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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**

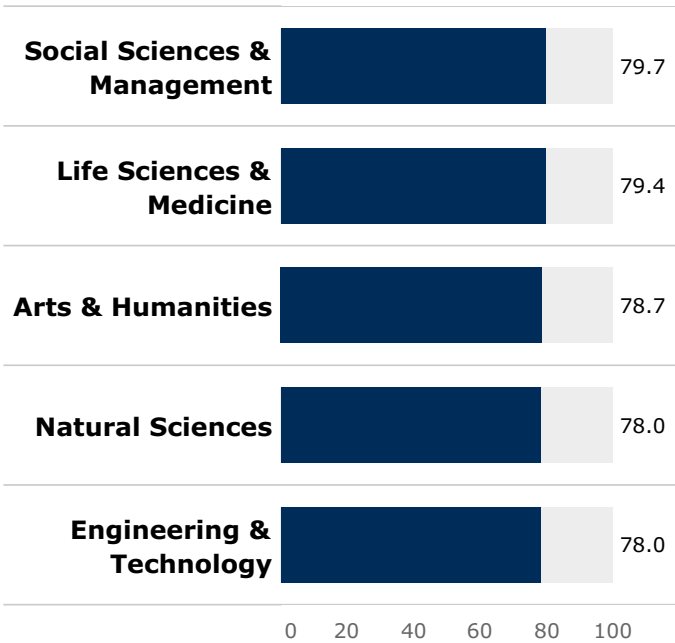
# Broad Subject Rankings Summary

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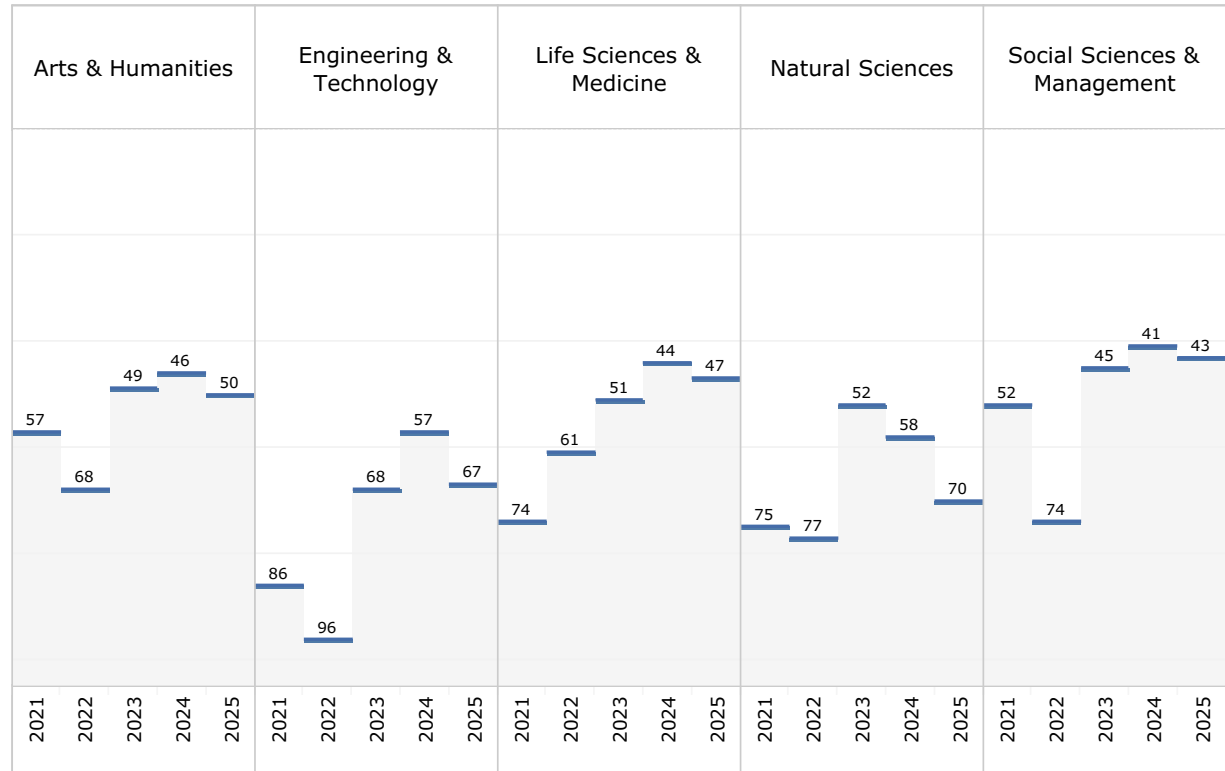
Overall ranks in 2025	Arts & Humanities	Engineering & Technology	Life Sciences & Medicine	Natural Sciences	Social Sciences & Management
	<b>=50</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>=70</b>	<b>=43</b>

