

Education and Young People's Services

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

Monthly Report - December 2016

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



Headlines

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

| | Total | Y12 | Y13 | | Total | Y12 | Y13 |
|---------------|-------|-----|-----|---------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Oct-15 | 2.00% | | | Oct-16 | 2.45% | 1.10% | 3.81% |
| Nov-15 | 2.60% | | | Nov-16 | 2.76% | 1.61% | 3.91% |
| Dec-15 | 3.10% | | | Dec-16 | 2.89% | 1.82% | 3.92% |

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

| | Total | Y12 | Y13 | | Total | Y12 | Y13 |
|---------------|--------|-----|-----|---------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Oct-15 | 18.90% | | | Oct-16 | 11.97% | 9.97% | 13.88% |
| Nov-15 | 10.40% | | | Nov-16 | 6.50% | 4.27% | 8.64% |
| Dec-15 | 7.20% | | | Dec-16 | 4.67% | 3.08% | 6.21% |

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

| | Total | Y12 | Y13 | | Total | Y12 | Y13 |
|---------------|-------|-----|-----|---------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Oct-15 | | | | Oct-16 | 84.31% | 88.60% | 80.10% |
| Nov-15 | | | | Nov-16 | 88.69% | 93.40% | 84.12% |
| Dec-15 | | | | Dec-16 | 89.85% | 94.20% | 85.60% |

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

| | Total | Y12 | Y13 | | Total | Y12 | Y13 |
|---------------|-------|-----|-----|---------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Oct-15 | | | | Oct-16 | 14.07% | 10.96% | 17.05% |
| Nov-15 | | | | Nov-16 | 9.01% | 5.80% | 12.09% |
| Dec-15 | | | | Dec-16 | 7.57% | 4.90% | 10.13% |

Headline Commentary

The county cohort of young people in Years 12 & 13 during December was 34,123.

(a) Participation

The highest rate (89.85%) for the current academic year of participation in Education, Employment & Training by young people in Years 12 & 13 was recorded in December.

There have been incremental improvements in the rate for young people in both Year 12 (94.2%) & Year 13 (85.6%) in each of the last three months.

It is necessary to understand the reasons for the performance amongst those young people in Year 13 not being as strong (almost 9 percentage points lower) as that recorded for those in Year 12. This will enable actions to be taken that are designed to reduce the risk of them becoming long term NEET.

(b) NEET Cohort

In December 987 young people, in Years 12 & 13, were recorded as being NEET, 2.89% of the overall cohort (34,123). This compares with the totals for October and November which were respectively 732 (2.45%) and 870 (2.76%).

The table below indicates the numerical and percentage increases in the NEET population by each of the Year groups when compared to the findings for November:

| Population | Cohort (December) | Number & Percentage NEET | | | Change November to December | |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | | October | November | December | Num. | % |
| Year 12 | 16,747 | 164 (1.10%) | 254 (1.61%) | 305 (1.82%) | +51 | +12.0 |
| Year 13 | 17,376 | 568 (3.81%) | 616 (3.91%) | 682 (3.92%) | +66 | +10.7 |
| Years 12 & 13 | 34,123 | 732 (2.45%) | 870 (2.76%) | 987 (2.89%) | +117 | +13.4 |

(c) Not Knowns

There has been marked progress since September towards reducing the number of young people whose status, with respect to their engagement or otherwise in Education, Employment or Training (EET), is "Not Known".

In December, when compared to the findings for November, significant reductions, in both numerical and percentage terms, in the size of the "Not Known" population.

There was a reduction for the total cohort from 2198 to 1595 (603) and for the two Year Groups the fall for Year 12 was 190 and for Year 13 was 413.

The downward shift in percentage points for the overall cohort was almost two.

(d) Year Group / Size

During Quarter 3 (October to December) there has been an upward trajectory in the number of young people in the cohort recorded as NEET, with the largest increase (141) being recorded amongst the Year 12 group. The increase amongst the Year 13 population was 114.

In December the number of NEETs amongst the Year 13 population (682) was more than double that recorded for those in Year 12 (305).

