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Welcome to the **QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025**

This file provides the results for your institution in the broad subject area and narrow subjects where you have been nominated for evaluation in our academic reputation survey, as well as the scores and ranks for those subjects where you scored highly enough to be ranked. It should also provide you with useful information for any media communication you might need to prepare before launch.

To produce the rankings for this year the team analysed the reputation and research output of over 5,200 institutions. From this group, 1,747 were ranked across 55 narrow subjects and 5 broad subject areas, creating over 21,000 entries. These figures reflect some of the scale behind this huge undertaking that the team carries out in order to produce these subject rankings.

Page 3 shows a summary of your scores in broad subject areas you have been analysed in, as well as ranks in the broad subject areas you are to be published in. Page 6 presents a summary of your institution's scores and ranks in narrow subjects.

In the Appendix (page 13) you will find an explanation of the weightings that make up the different subject tables, the evolution of the subject rankings exercise, the paper thresholds that we have used in this edition and an indication of the number of institutions analysed and ranked.

We hope you will find this useful.

**Rankings Team,
QS Institutional Performance Unit**

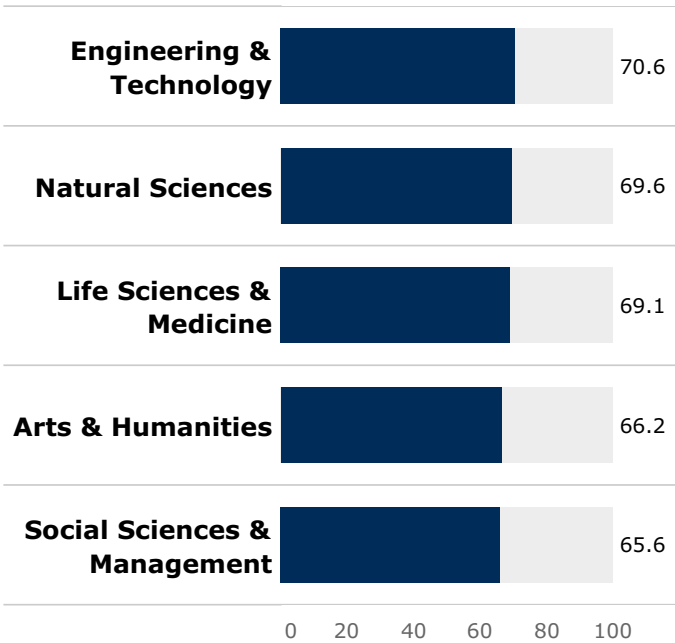
Broad Subject Rankings Summary

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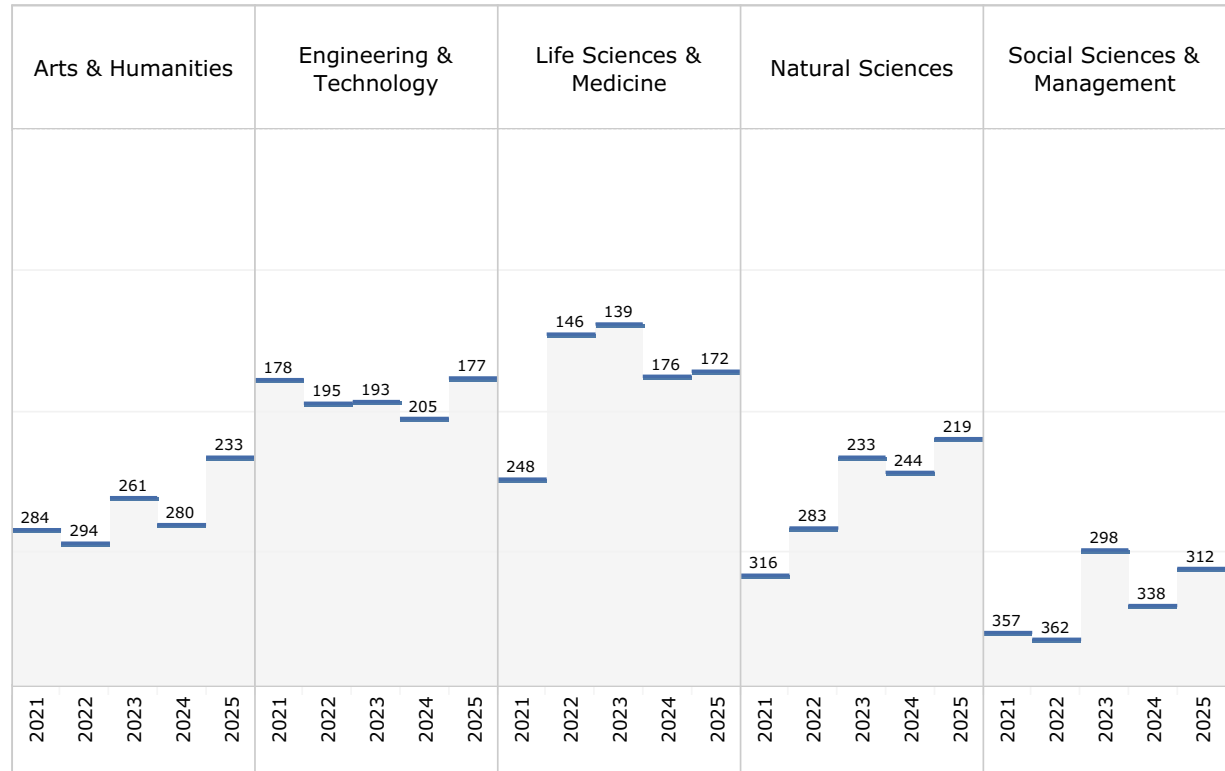
Overall ranks in 2025	Arts & Humanities	Engineering & Technology	Life Sciences & Medicine	Natural Sciences	Social Sciences & Management
	=233	=177	=172	=219	=312

