



Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education: Northern Ireland 2003/04

Introduction

This Statistical Bulletin has been produced by the Department for Employment and Learning using data collected by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). It provides details of the destinations of leavers from higher education who obtained qualifications in Northern Ireland (NI) higher education institutions and NI domiciled students obtaining qualifications in UK higher education institutions in the academic year 2003/04.

The data presented draws on the Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) record.

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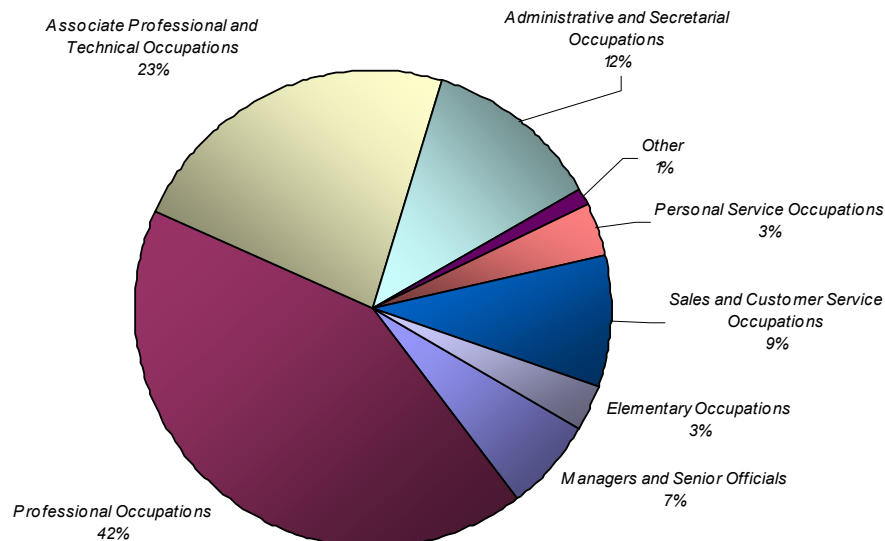
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NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at UK Higher Education Institutions in 2003/04 entering employment



NB. Other occupations include skilled trade occupations and process, plant & machine operatives.

Key Points

NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions

Full-time students

Location of destination	There were 9,200 NI domiciled students attaining qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in the UK in 2003/04 who had DLHE data returned to HESA. Of those whose location of activity was known, 76% of undergraduates gaining qualifications took up their first activity in NI, 18% in GB, 3% in the Republic of Ireland (RoI) and 2% elsewhere. Of students gaining postgraduate qualifications, 67% took up their first activity in NI, 28% in GB, 3% in RoI and 3% elsewhere.
Location of destination (completed studies at NI Higher Education Institutions)	Of the 5,575 NI domiciled undergraduates who attained qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in NI and had DLHE data returned to HESA, 91% of those whose location of activity was known remained in NI, 4% went to GB and 3% went to RoI. Of the 5,575 undergraduates 89% of males and 92% of females remained in NI. Of the 1,005 NI domiciled postgraduates who studied in NI and had DLHE data returned, 91% of those whose location of activity was known remained in NI, 4% went to GB and 3% went to RoI. Of the 1,005 postgraduates 84% of males and 94% of females remained in NI.
Location of destination (completed studies at GB Higher Education Institutions)	Of the 2,020 NI domiciled undergraduates who attained qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in GB and had DLHE data returned to HESA, 36% of those whose location of activity was known returned to NI, 55% remained in GB and 4% went to RoI. Of the 2,020 undergraduates 34% of males and 39% of females returned to NI. Of the 605 NI domiciled postgraduates who studied in GB and had DLHE data returned, 30% of those whose location of activity was known returned to NI, 64% remained in GB and 2% went to RoI. Of the 605 postgraduates 29% of males and 30% of females returned to NI.
Activity	A similar proportion of NI domiciled undergraduate full-time qualifiers (70%) were in employment at the time of the survey compared with all UK domiciled undergraduates (71%). This includes the 8% of NI domiciled undergraduate qualifiers and 9% of all UK domiciled undergraduates in both work and undertaking further study. A higher proportion of NI domiciled undergraduate full-time qualifiers were undertaking only further study (19%) compared to all UK domiciled undergraduates (16%). There was a lower proportion of NI domiciled male undergraduate qualifiers (67%) who had found employment than female undergraduate qualifiers (72%). Of NI domiciled postgraduate qualifiers, 86% entered employment, which is similar to 84% for all UK domiciled postgraduates.

