Skills Development Scotland

2020 Annual Participation Measure Report

Summary for Argyll & Bute Council

3,185

The Participation Measure covers the 16-19 year old cohort

94.1%

Of 16-19 year olds were **participating**# in education, training or employment compared to **92.1%** nationally.

A **0.7** percentage point decrease compared to 2019.

2.4%

were **not participating**# i.e. those unemployed seeking employment and others unemployed and not seeking e.g. economically inactive compared to **2.8%** nationally.

A **0.2** percentage point increase compared to 2019.

3.5%

With an **unconfirmed**# **status** compared to **5.1%** nationally.

A **0.5** percentage point increase compared to 2019.

70.3% in Education

71.6% in 2019

22.6% in Employment

21.9% in 2019

1.1% in Training & Personal Development

1.2% in 2019

1.1% Unemployed Seeking

0.9% in 2019

1.4% Unemployed Not Seeking

1.3% in 2019

The annual participation measure takes account of the status for all 16-19 year olds from 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020. All statuses are combined to calculate the participation headline classification and the status grouping displayed.

Percentage point change has been calculated using the percentages rounded to one percentage point.

SDS does not currently receive any data from Department of Work and Pensions about Universal Credit claimants, and therefore is not able to comprehensively identify or report on people who are unemployed seeking. DWP is currently unable to provide data on UC claimants who are out of work but is working to develop this capability to ensure that SDS receives this information in the future. Therefore, treat unemployed seeking and related statuses with a degree of caution. (See Annex 1 of the Annual Participation Measure report for full details)

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This summary marks the sixth release of statistics on the participation of 16-19 year olds at a national and local authority level and is the fifth year using the Annual Participation Measure reporting methodology. The annual methodology takes account of all statuses for 16-19 year olds in Scotland over one calendar year (1st April – 31st March). For each of the 205,981 individuals included within the annual participation measure cohort, the headline participation classification (participating, not participating and unconfirmed) is based on the classification within which each individual spent the greatest number of days.

Since August 2017, the Annual Participation Measure has been the source of the National Performance Framework indicator, **"Percentage of young adults (16-19 year olds) participating in education, training or employment"**.

The full annual participation measure 2020 report, accompanying supplementary tables and interactive resource are available on the annual participation measure statistics page of the Skills Development Scotland website.

The summary below provides a comparison between the 2020 and 2019 local authority results along with the 2020 results for Scotland.

The proportion of 16-19 year olds participating[#] for Argyll & Bute Council was 94.1%, a 0.7 percentage point (pp) decrease compared to 2019 (94.8%) and 2 pp higher than the national rate (92.1%).

		Scotland
↓	16 year olds the rate was 99%, a 0.1 pp decrease compared to 2019 (99.1%).	99.0%
↓	17 year olds the rate was 95.5%, a 1.2 pp decrease compared to 2019 (96.7%).	95.0%
↓	18 year olds the rate was 92.6%, a 1.5 pp decrease compared to 2019 (94.1%).	90.4%
↓	19 year olds the rate was 89.3%, a 0.2 pp decrease compared to 2019 (89.5%).	84.1%

The proportion of 16-19 year olds not participating[#] for Argyll & Bute Council was 2.4%, a 0.2 pp increase from 2019 (2.2%) and 0.4 pp lower than the national rate (2.8%).

		Scotland
~	16 year olds the rate was 0.6%, the 2019 rate was not disclosed.	0.7%
~	17 year olds the rate was 3.1%, the 2019 rate was not disclosed.	2.8%
↑	18 year olds the rate was 3.3%, a 0.8 pp increase compared to 2019 (2.5%).	3.8%
↓	19 year olds the rate was 2.8%, a 0.7 pp decrease compared to 2019 (3.5%).	3.8%

The proportion of 16-19 year olds reported as unconfirmed[#] for Argyll & Bute Council was 3.5%, a 0.5 pp increase from 2019 (3.0%) and 1.6 pp lower than the national rate (5.1%).

		Scotland
~	16 year olds the rate was 0.4%, the 2019 rate was not disclosed.	0.2%
~	17 year olds the rate was 1.4%, the 2019 rate was not disclosed.	2.2%
↑	18 year olds the rate was 4.2%, a 0.8 pp increase compared to 2019 (3.4%).	5.9%
↑	19 year olds the rate was 7.9%, a 0.9 pp increase compared to 2019 (7.0%).	12.1%