

Uni Connect monitoring data 2022-23

Uni Connect partnerships submitted monitoring reports to the Office for Students (OfS) in October 2023 for delivery of the programme in the 2022-23 academic year. These allowed us to gain a clear picture of how the partnerships are delivering activity to:

- meet the programme aims
- inform evaluation of the programme
- inform future policy and funding development.

Partnerships submit a monitoring report which collects information on finances, governance and operations, alongside an activity and learner engagement tracking report, produced by their chosen tracking system, which provides aggregated data on activities delivered and learners engaged.

Monitoring data tables

The data in this document features in the Uni Connect 2022-23 data snapshot report¹ and is taken from the OfS monitoring reports and tracking reports, covering the academic year August 2022 to July 2023. This is a continuation of previous data reporting collected from programme monitoring and reports on the same categories as the previous 2021-22 snapshot report.²

Table 1: Uni Connect learner engagement – total number of learners engaged in Uni Connect activities, as reported in the 2022-2023 tracking reports

Period	Number of Uni Connect learners engaged
Since launch	1,512,282
August 2022 – July 2023	388,055

Table 2: School and college engagement – total number of schools and colleges engaged in Uni Connect, as reported in the 2022-23 OfS monitoring returns

School and college engagement	Number of schools and colleges
Schools and colleges engaged in Uni Connect activity	2,079
Schools and colleges received Uni Connect funding	605
Schools or colleges with a Uni Connect funded member of staff employed or based at the school or college	244

¹ See www.officeforstudents.org.uk/publications/uni-connect-data-snapshot-2022-23/.

² See www.officeforstudents.org.uk/publications/uni-connect-data-snapshot-2021-22/.

Table 3: Groups engaged in Uni Connect activities – number of partnerships engaging with different groups through strategic outreach initiatives, as reported in the 2022-23 OfS monitoring returns

Groups engaged	Number of partnerships working with the group
Areas of lower higher education participation	28
Care leavers	27
Teachers/Advisers	26
Parents/Carers	25
Disabled learners	25
Black, Asian and minority ethnic learners	21
Carers	20
Adult learners	16
Children of military families	15
Learners estranged from their families	15
Refugees	14
Gypsy, Traveller, Roma, Showmen and Boater communities	11
Other*	10

* Examples of groups in the 'Other' category include people not in employment, education or training (NEET) and local charities and their service users.

Table 4: Uni Connect activity delivered, as reported in the 2022-2023 tracking reports

Activity type	Number of activities as percentage of programme
Information, advice and guidance	39%
Skills and attainment (including tutoring)	25%
Mentoring	17%
Subject masterclass/subject insight	10%
Campus visit	6%
Staff development	2%
Parent and carer engagement	1%
Total	100%

Table 5: Uni Connect collaborative partnerships – partners involved in Uni Connect, as reported in the 2022-23 OfS monitoring returns

Type of organisation	Number of partners
Colleges	174
Universities	147
Local authorities and Local Enterprise Partnerships	134
Other organisations	61
Charities	41
Employers	8

Table 6: Working with other partners – organisations collaborating with Uni Connect partnerships, as reported in the 2022-23 OfS monitoring returns

Type of stakeholder	Number of partnerships
Careers and Enterprise Company (CEC)	28
Local authorities	28
Local Enterprise Partnerships	25
Employers	22
Student Loans Company (SLC)	21
NHS Trusts	20
Other*	15
National Career Service	13
National Citizen Service (NCS)	11
Opportunity area leads	8
Jobcentre Plus	5
Housing associations	1
National Tutoring Programme**	0

* Examples of stakeholders in the 'Other' category include charities and community interest companies (CICs), local careers hubs and providers, college consortiums, school and headteacher networks, virtual schools, UCAS, SCiP Alliance and ASK apprenticeships.

** Although a zero figure this year, this continued to be captured in our reporting for 2022-23 and is included in the snapshot as a continuation of the data collected in the previous year.

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