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The FREQ Procedure

How academically challenging was your senior year in high school?				
Q3	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all challenging	230	8.25	230	8.25
Somewhat challenging	1321	47.36	1551	55.61
Challenging	963	34.53	2514	90.14
Very challenging	275	9.86	2789	100.00

Frequency Missing = 36

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Q4: During your senior year of high school, how much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?	N	None	< 1 hr	1-2 hrs	3-5 hrs	6-10 hrs	11-15 hrs	16-20 hrs	> 20 hrs	Mean	SD
Study/homework	2820	2.3%	14.6%	25.9%	27.5%	16.9%	8.0%	2.9%	1.9%	3.87	1.45
Socializing/going out	2794	1.0%	4.0%	13.3%	31.1%	28.1%	12.7%	6.0%	3.6%	4.62	1.39
Playing video or computer games	2802	43.0%	22.1%	15.1%	10.4%	5.4%	2.1%	0.9%	1.1%	2.28	1.53
Using on-line social networking sites	2807	3.8%	16.7%	28.4%	25.7%	13.2%	5.9%	3.0%	3.3%	3.74	1.55
Working for pay	2813	34.1%	3.5%	5.2%	8.1%	12.9%	13.7%	12.1%	10.3%	4.03	2.59

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Q5: During your senior year in high school, about how often did you do each of the following?	N	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Mean	SD
Asked questions in class	2819	2.4%	39.7%	39.7%	18.2%	2.74	0.78
Came to class without completing readings or assignments	2819	40.8%	51.6%	5.7%	1.8%	1.69	0.66
Contributed to class discussions	2818	1.1%	25.3%	41.0%	32.6%	3.05	0.79
Turned in course assignments late	2814	58.1%	36.7%	2.3%	2.8%	1.50	0.68
Expressed views/opinions in class	2812	3.2%	31.0%	37.4%	28.4%	2.91	0.84
Turned in course assignments that did not reflect your best work	2810	29.6%	61.4%	7.3%	1.7%	1.81	0.63
Skipped/missed class	2810	72.3%	25.0%	2.1%	0.6%	1.31	0.54

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Q7:Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age	N	Way below average	Below average	Average	Above average	Way above average	Mean	SD
Academic ability	2793	0.0%	0.4%	24.0%	64.1%	11.5%	3.87	0.60
Drive to achieve	2786	0.1%	2.0%	21.2%	49.0%	27.6%	4.02	0.76
Self confidence in social situation	2787	1.3%	10.8%	34.9%	35.9%	17.1%	3.57	0.94

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Q8: Which of these Math classes have you taken in high school or summer school?	N	Yes	No
Algebra I	2825	87.4%	12.6%
Geometry	2825	96.5%	3.5%
Algebra II	2825	96.7%	3.3%
Computer Science	2825	11.6%	88.4%
Statistics	2825	23.9%	76.1%
Trigonometry	2825	41.4%	58.6%
Pre-Calculus	2825	73.9%	26.1%
Calculus	2825	19.7%	80.3%
AP Calculus	2825	29.8%	70.2%

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How many AP courses did you take?				
Q9	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
0	638	22.74	638	22.74
1	416	14.83	1054	37.56
2	380	13.54	1434	51.10
3	362	12.90	1796	64.01
4	300	10.69	2096	74.70
5 or more	710	25.30	2806	100.00

Frequency Missing = 19

How many AP exams did you take?				
Q10	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
0	888	31.56	888	31.56
1	451	16.03	1339	47.58
2	395	14.04	1734	61.62
3	314	11.16	2048	72.78
4	277	9.84	2325	82.62
5 or more	489	17.38	2814	100.00

Frequency Missing = 11

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How many AP exams did you pass (3 or better)?				
Q11	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
0	1318	48.35	1318	48.35
1	518	19.00	1836	67.35
2	306	11.23	2142	78.58
3	224	8.22	2366	86.79
4	130	4.77	2496	91.56
5 or more	230	8.44	2726	100.00

Frequency Missing = 99

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Q13:Are you currently experiencing any of the following?	N	Yes	No
Serious financial difficulties	2825	17.9%	82.1%
Serious illness or injury	2825	1.2%	98.8%
Serious problem or crisis involving a close friend or family member	2825	6.3%	93.7%

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Are you in a serious romantic relationship with someone?				
Q14	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No	1917	68.22	1917	68.22
Yes	893	31.78	2810	100.00

Frequency Missing = 15

Is your boyfriend or girlfriend coming to UK?				
Q16	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No	612	68.69	612	68.69
Yes	279	31.31	891	100.00

