

LONDON HIGHER FACTSHEET 2015

STUDENTS IN HIGHER EDUCATION 2013/14 – LONDON



- A total of 382,605 students were registered at Higher Education (HE) providers in London, a decrease from the previous academic year by nearly 3,000.
- Over 6,000 students, or about 2% of the total, were writing up dissertations or carrying out sabbatical duties.
- The 376,270 PG and UG students in London were lower by 6,175, or 2%, from the previous year, and represented 16% of the 2.3 million HE students in the UK.
- London's HE students make up just under 5% of London's population of 8.17 million estimated in the 2011 Census.
- By level of study, there were 255,000 undergraduates (68%) and 121,000 postgraduates (32%) in London.
- Considering just full-time UK undergraduate students: 67,000 came to London from the rest of the UK while 91,000 students left London to study elsewhere.
- Over 89,000 students domiciled in London remained in the capital, making up 57% of full-time UK first degree students (44% in 2008/09).
- There were 104,000 overseas students in London comprising 28% of all students, and 24% of all overseas students in the UK were studying in London.
- Of the 376,000 HE students in London 58% were women; 37% were 25 years or older, and 9% had a declared disability.
- Ethnic minority students from the UK made up 46% of UK students in London, compared with 16% of students at all other HE providers in the rest of the UK.
- The three most popular subjects were Business & Administrative Studies (14% of all students), Allied Healthcare (12%) and Creative Arts & Design (12%).
- There were 8,000 students on Initial Teacher Training (ITT) courses in London and comprised 12% of 65,000 ITT students in the UK.
- Over 97,000 students were based outside of the UK while registered at a London HE provider or partner organisation and 86% of these were outside the EU.
- London's 'offshore' students made up 15% of all 637,000 such students registered with UK HE providers.
- About 65% of London's 'offshore' students were registered for first degree courses at a London HE provider outside of the EU.
- Of 141,000 HE qualifications awarded in London, 43% were at postgraduate level, 46% were for first degrees and 11% for other undergraduate degrees.

Source: [Students in Higher Education, 2013/14](#). Higher Education Statistics Agency Limited (HESA), February 2015.

Notes:

(i) FE students are excluded from datasets.

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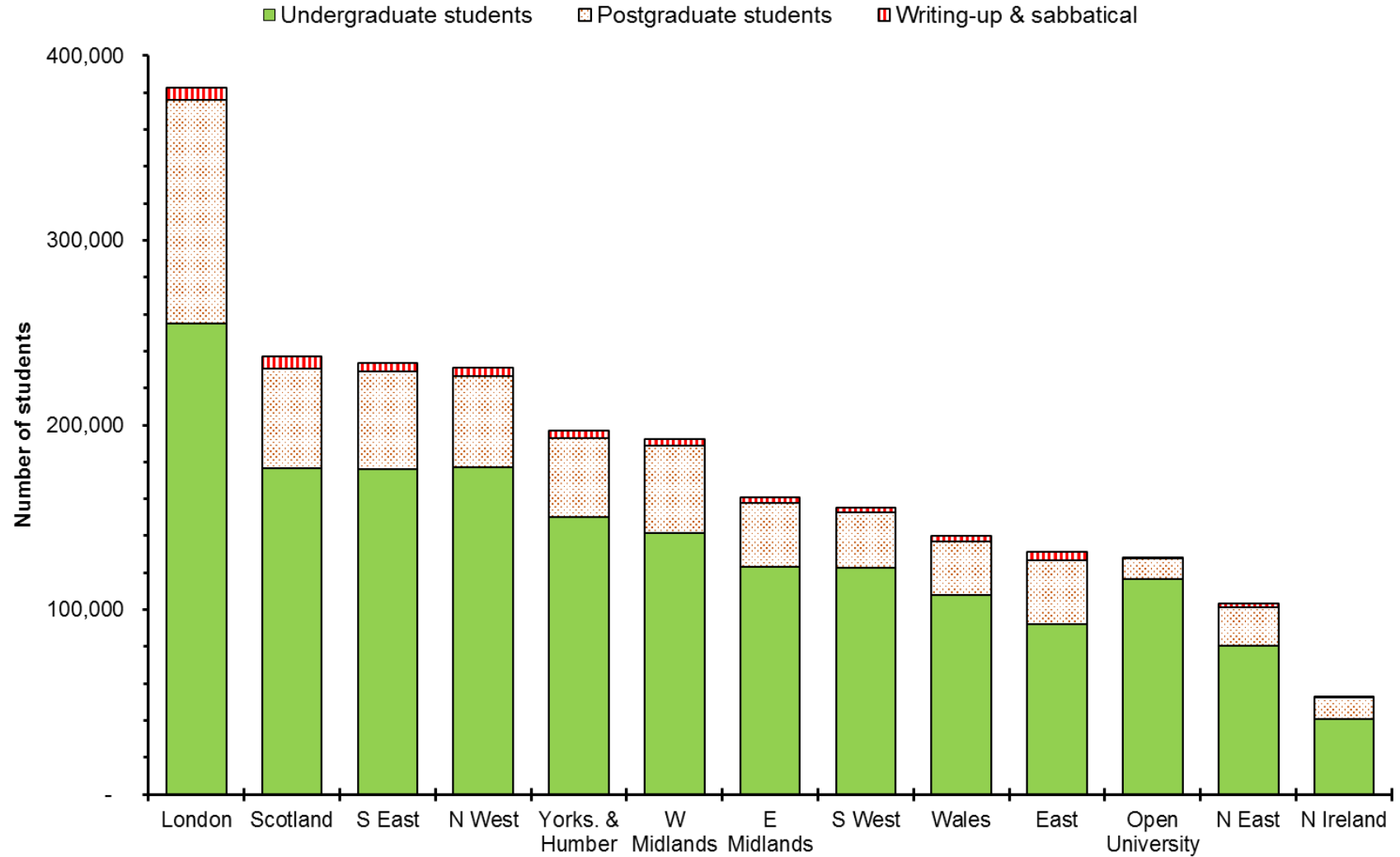
(iii) All figures, unless stated, refer to 40 of 41 HE providers in Greater London region excluding The Open University in London (data not available).