### 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	81.9	83.5	64.0	71.2	53.7	78.7	=50
Engineering & Technology	76.1	81.6	77.8	72.1	80.9	78.0	67
Life Sciences & Medicine	83.3	77.2	76.2	74.4	82.8	79.4	47
Natural Sciences	78.0	79.0	82.7	75.2	73.6	78.0	=70
Social Sciences & Management	79.5	83.8	75.1	81.1	61.9	79.7	=43

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
<b>54</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>39</b>

### Number of Ranked Subjects



### Number of Subjects by Performance Groups - Trend Over Time

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
<b>Top 10</b>					1
<b>Top 50</b>	13	11	12	15	9
<b>Top 100</b>	32	36	38	43	39
<b>Top 200</b>	44	44	45	48	48
<b>Top 300</b>	44	44	45	48	49

2021    2022    2023    2024    2025

### Top Subjects - Universidade de São Paulo - QS Subject Rankings 2025

<b>9</b> <b>Petroleum Engineering</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Dentistry</b>	<b>21-50</b> <b>History of Art</b>	<b>=25</b> <b>Anthropology</b>	<b>33</b> <b>Mining Engineering</b>
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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	43	78.0	79.4	65.7	75.5	82.8
	Architecture / Built Environment	51-100	68.9	64.7	80.1	80.1	75.6
	Art & Design	51-100	62.4	60.3	81.5		
	Classics & Ancient History	-	56.6	55.5	66.5		
	English Language & Literature	201-250	60.6	58.6	75.7	61.1	
	History	51-100	76.6	77.9	73.5	71.9	77.9
	History of Art	21-50	71.6	71.1	76.2		
	Linguistics	101-150	69.9	70.5	73.7	60.6	61.3
	Modern Languages	65	77.3	77.7	76.2		
	Music	-	44.1	40.3	59.1		
	Performing Arts	-	52.6	46.7	76.3		
	Philosophy	101-150	66.0	67.1	78.3	59.2	58.7
	Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies	-	51.2	43.2	72.7	75.5	61.1
	Social Sciences & Management	Accounting & Finance	=70	72.0	71.2	77.5	61.7
Anthropology		=25	86.0	90.4	74.1	72.6	80.4
Business & Management Studies		75	74.1	69.5	78.1	71.4	87.8
Communication & Media Studies		101-150	74.5	79.8	77.6	69.3	65.1
Development Studies		51-100	72.1	68.8	79.8	77.1	74.9
Economics & Econometrics		=161	69.3	58.3	77.1	76.6	76.1
Education		=81	75.4	74.7	77.7	70.2	81.0
Hospitality & Leisure Management		51-100	48.9	50.9	47.2	47.0	
Law		52	75.7	75.8	79.8	59.3	72.7
Library & Information Management		51-100	61.3	51.2	96.7	80.9	72.4
Marketing		-	68.9	66.7	74.8	65.5	65.9
Politics & International Studies		50	74.6	70.4	81.4	75.8	73.5
Social Policy & Administration		51-100	71.9	72.6	74.8	61.1	
Sociology		52	78.6	80.6	79.0	67.0	72.7
Sports-related Subjects	39	79.4	76.8	79.0	78.8	90.4	
Statistics & Operational Research	51-100	74.9	71.9	81.1	71.3	83.0	

