Access and Admissions to Higher Education

Managing admissions in a changing landscape

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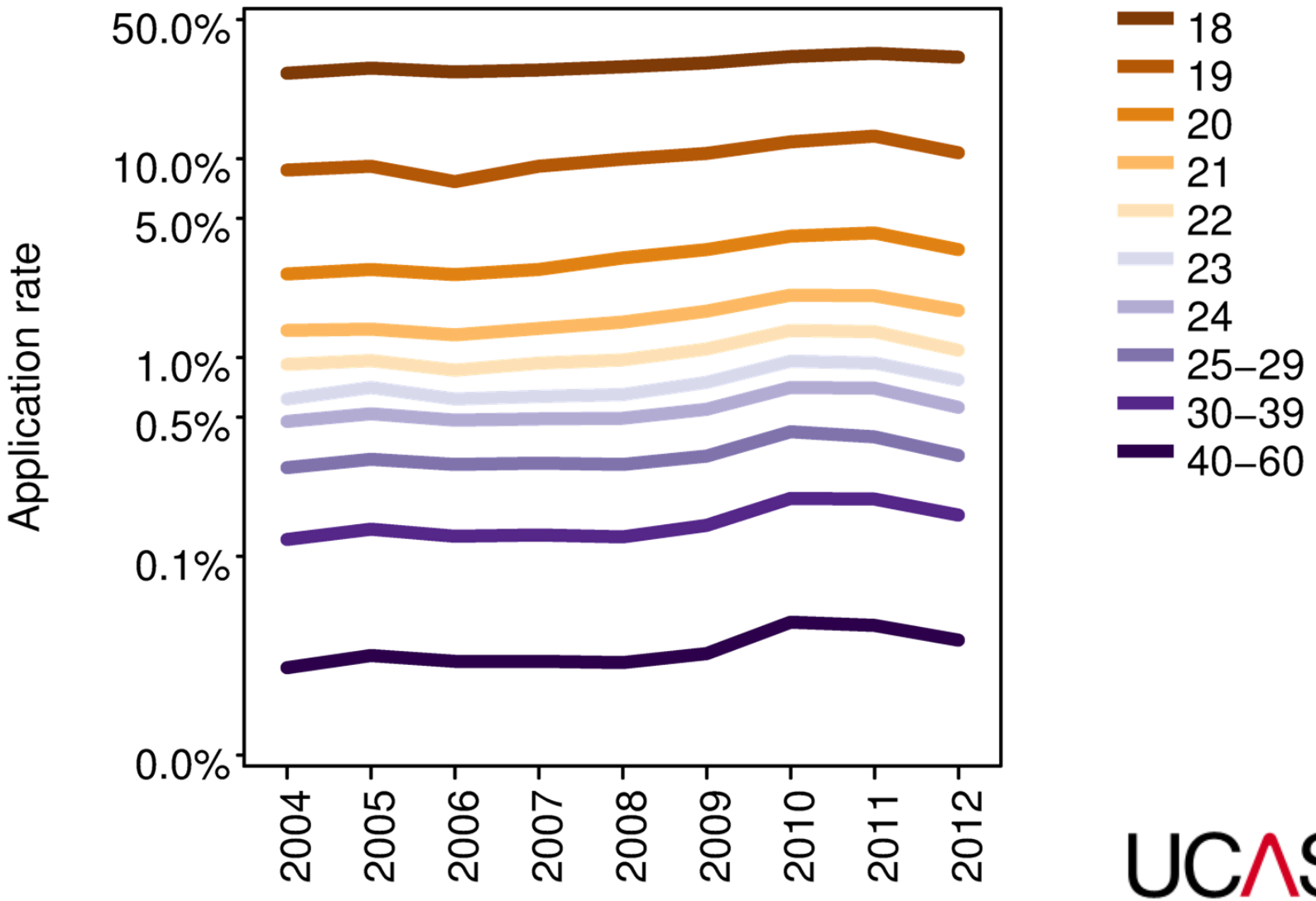
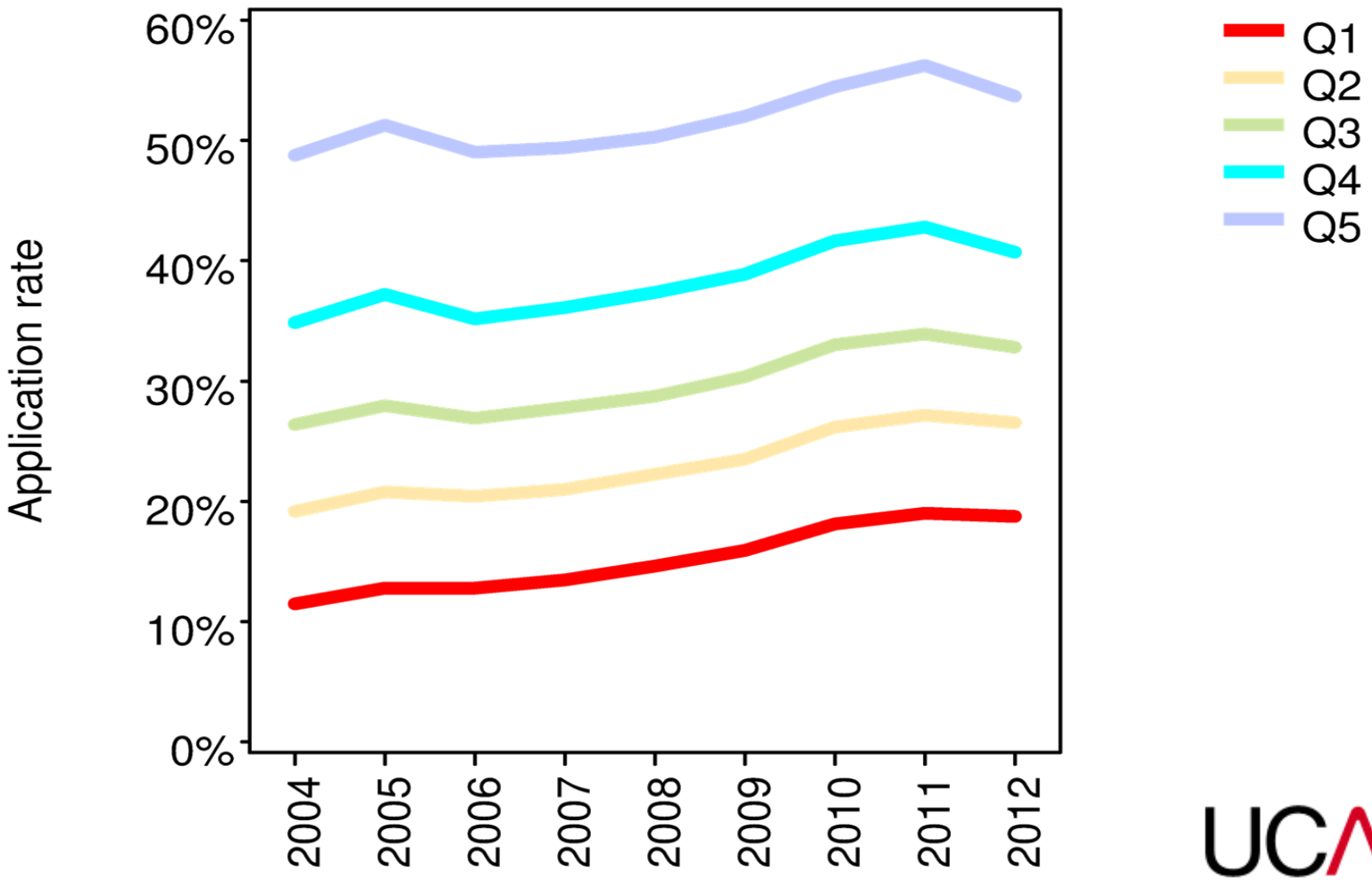
March 2012: Application rates by age from England



