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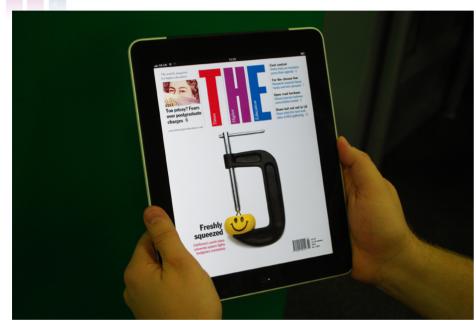






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Why Rank? Rapid globalisation of higher education

- There are 3.9 million students enrolled in higher education outside their country of origin 7 million by 2020
- Universities now have 200+ satellite campuses outside their home countries
- Around 20 per cent of all academics working in the UK are appointed from overseas
- Almost 40 per cent of papers from top 200 universities international
- Sir Drummond Bone said: "World class research is inherently international"





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"We are living through one of those tipping points where in five years, (commentators will say) that this was the period when the landscape changed for ever, when the speed of reputational growth and decline suddenly accelerated. "We all accept that higher education is borderless - ideas know no boundaries, do not accord any significance to geography and maps - and that is equally true of reputations and university rankings."

Peter Upton

Director, British Council, Hong Kong





Why Rank? Rankings have a useful function

- "Rankings often serve in place of formal accreditation systems in countries where such accountability measures do not exist."
- "Prompt change in areas that directly improve student learning experiences"
- "Encourage institutions to move beyond their internal conversations to participate in broader national and international discussions."
- "Foster collaboration, such as research partnerships, student and faculty exchange programmes."

US Institute for Higher Education Policy, May 2009





Times Higher Education's responsibility

"The responsibility weighs heavily on our shoulders. We are very much aware that national policies and multimillion-pound decisions are influenced by the rankings.... We feel we have a duty to improve how we compile the rankings...

"We believe universities deserve a rigorous, robust and transparent set of rankings – a serious tool for the sector, not just an annual curiosity."

Ann Mroz, Editor, Times Higher Education, November 2009







The development of a new world ranking system

In November 2009 we signed a deal with **Thomson Reuters**, to work with us to develop and fuel a new and improved global ranking for the future.







Back to first principles: What makes a world class university?

"Everyone wants one, no one knows what it is, and no one knows how to get one".

Philip Altbach, Boston College, US on the "World Class University"





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The key pillars:

Teaching
Knowledge Transfer
Global outlook
Research.





Thomson Reuters' stakeholder survey. Key findings:

- 92 per cent said that faculty output (publications) was a must have/nice to have
- 91 per cent said that faculty impact (citations) was a must have/nice to have
- 86 per cent said they wanted faculty/student ratios
- 84 per cent wanted income from research grants
- 79 per cent wanted peer "reputation" measure







Teaching – the learning environment (30%)

Reputation survey – Teaching (15%)

Staff-to-student ratio (4.5%)

PhDs awarded / Undergraduate degrees awarded (2.25%)

PhDs awarded / Academic staff (6%)

Institutional income / Academic staff (2.25%)





"I welcome the way the Times Higher Education is also trying to measure teaching and is recognising that that's a crucial part of the university experience".

David Willetts, UK universities minister





International Outlook – staff, students and research (7.5%)

International students / Total students (2.5%)

International academic staff / Total academic staff (2.5%)

Scholarly papers with one or more international co-authors / Total scholarly papers (2.5%)





Industry Income – innovation (2.5%)

Research income from industry / Academic staff (2.5%)





Research – volume, income and reputation (30 %)

Reputation survey – Research (18%)

Research income (PPP) / Academic staff (6%)

Scholarly papers / Academic staff + Research staff (6%)





Citations – research influence (30%)

Citation impact (normalized average citations per paper) (30%)



