

Children, Young People and Education

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

March 2025 Data

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Headlines and Commentary

Select Academic Age

☒ Select all

☒ 16

☒ 17

District

☒ Select all

☒ Ashford

☒ Canterbury

☒ Dartford

☒ Dover

☒ Folkestone and Hythe

☒ Gravesham

☒ Maidstone

☒ Sevenoaks

☒ Swale

☒ Thanet

☒ Tonbridge and Malling

☒ Tunbridge Wells

MI Reporting Month	NEET %	NEET % Same Point Last Year	Participation %	Participation % Same Point Last Year	Not Known %	Not Known % Same Point Last Year	NEET and Not Known %	NEET and Not Known % Same Point Last Year
January 2025	4.0%	3.4%	89.0	90.7	3.9%	1.6%	7.9%	5.1%
February 2025	3.9%	3.6%	89.4	90.9	3.1%	1.1%	7.0%	4.8%
March 2025	4.2%	3.7%	89.2	90.7	2.9%	1.4%	7.2%	5.1%

The NEET population is currently at 4.2% compared to 3.7% at the same time last year, and our Not Knowns are at 2.9%, compared to 1.4% at the same time last year. The Participation rate is 89.2%, compared to 90.7% the same point last year.

District performance for NEET varies from 2.6% in Tunbridge Wells to 5.6% in Thanet. District performance for Not Knowns varies from 1.4% in Thanet to 4.0% in Folkestone & Hythe.

The Local Authority has a statutory duty to collect data from all education establishments regarding offers they have made to 16- and 17-year olds from September. It is an important part of our planning and transition support offer. Enabling us to identify those at-risk of NEET, gaps in local provision and to work alongside you in supporting our most vulnerable young people.

NB
Participation percentage as per DfE guidelines excludes a number of Employment/Education and Training categories.

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County NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month
● March 2025

Select Academic Age
✓ Select all
✓ 16
✓ 17

4.2%
NEET

2.9%
Not Known

7.2%
NEET and Not Known

38,787
Overall Cohort

1,645
NEET Cohort

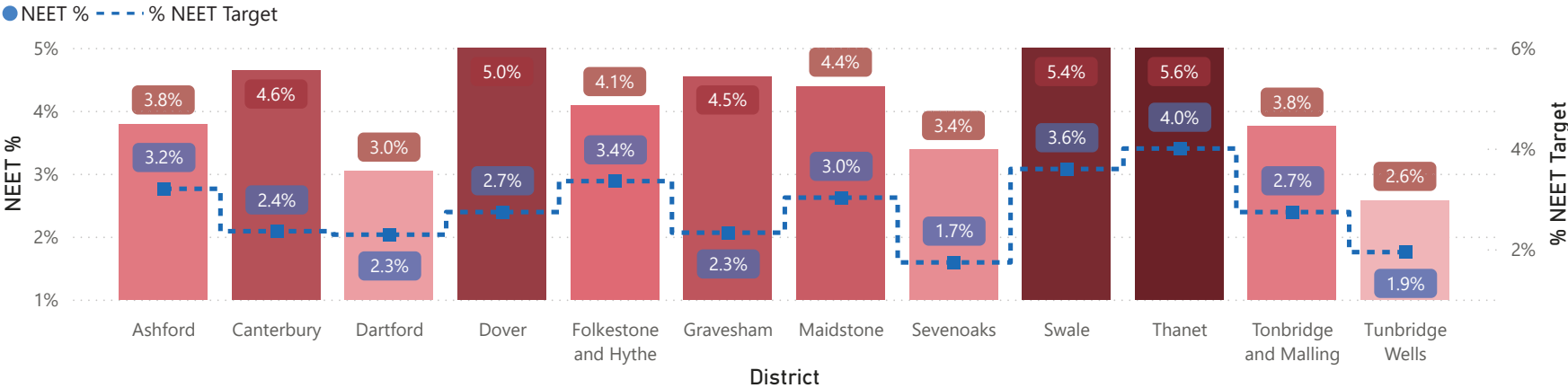
1,135
Not Known Cohort

2,780
NEET and Not Known Cohort

Select District

- ✓ Select all
- ✓ Ashford
- ✓ Canterbury
- ✓ Dartford
- ✓ Dover
- ✓ Folkestone and Hythe
- ✓ Gravesham
- ✓ Maidstone
- ✓ Sevenoaks
- ✓ Swale
- ✓ Thanet
- ✓ Tonbridge and Malling
- ✓ Tunbridge Wells

NEET Cohort by District



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District NEET Trends

▲ District	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025
Ashford	3.6%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.7%	3.5%	3.7%	3.8%
Canterbury	3.3%	3.1%	2.7%	3.0%	3.1%	3.3%	2.6%	3.1%	3.4%	4.4%	4.7%	4.3%	4.6%
Dartford	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.7%	2.8%	2.6%	1.8%	2.0%	2.2%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%
Dover	5.2%	5.3%	5.1%	4.9%	4.9%	4.6%	3.5%	3.9%	4.3%	5.0%	5.0%	4.6%	5.0%
Folkestone and Hythe	3.6%	3.5%	3.6%	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	1.8%	2.1%	2.3%	2.8%	3.6%	4.0%	4.1%
Gravesham	4.7%	4.7%	4.4%	4.7%	4.7%	4.7%	2.6%	2.7%	2.9%	3.7%	4.0%	3.9%	4.5%
Maidstone	3.2%	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%	2.6%	2.5%	2.5%	3.2%	4.1%	4.3%	4.2%	4.4%
Sevenoaks	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	1.6%	1.7%	2.4%	3.1%	3.2%	3.0%	3.4%
Swale	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%	3.0%	3.0%	3.7%	4.8%	5.1%	5.0%	5.4%
Thanet	5.7%	6.1%	6.2%	6.4%	5.9%	5.4%	3.1%	3.1%	3.9%	4.6%	4.9%	5.2%	5.6%
Tonbridge and Malling	3.2%	3.1%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	2.7%	2.0%	2.2%	2.5%	2.9%	3.4%	3.5%	3.8%
Tunbridge Wells	2.4%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.5%	2.3%	1.5%	1.5%	1.7%	2.2%	2.5%	2.4%	2.6%
Kent	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.5%	2.4%	2.5%	2.9%	3.6%	4.0%	3.9%	4.2%

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Canterbury	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%	3.1%	3.7%	4.1%	4.1%	2.5%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%	3.0%	3.3%
Dartford	2.2%	2.4%	2.5%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.0%	1.6%	1.4%	2.2%	2.1%	2.1%	2.4%
Dover	3.9%	4.4%	4.0%	4.0%	3.9%	3.5%	3.3%	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%	3.8%	5.1%	5.1%
Folkestone and Hythe	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	2.3%	2.1%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%
Gravesham	3.5%	3.4%	3.3%	3.2%	3.3%	3.4%	3.1%	2.8%	3.1%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%
Maidstone	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	3.4%	3.1%	1.5%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%	3.1%	3.1%
Sevenoaks	2.7%	2.8%	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	2.7%	2.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.9%	2.0%	2.5%	2.8%
Swale	4.6%	4.8%	5.3%	5.3%	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	3.3%	3.4%	3.9%	4.3%	4.5%	4.3%
Thanet	5.3%	5.8%	5.5%	5.4%	5.8%	5.7%	5.5%	3.3%	3.3%	3.8%	4.5%	5.2%	5.8%
Tonbridge and Malling	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	2.9%	2.7%	1.8%	1.9%	2.1%	2.4%	2.9%	3.2%
Tunbridge Wells	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.2%	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.9%	2.2%	2.4%
Kent	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	3.4%	2.2%	2.3%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%	3.6%