# 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	=94	69.2	59.0	80.7	73.9	68.9	71.2
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence	51-100	72.4	66.1	76.5	75.7	77.6	
	Engineering - Chemical	=82	74.0	66.5	81.2	80.2	77.1	67.4
	Engineering - Civil & Structural	51-100	77.8	71.9	86.1	80.1	74.3	
	Engineering - Electrical & Electronic	=84	73.0	65.9	81.5	79.5	73.6	60.4
	Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & M..	=69	75.5	70.6	80.4	82.2	78.6	60.7
	Engineering - Mineral & Mining	33	70.6	46.8	88.5	83.7	85.4	
	Petroleum Engineering	9	81.3	76.5	84.4	82.5	86.6	
Life Sciences & Medicine	Agriculture & Forestry	-						
	Anatomy & Physiology	51-100	76.2	69.8	76.2	77.1	85.6	
	Biological Sciences	72	73.5	72.8	78.2	71.2	72.3	78.7
	Dentistry	13	79.3	63.7	75.4	80.8	94.6	
	Medicine	58	77.0	73.0	75.8	79.0	80.3	83.1
	Nursing	=47	80.1	68.0	76.4	81.7	91.9	
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	=90	74.4	64.5	73.9	83.4	90.5	64.6
	Psychology	=85	72.4	68.3	80.8	72.2	73.7	70.6
	Veterinary Science	51-100	77.0	67.3	84.7	79.5	81.7	
Natural Sciences	Chemistry	=107	72.6	67.8	79.4	78.3	71.5	71.0
	Earth & Marine Sciences	101-150	73.4	67.8	76.9	80.3	81.2	62.9
	Environmental Sciences	60	80.6	83.2	77.9	77.7	81.8	72.5
	Geography	51-100	73.4	72.1	79.5	73.3	74.5	
	Geology	101-150	76.1	70.0	75.0	82.1	82.3	65.2
	Geophysics	101-150	75.7	71.3	74.9	80.5	81.1	64.2
	Materials Science	151-200	68.6	63.3	73.5	74.1	70.4	70.7
	Mathematics	=88	71.4	67.3	77.3	69.3	77.1	70.8
	Physics & Astronomy	=92	74.7	68.5	75.6	80.9	79.1	81.7

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:

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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.

		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Arts & Humanities	Arts & Humanities	57	=68	49	46	=50
	Archaeology				44	43
	Architecture / Built Environment	=48	44	=44	39	51-100
	Art & Design	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100
	Classics & Ancient History					
	English Language & Literature	151-200	151-200	151-200	151-200	201-250
	History	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100
	History of Art					21-50
	Linguistics	151-200	151-200	151-200	88	101-150
	Modern Languages	47	=41	=41	46	65
	Music					
	Performing Arts					
	Philosophy	151-200	151-200	101-150	51-100	101-150
Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies						
Social Sciences & Management	Social Sciences & Management	=52	=74	=45	=41	=43
	Accounting & Finance	101-150	=92	=92	69	=70
	Anthropology	=44	=42	=27	23	=25
	Business & Management Studies	=90	=97	=82	70	75
	Communication & Media Studies	101-150	101-150	101-150	101-150	101-150
	Development Studies				51-100	51-100
	Economics & Econometrics	=123	=137	=141	137	=161
	Education	101-150	101-150	=97	73	=81
	Hospitality & Leisure Management	=37	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100
	Law	=46	=51	=47	45	52
	Library & Information Management			51-70	51-70	51-100
	Marketing					
	Politics & International Studies	50	51-100	51-100	51-100	50
	Social Policy & Administration				42	51-100
	Sociology	=63	=49	44	43	52
	Sports-related Subjects	51-100	=49	51-100	44	39
Statistics & Operational Research	51-100	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.

		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Engineering & Technology	Engineering & Technology	=86	=96	=68	57	67
	Computer Science & Information Systems	=79	=89	=86	80	=94
	Data Science and Artificial Intelligence				51-70	51-100
	Engineering - Chemical	73	=81	=84	72	=82
	Engineering - Civil & Structural	=39	51-100	=45	38	51-100
	Engineering - Electrical & Electronic	=102	95	=80	75	=84
	Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & Ma..	61	=70	=76	68	=69
	Engineering - Mineral & Mining	34	31	30	34	33
	Petroleum Engineering	29	32	=24	=25	9
Life Sciences & Medicine	Life Sciences & Medicine	=74	61	=51	=44	47
	Agriculture & Forestry	=46	=48	28		
	Anatomy & Physiology	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100
	Biological Sciences	=106	=93	61	57	72
	Dentistry	13	15	14	13	13
	Medicine	=85	77	64	53	58
	Nursing	51-100	51-100	36	34	=47
	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	65	63	=56	44	=90
	Psychology	101-150	101-150	101-150	90	=85
Veterinary Science	=40	41	42	51-70	51-100	
Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences	75	77	52	58	=70
	Chemistry	108	=92	=90	70	=107
	Earth & Marine Sciences	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100	101-150
	Environmental Sciences	=71	=66	54	44	60
	Geography	46	38	51-100	51-100	51-100
	Geology	51-100	51-100	51-100	51-100	101-150
	Geophysics	51-100	51-100	51-100	101-150	101-150
	Materials Science	101-150	101-150	101-150	101-150	151-200
	Mathematics	=96	95	83	87	=88
	Physics & Astronomy	=90	=87	82	70	=92



