

Data used in quality research funding allocations 2022/23

1. Only HEIs are eligible for research funding.
2. HEFCW implemented a new funding methodology for the 2022/23 QR funding allocation, following the outcomes of the consultation on implementing new research funding methods ([W22/23HE](#)). More information on the new method, and how it differs from the previous method is available in [W22/24HE: HEFCW's research funding method from AY 2022/23](#).
3. Data used to calculate 2022/23 QR funding were taken from REF 2021 and from the 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 [HESA finance record](#).
4. Since the implementation of the previous QR funding method, following REF 2014, all input data were frozen. This approach will be adopted in the new QR funding method implemented in 2022/23.
5. Only data for UoAs which were submitted to the REF 2021 were included in the calculation of QR funding. To be included in the calculation of 2022/23 QR funding, UoAs were also required to meet volume and sustainability thresholds – see Annex A of W22/24HE referred to above.

Charity income

6. Average charity income, awarded through an open competitive process, from the three most recent years of the HESA Finance record, were used in the 2022/23 QR funding method. Charity income (open competitive process) was mapped from HESA cost centres to REF 2021 UoAs to which the institution made a submission. The [mapping](#) was provided by UKRI.
7. HEIs were requested to verify the charity income (open competitive process) data and allowed to amend the data, as the mapping provided by UKRI did not completely reflect the charity income (open competitive process) which had been submitted to REF 2021 UoAs.
8. A reconciliation exercise between the verified charity income data described above used in the 2022/23 QR allocation and the actual charity income submitted to REF 2021 will be conducted in due course.