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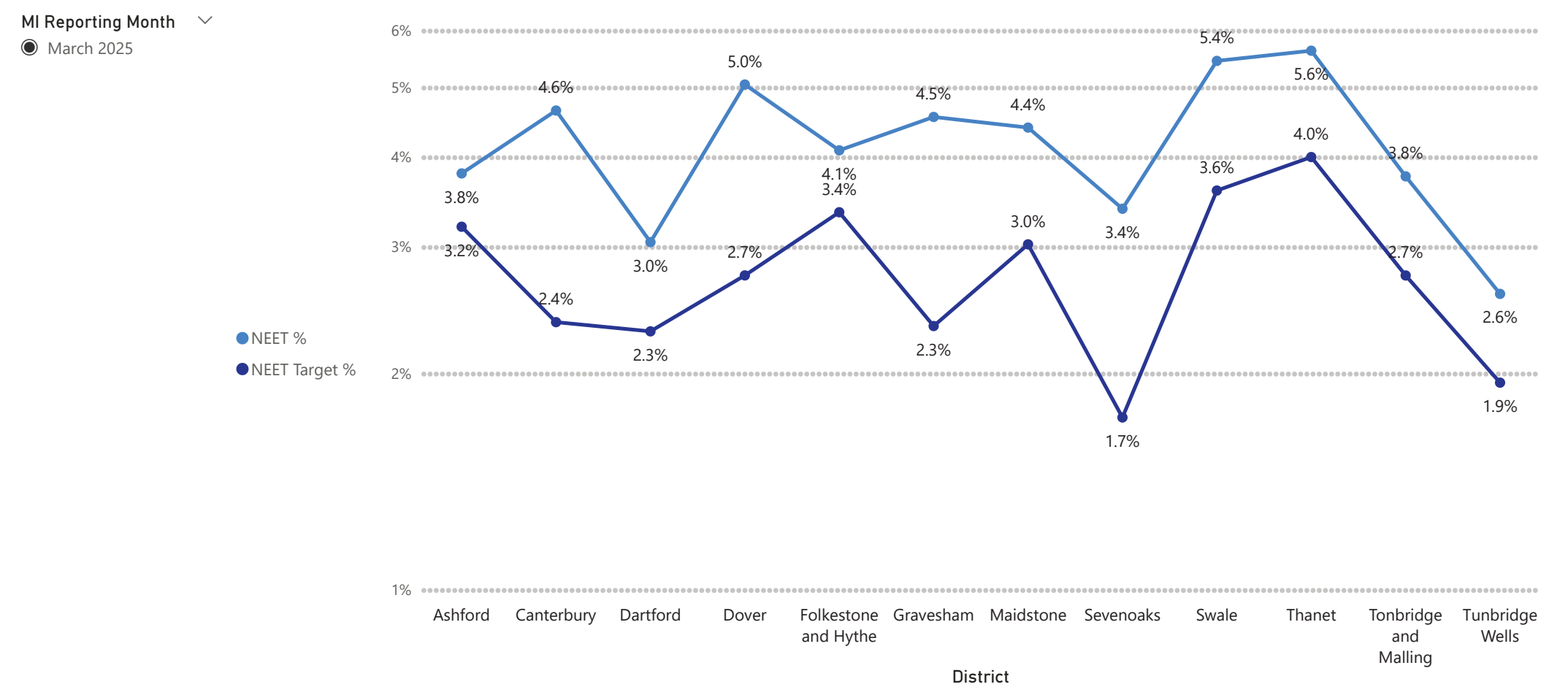
District Not Known Trends

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Ashford	1.2%	1.7%	1.7%	2.3%	3.1%	4.0%	21.1%	15.0%	8.8%	5.0%	3.4%	2.7%	2.5%
Canterbury	1.4%	2.1%	2.6%	3.5%	3.9%	6.2%	38.4%	12.8%	7.2%	3.6%	2.8%	2.1%	2.1%
Dartford	2.0%	1.8%	2.5%	3.0%	3.6%	4.5%	27.0%	23.1%	13.0%	7.9%	4.5%	3.9%	3.9%
Dover	1.6%	1.9%	1.9%	2.8%	3.4%	4.2%	32.0%	16.3%	9.1%	6.6%	4.9%	4.1%	3.7%
Folkestone and Hythe	1.3%	1.9%	2.8%	3.0%	4.3%	5.0%	39.4%	16.3%	10.1%	7.1%	5.1%	3.9%	4.0%
Gravesham	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%	22.1%	17.1%	11.2%	6.0%	3.6%	2.8%	2.9%
Maidstone	1.7%	1.8%	2.1%	2.9%	3.7%	4.2%	41.2%	21.5%	13.2%	6.1%	4.7%	3.6%	3.2%
Sevenoaks	2.1%	1.8%	2.8%	3.1%	3.8%	4.6%	28.6%	20.9%	13.2%	6.6%	4.0%	3.3%	3.1%
Swale	1.4%	2.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.7%	6.2%	42.7%	25.6%	11.6%	5.7%	4.3%	3.3%	3.1%
Thanet	1.0%	1.4%	1.9%	2.0%	2.5%	3.6%	28.2%	15.4%	6.8%	2.6%	1.7%	1.6%	1.4%
Tonbridge and Malling	1.0%	0.9%	1.6%	2.5%	3.2%	3.6%	35.2%	17.0%	10.6%	6.1%	4.9%	3.8%	3.4%
Tunbridge Wells	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	2.3%	2.7%	3.2%	22.9%	15.1%	9.1%	4.9%	3.3%	2.3%	2.3%
Kent	1.4%	1.6%	2.2%	2.8%	3.5%	4.4%	31.9%	18.2%	10.3%	5.6%	3.9%	3.1%	2.9%

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Ashford	2.7%	2.6%	3.3%	3.7%	4.3%	5.1%	6.2%	59.5%	12.5%	8.7%	3.3%	1.6%	0.9%
Canterbury	1.0%	1.1%	1.1%	2.2%	2.1%	2.8%	3.7%	61.5%	11.5%	5.0%	1.9%	1.0%	1.0%
Dartford	1.7%	1.9%	1.8%	2.6%	2.5%	2.9%	3.7%	62.9%	23.2%	10.4%	4.0%	2.4%	1.7%
Dover	2.0%	1.9%	2.1%	2.5%	2.9%	3.6%	4.8%	77.2%	17.9%	9.7%	4.7%	2.5%	1.4%
Folkestone and Hythe	3.3%	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%	4.1%	5.1%	6.3%	58.7%	11.8%	7.3%	3.8%	2.0%	1.1%
Gravesham	1.4%	1.6%	2.5%	3.0%	2.6%	3.1%	4.5%	71.7%	24.3%	8.6%	2.8%	1.6%	1.0%
Maidstone	1.7%	1.6%	1.7%	1.9%	1.7%	2.1%	3.6%	51.9%	16.2%	7.3%	2.6%	1.6%	1.2%
Sevenoaks	2.2%	2.5%	2.2%	2.5%	2.5%	3.1%	4.3%	73.2%	25.3%	12.8%	4.3%	2.1%	1.6%
Swale	1.8%	1.9%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	3.6%	5.4%	49.9%	20.9%	6.5%	2.5%	1.5%	1.3%
Thanet	1.6%	1.5%	2.0%	3.5%	2.8%	3.7%	4.9%	56.8%	8.3%	4.4%	2.0%	1.1%	0.8%
Tonbridge and Malling	0.8%	0.6%	0.9%	1.1%	1.0%	1.5%	2.8%	65.8%	23.6%	7.6%	2.4%	1.1%	0.7%
Tunbridge Wells	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%	1.4%	1.2%	1.8%	2.7%	58.9%	21.7%	7.6%	3.0%	1.4%	0.9%
Kent	1.7%	1.7%	2.0%	2.6%	2.5%	3.1%	4.4%	61.3%	17.8%	7.8%	3.0%	1.6%	1.1%

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Current Month Target Comparison



