22056 NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY (NSS) REPORT

The **National Student Survey (NSS)** report consists of three downloadable files;

- Person - The person file is a list of all students to be included in the NSS population.
- Subject - The subject file is a list of all students in the NSS person file and the subjects they are studying.
- Exclude - The exclude file is a list of all students excluded from the NSS population and the reason why.

NSS Person File

This is a list of all students to be included in the NSS population.

The NSS person download is supplied as an XML file and as a CSV (Comma Separated Value) file containing the following fields.

Field	Name in output	Field length
Student.SID	SID	17
UKPRN*	UKPRN	8
Engagement.NUMHUS	NUMHUS	50
Student.OWNSTU	OWNSTU	50
Engagement.OWNENGID	OWNENGID	50
Student.SURNAME	SURNAME	100
Student.FNAMES	FNAMES	100
Student.BIRTHDTE	BIRTHDTE	10
Student.SEXID	SEXID	2
Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE	ENGSTARTDATE	10
Engagement.ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE	ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE	10
StudentCourseSession.SCSSTARTDATE	SCSSTARTDATE	10
StudentCourseSession.SCSMODE	SCSMODE	2
StudentCourseSession.INTERCALATION	INTERCALATION	2
Course.COURSEID	COURSEID	50
CourseReference.COURSEREFRNCID where CourseReference.COURSEREFRNCIDTYPE=01	COURSEREFRNCID	50
Course.COURSETITLE	COURSETITLE	255
StudyLocation.VENUEID	VENUEID	50
NSSHEALTHCARE*	NSSHEALTHCARE	1
NSS_ITT*	NSS_ITT	1
Z_STULOADSCS	Z_STULOAD	4,1
TOTFTE*	TOTFTE	4,1

*Fields which do not appear in the data dictionary:

- UKPRN - UK provider reference number
- NSSHEALTHCARE - Identifies if the student is on a course regulated by a health or social care body.

- NSS_ITT - Identifies if the student is on an ITT course.
- TOTFTE (TOTFTE): Total FTE calculation

NSS Subject File

This is a list of all students in the NSS person file and the subjects they are studying, split by CAH groupings. Please note that Students can appear multiple times.

The NSS Subject download is supplied as an XML file and as a CSV (Comma Separated Value) file containing the following fields.

Field	Name in output	Field length
Student.SID	SID	17
UKPRN*	UKPRN	8
Engagement.NUMHUS	NUMHUS	50
Student.OWNSTU	OWNSTU	50
Engagement.OWNENGID	OWNENGID	50
Z_SUBJHECOS*	Z_SUBJHECOS	7
Z_SUBJCAHGRP1*	Z_SUBJCAHGRP1	2
Z_SUBJCAHGRP2*	Z_SUBJCAHGRP2	5
Z_SUBJCAHGRP3*	Z_SUBJCAHGRP3	8
Z_SUBJFPE*	Z_SUBJFPE	6,3

*Fields which do not appear in the data dictionary:

- UKPRN - UK provider reference number
- Derived fields (fields prefixed with a 'Z_') – These are HESA provided field created from collected data and/or other derived fields. Further information about individual derived fields can be found on the HESA coding manual, https://codingmanual.hesa.ac.uk/22056/home

NSS exclude file

This is a list of all students excluded from the NSS population and reasons why.

The NSS Exclusion download is supplied as an XML file and as a CSV (Comma Separated Value) file containing the following fields.

Field	Name in output	Field length
Student.SID	SID	17
UKPRN*	UKPRN	8
Engagement.NUMHUS	NUMHUS	50
Student.OWNSTU	OWNSTU	50
Engagement.OWNENGID	OWNENGID	50
Student.BIRTHDTE	BIRTHDTE	10
Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE	ENGSTARTDATE	10
Engagement.ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE	ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE	10
StudentCourseSession.SCSSTARTDATE	SCSSTARTDATE	10
StudentCourseSession.SCSMODE	SCSMODE	2

Course.COURSEID	COURSEID	50
CourseReference.COURSEREFRNCID where CourseReference.COURSEREFRNCIDTYPE=01	COURSEREFRNCID	50
Course.COURSETITLE	COURSETITLE	255
StudyLocation.VENUEID	VENUEID	50
Leaver.ENGENDDATE	ENGENDDATE	10
NSSHEALTHCARE*	NSSHEALTHCARE	1
NSS_ITT*	NSS_ITT	1
Z_STULOADSCS	Z_STULOAD	4,1
Z_NONSTANDARDSCS	Z_NONSTANDARDSCS	1
Z_STATUSENDSCS	Z_STATUSENDSCS	2
Z_AGEJUL	Z_AGEJUL	3
TOTFTE*	TOTFTE	4,1
EXCLUDE*	EXCLUDE CODE	2
EXCLUDE TEXT*	EXCLUDE REASON	100

*Fields which do not appear in the data dictionary:

- UKPRN - UK provider reference number
- NSSHEALTHCARE - Identifies if the student is on a course regulated by a health or social care body.
- NSS_ITT - Identifies if the student is on an ITT course.
- Derived fields (fields prefixed with a 'Z_') – These are HESA provided field created from collected data and/or other derived fields. Further information about individual derived fields can be found on the HESA coding manual, https://codingmanual.hesa.ac.uk/22056/home
- TOTFTE - Total FTE calculation
- EXCLUDE and EXCLUDE TEXT – Reason for exclusion and associated code- see below.

Calculation of processing fields

Unless otherwise stated, use data from the latest student course session.

TOTFTE

Represents the rough sum of Engagement student load since the student was last in the NSS population.

