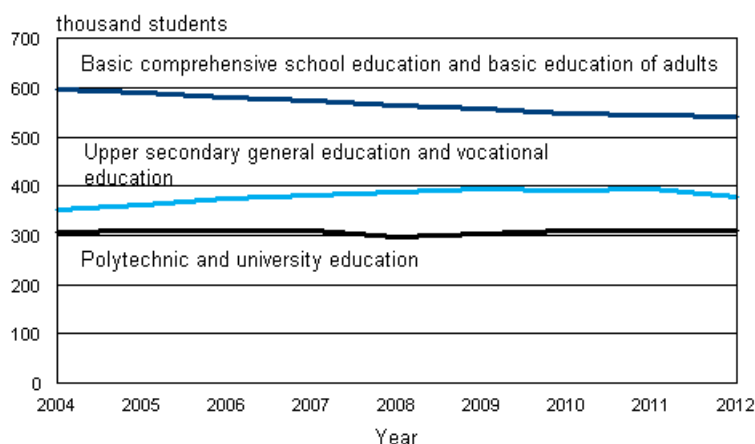


Students and qualifications of educational institutions 2012

Students in education leading to a qualification or degree number 1.23 million

The total number of students in education leading to a qualification or degree was 1.23 million in 2012. Preliminary data on 2012 indicate that the number of students decreased by one percentage point in comparison with the previous year unchanged in comparison with the previous year. The number of students decreased in upper secondary general school and vocational education, but increased in comprehensive school, polytechnic and university education. These data derive from the education statistics compiled by Statistics Finland.

Students in education leading to a qualification or degree 2004–2012 (2012 preliminary data)



In 2011 the number of new students totalled 271,000 and that of attainers of qualifications or degrees 218,000. A total of 52 per cent of new students and 54 per cent of attainers of qualifications or degrees were women.

These statistics apply harmonised concepts and classifications to draw an overall picture of education leading to a qualification or degree. The statistics contain data on all the sectors of education. Data on the subject matter are published on Statistics Finland's website in statistics on pre-primary and comprehensive school education, upper secondary general education, vocational education, polytechnic education, university education and adult education of educational institutions.

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Sector of education	2011	2012 ¹⁾	Change 2011-2012, %
Total	1 241 473	1 230 200	-1
Basic comprehensive school education, compulsory education school	541 931	539 545	0
Basic education of adults	2 390	2 530	6
Upper secondary general education	109 046	108 300	-1
Vocational education	279 266	270 900	-3
Polytechnic education	139 857	139 876	0
University education	168 983	169 000	0

1) The data on basic education of adults, upper secondary general education, vocational and university education are preliminary.

Appendix table 2. Students and completed qualifications and degrees in education leading to a qualification or degree by sector of education 2011 ¹⁾

Sector of education	New students	New students, women	Students	Students, women	Completed qualifications and degrees	Completed qualifications and degrees, women
		%		%		%
Total	270 990	52	1 241 473	51	218 218	54
Basic comprehensive school education, compulsory education school	59 076	48	541 931	49	63 435	49
Basic education of adults	.	.	2 390	48	.	.
Upper secondary general education	36 784	57	109 046	57	32 807	57
Vocational education	116 017	50	279 266	50	70 596	52
Polytechnic education	38 839	55	139 857	54	22 898	63
University education	20 274	55	168 983	54	28 482	60

1) Excl. new students and qualifications in basic education of adults and new students in post-graduate education in universities (licentiates degrees, doctors degrees, specialist degrees in medicine).

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