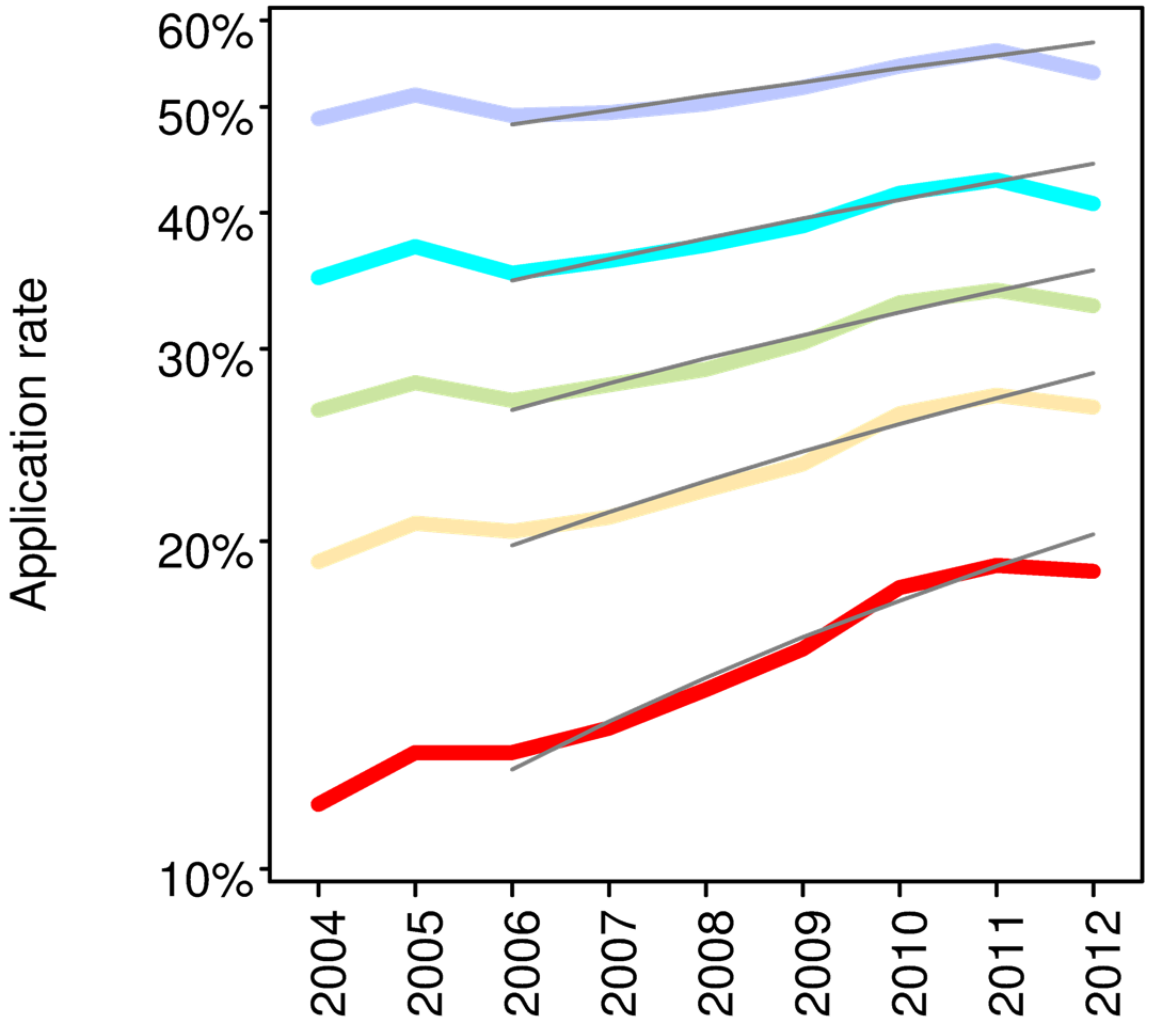
Source: Figure 4 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: Application rates for English 18 year olds by POLAR 2 Q5=highest young participation areas



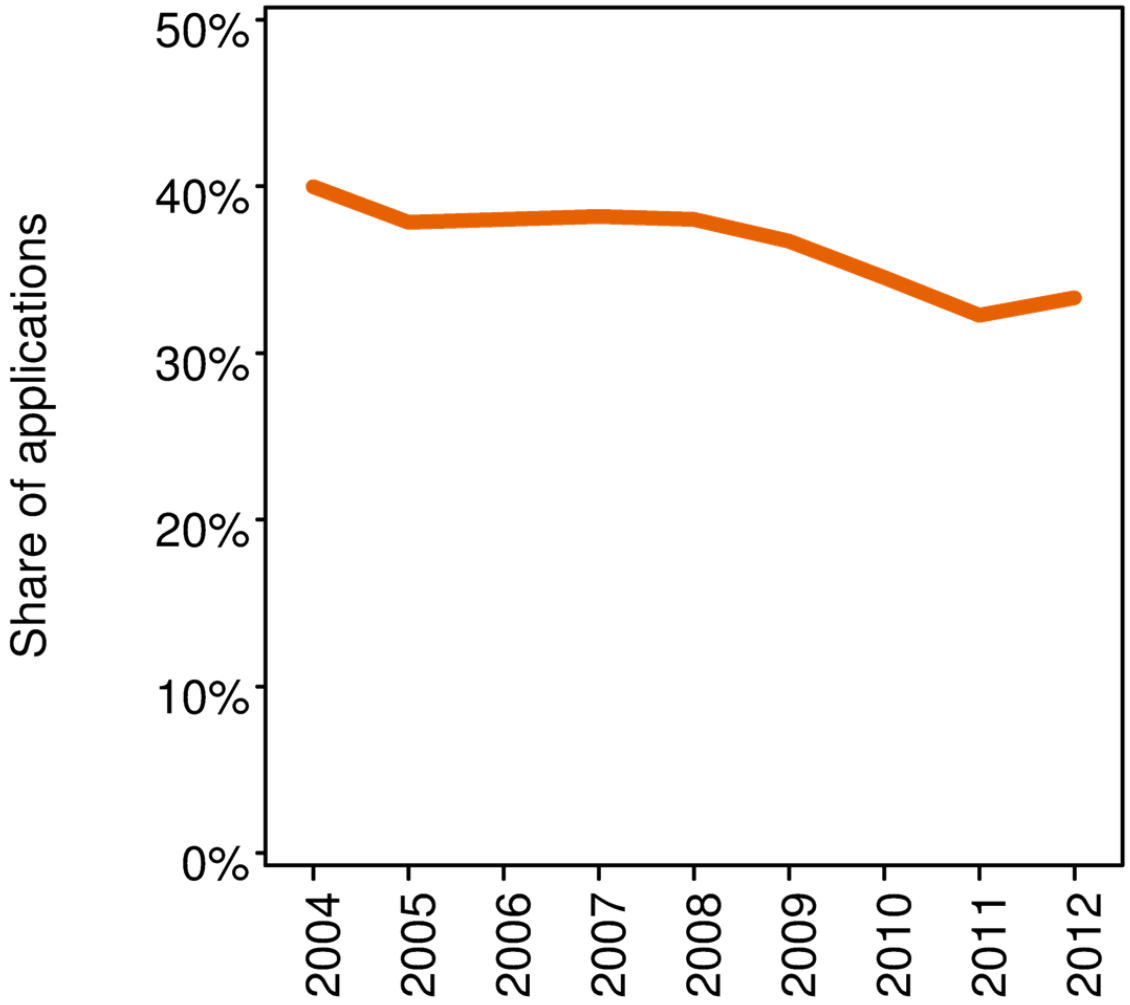
Source: Figure 3 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: English 18 year old application rates by POLAR2
with linear extrapolation of 06-11 trend (blue=high red=low)