CYPE - MI Report

SEND NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

17

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

Characteristic

SEN Support

9.6%

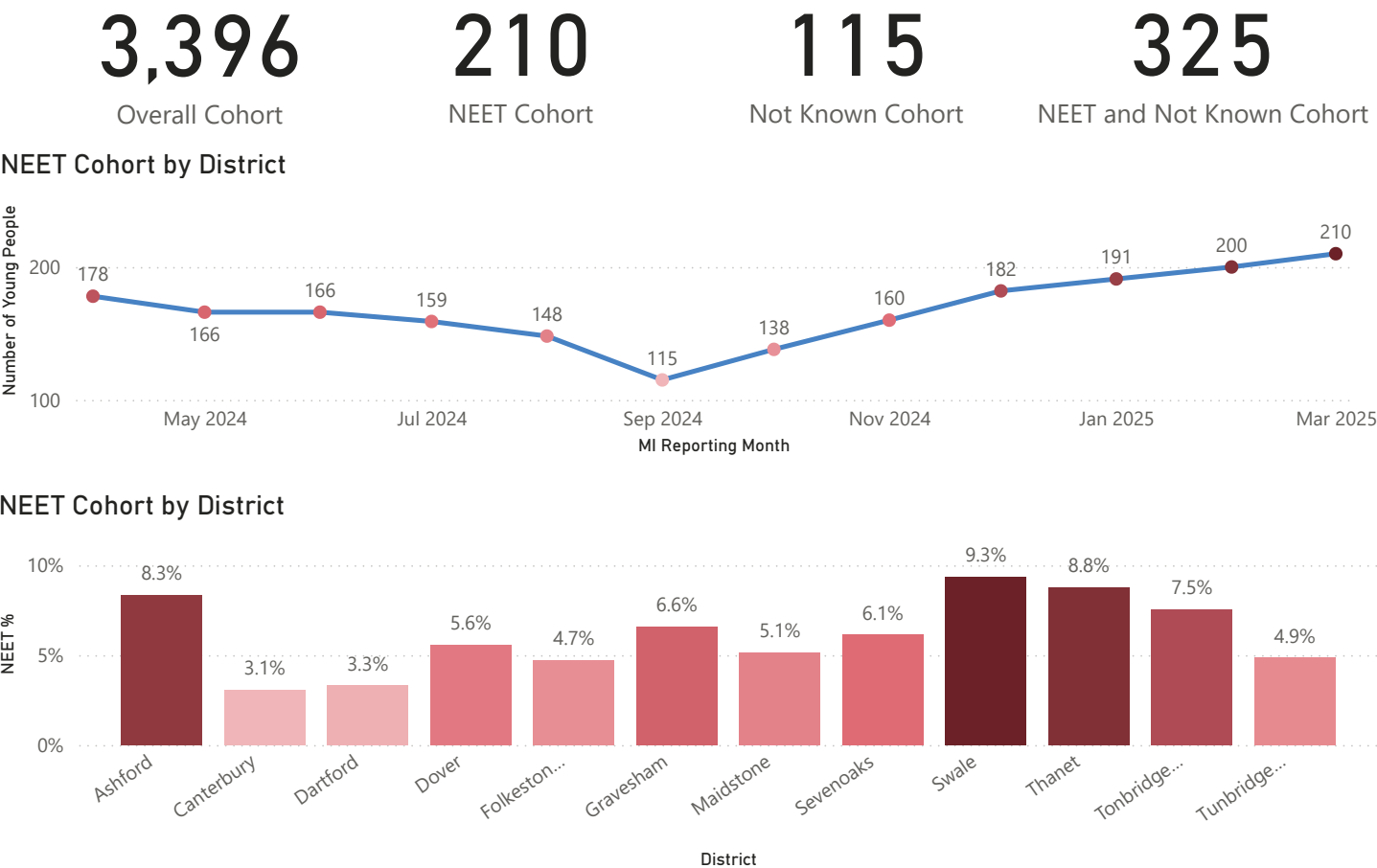
NEET and Not Known %

6.2%

NEET %

3.4%

Not Known %



CYPE - MI Report

SEND NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

☒ Select all

☒ 16

☒ 17

Characteristic

☒ SEND (EHCP)

Select District

☒ Select all

☒ Ashford

☒ Canterbury

☒ Dartford

☒ Dover

☒ Folkestone and Hythe

☒ Gravesham

☒ Maidstone

☒ Sevenoaks

☒ Swale

☒ Thanet

☒ Tonbridge and Malling

☒ Tunbridge Wells

8.3%

NEET and Not Known %

6.6%

NEET %

1.7%

Not Known %

2,476

Overall Cohort

164

NEET Cohort

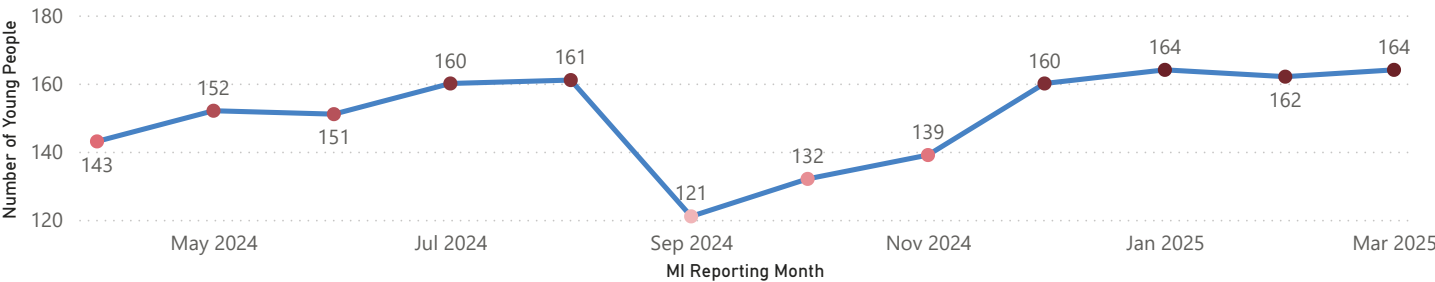
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Not Known Cohort

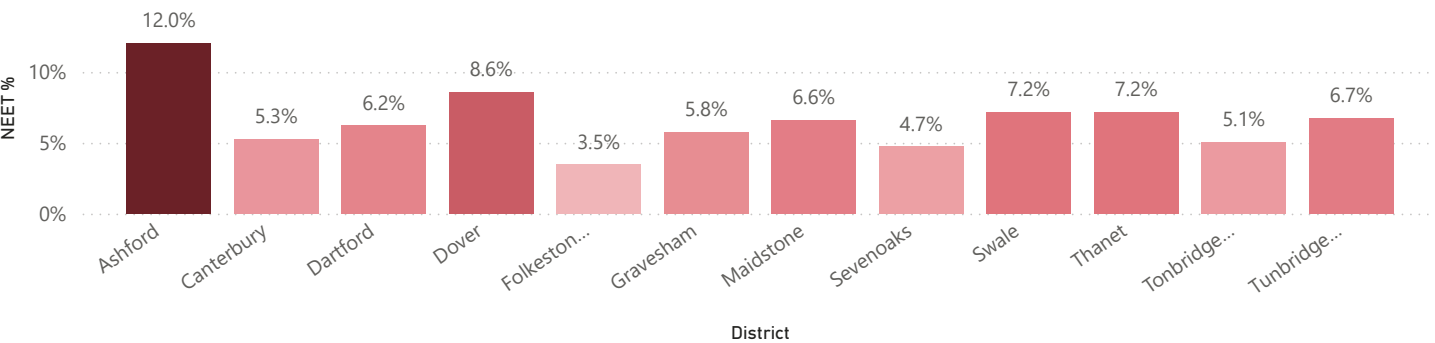
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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Youth Offending Team NEET and Not Known Breakdown

NOTE: This data is based on a young person having a Level of Need characteristic recorded in CorePlus CCIS of 'Supervised by YOT'

