

Entry Trends 2007 – GCSE, Applied GCSE and Entry Level

GCSE full course trends

Chart 1 Total entry for GCSE full course subjects

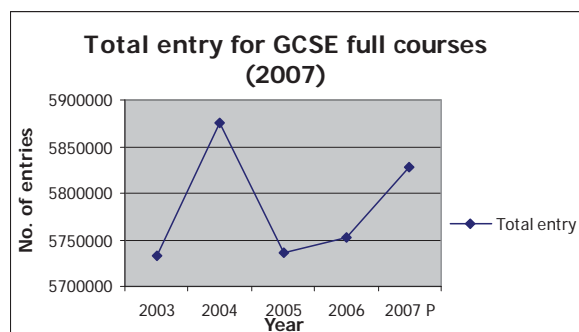


Chart 2 Cohort sizes

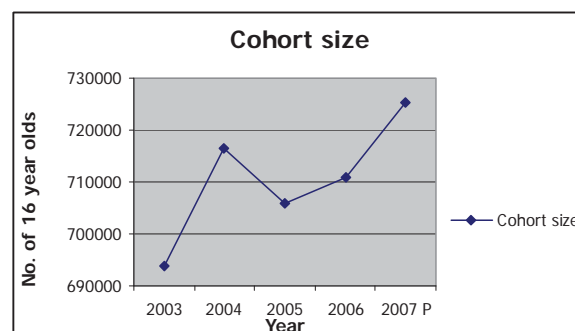


Table A Top 10 GCSE full course subjects

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		2007 Provisional numbers	
		% of total	Number of entries
1	(1) Science: Double Award	16.41	956056
2	(2) Mathematics	13.05	760299
3	(3) English	12.57	732293
4	(4) English Literature	9.77	569456
5	(5) Design and Technology	6.09	354959
6	(7) History	3.91	227854
7	(6) French	3.72	216718
8	(8) Geography	3.66	213124
9	(9) Art	3.63	211601
10	(10) Religious Studies	2.94	171123

Chart 3

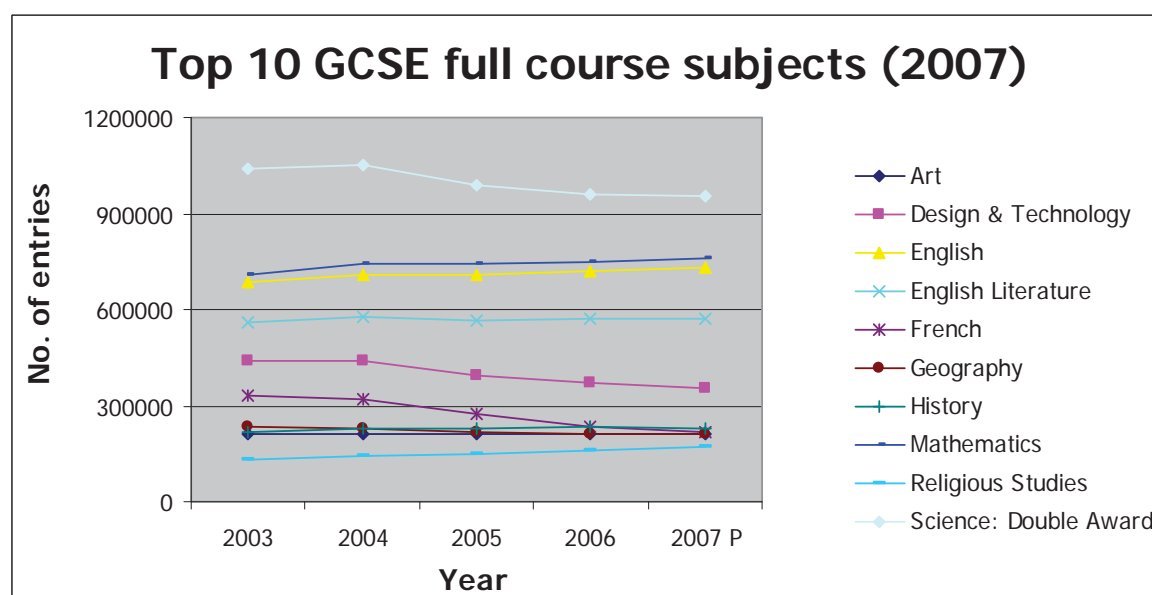


Table B Top 5 GCSE full course subject increases (subjects with entries over 100,000)

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries
1	(1) Religious Studies	7.17	159681	171123
2	(2=) Physical Education	1.83	152826	155625
3	Drama	1.78	100808	102601
4	English	1.46	721762	732293
5	(5) Mathematics	1.30	750570	760299