Standard Occupational Classification	Of those entering employment, 66% of NI domiciled undergraduate full-time qualifiers took up positions as Managers & Senior Officials, in Professional Occupations, or in Associate Professional and Technical Occupations. The comparable figure for undergraduates in the UK as a whole was 63%. A higher proportion of NI domiciled postgraduate qualifiers entered Professional Occupations (76%) than for all UK domiciled postgraduates (72%).
Unemployed	The proportion of NI domiciled undergraduate full-time qualifiers assumed to be unemployed was 5%, compared to 6% of all UK domiciled undergraduates. The corresponding proportion for both NI domiciled and all UK domiciled postgraduates was 4%.
Further Study	Of those students gaining undergraduate qualifications through full-time study (other than first degree) and continuing with further study, 86% are continuing with a first degree course. Of those gaining first degrees and continuing with further study, 64% are undertaking postgraduate courses and 14% are undertaking professional qualifications.
Salary information	Of those first degree graduates in full-time employment, 34% disclosed salary information. The most common individual salary reported (143 graduates) was £18,000. The average salary for NI domiciled students entering employment was £16,420. The median salary recorded was £16,000 i.e. half the salaries recorded were above this value and half were below.

Part-time students

Activity	Of those NI domiciled students gaining qualifications through part-time study, 1,015 gained undergraduate qualifications and 1,060 gained postgraduate qualifications. Of those students, 84% of undergraduate and 93% of postgraduate students were in employment at the time of the survey. This includes 14% of undergraduates and 10% of postgraduates who were both employed and undertaking further study.
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Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at NI Higher Education Institutions

Full-time students

Location of destination	There were 7,185 full-time students who attained qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions and had DLHE data returned to HESA. Of those whose location of activity was known, 88% of undergraduates remained in NI to take up their first activity, 5% went to GB, 5% went to RoI and 2% elsewhere. Of students gaining postgraduate qualifications, just over 80% took up their first activity in NI, 5% in GB, 12% in RoI and 2% elsewhere.
Location of destination (by domicile)	There were 5,970 full-time undergraduates graduating from NI Higher Education institutions who had DLHE data returned to HESA. Of those whose location of activity was known, 91% of NI domiciled students and 39% of non-NI domiciled students undertook their first activity in NI. There were 1,215 postgraduates graduating from NI Higher Education institutions who had DLHE data returned. Of those whose location of activity was known, 91% of NI domiciled students and 27% of non-NI domiciled students undertook their first activity in NI.
Activity	Of full-time undergraduate students graduating from NI Higher Education institutions whose activity was known, 63% entered 'employment only', 8% entered employment as well as further study, 20% embarked on further study only and 5% were assumed to be unemployed. Of postgraduate qualifiers, 79% entered 'employment only', 6% entered employment as well as further study, 7% embarked on further study only and 5% were assumed to be unemployed.
Standard Occupational Classification	Of those entering employment, 66% of undergraduates and 87% of postgraduates gaining qualifications through full-time study at NI Higher Education institutions took up employment as Managers & Senior Officials, in Professional Occupations, or in Associate Professional and Technical Occupations.
Further Study	Of those students gaining undergraduate qualifications (other than first degree) and continuing with further study, 88% were undertaking first degrees. Of those students gaining first degrees at NI higher education institutions and continuing with further study, 68% were undertaking postgraduate courses and 12% professional qualifications.

Part-time students

Activity

Of those students gaining qualifications through part-time study at NI Higher Education Institutions, 885 gained undergraduate qualifications and 1,235 gained postgraduate qualifications. Of those students, 85% of undergraduate and 94% of postgraduate students were in employment at the time of the survey. This includes 14% of undergraduates and 9% of postgraduates who were both employed and undertaking further study.

