



Sam Aldred
By email

Reference: FOI-2013-58

6 March 2013

Dear Mr Aldred,

Your request was received on 19 February 2013 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

"I would like to find out which British schools received the highest number of offers of places from Cambridge University this year. If there is a 'Top 20' or so that would be perfect."

The information you have requested, while held by the University albeit in an incomplete form (because offers are still being made for the 2013 applications cycle), is due for future publication on the University's website and is therefore exempt under section 22(1) of the Act. Data for the 2009, 2010 and 2011 applications cycles is published online at:

http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/statistics/docs/undergraduate_admissions_by_apply_centre_2009_cycle.pdf

http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/statistics/docs/undergraduate_admissions_by_apply_centre_2010_cycle.pdf

http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/statistics/docs/undergraduate_admissions_by_apply_centre_2011_cycle.pdf

Data for the 2012 applications cycle is due for publication (as a comparable pdf available for download from <http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/statistics/>) in May 2013 and data for the 2013 applications cycle (i.e. the data you have requested) is due for publication along the same lines in May 2014.

As this is a qualified exemption, the University has considered whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. The University considers that, while there is an understandable general interest in the school backgrounds of its applicants and those receiving offers, the extensive publication

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arrangements in place are sufficient to meet that interest. Your request email delineates clearly the particular private interest that your organisation has in the information but this does not equate to a public interest.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of this decision, you should write to Dr Kirsty Allen, Head of the Registrary's Office, quoting the reference above, at The Old Schools, Trinity Lane, Cambridge, CB2 1TN or send an email marked for her attention to foi@admin.cam.ac.uk. The University would normally expect to receive your request for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this letter and reserves the right not to review a decision where there has been undue delay in raising a complaint. If you are not content with the outcome of your review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner may be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (<http://www.ico.gov.uk/>).

Yours sincerely,

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