Overall Score by Broad Subject Area (0-100)

Rankings Year 2025



Overall Rank Trend by Broad Subject Area



Broad Subject Areas - Overall Ranks and Scores by Indicator

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This page displays your institution's comprehensive performance by indicator for all broad subject areas where it meets the ranking criteria. Consult the methodology section for details on the minimum requirements for inclusion in the rankings.

	Score (0-100)						Overall Rank
	Academic	Employer	Citations	H-Index	IRN	Overall	
Arts & Humanities	69.2	56.6	75.1	74.1	43.8	66.2	=233
Engineering & Technology	71.7	60.2	83.3	73.9	81.5	70.6	=177
Life Sciences & Medicine	65.2	64.9	78.6	65.7	76.7	69.1	=172
Natural Sciences	64.3	63.8	85.4	72.9	73.4	69.6	=219
Social Sciences & Management	65.1	57.6	83.1	80.0	70.0	65.6	=312

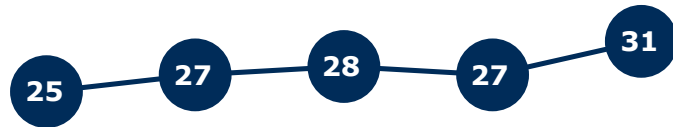
If you have a displayed score in reputation and research indicators then you met the minimum reputation and research threshold for consideration. In this case, the only reason you are not ranked is that your score is not high enough to receive a published rank.

Narrow Subject Rankings Overview

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Subjects Analysed	Subjects Ranked	Top 100 Subjects
51	31	3

Number of Ranked Subjects



Number of Subjects by Performance Groups - Trend Over Time

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Top 50	1	1			
Top 100	4	3	4	3	3
Top 200	12	12	11	12	13
Top 300	21	24	23	21	25
Top 400	25	27	28	27	30
Top 500	25	27	28	27	31

2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

Top Subjects - University of Porto - QS Subject Rankings 2025

51-100 Architecture	51-100 Civil Engineering	=94 Pharmacy	101-150 Agriculture	101-150 Sport
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Note: For visualisation purposes, only shortened subject names are shown here. Full subject names are available here: <https://shorturl.at/lmCI7>

Narrow Subjects - Overall Rank and Scores by Indicator

If you have a displayed score in reputation and research indicators, then you have met the minimum threshold for consideration in these categories. If you are not ranked, it is because your score is not high enough to qualify for a published rank.

