

COMPENDIUM OF NORTHERN IRELAND EDUCATION STATISTICS 1996/97 TO 2008/09

KEY STATISTICS

	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS													
Voluntary and private pre-school education centres ¹	-	-	190	268	305	360	363	383	365	366	372	366	354
Grant Aided Schools													
Nursery	91	91	91	95	95	96	100	100	99	100	99	98	98
Primary schools with nursery classes	68	69	79	91	141	167	194	200	204	207	208	209	211
All primary	920	920	916	917	902	899	897	892	894	886	879	868	856
Preparatory departments of grammar schools	25	25	24	24	22	21	20	19	18	17	17	17	17
Secondary (excluding Grammar)	167	166	165	166	166	164	164	163	162	161	159	157	154
Grammar Secondary	71	72	72	72	72	71	71	70	70	69	69	69	69
Special ²	47	47	47	50	48	48	47	47	45	45	45	43	42
Hospital schools	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2
Independent Schools	19	22	22	22	27	25	22	17	17	19	18	17	16
Post School³													
Institutions of Further Education	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16	16	16	6	6
University Colleges	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Universities	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
VOLUNTARY AND PRIVATE PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION CENTRES - NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN FUNDED PLACES¹													
part-time	0	0	1,945	3,407	3,957	5,340	5,804	5,913	5,939	5,633	6,327	6,535	6,629
SCHOOLS - NUMBER OF PUPILS													
Nursery	2,983	2,903	2,982	3,277	3,304	3,381	3,644	3,712	3,800	3,796	3,838	4,005	3,997
part-time	2,513	2,630	2,519	2,675	2,661	2,712	2,625	2,526	2,321	2,379	2,215	1,850	1,872
Nursery classes (primary schools and grammar preparatory)	1,901	2,097	2,275	2,629	3,225	3,529	3,683	3,831	3,916	3,978	4,073	4,146	4,350
part-time	1,125	911	1,074	1,418	2,741	3,483	4,140	3,945	4,071	4,032	3,952	3,876	3,876
Primary reception	2,499	2,552	2,499	2,318	1,963	1,445	1,149	995	818	711	650	625	601
Primary (Years 1-7)	181,284	178,906	175,866	172,591	169,700	167,883	165,179	162,790	160,709	158,665	157,020	155,500	153,551
Grammar preparatory: reception	45	23	22	12	27	29	31	49	65	43	8	5	6
Grammar preparatory (Years 1-7)	3,354	3,355	3,167	3,011	2,791	2,670	2,620	2,557	2,511	2,478	2,401	2,411	2,427
Secondary (excluding Grammar)	90,746	90,858	91,752	92,603	92,979	92,760	92,645	92,047	90,085	89,421	87,520	85,663	85,576
Grammar (Years 8-14)	61,997	62,236	62,192	62,361	62,574	62,743	63,102	63,347	63,364	62,419	62,245	62,279	62,410
Special ²	4,680	4,681	4,675	4,688	4,674	4,710	4,879	4,834	4,669	4,599	4,557	4,611	4,598
Hospital schools	178	197	180	173	171	246	236	298	317	296	251	246	197
Independent schools	925	1,213	1,346	1,243	1,255	1,072	948	835	802	846	809	821	712
All schools	354,230	352,562	350,549	348,999	348,065	346,663	344,881	341,766	337,356	333,702	329,619	326,114	324,173
NUMBER OF TEACHERS (FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS)^{4,5}													
Nursery	178	172	179	183	190	194	206	198	193	195	191	197	194
Primary	9,087	9,012	8,810	8,751	8,741	8,780	8,753	8,481	8,353	8,063	7,853	7,833	7,873
Grammar preparatory ⁶	189	181	186	172	170	160	154	149	145	146	146	145	145
Secondary (excluding Grammar)	6,465	6,387	6,399	6,547	6,684	6,698	6,722	6,523	6,527	6,420	6,241	6,160	6,111
Grammar Secondary	3,887	3,949	3,958	4,001	4,063	4,110	4,118	4,157	4,171	4,090	4,073	4,076	4,120
Special	720	689	714	762	795	803	819	823	805	790	774	765	767
All Schools	20,525	20,391	20,246	20,415	20,642	20,747	20,772	20,335	20,198	19,703	19,279	19,176	19,210
PUPIL:TEACHER RATIOS^{4,5}													
Nursery	23.8	24.5	23.7	25.3	24.4	24.4	24.1	25.2	25.7	25.5	25.9	25.1	25.4
Primary	20.5	20.4	20.6	20.4	20.2	19.9	19.7	20.0	20.0	20.5	20.8	20.7	20.4
Grammar preparatory ⁶	18.0	18.7	17.3	17.5	16.6	16.9	17.2	17.0	17.3	17.5	16.8	16.9	16.9
Secondary (excluding Grammar)	14.0	14.2	14.3	14.1	13.9	13.8	13.8	14.1	13.8	13.9	14.0	13.9	14.0
Grammar Secondary	16.0	15.8	15.7	15.6	15.4	15.3	15.3	15.2	15.2	15.3	15.3	15.3	15.1
All Secondary (excluding preparatory departments)	14.8	14.8	14.9	14.7	14.5	14.4	14.4	14.6	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.5