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

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Characteristic

Supervised By Yots

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

62.1%

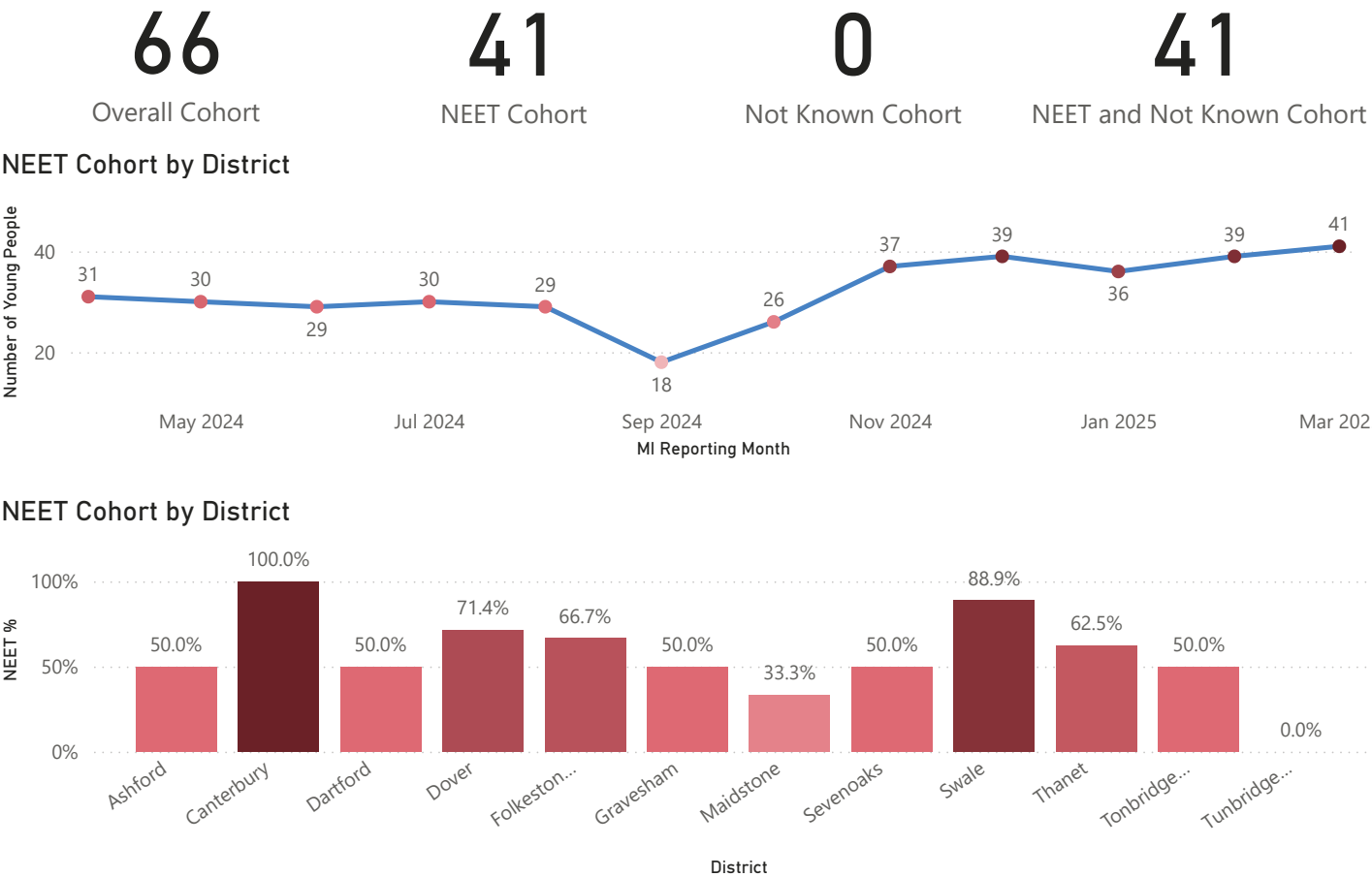
NEET and Not Known %

62.1%

NEET %

0.0%

Not Known %



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Children's Social Work Services NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

17

Characteristic

Looked After

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

42.6%

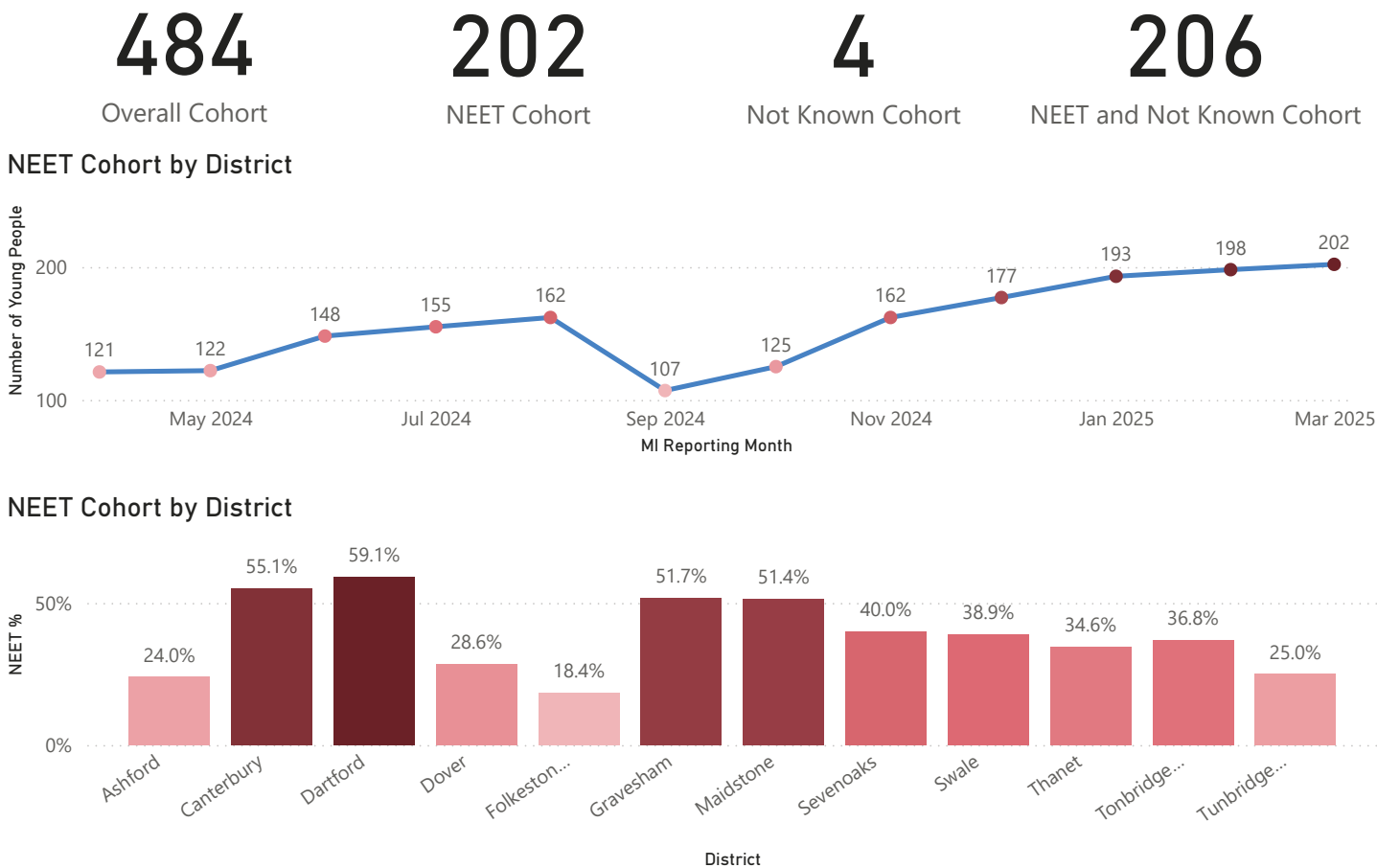
NEET and Not Known %

41.7%

NEET %

0.8%

Not Known %



CYPE - MI Report

Children's Social Work Services NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