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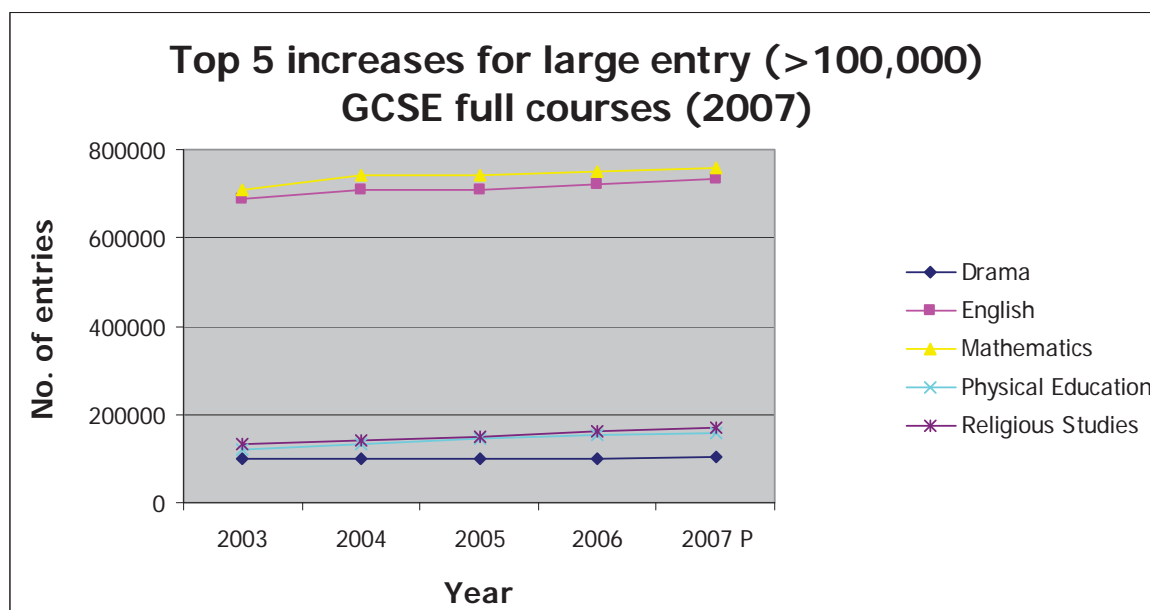


Table C Top 10 GCSE full course subject increases (all subjects)

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries
1	Mathematics (Additional)	198.39	3282	9793
2	(1) Statistics	21.00	68331	82682
3	(2) Media / Film / TV Studies	15.48	57521	66425
4	Irish	7.38	2560	2749
5	(4) Religious Studies*	7.17	159681	171123
6	(3) Business & Comm. Systems	5.72	41640	44020
7	Other Modern Languages	5.50	29188	30794
8	(8) Science: Biology	5.20	60082	63208
9	(9) Science: Chemistry	4.32	56764	59219
10	(6=) Science: Physics	4.20	56035	58391

* This subject also appears in Table B

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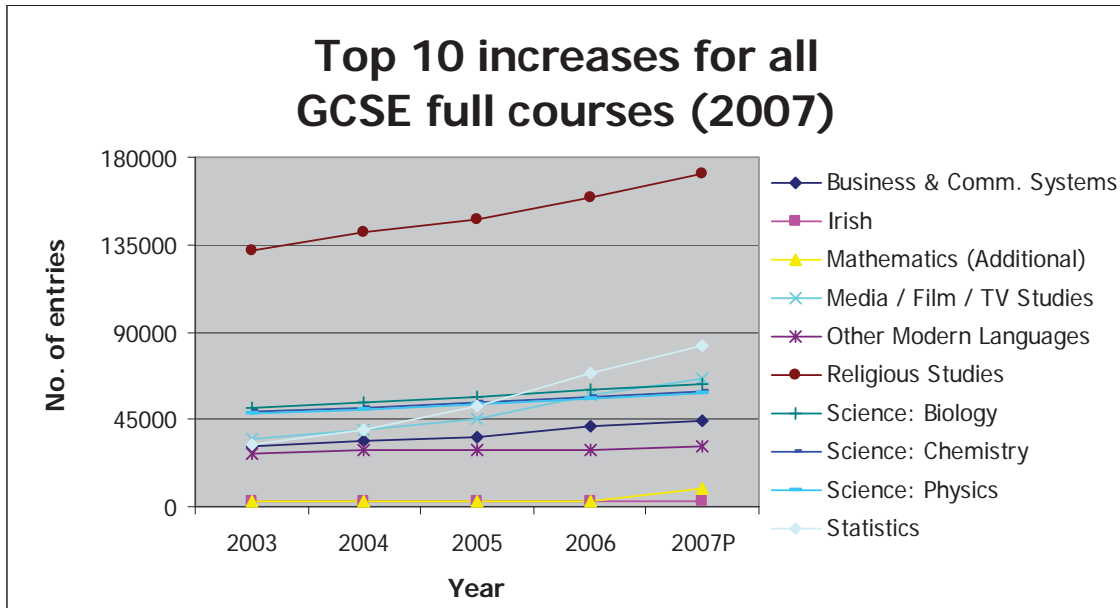


