



Research Proposal Funding Rates 2017-2018

Funding rates have been calculated from the number and value of research proposals announced or rejected between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018. Our Council provides a steer around the balance of our investments, for example between training and research and between community-driven research and strategic intervention, but we recognise that this means there are sometimes difficult decisions to make. In addition, our annual commitment plans are not uniform with peaks of commitment around key investments which mean that other years require us to reduce commitment during the Delivery Plan period.

In this period, EPSRC considered 2,589 research grant proposals through peer review and provided funding for 740, giving a funding rate of 29%¹. This amounted to a demand of £1,851 million, with funding of £647 million and a funding rate by value of 35%¹.

Where outline proposals have been submitted (in response to a call for outline proposals) the funding rate is calculated from the number and value of full proposals short-listed after the sifting of outline proposals. The data excludes Fellowship awards and Training awards.

Funding rates (in terms of number and value of research proposals) are presented by Theme; for the total portfolio and for each HEI which has received research grant funding in the financial year 2017-2018.

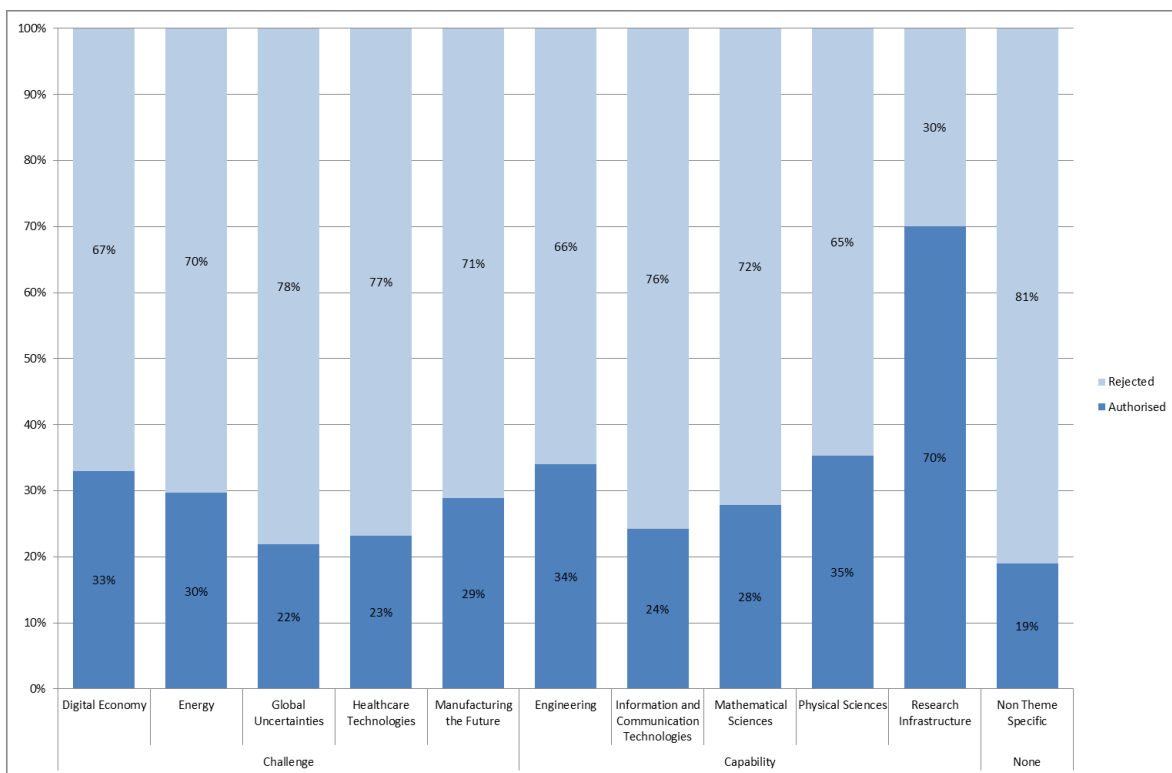
During the year there was an average of 17 people constrained by the Repeatedly Unsuccessful Applicants policy. At March 2018 the number of constrained people was 12 and the number of people who were close² to becoming constrained was 147.

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¹ Excludes institution grants awarded by algorithmic methods.

² People with 2 applications that meet the policy criteria.