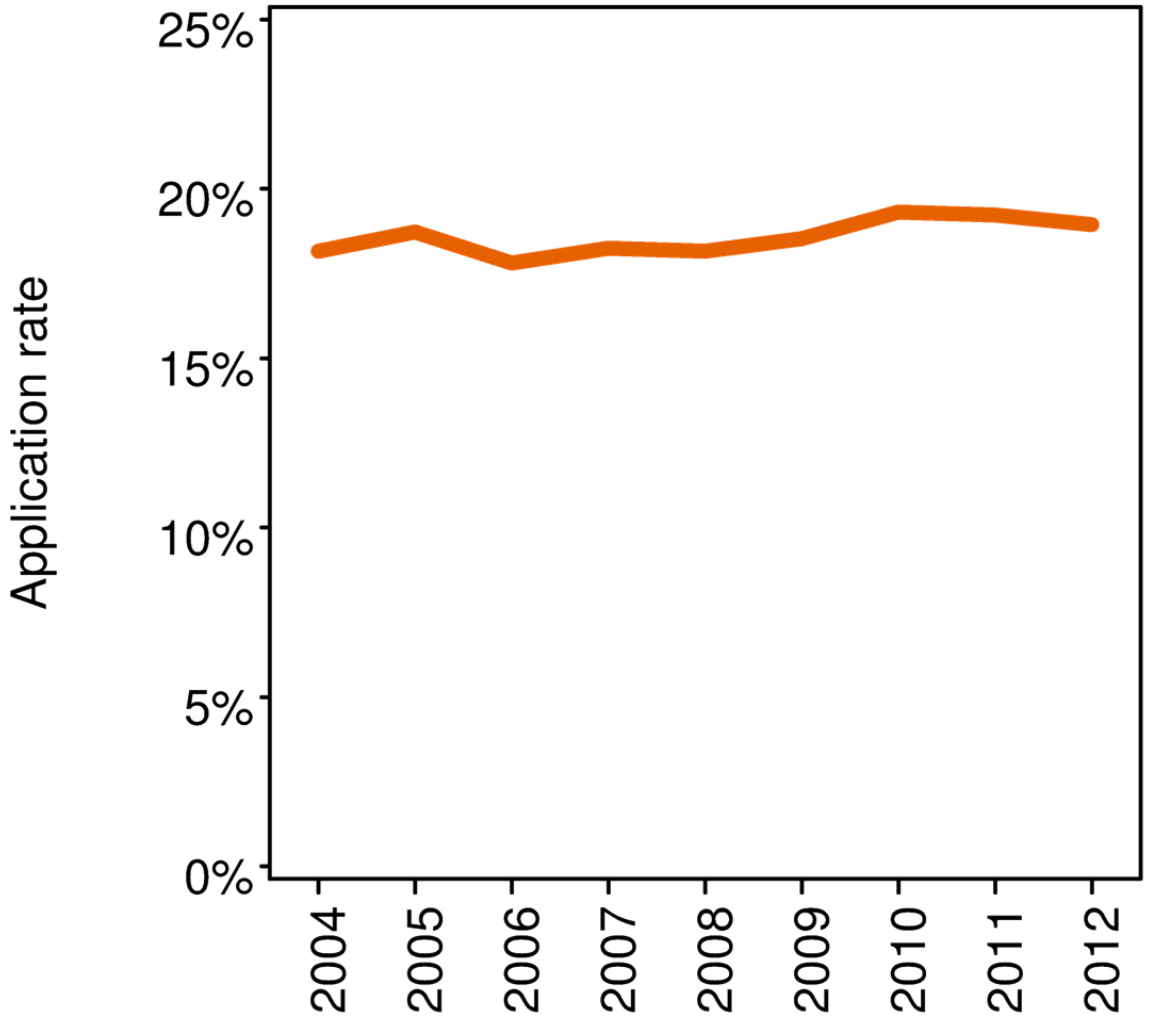
Source: Figure 19 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: Share of English 18 year old applications to higher tariff institutions



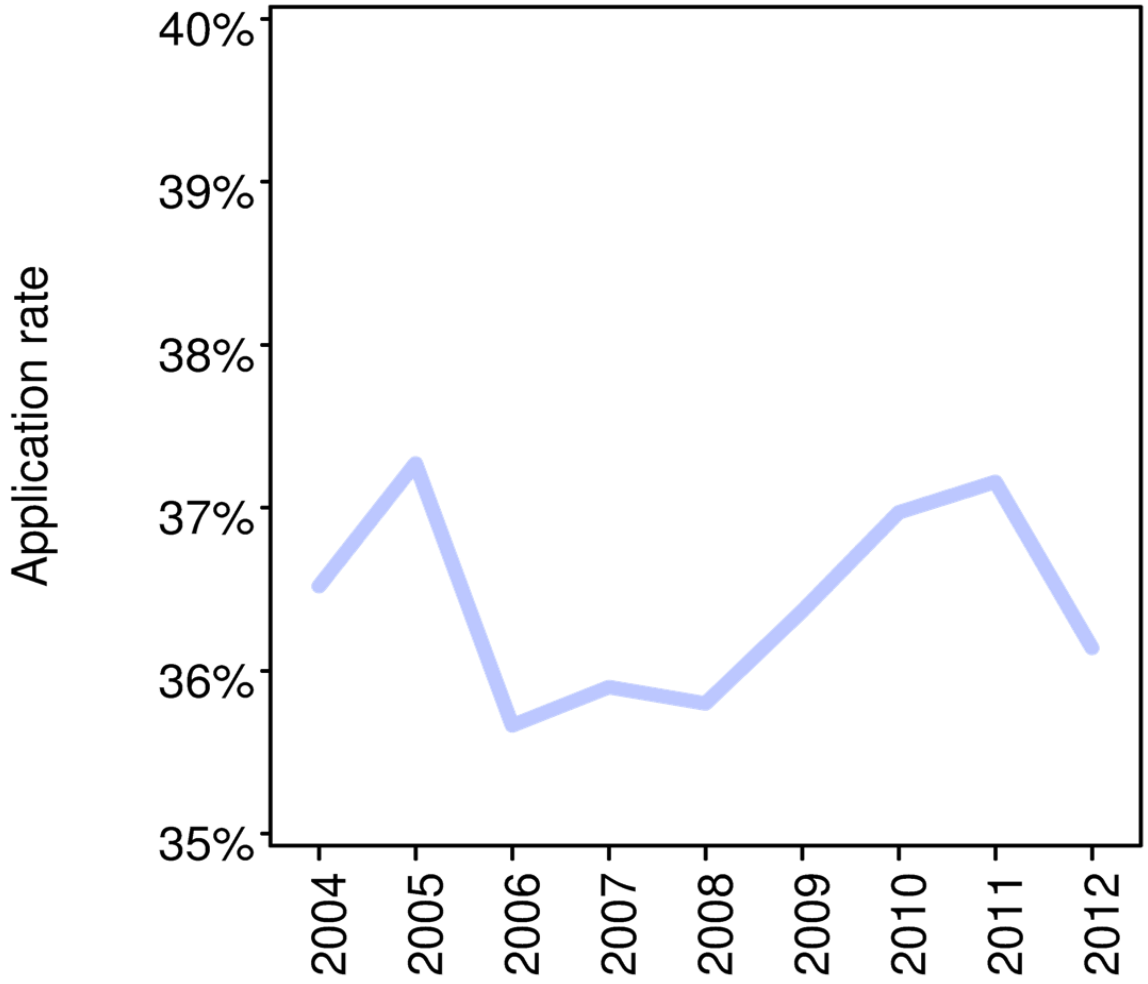
Source: Figure 26 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: English 18 year old application rates to higher tariff institutions



