

Children, Young People and Education

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

September 2025 Data

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Headlines and Commentary

Select Academic Age

- Select all
- 16
- 17

District

- Select all
- Ashford
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- Dartford
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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
July 2025	4.2%	3.7%	88.8	89.6	4.2%	3.5%	8.4%	7.1%
August 2025	4.3%	3.5%	88.3	89.0	4.9%	4.4%	9.2%	7.9%
September 2025	2.9%	2.4%	68.6	64.8	27.4%	31.9%	30.4%	34.3%

The NEET population is currently at 2.9% compared to 2.4% at the same time last year, and our Not Knowns are at 27.4%, compared to 31.9% at the same time last year. The Participation rate is 68.6%, compared to 64.8% the same point last year.

District performance for NEET varies from 1.9% in Dartford and Tunbridge Wells to 5.0% in Swale. District performance for Not Knowns varies from 19.7% in Ashford and Thanet to 45.9% in Dartford.

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 (NK) Breakdown

MI Reporting Month Select District Select Academic Age

39,515

Overall Cohort

2.9%

NEET

1,165

NEET Cohort

27.4%

Not Known

10,831

Not Known Cohort

30.4%

NEET and Not Known

11,996

NEET and Not Known Cohort

District	Total Cohort Y12&Y13	No. of NEET Y12&Y13	% of NEET Y12&Y13	NEET Target Y12 & Y13 (Sep 2022)	No. of NEET Y12	% of NEET Y12	No. of NEET Y13	% of NEET Y13	No. of NK Y12&Y13	% of NK Y12&Y13	No. of NK Y12	% of NK Y12	No. of NK Y13	% of NK Y13	NEET and Not Known %	NEET & NK Ranking
Ashford	3,682	95	2.6%	3.2%	35	1.9%	60	3.3%	727	19.7%	309	16.8%	418	22.7%	22.3%	1
Canterbury	3,564	126	3.5%	2.4%	64	3.5%	62	3.5%	859	24.1%	350	19.3%	509	29.0%	27.6%	4
Dartford	3,283	61	1.9%	2.3%	20	1.2%	41	2.5%	1,508	45.9%	724	44.4%	784	47.4%	47.8%	12
Dover	2,778	83	3.0%	2.7%	34	2.4%	49	3.7%	819	29.5%	384	26.7%	435	32.4%	32.5%	9
Folkestone and Hythe	2,548	67	2.6%	3.4%	20	1.6%	47	3.7%	862	33.8%	439	34.3%	423	33.3%	36.5%	11
Gravesham	2,979	100	3.4%	2.3%	25	1.7%	75	5.1%	800	26.9%	419	28.0%	381	25.7%	30.2%	7
Maidstone	4,428	123	2.8%	3.0%	47	2.1%	76	3.5%	1,164	26.3%	558	25.0%	606	27.6%	29.1%	6
Sevenoaks	2,612	64	2.5%	1.7%	17	1.4%	47	3.5%	859	32.9%	431	34.4%	428	31.5%	35.3%	10
Swale	3,865	192	5.0%	3.6%	80	4.1%	112	5.9%	894	23.1%	441	22.6%	453	23.7%	28.1%	5
Thanet	3,537	114	3.2%	4.0%	24	1.4%	90	5.0%	697	19.7%	336	19.4%	361	20.0%	22.9%	2
Tonbridge and Malling	3,269	83	2.5%	2.7%	28	1.7%	55	3.4%	916	28.0%	463	28.2%	453	27.8%	30.6%	8
Tunbridge Wells	2,970	57	1.9%	1.9%	22	1.5%	35	2.3%	726	24.4%	339	23.1%	387	25.8%	26.4%	3
Kent	39,515	1,165	2.9%	2.8	416	2.1%	749	3.8%	10,831	27.4%	5193	26.3%	5638	28.6%	30.4%	

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County NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

● September 2025

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2.9%

NEET

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NEET and Not Known

39,515

Overall Cohort

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NEET Cohort

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Not Known Cohort

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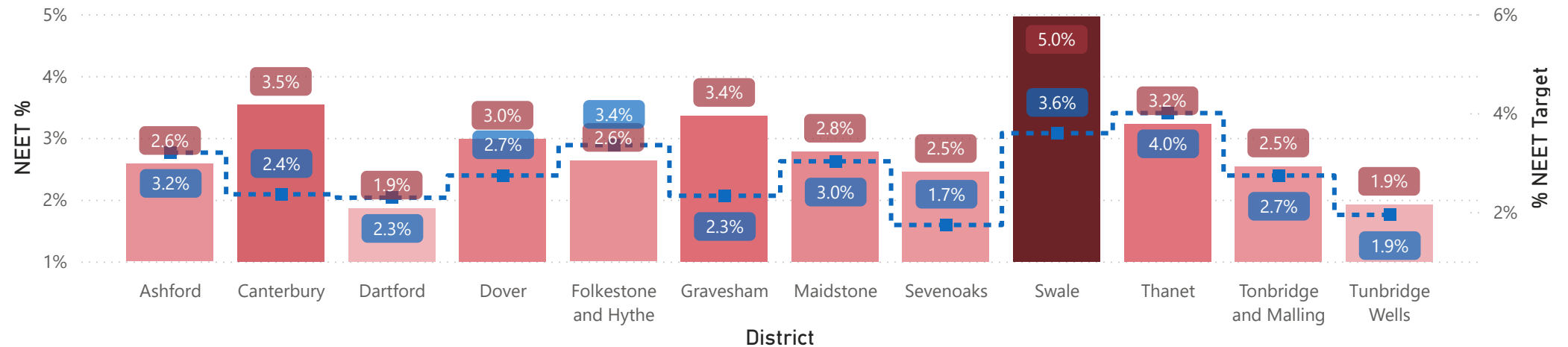
NEET and Not Known Cohort

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NEET Cohort by District

● NEET % - - - % NEET Target



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District Not Known Trends

District	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025
Ashford	21.1%	15.0%	8.8%	5.0%	3.4%	2.7%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.8%	19.7%
Canterbury	38.4%	12.8%	7.2%	3.6%	2.8%	2.1%	2.1%	2.3%	2.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.9%	24.1%
Dartford	27.0%	23.1%	13.0%	7.9%	4.5%	3.9%	3.9%	4.2%	4.6%	4.7%	4.9%	5.7%	45.9%
Dover	32.0%	16.3%	9.1%	6.6%	4.9%	4.1%	3.7%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	4.2%	5.2%	29.5%
Folkestone and Hythe	39.4%	16.3%	10.1%	7.1%	5.1%	3.9%	4.0%	4.7%	4.5%	5.1%	4.8%	5.0%	33.8%
Gravesham	22.1%	17.1%	11.2%	6.0%	3.6%	2.8%	2.9%	3.2%	3.9%	4.4%	5.0%	6.1%	26.9%
Maidstone	41.2%	21.5%	13.2%	6.1%	4.7%	3.6%	3.2%	3.2%	2.9%	4.3%	4.6%	5.4%	26.3%
Sevenoaks	28.6%	20.9%	13.2%	6.6%	4.0%	3.3%	3.1%	3.2%	3.4%	4.2%	4.5%	5.0%	32.9%
Swale	42.7%	25.6%	11.6%	5.7%	4.3%	3.3%	3.1%	3.7%	3.1%	4.8%	5.0%	5.9%	23.1%
Thanet	28.2%	15.4%	6.8%	2.6%	1.7%	1.6%	1.4%	2.1%	1.6%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%	19.7%
Tonbridge and Malling	35.2%	17.0%	10.6%	6.1%	4.9%	3.8%	3.4%	3.5%	2.8%	3.5%	3.6%	4.3%	28.0%
Tunbridge Wells	22.9%	15.1%	9.1%	4.9%	3.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.6%	1.9%	2.3%	2.4%	2.8%	24.4%
Kent	31.9%	18.2%	10.3%	5.6%	3.9%	3.1%	2.9%	3.2%	3.1%	4.0%	4.2%	4.9%	27.4%