Notes to Readers

1. The Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) is the official agency for the collection of information on publicly funded Higher Education institutions in the UK. It was set up in 1993 following the white paper "Higher Education: a new framework", which called for more coherence in Higher Education statistics. Higher Education institutions include all publicly funded universities. HESA data do not include enrolments at Further Education colleges in Northern Ireland or Great Britain, or enrolments at institutions in the Republic of Ireland.
2. Students referred to as NI domiciled are those whose permanent place of residence was in NI prior to enrolment on a Higher Education course.
3. Higher Education courses are defined as those courses leading to a qualification above A-level standard. This includes first degree and postgraduate study, BTEC Higher National Diploma and Certificate courses and a number of professional qualifications.
4. This Statistical Bulletin is based on data returned to HESA in respect of the 'Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) target population'. Of NI domiciled students for whom DLHE information was expected, 85.6% of full-time and 75.9% of part-time students had data returned to HESA, with 87.4% of full-time and 77.2% of part-time students who attended Higher Education institutions in Northern Ireland returning data. It should be noted that the DLHE population does not include non EU students.
5. The HESA DLHE target population includes all those students whose study was full-time or part-time and who obtained relevant qualifications (see note 6) reported to HESA for the reporting period 1 August 2003 to 31 July 2004. Tables 1-6 contain information on full-time students and table D in the annex provides information on part-time students.
6. Relevant qualifications for the DLHE return include postgraduate degrees, diplomas and certificates, Postgraduate Certificates in Education (PGCE), first degrees, foundation degrees, diplomas/certificates of Higher Education, Higher National Diplomas (HND) and Higher National Certificates (HNC). The DLHE survey does not cover students who have gained other qualifications, examples of which include; professional qualifications (e.g. associate membership or membership of a body such as the Institute of Bankers), and undergraduate diplomas and certificates (other than foundation degrees, HND, DipHE, HNC and CertHE).
7. For the 2003/04 DLHE return, two reference dates were used: 15 April 2004 for leavers who obtained the qualification between 1 August 2003 and 31 December 2003; and 14 January 2005 for leavers who obtained the qualification between 1 January 2004 and 31 July 2004.
8. The 'not known' category in the tables includes non-respondents and explicit refusals.
9. To prevent the identification of individuals, figures in the attached tables are rounded up or down to the nearest five with 0, 1, 2 rounded to 0.

10. Changes from 2002/03

Additional information

In 2002/03 the first destination record was replaced by the DLHE.

DLHE is a more comprehensive record than the first destination record, expanded to cover leavers from part-time programmes and from additional postgraduate programmes.

Recording leaver's activity

Leavers report separately what they are doing in relation to 'employment' and 'study', enabling the following destination categories to be detailed:

- employment only
- combination of work and study
- further study only
- assumed to be unemployed

In the tables providing information on those in employment, figures from both the 'employment only' and 'combination of work and study' categories have been used.

Occupational classification

Occupational information contained in this bulletin has been classified using the SOC 2000 Standard Occupational Classification. Prior to 2002/03 the 1990 Standard Occupational Classification was used.

In view of the changes detailed above, comparisons should not be made with corresponding figures presented prior to 2002/03.

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Tables

NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions

Tables 1A, 1B and 1C show the numbers of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in the UK by level of study, location of destination, gender and location of study for 2003/04.

Table 2 gives details of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in the UK by level of study, activity and gender for 2003/04.

Table 3 shows the number of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in the UK entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and gender for 2003/04.

Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at NI Higher Education Institutions

Tables 4A, 4B and 4C present information on the numbers of students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in NI by level of study, location of destination, gender and domicile for 2003/04.

Table 5 details the number of students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in NI by level of study, activity and gender for 2003/04.

Table 6 presents information on students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education institutions in NI and entering employment, by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and gender for 2003/04.

Summary information (Annex tables)

Table A compares the activity of NI domiciled and all UK domiciled Leavers by level of qualification for 2003/04.

Table B compares NI domiciled and UK domiciled Leavers entering employment by level of qualification and Standard Occupational Classification for 2003/04.

Table C provides information on Leavers gaining qualifications in 2003/04 and participating in further study by level of further study.

Table D provides information on the activity of Leavers gaining qualifications through part-time study in 2003/04.

Tables E and F compare the salary of NI domiciled Leavers who gained first degrees through full-time study in 2003/04 and entered employment by location of study and location of destination. *Table G* provides information on the average salary of Leavers by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC).