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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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## 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

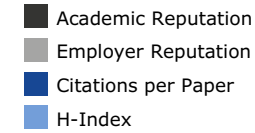


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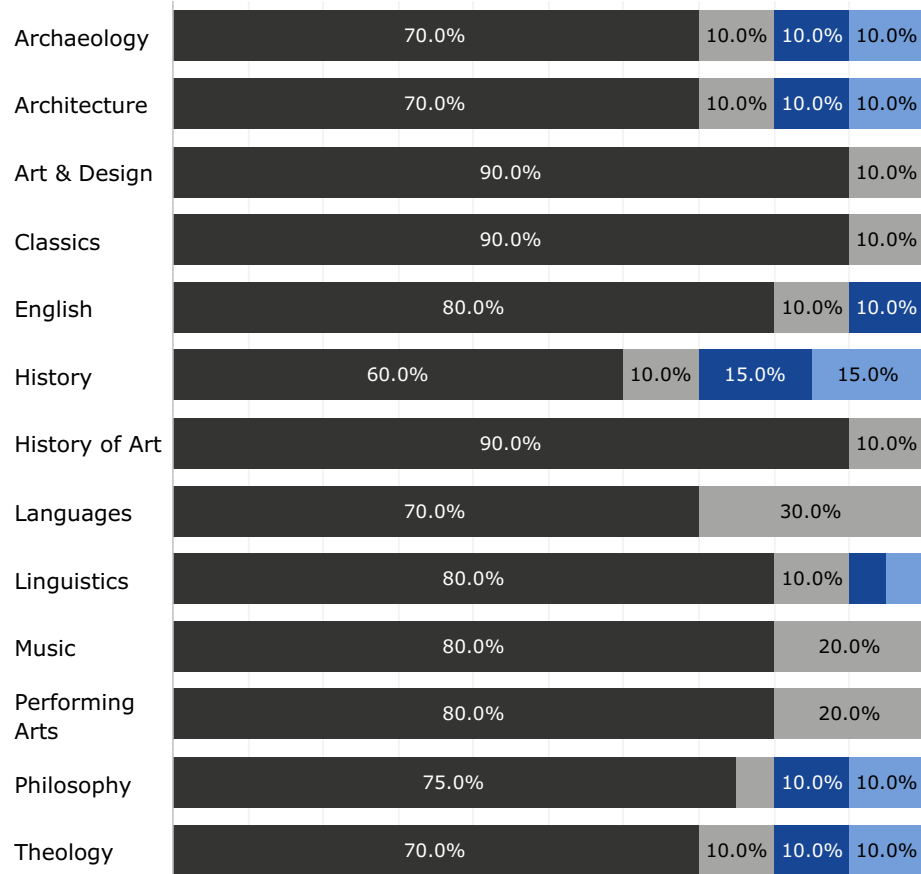
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- Citations per Paper
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# Indicator Weightings by Narrow Subject