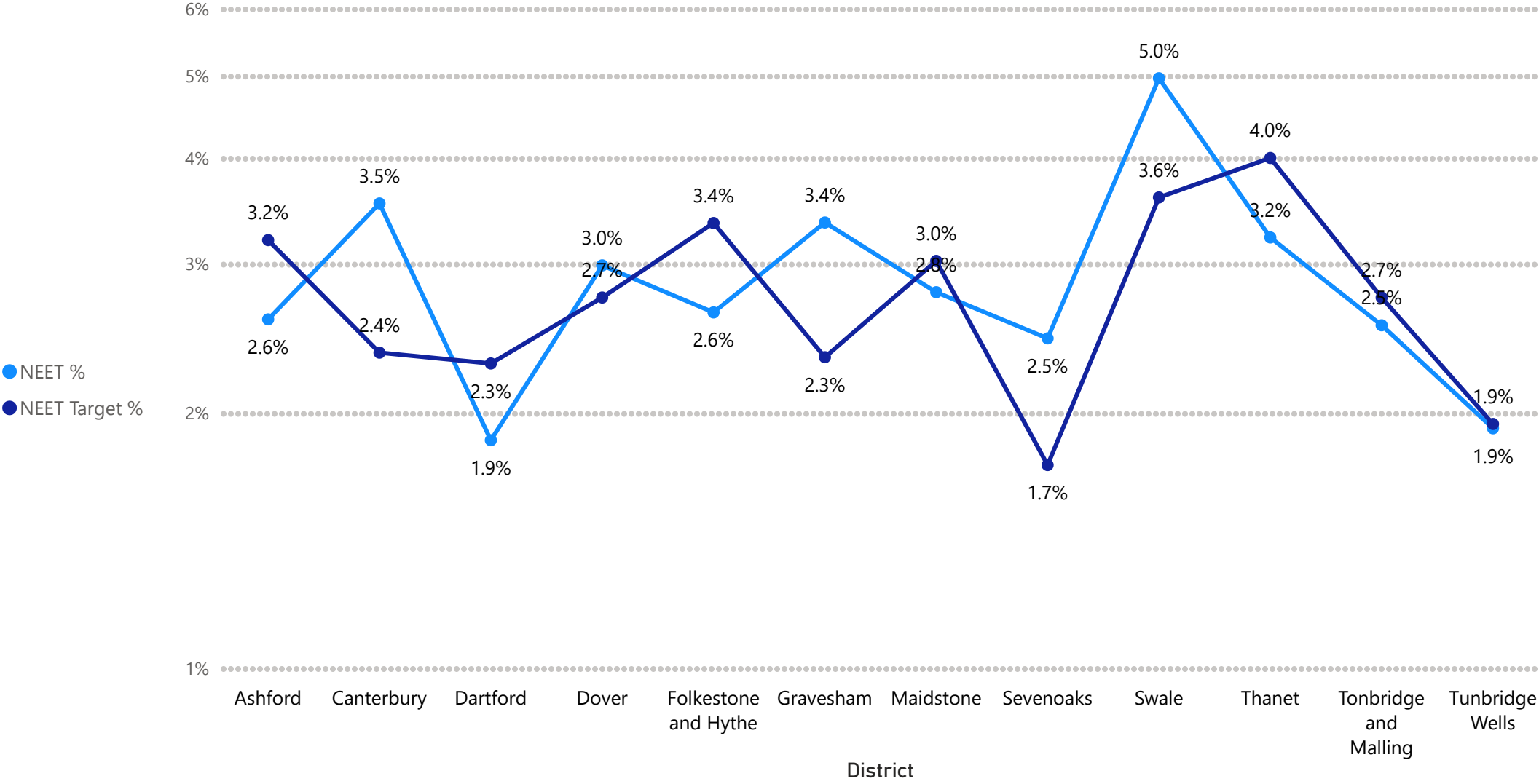
District	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024
Ashford	6.2%	59.5%	12.5%	8.7%	3.3%	1.6%	0.9%	1.2%	1.7%	1.7%	2.3%	3.1%	4.0%
Canterbury	3.7%	61.5%	11.5%	5.0%	1.9%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	2.1%	2.6%	3.5%	3.9%	6.2%
Dartford	3.7%	62.9%	23.2%	10.4%	4.0%	2.4%	1.7%	2.0%	1.8%	2.5%	3.0%	3.6%	4.5%
Dover	4.8%	77.2%	17.9%	9.7%	4.7%	2.5%	1.4%	1.6%	1.9%	1.9%	2.8%	3.4%	4.2%
Folkestone and Hythe	6.3%	58.7%	11.8%	7.3%	3.8%	2.0%	1.1%	1.3%	1.9%	2.8%	3.0%	4.3%	5.0%
Gravesham	4.5%	71.7%	24.3%	8.6%	2.8%	1.6%	1.0%	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%
Maidstone	3.6%	51.9%	16.2%	7.3%	2.6%	1.6%	1.2%	1.7%	1.8%	2.1%	2.9%	3.7%	4.2%
Sevenoaks	4.3%	73.2%	25.3%	12.8%	4.3%	2.1%	1.6%	2.1%	1.8%	2.8%	3.1%	3.8%	4.6%
Swale	5.4%	49.9%	20.9%	6.5%	2.5%	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%	2.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.7%	6.2%
Thanet	4.9%	56.8%	8.3%	4.4%	2.0%	1.1%	0.8%	1.0%	1.4%	1.9%	2.0%	2.5%	3.6%
Tonbridge and Malling	2.8%	65.8%	23.6%	7.6%	2.4%	1.1%	0.7%	1.0%	0.9%	1.6%	2.5%	3.2%	3.6%
Tunbridge Wells	2.7%	58.9%	21.7%	7.6%	3.0%	1.4%	0.9%	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	2.3%	2.7%	3.2%
Kent	4.4%	61.3%	17.8%	7.8%	3.0%	1.6%	1.1%	1.4%	1.6%	2.2%	2.8%	3.5%	4.4%

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Current Month Target Comparison

MI Reporting Month ▼

● September 2025



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SEND NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

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- 16
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Characteristic

- SEN Support

Select District

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3,998

Overall Cohort

255

NEET Cohort

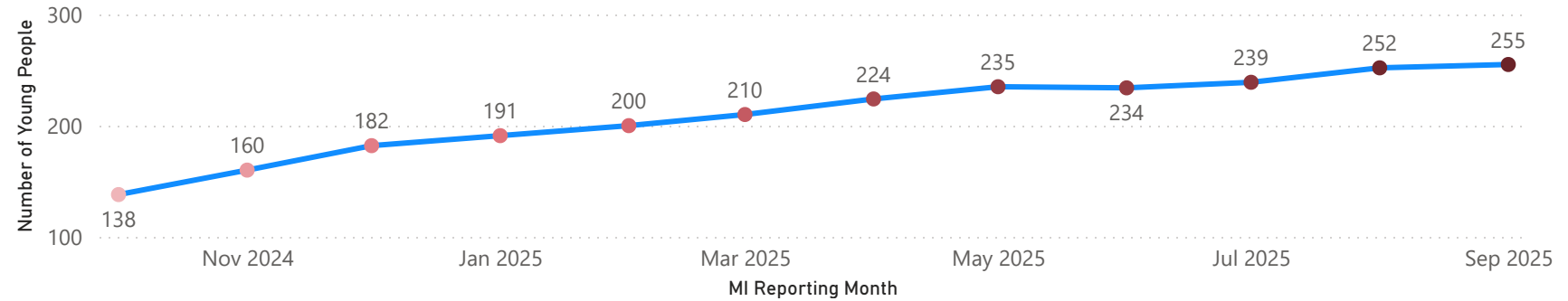
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Not Known Cohort

1,407

NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



35.2%

NEET and Not Known %

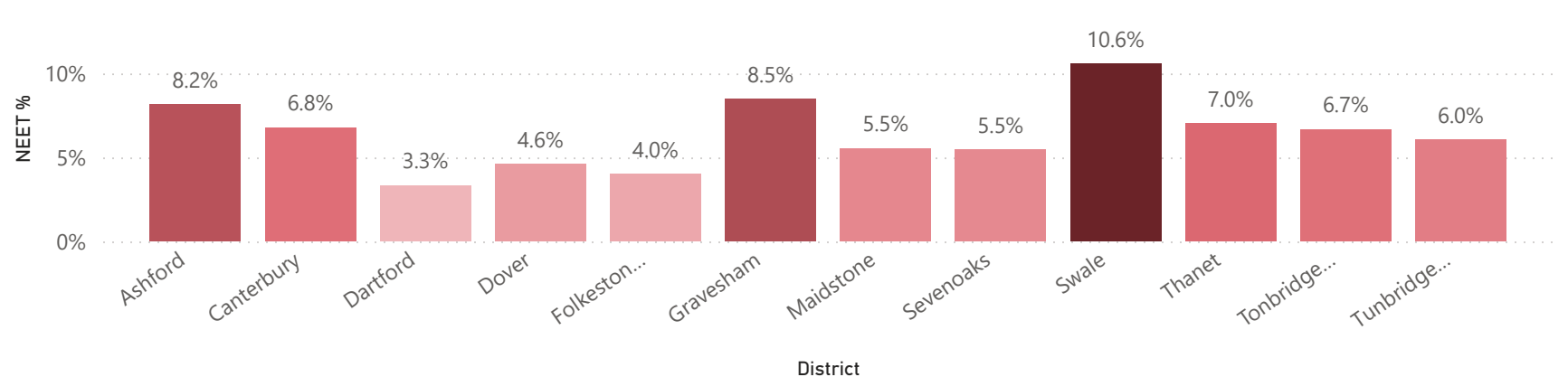
6.4%

NEET %

28.8%

Not Known %

NEET Cohort by District



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SEND NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