		Rank	Scores (0-100)				
			Overall	Academic	Employer	Citations	H-Index
Arts & Humanities	Archaeology	-	49.3	44.4	39.9	77.2	64.8
	Architecture / Built Environment	51-100	66.1	63.8	52.4	81.4	80.7
	Art & Design	201-260	51.2	50.7	55.2		
	Classics & Ancient History	-	31.9	31.1	39.5		
	English Language & Literature	301-350	53.6	52.4	51.4	65.1	
	History	-	53.5	46.9	48.3	70.6	66.5
	History of Art	-	66.0	67.3	54.6		
	Linguistics	201-250	60.0	60.2	53.7	69.4	59.6
	Modern Languages	201-250	64.5	70.5	50.5		
	Music	-					
	Performing Arts	-					
	Philosophy	-	40.4	36.9	34.9	60.2	49.1
	Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies	-					
Social Sciences & Management	Accounting & Finance	301-375	56.5	53.3	57.1	65.1	62.2
	Anthropology	-	52.1	50.5	46.2	61.2	60.0
	Business & Management Studies	301-350	61.4	56.4	57.6	72.5	86.2
	Communication & Media Studies	-	61.4	58.2	54.2	73.3	60.9
	Development Studies	-	45.1	32.6	49.5	75.1	62.1
	Economics & Econometrics	401-450	59.8	46.8	56.8	78.7	69.7
	Education	151-200	69.1	63.5	55.3	79.8	79.4
	Hospitality & Leisure Management	-	36.9	51.1	21.3	64.2	
	Law	-	52.4	48.5	48.4	78.0	64.6
	Library & Information Management	-	48.5	43.8	58.6	60.6	57.2
	Marketing	-	58.7	59.6	44.6	79.5	76.0
	Politics & International Studies	-	50.2	41.9	56.2	63.8	59.6
	Social Policy & Administration	-	49.1	48.3	44.0	64.7	
	Sociology	301-375	59.1	57.5	50.6	75.8	66.6
	Sports-related Subjects	101-150	70.9	70.2	50.5	78.0	80.0
Statistics & Operational Research	151-200	66.8	61.7	45.3	80.1	76.8	

Narrow Subjects - Overall Rank and Scores by Indicator (continued)

		Rank	Scores (0-100)					
			Overall	Academic	Employer	Citations	H-Index	IRN
Engineering & Technology	Computer Science & Information Systems	301-350	58.0	45.5	57.7	76.5	69.3	85.3
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence	-	54.4	47.8	41.5	77.8	74.4	
	Engineering - Chemical	151-200	67.7	66.7	57.8	83.8	76.8	72.5
	Engineering - Civil & Structural	51-100	73.4	74.7	59.8	84.4	86.2	
	Engineering - Electrical & Electronic	151-200	65.3	57.7	61.4	87.2	75.9	68.6
	Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & M..	151-200	68.7	69.1	58.1	86.7	77.8	60.4
	Engineering - Mineral & Mining	-	54.9	34.8	55.0	85.4	78.0	
	Petroleum Engineering	-						
Life Sciences & Medicine	Agriculture & Forestry	101-150	61.8	50.3	35.1	85.4	83.5	78.3
	Anatomy & Physiology	-	62.3	50.6	40.7	81.9	70.0	
	Biological Sciences	201-250	64.5	56.7	59.8	74.6	67.8	73.5
	Dentistry	-	51.7	35.0	40.7	63.7	60.2	
	Medicine	201-250	65.4	56.7	60.2	78.0	69.9	71.0
	Nursing	151-225	68.4	54.5	32.5	80.2	82.3	
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	=94	73.9	54.9	60.1	93.5	92.4	87.4
	Psychology	151-200	63.9	56.2	60.1	80.7	77.5	56.6
	Veterinary Science	-	67.7	43.8	70.9	84.9	73.3	
Natural Sciences	Chemistry	201-250	65.3	58.8	59.7	82.6	65.9	75.9
	Earth & Marine Sciences	-	64.4	56.1	54.2	81.4	70.8	60.5
	Environmental Sciences	251-300	69.9	60.7	51.9	83.6	79.4	75.4
	Geography	201-250	64.4	58.6	61.2	78.8	75.2	
	Geology	201-250	68.0	60.3	53.2	82.1	71.6	61.3
	Geophysics	201-250	68.2	61.5	53.1	80.8	71.9	62.7
	Materials Science	151-200	68.8	64.2	59.6	77.9	68.3	79.1
	Mathematics	251-300	61.7	54.2	56.5	75.5	76.1	59.7
	Physics & Astronomy	251-300	64.3	57.4	60.4	80.9	65.6	73.3

Receiving a score for a particular subject does not guarantee that we have checked for its presence at your institution. These checks are only carried out for institutions with a score high enough to receive a published rank in the subject. However, we encourage institutions to inform us about their subject coverage proactively:

<https://qs-hub2.qs.com/#>

Narrow Subjects - Rank Trend

The table below presents the overall ranks in each subject over the last five years.

Note that only the published ranks are provided. Institutions must meet minimum requirements to be considered in each subject.