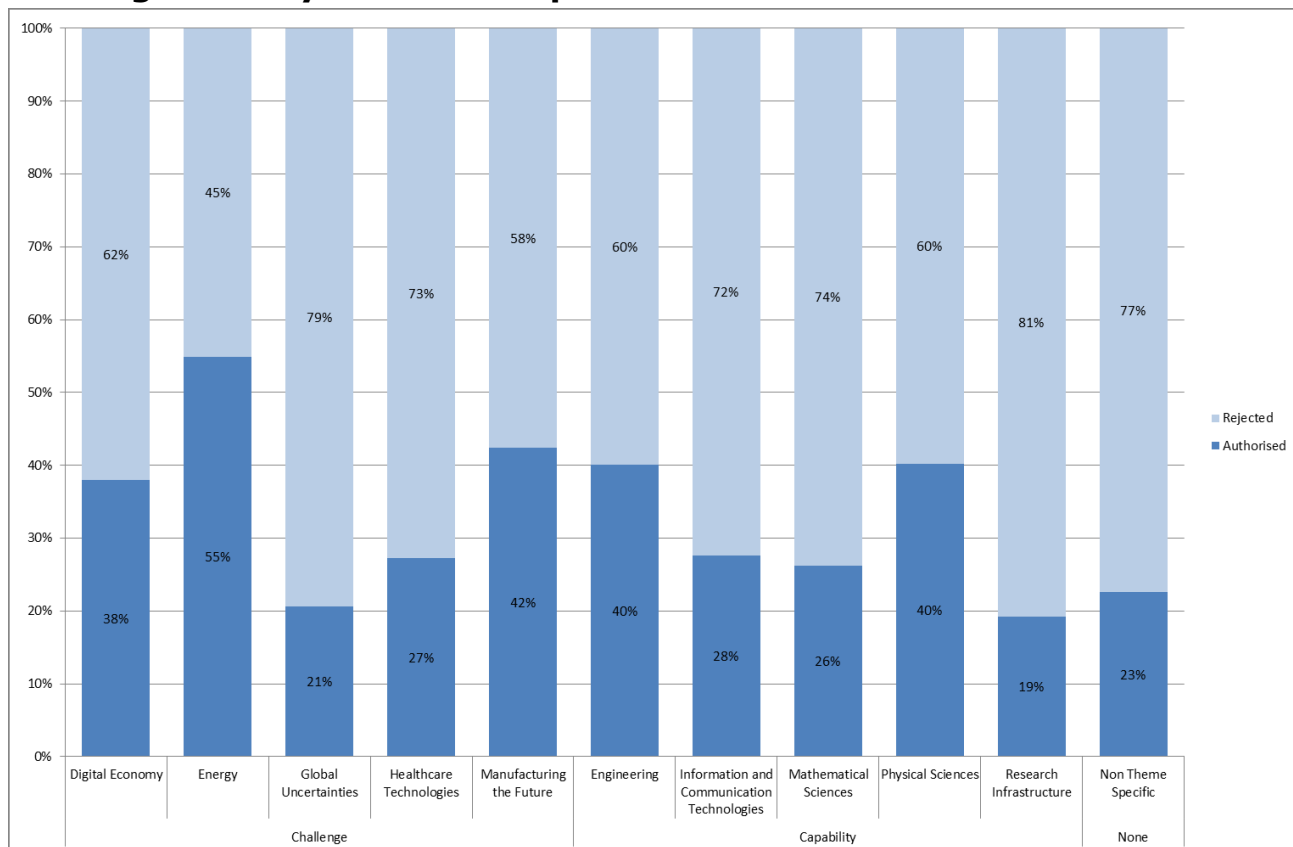
Funding Rates by Number of Proposals



Challenge	
Digital Economy	33%
Energy	30%
Global Uncertainties	22%
Healthcare Technologies	23%
Manufacturing the Future	29%
Capability	
Engineering	34%
Information and Communication Technologies	24%
Mathematical Sciences	28%
Physical Sciences	35%
Research Infrastructure	70%
Non theme specific	19%

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- Included are Discipline Hopping Awards, Equipment Business Case, First Grant Scheme, GCRF (EPSRC), Network, New Investigator Award, Overseas Travel Grants, Platform Grants, Programme Grants, Newton Fund (EPSRC) and Standard Research grants.

Funding Rates by Value of Proposals



Challenge	
Digital Economy	38%
Energy	55%
Global Uncertainties	21%
Healthcare Technologies	27%
Manufacturing the Future	42%
Capability	
Engineering	40%
Information and Communication Technologies	28%
Mathematical Sciences	26%
Physical Sciences	40%
Research Infrastructure	19%
Non Theme Specific	23%

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2017-2018 Individual Research Organisation Research Proposal Funding Rates