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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 | 34,123 | 987 | 2.89% | 2.50% | -0.39% | 305 | 1.82% | 682 | 3.92% | 516 | 3.08% | 1079 | 6.21% | 1595 | 4.67% |
| Ashford | 3,031 | 83 | 2.74% | 2.10% | -0.63% | 31 | 2.11% | 52 | 3.33% | 41 | 2.79% | 103 | 6.59% | 144 | 4.75% |
| Canterbury | 3,111 | 101 | 3.25% | 2.04% | -1.20% | 26 | 1.75% | 75 | 4.62% | 38 | 2.55% | 90 | 5.55% | 128 | 4.11% |
| Dartford | 2,317 | 57 | 2.46% | 2.54% | 0.08% | 17 | 1.50% | 40 | 3.38% | 53 | 4.68% | 82 | 6.93% | 135 | 5.83% |
| Dover | 2,489 | 62 | 2.49% | 2.79% | 0.30% | 17 | 1.38% | 45 | 3.58% | 39 | 3.17% | 86 | 6.84% | 125 | 5.02% |
| Gravesham | 2,552 | 82 | 3.21% | 2.52% | -0.69% | 24 | 1.90% | 58 | 4.49% | 44 | 3.49% | 79 | 6.12% | 123 | 4.82% |
| Maidstone | 3,641 | 103 | 2.83% | 2.49% | -0.33% | 34 | 1.88% | 69 | 3.77% | 45 | 2.49% | 104 | 5.68% | 149 | 4.09% |
| Sevenoaks | 2,375 | 32 | 1.35% | 1.64% | 0.29% | 11 | 0.98% | 21 | 1.68% | 41 | 3.64% | 87 | 6.96% | 128 | 5.39% |
| Shepway | 2,466 | 59 | 2.39% | 3.03% | 0.64% | 21 | 1.73% | 38 | 3.04% | 38 | 3.12% | 65 | 5.20% | 103 | 4.18% |
| Swale | 3,452 | 150 | 4.35% | 3.04% | -1.30% | 49 | 2.84% | 101 | 5.86% | 47 | 2.72% | 110 | 6.38% | 157 | 4.55% |
| Thanet | 3,322 | 121 | 3.64% | 3.49% | -0.15% | 37 | 2.22% | 84 | 5.06% | 63 | 3.79% | 101 | 6.09% | 164 | 4.94% |
| Tonbridge & Malling | 2,834 | 70 | 2.47% | 1.67% | -0.80% | 17 | 1.22% | 53 | 3.67% | 45 | 3.24% | 95 | 6.58% | 140 | 4.94% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 2,533 | 67 | 2.65% | 1.65% | -0.99% | 21 | 1.70% | 46 | 3.54% | 22 | 1.79% | 77 | 5.92% | 99 | 3.91% |

The table indicates that:

- (i) four districts (Dartford, Dover, Sevenoaks, Shepway) met the current revised 2.5 target for the size of the NEET population
- (ii) five of the district (Dartford, Dover, Sevenoaks, Shepway, Tonbridge & Malling) recorded a NEET population of less than 2.5% of their respective cohorts
- (iii) as was the case in November, Sevenoaks recorded the strongest performance (32 young people who were NEET, 1.35%)
- (iv) all Districts, with the exception of Sevenoaks, which recorded 32 young people as NEET in both November and December, had an increase in their NEET population although for some Districts (Dover, Tunbridge Wells, Maidstone, Tonbridge & Malling) the increase was 3 or less young people
- (v) four Districts (Ashford, Canterbury, Swale & Thanet) recorded increases of more than 20 young people
- (vi) four Districts (Swale, Thanet, Canterbury and Maidstone) each had more than 100 young people recorded as NEET, the largest figure (150) was recorded in Swale

| 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 | Sep-17 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Kent | 2.45 | 2.10 | 2.52 | 2.89 | | | | | | | | | |
| Ashford | | | 1.94 | 2.74 | | | | | | | | | |
| Canterbury | | | 2.57 | 3.25 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dartford | | | 2.01 | 2.46 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dover | | | 2.33 | 2.49 | | | | | | | | | |
| Gravesham | | | 2.96 | 3.21 | | | | | | | | | |
| Maidstone | | | 2.74 | 2.83 | | | | | | | | | |
| Sevenoaks | | | 1.27 | 1.35 | | | | | | | | | |
| Shepway | | | 2.12 | 2.39 | | | | | | | | | |
| Swale | | | 3.62 | 4.35 | | | | | | | | | |
| Thanet | | | 3.01 | 3.64 | | | | | | | | | |
| Tonbridge & Malling | | | 2.34 | 2.47 | | | | | | | | | |
| Tunbridge Wells | | | 2.61 | 2.65 | | | | | | | | | |

The table indicates that in percentage terms:

- (i) the size of the NEET cohort has been increasing incrementally since October
- (ii) the county figure was 2.89%
- (iii) eight of the Districts (Ashford, Dover, Shepway, Maidstone, Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge & Malling, Dartford and Sevenoaks) recorded performances stronger than the county average

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| 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 | Sep-17 |
| Kent | 53.85 | 11.97 | 6.50 | 4.67 | | | | | | | | | |
| Ashford | | | 7.67 | 4.75 | | | | | | | | | |
| Canterbury | | | 5.96 | 4.11 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dartford | | | 8.20 | 5.83 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dover | | | 6.57 | 5.02 | | | | | | | | | |
| Gravesham | | | 6.21 | 4.82 | | | | | | | | | |
| Maidstone | | | 5.20 | 4.09 | | | | | | | | | |
| Sevenoaks | | | 7.27 | 5.39 | | | | | | | | | |
| Shepway | | | 6.12 | 4.18 | | | | | | | | | |
| Swale | | | 5.78 | 4.55 | | | | | | | | | |
| Thanet | | | 6.83 | 4.94 | | | | | | | | | |
| Tonbridge & Malling | | | 6.50 | 4.94 | | | | | | | | | |
| Tunbridge Wells | | | 6.46 | 3.91 | | | | | | | | | |

This table highlights the very significant reductions in the numbers of young people whose status with respect to NEET is "Not Known":

(i) the county figure for the "Not Known" population was 4.67%, in November it was 6.50%

(ii) all Districts recorded percentage reductions in the size of their respective "Not Known" populations

(iii) the strongest performing Districts were Tunbridge Wells (3.91%), Maidstone (4.09%), Canterbury (4.11%) and Shepway (4.18%)

(iv) three Districts (Ashford, Dartford and Tunbridge Wells) recorded falls of more than two percentage points – for Ashford the performance was close to a fall of three percentage points)

