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Welcome to the **QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026**

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, QS analysed the reputation and research output of almost 6,273 institutions. From this group, 1,908 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 QS 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.

The QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026 will be published on topuniversities.com on the 25 March 2026 at 10:00 AM GMT.

**Rankings Team,
QS Institutional Performance Unit**

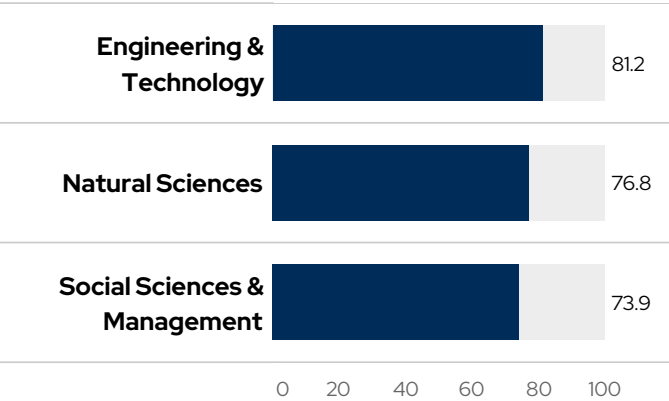
Broad Subject Rankings Summary

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IITD)

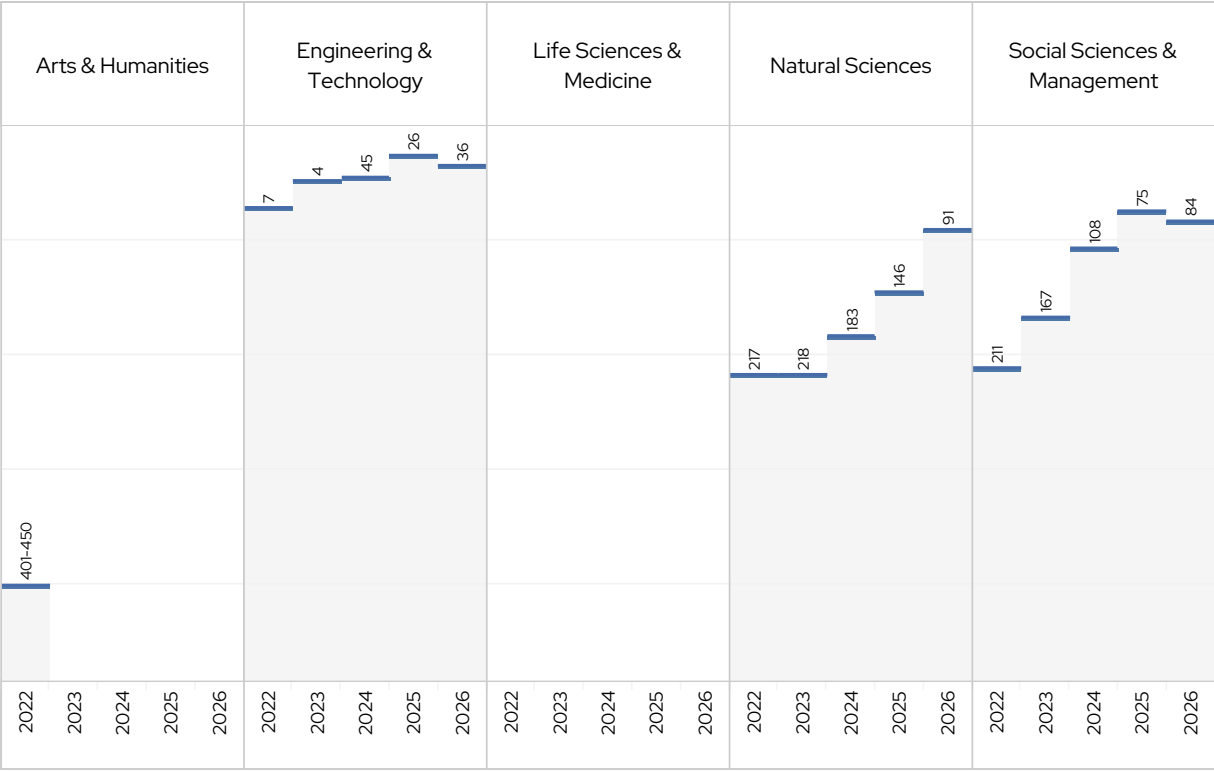
	Arts & Humanities	Engineering & Technology	Life Sciences & Medicine	Natural Sciences	Social Sciences & Management
Overall ranks in 2026	-	36	-	=91	84

Overall Score by Broad Subject Area (0-100)

Rankings Year 2026



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							-
Engineering & Technology	84.9	83.5	80.7	73.0	68.2	81.2	36
Life Sciences & Medicine							-
Natural Sciences	76.8	91.2	79.8	67.6	57.0	76.8	=91
Social Sciences & Management	65.2	87.1	88.4	81.7	49.0	73.9	84

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.