Table 1A: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04

		Location of Destination								Total respondents	Non-respondents ¹	Target population ²
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known			
First Degree	Male	1,180	65	15	5	45	5	20	630	1,960	220	2,180
	Female	2,070	75	15	5	65	20	20	920	3,190	280	3,465
	Total	3,250	140	30	5	110	25	40	1,550	5,150	495	5,645
Other Undergraduate	Male	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	135	15	150
	Female	225	0	0	0	0	0	5	55	290	70	360
	Total	290	5	0	0	5	0	5	125	425	85	510
All Undergraduate	Male	1,245	65	15	5	45	5	20	700	2,095	235	2,330
	Female	2,295	75	15	5	65	20	25	975	3,480	345	3,825
	Total	3,535	140	30	5	110	25	45	1,675	5,575	580	6,155
Postgraduate	Male	235	20	0	0	15	0	5	70	350	110	460
	Female	540	10	0	0	10	0	5	85	660	100	760
	Total	775	30	5	0	25	5	10	155	1,005	210	1,215
All Students	Male	1,480	80	15	5	60	10	25	770	2,445	345	2,790
	Female	2,830	90	20	5	75	20	35	1,060	4,135	445	4,585
	Total	4,310	170	35	10	140	30	55	1,830	6,580	790	7,370

¹ Those students who were identified in the HESA Destinations of Leavers target population who did not return Destinations of Leavers information to HESA.

² The Destinations of Leavers target population includes full-time students who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 2003 and 31st July 2004 (see Notes to Readers).

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Table 1B: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Great Britain by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04

		Location of Destination									Total respondents	Non-respondents ¹	Target population ²
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known				
First Degree	Male	195	210	125	5	25	10	20	260	840	215	1,055	
	Female	300	265	150	10	25	15	15	285	1,065	285	1,350	
	Total	495	475	275	10	50	25	30	545	1,905	500	2,405	
Other Undergraduate	Male	10	5	5	0	0	0	0	40	65	20	80	
	Female	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	25	50	25	75	
	Total	20	25	10	0	0	0	0	65	115	45	160	
All Undergraduate	Male	205	215	130	5	25	10	20	300	905	230	1,135	
	Female	310	285	150	10	25	15	15	310	1,115	310	1,425	
	Total	515	495	280	10	50	25	35	605	2,020	545	2,560	
Postgraduate	Male	55	105	10	5	5	5	5	30	220	80	300	
	Female	105	190	35	0	5	0	5	40	385	130	515	
	Total	160	295	45	5	10	5	10	65	605	210	810	
All Students	Male	255	315	145	10	30	15	25	325	1,125	310	1,435	
	Female	415	475	185	10	30	15	20	345	1,500	440	1,940	
	Total	675	790	330	20	60	30	45	675	2,620	750	3,375	

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Table 1C: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04

		Location of Destination									Non-respondents ¹	Target population ²
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	1,375	270	140	5	65	15	40	890	2,800	430	3,235
	Female	2,370	340	165	10	90	35	35	1,205	4,250	565	4,815
	Total	3,745	610	305	20	155	50	75	2,095	7,055	1,000	8,050
Other	Male	70	5	5	0	0	0	0	110	200	35	235
Undergraduate	Female	235	20	0	0	5	0	5	80	340	95	435
	Total	305	25	10	0	5	0	5	190	540	130	665
All Undergraduate	Male	1,445	280	145	5	70	15	40	1,000	3,000	465	3,465
	Female	2,605	360	165	10	90	35	40	1,285	4,590	660	5,250
	Total	4,050	640	315	20	160	50	80	2,280	7,590	1,125	8,720
Postgraduate	Male	290	120	15	5	25	5	10	100	565	190	755
	Female	645	205	35	5	15	5	10	125	1,040	230	1,270
	Total	935	325	50	10	40	10	25	220	1,610	420	2,025
All Students	Male	1,735	400	160	10	90	20	50	1,095	3,565	655	4,225
	Female	3,250	565	205	15	105	35	50	1,410	5,635	890	6,520
	Total	4,985	960	365	25	200	60	100	2,505	9,200	1,545	10,745

