**Newcomer pupils in education**

**2018/19 - Key statistics**

- **Total newcomer pupils**: 16,238
  - **Change on last year**: +1,018 (4.7% of total enrolment)
- **Primary 1-7**: 11,435
  - **Change on last year**: +711
- **Post-primary**: 3,119
  - **Change on last year**: +280
- **Pre-school**: 1,507
  - **Change on last year**: +19
- **Special school**: 177
  - **Change on last year**: +8

**Top languages spoken by newcomer pupils**

1. **Polish**: 4,750
   - Change: -27

2. **Lithuanian**: 2,236
   - Change: +113

3. **Romanian**: 1,086
   - Change: +189

4. **Portuguese**: 1,019
   - Change: +64

5. **Arabic**: 830
   - Change: +193

**Performance of newcomer pupils**

- **3+ A Levels A*-C**: 7.6%
  - Current newcomers: 33.2%
  - Former newcomers: 41.3%

- **5+ GCSEs A*-C (inc. English and Maths)**: 18.9%
  - Current newcomers: 65.5%
  - Former newcomers: 71.5%

**Special educational needs**

- **SEN without a statement**: 80.2%
- **Statement of SEN**: 16.8%
  - Newcomer pupils: 3.0%

**Newcomers’ school leavers’ destinations**

- **Higher Education**: Current newcomers: 6.6%, Former newcomers: 35.5%, Non-newcomers: 43.8%
- **Further Education**: Current newcomers: 53.3%, Former newcomers: 44.7%, Non-newcomers: 33.0%
- **Employment**: Current newcomers: 13.6%, Former newcomers: 6.9%, Non-newcomers: 9.7%
- **Training**: Current newcomers: 16.6%, Former newcomers: 6.9%, Non-newcomers: 9.9%
- **Unemployment**: Current newcomers: 6.6%, Former newcomers: 2.9%, Non-newcomers: 2.0%

**Source**: NI school census; School leavers’ survey

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