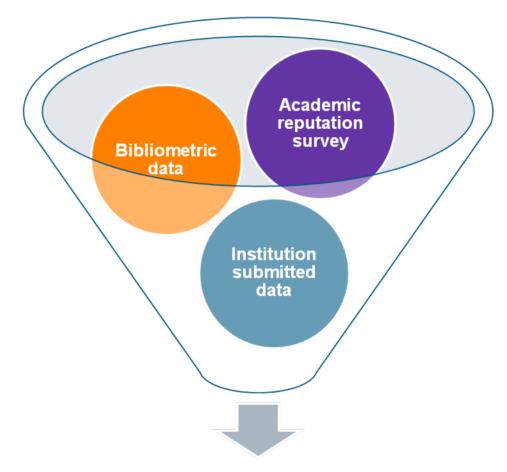


Field	Papers	Citation	Citation Impact
Chemistry	618,568	3,335,763	5.39
Engineering	438,538	958,640	2.19
Mathematics	140,219	211,268	1.51
Molecular Biology			
& Genetics	145,939	1,597,660	10.95
Physics	494,451	2,154,290	4.36





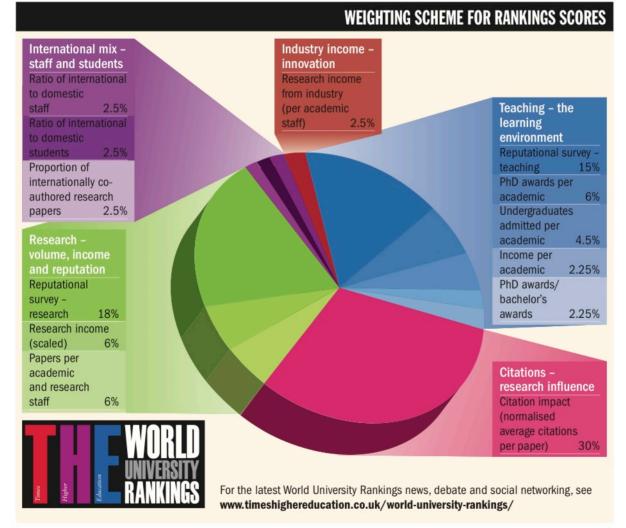
Thomson Reuters data collection/analysis







Methodology in full

















Reactions to the THE WUR system

"Times Higher rankings -- now increasingly seen as the gold standard"

Ferdinand Von Prondzynski, vice chancellor, Robert Gordon University

"The new methodology employed by Times Higher Education is less heavily weighted towards subjective assessments of reputation and uses more robust citation measures. This bolstered confidence in the evaluation method."

Steve Smith, president, Universities UK

"I congratulate THE for reviewing the methodology to produce this new picture of the best in higher education worldwide."

David Willetts, UK minister for higher education and science

"This year Times Higher Education consulted widely to pinpoint weaknesses in other ranking systems and in their previous approach.... These are welcome developments."

David Naylor, president, University of Toronto





2011-12: The results



TOP 10 UNIVERSITIES

Rank	Institution
1	California Institute
	of Technology
=2	Harvard University
=2	Stanford University
4	University of Oxford
5	Princeton University
6	University of Cambridge
7	Massachusetts Institute
	of Technology
8	Imperial College London
9	University of Chicago
10	University of California,
	Berkeley



For full results and analysis, see the Times Higher **Education World** University Rankings 2011-12 supplement















THE World University Rankings 2010-11: Results

GLO	BAL PLAYERS:	COUNTRIES IN THE TOP 200 AND THE	IR STARS
Country/region	Number of institutions in top 200	Country's top-ranked institution	World ran
US	75	California Institute of Technology	
UK	32	University of Oxford	
Germany	12	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	4
Netherlands	12	Utrecht University	6
Canada	9	University of Toronto	1
Switzerland	7	ETH Zürich – Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zürich	1
Australia	7	University of Melbourne	3
Japan	5	University of Tokyo	3
Sweden	5	Karolinska Institute	3
France	5	École Normale Supérieure	5
Hong Kong	4	University of Hong Kong	3
China	3	Peking University	=4
Republic of Korea	3	Pohang University of Science and Technology	5
Belgium	3	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	6
Denmark	3	Aarhus University	=12
Singapore	2	National University of Singapore	4
Republic of Ireland	d 2	Trinity College Dublin	=11
Israel	2	Hebrew University of Jerusalem	=12
Norway	2	University of Oslo	=18
Finland	1	University of Helsinki	9
South Africa	1	University of Cape Town	10
Austria	1	University of Vienna	13
Taiwan	1	National Taiwan University	=15
New Zealand	1	University of Auckland	=17
Brazil	1	University of São Paulo	=17
Spain	1	Pompeu Fabra University	18















Rankings website: http://bit.ly/thewur







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