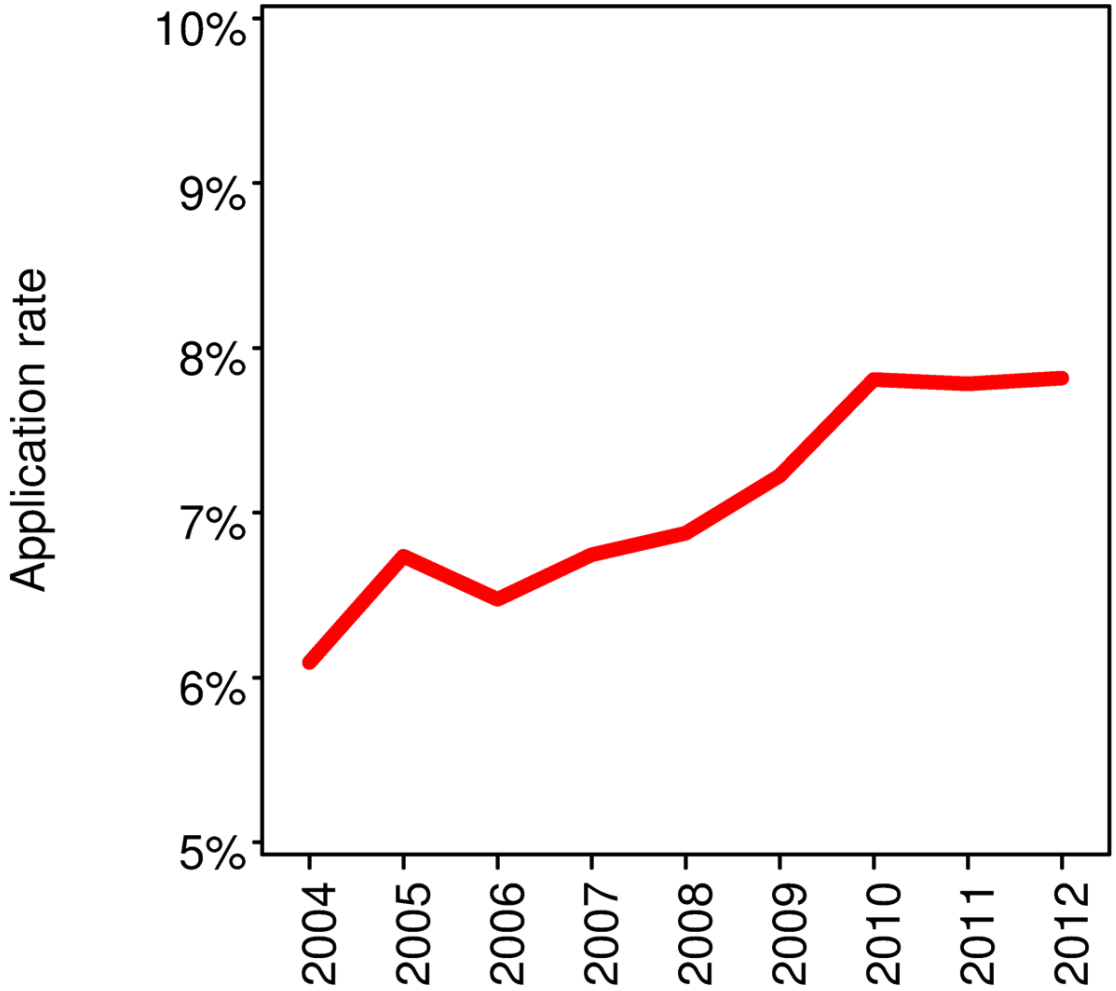
Source: Figure 27 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: English 18 year old application rates to higher tariff institutions for areas with highest levels of young HE participation (POLAR2 Q5)



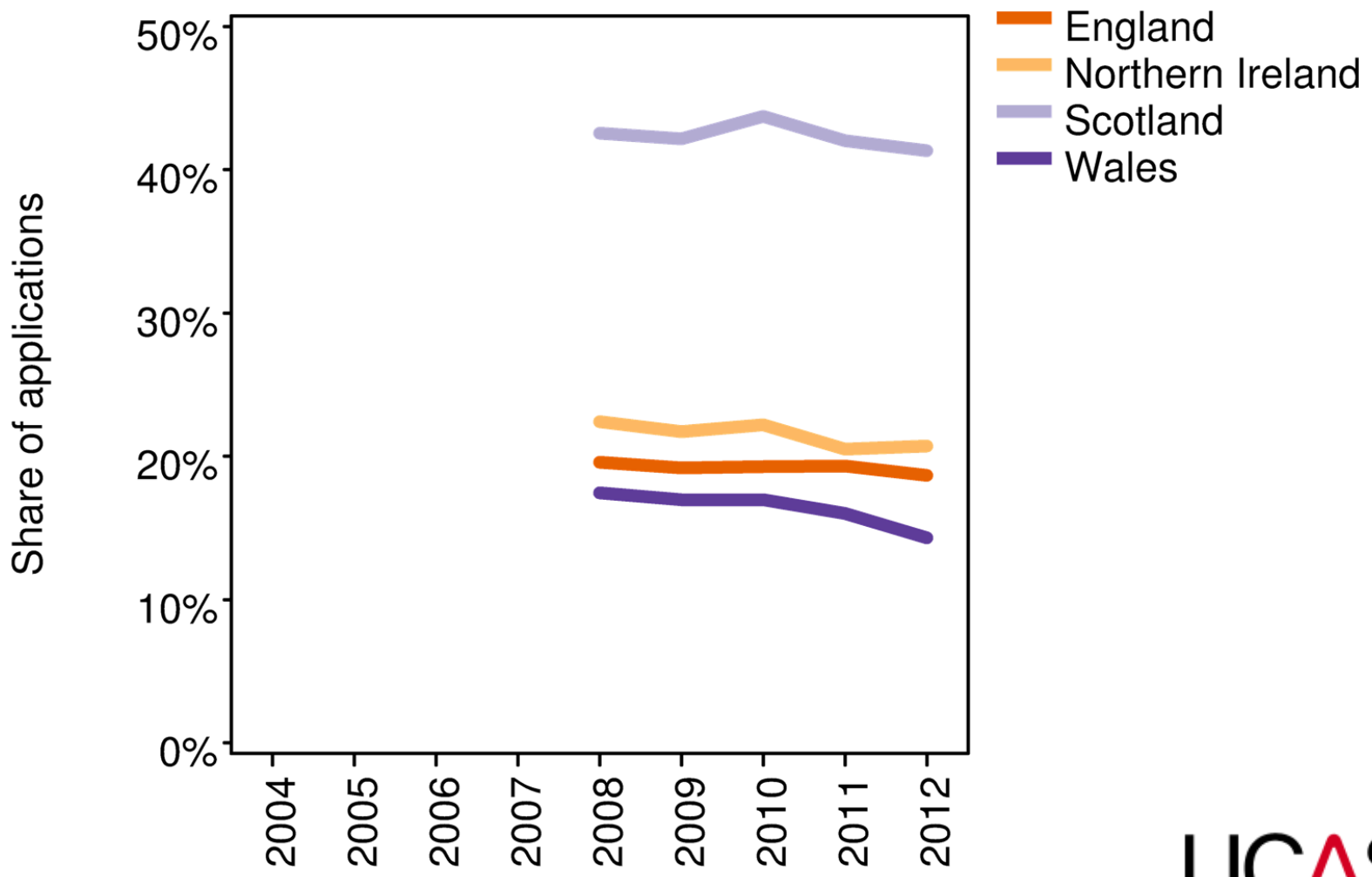
Source: Figure 31 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: English 18 year old application rates to higher tariff institutions for areas with lowest levels of young HE participation (POLAR2 Q1)



Source: Figure 11 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

March 2012: Proportions of young applications with intention to live at home



Source: Figure 25 from UCAS analysis 'How have applications for full–time undergraduate higher education in the UK changed in 2012?', www.ucas.com