(v) Dartford (5.83%), despite the recorded improvement, was the only District to have a Not Known population more than one percentage point higher than the county figure

| Table 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------|--|
| NEETs based on length of time in NEET (Y12-Y13) | | | | | | Equivalent - December 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 | 58 | 141 | 464 | 131 | 193 | 100 | 194 | 978 | 350 | 714 | 94.20% | 85.60% | |
| Ashford | 12 | 11 | 40 | 10 | 10 | 13 | 15 | 67 | 32 | 32 | 94.10% | 83.80% | |
| Canterbury | 7 | 7 | 47 | 14 | 26 | 15 | 15 | 97 | 28 | 76 | 95.30% | 86.30% | |
| Dartford | 4 | 13 | 20 | 9 | 11 | 5 | 9 | 73 | 19 | 44 | 93.20% | 85.00% | |
| Dover | 4 | 8 | 28 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 24 | 38 | 28 | 55 | 94.30% | 85.80% | |
| Gravesham | 2 | 11 | 37 | 15 | 17 | 8 | 14 | 104 | 35 | 60 | 93.90% | 85.40% | |
| Maidstone | 2 | 24 | 42 | 11 | 24 | 10 | 21 | 113 | 32 | 66 | 94.30% | 86.60% | |
| Sevenoaks | 3 | 5 | 13 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 10 | 66 | 19 | 38 | 94.70% | 87.80% | |
| Shepway | 3 | 6 | 29 | 8 | 13 | 5 | 14 | 50 | 25 | 53 | 94.70% | 87.70% | |
| Swale | 8 | 24 | 72 | 15 | 31 | 16 | 22 | 135 | 42 | 83 | 93.00% | 83.60% | |
| Thanet | 9 | 15 | 67 | 13 | 17 | 12 | 19 | 83 | 38 | 94 | 93.10% | 84.40% | |
| Tonbridge & Malling | 3 | 8 | 37 | 7 | 15 | 2 | 17 | 71 | 24 | 61 | 94.50% | 85.40% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1 | 9 | 32 | 12 | 13 | 5 | 14 | 81 | 28 | 52 | 95.40% | 86.90% | |

The findings from this table, which are similar in terms of trends to those reported in November, suggest:

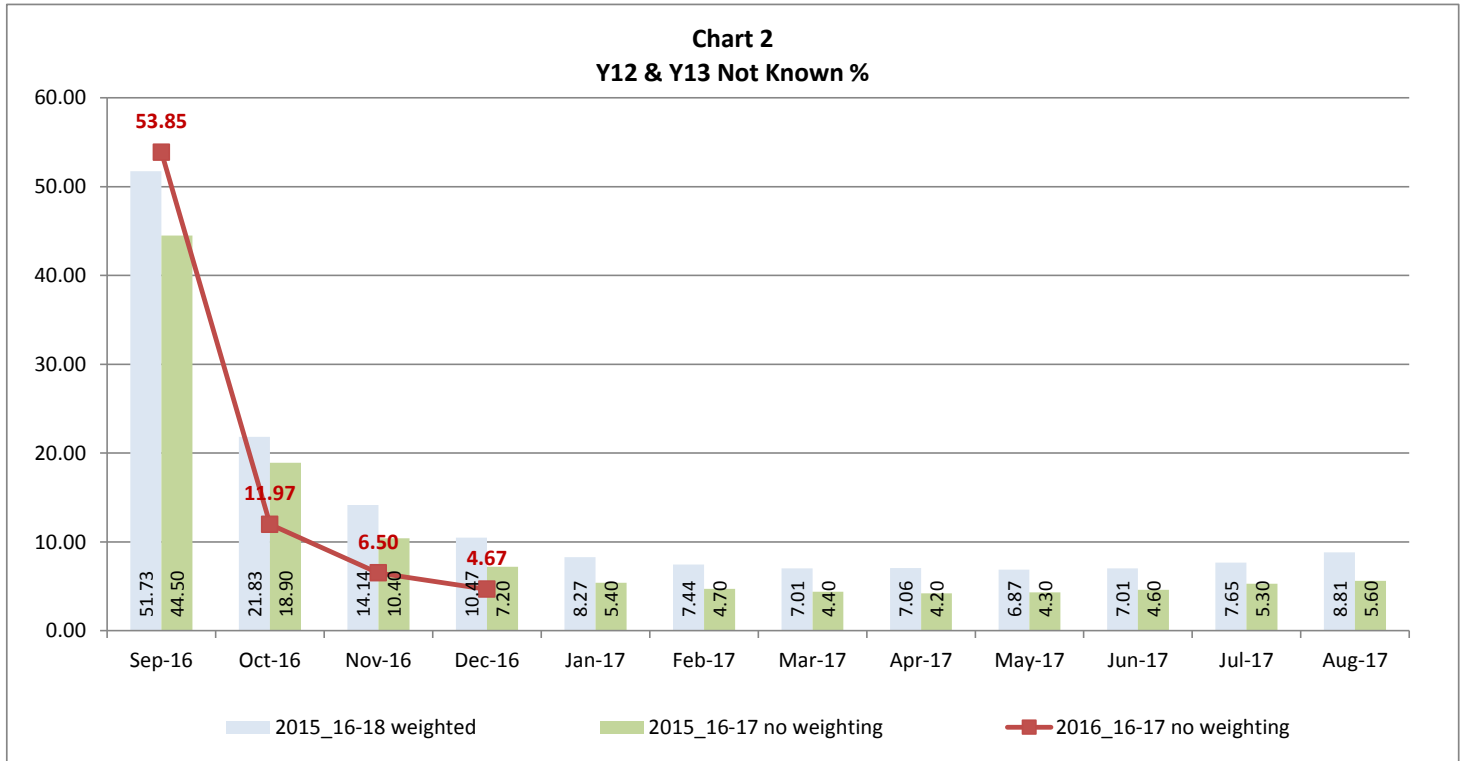
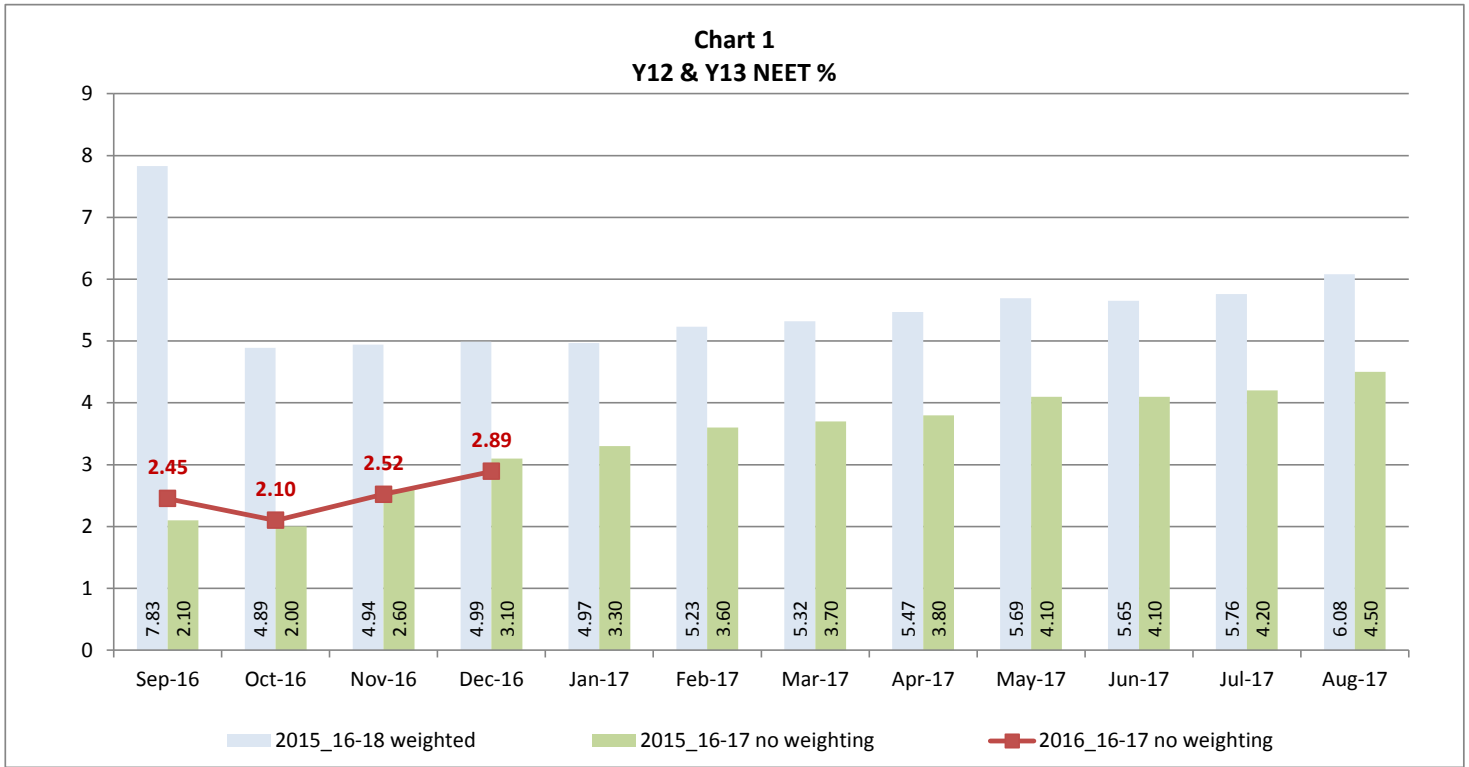
(i) the numbers of young people recorded as being NEET increase incrementally for the groups who have been NEET for between 0 – 6 weeks, 7 – 13 weeks, 14 – 26 weeks

(ii) the numbers recorded as having been NEET for between 27 – 52 weeks tend to be lower than those who have been NEET for between 14 – 26 weeks, but then the numbers increase again for those who have been NEET for a year or longer

(iii) the Districts with the higher numbers of young people being NEET for between 14 – 26 weeks tend to be those with the overall higher NEET populations, e.g. Swale (72), Thanet (67) Canterbury (47) and Maidstone (42)

(iv) a focus on the young people who are NEET for between 14 & 26 weeks is necessary as these young people appear to be having a significant impact on the overall size of the NEET population in the county