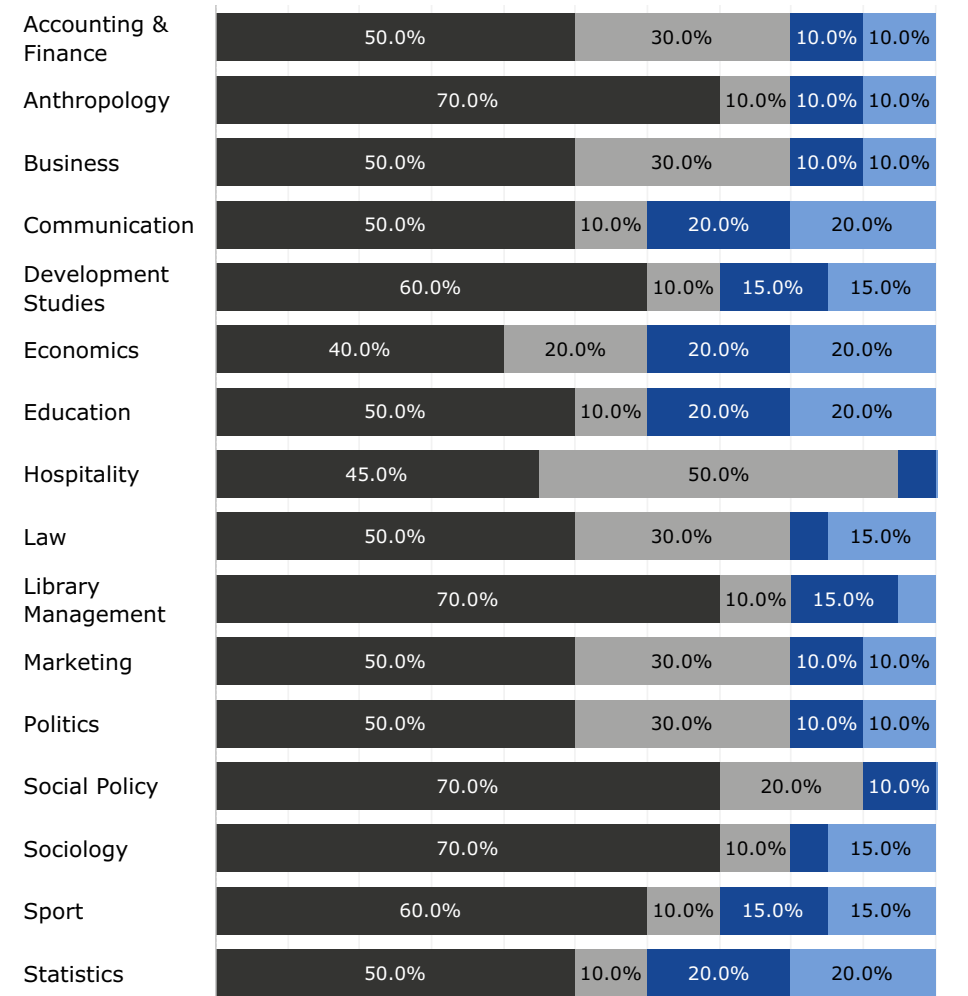
QS uses a variable approach to the weightings for the different subjects. The chart below provides details of the combinations used in the 2025 edition of the rankings.