2012: Position one month from A level results

	Applicants			Accepts		
	2011	2012	% Diff.	2011	2012	% Diff.
Total	**692,509**	**643,229**	**-7.1%**	**484,037**	**454,258**	**-6.2%**
UK	584,509	536,249	-8.3%	425,972	398,179	-6.5%
EU (excl UK)	48,835	42,620	-12.7%	26,353	22,889	-13.1%
Non EU	59,298	64,360	+8.5%	31,712	33,190	+4.7%

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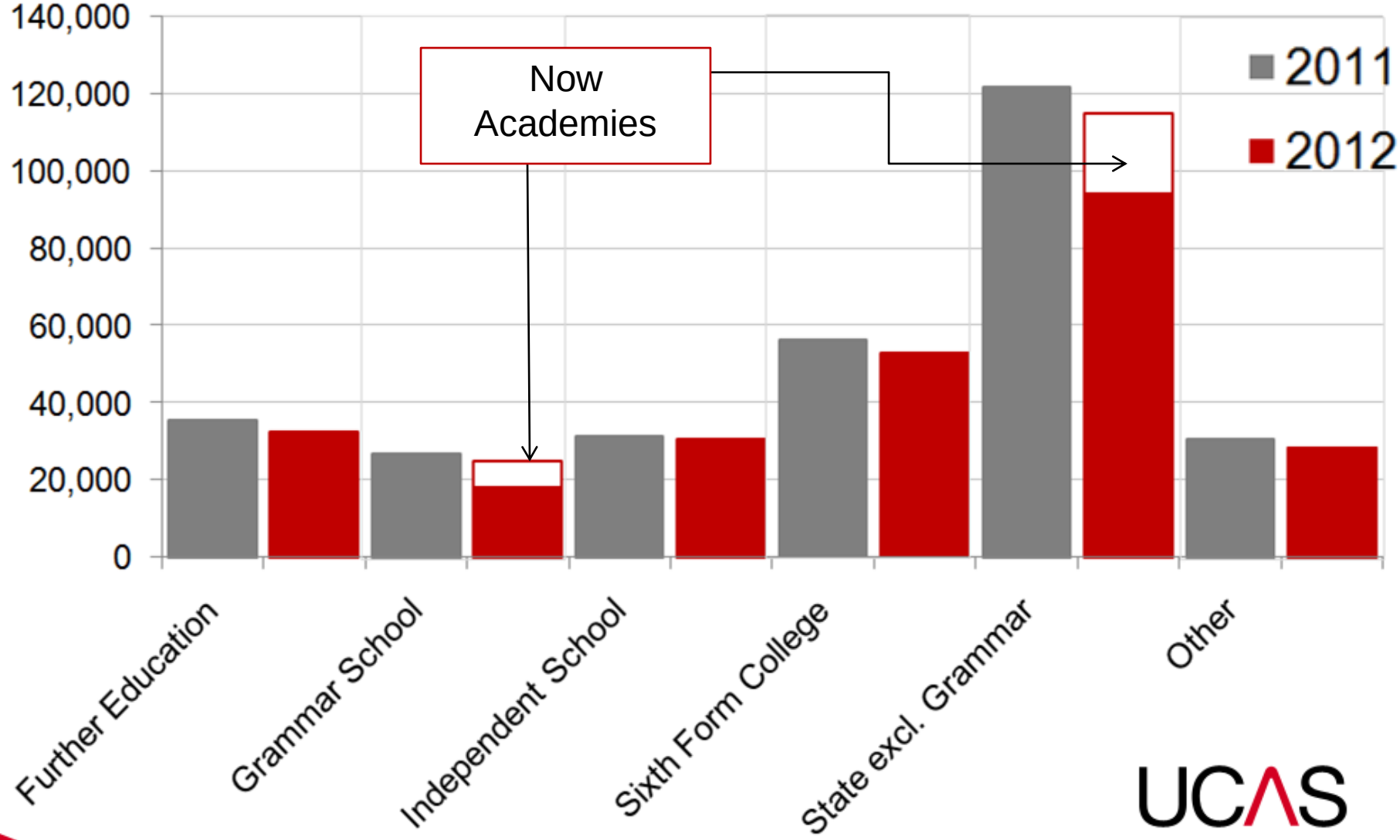
2012: Position one month from A level results

UK 19 & under accepts by educational establishment



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2012: Position one month from A level results
UK 19 & under accepts by educational establishment

	2011	2012	% change
Total	**301,801**	**284,304**	**-5.8%**
FE College	35,374	32,417	-8.4%
Grammar	26,833	25,029	-6.7%
Independent	31,301	30,440	-2.8%
6th Form	56,266	52,731	-6.3%
State (excl. Grammar)	121,583	114,696	-5.7%
Other	30,444	28,366	-6.8%

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NOTE: 2011 ed establishment groups used – 625 accepts therefore excluded from 2012 figures

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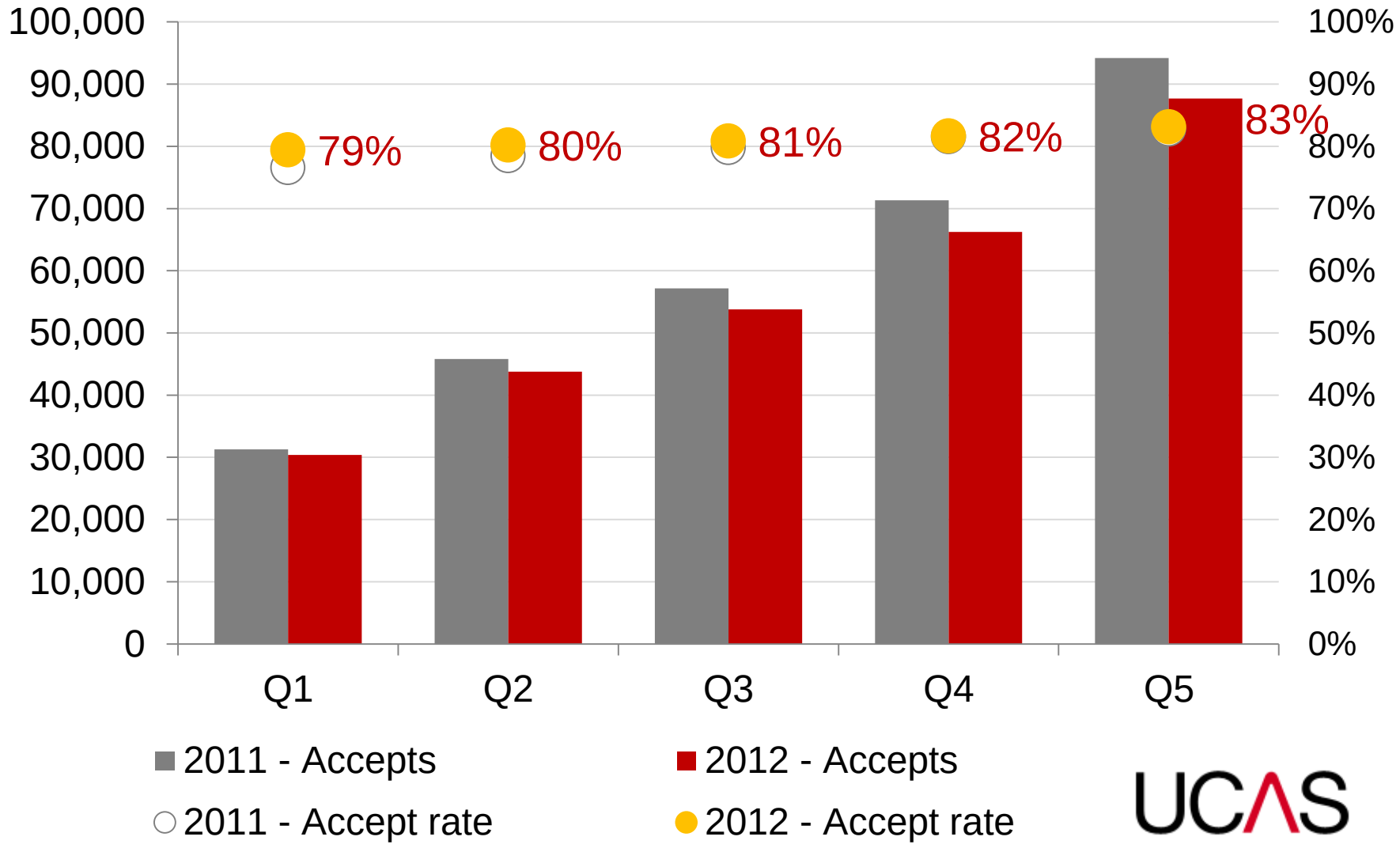
UK 19 & under accepts by POLAR2 quintile