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- Select all
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Characteristic

- SEND (EHCP)

Select District

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- Ashford
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2,545

Overall Cohort

137

NEET Cohort

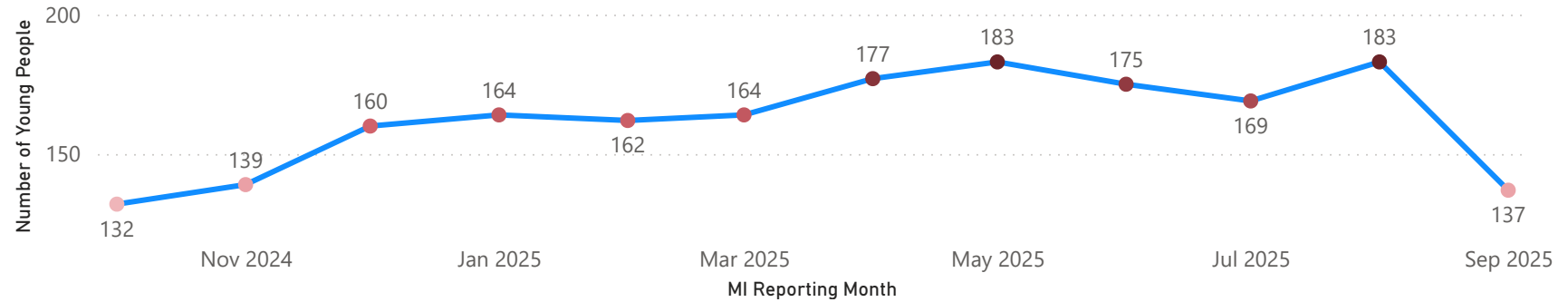
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Not Known Cohort

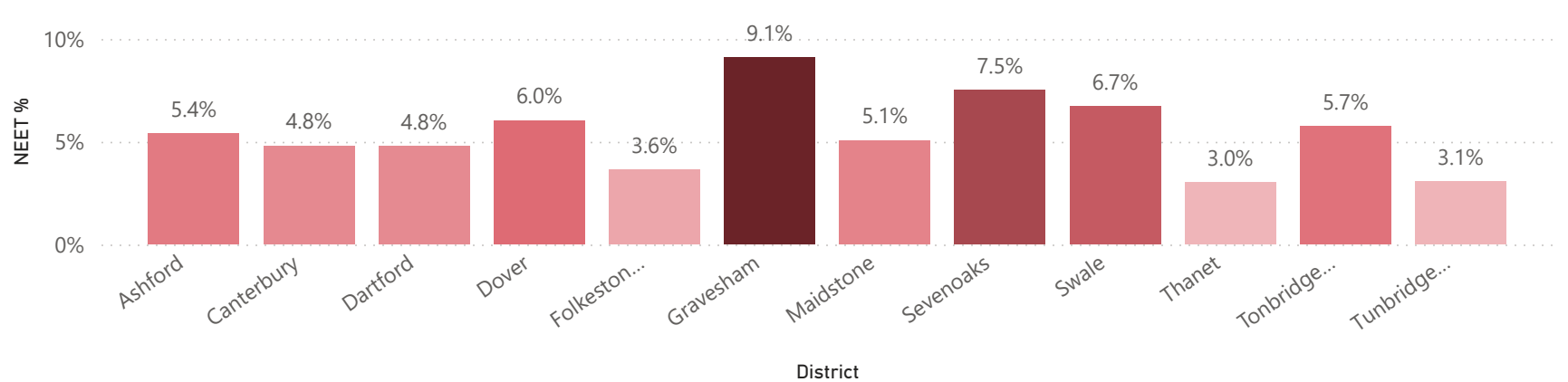
1,167

NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



45.9%

NEET and Not Known %

5.4%

NEET %

40.5%

Not Known %

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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

September 2025

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Characteristic

- Supervised By Yots

Select District

- Select all
- Ashford
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- Gravesham
- Maidstone
- Sevenoaks
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72.4%

NEET and Not Known %

58.6%

NEET %

13.8%

Not Known %

58

Overall Cohort

34

NEET Cohort

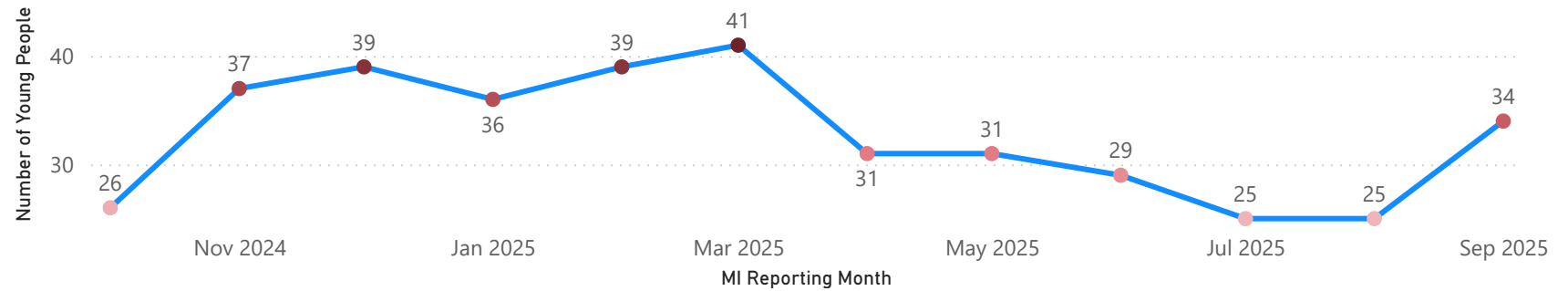
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Not Known Cohort

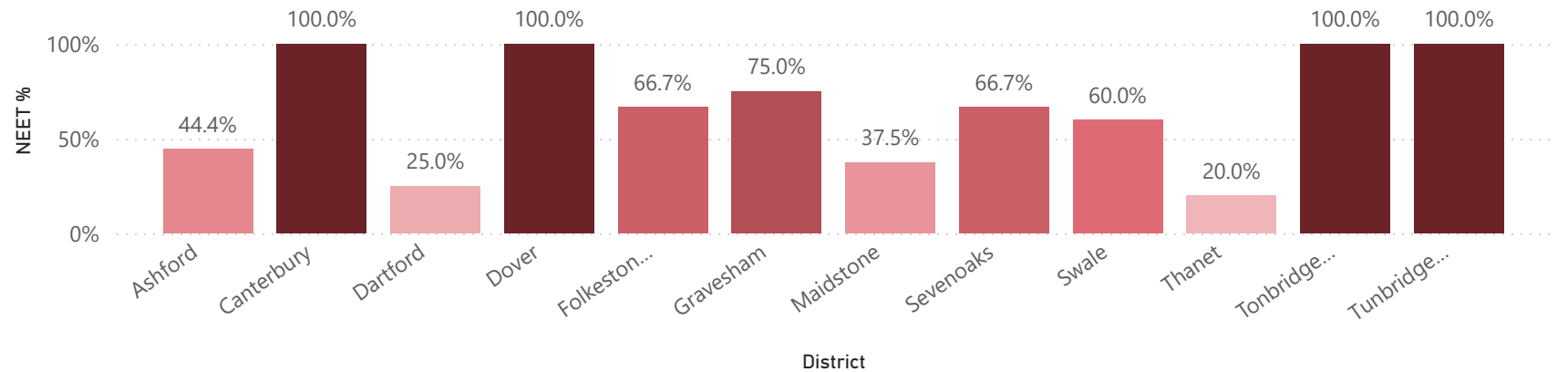
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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Children's Social Work Services NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Select Academic Age

- Select all
- 16
- 17

Characteristic

- Looked After

Select District

- Select all
- Ashford
- Canterbury
- Dartford
- Dover
- Folkestone and Hythe
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- Sevenoaks
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46.6%