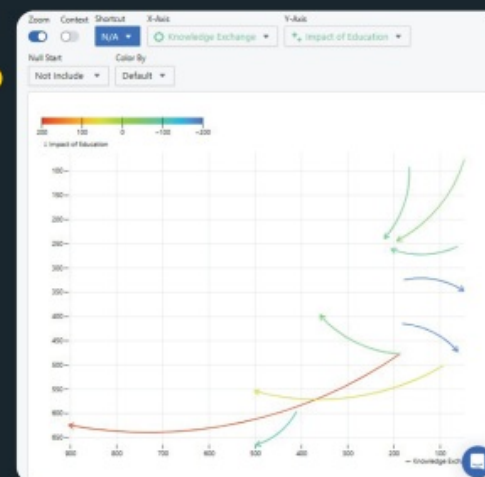
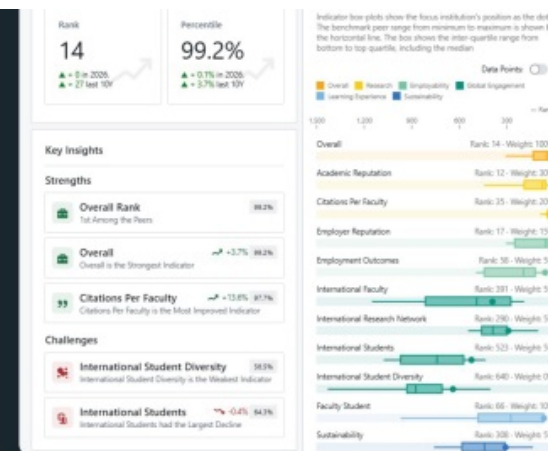


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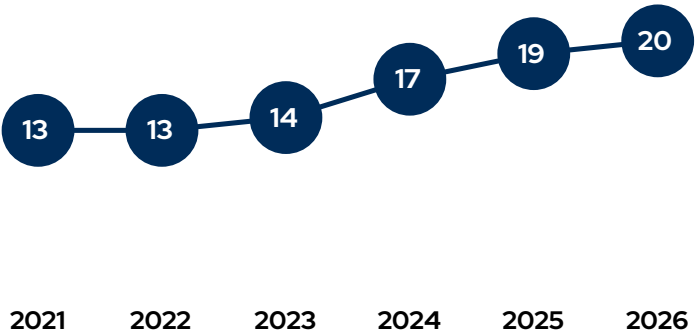


Narrow Subject Rankings Overview

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Subjects Analysed	Subjects Ranked	Top 100 Subjects
20	20	12

Number of Ranked Subjects



Number of Subjects by Performance Groups - Trend Over Time

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Top 50			1	3	1	5
Top 100	4	5	7	11	12	12
Top 200	11	11	12	14	15	18
Top 300	12	11	13	16	19	20
Top 400	13	13	14	17	19	20

Top Subjects - Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IITD) - QS Subject Rankings 2026

36	44	45	48
Electrical Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	Computer Science	Chemical Engineering
=50			
Civil Engineering			

Note: For visualisation purposes, only shortened subject names are shown here. Full subject names are available here: <https://shorturl.at/lmCl7>

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	-					
	Architecture / Built Environment	-					
	Art & Design	201-300	48.8	45.7	76.8		
	Classics & Ancient History	-					
	English Language & Literature	-					
	History	-					
	History of Art	-					
	Linguistics	151-200	63.1	61.4	73.5	77.4	55.9
	Modern Languages	-					
	Music	-					
	Performing Arts	-					
	Philosophy	-					
	Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies	-					
Social Sciences & Management	Accounting & Finance	-					
	Anthropology	-					
	Business & Management Studies	71	72.6	61.9	83.7	74.9	90.9
	Communication & Media Studies	-					
	Development Studies	-					
	Economics & Econometrics	=103	71.7	61.8	81.7	82.7	70.6
	Education	-					
	Hospitality & Leisure Management	-					
	Law	-					
	Library & Information Management	-					
	Marketing	-					
	Politics & International Studies	-					
	Social Policy & Administration	101-150	66.4	57.9	90.5	78.0	
	Sociology	151-200	64.7	63.6	96.0	52.7	53.2
	Sports-related Subjects	-					
	Statistics & Operational Research	51-100	74.8	69.6	78.5	84.3	76.4