Frequency Missing = 1934

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Q18:During the past year, how often have you felt:	N	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always	Mean	SD
Sad or depressed	2820	17.1%	39.9%	32.2%	10.0%	0.7%	2.37	0.91
Lonely	2810	24.9%	36.6%	29.3%	8.4%	0.8%	2.24	0.95
Anxious or nervous	2811	8.0%	24.9%	43.3%	20.9%	2.8%	2.86	0.93
Intimidated by your teachers	2812	53.0%	34.1%	11.0%	1.8%	0.1%	1.62	0.76
Concerned about meeting new people	2816	33.5%	30.8%	24.5%	9.0%	2.1%	2.15	1.05
Unmotivated	2816	25.2%	35.0%	28.7%	9.9%	1.1%	2.27	0.98
Isolated from others	2814	43.5%	33.0%	17.0%	5.5%	1.1%	1.88	0.95
Tired or lacking in energy	2815	11.3%	26.4%	37.6%	21.1%	3.6%	2.79	1.01
Out of control	2815	64.4%	25.6%	7.7%	1.8%	0.4%	1.48	0.75
Worried about your health	2814	54.1%	25.8%	13.9%	4.6%	1.6%	1.74	0.97
A lot of stress in your life	2820	12.7%	23.9%	32.8%	23.3%	7.4%	2.89	1.12

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How many colleges or universities, including UK, did you apply to?				
Q20	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	607	21.67	607	21.67
2	543	19.39	1150	41.06
3	559	19.96	1709	61.01
4	363	12.96	2072	73.97
5	252	9.00	2324	82.97
6	160	5.71	2484	88.68
7	118	4.21	2602	92.90
8	70	2.50	2672	95.39
9	31	1.11	2703	96.50
10	31	1.11	2734	97.61
11 or more	67	2.39	2801	100.00

Frequency Missing = 24

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How many colleges or universities, including UK, accepted you for admission?				
Q21	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	666	23.84	666	23.84
2	601	21.51	1267	45.35
3	612	21.90	1879	67.25
4	373	13.35	2252	80.60
5	241	8.63	2493	89.23
6	126	4.51	2619	93.74
7	76	2.72	2695	96.46
8	36	1.29	2731	97.75
9	18	0.64	2749	98.39
10	19	0.68	2768	99.07
11 or more	26	0.93	2794	100.00

Frequency Missing = 31

Of all the colleges you applied to, was UK your				
Q22	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
first choice?	2233	79.44	2233	79.44
second choice?	427	15.19	2660	94.63
third or less choice?	151	5.37	2811	100.00

Frequency Missing = 14

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Q23:Please rate UK on these characteristics:	N	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Mean	SD
Academic reputation	2811	0.5%	8.1%	50.8%	40.7%	3.32	0.64
Availability of majors of interest to you	2806	0.4%	5.3%	30.7%	63.6%	3.57	0.61
Availability of special programs (honors, independent studies, etc.)	2811	0.4%	7.6%	48.4%	43.6%	3.35	0.63
Cost to your family	2807	14.2%	42.3%	28.6%	14.9%	2.44	0.91
Academic scholarship package	2804	17.3%	35.0%	31.4%	16.4%	2.47	0.96
Financial Aid package	2793	17.3%	36.5%	33.9%	12.4%	2.41	0.91
Racial climate on campus	2800	2.6%	17.1%	56.3%	24.1%	3.02	0.72
Quality of on-campus housing	2789	7.4%	28.1%	48.2%	16.3%	2.73	0.82
Recreational, cultural, and social opportunities	2803	0.5%	6.0%	42.9%	50.7%	3.44	0.63
Close to home/Convenience of getting home	2811	10.9%	22.3%	32.8%	34.0%	2.90	0.99

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Q24:Please rate the events and information provided by UK	N	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Not Applicable
High School visits by Admissions Counselors	2809	10.3%	12.1%	33.3%	23.5%	20.8%
UK sponsored events in your area (UK Preview Night, etc.)	2811	11.3%	14.7%	29.3%	19.2%	25.5%
UK sponsored events on campus (Come See For Yourself, etc.)	2802	4.1%	13.0%	35.6%	22.5%	24.8%
College fairs in your area	2807	9.5%	17.6%	34.5%	16.7%	21.7%
Campus visit	2802	1.2%	6.2%	34.7%	50.4%	7.6%
Printed publications (brochures, letters, etc.)	2807	1.6%	8.8%	40.0%	45.2%	4.4%
Email communications	2807	1.9%	9.3%	38.0%	47.2%	3.6%
Telephone calls by Admissions Counselors	2805	12.9%	20.2%	31.8%	21.5%	13.6%
College website	2810	3.6%	13.0%	41.5%	39.4%	2.5%
Financial Aid communications	2807	10.7%	27.3%	36.3%	15.8%	9.9%

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Q24:Please rate the events and information provided by UK (Not Applicable replaced with missing)	N	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Mean	SD
High School visits by Admissions Counselors	2224	12.9%	15.2%	42.1%	29.7%	2.89	0.98
UK sponsored events in your area (UK Preview Night, etc.)	2094	15.2%	19.7%	39.3%	25.7%	2.76	1.00
UK sponsored events on campus (Come See For Yourself, etc.)	2106	5.5%	17.3%	47.3%	29.9%	3.02	0.83
College fairs in your area	2197	12.1%	22.4%	44.1%	21.4%	2.75	0.93
Campus visit	2590	1.3%	6.7%	37.5%	54.5%	3.45	0.68
Printed publications (brochures, letters, etc.)	2683	1.6%	9.2%	41.9%	47.3%	3.35	0.71
Email communications	2707	2.0%	9.6%	39.5%	48.9%	3.35	0.74
Telephone calls by Admissions Counselors	2424	14.9%	23.3%	36.8%	24.9%	2.72	1.00
College website	2739	3.7%	13.3%	42.6%	40.5%	3.20	0.80
Financial Aid communications	2529	11.8%	30.3%	40.3%	17.6%	2.64	0.91