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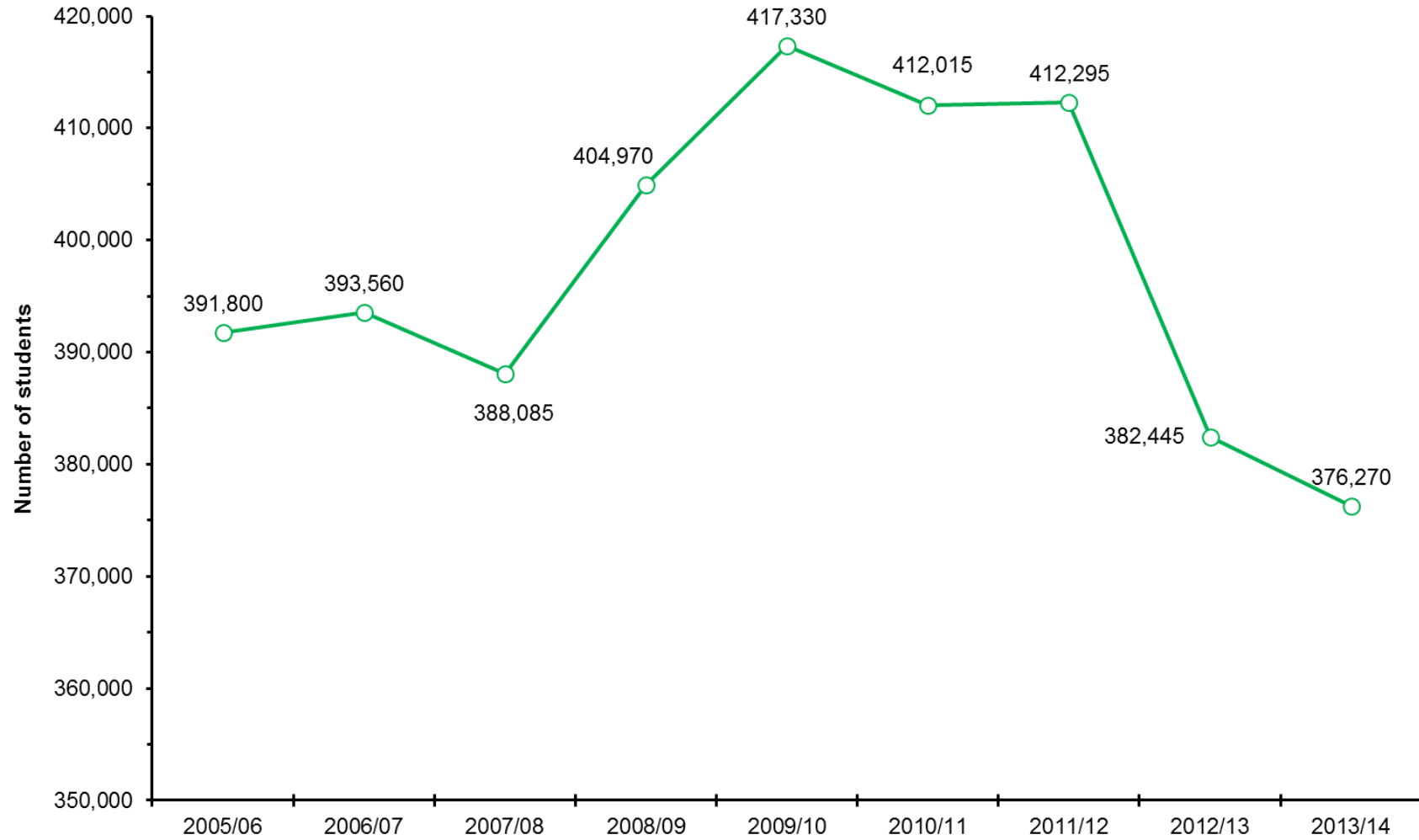
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HE students by UK region



