	126	129	134	187	222	1397	447	323	279	245	
SEND (19+ year olds)	236	197	172	160	123	67	41	14	699	436	406	390	320	
SEND with EHCP flag													178	
Total SEND vulnerable group	403	315	288	286	252	201	228	236	2096	883	729	669	565	
Total 16-18 not known with at least one vulnerable group	283	221	217	211	225	236	299	361						
Total 16-17 not known with at least one vulnerable group									1269	316	208	99	50	

Table 8	2016			2015		
	Y12	Y13	Y12 & 13 Total	Y12	Y13	Y12 & 13 Total
Leaving NEET Total	68	82	150	50	81	131
Education	10	6	16	10	13	23
Employment	17	42	59	12	38	50
Government supported training	33	23	56	25	26	51
Re-engagement Provision	1	2	3	0	0	0
Transfer to another LA	5	3	8	0	1	1
Age reached where no active record required	0	0	0	0	0	0
Left England so no longer active record	0	0	0	0	1	1
Found to be a duplicate record	0	1	1	0	0	0
Deceased	0	0	0	0	0	0
Custodial Sentence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cannot Be Contacted	0	1	1	1	1	2
Refused to disclose activity	0	1	1	2	1	3
Unknown Activity	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Reason	2	3	5	0	0	0
Joining NEET Total	76	94	170	112	99	211
Education	25	14	39	37	18	55
Employment	7	15	22	11	15	26
Training	3	8	11	7	5	12
Re-engagement Provision	0	0	0	0	0	0
From other area	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (inc custodial sentence)	41	57	98	57	61	118
Difference (minus = Joiners>Leavers)	-8	-12	-20	-62	-18	-80

Table Eight

(a) Becoming EET

The number of young people (150) moving during January from NEET into EET opportunities represents a significant increase when compared to the numbers recorded for both November (117) and December (59).

The EET opportunities taken up were primarily either training (56) or employment (59).