NEET and Not Known %

25.0%

NEET %

21.6%

Not Known %

476

Overall Cohort

119

NEET Cohort

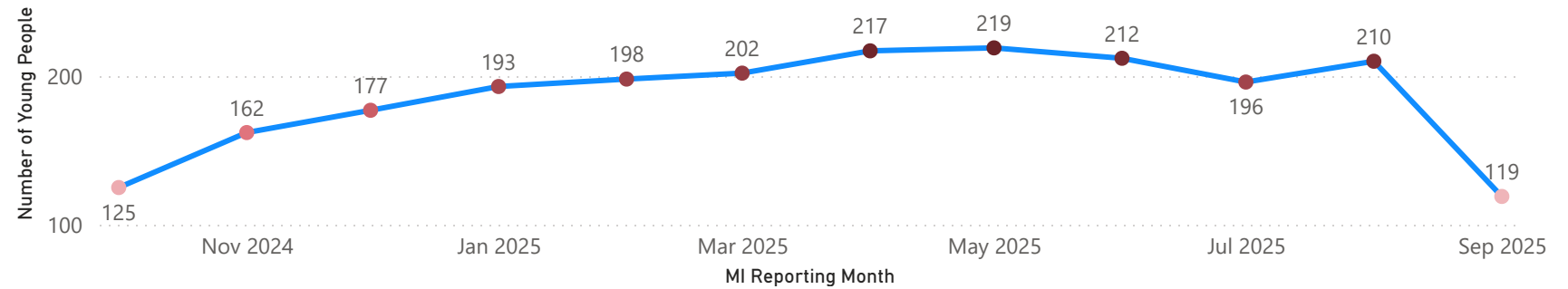
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Not Known Cohort

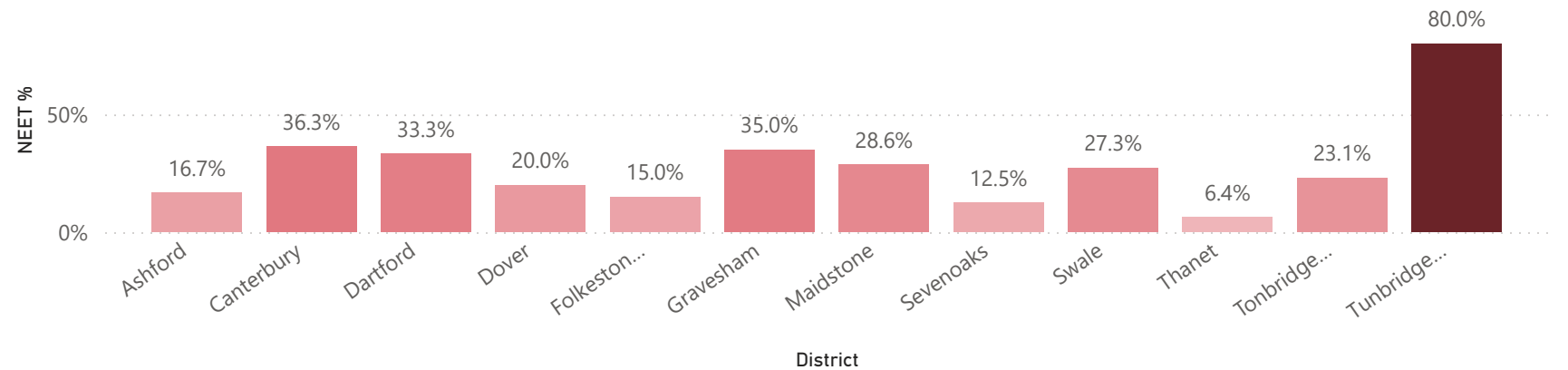
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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Children's Social Work Services NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Select Academic Age

- Select all
- 16
- 17

Characteristic

- Refugee

Select District

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

35.5%

NEET and Not Known %

21.3%

NEET %

14.2%

Not Known %

141

Overall Cohort

30

NEET Cohort

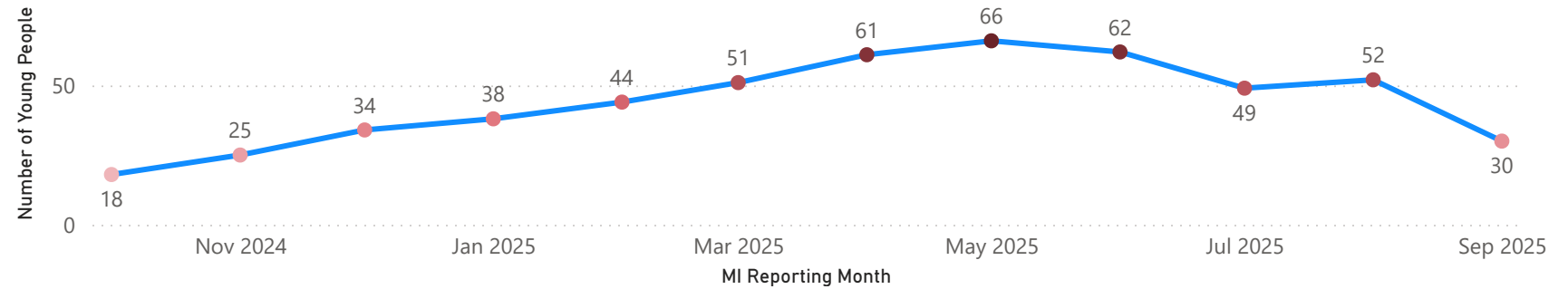
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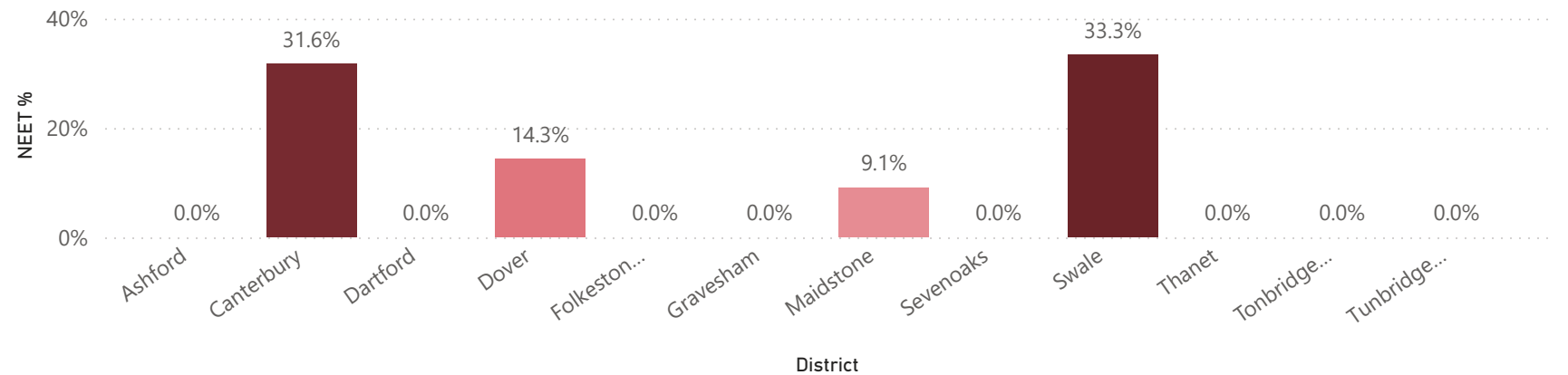
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Select Academic Age

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Characteristic

- Carer Not Own Child

Select District

- Select all
- Ashford
- Dover
- Folkestone and Hythe
- Gravesham
- Maidstone
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- Swale
- Thanet
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25

Overall Cohort

20

NEET Cohort

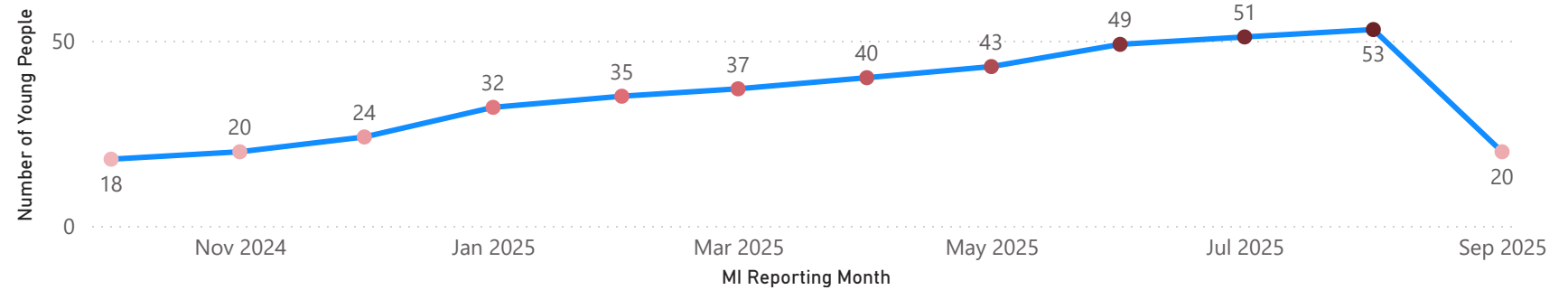
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Not Known Cohort