		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Arts & Humanities	Arts & Humanities	=284	=294	261	=280	=233
	Archaeology					
	Architecture / Built Environment	51-100	51-100	101-150	51-100	51-100
	Art & Design	151-200	201-230	201-240		201-260
	Classics & Ancient History					
	English Language & Literature				301-330	301-350
	History					
	History of Art					
	Linguistics		251-300	251-300	151-200	201-250
	Modern Languages	201-250	251-300	301-340	251-300	201-250
	Music					
	Performing Arts					
	Philosophy					
Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies						
Social Sciences & Management	Social Sciences & Management	=357	=362	=298	=338	=312
	Accounting & Finance	251-300	251-300	301-330	301-350	301-375
	Anthropology					
	Business & Management Studies	301-350	301-350	351-400	351-400	301-350
	Communication & Media Studies					
	Development Studies					
	Economics & Econometrics	301-350	301-350	351-400	351-400	401-450
	Education	151-200	101-150	151-200	151-200	151-200
	Hospitality & Leisure Management					
	Law					
	Library & Information Management	49	=49	51-70		
	Marketing					
	Politics & International Studies					
	Social Policy & Administration					
	Sociology	251-300	251-300	301-340	301-350	301-375
	Sports-related Subjects	51-100	101-130	51-100	51-100	101-150
	Statistics & Operational Research				201-250	151-200

Narrow Subjects - Rank Trend (continued)

The table below presents the overall ranks in each subject over the last five years.

		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Engineering & Technology	Engineering & Technology	=178	=195	=193	=205	=177
	Computer Science & Information Systems	251-300	251-300	251-300	301-350	301-350
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence					
	Engineering - Chemical	101-150	101-150	101-150	151-200	151-200
	Engineering - Civil & Structural	51-100	51-100	51-100	101-150	51-100
	Engineering - Electrical & Electronic	151-200	=141	151-200	151-200	151-200
	Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & Ma..	128	147	151-200	148	151-200
	Engineering - Mineral & Mining					
	Petroleum Engineering					
Life Sciences & Medicine	Life Sciences & Medicine	=248	146	=139	=176	=172
	Agriculture & Forestry	151-200	101-150	101-150	101-150	101-150
	Anatomy & Physiology					
	Biological Sciences	201-250	201-250	201-250	201-250	201-250
	Dentistry					
	Medicine	251-300	151-200	201-250	198	201-250
	Nursing					151-225
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	101-150	101-150	=94	92	=94
	Psychology	251-300	251-300	201-250	201-250	151-200
Veterinary Science						
Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences	=316	=283	=233	=244	=219
	Chemistry	201-250	251-300	201-250	201-250	201-250
	Earth & Marine Sciences					
	Environmental Sciences	151-200	151-200	201-250	201-250	251-300
	Geography					201-250
	Geology			201-230		201-250
	Geophysics		201-220	201-230	201-240	201-250
	Materials Science	201-250	251-300	151-200	151-200	151-200
	Mathematics	301-350	251-300	251-300	251-300	251-300
	Physics & Astronomy	351-400	301-350	251-300	251-300	251-300

Methodology - Indicator Definitions

The QS World University Rankings by Subject utilise a set of indicators with variable weights. It's important to note that not every indicator is used across all subjects, depending on the relevance of the available data.

Academic Reputation

The Academic Reputation Index, central to the QS World University Rankings® and pivotal in the QS Subject Rankings, assesses global university performance. Launched by QS in 2004, this key metric draws on the insights of international academics to identify institutions that exemplify academic excellence. Their collective expertise sheds light on research quality, strategic partnerships, innovation, and the broader educational and societal influence of these universities.

Employer Reputation

The Employer Reputation metric stands out in global assessments by uniquely emphasizing employability—an aspect often overlooked by other major rankings. As the sole ranking to prioritize this critical facet of higher education, we recognize that for most undergraduates, the university's standing among employers is a decisive factor in their post-graduation success.

Citations per Paper

The Citations per Paper metric reflects the research impact and quality of institutions, based on a five-year publication and six-year citation window. For Subject Rankings, citations from specialized journals are doubly weighted, while institutions with fewer publications face adjusted citation counts to maintain equitable outcomes.

H-Index

The h-index quantifies a researcher's scholarly output and influence by tallying their most-cited works and the corresponding citation count. This index can extend to collective bodies like departments, institutions—our indicator's focus—or even entire countries and academic journals.

International Research Network (IRN)

The International Research Network (IRN) assesses an institution's global engagement by tracking its international research partnerships and resulting co-authored publications. Leveraging the Margalef Index, widely used in the Environmental Sciences, the IRN reflects the diversity and scope of an institution's research connections and the effectiveness of establishing these global networks.