Table D Top 3 GCSE full course subject decreases (subjects with entries over 100,000)

Subject		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries
(2006 ranking in brackets)				
1	(1) French	-8.24	236189	216718
2	(2) Design & Technology	-4.50	371672	354959
3	History	-1.64	231657	227854

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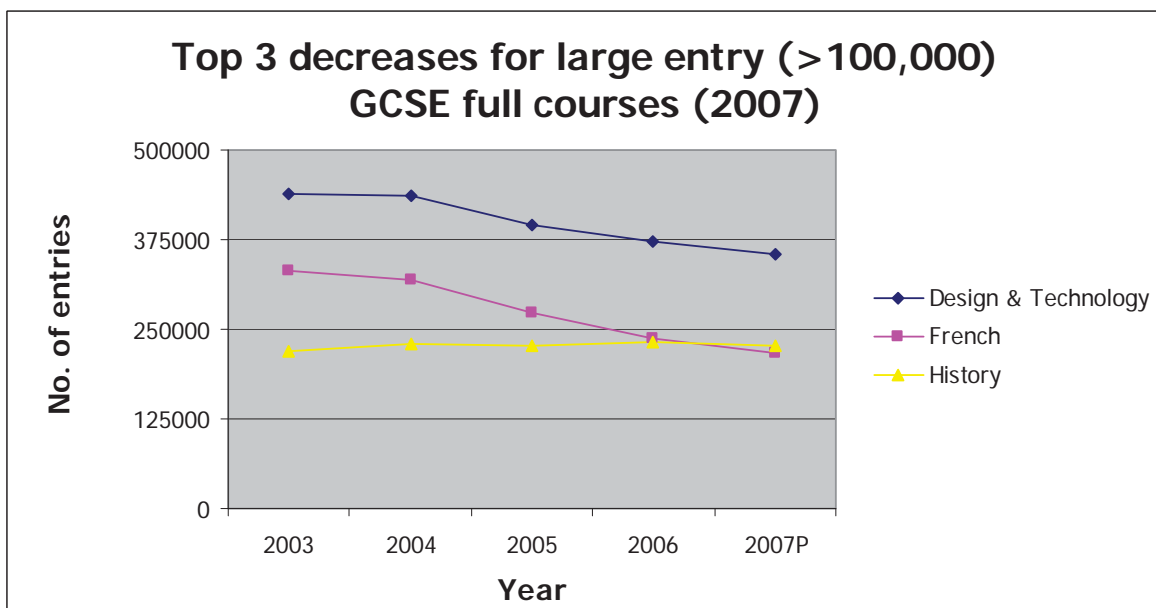
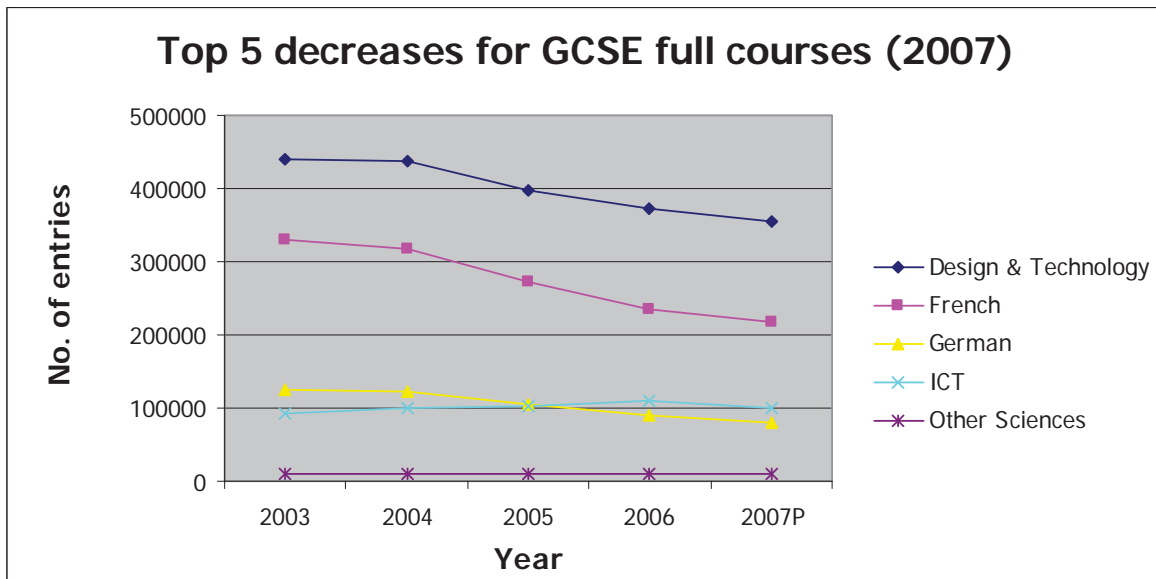


Table E Top 5 GCSE full course subject decreases (all subjects)

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries
1	German	-10.24	90311	81061
2	ICT	-9.07	109601	99656
3	French*	-8.24	236189	216718
4	Design & Technology*	-4.50	371672	354959
5	Other Sciences	-4.07	9819	9419

* This subject also appears in Table D.

