

JEE Main Cutoff Trends & College Predictor Guide

Understanding Percentile Cutoffs and Estimating Your College Options (2023-2026)

JEE Main Qualifying Cutoff Trend (General-EWS category, approx. percentile)

Year	General	OBC-NCL	SC	ST
2023	~90.7	~73.6	~51.9	~37.2
2024	~93.2	~79.6	~60.1	~47.9
2025	~93.1	~79.4	~61.1	~47.9
2026	Awaited	Awaited	Awaited	Awaited

Qualifying Cutoff vs Admission Cutoff

The qualifying percentile only determines eligibility for JEE Advanced (for General category) and for participating in counselling for NITs/IITs/GFTIs via JoSAA/CSAB. Actual admission to a specific branch and institute depends on your rank and the closing rank of that branch in the relevant round — these are typically far more selective than the qualifying cutoff.

How to Estimate Your College Options

- Compare your expected percentile/rank against previous years' JoSAA closing ranks for target branches
- Always check at least 2-3 years of closing rank data — cutoffs fluctuate year to year based on difficulty and number of applicants
- Factor in category-specific and home-state quota seats, which often have different (usually more accessible) cutoffs
- Keep a realistic list: 2-3 'ambitious' choices, several 'realistic' choices, and 2-3 'safe' choices

Where to Verify Official Cutoffs

Always cross-check final cutoffs and closing ranks on the official JoSAA website (josaa.nic.in) once counselling rounds are published — this guide is for planning purposes only.

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