Indicator Weightings by Broad Subject Area

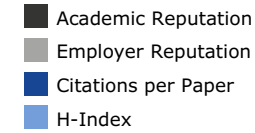


More details about the QS rankings methods can be found at support.qs.com

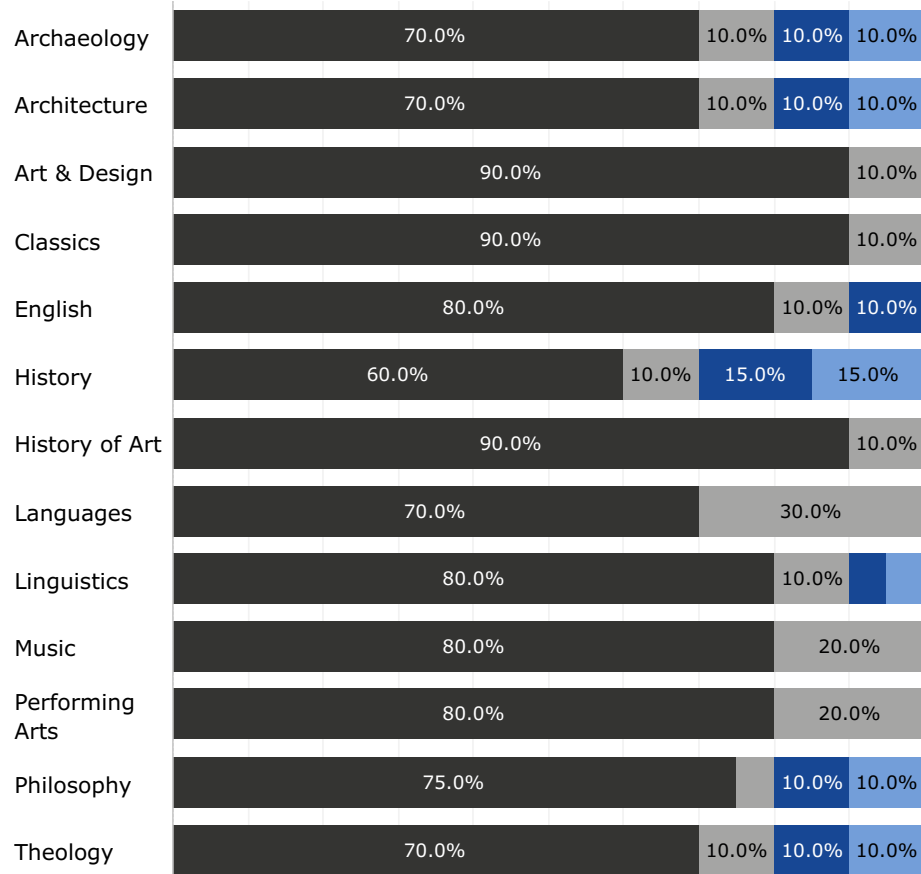
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- Employer Reputation
- Citations per Paper
- H-Index
- IRN

Indicator Weightings by Narrow Subject

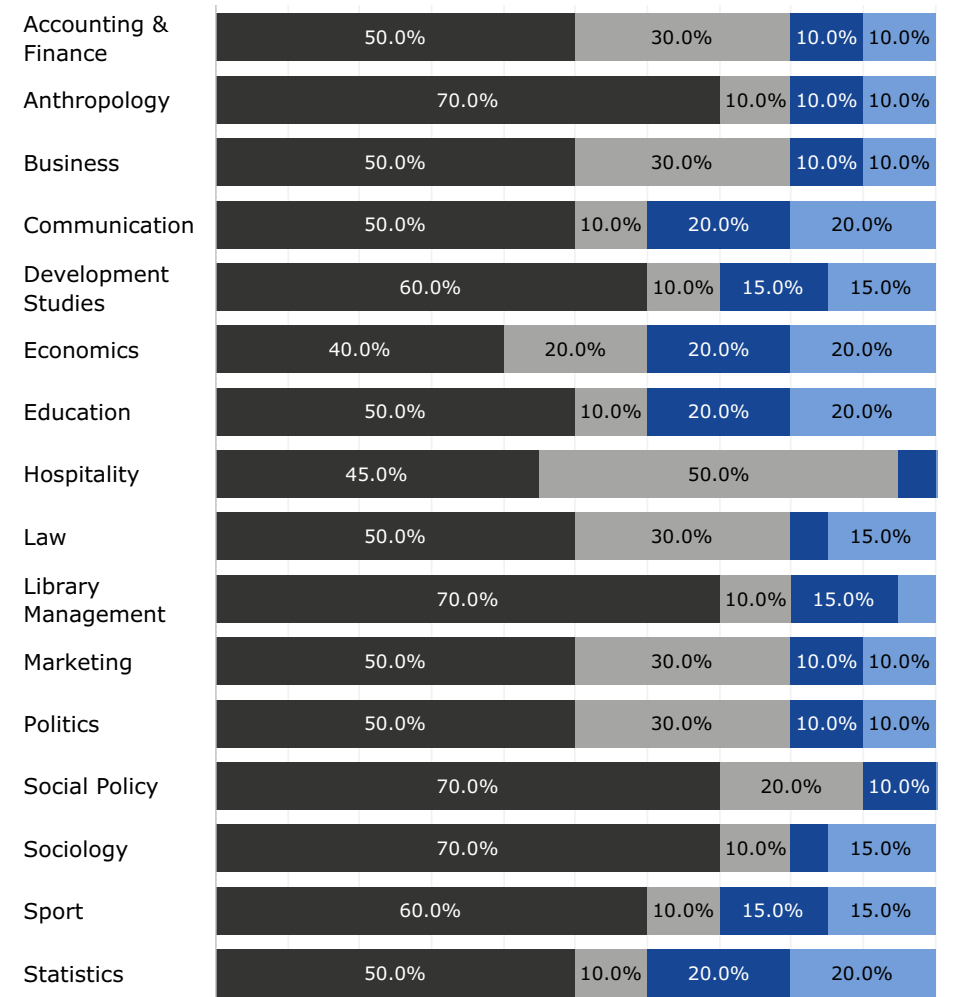
QS uses a variable approach to the weightings for the different subjects. The chart below provides details of the combinations used in the 2025 edition of the rankings.