## Arts & Humanities

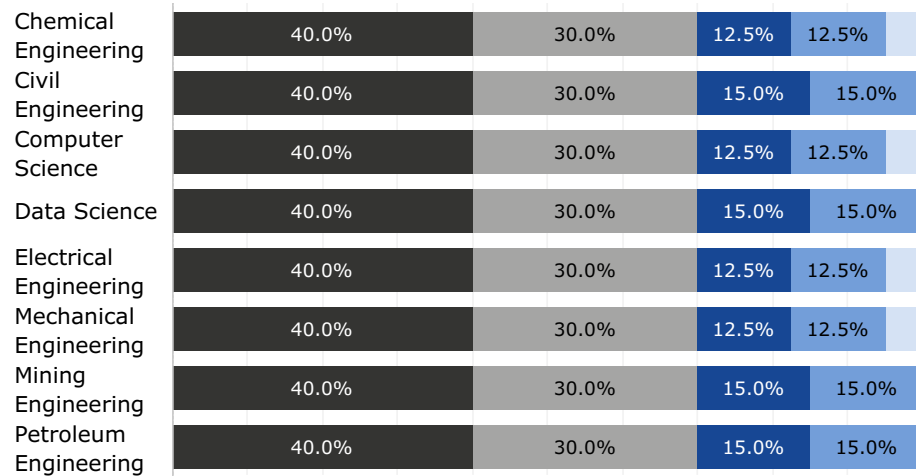


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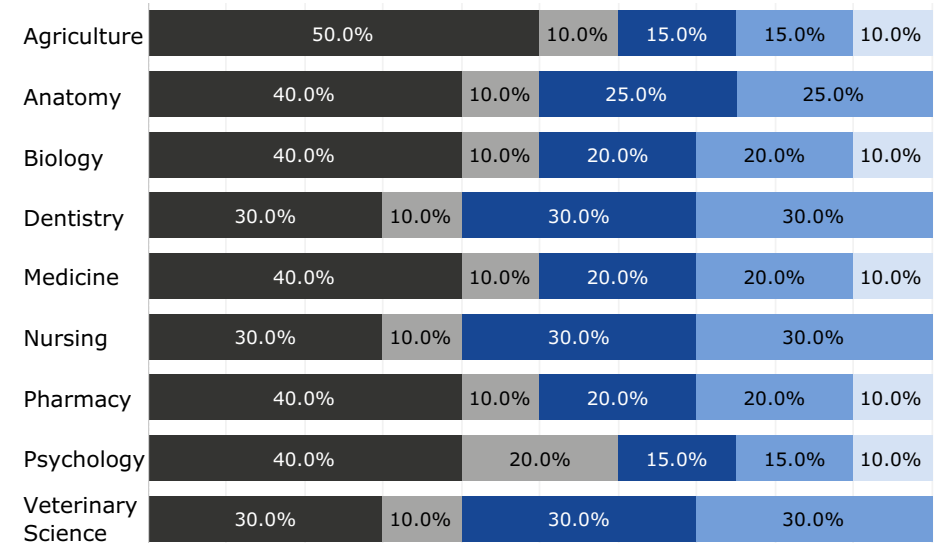


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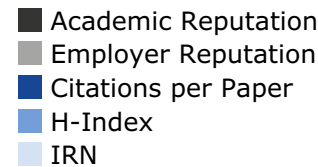
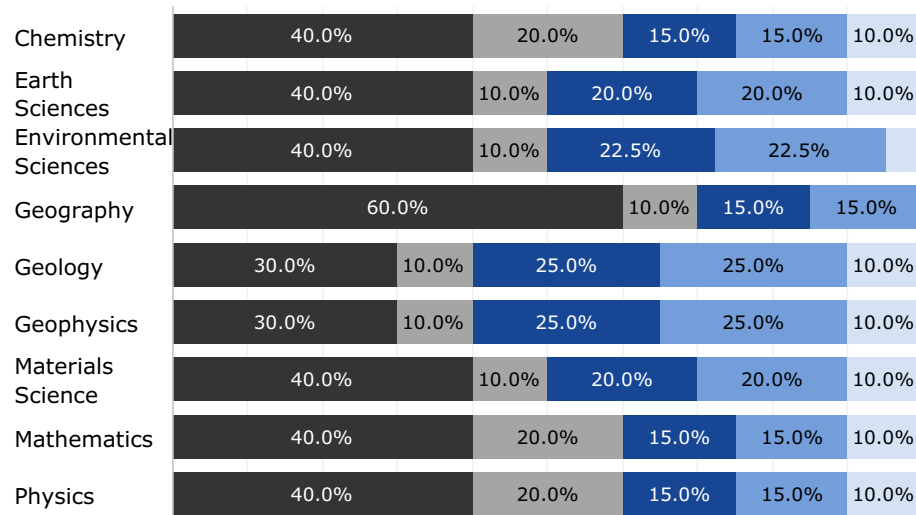
## Engineering & Technology