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| Table 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y12 & Y13 cohort by Vulnerable Group | Dec-15 | Jan-16 | Feb-16 | Mar-16 | Apr-16 | May-16 | Jun-16 | Jul-16 | Aug-16 | Sep-16 | Oct-16 | Nov-16 | Dec-16 |
| Children in Care (CIC) | 1150 | 991 | 1048 | 1073 | 1064 | 1067 | 1078 | 1062 | 1050 | 1022 | 777 | 936 | 869 |
| subset CIC resp. not known | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| subset CIC KCC responsibility | 881 | 782 | 840 | 865 | 860 | 866 | 860 | 844 | 832 | 648 | 409 | 691 | 718 |
| subset CIC OOC responsibility | 264 | 209 | 208 | 208 | 203 | 201 | 199 | 198 | 198 | 198 | 75 | 138 | 137 |
| Caring for own child | 239 | 260 | 276 | 287 | 300 | 314 | 336 | 346 | 358 | 169 | 78 | 182 | 91 |
| Asylum seeker | 452 | 456 | 492 | 523 | 526 | 536 | 551 | 552 | 547 | 562 | 326 | 622 | 396 |
| Carer not own child | 73 | 74 | 77 | 78 | 80 | 83 | 87 | 90 | 92 | 56 | 21 | 59 | 24 |
| Substance Misuse | 61 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 66 | 40 | 17 | 40 | 19 |
| Care Leaver (CL) | 18 | 185 | 187 | 190 | 192 | 207 | 208 | 216 | 228 | 342 | 19 | 447 | 41 |
| subset CL resp. not known | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| subset CL KCC responsibility | 11 | 173 | 175 | 178 | 180 | 194 | 194 | 193 | 193 | 193 | 3 | 23 | 38 |
| subset CL OOC responsibility | 6 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Supervised by YOT | 130 | 132 | 176 | 180 | 178 | 180 | 183 | 138 | 119 | 163 | 129 | 138 | |
| Pregnancy | 148 | 153 | 167 | 177 | 190 | 199 | 208 | 209 | 217 | 124 | 53 | 138 | 66 |
| Parent not caring for own child | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 1 |
| SEND (16-18 year olds) | 2224 | 2220 | 2209 | 2208 | 2231 | 2230 | 2230 | 2228 | 2242 | 2224 | 2221 | 2214 | 2217 |
| SEND (19+ year olds) | 512 | 467 | 413 | 375 | 341 | 323 | 245 | 203 | 157 | 924 | 929 | 916 | 885 |
| Total 16-18 cohort with at least one vulnerable group | 3675 | 3737 | 3846 | 3900 | 3941 | 3982 | 4020 | 3998 | 4021 | | | | |
| Total 16-17 cohort with at least one vulnerable group | | | | | | | | | | 2394 | 2403 | 2470 | 2524 |

Tables 5, 6 & 7

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

334 young people included in at least one Vulnerable Group were recorded as being NEET. They represent 33.8% of the overall NEET cohort.

(a) Vulnerable Groups & NEET Representation

Table 5 indicates that the performance with respect to reducing the NEET population amongst the Vulnerable Groups varied when compared to the findings for November.

Increases were recorded for:

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Children in Care | + 18 |
| Care Leavers (NB 18+) | + 15 |
| SEND (16-18) | + 16 |

Decreases, two of them highly significant, were recorded for:

| | |
|---------------|------|
| Pregnancy | - 56 |
| Young Parents | - 70 |
| Young Carers | - 11 |
| Youth Justice | - 2 |

These tables show that the percentage of young people recorded as NEET in each of the following vulnerable groups varied significantly.

| Vulnerable Group | Number Recorded as NEET | Number in the Cohort | Percentage NEET |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Children in Care | 71 | 718 | 9.8 |
| Pregnancy | 55 | 66 | 83.3 |
| Young Parents | 65 | 91 | 71.4 |
| Youth Justice | 40 | 114 | 35.1 |
| SEND | 200 | 2217 | 9.0 |

While numerically the number of young people who are NEET and are included in the Children in Care and / or the SEND populations have the highest representation in the overall NEET cohort, the percentage of the young people in these Vulnerable Groups who are NEET is lower than the percentages recorded for young people who are pregnant, who are young parents or who are known to one of the Youth Offending Teams.

When compared to the findings for December 2015 significant reductions have been recorded in the numbers of young people recorded as NEET amongst the Children in Care and the Young Parent populations.

(b) Vulnerable Groups – Frequency of “Not Knowns”

The numbers of young people in each of the Vulnerable Groups with a “Not Known” EET destination are significantly reduced.

There are less than 8 young people recorded for each of the Vulnerable Groups with the exception of the SEND population (279). This represents a huge improvement when compared to the numbers recorded in December 2015 and a very positive progression when compared to the position for each Vulnerable Group in November 2016.

This is also true of the SEND (16 – 18 years) age group. There were 279 young people in this Vulnerable Group without a known destination compared with the 337 in December 2015 and the 323 in November 2016.