HoldingOrganisationName	Total number of research proposals considered	Number of research proposals funded	% Funding rate by number	Total value of research proposals considered	Value of research proposals funded	% Funding rate by value
Aberystwyth University	1	0	0%	£552,895.97	£0.00	0%
Anglia Ruskin University	1	0	0%	£340,268.77	£0.00	0%
Aston University	9	2	22%	£5,774,694.40	£1,497,311.08	26%
Bangor University	3	0	0%	£342,713.44	£0.00	0%
Birkbeck College	1	0	0%	£326,513.32	£0.00	0%
Birmingham City University	2	0	0%	£1,285,469.78	£0.00	0%
Bournemouth University	4	0	0%	£1,011,503.24	£0.00	0%
Brunel University London	36	6	17%	£17,656,235.64	£2,185,387.92	12%
Cardiff University	57	15	26%	£32,421,508.39	£11,346,892.66	35%
City, University of London	19	3	16%	£7,325,588.34	£858,607.27	12%
Coventry University	9	2	22%	£3,408,719.77	£1,073,689.49	31%
Cranfield University	24	7	29%	£17,905,375.79	£8,687,165.39	49%
De Montfort University	7	1	14%	£4,307,796.78	£57,435.08	1%
Diamond Light Source	1	0	0%	£25,917.79	£0.00	0%
Durham University	28	15	54%	£22,845,260.39	£14,690,993.96	64%
Edinburgh Napier University	4	1	25%	£604,800.11	£100,852.12	17%
Glasgow Caledonian University	1	0	0%	£141,578.40	£0.00	0%
Glyndwr University	1	0	0%	£743,578.30	£0.00	0%
Goldsmiths College	3	0	0%	£1,013,986.74	£0.00	0%
H R Wallingford Ltd	1	0	0%	£155,559.54	£0.00	0%
Heriot-Watt University	55	18	33%	£51,590,424.55	£25,589,738.38	50%
Historic Bldgs & Mnts Commis for England	1	0	0%	£81,765.89	£0.00	0%
Imperial College London	169	52	31%	£143,756,157.07	£48,658,379.08	34%
Institute of Cancer Research	1	0	0%	£9,792.46	£0.00	0%
Institute of Development Studies	1	0	0%	£982,371.39	£0.00	0%

Keele University	7	2	29%	£1,832,442.10	£492,119.79	27%
King's College London	40	11	28%	£29,367,215.71	£7,771,589.20	26%
Kingston University	2	0	0%	£645,738.11	£0.00	0%
Lancaster University	56	17	30%	£31,605,497.72	£10,807,543.24	34%
Liverpool John Moores University	11	3	27%	£5,011,771.25	£566,191.90	11%
London School of Economics & Pol Sci	4	1	25%	£2,932,242.14	£97,800.60	3%
London South Bank University	5	1	20%	£2,110,292.47	£460,716.37	22%
Loughborough University	44	14	32%	£21,478,921.93	£4,717,150.25	22%
Manchester Metropolitan University	5	3	60%	£1,121,467.66	£629,843.77	56%
Middlesex University	3	1	33%	£1,229,479.26	£247,474.37	20%
National Oceanography Centre	2	0	0%	£12,124,303.52	£0.00	0%
NERC British Geological Survey	3	0	0%	£10,181,078.78	£0.00	0%
NERC Centre for Ecology and Hydrology	2	0	0%	£506,409.64	£0.00	0%
Newcastle University	76	25	33%	£53,107,990.79	£15,047,816.29	28%
Northumbria University	12	5	42%	£5,659,051.20	£1,300,169.88	23%
Nottingham Trent University	2	1	50%	£344,753.24	£99,895.56	29%
Open University	19	3	16%	£11,129,094.20	£1,924,824.46	17%
Oxford Brookes University	4	2	50%	£2,775,519.88	£1,033,611.36	37%
Quadram Institute Bioscience	1	0	0%	£14,476.79	£0.00	0%
Queen Mary University of London	50	12	24%	£28,490,241.47	£5,446,964.46	19%
Queen's University of Belfast	52	11	21%	£33,295,142.57	£5,054,490.09	15%
Royal Holloway, Univ of London	12	1	8%	£6,919,343.57	£2,206,800.00	32%
Sheffield Hallam University	3	2	67%	£550,357.95	£345,120.46	63%
Southampton Solent University	1	0	0%	£171,565.70	£0.00	0%
Staffordshire University	1	0	0%	£409,736.08	£0.00	0%
STFC - Laboratories	8	5	63%	£3,032,531.90	£1,888,469.82	62%
Swansea University	26	9	35%	£10,188,671.11	£2,780,415.68	27%
Teesside University	4	0	0%	£901,139.72	£0.00	0%
The Faraday Institution	1	1	100%	£55,415,094.82	£55,415,094.82	100%
The Francis Crick Institute	1	0	0%	£335,063.67	£0.00	0%
The Robert Gordon University	3	1	33%	£1,816,365.30	£1,281,486.74	71%