Chart 7



GCSE short course trends

Table F Top 5 GCSE short course subjects

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		2007 Provisional numbers		
		% of total	Number of entries	
1	(1)	Religious Studies	55.8	292491
2	(2)	Information and Communication Technology.	18.3	96056
3	(3)	Citizenship Studies	13.9	73142
4	(4)	Physical Education	5.6	29378
5	(5)	Welsh: Second Language	2.0	10486

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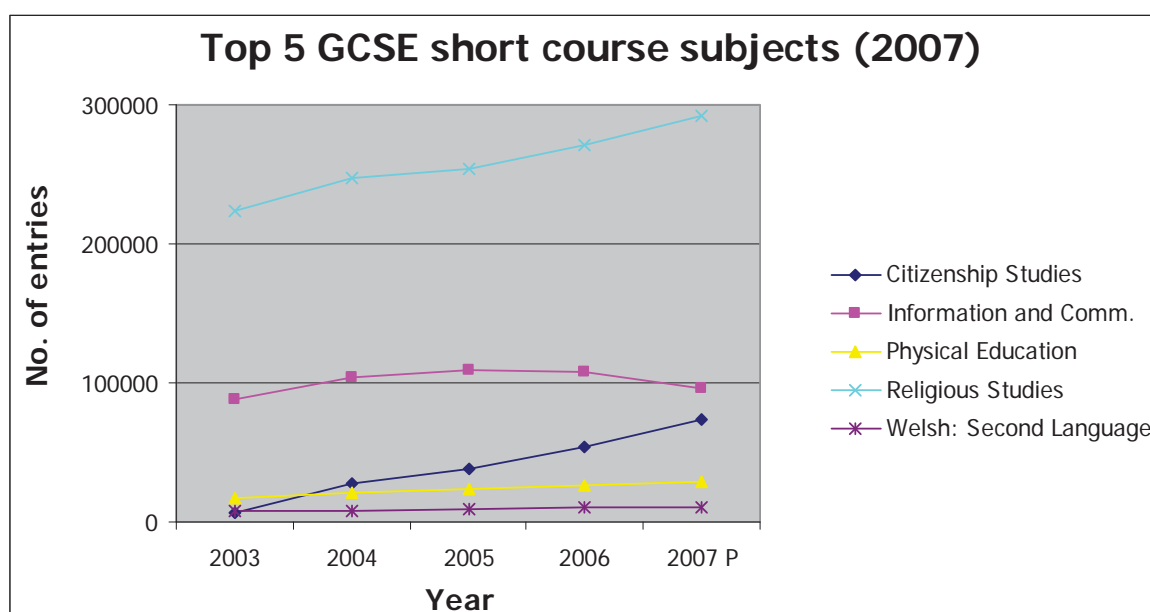


Table G Top 5 GCSE short course subject increases

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007			
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries	
1	(1)	Citizenship Studies	35.05	54158	73142
2		History	22.97	2917	3587
3		Social Science Subjects	19.84	126	151
4	(3)	Physical Education	12.80	26044	29378
5		Geography	10.30	2078	2292