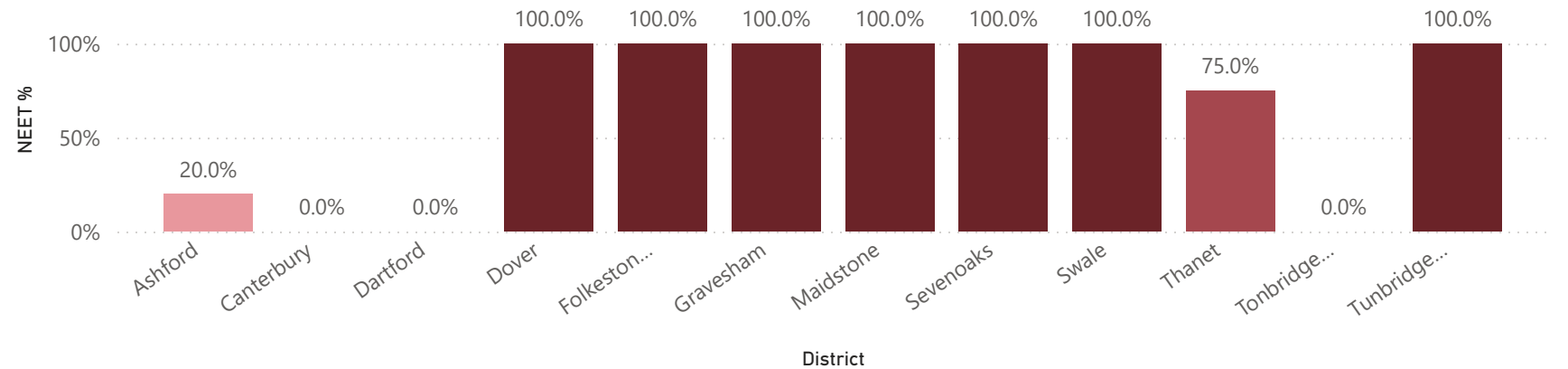
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



88.0%

NEET and Not Known

80.0%

NEET

8.0%

Not Known

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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month

Select Academic Age
 Select all
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Characteristic
 Caring For Own Child

Select District
 Select all
 Ashford
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 Swale
 Thanet
 Tonbridge and Malling
 Tunbridge Wells

43

Overall Cohort

25

NEET Cohort

2

Not Known Cohort

27

NEET and Not Known Cohort

62.8%

NEET and Not Known

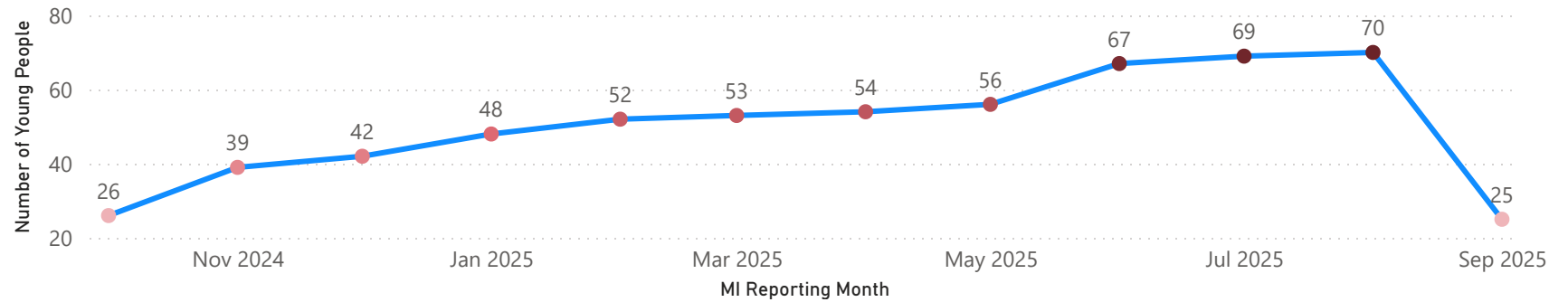
58.1%

NEET

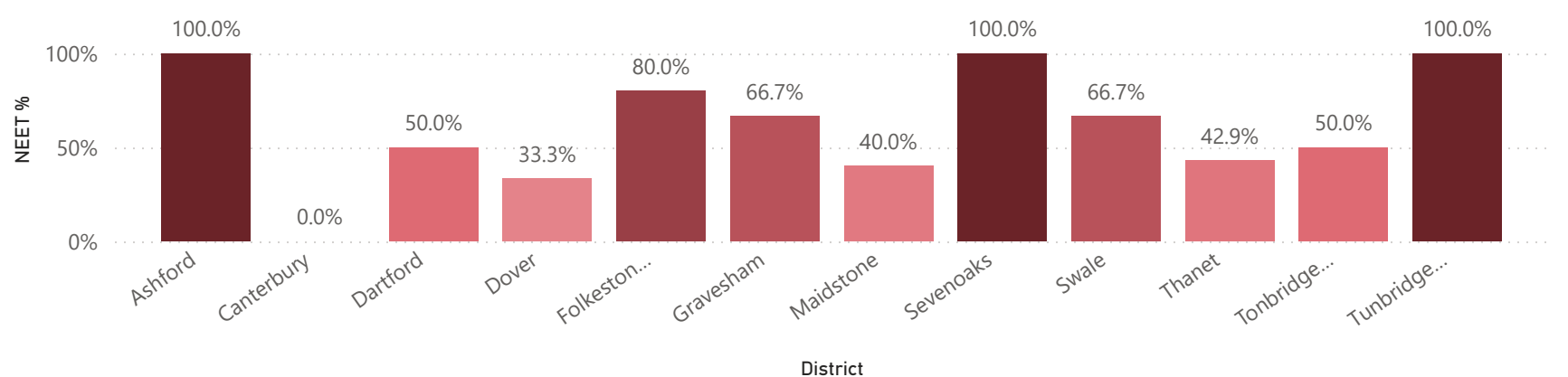
4.7%

Not Known

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Select Academic Age

Select all

Characteristic

Parent

Select District

Select all

0.0%

NEET and Not Known

0.0%

NEET

0.0%

Not Known

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Overall Cohort

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NEET Cohort

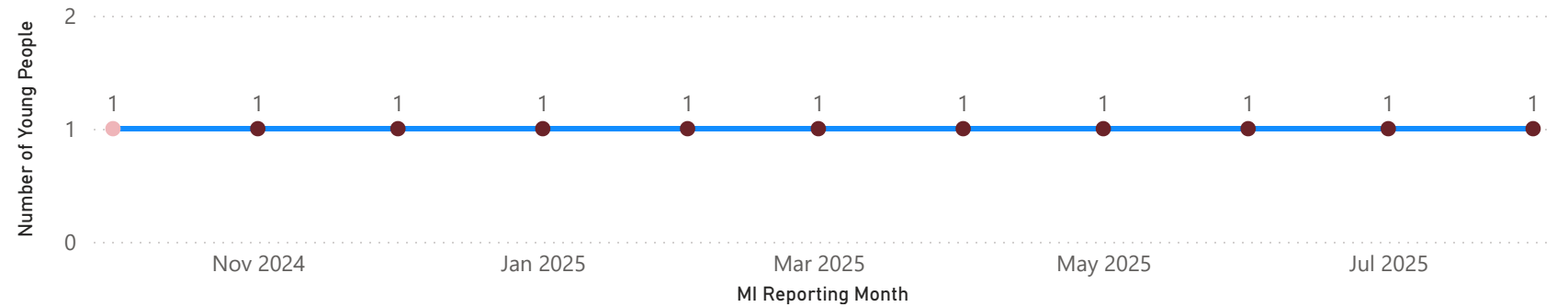
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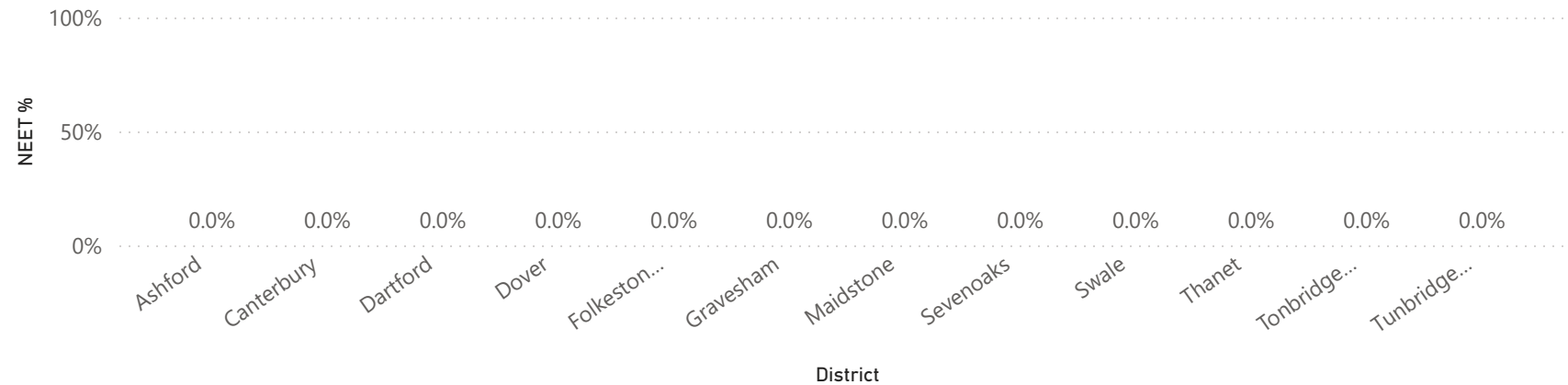
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