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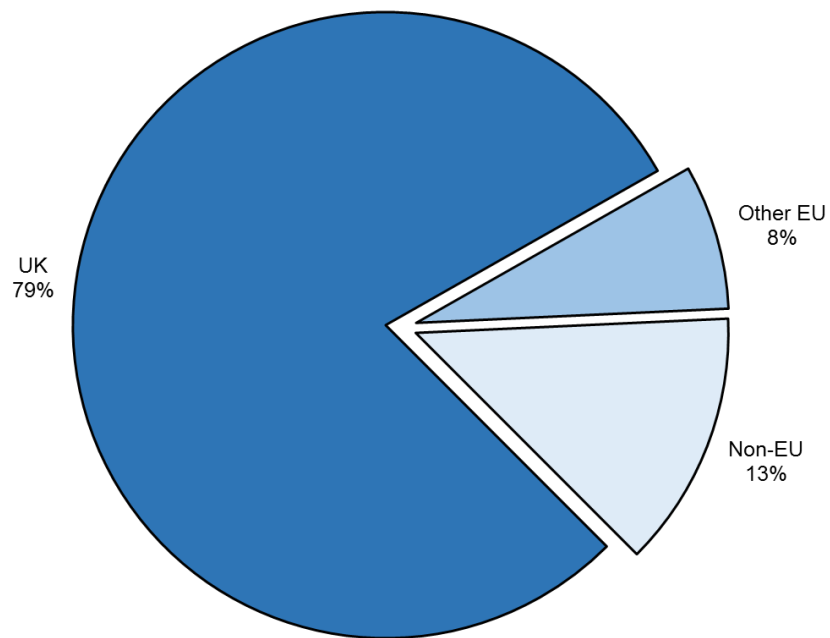
HE students in London, 2005 to 2014
(excl. writing up, sabbatical and FE students)



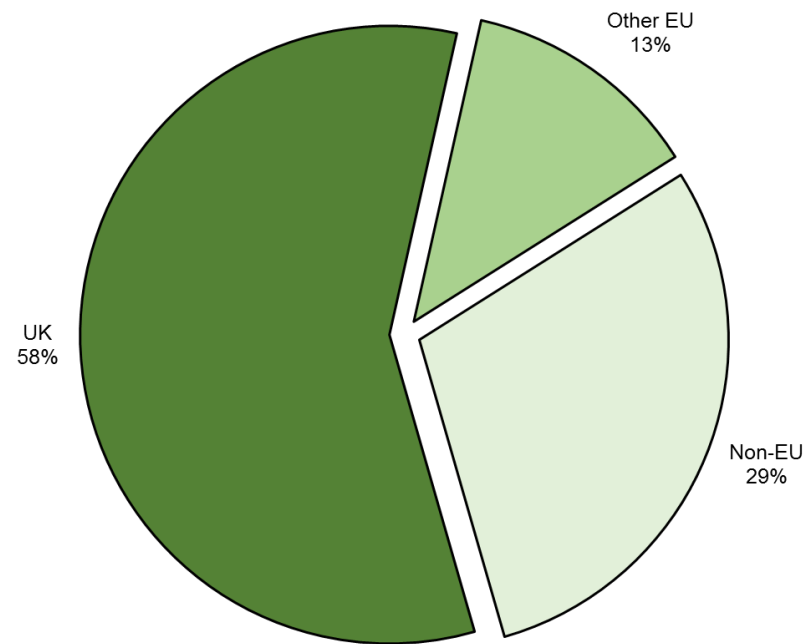
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Domicile of HE students in London by level of study

Undergraduate students by domicile (n = 376,270)