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	45	73.7	66.8	85.6	76.8	70.3	59.2
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence	51-100	75.1	73.6	81.6	74.7	66.2	
	Engineering - Chemical	48	76.8	73.7	82.4	81.6	74.6	60.6
	Engineering - Civil & Structural	=50	76.1	73.6	81.4	78.1	70.1	
	Engineering - Electrical & Electronic	36	78.3	76.0	82.2	81.3	78.1	66.8
	Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & Manufactu..	44	76.8	73.2	80.8	81.8	76.4	70.1
	Engineering - Mineral & Mining	51-100	64.6	38.5	91.8	81.0	63.5	
	Petroleum Engineering	-						
Life Sciences & Medicine	Agriculture & Forestry	-						
	Anatomy & Physiology	-						
	Biological Sciences	201-250	62.8	68.4	78.9	65.3	53.0	39.0
	Dentistry	-						
	Medicine	-						
	Nursing	-						
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	-						
	Psychology	-						
	Veterinary Science	-						
Natural Sciences	Chemistry	=123	70.3	72.8	77.2	76.8	60.2	52.3
	Earth & Marine Sciences	-						
	Environmental Sciences	78	77.8	76.3	88.2	85.0	75.1	49.4
	Geography	-						
	Geology	-						
	Geophysics	-						
	Materials Science	=64	76.2	75.8	93.9	78.3	72.6	63.1
	Mathematics	=86	70.6	69.0	81.2	74.7	69.3	51.2
	Physics & Astronomy	139	70.3	71.6	79.5	75.0	61.4	53.0

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.ql.com/#>



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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.

		2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Arts & Humanities	Arts & Humanities	401-450				
	Archaeology					
	Architecture / Built Environment					
	Art & Design				201-260	201-300
	Classics & Ancient History					
	English Language & Literature					
	History					
	History of Art					
	Linguistics				251-300	151-200
	Modern Languages					
	Music					
	Performing Arts					
	Philosophy					
	Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies					
Social Sciences & Management	Social Sciences & Management	=211	=167	=108	75	84
	Accounting & Finance					
	Anthropology					
	Business & Management Studies	=132	121	91	92	71
	Communication & Media Studies					
	Development Studies					
	Economics & Econometrics				125	=103
	Education					
	Hospitality & Leisure Management					
	Law					
	Library & Information Management					
	Marketing					
	Politics & International Studies					
	Social Policy & Administration					101-150
	Sociology	301-330	251-300	301-350	251-300	151-200
	Sports-related Subjects					
	Statistics & Operational Research	101-150	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100

Narrow Subjects – Rank Trend (continued)

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

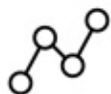
		2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Engineering & Technology	Engineering & Technology	72	48	=45	26	36
	Computer Science & Information Systems	65	67	63	64	45
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence			35	51-100	51-100
	Engineering – Chemical	=92	96	86	93	48
	Engineering – Civil & Structural	51-100	51-100	39	51-100	=50
	Engineering – Electrical & Electronic	=56	49	55	47	36
	Engineering – Mechanical, Aeronautical & Manufact..	=64	=70	50	61	44
	Engineering – Mineral & Mining		51-70	51-70	51-100	51-100
	Petroleum Engineering					
Life Sciences & Medicine	Life Sciences & Medicine					
	Agriculture & Forestry					
	Anatomy & Physiology					
	Biological Sciences	301-350	301-350	251-300	201-250	201-250
	Dentistry					
	Medicine					
	Nursing					
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology					
	Psychology					
	Veterinary Science					
Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences	=217	=218	=183	=146	=91
	Chemistry	151-200	151-200	135	136	=123
	Earth & Marine Sciences			201-250		
	Environmental Sciences			100	94	78
	Geography					
	Geology					
	Geophysics					
	Materials Science	101-150	101-150	89	98	=64
	Mathematics	128	=119	124	95	=86
	Physics & Astronomy	151-200	151-200	151-200	151-200	139

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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.

