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Question 1

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From 2006 to 2023, the total number of UCAS applications witnessed fluctuations. Beginning at 468,650 in 2006, it increased gradually until 2011, reaching 668,150 applications. In 2012, it felled to 616,700, and then increased until 2016 with 674,890 applications. It dropped again to reach 636,960 in 2018. From then, it grew to reach 683,650 applications in 2022.

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The number of international applicants from EU witnessed a trend of growth from 2006 to 2016, peaking at 51,550 applicants. It suffered a steep fall from 2017, reaching a low of 22,400 applicants in 2023.

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The number of international non-EU applicants kept growing from 2006 to 2023, starting from 40,950 applicants in 2006 and reaching 115,650 applicants in 2023.

Question 2

Based on the figures given by UCAS, it seems that the number of applicants from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales between 2021 and 2023 has decreased.Similarly, the number of applicants to UK Universities from Europe as also declined. The only group showing an increase in applicants are the International students outside Europe.

Question 3

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BREXIT seems to have an impact over the number of French applicants to UK universities because before the BREXIT execution in 2020, there were a general tend of growth in the number of French applicants to UK universities, peaking at 5,330 in 2019. From 2020, it suffered an important drop, reaching 2,880 applicants in 2023.

Based on the figure of the Q1-b, the overall number of international applicants from the EU (excluding the UK) to UK universities has displayed a decline from 2020 onwards, which aligns with the timing of the Brexit execution by the UK government.

Question 4

In June 2023, China had the highest number of applicants among countries excluding the UK, with a total of 30,700 applicants.

Question 6

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From 2006 to 2023, the number of Australian applicants kept growing, starting from 220 applicants in 2006 and reaching 820 applicants in 2023

Question 7

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The number of Chinese applicants kept growing from 2006 to 2023, starting from 5,330 applicants in 2006 and reaching 30,700 in 2023

Question 10

Nigeria had the highest total number of applicants in the age group 35 and over, totaling 1020 applicants in 2022. Among these applicants, Nigeria also had the highest number of male and female applicants in the same age group, with 680 females and 340 males.