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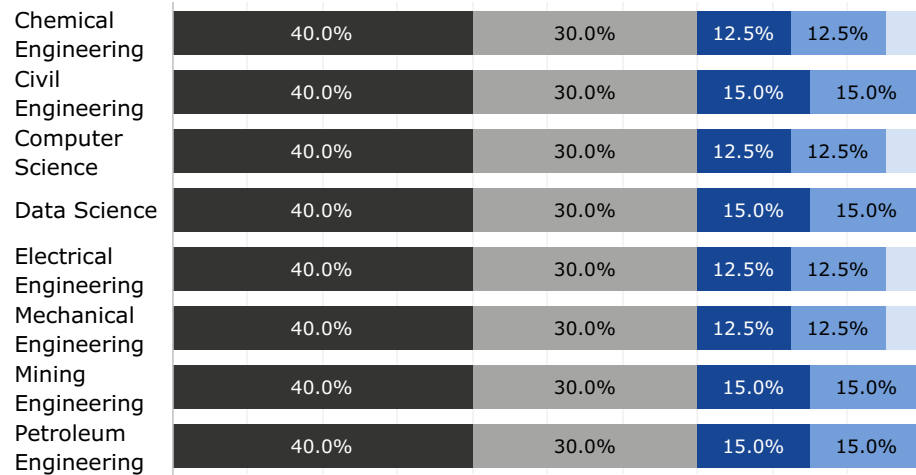


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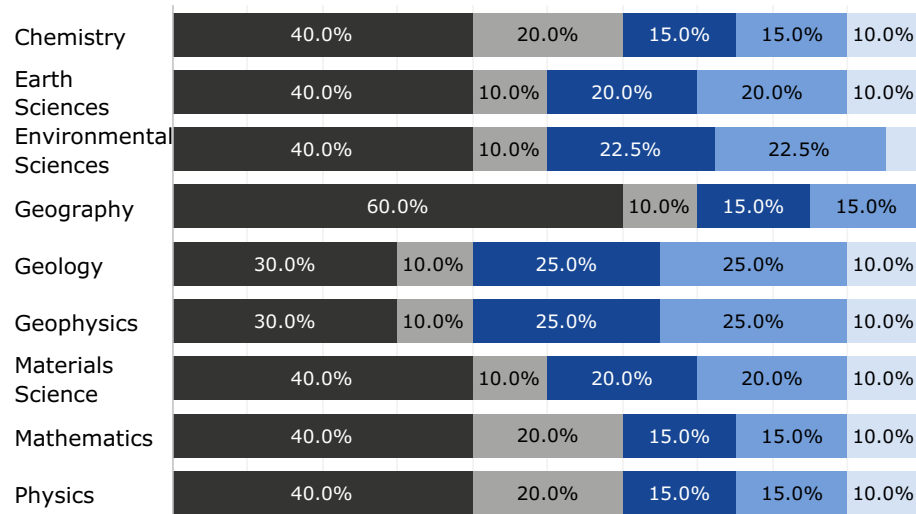