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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.

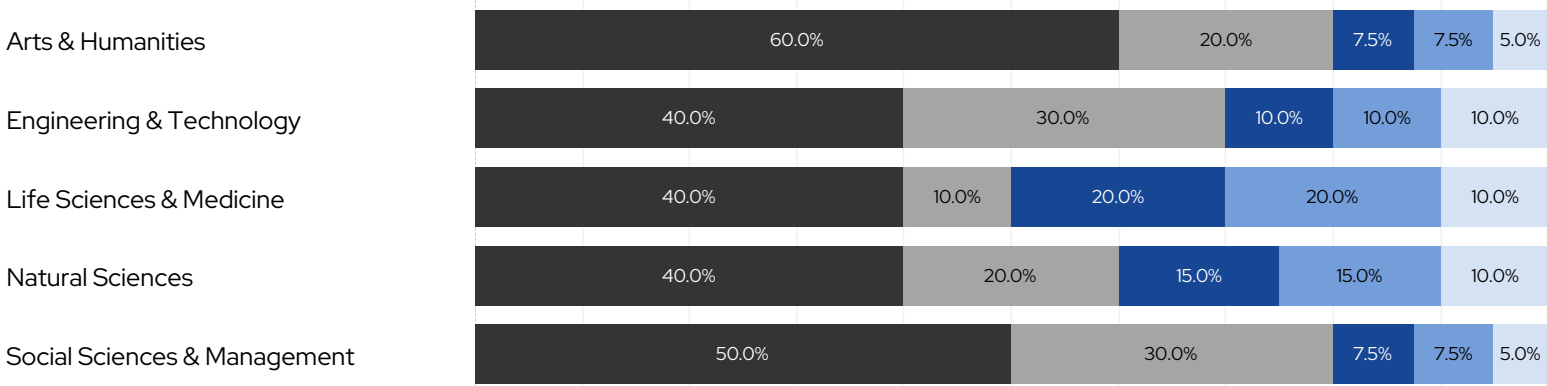
H-Index

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

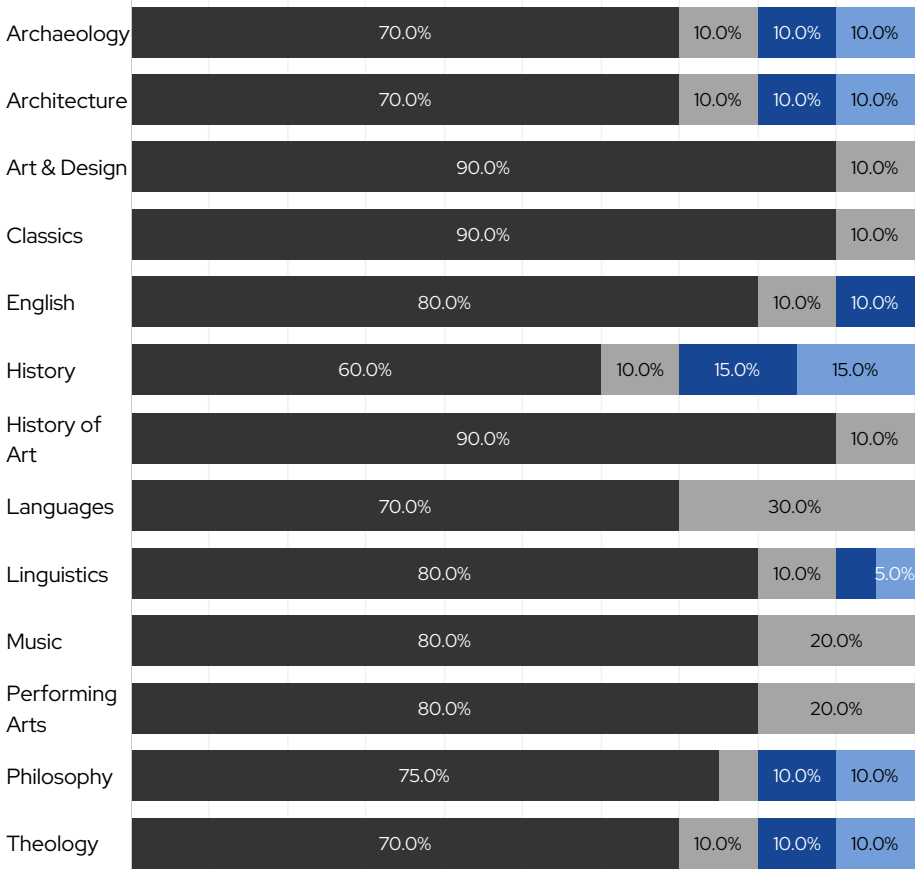
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- Employer Reputation
- Citations per Paper
- H-Index
- IRN

