

Comparison of Foundation Programme allocation results

Table 1. Comparison of allocation results for FP 2023 and FP 2024, showing the cumulative percentage of applicants that were allocated to each preference of Foundation School.

Foundation School Preference	Cumulative percentage of applicants for FP 2023	Cumulative percentage of applicants for FP 2024
1	71.02	75.42
2	85.64	82.94
3	90.10	87.32
4	92.70	90.24
5	94.99	92.40
6	96.53	94.32
7	97.44	95.82
8	98.12	96.63
9	98.57**	97.41
10	98.91	97.94
11	99.12	98.39
12	99.26	98.74
13	99.39	99.05
14	99.58	99.23
15	99.69	99.38
16	99.79	99.51
17	99.91	99.63
18*	99.99	100.00
19*	100.00	N/A

*Please note that in 2024 the number of foundation schools reduced to 18.

** Figure corrected on 19 March 2026

Table 2: Comparison of allocation results from FP 2017- FP 2024 showing the cumulative percentage of applicants that received their 1st preference, or one of their top 2 or top 5 preferences of Foundation School.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1st preference	74%	77%	78% [†]	75%	75%	74%	71%	75%
Top 2 preferences	82%	84%	85% [†]	83%	83%	86%	86%	83%
Top 5 preferences	94%	95% [†]	96% [†]	94%	94%	94% [†]	95%	92%

[†] Figures corrected on 13 August 2026