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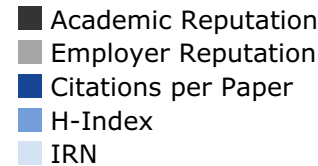
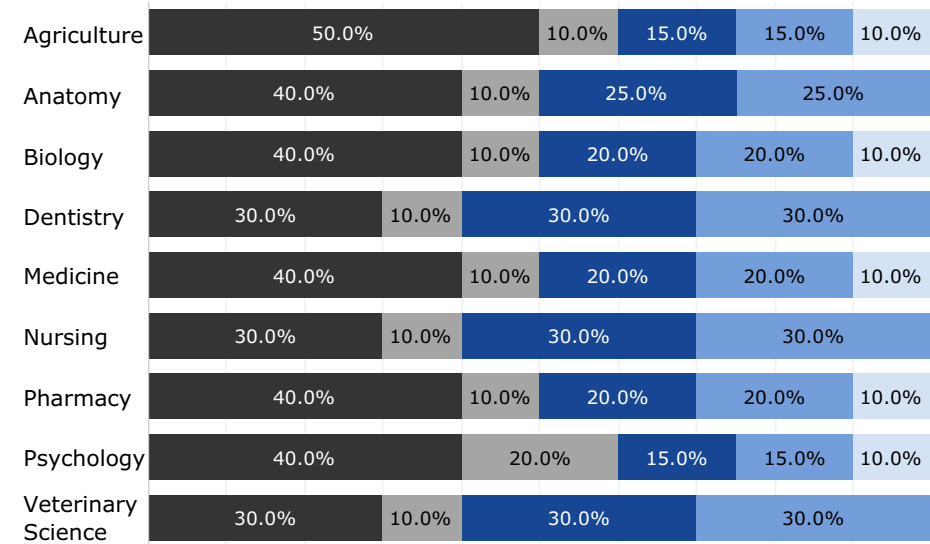
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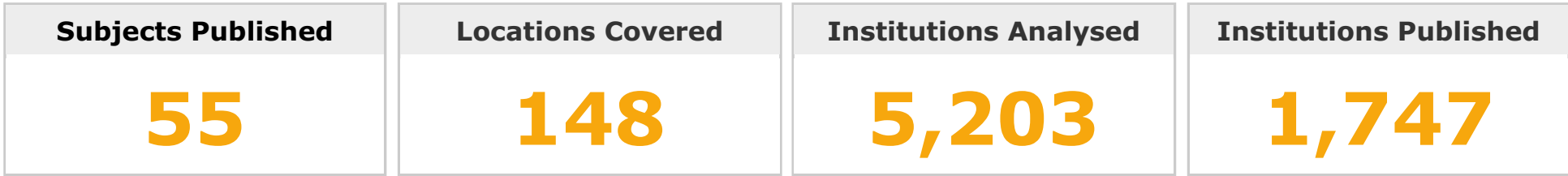
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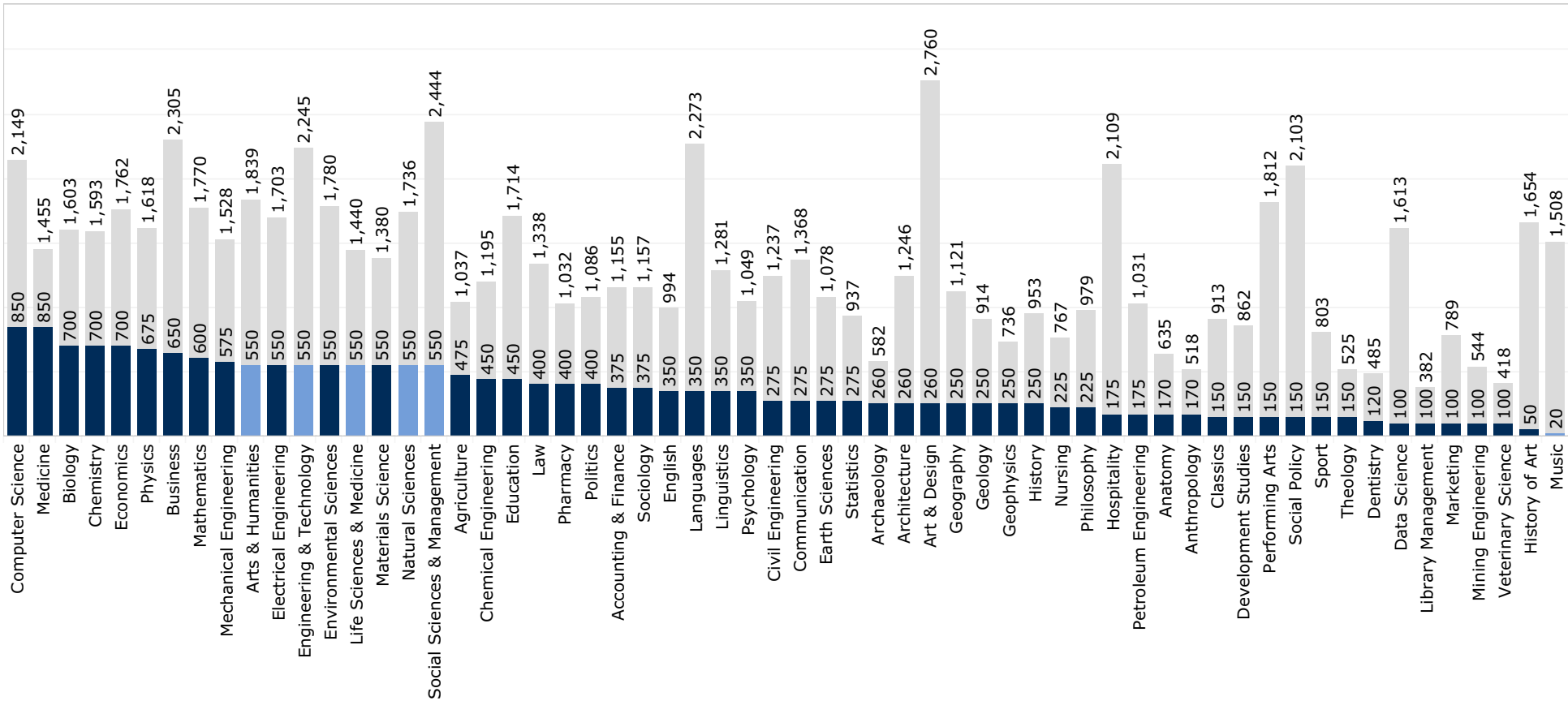
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Institutions Evaluated and Ranked by Subject