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MI Reporting Month

September 2025

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Characteristic

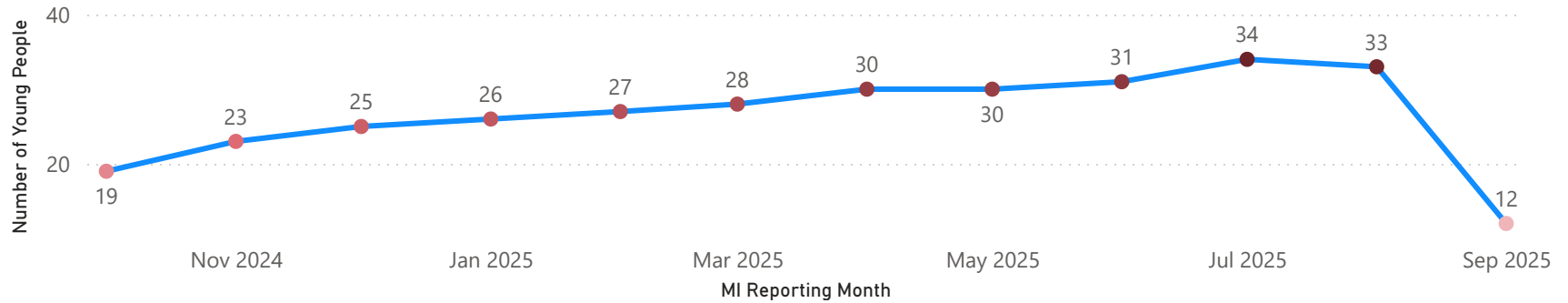
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Select District

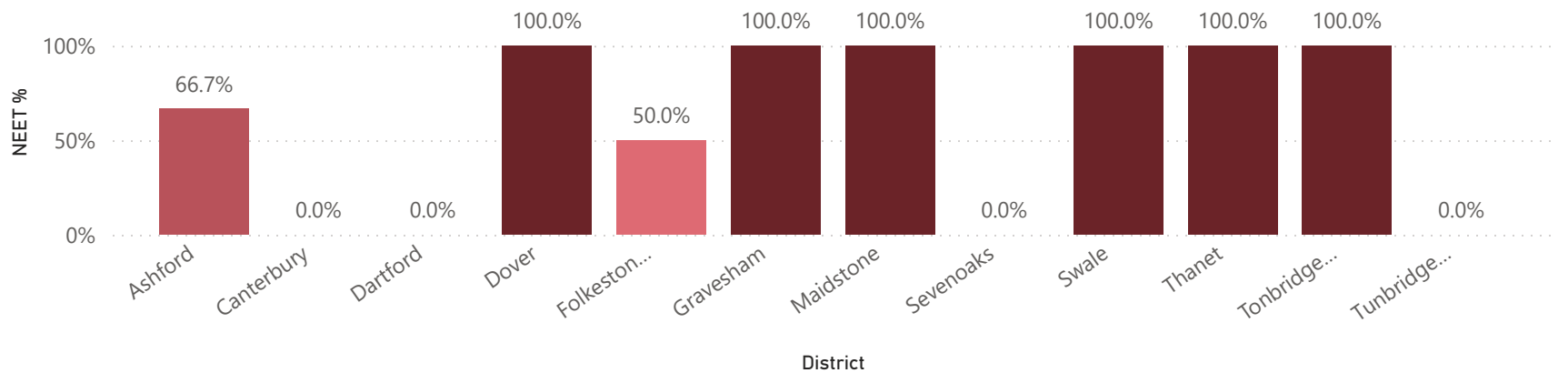
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- Tonbridge and Malling



NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



85.7%

NEET and Not Known

85.7%

NEET

0.0%

Not Known

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Early Help NEET and Not Known Breakdown

MI Reporting Month
 September 2025

Select Academic Age
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 16
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Characteristic
 Teenage Mother

Select District
 Select all
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32

Overall Cohort

19

NEET Cohort

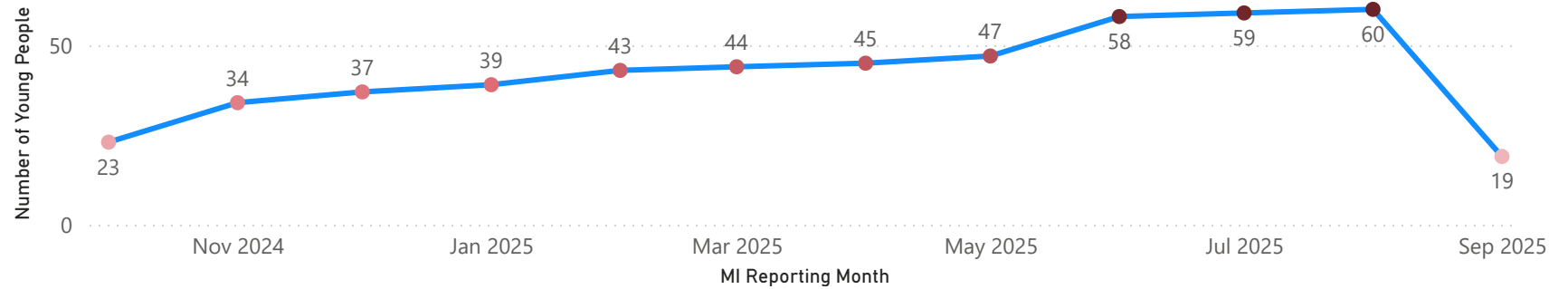
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Not Known Cohort

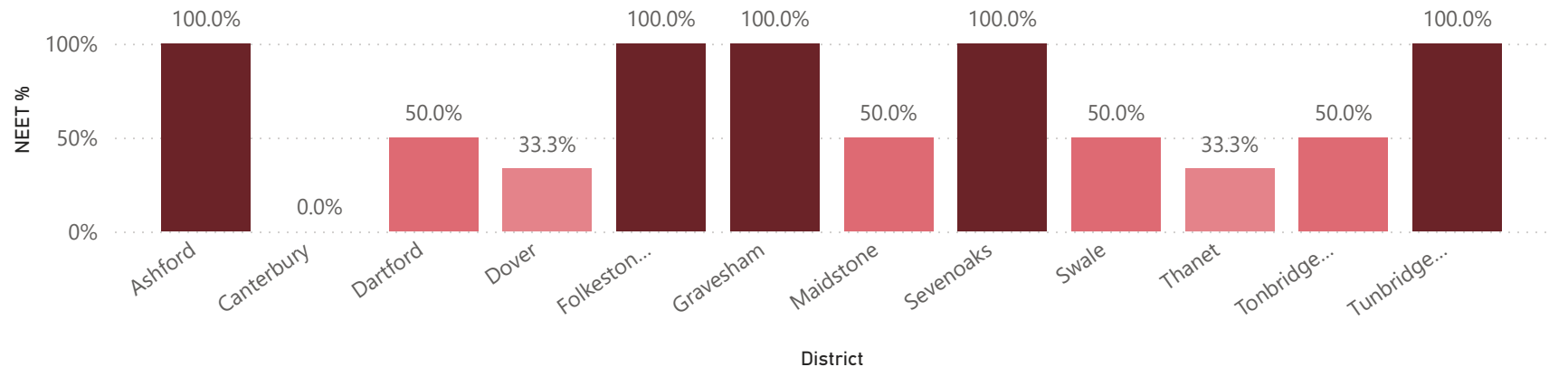
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NEET and Not Known Cohort

NEET Cohort by District



NEET Cohort by District



62.5%

NEET and Not Known

59.4%

NEET

3.1%

Not Known

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Statistical Neighbours - August 2025 Data

Note: Statistical Neighbours update June 2025

Statistical Neighbour models provide one method for benchmarking progress. For each local authority, these models designate several other local authorities deemed to have similar characteristics.

