Higher Education Funding and Access: Introduction to the Issues

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University participation rates by family background, 2005/6

Free School Meals receipt
- yes: 13
- no: 33

% of children in local area with graduate parents
- bottom fifth: 17
- top fifth: 54

% of children in local area who are in low income families
- bottom fifth: 48
- top fifth: 21
2012 reforms

• include a rise in the maximum UG fee in England to £9,000 p.a.

• fees depend on
  – where you live
  – where you apply to

• reports from UCAS, Independent Commission on Fees, and Higher Education Policy Institute
Application rates to UK universities by country of domicile: 18 year olds
Application rates to UK universities by quintile groups of local area income: 18 year olds in England