Indicator Weightings by Narrow Subject

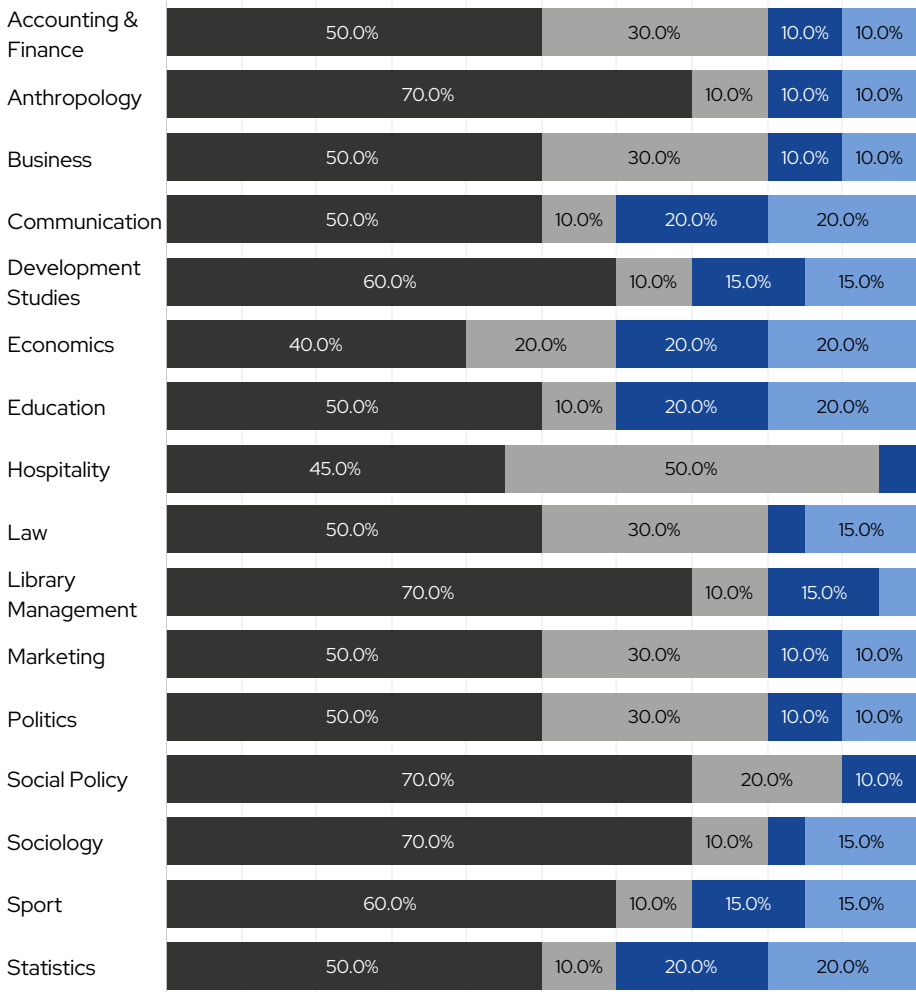
QS uses a variable approach to the weightings for the different subjects. The chart below provides details of the combinations used in the 2026 edition of the rankings.