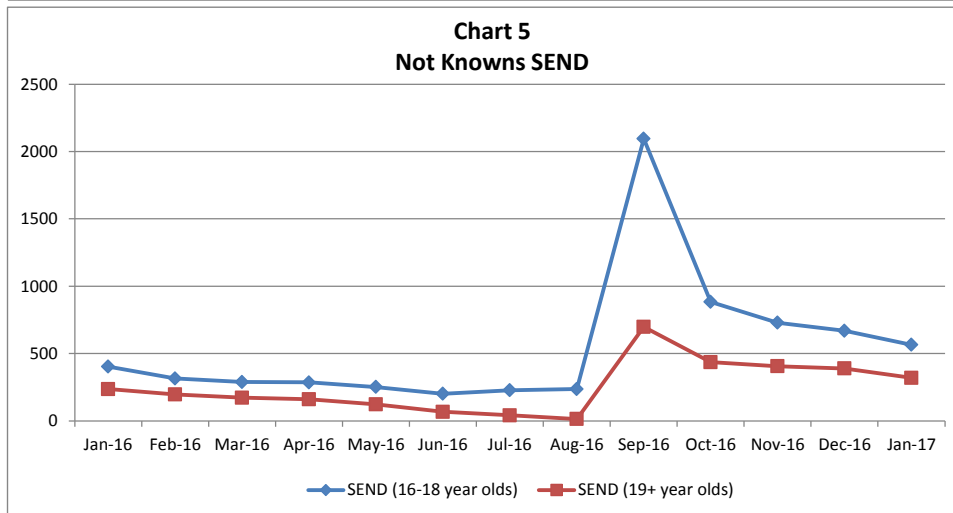
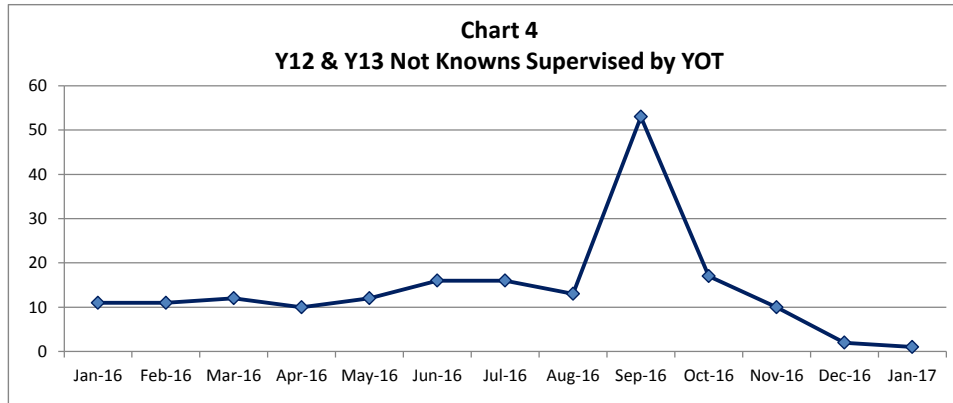
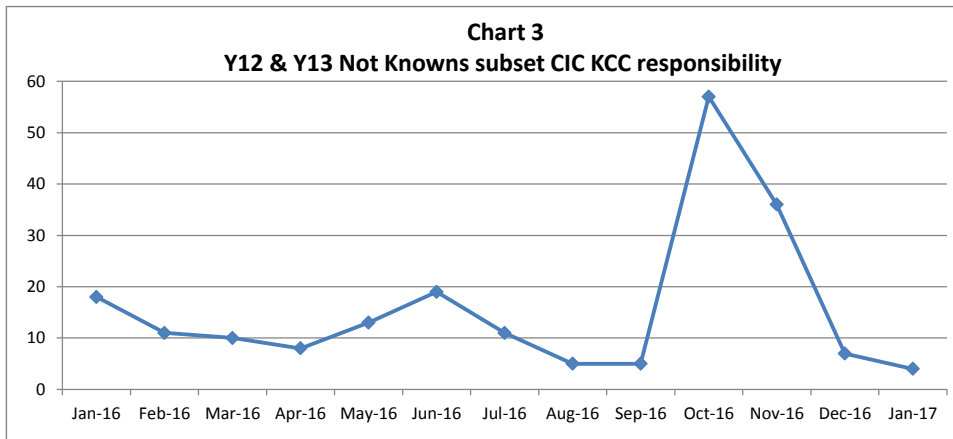
(b) Becoming NEET

There was an increase in January to 170, when compared to November (65) and December (55), in the numbers of young people becoming NEET. This reverses what had been a downward trend from the start of the academic year.

The number of young people becoming NEET was higher amongst those in Year 13 (94) than those in Year 12 (76).

The majority of those becoming NEET, where the previous destination is known, had been in some form of education.

"Other" remains the most frequent description of the previous destination of those becoming NEET. There is a need to improve the understanding as to where young people have been prior to being NEET so that effective preventative strategies can be put in place, including effective co-ordination of provision so that there are not significant gaps in time between different training opportunities.



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Kent/National/Statistical Neighbours
as at December 2016**

	NEET		Not known		In learning	
	% Academic Age16-17s NEET	% change over last 12 months	% Academic Age16-17s NK	% change over last 12 months	% Academic Age16-17s in learning	% change over last 12 months
ENGLAND	2.7%	-0.6%	4.1%	-2.8%	91.3%	0.2%