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2013: Applicants to 15 October deadline courses
Applicant domicile

	2012	2013	% change
Total	**55,618**	**56,753**	**2.0%**
England	35,455	36,051	1.7%
N Ireland	1,109	1,131	2.0%
Scotland	2,102	2,080	-1.0%
Wales	1,465	1,408	-3.9%
EU (excl. UK)	5,862	5,966	1.8%
Non EU	9,625	10,117	5.1%

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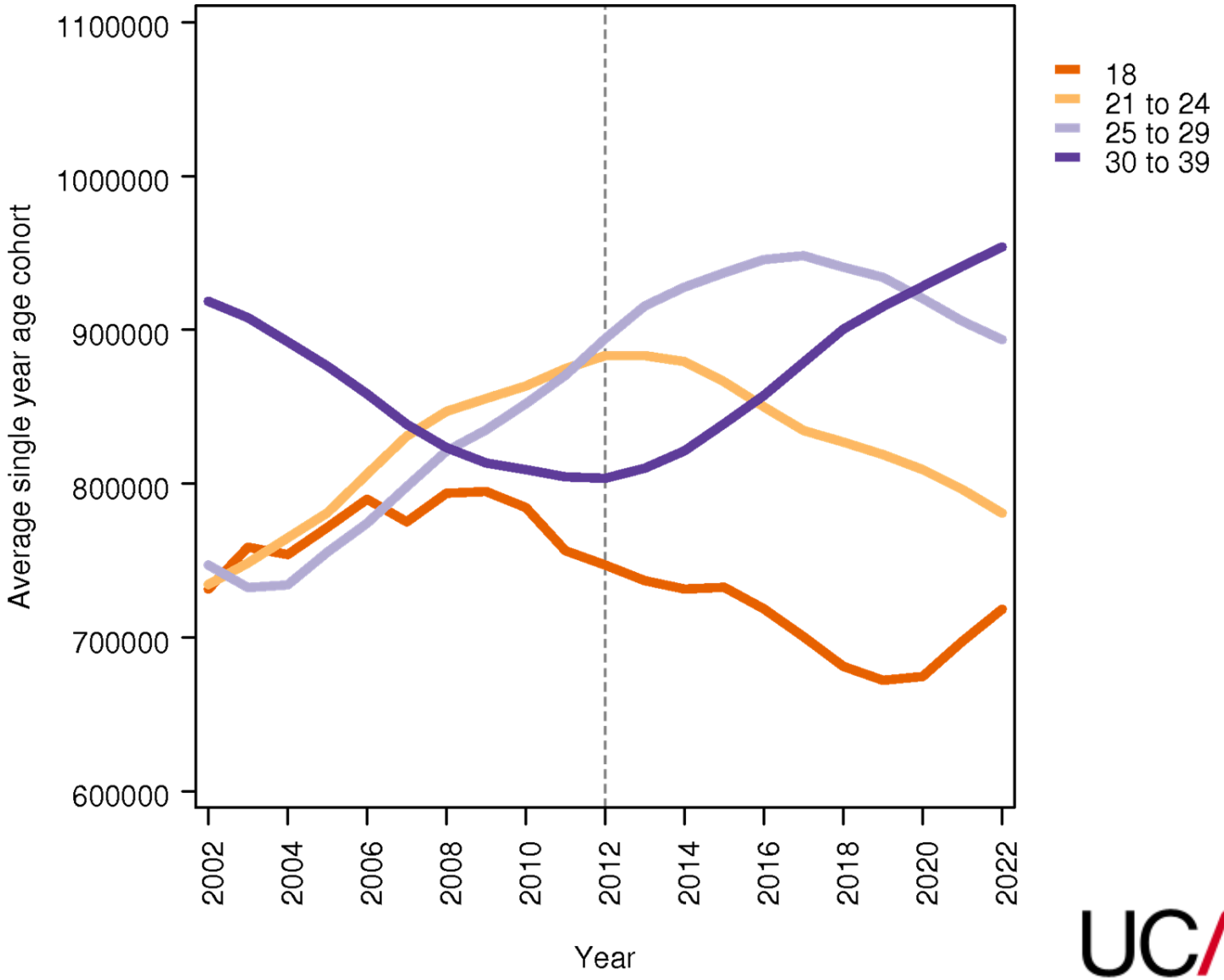
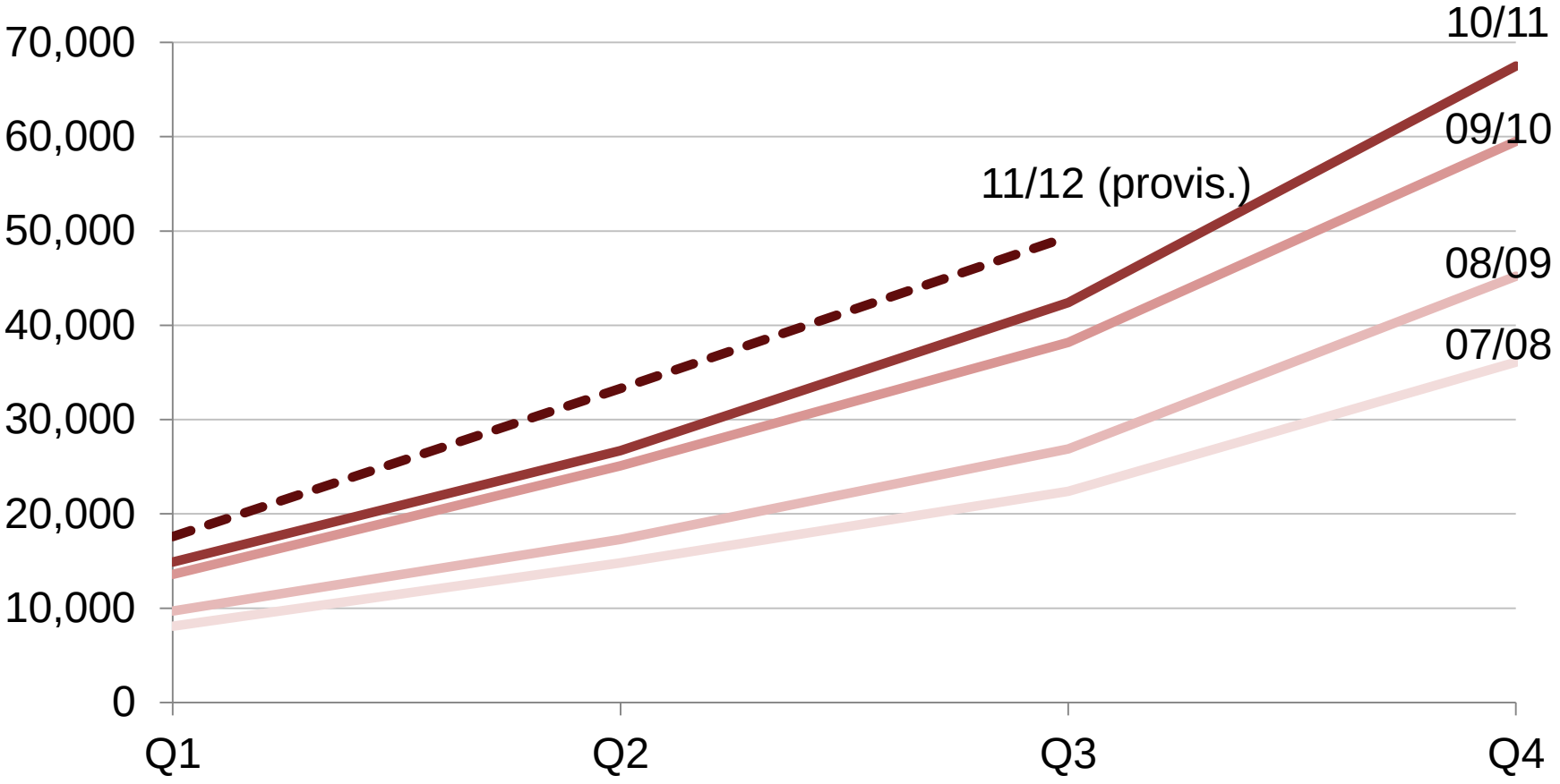
Downward pressure on demand