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| Table 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y12 & Y13 NEET by Vulnerable Group | Dec-15 | Jan-16 | Feb-16 | Mar-16 | Apr-16 | May-16 | Jun-16 | Jul-16 | Aug-16 | Sep-16 | Oct-16 | Nov-16 | Dec-16 |
| Children in Care (CIC) | 131 | 102 | 104 | 112 | 103 | 105 | 107 | 107 | 111 | 75 | 47 | 68 | 81 |
| subset CIC resp. not known | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| subset CIC KCC responsibility | 106 | 84 | 84 | 91 | 83 | 86 | 84 | 75 | 75 | 52 | 35 | 53 | 71 |
| subset CIC OOC responsibility | 22 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Caring for own child | 180 | 196 | 211 | 220 | 230 | 243 | 256 | 265 | 275 | 130 | 51 | 135 | 65 |
| Asylum seeker | 4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Carer not own child | 22 | 25 | 29 | 31 | 31 | 34 | 36 | 39 | 42 | 22 | 8 | 22 | 11 |
| Substance Misuse | 14 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 20 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 12 |
| Care Leaver (CL) | 8 | 43 | 46 | 48 | 59 | 65 | 65 | 71 | 73 | 63 | 1 | 71 | 9 |
| subset CL resp. not known | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| subset CL KCC responsibility | 5 | 39 | 41 | 43 | 50 | 60 | 60 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 0 | 23 | 38 |
| subset CL OOC responsibility | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Supervised by YOT | 47 | 50 | 65 | 73 | 72 | 70 | 69 | 55 | 51 | 54 | 39 | 41 | 40 |
| Pregnancy | 107 | 114 | 122 | 132 | 142 | 147 | 156 | 159 | 164 | 99 | 38 | 111 | 55 |
| Parent not caring for own child | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| SEND (16-18 year olds) | 206 | 244 | 261 | 265 | 264 | 272 | 282 | 288 | 296 | 162 | 144 | 184 | 200 |
| SEND (19+ year olds) | 74 | 65 | 49 | 43 | 37 | 27 | 20 | 14 | 5 | 124 | 118 | 112 | 106 |
| Total 16-18 NEET with at least one vulnerable group | 617 | 682 | 745 | 783 | 800 | 827 | 853 | 870 | 904 | | | | |
| Total 16-17 NEET with at least one vulnerable group | | | | | | | | | | 239 | 226 | 285 | 334 |

| Table 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Y12 & Y13 Not Knowns by Vulnerable Group | Dec-15 | Jan-16 | Feb-16 | Mar-16 | Apr-16 | May-16 | Jun-16 | Jul-16 | Aug-16 | Sep-16 | Oct-16 | Nov-16 | Dec-16 |
| Children in Care (CIC) | 171 | 33 | 22 | 21 | 16 | 25 | 32 | 38 | 50 | 481 | 94 | 115 | 23 |
| subset CIC KCC responsibility | 97 | 18 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 13 | 19 | 11 | 5 | 5 | 57 | 36 | 7 |
| subset CIC OOC responsibility | 74 | 15 | 11 | 11 | 8 | 12 | 5 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 32 | 21 | 15 |
| Caring for own child | 23 | 20 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 22 | 6 | 16 | 4 |
| Asylum seeker | 9 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 8 | 11 | 30 | 92 | 24 | 201 | 6 |
| Carer not own child | 13 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 18 | 2 | 11 | 1 |
| Substance Misuse | 12 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 20 | 4 | 16 | 2 |
| Care Leaver (CL) | 5 | 42 | 31 | 31 | 21 | 24 | 26 | 32 | 47 | 113 | 6 | 184 | 2 |
| subset CL resp. not known | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| subset CL KCC responsibility | 3 | 37 | 27 | 27 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| subset CL OOC responsibility | 2 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Supervised by YOT | 30 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 16 | 16 | 13 | 53 | 17 | 10 | 2 |
| Pregnancy | 21 | 17 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 9 | 12 | 3 |
| Parent not caring for own child | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| SEND (16-18 year olds) | 337 | 167 | 118 | 116 | 126 | 129 | 134 | 187 | 222 | 1397 | 447 | 323 | 279 |
| SEND (19+ year olds) | 262 | 236 | 197 | 172 | 160 | 123 | 67 | 41 | 14 | 699 | 436 | 406 | 390 |
| Total 16-18 not known with at least one vulnerable group | 522 | 283 | 221 | 217 | 211 | 225 | 236 | 299 | 361 | | | | |
| Total 16-17 not known with at least one vulnerable group | | | | | | | | | | 1269 | 316 | 208 | 99 |

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| Table 8 Y12 & Y13 NEET Leavers & Joiners | 2016 | | | 2015 | | |
|--|------|-----|-------------------|------|-----|-------------------|
| | Y12 | Y13 | Y12 & 13 Total | Y12 | Y13 | Y12 & 13 Total |
| Leaving NEET Total | 18 | 41 | 59 | 23 | 49 | 72 |
| Education | 1 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| Employment | 11 | 26 | 37 | 8 | 26 | 34 |
| Government supported training | 5 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 16 | 24 |
| Re-engagement Provision | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transfer to another LA | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Age reached where no active record required | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Left England so no longer active record | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Found to be a duplicate record | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Deceased | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Custodial Sentence | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cannot Be Contacted | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Refused to disclose activity | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unknown Activity | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Reason | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joining NEET Total | 69 | 126 | 195 | 102 | 148 | 250 |
| Education | 28 | 29 | 57 | 23 | 14 | 37 |
| Employment | 4 | 8 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Training | 5 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 13 |
| Re-engagement Provision | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| From other area | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other (inc custodial sentence) | 32 | 86 | 118 | 67 | 123 | 190 |
| Difference (minus = Joiners>Leavers | -51 | -85 | -136 | -79 | -99 | -178 |

(a) Becoming EET

Fewer (59) young people, in Years 12 & 13, left the NEET population during December than was the case in November 2016 (117) and December 2015 (72).