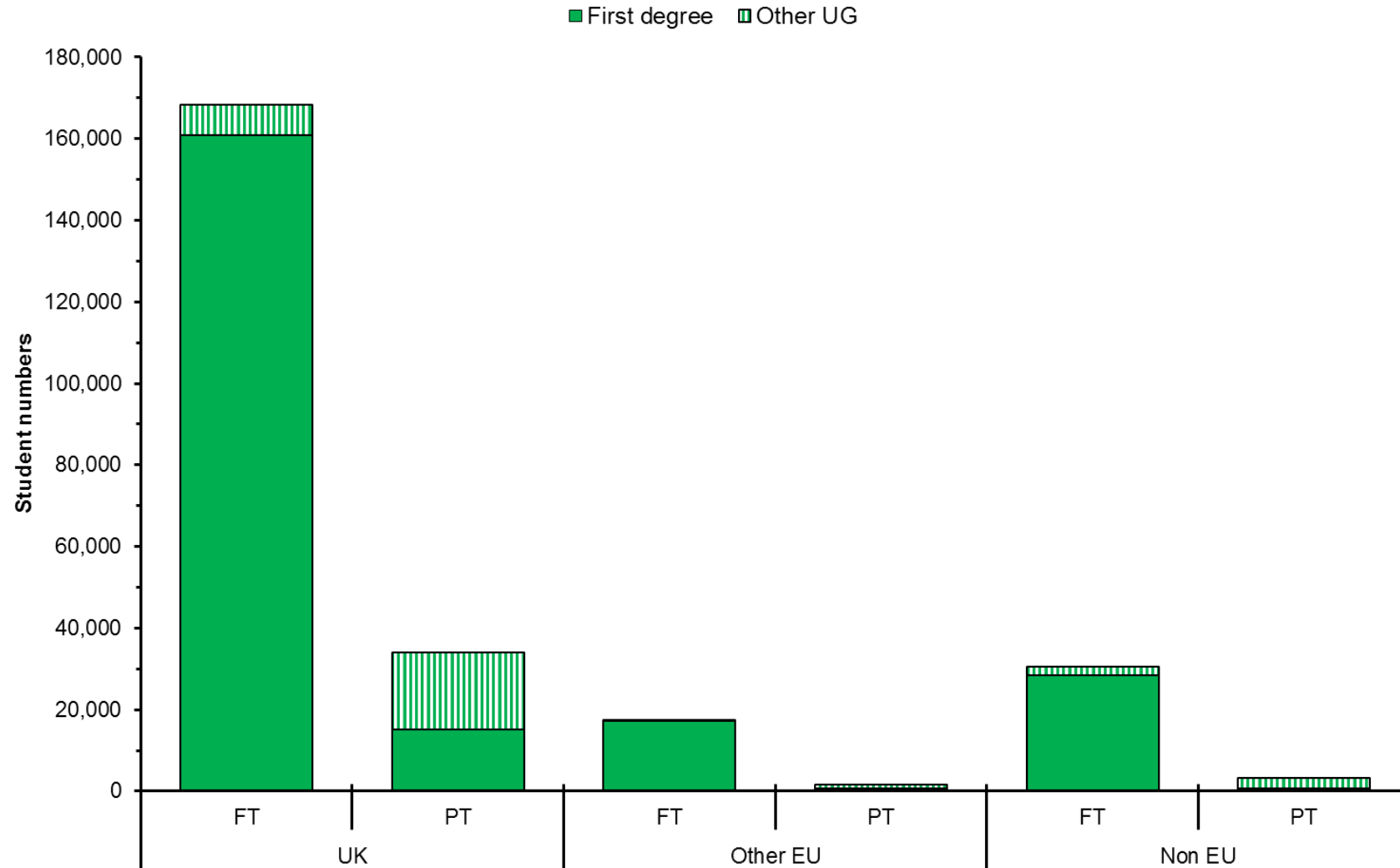


Postgraduate students by domicile (n = 121,110)