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

Arts & Humanities



Social Sciences & Management

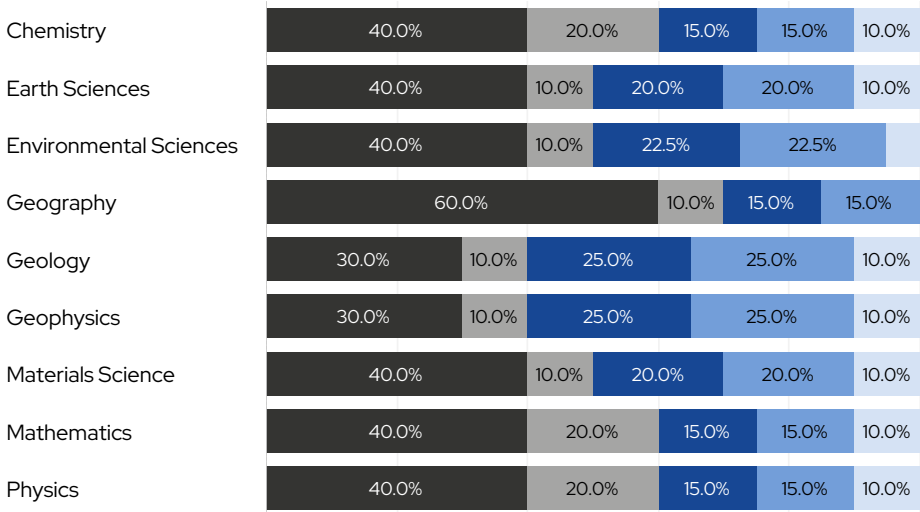


Indicator Weightings by Narrow Subject

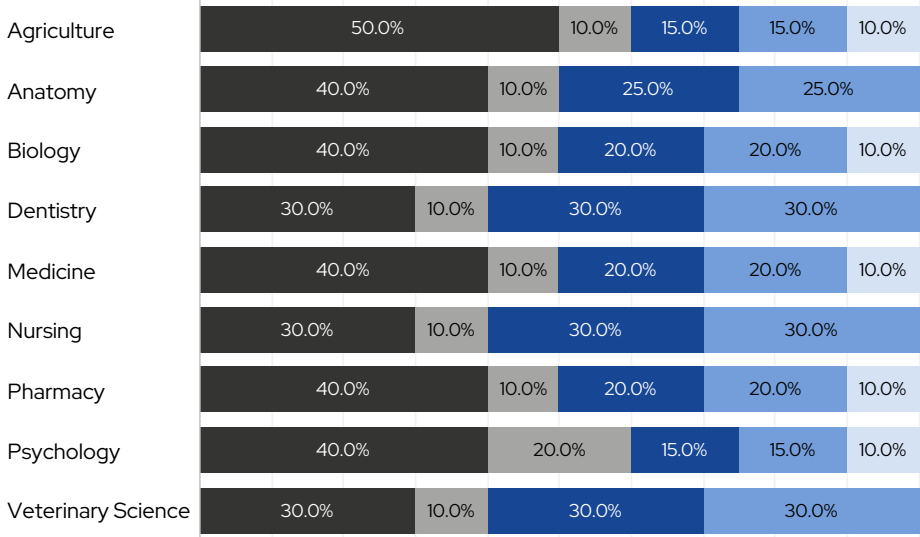
Engineering & Technology



Natural Sciences



Life Sciences & Medicine



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

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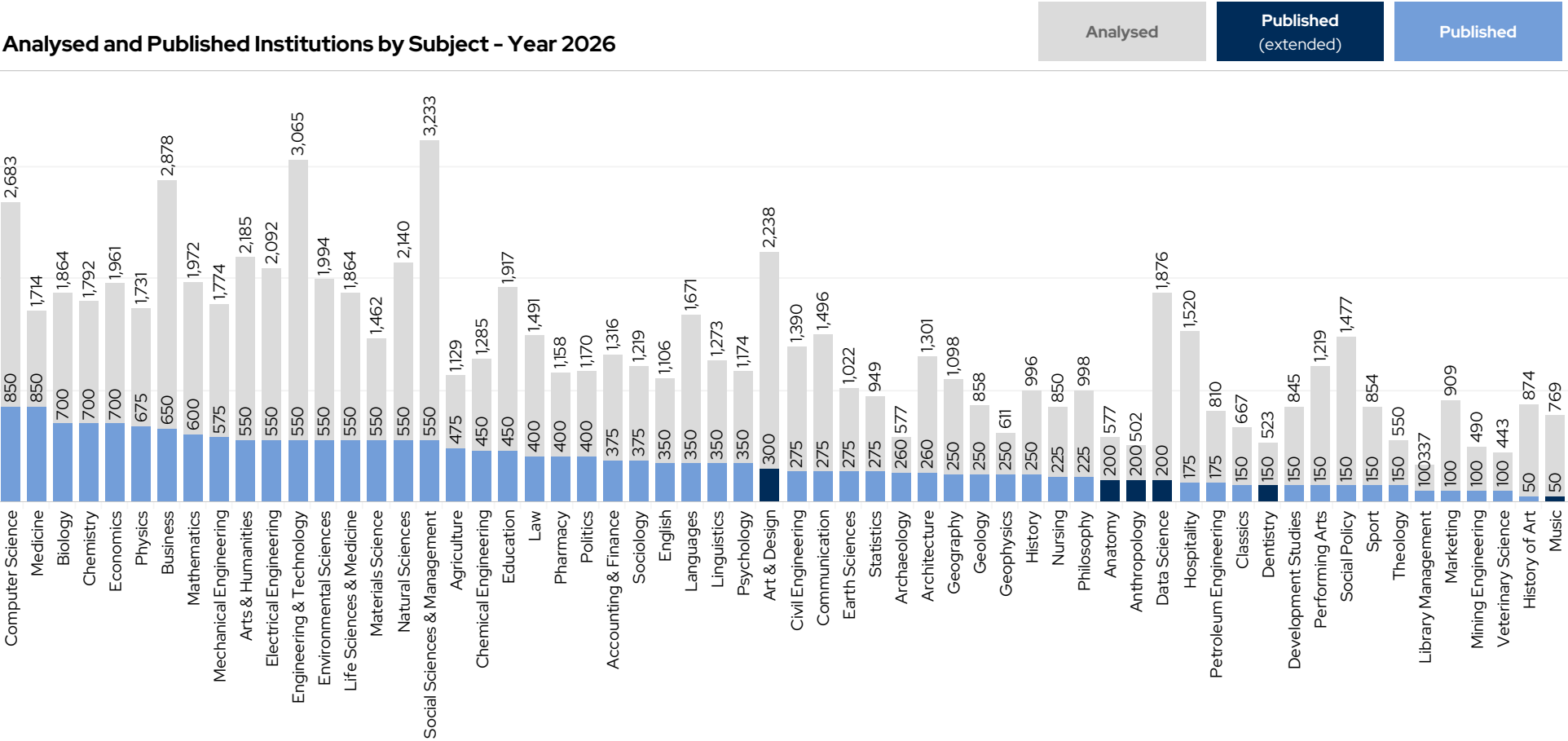
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Institutions Evaluated and Ranked by Subject