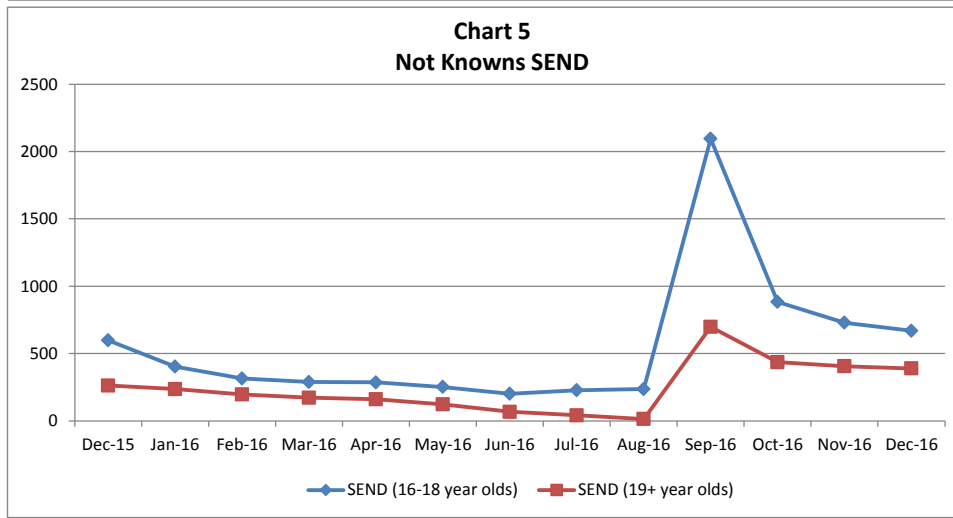
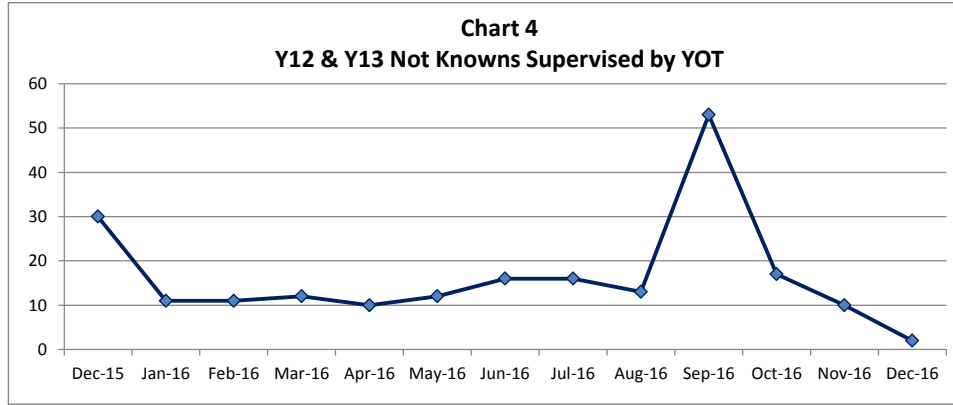
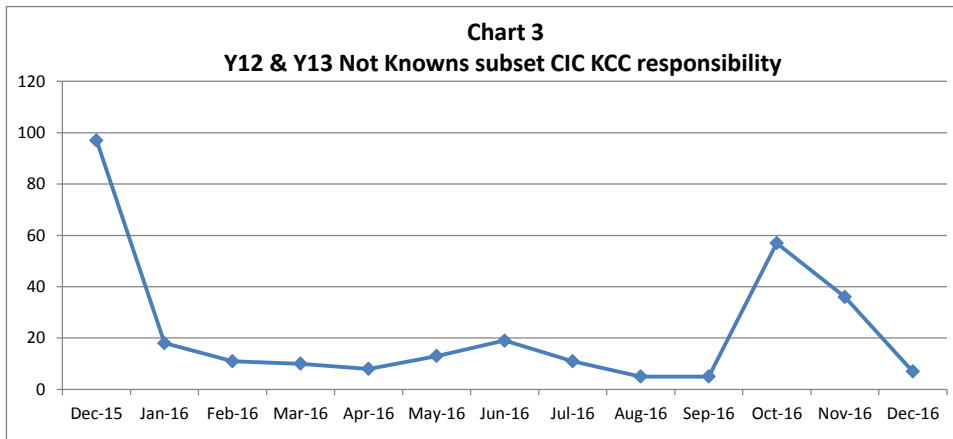
Employment was the most frequent (37 / 59) destination for young people becoming EET in both Years 12 & 13. This is a change from November when the most frequent destination for those in Year 13 was a training programme.

(b) Becoming NEET

The downward and positive trend in the number of those young people in Years 12 & 13 who are joining the NEET population, when compared to the same months in 2015, has been sustained. The comparative reductions in both November and December were respectively 65 and 55.

Where the reason for the young person becoming NEET has been recorded "leaving Education" accounts for the majority of the additional NEET population in both academic Years.

However "Other" is the most frequently recorded reason which does not assist with identifying and planning the preventative strategies required to reduce the risk of young people becoming NEET.