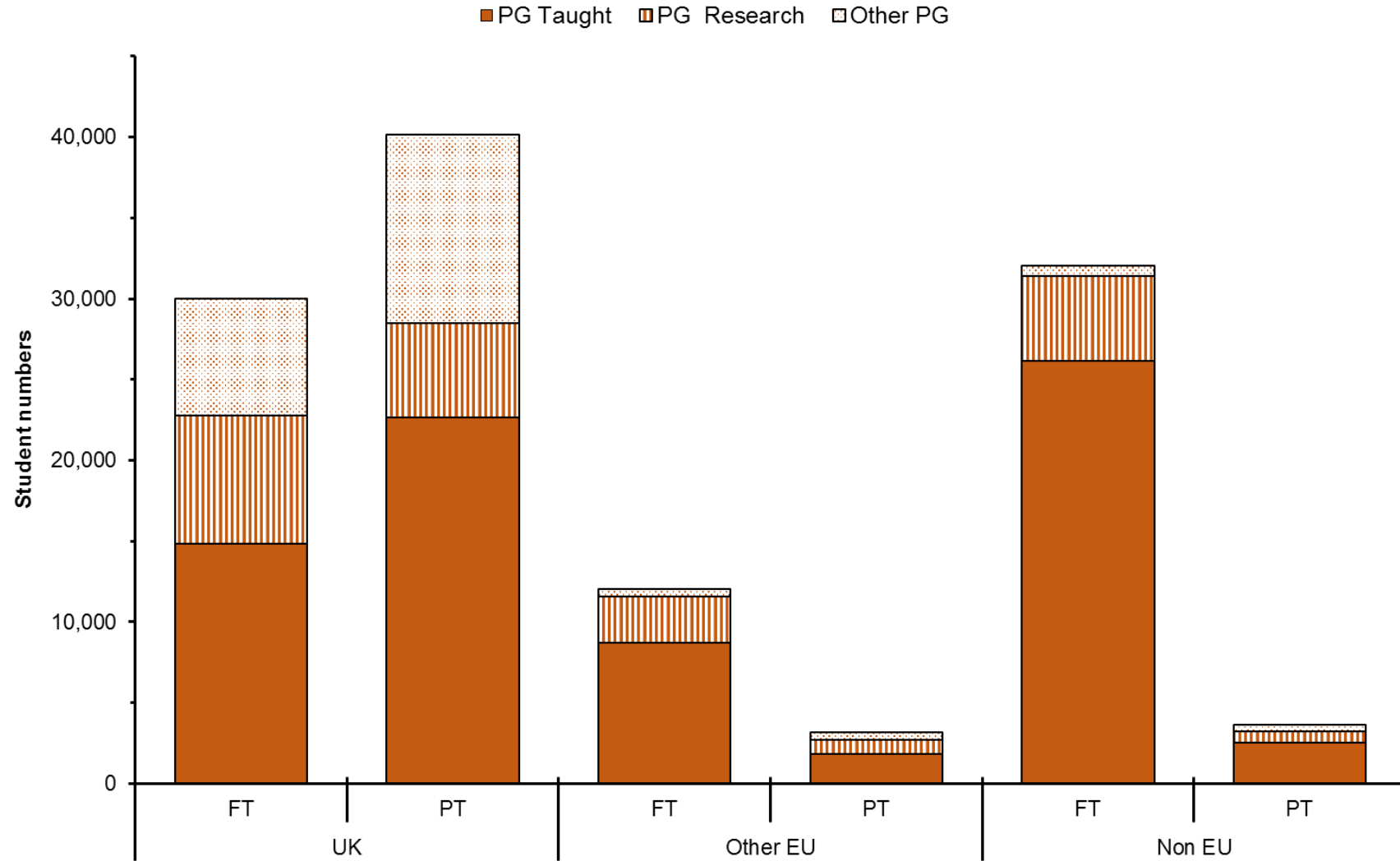
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All undergraduate students in London by mode and domicile



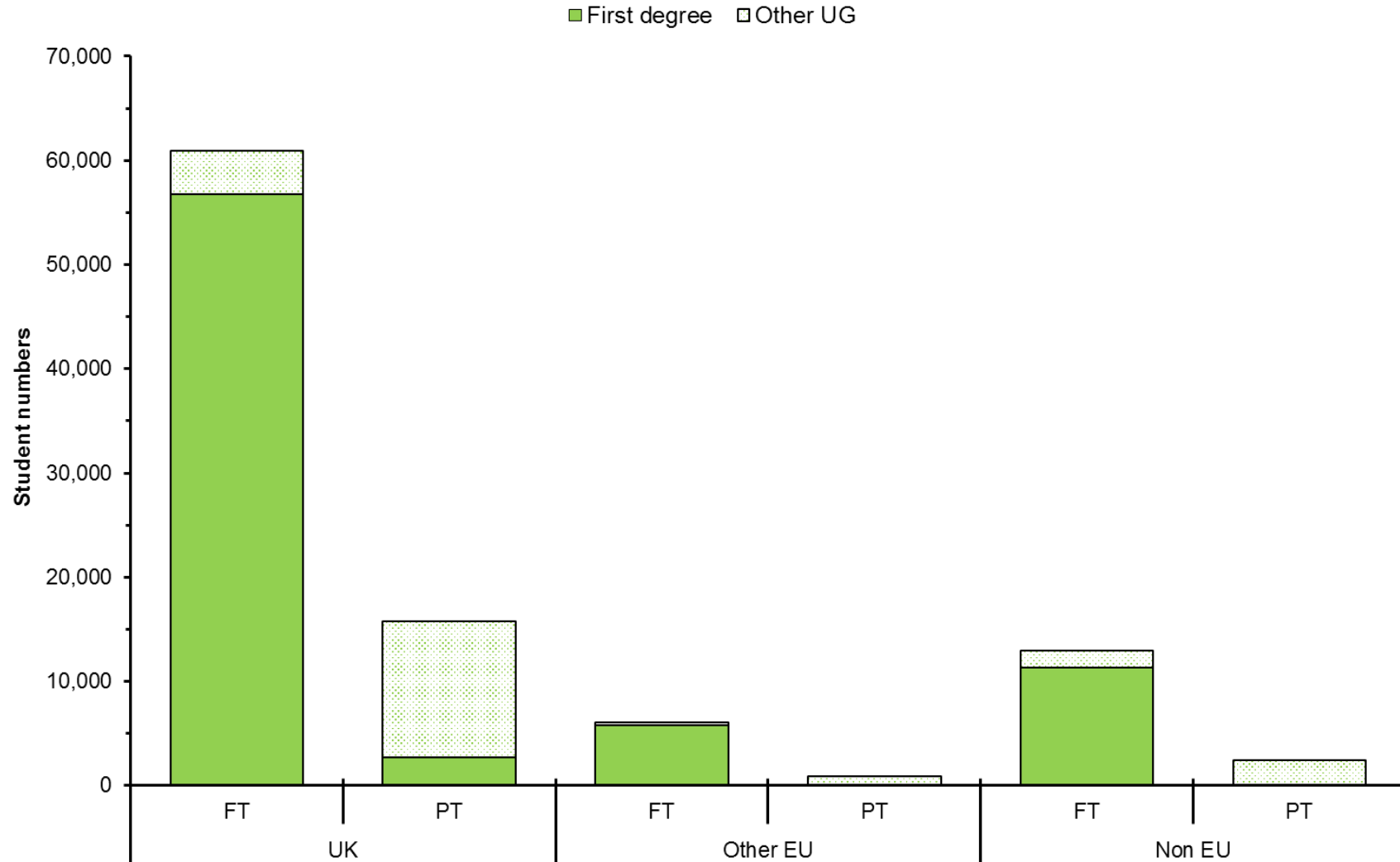
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All postgraduate students in London by mode of study and domicile