Subjects Published	Locations Covered	Institutions Analysed	Institutions Published
55	166	6,273	1,908

Analysed and Published Institutions by Subject - Year 2026

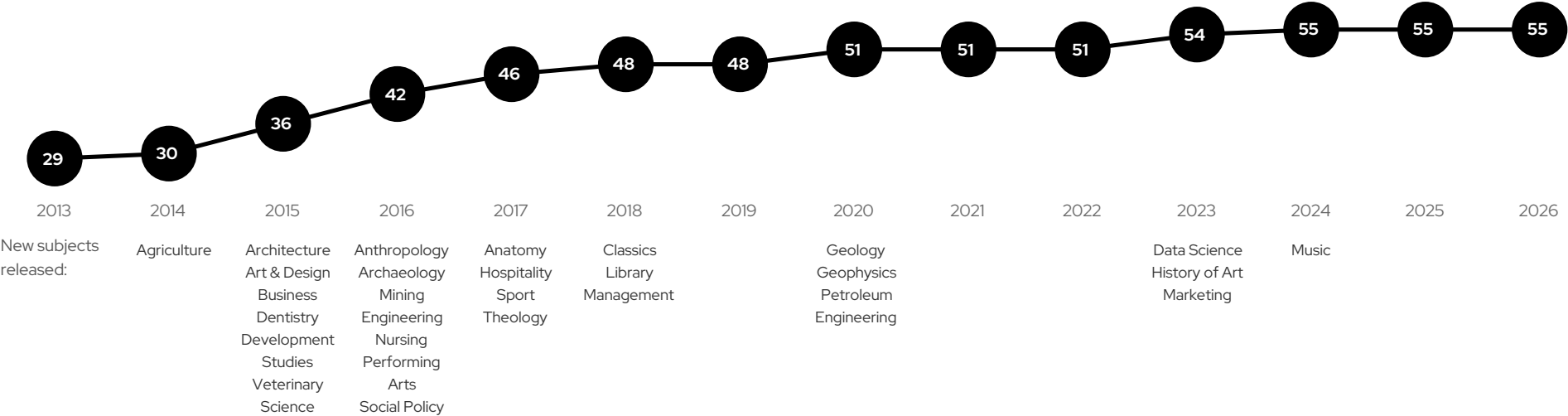


Darker blue indicates extended published ranges in 2026

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 2026. 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	228
China (Mainland)	158
United Kingdom	114
India	99
France	93
Germany	72
Italy	60
Spain	54
Japan	53
Republic of Korea	47