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How nervous or anxious are you about leaving home to attend college?				
Q26	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all nervous	706	25.10	706	25.10
Somewhat nervous	1497	53.22	2203	78.31
Nervous	433	15.39	2636	93.71
Very nervous	177	6.29	2813	100.00

Frequency Missing = 12

How often do you plan to go home on the weekends when you're in college?				
Q27	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Never	222	7.89	222	7.89
Very infrequently	795	28.25	1017	36.14
Once a month	949	33.72	1966	69.86
Every other weekend	558	19.83	2524	89.69
Every weekend	127	4.51	2651	94.21
I will be living at home	163	5.79	2814	100.00

Frequency Missing = 11

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About how many hours per week will you be employed during your first semester at UK?				
Q28	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Undecided	1256	44.62	1256	44.62
0 or only occasional jobs	889	31.58	2145	76.20
1 to 5 hours	70	2.49	2215	78.69
6 to 10 hours	192	6.82	2407	85.51
11 to 15 hours	186	6.61	2593	92.11
16 to 20 hours	146	5.19	2739	97.30
Over 20 hours	76	2.70	2815	100.00

Frequency Missing = 10

How concerned are you about your ability to pay for your college education?				
Q29	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not concerned,I am confident I will have enough funds	889	31.58	889	31.58
Somewhat concerned,I'll probably have enough funds	1243	44.16	2132	75.74
Very concerned,not sure I'll have enough funds	683	24.26	2815	100.00

Frequency Missing = 10

How important was the financial aid package offered by UK in your decision to enroll here?				
Q30	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all important	682	24.28	682	24.28
Somewhat important	723	25.74	1405	50.02
Important	530	18.87	1935	68.89
Very Important	874	31.11	2809	100.00

Frequency Missing = 16

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Do you plan to join a fraternity or sorority?				
Q32	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No	1144	40.70	1144	40.70
Not sure	857	30.49	2001	71.18
Yes	810	28.82	2811	100.00

Frequency Missing = 14

Do you know anyone else attending UK?				
Q33	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No	307	10.93	307	10.93
Yes	2502	89.07	2809	100.00

Frequency Missing = 16

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On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think your chances are of earning a 3.0 GPA or better during your first year at UK?				
Q34	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1, Impossible	2	0.07	2	0.07
2	3	0.11	5	0.18
3	6	0.21	11	0.39
4	23	0.82	34	1.21
5	89	3.16	123	4.37
6	124	4.41	247	8.78
7	441	15.67	688	24.45
8	645	22.92	1333	47.37
9	570	20.26	1903	67.63
10, Absolutely certain	911	32.37	2814	100.00

Frequency Missing = 11

On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think your chances are of graduating from UK within 4 years?				
Q35	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1, Impossible	31	1.13	31	1.13
2	11	0.40	42	1.53
3	22	0.80	64	2.33
4	45	1.64	109	3.97
5	97	3.53	206	7.49
6	100	3.64	306	11.13
7	213	7.75	519	18.88
8	397	14.44	916	33.32
9	566	20.59	1482	53.91
10, Absolutely certain	1267	46.09	2749	100.00

Frequency Missing = 76

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About how many people live in your hometown?				
Q37	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Less than 10,000	594	21.28	594	21.28
10,001 to 50,000	861	30.85	1455	52.13
50,001 to 100,000	363	13.01	1818	65.14
100,001 to 250,000	261	9.35	2079	74.49
250,001 to 500,000	325	11.64	2404	86.13
More than 500,000	387	13.87	2791	100.00

Frequency Missing = 34

What is the highest level of education achieved by your mother?				
Q38	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Less than high school graduate	56	1.99	56	1.99
High school graduate or GED	567	20.18	623	22.17
1 to 3 years of college or technical training	607	21.60	1230	43.77
4-year college degree or higher	1580	56.23	2810	100.00

Frequency Missing = 15

What is the highest level of education achieved by your father?				
Q39	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Less than high school graduate	99	3.53	99	3.53
High school graduate or GED	625	22.30	724	25.83
1 to 3 years of college or technical training	574	20.48	1298	46.31
4-year college degree or higher	1505	53.69	2803	100.00

Frequency Missing = 22

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What is your best estimate of your parents/guardian total income last year?				
Q40	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Less than \$30,000	262	9.52	262	9.52
\$30,000 to \$39,999	168	6.10	430	15.63
\$40,000 to \$59,999	353	12.83	783	28.45
\$60,000 to \$79,999	449	16.32	1232	44.77
\$80,000 to \$99,999	406	14.75	1638	59.52
\$100,000 to \$149,999	600	21.80	2238	81.32
\$150,000 or higher	514	18.68	2752	100.00

Frequency Missing = 73