

## 2009 - 2010 BENCHMARKING DATA

### Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory Certificates and Diplomas

This document relates to the completions and achievements leading to certification for Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory Certificates and Diplomas. It contains the aggregated benchmarking grade boundary statistics for which there is an overall grade for those learners who have completed their programmes of study in the year from September 2009 to August 2010.

The data aims to assist centres seeking to reference their learner achievements against national rates.

Please note that the Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory Certificate and Diploma in Vocational Studies is a combined qualification comprising units from the unit bank of over 100 units.

Details of the specifications at this level can be found here: [www.edexcel.com/quals/introd](http://www.edexcel.com/quals/introd).

These qualifications have equivalence on the DfE School and College Achievement and Attainment Tables (SCAAT); a BTEC Introductory Certificate has equivalence with 2 GCSEs graded D-G and a BTEC Introductory Diploma has equivalence with 4 GCSEs graded D-G.

The data is presented in two formats, namely, in a table by qualification title in percentage achievement and in a bar chart. The BTEC Introductory Certificates and Diplomas have the following overall qualification grades:

- Distinction (D)
- Merit (M)
- Pass (P)
- Ungraded (U). Ungraded identifies that the work has been completed but not achieved a grade; as such it is identified on the learner's Notification of Performance.

#### Notes

Please note that there are many factors that impact on the validity and reliability of these statistics, including:

- The data shows the percentage of completions in terms of overall qualification grade for the qualification titles; it also shows the percentage of learner completions who failed to achieve or were ungraded at the end of their BTEC Introductory studies.
- This data is extracted after appeals and enquiries about results (EARs) have been resolved.
- It contains the aggregated benchmarking grade boundary statistics for which there is an overall grade or grades for those learners who have completed their programmes of study on Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory qualifications, which are accredited and regulated through Ofqual. The data does not include BTEC Introductory qualifications accredited on

the (unregulated) BTEC Customised Framework. The data shows the overall grades by qualification type.

- The data has not been moderated and is raw achievement data only.
- The results are against each individual title or accredited specification.
- It should be noted that there are varying patterns of delivery; for instance, a BTEC Introductory is commonly delivered over one year, but in many centres this qualification will be studied over two or more years and in others may be undertaken in a concentrated period of less than a year. Equally there is wide variance in the modes of study (full-time, evening class, day release, distance learning, block release).
- There is no standard length for the programme of study associated with BTEC qualifications and there are wide variations in custom and practice.
- Learners are registered with Edexcel for a period of up to five years and can complete at any time within this period. The achievements, therefore, may not directly relate to 2009/10, as learners may have studied over an extended period in certain cases. The results were, however, reported in 2010.
- Given the specialist nature of many BTEC qualifications, the data generated at qualification level is particularly vulnerable to misinterpretation. We draw attention of centres and other users of this data to the distinctive nature of each of the qualifications covered in this data and emphasise that the data should not be used to compare achievements across the qualification types.

### Accreditation of BTEC Introductory qualifications

The current suite of BTEC Introductory qualifications is accredited until 31 August 2010, and learners registered on these qualifications prior to this date will have until 31 August 2011 to complete the qualifications and be certificated. From 1 September 2010, centres wishing to deliver vocational qualifications at Level 1 in the QCF will need to deliver Foundation Learning qualifications or BTEC Specialist Qualifications. For more information, please see the following links:

Foundation Learning: [www.edexcel.com/quals/flt](http://www.edexcel.com/quals/flt)

