

# Brighton & Hove: Students

## 2021/22 data



**37,700 students**

studying at universities in the city in 2021/22



**A 4% decrease**

since 2015/16 (1,410 more people)

### Definition

Students enrolled on undergraduate or post-graduate courses.



### Students

There are a total of 37,700 students at universities in Brighton & Hove, with 17,835 at the University of Brighton and 19,865 at the University of Sussex. Not all students live in the city, but if we assume that they do then students would comprise 14% of the total population.



### Higher than England

There are 2,342,775 students in England (4% of the population) and 406,136 students in the South East (4% of the population).



### Increasing

The number of students in Brighton & Hove increased from 2014/15 to 2019/20 before falling during the COVID-19 pandemic. Compared with 2014/15, in 2021/22 there 1,410 more students (4% increase).

Brighton & Hove has a higher percentage of students (14% are students, assuming all students living in the city) than England and the South East (both 4%). The majority of students are undergraduate (78%) with 22% studying for postgraduate degrees, and 87% of students in the city are full-time. Geographical maps of where students live in the city are not available.

Table 1: Students

	2021/22, Brighton & Hove (n)	2021/22, Brighton & Hove: Percentage of total population	2021/22, South East: Percentage of total population	2021/22, England: Percentage of total population	2011 Census, Brighton & Hove (n)	2011 Census, Brighton & Hove (%)	Change Brighton & Hove (n)	Change Brighton & Hove (%)
Total students	37,700	14%	4%	4%	36290	13%	1,410	3.9%

## Students - characteristics

### Gender

More students in Brighton & Hove are female (58%) than male (41%), and females are more represented than the overall population (51% female).

### Domicile

The majority of students reported their domicile as England (77%), with 5% European and 17% non-European.



Access to range of data from Census 2021, including local data at different geographical levels, maps and 2011 census data is available locally on [Community Insight](#) and nationally at [Census 2021](#)