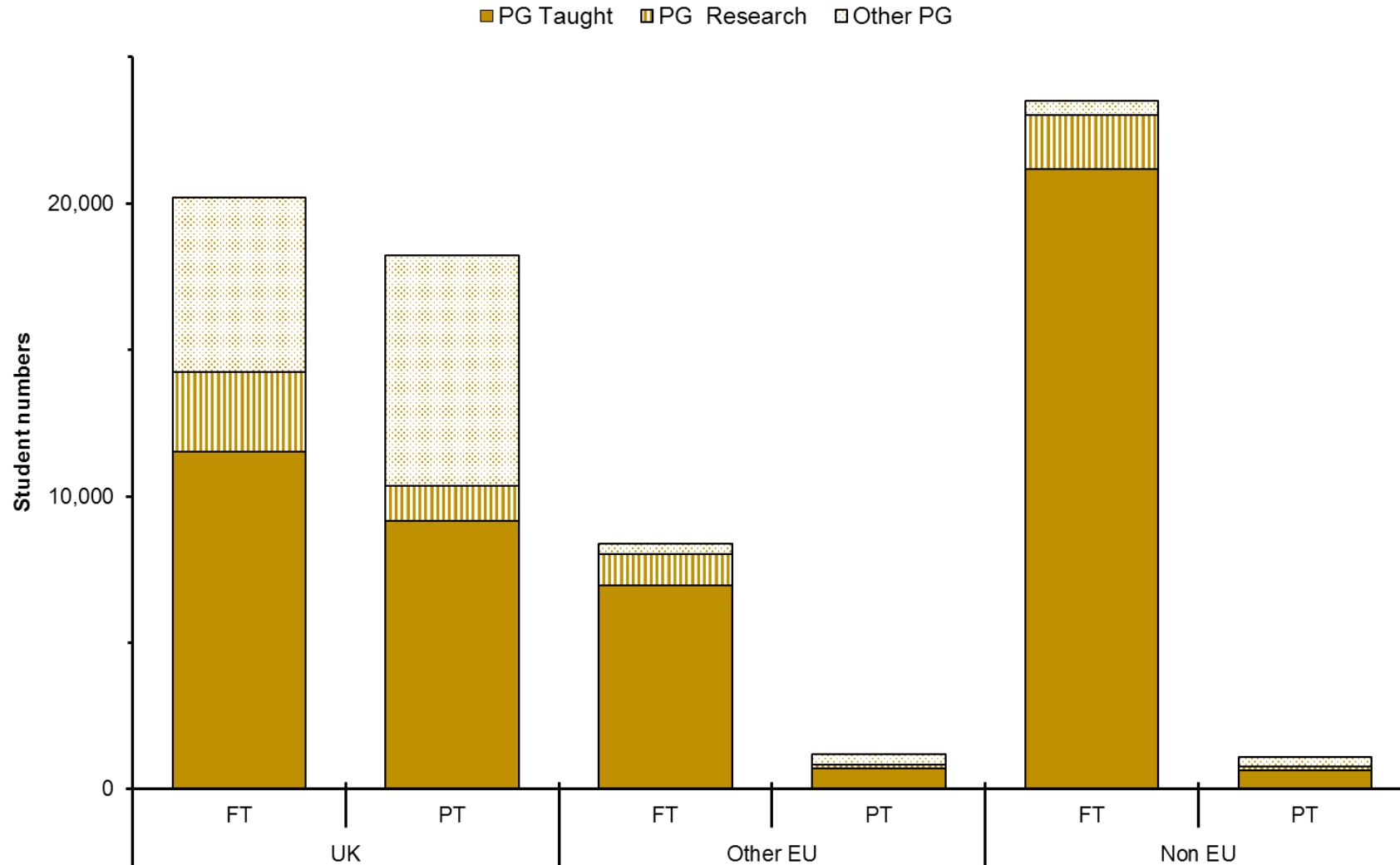
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First year undergraduates in London by mode and domicile



