

# 2010 - 2011 BENCHMARKING DATA

## Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Certificates in Life Skills and Skills for Working Life

This document contains the aggregated benchmarking grade boundary statistics for the Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Certificates in Life Skills and Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Certificates in Skills for Working Life. This data relates to the completions and achievements leading to certification which took place in the academic year from September 2010 to August 2011.

This benchmarking achievement data aims to assist centres seeking a point of reference for their learner achievements against national rates.

The data is presented in two formats - a table by qualification title and percentage achievement and in a bar chart. The BTEC Certificates in Life Skills and Skills for Working Life have the following overall qualification grades:

- E3** Entry 3
- E2** Entry 2
- E1** Entry 1

Please note that E1 is not available for learners undertaking the Entry Level BTEC Certificates in Skills for Working Life that registered after September 2006.

### **Accreditation of BTEC qualifications at Entry Level**

The BTEC Entry Level Certificates in Life Skills and Skills for Working Life were accredited on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) until 31 August 2010, and learners registered on the qualifications prior to this date had until 31 August 2011 to complete the qualifications and be certificated. Therefore these will be the last published benchmarking statistics for this suite of qualifications.

From 1 September 2010, centres wishing to deliver vocational qualifications at Entry Level have switched to our suite of Foundation Learning qualifications accredited on the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). For more information, please visit [www.edexcel.com/quals/flt](http://www.edexcel.com/quals/flt). Since these qualifications are graded as Pass only, no benchmarking data will be published.

## Notes

It should be noted 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.
- This data is extracted after appeals and enquiries about results (EARs) have been resolved.
- The data has not been moderated and is raw achievement data only.
- There are varying patterns of delivery; for instance these qualifications are commonly delivered over one, two or three years.
- There is wide variance in the modes of study (e.g. 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.
- The results are against each individual title or accredited specification.
- 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 2010/11, as learners may have studied over an extended period in certain cases. The results were, however, reported in 2011.
- Given the specialist nature of many BTEC qualifications, the data generated at qualification level needs careful interpretation. We draw attention of centres and other users of this document to the distinctive nature of each of the qualifications covered in the data and emphasise that the data cannot be used to compare achievements across qualification types.
- This document 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 Entry Level BTEC Certificates, which are accredited and regulated through Ofqual. The data does not include BTEC Entry qualifications accredited on the (unregulated) BTEC Customised Framework.

## 2010-2011 results for the Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Certificates in Life Skills and Skills for Working Life

Qualification titles	Overall qualification grade percentages %		
	E3	E2	E1
<b>Life Skills (Citizenship and Community Studies) (CIT)</b>	15.4	35.9	48.7
<b>Life Skills (Independent Living Skills) (IND LIV)</b>	18.5	37.7	43.8
<b>Life Skills (Relationships) (REL)</b>	43.8	56.2	0.0
<b>Skills for Working Life (Arts and Media) (A&amp;M)</b>	64.4	35.6	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Business, Administration and Retail) (BA&amp;R)</b>	36.8	63.2	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Hair and Beauty) (H&amp;B)</b>	53.6	46.4	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Health and Social Care) (H&amp;SC)</b>	66.7	33.3	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Hospitality and Catering) (H&amp;C)</b>	46.4	53.6	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Information and Communication Technology) (ICT)</b>	66.0	34.0	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Land Based) (LAND)</b>	39.8	60.2	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Practical Skills) (PS)</b>	84.0	16.0	n/a
<b>Skills for Working Life (Sport and Recreation) (S&amp;R)</b>	51.2	48.8	n/a
<b>Average (all areas)</b>	<b>57.1</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>5.6</b>

## Entry Level BTEC Certificates

### Grades awarded September 2010 to August 2011