☒ Select all

☒ 16

☒ 17

Characteristic

☒ Refugee

Select District

☒ Select all

☒ Ashford

☒ Canterbury

☒ Dover

☒ Folkestone and Hythe

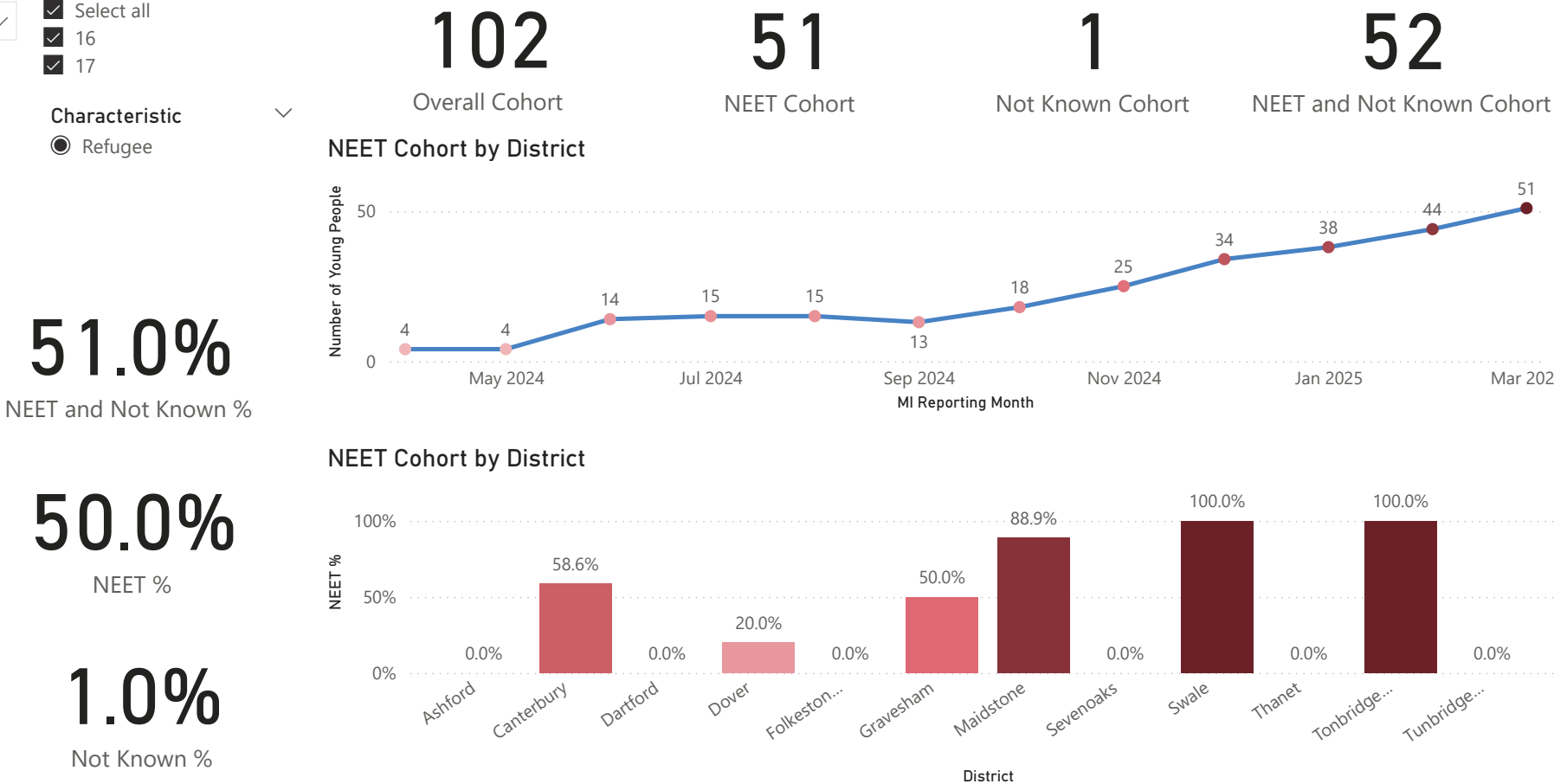
☒ Gravesham

☒ Maidstone

☒ Swale

☒ Thanet

☒ Tonbridge and Malling



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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

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Characteristic

Carer Not Own Child

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

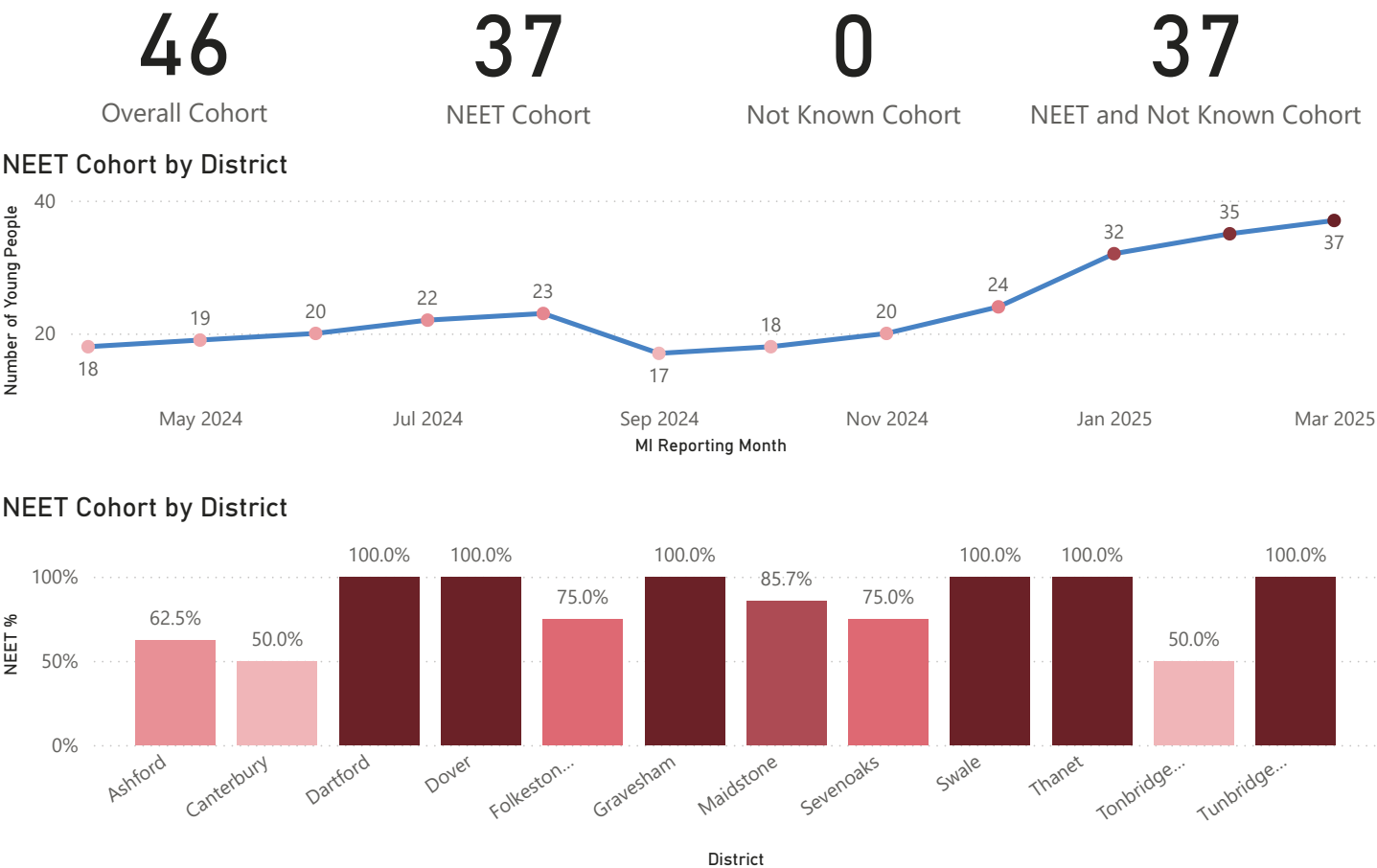
Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells



80.4%

NEET and Not Known

80.4%

NEET

0.0%

Not Known

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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