Analysed and Published Institutions by Subject - Year 2025

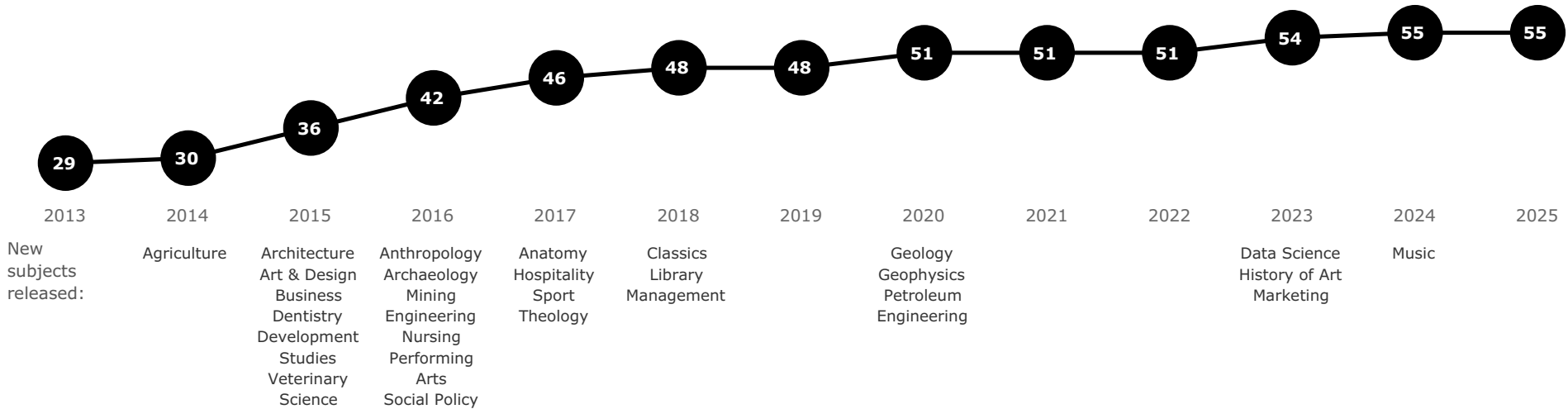


Darker blue indicates extended published ranges in 2025

Evolution in Published Subjects

The **QS World University Rankings® by Subject** ranks the world's top universities in individual subject areas, covering 55 disciplines as of 2025. A list of the considered subjects, grouped by the year of first release, is presented below.

The chart below shows the evolution in the total number of published narrow subjects.



Published Institutions by Location



Top Locations by number of ranked institutions

United States of America	220
China (Mainland)	124
United Kingdom	104
France	81
India	79
Germany	61
Italy	56
Japan	53
Russian Federation	47
Republic of Korea	47

Minimum Research Activity Required

In order to feature in any discipline table, an institution must meet three simple prerequisites:

- Offer undergraduate or taught postgraduate programmes in the given discipline
- Exceed the minimum required score for the academic and/or employer reputation indicators
- Exceed the five-year threshold for number of papers published and indexed by Scopus in the given discipline

The following chart discloses the minimum number of papers required to be considered in the latest edition of the rankings by subject.

Number of Papers Threshold by Subject - Rankings Year 2025