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 %
England	3.9%	3.4%	4.3%	3.6%	2.5%	4.7%	89.9%	92.3%	87.3%
South East England	3.7%	3.4%	4.0%	3.9%	2.3%	5.5%	89.8%	92.4%	87.1%

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 %
Norfolk	5.4%	4.6%	6.3%	9.4%	3.8%	15.3%	81.4%	87.3%	75.3%
East Sussex	5.1%	4.6%	5.7%	3.1%	1.8%	4.5%	86.0%	89.3%	82.6%

Essex	4.4%	4.0%	4.8%	2.2%	1.1%	3.3%	89.5%	92.9%	86.0%
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Somerset	3.9%	2.6%	5.3%	9.7%	4.5%	15.0%	86.4%	92.9%	79.6%
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West Sussex	2.9%	2.6%	3.1%	9.9%	8.0%	12.0%	86.8%	88.8%	84.7%
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Bedford Borough	2.0%	1.0%	3.1%	54.3%	30.2%	80.3%	42.6%	68.0%	15.0%
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CYPE - MI Report

September Guarantee

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Offer Group

- Select all
- No Offer Made
- Not Recorded
- Offer Made
- Offer Not Appropriate
- Unable to Contact

Guarantee Year Gr...

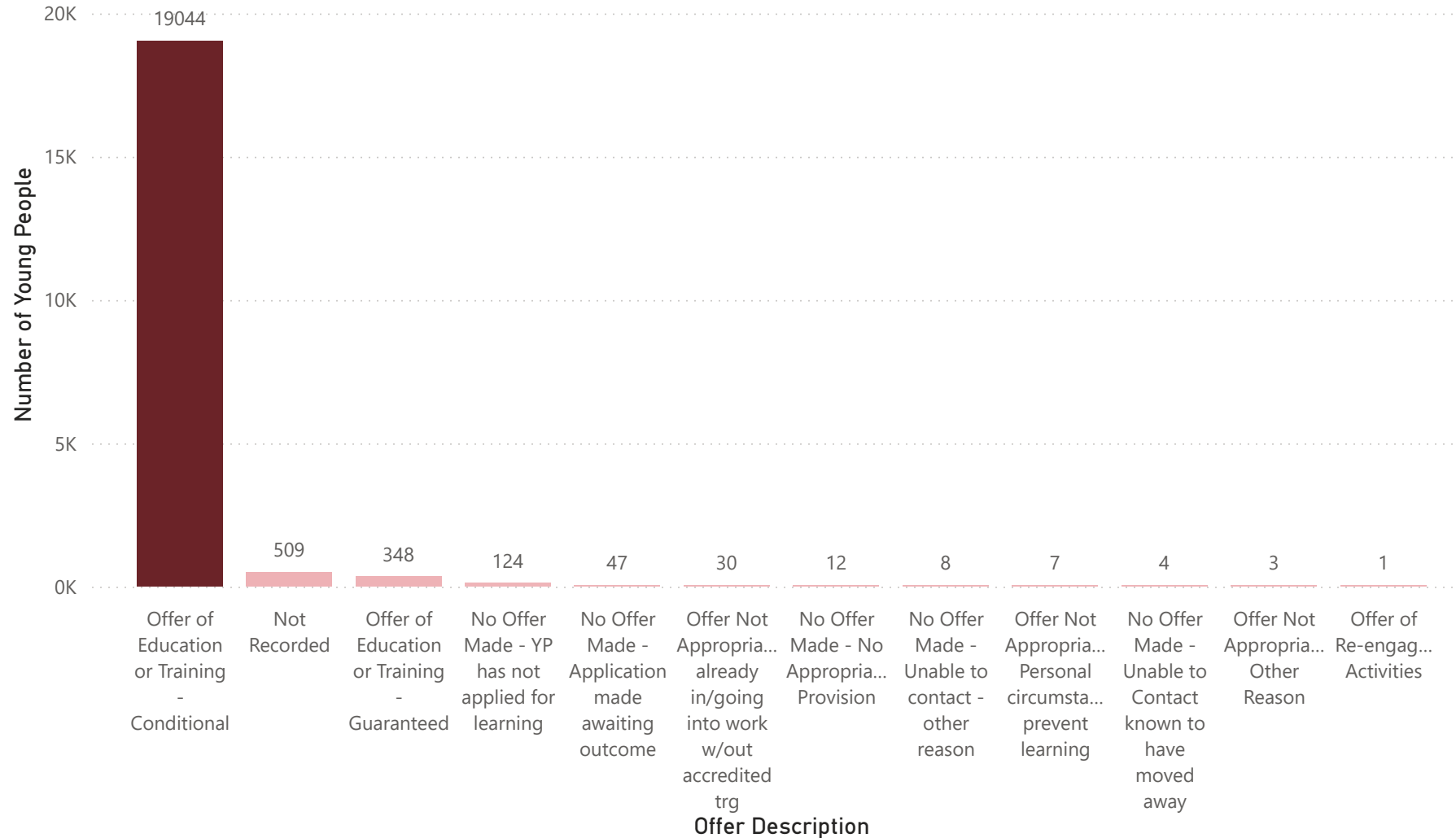
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District

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

Number of Young People by Offer Description

20,137
Number of Young People



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September Guarantee

MI Reporting Month

September 2025

Offer Group

- Select all
- Continuing Year 12 Only
- No Offer Made
- Not Recorded
- Offer Made
- Offer Not Appropriate
- Unable to Contact

Guarantee Year Gr...

- 11
- 12

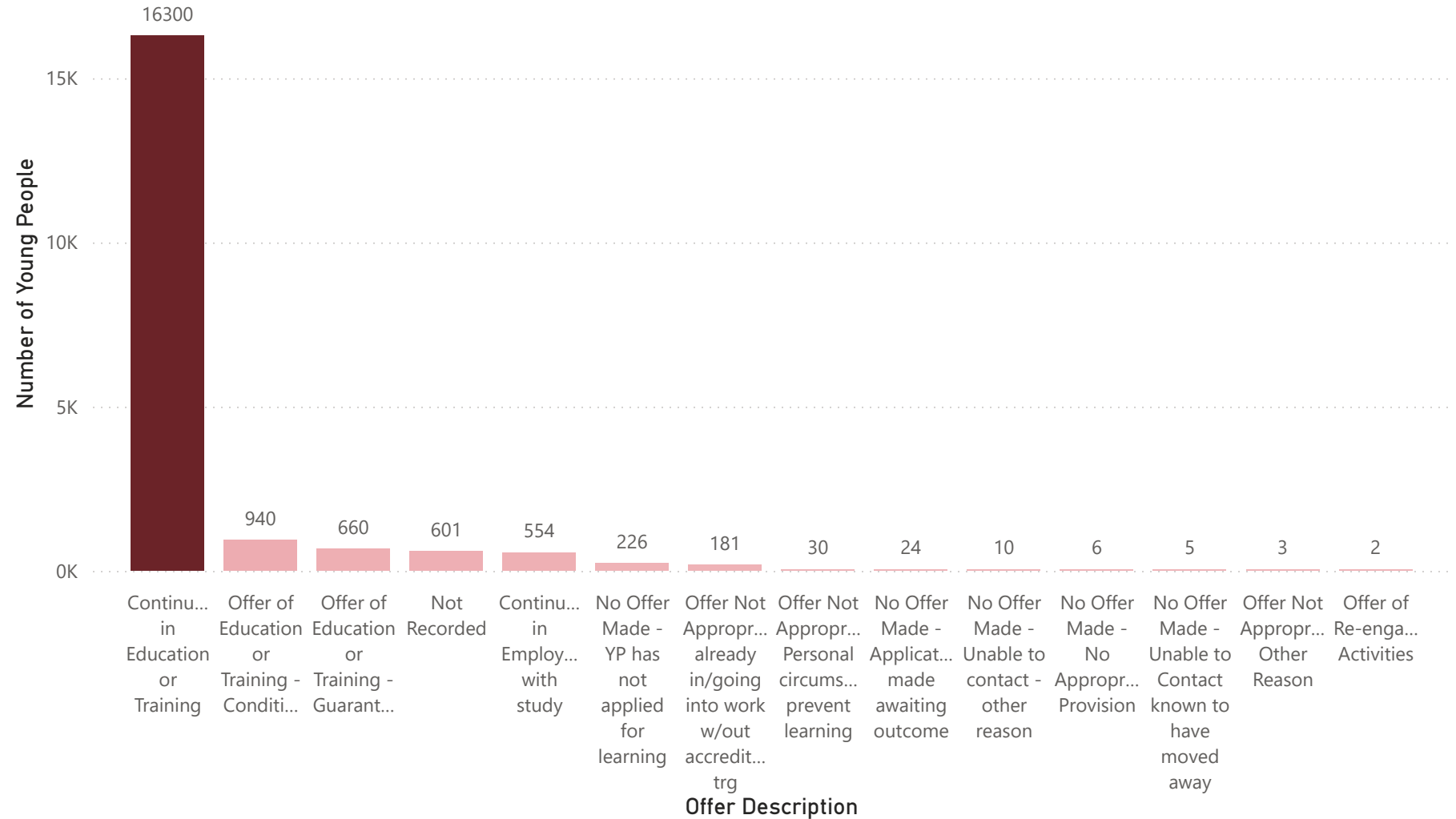
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- Select all
- Ashford
- Canterbury
- Dartford
- Dover
- Folkestone and Hythe
- Gravesham
- Maidstone
- Sevenoaks
- Swale
- Thanet
- Tonbridge and Malling
- Tunbridge Wells