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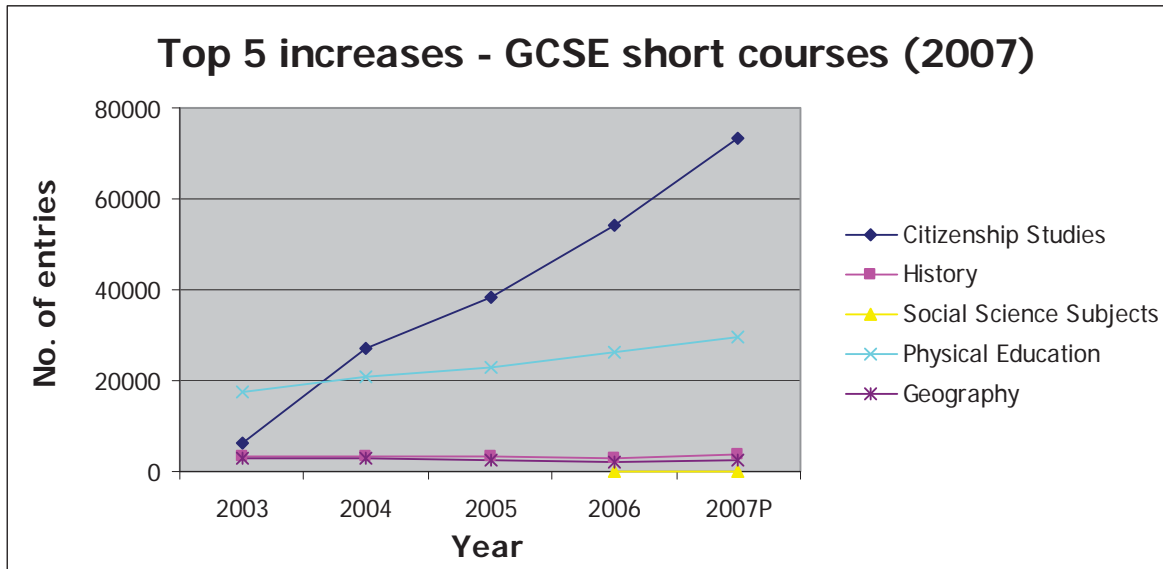
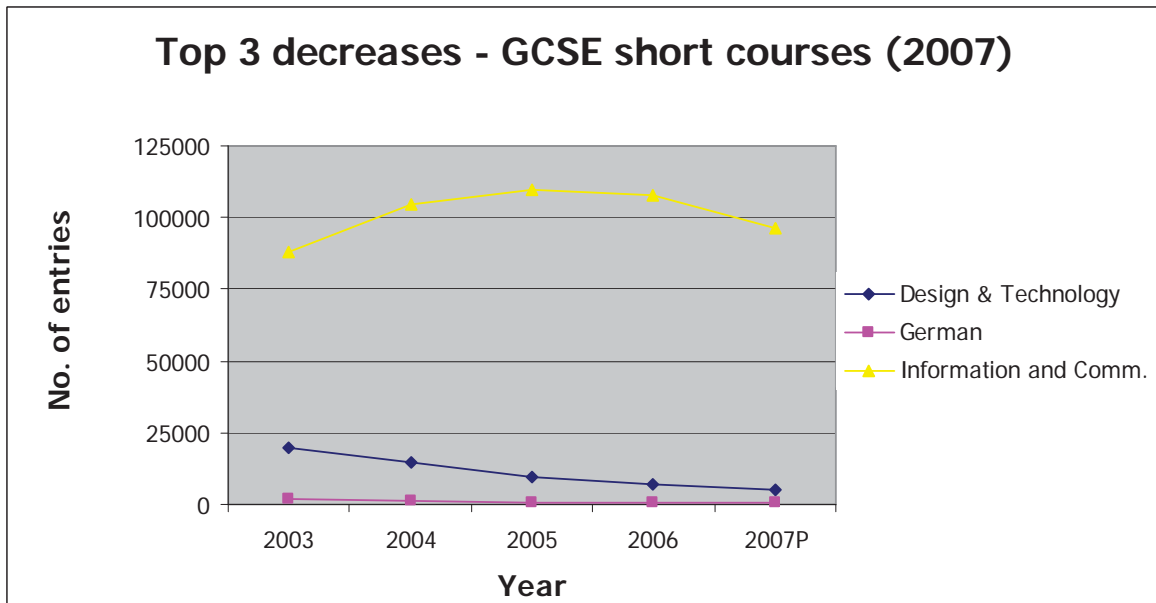


Table H Top 3 GCSE short course subject decreases

Subject		Changes from 2006-2007			
		% change	2006 Number of entries	2007 P Number of entries	
(2006 ranking in brackets)					
1	(2)	Design & Technology	-26.94	6837	4995
2	(5)	German	-11.58	639	565
3		Information and Comm.	-10.89	107790	96056

Chart 10



Applied GCSE Double Award trends

Table I Top 5 Applied GCSE Double Award subjects

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		2007 Provisional numbers		
		% of total	Number of candidates	
1	(2)	Health & Social Care	21.1	32344
2	(3)	Applied Science	20.8	31817
3	(1)	Applied ICT	18.0	27656
4	(4)	Applied Business	14.4	22066
5	(5)	Leisure & Tourism	11.0	16801

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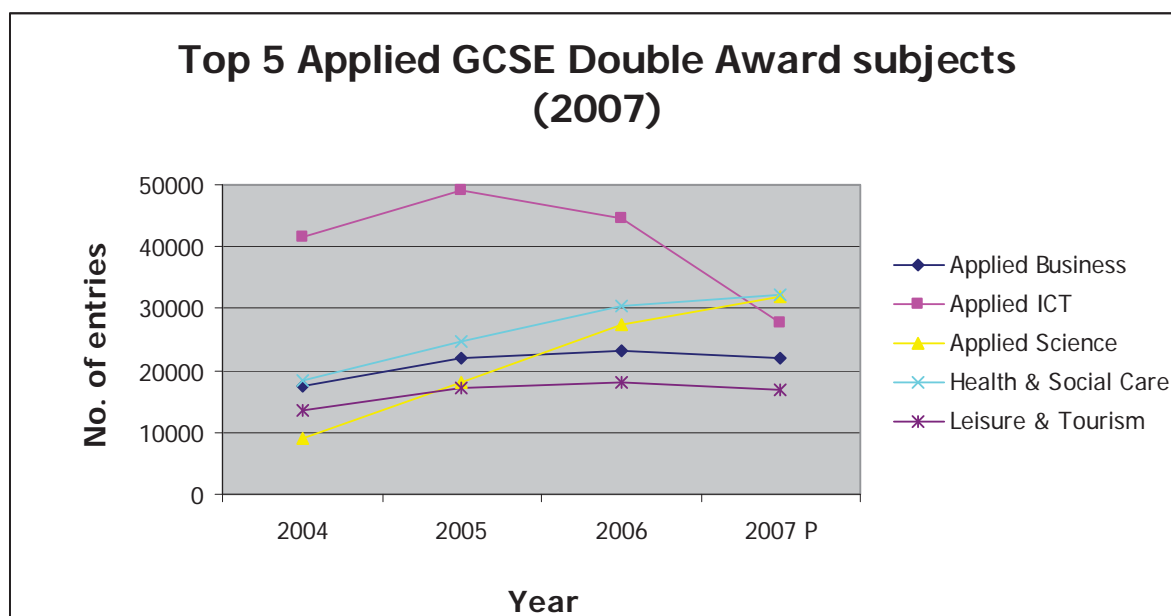