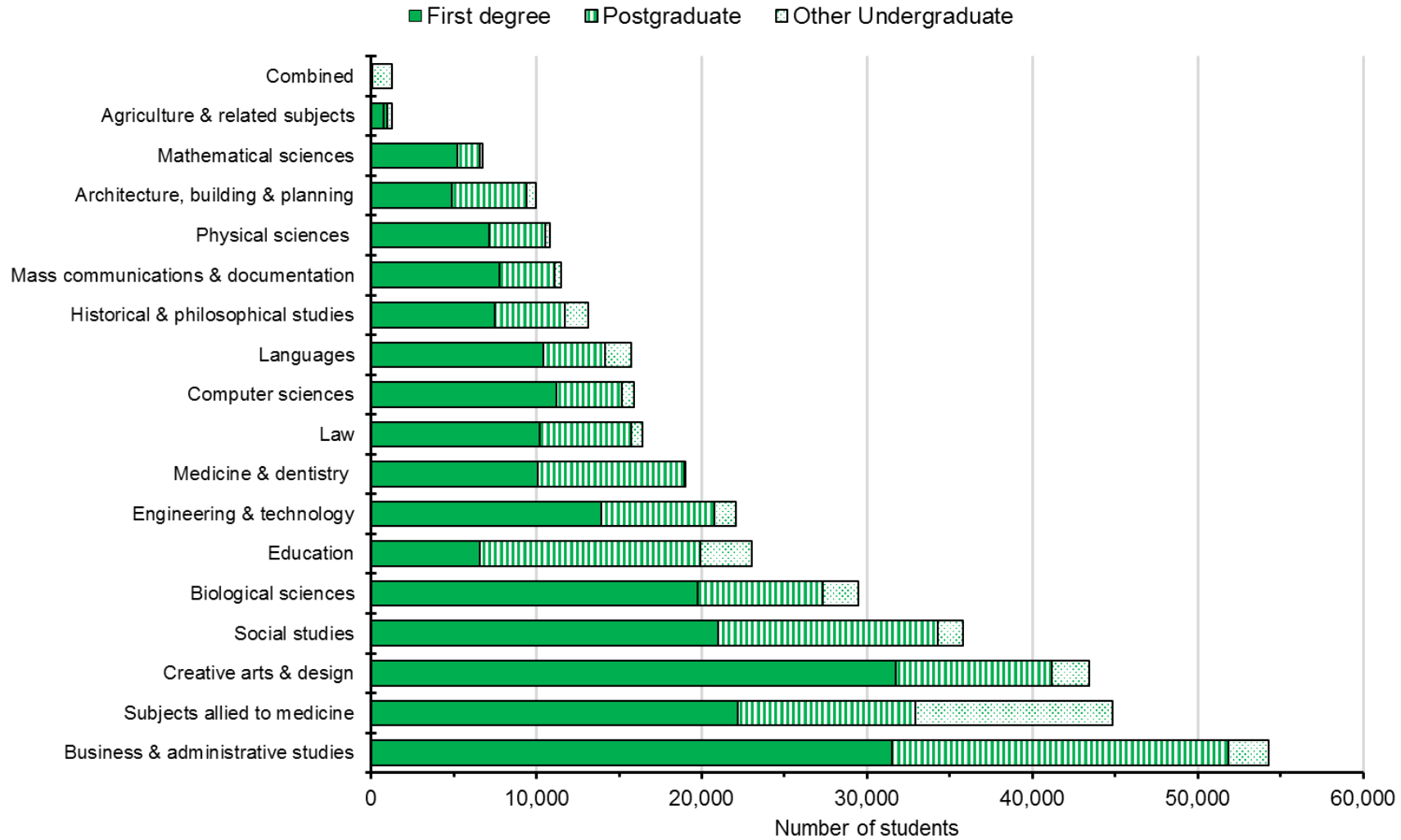
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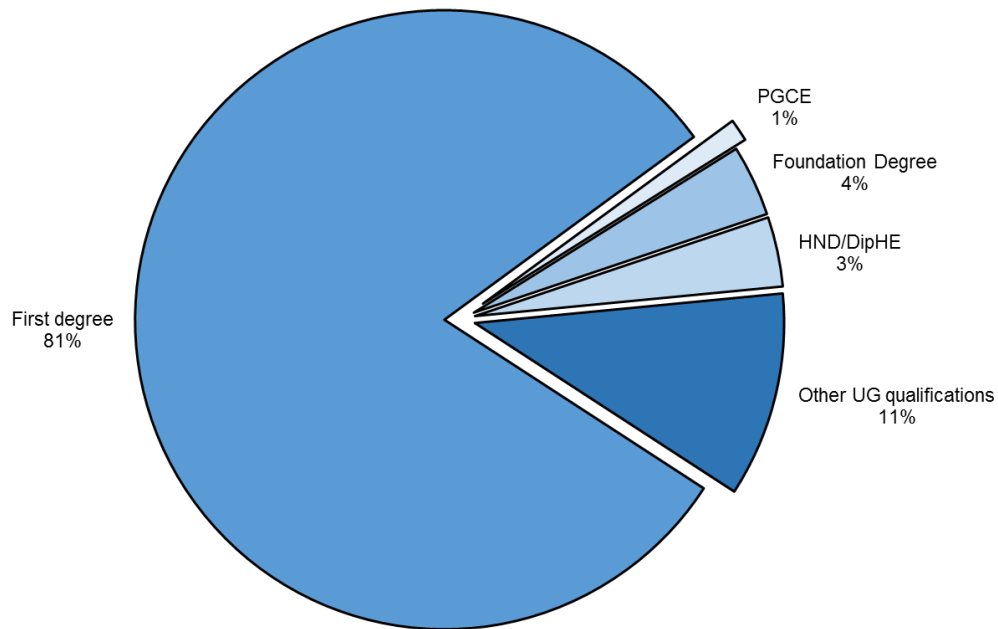
Numbers of students in London by subject and level of study