For providers at England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Open University Scotland

Step 1

If student in 21051/4 NSS list (T_21051/4_NSS link on UKPRN, SID, and NUMHUS)

then TOTFTE = Z_STULOAD_CYC

or

If student in 20051/4 NSS list (T_20051/4_NSS link on UKPRN, SID, and NUMHUS)

then TOTFTE = Z_STULOAD_CYC + _LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOAD_CYC (which is in migrated data)

Else

Where Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE < 01-08-2021 then

TOTFTE = Z_STULOAD_CYC + 2(_LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOAD_CYC)

Where

Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE >= 01-08-2021 then

TOTFTE = Z_STULOAD_CYC + _LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOAD_CYC

Step 2 – apply to all

TOTFTE = TOTFTE + Z_STULOAD_CYC

For providers in Scotland (excluding Open University Scotland)

Always use Z_STULOADSCS from Student Course Sessions that have a SCSENDDATE, there could be

multiple in which case take both.

Step 1

If student in 21051/4 NSS list (T_21051/4_NSS link on UKPRN, SID, and NUMHUS)

then TOTFTE = Z_STULOADSCS

or

If student in 20051/4 NSS list (T_20051/4_NSS link on UKPRN, SID, and NUMHUS)

then TOTFTE = Z_STULOADSCS + _LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOADSCS (which is in migrated data)

Else

Where Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE < 01-08-2021 then

TOTFTE = Z_STULOADSCS + 2(_LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOADSCS)

Where

Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE >= 01-08-2021 then

TOTFTE = Z_STULOADSCS + _LatestSignedOff.Z_STULOADSCS

Step 2 – apply to all

If Z_NONSTANDARDSCS = 1 then

TOTFTE = TOTFTE

If Z_NONSTANDARDSCS = 0 then

TOTFTE = TOTFTE + Z_STULOADSCS

NB: TOTFTE is a rough measure of FTE designed to aid exclusion of courses with low FTE, it should not be relied on as a fully accurate measure of FTE. Comparisons of TOTFTE between Scotland and other nations are not valid.

NHSHEALTHCARE

If latest associated Course (using latest StudentCourseSession) has valid

CurriculumAccreditation.CURRACCID and not in (00102, 00103, 00104, 12101, 06502, 06602, 06503, 06603, 99801, 99802, 99803)

THEN

SET NSSHEALTHCARE to 1

ELSE

SET NSSHEALTHCARE to 0;

NB: Valid CurriculumAccreditation.CURRACCID is where

CurriculumAccreditation.CURRACCVALIDFROM and CurriculumAccreditation.CURRACCVALIDTO

overlap Collection.RefPeriodEnd

ITT

If Course.TTCID = 01,02, or 06

THEN

SET NSS_ITT to 1

ELSE

SET NSS_ITT to 0.

Calculating the NSS population

Used to populate the Person and Exclude files.
Unless otherwise stated use data from the latest StudentCourseSession.
Start by excluding the following students in top down order so that the umber of potential students identified to be in the NSS list is gradually reduced.

		Exclude code
Z_LEVELGRP1 <> 02 or Z_LEVEL in (H0009, H0010, H0013, I0002)	0	01
In previous year's NSS list –(use Student.SID, Refdata - Provider.UKPRN, and Engagement.NUMHUS)	0	02
Engagement.INCOMINGEXCHANGE exists	0	03
Engagement.ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE (when known) not in upcoming NSS survey period (1 Feb 2024 to 31st Jan 2025), if not known then select if Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE greater than 1 Feb 2021. NB. 1st Feb 2021 is used to include students with no EXPECTEDENDDATE in population once they are in the fourth year of their course.	0	04
Z_EXPECTLENGRP1 in (01,02, 03) or Z_MODEGRP1 = 1 and Z_EXPECTLENGRP1 = Z9 and TOTFTE <= 100 or Z_MODEGRP1 = 2 and TOTFTE <= 100	0	05
Where Z_NONSTANDARDSCS = 1 and Z_INACTDATE <> 9999-12-31, difference between Z_INACTDATE and Engagement.ENGEXPECTEDENDDATE > 10 months Where Z_NONSTANDARDSCS = 0 and Z_STATUSSTART = 02 NB. This check excludes students who are dormant at the end of their student course session/ at the end of the reference period, except where they appear to be in their final year.	0	06
Difference between Leaver.ENGENDDATE and Engagement.EXPECTEDENDDATE > 10 months	0	06
Z_PRINONUK = 1	0	07
Course.CLSDCRS = 01	0	08
Qualification.QUALCAT = C0001	0	09
Z_AGEJUL is less than 16	0	10
Leaver.RSNENGEND = 05	0	11
Remove any duplicate Student.SID / Provider.UKPRN. If duplicate Student.SID and Provider.UKPRN exist in the population the hierarchy for selection is the one with: (i) Qualification.QUALCAT selected in the following order of priority M, H, I, J, C, then if still tied (ii) the lowest number (closest to 01) within that letter, then if still tied (iii) Engagement.ENGSTARTDATE (earliest), or if still tied (iv) Engagement.NUMHUS (lowest).	0	12

Otherwise	1	

These students (code 0) populate the NSS Exclude file with the below populating the EXCLUDE_TEXT, and EXCLUDE fields

Exclude code	EXCLUDE_TEXT
01	Qualification.QUALCAT not applicable to NSS population.
02	Student surveyed in previous year.
03	Incoming exchange student.
04	Expected end date not in survey period.
05	Course Length below 1 year.
06	Student has suspended studies prior to their final year.
07	Student studying abroad with more than 8 weeks in UK.
08	Student studying a closed course.
09	Student studying HNC course aim.
10	Student's age is less than 16 years on 31 July the year before the NSS survey period
11	Student is deceased
12	Student included using alternative Engagement and Qualification.QUALCAT.

All other students (code 1) populate the NSS Person File.