

Cricketers and their Education, 2022 numbers.

1 Player Counts, sourced from Cricket Archive.

524 players across 18 counties, of these 18 appeared for two, Toby Pettman and Brad Wheal three. 502 individuals, 371 England-qualified.

350/371, 94%, provided some info about their education.

194 attended an independent school or college (of which 183 were in England), 55% of those who for whom info.

2 The Games they Played

	CC	The Blast	ODC
Total	2780	2904	1651
England-Qual	2212	2236	1376
Ind School	1121	1126	674
Ind School %	51	50	49

A count of 'names on team-sheets': CC total is 126 (games) times 22 plus subs.

Blast: 132 times 22 (one abandonment).

ODC: 75 times 22 plus a sub (two abandonments).

Ind school numbers as identified. If non-respondents as per the 94% then +3% approx.

3 Players from Independent Schools

Millfield School	12
King's College Taunton	11
Eastbourne College	7
Whitgift School	6
Worksop College	5

Comments

The numbers from an independent school are up on five years ago (around 40% overall then).

Given the history of a declining playing base this figure might be expected to continue rising.

Possible reasons why not: (i) cricket in state schools 'all out' by early 2000s, a declining trajectory in independent schools, but later (ii) cultural and other differences between the individual counties.

(i) might also lead to a growing concentration of players from certain schools: from 5 schools and 1 player in 8.

(ii) Durham for example had four ind. educ. players (identified) who between them played in 16 CC fixtures, an average of 'one name on each team-sheet', average above more like four.

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