17

Characteristic

Caring For Own Child

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

82.1%

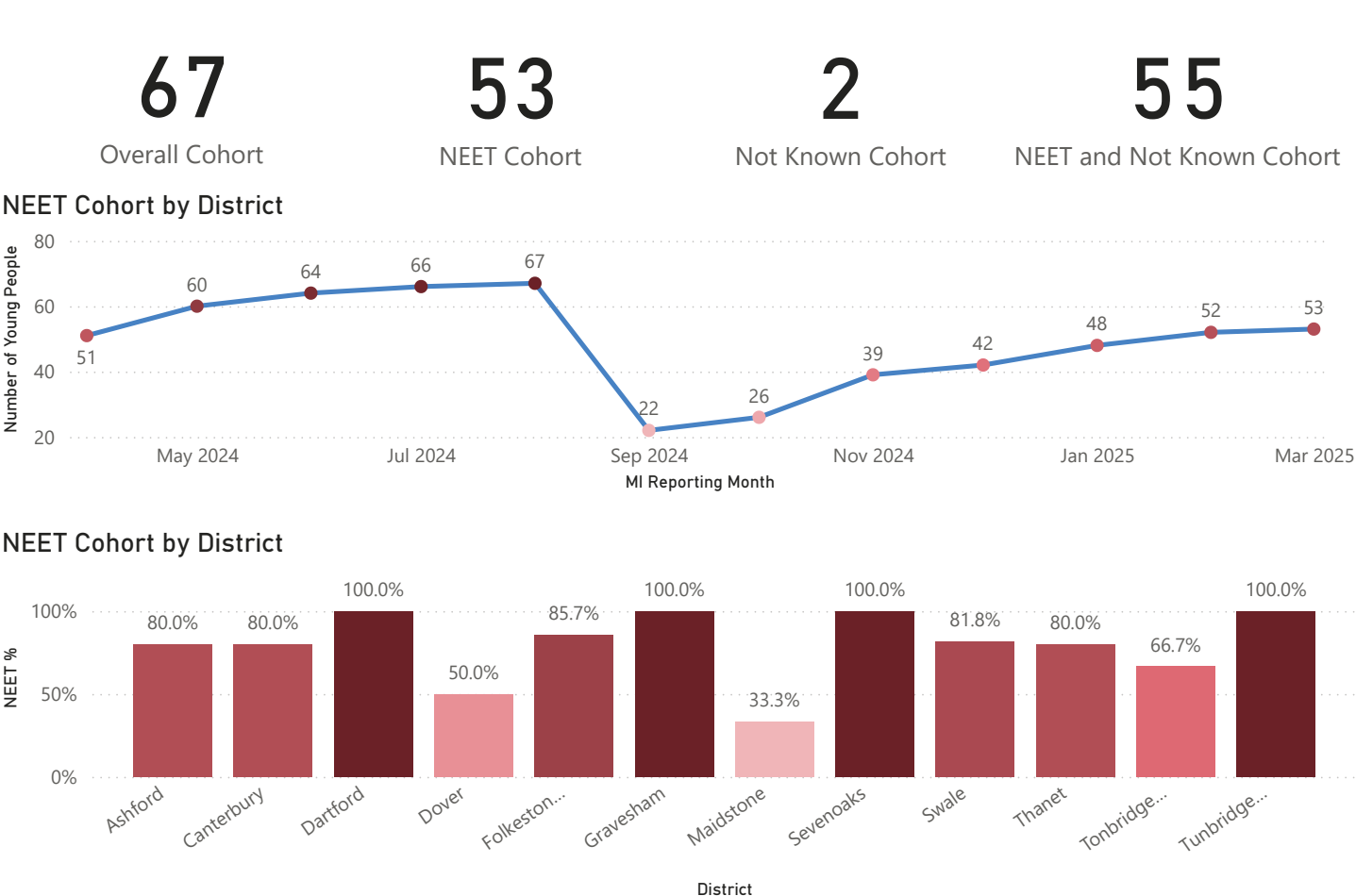
NEET and Not Known

79.1%

NEET

3.0%

Not Known



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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

☒ Select all

☒ 17

Characteristic

☒ Parent

Select District

☒ Select all

☒ Maidstone

☒ Thanet

50.0%

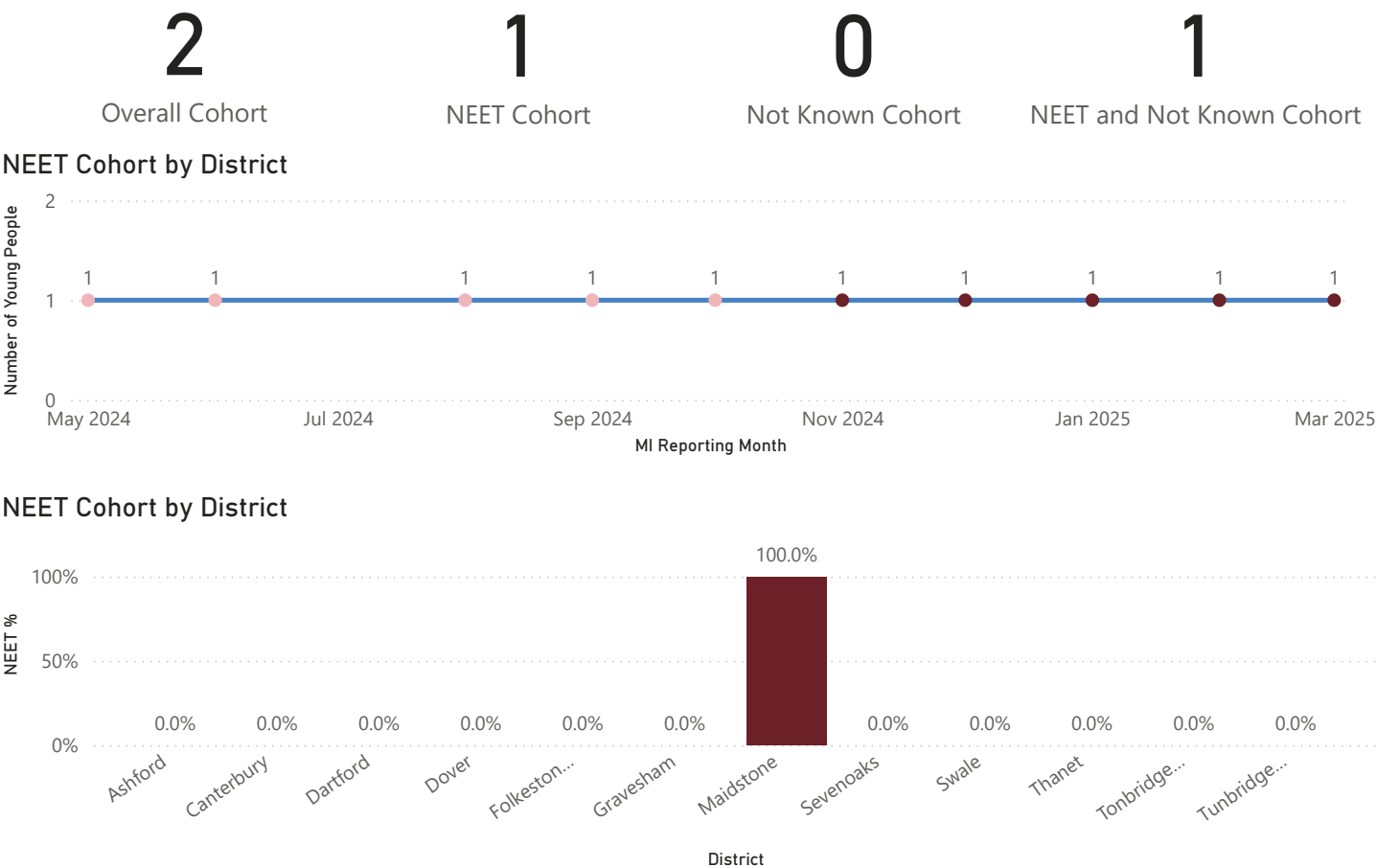
NEET and Not Known

50.0%

NEET

0.0%

Not Known



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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