Table 9

Name	NEET Ranked Position	Academic Age16-17 (Y12-Y13) NEET %	Y12 NEET%	Y13 NEET%	N/K Ranked Position	Academic Age 16 - 17 (Y12-Y13) NK %	Y12 NK%	Y13 NK%	Academic Age 16 - 17 (Y12-13) In Learning %	Y12 In Learning %	Y13 In Learning %
Kent	8	2.9%	1.8%	3.9%	8	4.7%	3.1%	6.2%	88.9%	93.7%	84.2%
East Sussex	11	3.6%	2.5%	4.6%	1	1.0%	0.4%	1.5%	92.3%	96.1%	88.7%
Essex	6	2.7%	1.9%	3.3%	2	1.7%	0.7%	2.5%	92.9%	96.3%	89.7%
Lancashire	9	3.0%	1.9%	4.1%	9	6.0%	3.3%	8.6%	89.3%	94.1%	84.8%
Northamptonshire	10	3.5%	2.4%	4.5%	6	3.8%	1.8%	5.8%	89.8%	94.8%	84.9%
Nottinghamshire	2	1.7%	1.3%	2.0%	3	2.3%	0.7%	3.7%	95.6%	97.6%	93.7%
Staffordshire	4	2.3%	1.8%	2.9%	10	6.7%	3.4%	10.0%	89.0%	93.6%	84.5%
Swindon	7	2.8%	1.4%	4.1%	7	3.9%	2.0%	5.7%	91.1%	95.8%	86.6%
Warwickshire	5	2.4%	1.6%	3.1%	5	3.8%	1.0%	6.6%	92.3%	96.8%	88.0%
West Sussex	1	1.2%	0.8%	1.6%	11	9.0%	5.3%	12.5%	89.1%	93.6%	84.8%
Worcestershire	3	2.2%	1.9%	2.5%	4	3.5%	0.9%	6.2%	92.4%	96.2%	88.5%
Mean Indicator for Statistical neighbours		2.5%	1.7%	3.3%		4.2%	2.0%	6.3%	91.4%	95.5%	87.4%

Table Nine and Chart Six

The data provided by the Department for Education included in the table and chart refers to December 2016.

The table suggests that:

- (i) the participation rate for young people in Years 12 & 13 in the county (88.9%) was lower than any of the rates achieved by our statistical neighbours – however it was close to the rates recorded by three of the neighbours, Staffordshire (89.0%), West Sussex (89.1%) and Lancashire (89.3%)
- (ii) the percentage of young people with a Not Known status is higher for the county (3.1%) than the mean average (2.0%) for those in Year 12 but for the respective figures for those in Year 13 are comparable
- (iii) local authorities do find it more difficult to track young people in Year 13
- (iv) the percentage of young people recorded as NEET in the county is comparable for both Years 12 & 13 with the mean average for the statistical neighbours