**Education and Young People's Services Performance Management
Kent/National/Statistical Neighbours
as at November 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 | 2.6% | 1.0% | 5.2% | -6.1% | 90.5% | 0.4% |

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 | 6 | 2.5% | 1.5% | 3.5% | 8 | 6.5% | 4.3% | 8.6% | 87.9% | 93.0% | 82.9% |
| East Sussex | 10 | 3.3% | 2.2% | 4.3% | 1 | 1.9% | 1.1% | 2.6% | 92.2% | 95.8% | 88.8% |
| Essex | 8 | 2.8% | 2.0% | 3.5% | 2 | 2.2% | 1.1% | 3.1% | 92.4% | 95.9% | 89.3% |
| Lancashire | 9 | 2.8% | 1.6% | 3.9% | 10 | 8.2% | 5.0% | 11.3% | 87.5% | 92.8% | 82.6% |
| Northamptonshire | 11 | 3.4% | 2.3% | 4.5% | 4 | 4.1% | 1.9% | 6.3% | 89.5% | 94.9% | 84.5% |
| Nottinghamshire | 2 | 1.6% | 1.2% | 2.0% | 3 | 3.8% | 1.0% | 6.3% | 94.2% | 97.3% | 91.3% |
| Staffordshire | 5 | 2.4% | 1.8% | 3.0% | 9 | 6.7% | 3.8% | 9.7% | 88.8% | 93.2% | 84.5% |
| Swindon | 7 | 2.7% | 1.3% | 4.0% | 5 | 4.5% | 2.7% | 6.2% | 90.8% | 95.3% | 86.4% |
| Warwickshire | 4 | 2.2% | 1.5% | 2.9% | 6 | 4.9% | 1.9% | 7.9% | 91.5% | 96.0% | 87.1% |
| West Sussex | 1 | 1.0% | 0.6% | 1.3% | 11 | 10.7% | 6.6% | 14.5% | 88.0% | 92.6% | 83.7% |
| Worcestershire | 3 | 2.0% | 1.7% | 2.3% | 7 | 5.0% | 2.8% | 7.1% | 91.2% | 94.7% | 87.7% |
| Mean Indicator for Statistical neighbours | | 2.4% | 1.6% | 3.2% | | 5.2% | 2.8% | 7.5% | 90.6% | 94.8% | 86.6% |

The data included in the table and the chart refers to November 2016.

Participation rates achieved with the Year 12 population by the county and its statistical neighbours varied little.

Additionally the performances with respect to the participation rates amongst the Year 13 populations were consistently lower than those achieved with young people in Year 12. The county's performance (82.9%) with this group was with one exception (Lancashire, 82.6%) the weakest when compared with the outcomes recorded by statistical neighbours.

During November the Kent performance (2.5%), with respect to the percentage of the Years 12 & 13 population recorded as being NEET, was:

- (i) stronger than the average (2.6%) for all Authorities in England
- (ii) within 0.1% of the mean (2.4%) for the county's statistical neighbours
- (iii) 6th in a table of 11 Authorities as regards the outcomes achieved with young people in both Year groups
- (iv) either stronger or as strong as all but three of the statistical neighbours with regard to the percentage of young people in Year 12 recorded as NEET – there was a similar finding when reviewing the October data for the same group of Local Authorities
- (v) with respect to young people in Year 13 stronger than all but five of the statistical neighbours

The table suggests that, with respect to the percentage of young people whose status is Not Known, the county can learn from our statistical neighbours as to how they achieve much stronger performances with regard to monitoring the destinations of those young people in the Year 12 cohort.

Chart 6 Statistical Neighbours NEETs November 2016

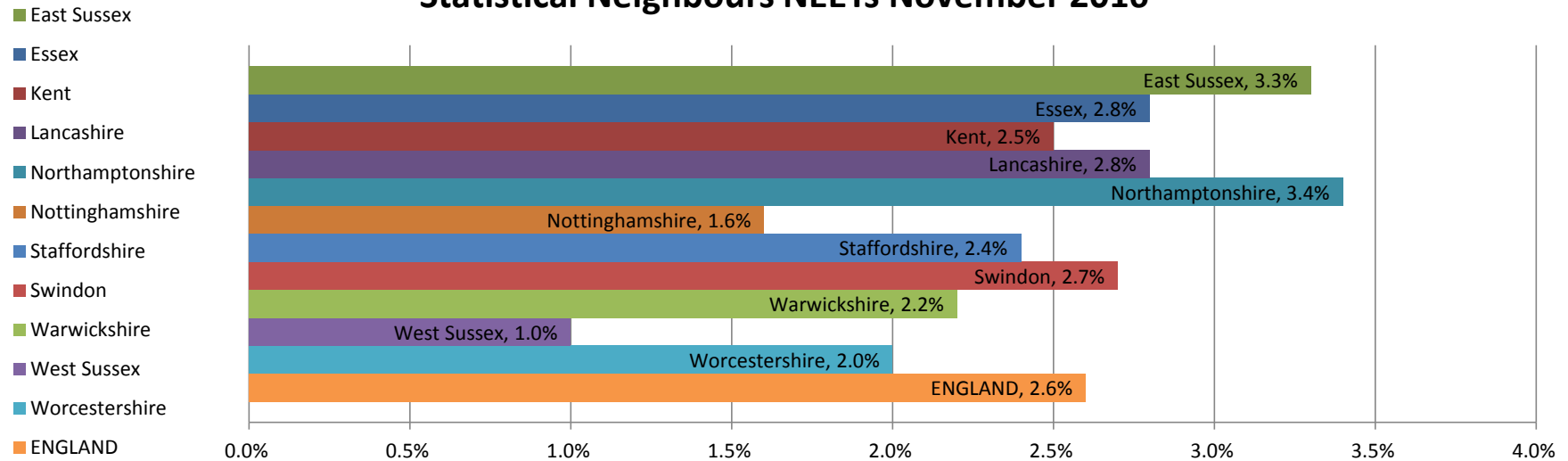


Chart 7 Statistical Neighbours Not Knowns November 2016