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Select all

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17

Characteristic

Pregnancy

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

93.5%

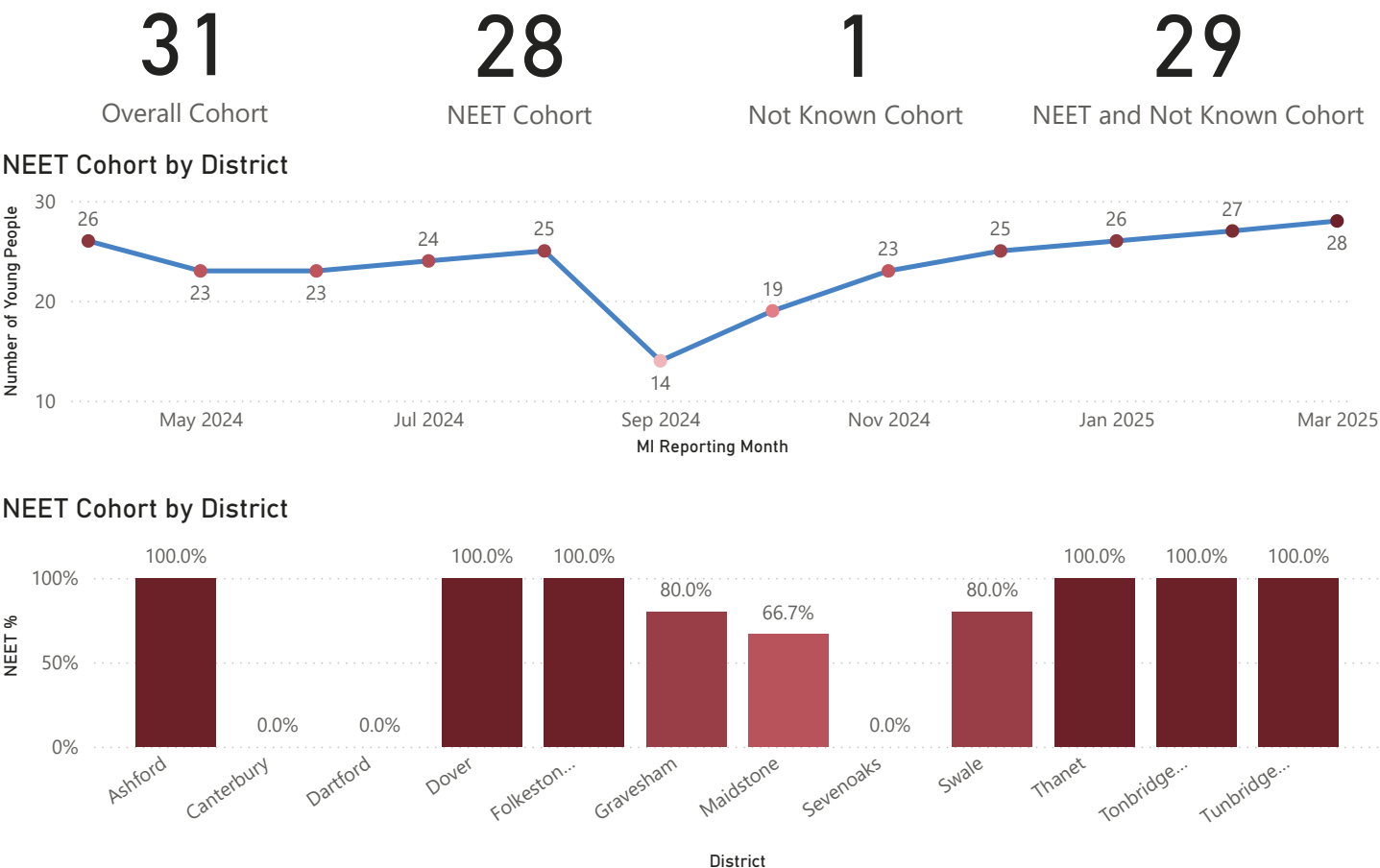
NEET and Not Known

90.3%

NEET

3.2%

Not Known



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MI Reporting Month

March 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

16

17

Characteristic

Teenage Mother

Select District

Select all

Ashford

Canterbury

Dartford

Dover

Folkestone and Hythe

Gravesham

Maidstone

Sevenoaks

Swale

Thanet

Tonbridge and Malling

Tunbridge Wells

78.9%

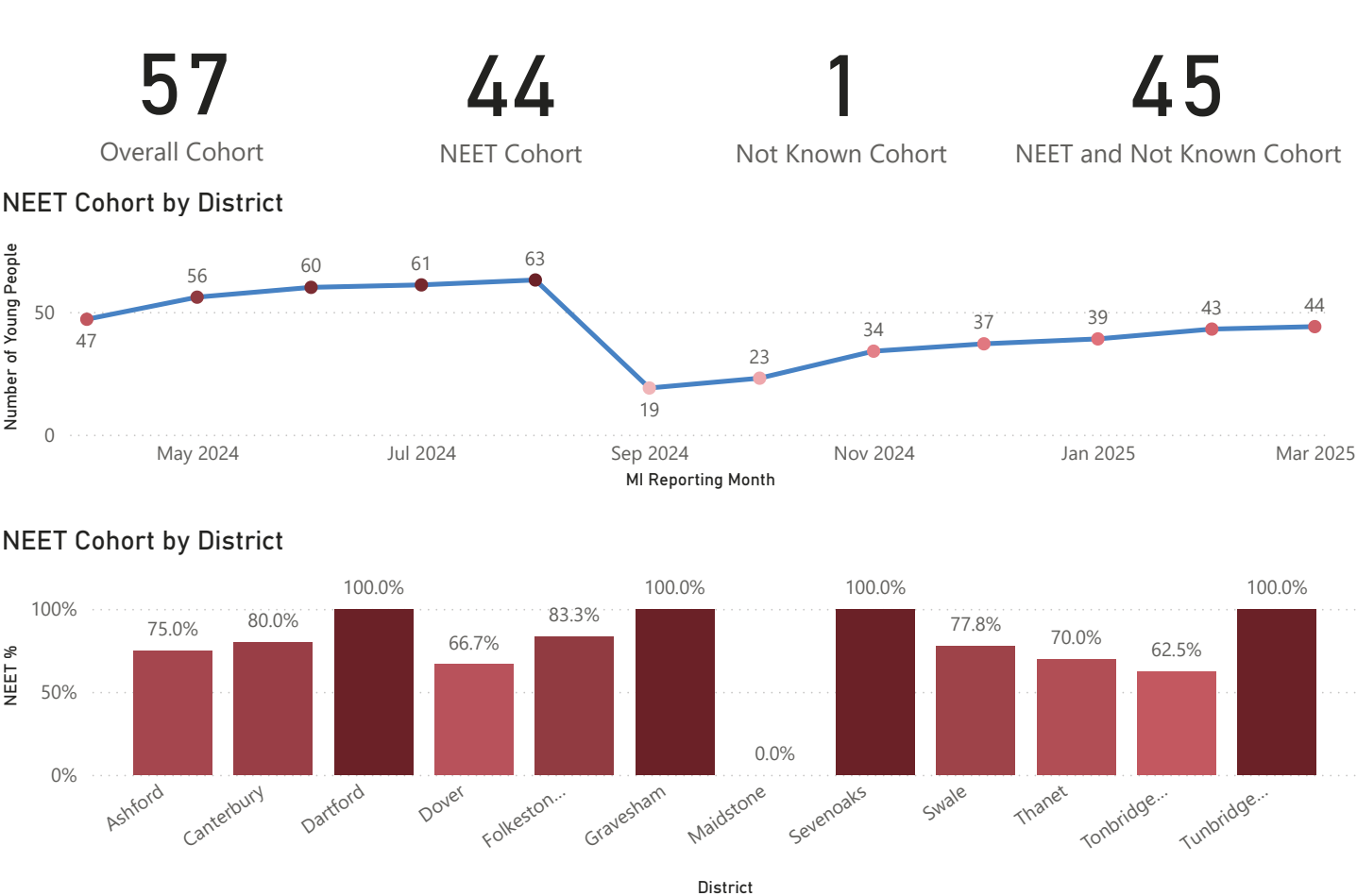
NEET and Not Known

77.2%

NEET

1.8%

Not Known



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Statistical Neighbours - February 2025

The distance between any two local authorities is defined as the weighted Euclidean distance between the authorities using each of the background variables identified below as "Closeness".

"Closeness" ▲	LA Name	Academic Age16 17 (Y12 Y13) NEET %	Y12 NEET%	Y13 NEET%	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 %
1	Kent	3.9%	3.1%	4.8%	3.1%	2.4%	3.8%	89.4%	92.9%	85.9%
2	England	3.5%	2.8%	4.3%	1.6%	1.0%	2.3%	92.2%	94.8%	89.4%
3	South East England	3.5%	2.9%	4.2%	2.5%	1.8%	3.3%	91.0%	93.9%	88.1%
4	Essex	4.4%	3.5%	5.2%	1.4%	0.9%	2.0%	90.8%	94.0%	87.5%
5	East Sussex	5.1%	4.3%	5.9%	1.1%	0.6%	1.6%	88.4%	92.3%	84.4%
6	Swindon	3.3%	2.8%	3.8%	6.7%	4.4%	9.0%	89.1%	92.2%	86.0%
7	Worcestershire	4.3%	3.5%	5.0%	2.1%	0.5%	3.7%	90.9%	94.3%	87.6%
8	West Northamptonshire	2.3%	1.7%	2.9%	0.4%	0.1%	0.8%	95.3%	97.6%	92.9%
9	Lancashire	4.1%	2.9%	5.4%	1.6%	1.1%	2.1%	91.6%	94.4%	88.6%
10	Nottinghamshire	1.5%	1.6%	1.5%	2.4%	1.0%	3.8%	95.6%	97.0%	94.3%
11	Warwickshire	2.1%	1.8%	2.5%	0.6%	0.2%	1.0%	94.4%	96.4%	92.4%
12	Suffolk	4.7%	3.8%	5.7%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	90.2%	93.7%	86.7%
13	Staffordshire	4.4%	3.6%	5.2%	1.4%	1.4%	1.5%	89.9%	93.4%	86.1%