Table J Top 4 Applied GCSE Double Award subject increases

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007			
		% change	2006 Number of candidates	2007 P Number of candidates	
1		Applied Performing Arts	140.7	484	1165
2	(1)	Applied Science	15.8	27471	31817
3	(3)	Health & Social Care	6.1	30478	32344
4	(2)	Applied Art & Design	3.0	7854	8093

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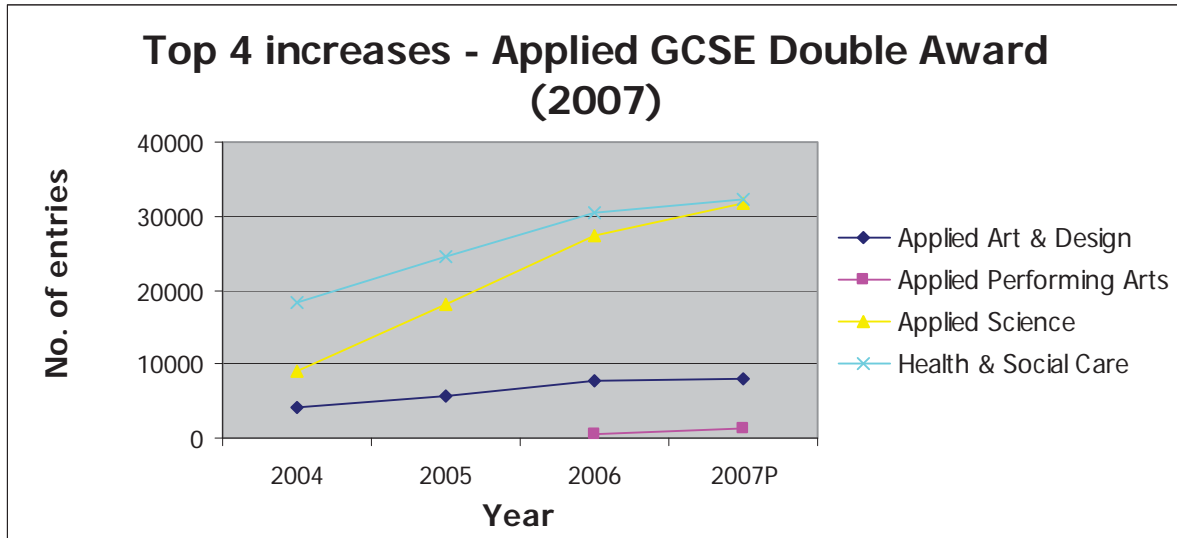
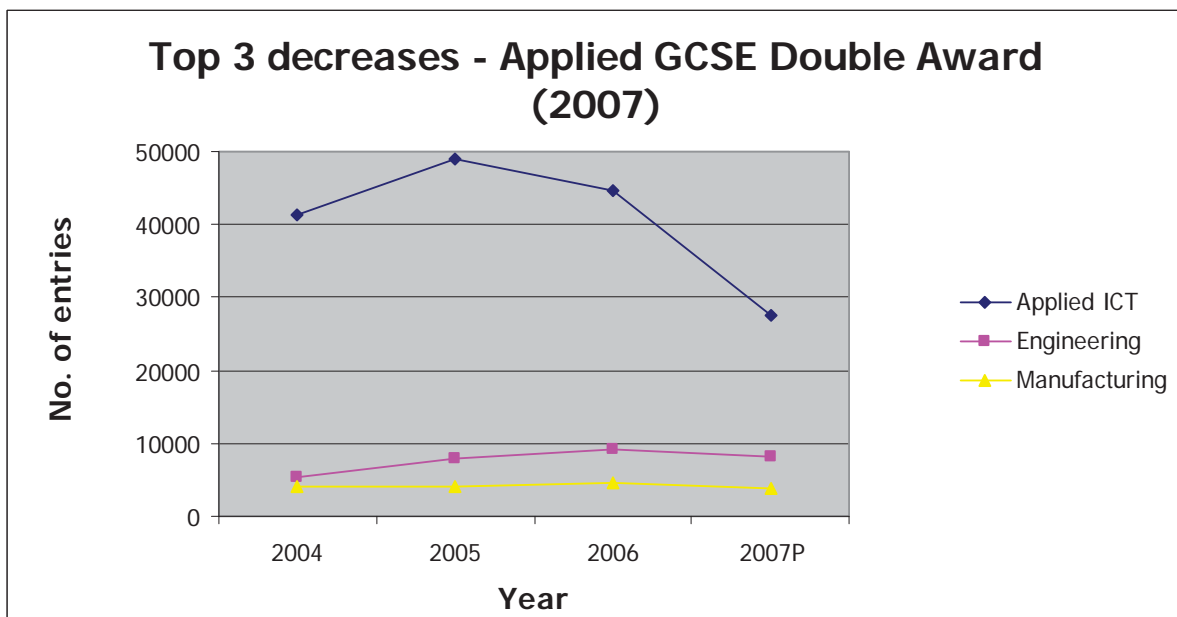