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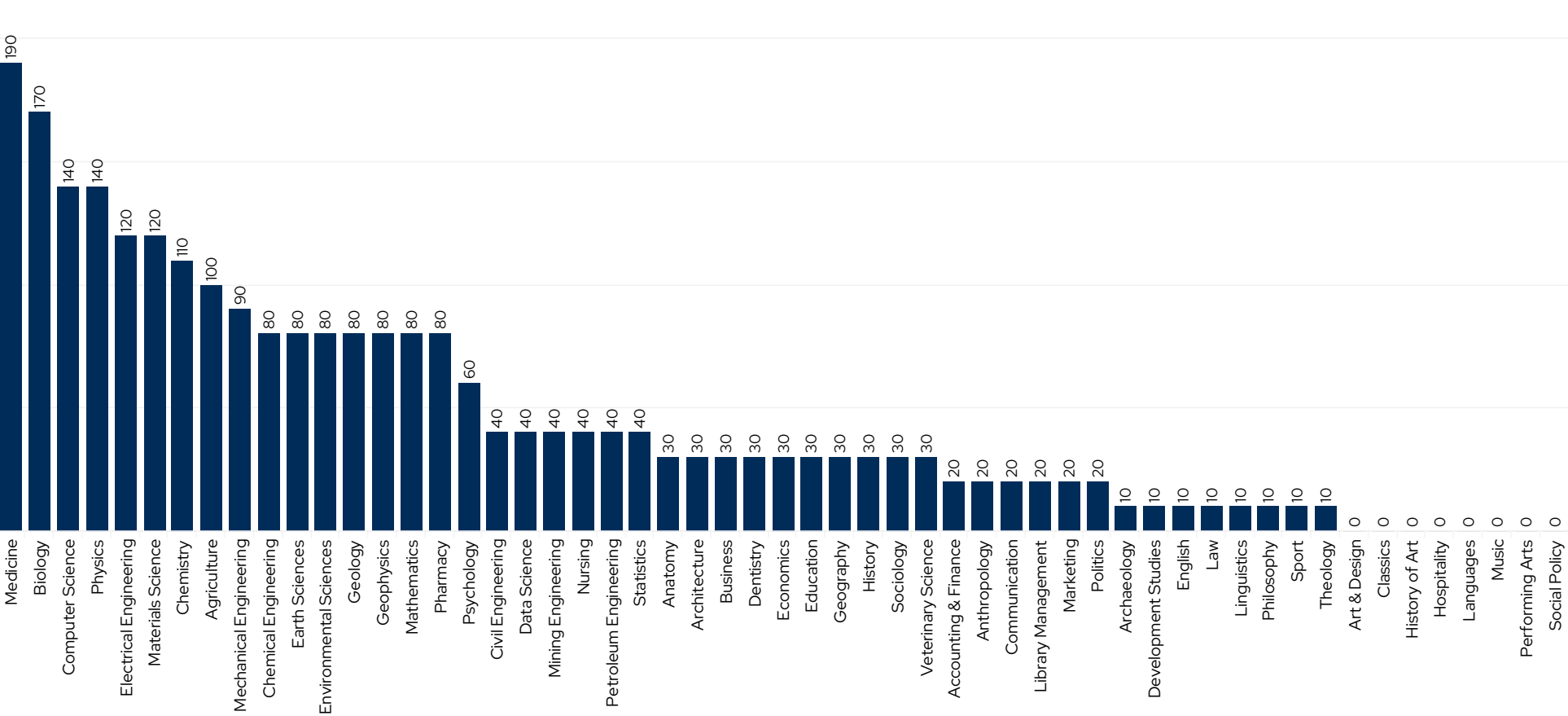
Minimum Research Activity Required

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 2026





Conferences 2026



QS India Summit
1–3 February
Goa, India



Global Skills Week
25–26 March
Washington D.C., USA



QS China Summit
8–9 April
Shenzhen, China



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3–4 June
Singapore



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24–25 & 25–26 June
Budapest, Hungary



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9–10 July
Addis Ababa,
Ethiopia



**Back to School
Summit**
8–10 September
New York, USA



**QS Higher Ed Summit:
Americas**
1–2 October
Guadalajara, Mexico



QS Arab Forum
14–15 October
Riyadh,
Saudi Arabia



**QS Higher Ed Summit:
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Astana,
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