- Tuition Fees
- Population
- Apprenticeships
- BTECs

UK domiciled cohort size trends



Advanced Apprenticeships achieved 07/08 – present Shown by Quarter - cumulative



SOURCE: The Data Service

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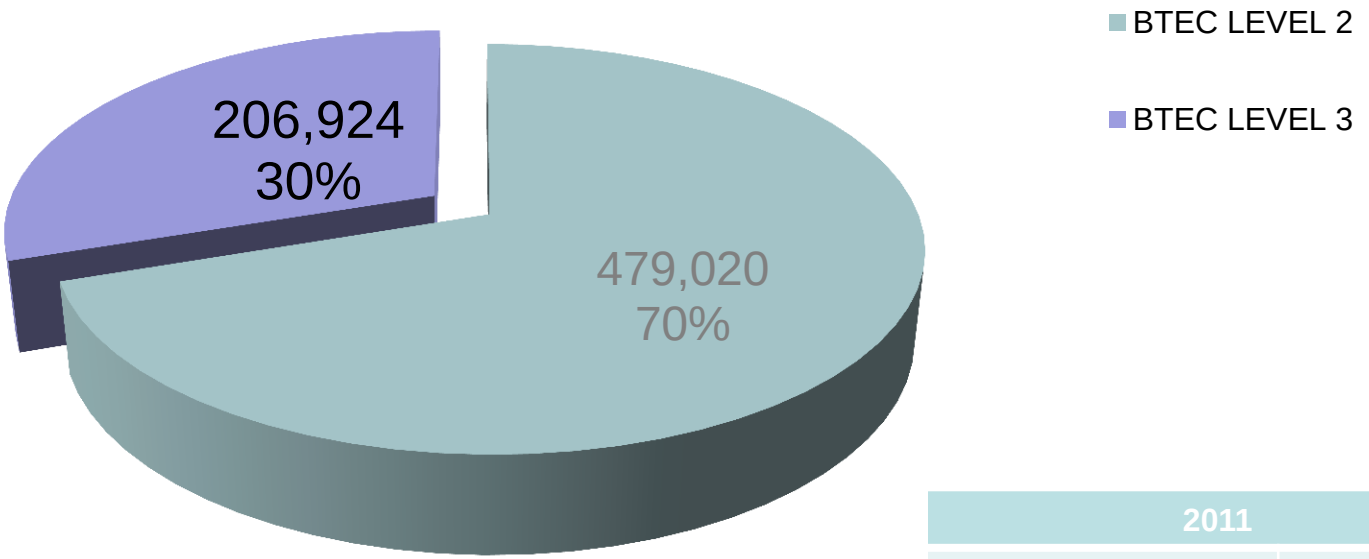
BTEC Results Day 2012

28% vs. 2011

Learner Certification BTEC Level 2 & 3 (Overview)

c. 685,000 learners completed a BTEC Level 2 or 3 between 01 June 2011 and 31 May 2012



2011	
BTEC LEVEL 2	364,089
BTEC LEVEL 3	170,011

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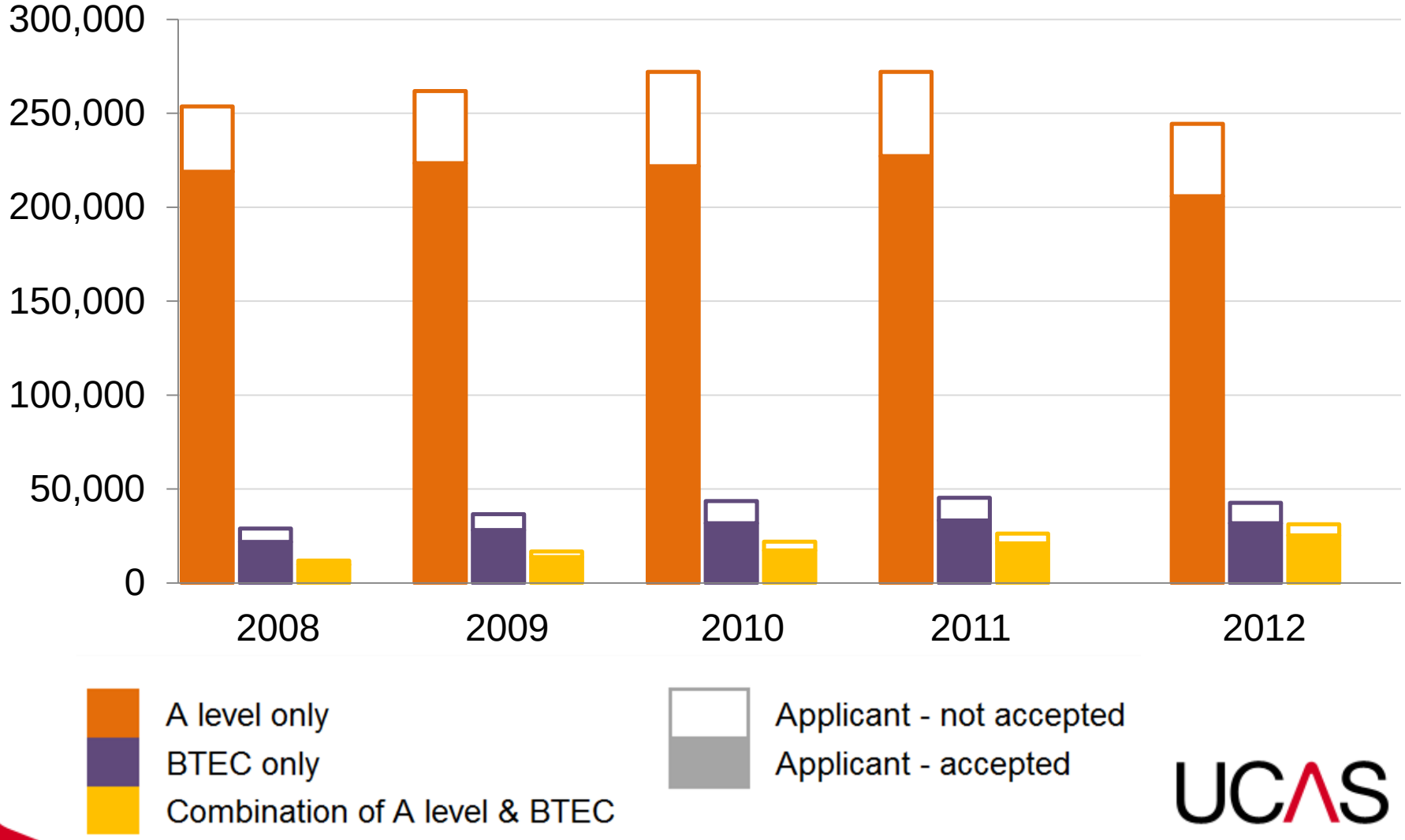
Position one month from the publication of A level results: UK 17 – 19 Applicants and accepts by qualifications