## Life Sciences & Medicine



## Natural Sciences

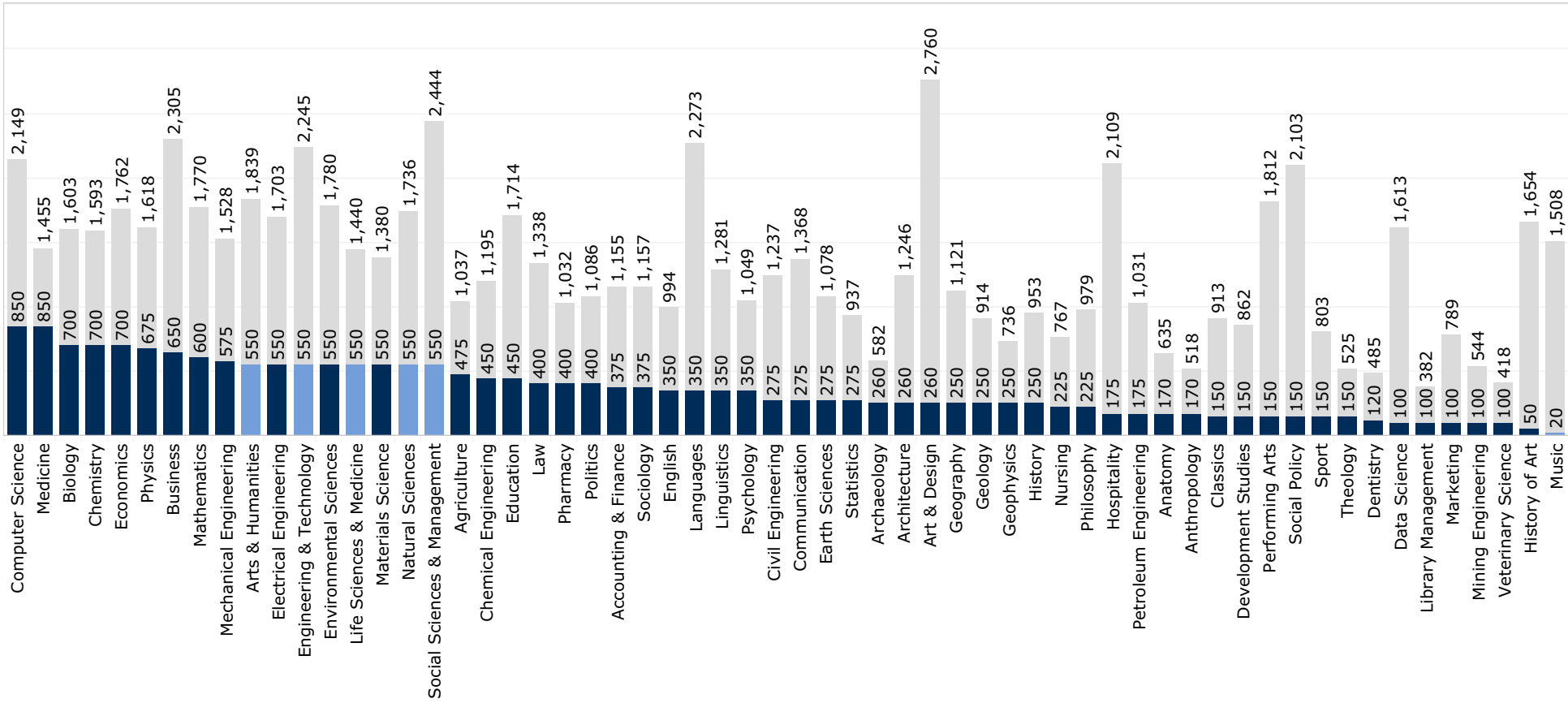




# Institutions Evaluated and Ranked by Subject

<b>Subjects Published</b>	<b>Locations Covered</b>	<b>Institutions Analysed</b>	<b>Institutions Published</b>
<b>55</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>5,203</b>	<b>1,747</b>

**Analysed and Published Institutions by Subject - Year 2025**



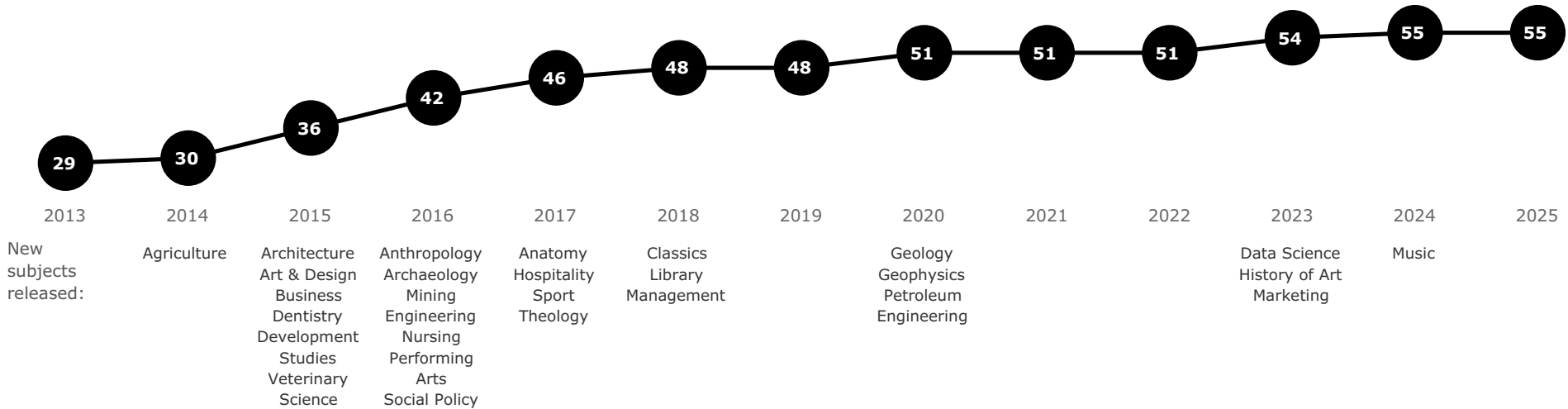
Darker blue indicates extended published ranges in 2025