Table K Top 3 Applied GCSE Double Award subject decreases

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of candidates	2007 P Number of candidates
1	Applied ICT	-37.0	44554	27656
2	Manufacturing	-17.5	4507	3720
3	Engineering	-12.0	9254	8147

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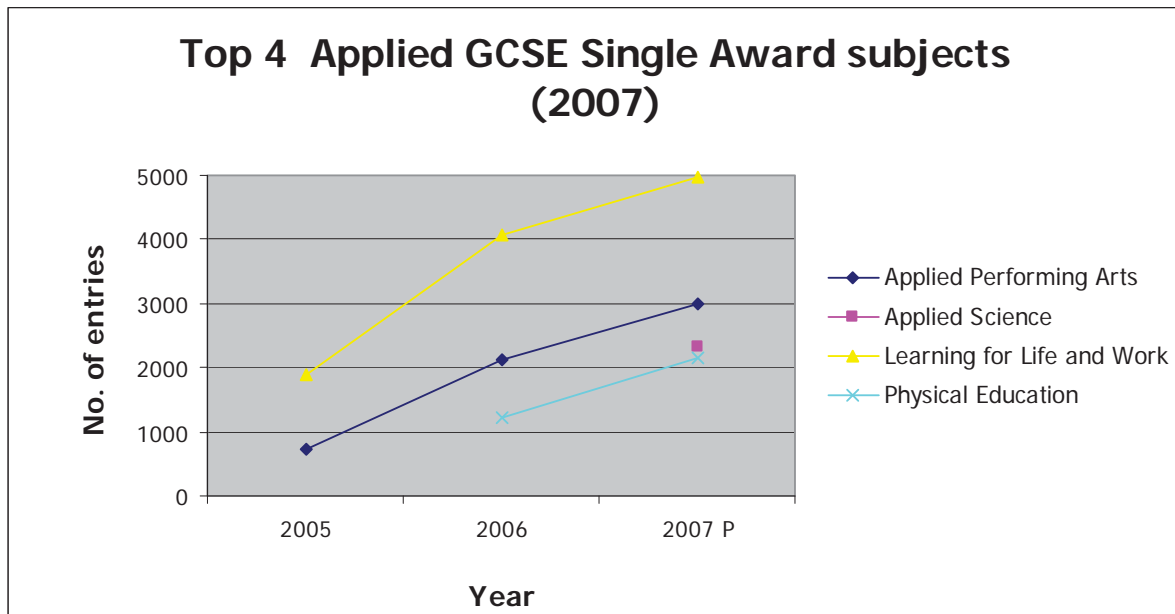


Applied GCSE Single Award trends

Table L Top 4 Applied GCSE Single Award subjects

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)			2007 Provisional numbers	
			% of total	Number of candidates
1	(1)	Learning for Life and Work	35.1	4972
2	(2)	Applied Performing Arts	21.1	2990
3		Applied Science	16.5	2340
4	(3)	Physical Education	15.1	2137

Chart 14



Entry Level trends

Table M Top 5 Entry Level subjects

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)			2007 Provisional numbers	
			% of total	Number of candidates
1	(1)	English	18.0	22576
2	(2)	Science Single Award	12.9	16211
3	(3)	Mathematics	11.6	14572
4	(4)	Physical Education	9.9	12388
5	(5)	Religious Studies	8.2	10335

