Post-16 consistent performance measures

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

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This briefing provides an update on the consistent post-16 performance measures.

Click <u>here</u> for the updated **Hwb playlist** which provides a summary of the development of the measures.

We welcome your **feedback** on any aspects of the measures. If you have any questions or comments, please send them to post16quality@gov.wales.

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The measures:

Achievement

The completion and attainment of learners undertaking A level, vocational and Welsh Baccalaureate programmes.

Value added

The progress made by learners, over and above what would normally be expected based on their prior attainment and gender.



The proportion of learners who progress into further learning (including higher education) and/or employment.

Achievement

- We are reverting back to the original arrangements (pre-Covid) and will issue the **final 2022/23 achievement reports** to schools and colleges with the Consistent performance measures for post-16 learning (achievement) <u>statistical release</u> in March 2024. Individual school and college reports will be shared with Estyn.
- For colleges, the reports are available via **Objective Connect**. For schools, the reports are available via **DEWi**. An email will be sent once the reports are available.

Value added

• We are currently assessing whether the contextual benchmarks (issued alongside the achievement data) can replace a separate measure, as they also take into account the characteristics and prior performance of learners.

Destinations

- The <u>national level statistics</u> on destinations for **learners terminating a learning programme in 2020/21** were published on 31 October 2023.
- The individual school and college reports for 2020/21 were issued in January 2024 (via Objective Connect for FE and via DEWi for schools. If you have been unable to access your reports, please email post16quality@gov.wales.
- This measure is published on a different timescale to the achievement measures (to allow time for learners to progress into a sustained destination and for their data to be collected, matched and analysed).

What schools and colleges have already received/ is publicly available and what we are planning to issue going forward:			
Achievement			
$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	Achievement reports for 2016/17, 2017/18 & 2018/19 (the latter includes demographic benchmarks)	V	All-Wales statistics on the Achievement measures for 2016/17, 2017/18 & 2018/19
×	Achievement reports for 2019/20 & 2020/21 (due to the disruption to learning caused by COVID-19)	×	All-Wales statistics on the <u>outcomes for learners in post-16 education</u> <u>affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic</u> for 2019/20 & 2020/21
$\overline{\square}$	Achievement reports for 2021/22 – issued only for school and college use (not shared with Estyn)	V	All-Wales statistics on the Achievement measures 2021/22
	Achievement reports for 2022/23 (due end of March 2024)		All-Wales statistics on the Achievement measures for 2022/23 (due 14 March 2024)
Destinations			
V	Destination reports for 2015/16 & 2016/17 & 2020/21	V	<u>All-Wales statistics on the Destination measures</u> for 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20 & 2020/21
	Destination reports for 2021/22 (due September 2024)		All-Wales statistics on the Destination measures for 2021/22 (due September 2024)

Other Data

• The Welsh Government will no longer be publishing the school level sixth form data that used to feature in the All Wales Core Data Sets (the Level 3 threshold and wider points scores). The national level publication of examination results will continue with the raw grade distribution format reported throughout the pandemic.

Commission for Tertiary Education and Research (CTER)

- The Commission for Tertiary Education and Research (CTER) will be a new arm's length body responsible for funding and overseeing post-16 education and research from **August 2024**. This has changed from the original date of 1 April 2024 as set out in the <u>Written Statement</u> issued by the Minister for Education and Welsh Language on 24 January 2024.
- This will include further education, higher education, apprenticeships, school sixth forms, adult learning and government funded research and innovation.
- A series of <u>factsheets</u> have been developed to show how education settings will be affected by the establishment of CTER.
- For further information please visit www.gov.wales/tertiary-education-and-research-commission