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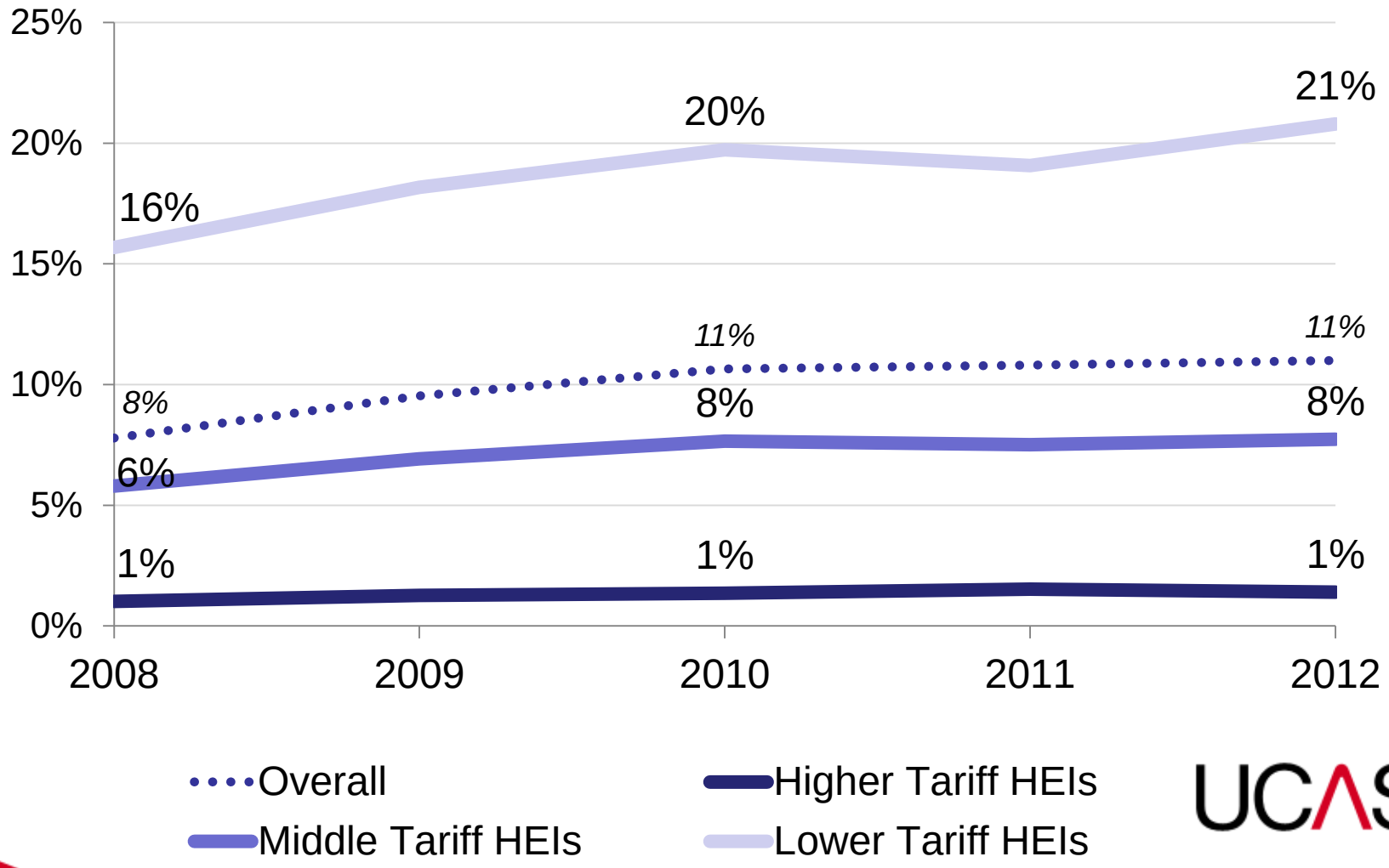
Position one month from the publication of A level results: Proportion of UK 17-19 accepts with BTECs by HEI tariff group



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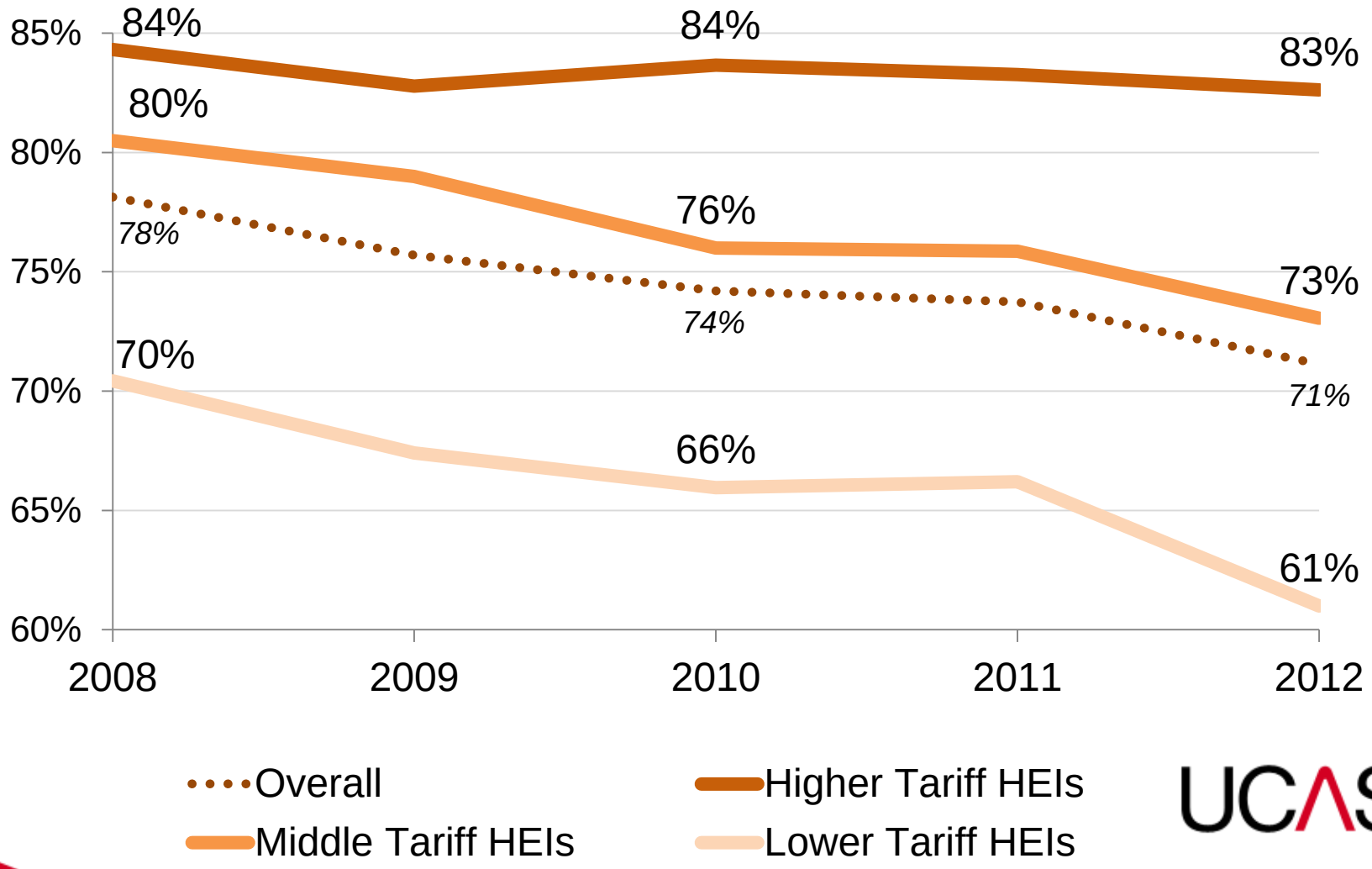

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