Chart 6

Statistical Neighbours NEETs November 2016

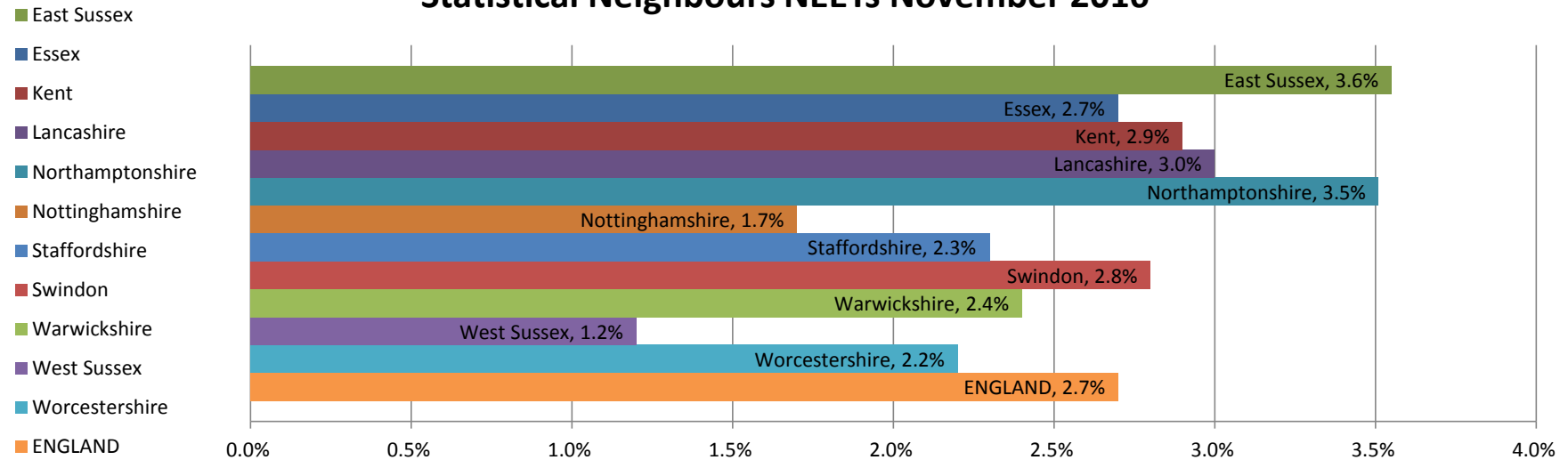
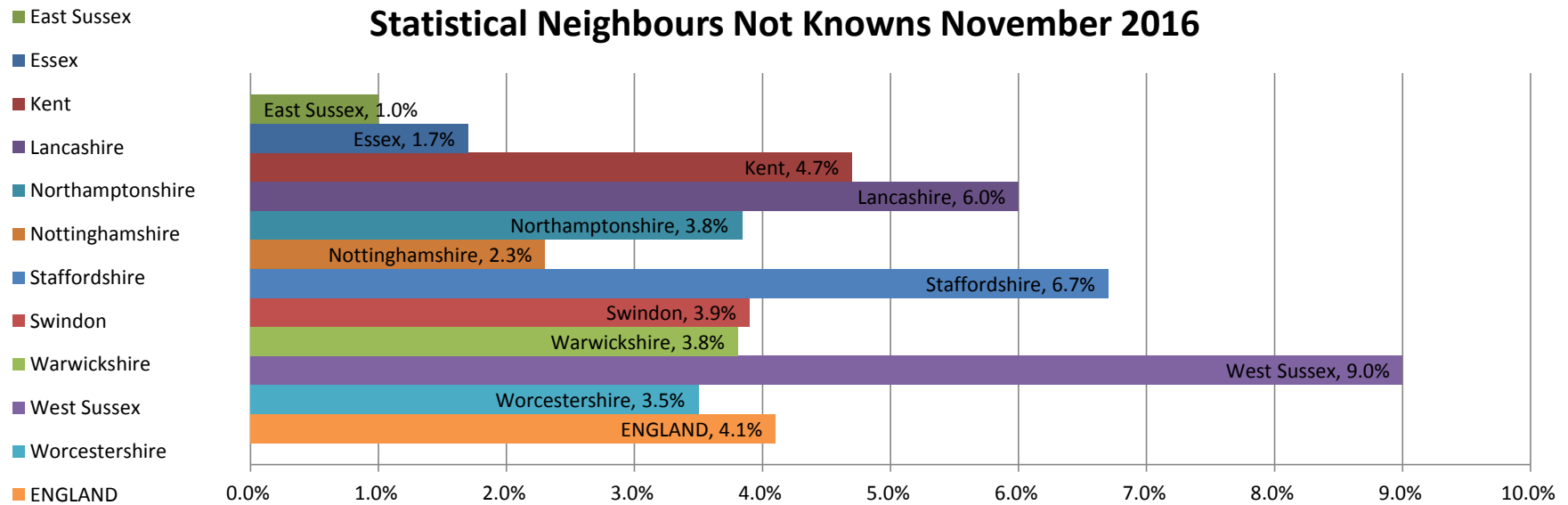


Chart 7

Statistical Neighbours Not Knowns November 2016



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Table 10				
Year 11 intended destinations summary	Cohort total	Total not yet recorded	Total undecided	%age of total recorded
Kent	16284	6059	537	59.5%
Ashford	1350	615	25	52.6%
Canterbury	1528	266	39	80.0%
Dartford	1476	628	13	56.6%
Dover	1326	625	63	48.1%
Gravesham	1207	310	11	73.4%
Maidstone	1904	779	10	58.6%
Sevenoaks	387	276	0	28.7%
Shepway	992	488	14	49.4%
Swale	1557	641	116	51.4%
Thanet	1476	580	140	51.2%
Tonbridge & Malling	1526	312	45	76.6%
Tunbridge Wells	1555	539	61	61.4%

Data due from the January

Table Ten
The table indicates that:
(i) just over 40.0% of young people in Year 11 in the county have not, as yet, determined on their intended destination in Year 12
(ii) in numerical terms the Districts with the most young people yet to have an intended destination recorded are Maidstone (779), Swale (641), Dartford (628), Dover (625) and Ashford (615)
Knowledge of intended destinations will be central to effective communication with providers as to the provision required on a District by District basis from September onwards.