Special	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.2	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.0
All Schools	17.1	17.1	17.2	16.9	16.7	16.5	16.4	16.6	16.5	16.7	16.9	16.8	16.7
PARTICIPATION RATES IN FULL-TIME EDUCATION POST 16^{7,8}													
16 year olds	Schools	46.6	45.6	45.8	46.5	47.6	47.9	50.9	52.5	52.8	54.0	56.6	58.7
	FE Colleges ⁹	29.7	27.9	27.6	27.9	28.8	28.4	26.8	25.4	29.2	29.6	30.5	26.1
	Total	76.3	73.6	73.4	74.4	76.4	76.3	77.8	78.0	82.0	83.6	84.5	84.8
17 year olds	Schools	37.6	37.4	37.6	37.8	38.6	40.6	40.6	43.6	44.9	45.3	47.3	49.7
	FE Colleges ⁹	29.0	28.8	26.3	26.6	27.1	26.5	25.6	27.0	30.0	30.5	30.9	28.7
	Total	66.6	66.2	63.9	64.4	65.7	67.1	66.2	70.6	74.9	75.8	78.2	75.4
16 & 17 year olds	Schools	42.2	41.5	41.7	42.2	43.1	44.3	45.7	48.0	48.8	49.6	50.7	52.2
	FE Colleges ⁹	29.4	28.4	26.9	27.3	27.9	27.5	26.2	26.2	29.6	30.1	30.7	28.0
	Total	71.5	69.9	68.7	69.5	71.0	71.8	72.0	74.3	78.4	79.7	81.3	80.2
SCHOOL LEAVERS^{10,11,12}													
All Leavers	25,717	25,629	25,421	25,079	25,162	25,004	-	25,650	25,298	25,528	24,803	24,091	-
% of leavers whose highest qualification was:													
3 or more 'A' levels ¹³	25.9	27.2	27.8	27.9	29.0	34.2	-	37.2	39.4	39.8	39.0	44.0	-
2 'A' levels ¹³	6.6	7.4	7.3	7.7	8.4	4.8	-	5.1	4.9	4.9	5.6	2.7	-
1 'A' level ¹⁴	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.9	-	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.6	2.2	-
No 'A' levels but 5 or more GCSEs (A* - C grades) ¹⁵	19.8	20.1	20.3	19.8	18.9	17.8	-	16.5	16.8	17.7	17.5	18.0	-
1 - 4 GCSEs (A* - C grades) ¹⁵	23.3	22.9	22.0	21.4	20.7	20.4	-	19.7	18.9	19.2	19.9	19.8	-
1+ GCSEs (D - G grades) ¹⁶	16.2	15.2	16.3	16.6	15.5	15.1	-	14.0	13.1	12.1	11.5	9.7	-
Qualifications other than GCSE/GCE/GNVQ	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.6	1.0	0.6	-	0.7	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.8	-
No formal qualifications of any kind	3.6	3.1	2.7	3.6	4.8	5.2	-	4.9	3.5	3.2	3.0	2.8	-
Destination of School leavers:													
Institutions of Higher Education	28.2	28.6	30.0	30.5	32.9	35.0	-	36.0	38.1	37.4	38.5	39.9	-
Institutions of Further Education	32.6	32.9	31.1	30.4	27.2	26.8	-	26.7	27.5	28.2	27.4	29.5	-
Other Destinations	37.6	37.3	37.8	37.8	38.6	36.9	-	35.3	32.0	32.3	31.3	28.6	-
Destinations Unknown	1.6	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	-	2.0	2.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	-
FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGES^{17,18}													
Vocational students on further education courses	Full-Time	21,700	21,667	20,596	20,719	20,966	21,422	21,464	26,522	27,524	29,154	27,750	25,338
	Part-Time	54,689	54,054	55,825	57,277	58,323	58,445	53,989	100,692	108,802	106,243	111,911	106,519
Vocational students on higher education courses	Full-Time	3,333	3,301	3,258	3,409	3,576	3,741	3,362	3,989	3,505	3,990	3,916	3,875
	Part-Time	5,380	6,647	6,621	7,974	8,444	8,808	8,211	9,341	8,493	8,802	7,709	6,368
All vocational students	Full-Time	25,033	24,968	23,854	24,128	24,542	25,163	24,826	30,511	31,029	33,144	31,666	29,213
	Part-Time	60,069	60,701	62,446	65,251	66,767	67,253	62,200	110,033	117,295	115,045	119,620	112,887
Teaching Staff	Full-Time	2,144	2,064	1,974	2,031	1,831	1,815	1,770	1,703	2,212	2,142	-	-
	Part-Time ¹⁹	2,780	2,647	2,867	3,086	3,266	3,113	3,096	3,068	3,099	3,465	-	-
Students on non-vocational courses ²⁰	59,087	60,876	57,954	68,988	72,415	74,959	62,924	71,943	74,677	73,926	55,457	38,012	34,396
HIGHER EDUCATION^{21,22,23,24,25}													
Students studying in Northern Ireland²⁶													
Full-time Undergraduate	26,165	27,950	28,110	28,315	30,075	31,195	32,885	33,990	34,785	35,680	34,620	33,815	33,650
Part-time Undergraduate	12,625	14,830	15,580	16,615	20,065	20,090	19,240	19,915	20,060	19,970	16,970	15,140	14,555
Full-time Postgraduate	3,260	3,885	3,465	3,375	4,165	4,190	4,195	4,075	4,165	3,990	3,405	3,805	4,745
Part-time Postgraduate	5,330	5,165	4,860	5,335	6,815	7,250	7,500	7,690	7,560	7,795	6,955	5,680	5,575
Northern Ireland Domiciled Students²⁷													
Full-time Undergraduate	34,940	36,840	37,450	37,870	40,170	40,945	42,360	43,565					