CYPE - MI Report

NEET Joiners

MI Reporting Month

March 2025

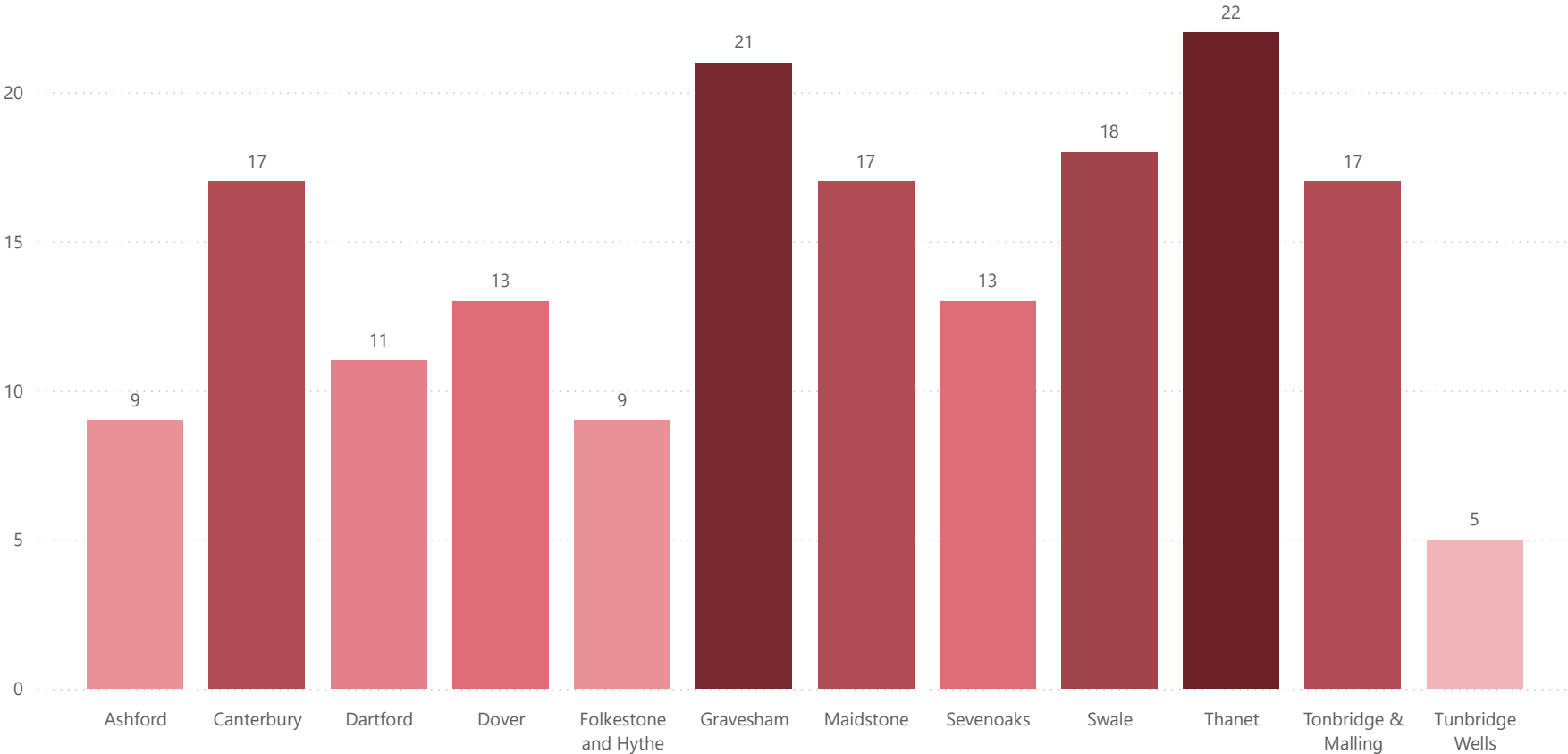
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Number of NEET Joiners by District



172

Number of NEET Joiners
in Period

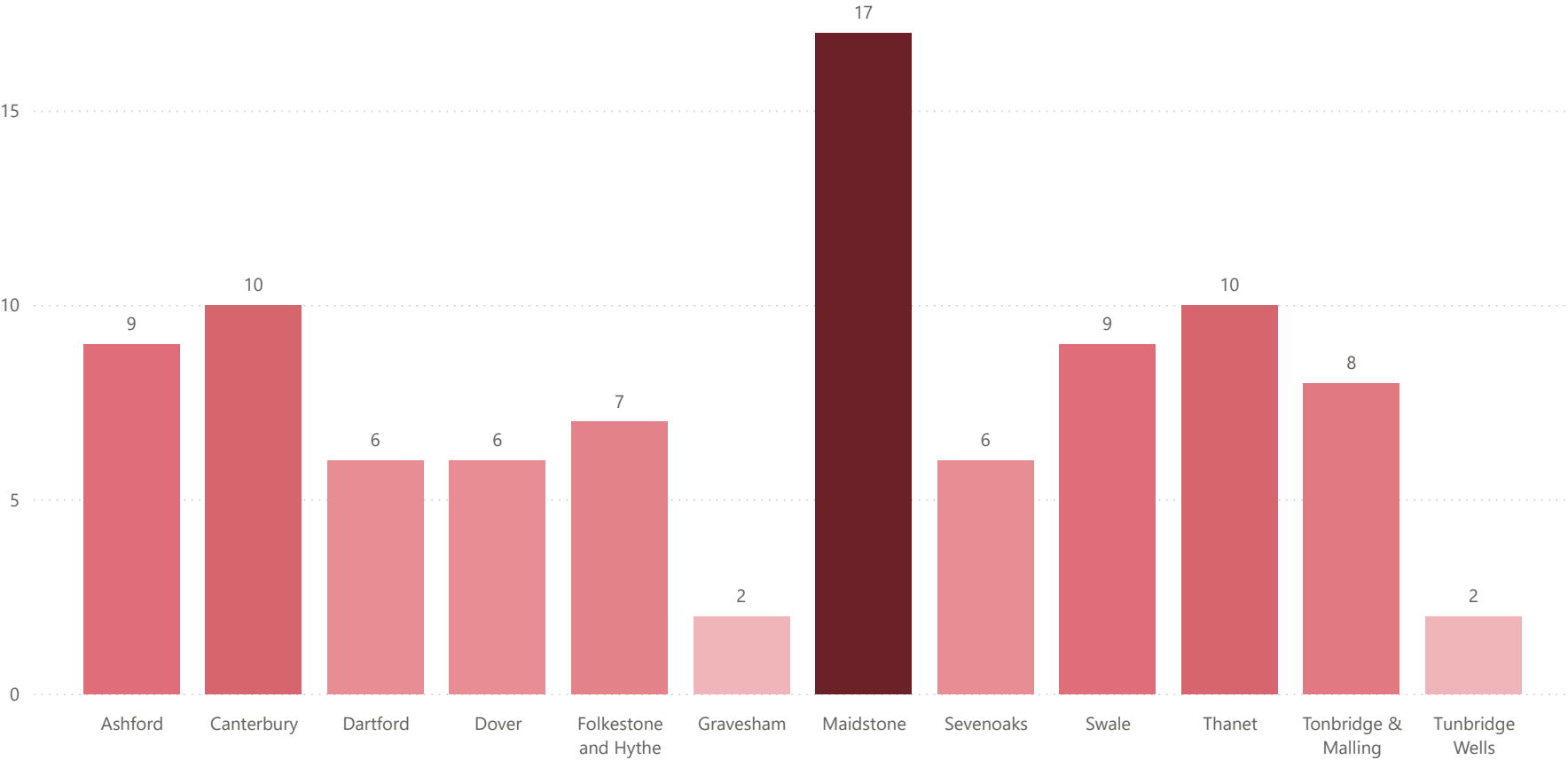
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NEET Leavers

MI Reporting Month ▼
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Number of NEET Leavers by District



92

Number of NEET Leavers in Period