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Table 2: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by level of study, activity¹ and gender 2003/04

		Activity									Total respondents	Non-respondents ²	Target population ³
		Full-time paid work only (including self-employed)	Part-time paid work only	Voluntary/unpaid work only	Work and study	Further study only	Assumed to be unemployed	Not available for employment	Other	Not Known			
First Degree	Male	1,540	160	15	200	490	195	145	15	40	2,800	430	3,235
	Female	2,345	340	30	330	815	145	170	25	45	4,250	565	4,815
	Total	3,885	505	45	525	1,305	340	315	40	90	7,055	1,000	8,050
Other Undergraduate	Male	70	10	0	10	95	5	5	0	5	200	35	235
	Female	190	20	0	50	60	5	5	0	5	340	95	435
	Total	260	30	0	60	155	10	10	5	5	540	130	665
All Undergraduate	Male	1,610	170	15	210	590	200	150	15	45	3,000	465	3,465
	Female	2,535	365	35	380	875	150	175	30	50	4,590	660	5,250
	Total	4,145	530	50	590	1,465	350	325	45	95	7,590	1,125	8,720
Postgraduate	Male	410	30	5	25	45	30	15	0	5	565	190	755
	Female	780	80	5	55	55	30	25	10	5	1,040	230	1,270
	Total	1,190	110	5	80	100	60	40	10	10	1,610	420	2,025
All Students	Male	2,020	200	20	235	635	230	165	15	50	3,565	655	4,225
	Female	3,315	445	35	435	930	185	200	35	60	5,635	890	6,520
	Total	5,335	640	55	670	1,565	415	365	55	105	9,200	1,545	10,745

¹ Care should be taken when comparing activity of graduates in 2003/04 with activity of graduates in 2001/02 and earlier (see Notes to Readers).

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Table 3: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in the UK and entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)¹, level of study and gender 2003/04

		Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)										
		Managers and Senior Officials	Professional Occupations	Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	Skilled Trades Occupations	Personal Service Occupations	Sales and Customer Service Occupations	Process, Plant and Machine Operatives	Elementary Occupations	Not Known	Total
First Degree	Male	175	755	375	200	30	35	215	20	110	5	1,915
	Female	205	955	805	470	15	175	335	5	80	5	3,050
	Total	375	1,705	1,180	670	40	210	550	25	190	10	4,960
Other Undergraduate	Male	10	15	25	10	5	0	10	0	10	0	90
	Female	5	25	195	15	0	5	10	0	5	0	260
	Total	15	40	220	25	5	10	25	0	10	0	350
All Undergraduate	Male	185	765	400	210	35	35	225	20	120	5	2,005
	Female	210	980	1,000	485	15	180	350	5	80	5	3,310
	Total	390	1,745	1,400	695	50	220	575	30	200	10	5,315
Postgraduate	Male	20	335	60	35	5	5	5	0	0	0	470
	Female	20	710	90	65	0	10	15	0	0	0	920
	Total	45	1,050	145	100	5	10	25	0	5	0	1,385
All Students	Male	205	1,105	460	245	40	40	235	20	120	5	2,470
	Female	230	1,690	1,090	550	15	190	365	10	85	5	4,230
	Total	435	2,795	1,550	795	50	230	600	30	205	10	6,700

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Table 4A: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04 - NI domiciled only

		Location of Destination									Total respondents	Non-respondents ¹	Target population ²
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known				
First Degree	Male	1,180	65	15	5	45	5	20	630	1,960	220	2,180	
	Female	2,070	75	15	5	65	20	20	920	3,190	280	3,465	
	Total	3,250	140	30	5	110	25	40	1,550	5,150	495	5,645	
Other Undergraduate	Male	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	135	15	150	
	Female	225	0	0	0	0	0	5	55	290	70	360	
	Total	290	5	0	0	5	0	5	125	425	85	510	
All Undergraduate	Male	1,245	65	15	5	45	5	20	700	2,095	235	2,330	
	Female	2,295	75	15	5	65	20	25	975	3,480	345	3,825	
	Total	3,535	140	30	5	110	25	45	1,675	5,575	580	6,155	
Postgraduate	Male	235	20	0	0	15	0	5	70	350	110	460	
	Female	540	10	0	0	10	0	5	85	660	100	760	
	Total	775	30	5	0	25	5	10	155	1,005	210	1,215	
All Students	Male	1,480	80	15	5	60	10	25	770	2,445	345	2,790	
	Female	2,830	90	20	5	75	20	35	1,060	4,135	445	4,585	
	Total	4,310	170	35	10	140	30	55	1,830	6,580	790	7,370	