# 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

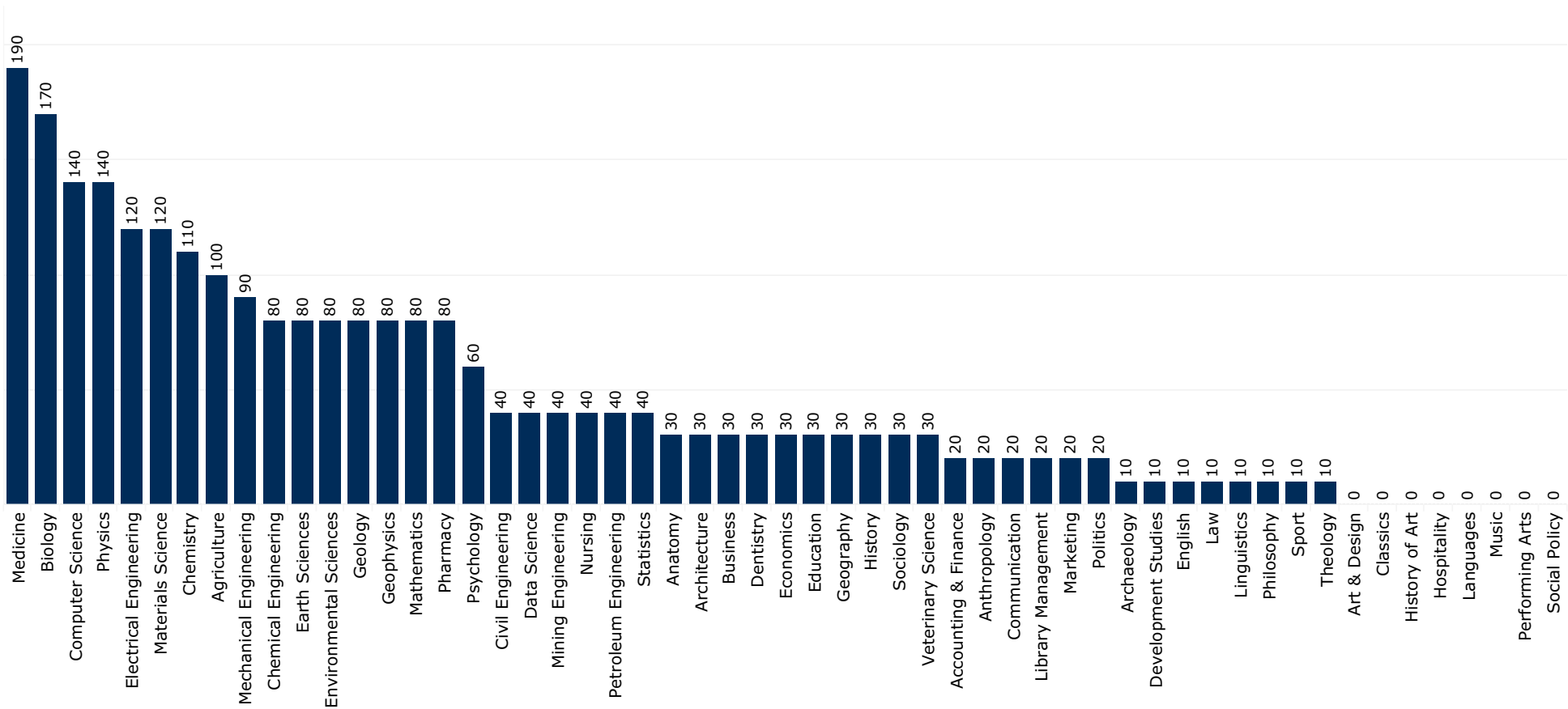
# Minimum Research Activity Required

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**



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