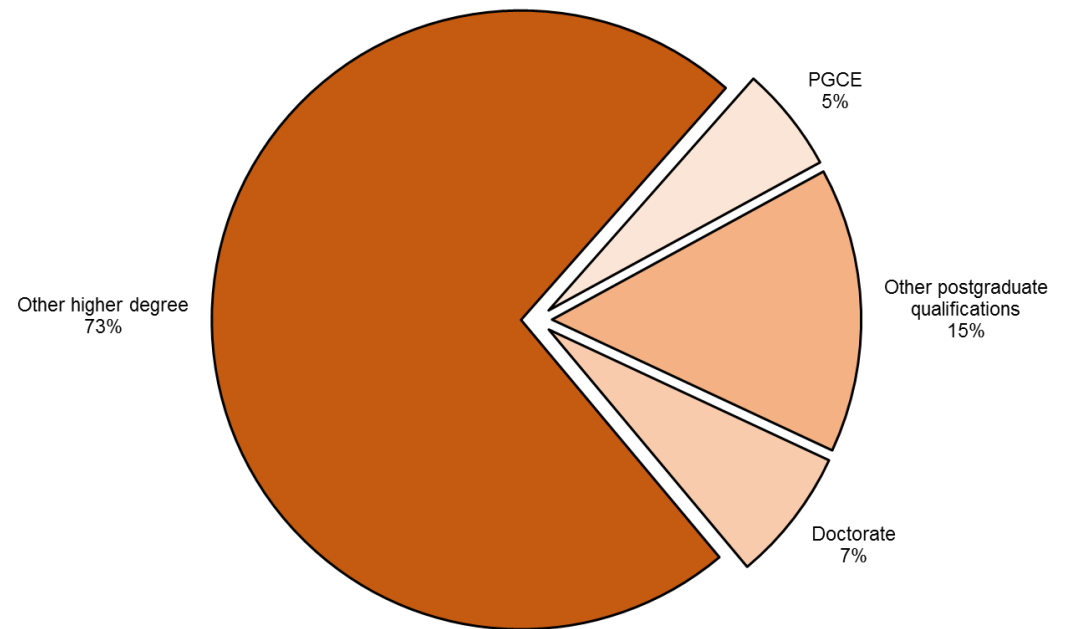
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Qualifications by HE students in London

Undergraduate qualifications (n=80,105)



Postgraduate qualifications (n=61,050)



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Provision for 'offshore' students by UK region