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Table 4B: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04 - Other domiciles¹

		Location of Destination									Total respondents	Non-respondents ²	Target population ³
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known				
First Degree	Male	20	5	0	0	40	5	0	50	125	50	175	
	Female	65	15	5	0	75	0	0	90	250	65	315	
	Total	90	20	5	0	115	5	5	145	380	110	490	
Other Undergraduate	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
	Female	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	15	10	25	
	Total	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	20	10	30	
All Undergraduate	Male	20	5	0	0	40	5	0	55	125	50	180	
	Female	75	15	5	0	75	0	0	100	270	70	340	
	Total	95	20	5	0	115	5	5	150	395	120	520	
Postgraduate	Male	15	5	0	0	35	5	0	20	80	55	140	
	Female	30	5	0	5	60	5	0	20	125	70	195	
	Total	45	10	0	5	95	5	5	40	205	125	330	
All Students	Male	35	15	0	0	75	10	0	75	210	110	315	
	Female	110	15	5	5	135	5	5	120	395	140	535	
	Total	145	30	5	5	210	15	5	195	605	245	850	

¹ Includes only EU students (see Notes to Readers).

² Those students who were identified in the HESA Destinations of Leavers target population who did not return Destinations of Leavers information to HESA.

³ The Destinations of Leavers target population includes full-time students who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 2003 and 31st July 2004 (see Notes to Readers).

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Table 4C: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of destination and gender 2003/04 - All domiciles¹

		Location of Destination									Total respondents	Non-respondents ²	Target population ³
		Northern Ireland	England	Scotland	Wales, C. Islands & Isle of Man	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known				
First Degree	Male	1,200	70	15	5	85	10	20	685	2,090	265	2,355	
	Female	2,135	90	20	5	140	20	25	1,010	3,440	340	3,780	
	Total	3,335	160	35	5	225	30	45	1,695	5,530	610	6,135	
Other Undergraduate	Male	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	135	20	155	
	Female	235	0	0	0	0	0	5	60	305	75	385	
	Total	295	5	0	0	5	0	5	130	440	95	535	
All Undergraduate	Male	1,265	70	15	5	85	10	20	755	2,225	285	2,510	
	Female	2,370	90	20	5	140	20	30	1,075	3,745	420	4,165	
	Total	3,635	160	35	5	225	30	50	1,825	5,970	705	6,675	
Postgraduate	Male	250	25	5	0	55	5	5	90	430	165	595	
	Female	570	15	0	5	70	5	10	105	785	170	950	
	Total	820	40	5	5	125	10	15	195	1,215	335	1,550	
All Students	Male	1,515	95	20	5	140	15	25	840	2,655	455	3,105	
	Female	2,940	105	20	10	210	25	35	1,180	4,530	585	5,115	
	Total	4,455	200	40	10	350	40	65	2,025	7,185	1,040	8,220	

¹ Includes only EU students (see Notes to Readers).

² Those students who were indentified in the HESA Destinations of Leavers target population who did not return Destinations of Leavers information to HESA.

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Table 5: Students¹ gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, activity² and gender 2003/04