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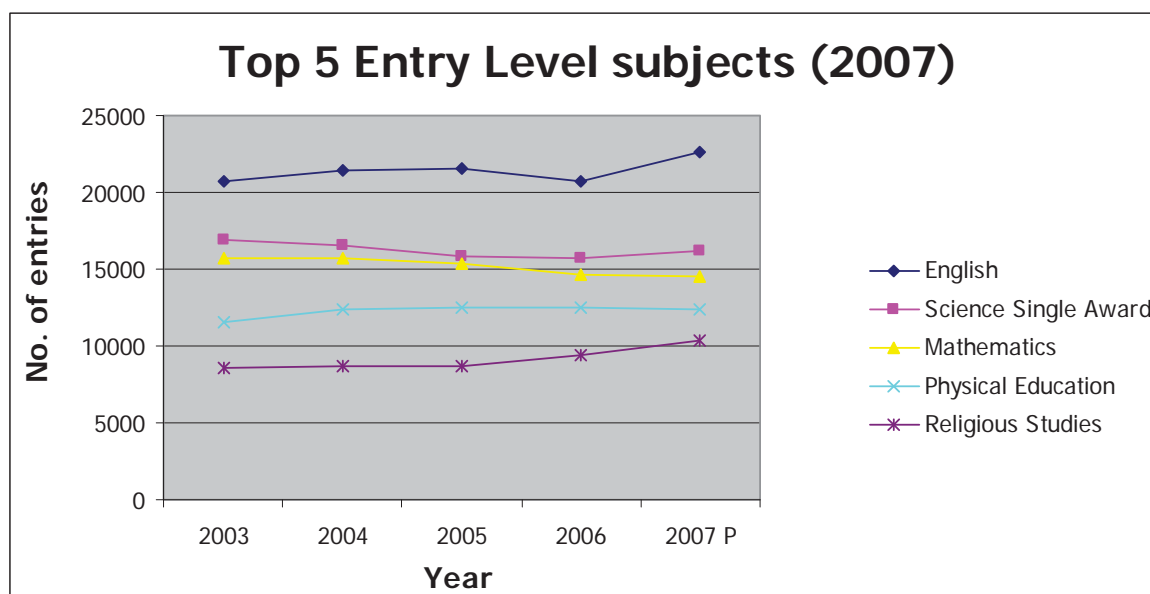


Table N Top 5 Entry Level increases

Subject (2006 ranking in brackets)		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of candidates	2007 P Number of candidates
1	Social Science Subjects	37.7	2268	3124
2	ICT	18.4	7839	9282
3	German	16.5	2028	2362
4	(5) Art	10.6	2558	2828
5	(3) Religious Studies	10.5	9356	10335

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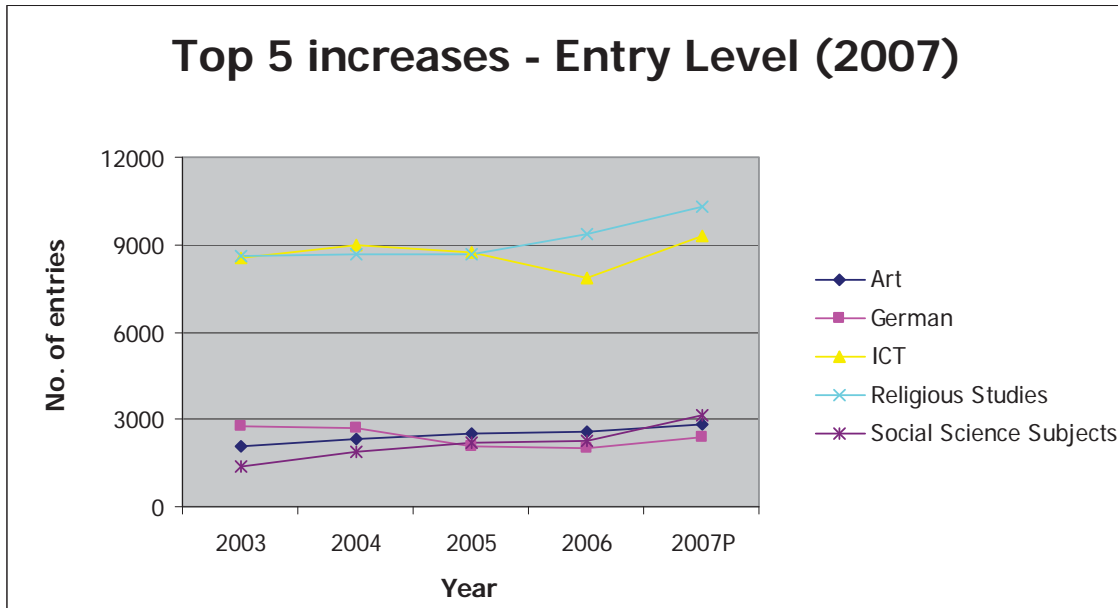


Table O Top 4 Entry Level decreases

Subject		Changes from 2006-2007		
		% change	2006 Number of candidates	2007 P Number of candidates
(2006 ranking in brackets)				
1	(5) Geography	-19.1	2765	2237
2	(1) History	-7.7	3614	3336
3	French	-4.8	9092	8658
4	Science Double Award	-4.5	1498	1430

Chart 17