19,542

Number of Young People

Number of Young People by Offer Description



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NEET Joiners

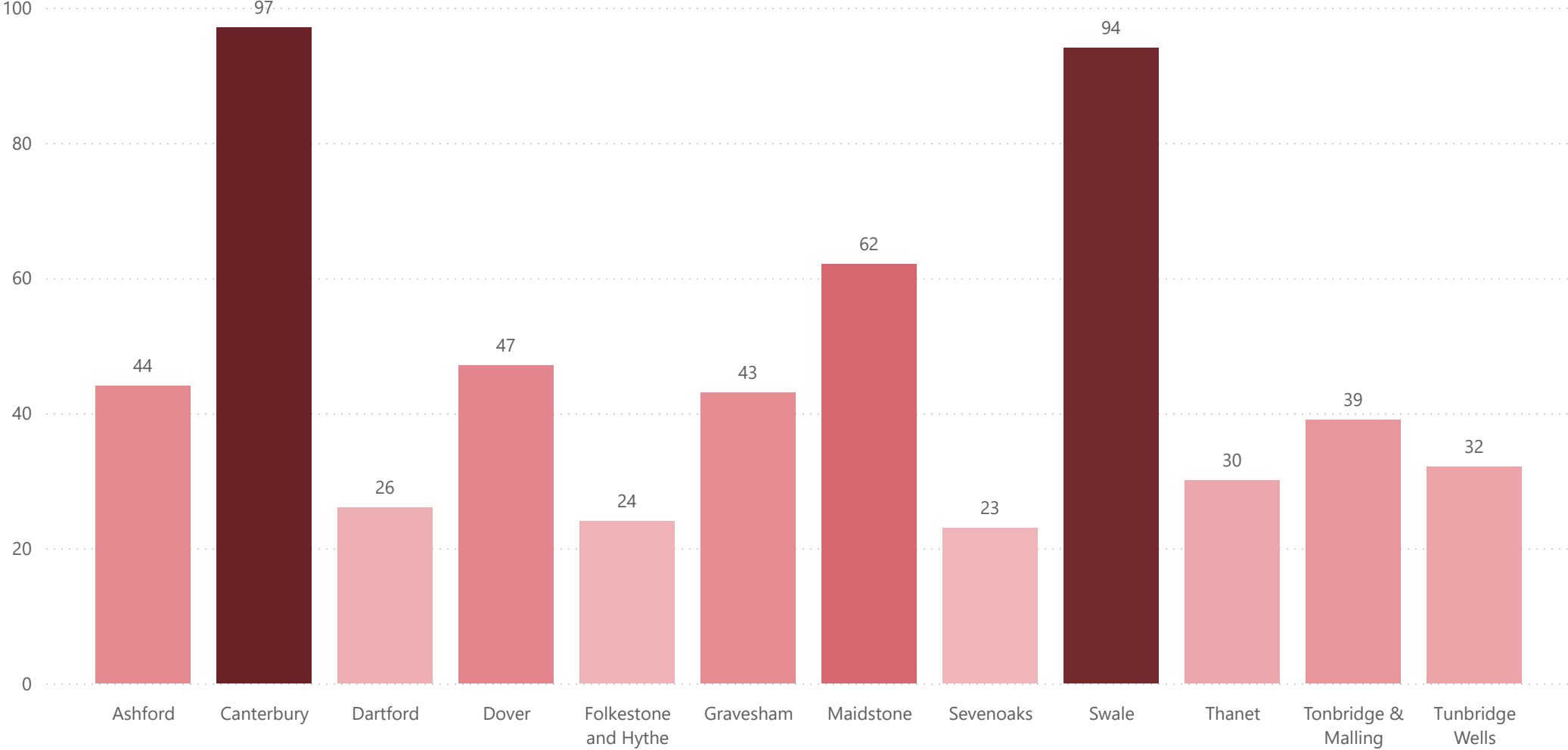
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Select Academic Age

- Select all
- 16
- 17

Number of NEET Joiners by District



561

Number of NEET Joiners in Period

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NEET Leavers

MI Reporting Month

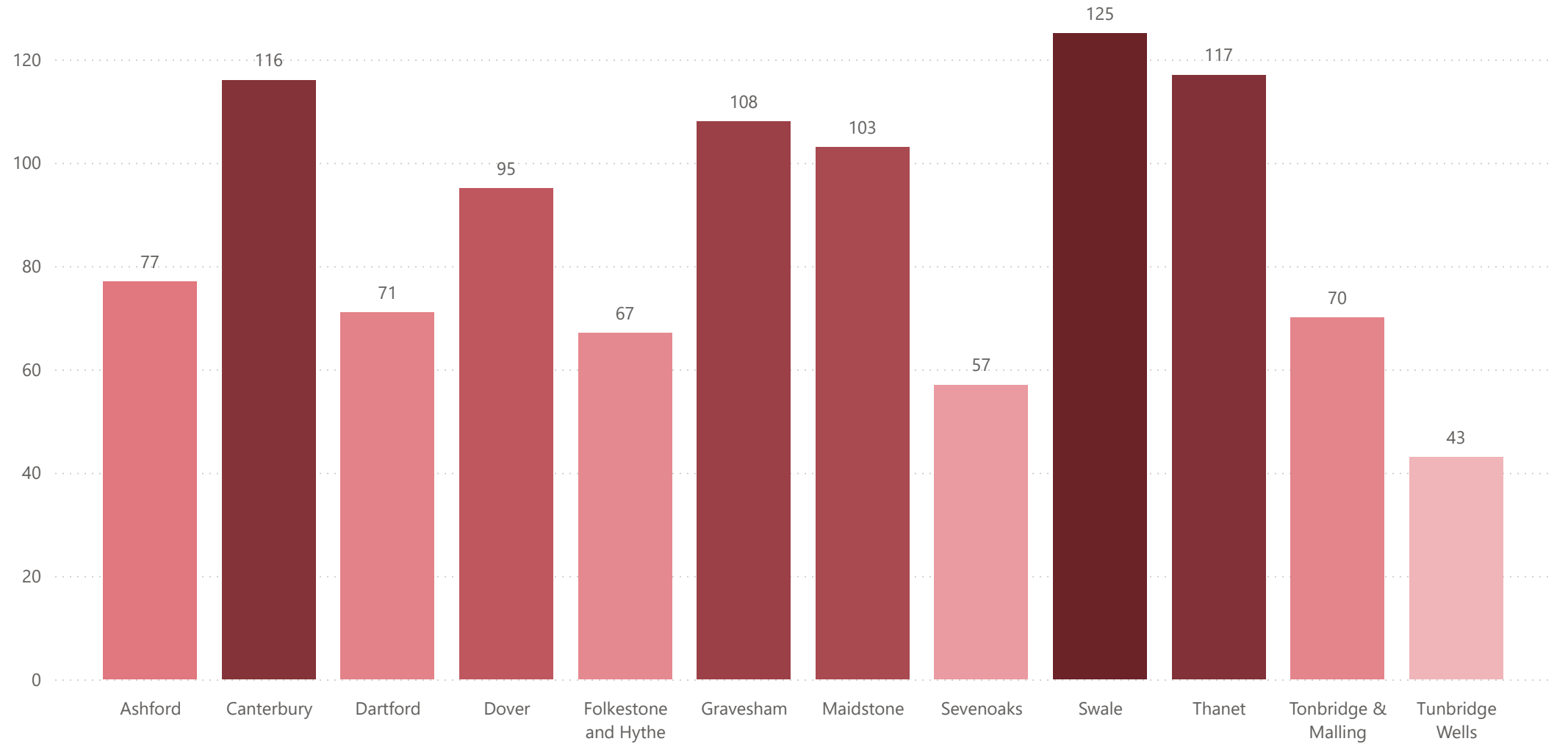
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Select Academic A...

Select all

17

Number of NEET Leavers by District



1,049

Number of NEET Leavers in Period