		Activity										Total respondents	Non-respondents ³	Target population ⁴
		Full-time paid work only (including self-employed)	Part-time paid work only	Voluntary/unpaid work only	Work and study	Further study only	Assumed to be unemployed	Not available for employment	Other	Not Known				
First Degree	Male	1,115	140	10	140	385	160	95	10	30	2,090	265	2,355	
	Female	1,870	285	25	245	695	130	130	15	40	3,440	340	3,780	
	Total	2,985	425	35	385	1,085	290	225	25	70	5,530	610	6,135	
Other	Male	50	5	0	10	60	5	5	0	0	135	20	155	
Undergraduate	Female	175	20	0	50	50	5	5	0	5	305	75	385	
	Total	225	25	0	55	110	5	10	0	5	440	95	535	
All	Male	1,165	145	10	145	445	165	100	10	35	2,225	285	2,510	
	Female	2,045	305	25	295	745	135	135	15	45	3,745	420	4,165	
	Total	3,210	450	40	445	1,195	295	230	30	75	5,970	705	6,675	
Postgraduate	Male	300	25	0	15	40	30	15	0	0	430	165	595	
	Female	560	65	0	50	50	30	20	5	0	785	170	950	
	Total	860	90	0	70	85	60	40	5	5	1,215	335	1,550	
All Students	Male	1,465	170	15	165	485	195	115	10	35	2,655	455	3,105	
	Female	2,605	370	30	345	795	160	155	25	45	4,530	585	5,115	
	Total	4,070	535	40	510	1,280	355	270	35	80	7,185	1,040	8,220	

¹ Includes only EU students (see Notes to Readers)

² Care should be taken when comparing activity of graduates in 2003/04 with activity of graduates in 2001/02 and earlier (see Notes to Readers).

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⁴ The Destinations of Leavers target population includes full-time students who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 2003 and 31 July 2004 (see Notes to Readers).

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Table 6: Students¹ gaining Higher Education qualifications through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland and entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)², level of study and gender 2003/04

		Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)										
		Managers and Senior Officials	Professional Occupations	Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	Skilled Trades Occupations	Personal Service Occupations	Sales and Customer Service Occupations	Process, Plant and Machine Operatives	Elementary Occupations	Not Known	Total
First Degree	Male	120	565	260	140	20	25	185	10	80	5	1,405
	Female	140	740	670	380	10	130	280	5	65	5	2,430
	Total	255	1,305	935	520	30	155	465	15	145	5	3,835
Other Undergraduate	Male	5	10	20	5	5	0	10	0	5	0	65
	Female	5	25	185	15	0	5	10	0	5	0	245
	Total	10	35	205	20	5	5	15	0	10	0	310
All Undergraduate	Male	125	575	285	145	25	25	190	10	85	5	1,470
	Female	145	765	855	395	10	135	290	5	70	5	2,675
	Total	270	1,340	1,140	545	30	160	480	15	155	5	4,145
Postgraduate	Male	20	215	55	35	0	5	10	0	0	0	340
	Female	15	495	75	65	0	5	15	0	0	0	675
	Total	40	710	130	100	0	10	25	0	0	0	1,015
All Students	Male	145	790	340	180	25	30	200	10	90	5	1,810
	Female	160	1,260	930	460	10	140	305	10	70	5	3,350
	Total	305	2,050	1,270	640	35	170	505	20	155	10	5,160

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Annex

Comparison of destinations of Northern Ireland domiciled students with all United Kingdom domiciled students

Table A - Activity of Leavers by level of qualification and domicile 2003/04

	NI domiciled			UK domiciled						
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total				
Employment only	4,725	62.3%	1,305	81.1%	6,030	127,810	61.8%	33,085	78.2%	160,895
Undertaking work and study	590	7.8%	80	5.0%	670	18,855	9.1%	2,660	6.3%	21,515
Undertaking further study only	1,465	19.3%	100	6.2%	1,565	32,820	15.9%	2,735	6.5%	35,555
Not available for employment	325	4.3%	40	2.5%	365	9,695	4.7%	1,130	2.7%	10,825
Assumed to be unemployed	350	4.6%	60	3.7%	415	12,505	6.0%	1,840	4.3%	14,350
Other	45	0.6%	10	0.6%	55	2,010	1.0%	305	0.7%	2,315
Not known	95	1.3%	10	0.6%	105	3,005	1.5%	580	1.4%	3,585
Total	7,590		1,610		9,200	206,700		42,335		249,035

Table B - Leavers entering employment by level of qualification, domicile and Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) 2003/04