The University of Manchester	107	34	32%	£99,764,064.72	£40,637,275.05	41%
The Welding Institute	1	0	0%	£170,357.47	£0.00	0%
Univ Hosp Coventry & Warwick NHS Trust	1	0	0%	£211,585.78	£0.00	0%
University College London	115	36	31%	£98,924,070.76	£39,087,504.74	40%
University of Aberdeen	15	3	20%	£5,936,657.35	£314,468.66	5%
University of Bath	53	16	30%	£34,498,563.18	£13,625,081.73	39%
University of Birmingham	59	16	27%	£44,386,257.45	£17,149,376.46	39%
University of Bradford	10	2	20%	£4,558,787.97	£1,245,556.07	27%
University of Brighton	9	2	22%	£3,385,249.03	£201,745.20	6%
University of Bristol	76	31	41%	£66,860,546.91	£28,192,160.83	42%
University of Cambridge	90	28	31%	£79,984,032.34	£37,085,089.90	46%
University of Chester	1	0	0%	£97,179.70	£0.00	0%
University of Dundee	11	1	9%	£3,926,351.10	£338,038.16	9%
University of East Anglia	16	4	25%	£5,536,623.41	£471,640.47	9%
University of East London	2	0	0%	£586,479.38	£0.00	0%
University of Edinburgh	74	25	34%	£50,133,626.17	£13,687,368.77	27%
University of Essex	8	0	0%	£7,812,951.31	£0.00	0%
University of Exeter	41	10	24%	£36,647,158.84	£13,116,399.42	36%
University of Glasgow	66	24	36%	£54,772,380.90	£21,022,942.39	38%
University of Greenwich	5	3	60%	£999,038.72	£799,553.58	80%
University of Hertfordshire	5	0	0%	£1,364,632.30	£0.00	0%
University of Huddersfield	14	3	21%	£3,658,305.86	£657,550.14	18%
University of Hull	6	3	50%	£1,015,522.72	£280,063.60	28%
University of Kent	34	10	29%	£11,488,466.88	£3,576,928.28	31%
University of Leeds	76	18	24%	£55,362,262.56	£21,993,122.40	40%
University of Leicester	10	3	30%	£3,519,417.05	£843,245.41	24%
University of Lincoln	6	2	33%	£2,659,313.11	£1,236,317.05	46%
University of Liverpool	49	17	35%	£28,034,386.28	£10,424,290.79	37%
University of Northampton	1	1	100%	£99,771.82	£99,771.82	100%
University of Nottingham	89	19	21%	£69,123,815.71	£23,158,353.33	34%
University of Oxford	89	32	36%	£60,615,395.84	£20,137,015.00	33%

University of Plymouth	10	3	30%	£4,296,008.22	£479,219.50	11%
University of Portsmouth	8	1	13%	£4,468,263.78	£11,686.12	0%
University of Reading	13	3	23%	£6,052,794.34	£693,714.99	11%
University of Salford	8	3	38%	£14,325,304.29	£2,748,345.63	19%
University of Sheffield	107	26	24%	£80,636,862.63	£18,381,312.26	23%
University of South Wales	3	1	33%	£724,137.02	£97,372.04	13%
University of Southampton	84	28	33%	£62,498,053.72	£24,550,167.42	39%
University of St Andrews	35	13	37%	£22,910,495.25	£13,270,990.77	58%
University of Stirling	4	0	0%	£2,087,097.63	£0.00	0%
University of Strathclyde	75	10	13%	£44,928,458.34	£9,045,741.35	20%
University of Sunderland	1	0	0%	£1,012,505.82	£0.00	0%
University of Surrey	40	13	33%	£29,782,996.71	£14,943,574.53	50%
University of Sussex	21	9	43%	£7,969,665.11	£2,190,529.76	27%
University of the West of England	14	1	7%	£6,664,948.71	£150,487.08	2%
University of the West of Scotland	2	0	0%	£1,148,263.12	£0.00	0%
University of Ulster	16	3	19%	£5,835,769.97	£1,687,299.59	29%
University of Warwick	71	17	24%	£45,844,803.45	£9,281,539.56	20%
University of Westminster	2	1	50%	£1,308,854.18	£672,887.65	51%
University of Winchester	1	0	0%	£807,417.75	£0.00	0%
University of Wolverhampton	1	0	0%	£131,237.25	£0.00	0%
University of York	35	12	34%	£22,442,802.70	£4,555,467.52	20%
Grand Total	2,589	740	29%	£1,851,323,469	£646,503,237	35%

Data based on the number and value of research grant proposals which were funded or unfunded between 01/04/17 and 31/03/18.