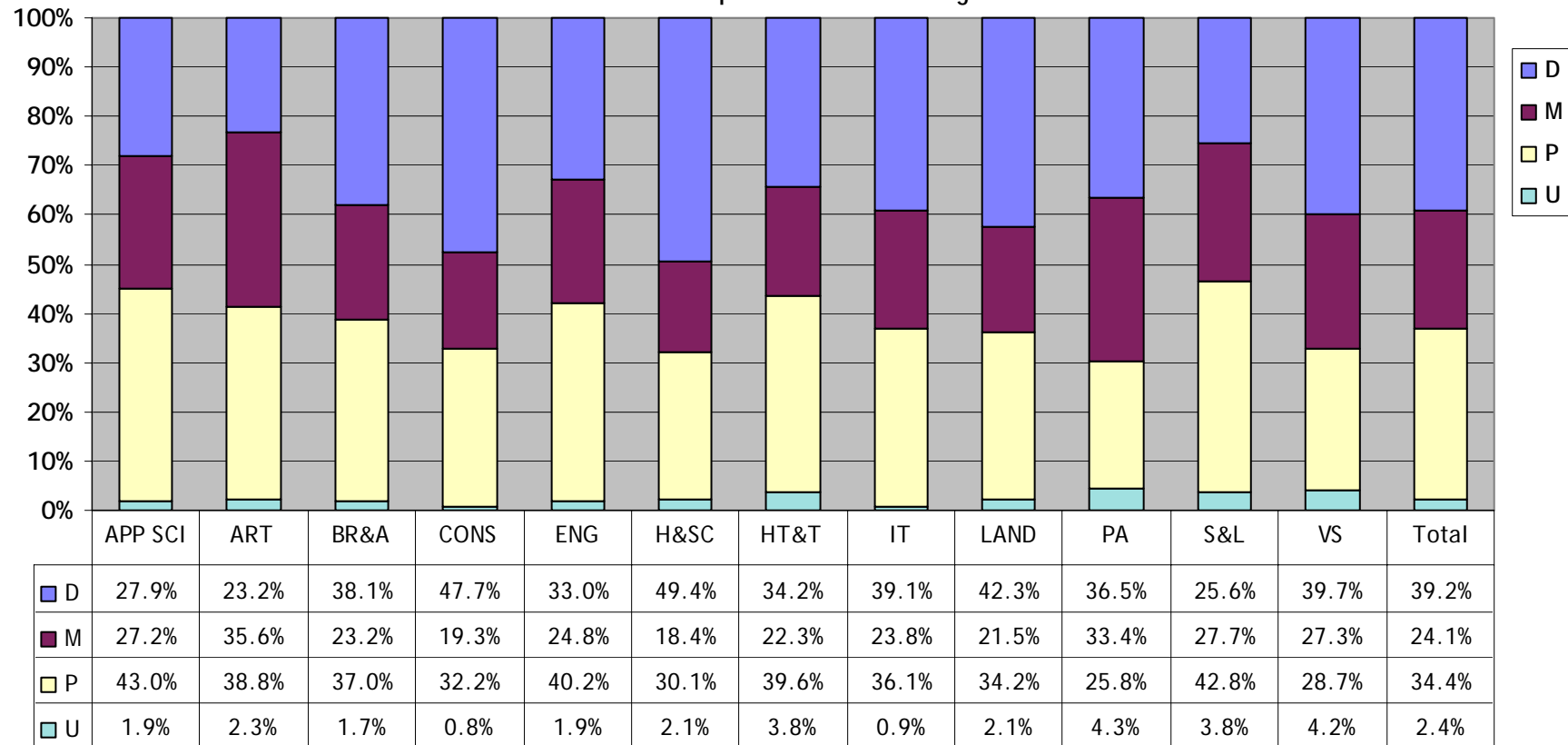
BTEC Specialist Qualifications: [www.edexcel.com/quals/Specialist](http://www.edexcel.com/quals/Specialist)

## 2009-2010 results for the Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory Certificates

| Qualification title                        | Overall qualification Grade Percentages % |      |      |     |
|--|---|------|------|-----|
|  | D   | M    | P    | U   |
| Applied Science (APP SCI)                  | 27.9                                      | 27.2 | 43.0 | 1.9 |
| Art, Design and Media (ART)                | 23.2                                      | 35.6 | 38.8 | 2.3 |
| Business, Retail and Administration (BR&A) | 38.1                                      | 23.2 | 37.0 | 1.7 |
| Construction (CONS)                        | 47.7                                      | 19.3 | 32.2 | 0.8 |
| Engineering (ENG)                          | 33.0                                      | 24.8 | 40.2 | 1.9 |
| Health and Social Care (H&SC)              | 49.4                                      | 18.4 | 30.1 | 2.1 |
| Hospitality, Travel and Tourism (HT&T)     | 34.2                                      | 22.3 | 39.6 | 3.8 |
| IT @ Work (IT)                             | 39.1                                      | 23.8 | 36.1 | 0.9 |
| Land and Environment (LAND)                | 42.3                                      | 21.5 | 34.2 | 2.1 |
| Performing Arts (PA)                       | 36.5                                      | 33.4 | 25.8 | 4.3 |
| Sport and Leisure (S&L)                    | 25.6                                      | 27.7 | 42.8 | 3.8 |
| Vocational Studies (VS)                    | 39.7                                      | 27.3 | 28.7 | 4.2 |
| Average (all areas)                        | 39.2                                      | 24.1 | 34.4 | 2.4 |

## Level 1 BTEC Introductory Certificates

Grades awarded September 2009 to August 2010



2009-2010 results for the Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Introductory Diplomas

| Qualification title                        | Overall qualification Grade Percentages % |      |      |     |
|--|---|------|------|-----|
|  | D   | M    | P    | U   |
| Applied Science (APP SCI)                  | 40.6                                      | 41.1 | 16.2 | 2.0 |
| Art, Design and Media (ART)                | 34.9                                      | 43.1 | 21.0 | 1.0 |
| Business, Retail and Administration (BR&A) | 43.3                                      | 32.6 | 23.5 | 0.6 |
| Construction (CONS)                        | 40.4                                      | 32.7 | 26.1 | 0.8 |
| Engineering (ENG)                          | 30.0                                      | 32.7 | 36.5 | 0.8 |
| Health and Social Care (H&SC)              | 50.2                                      | 28.3 | 21.2 | 0.4 |
| Hospitality, Travel and Tourism (HT&T)     | 44.5                                      | 32.4 | 22.4 | 0.7 |
| IT @ Work (IT)                             | 47.1                                      | 33.7 | 18.1 | 1.1 |
| Land and Environment (LAND)                | 40.8                                      | 38.8 | 18.5 | 2.0 |
| Performing Arts (PA)                       | 38.4                                      | 44.4 | 17.0 | 0.2 |
| Sport and Leisure (S&L)                    | 32.3                                      | 38.3 | 28.9 | 0.4 |
| Vocational Studies (VS)                    | 48.8                                      | 31.9 | 18.8 | 0.6 |
| Average (all areas)                        | 43.3                                      | 34.1 | 21.8 | 0.8 |

## Level 1 BTEC Introductory Diplomas

Grades awarded September 2009 to August 2010