	NI domiciled			UK domiciled						
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total				
Managers and Senior Officials	390	7.3%	45	3.2%	435	11,510	7.8%	1,770	5.0%	13,280
Professional Occupations	1745	32.8%	1050	75.8%	2,795	34,550	23.6%	25,880	72.4%	60,435
Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	1400	26.3%	145	10.5%	1,550	45,905	31.3%	4,990	14.0%	50,895
Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	695	13.1%	100	7.2%	795	22,885	15.6%	1,725	4.8%	24,615
Skilled Trades Occupations	50	0.9%	5	0.4%	50	1,745	1.2%	105	0.3%	1,855
Personal Service Occupations	220	4.1%	10	0.7%	230	6,955	4.7%	350	1.0%	7,305
Sales and Customer Service Occupations	575	10.8%	25	1.8%	600	14,860	10.1%	560	1.6%	15,415
Process, Plant and Machine Operatives	30	0.6%	0	0.0%	30	995	0.7%	55	0.2%	1,050
Elementary Occupations	200	3.8%	5	0.4%	205	6,925	4.7%	245	0.7%	7,170
Not known	10	0.2%	0	0.0%	10	330	0.2%	60	0.2%	390
Total	5,315		1,385		6,700	146,665		35,745		182,410

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Table C - Leavers gaining qualifications through full-time study in 2003/04 and participating in further study by level of study¹

Level of further study	NI domiciled qualifiers from UK institutions			Qualifiers from NI institutions ²		
	First degree	Other		First degree	Other	
		Undergraduate	Postgraduate		Undergraduate	Postgraduate
Postgraduate	1,180	15	100	1,000	10	95
First degree	80	190	5	45	145	5
Other diploma or certificate	145	5	20	110	0	20
Professional qualification	265	10	30	180	10	15
Other qualification	140	5	20	115	0	15
Not aiming for a qualification	25	0	10	15	0	5
Total	1,835	220	180	1,470	165	155

Table D - Destination of Leavers gaining qualifications through part-time study 2003/04

	NI domiciled qualifiers from UK institutions				Qualifiers from NI institutions ²			
	Undergraduate		Postgraduate		Undergraduate		Postgraduate	
Employment only	705	69.5%	875	82.5%	635	71.8%	1,040	84.2%
Undertaking work and study	145	14.3%	110	10.4%	120	13.6%	115	9.3%
Undertaking further study only	65	6.4%	20	1.9%	55	6.2%	20	1.6%
Not available for employment	35	3.4%	25	2.4%	30	3.4%	30	2.4%
Assumed to be unemployed	30	3.0%	15	1.4%	25	2.8%	15	1.2%
Other	10	1.0%	5	0.5%	5	0.6%	10	0.8%
Not known	30	3.0%	10	0.9%	10	1.1%	10	0.8%
Total	1,015		1,060		885		1,235	

¹ Includes those students whose activity was given as work & study and further study only.

² Includes only EU students (see Notes to Readers)

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Comparison of salary of NI domiciled students who gained first degrees through full-time study in the UK¹

Table E - Salary and location of study of Leavers in full time paid work 2003/04.

Annual Salary (£,000)	Students at NI Institutions		Students at GB Institutions ²	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
10 and under	100	12%	55	11%
11-15	305	37%	195	40%
16-20	320	39%	160	33%
21-25	45	5%	35	7%
26-30	25	3%	30	6%
31-35	20	2%	15	3%
36 and over	10	1%	5	1%
Total	820		490	
	Average salary	£16,220	Average salary	£16,740
	Median salary	£16,000	Median salary	£15,000

Table F - Salary and location of destination of Leavers in full-time paid work 2003/04.

Annual Salary (£,000)	Northern Ireland		Great Britain		Republic of Ireland ²		Other EU & O'Seas	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
10 and under	120	13%	25	7%	5	17%	5	50%
11-15	390	42%	100	29%	10	33%	0	0%
16-20	335	36%	130	38%	15	50%	0	0%
21-25	35	4%	35	10%	5	17%	0	0%
26-30	20	2%	30	9%	0	0%	0	0%
31-35	20	2%	15	4%	0	0%	0	0%
36 and over	10	1%	5	1%	0	0%	0	0%
Total	935		340		30		10	
	Average salary	£15,665	Average salary	£18,380	Average salary	£16,740	Average salary	£18,890
	Median salary	£15,000	Median salary	£18,000	Median salary	£16,000	Median salary	£18,000

¹ Of those Leavers in full-time employment, 34% disclosed salary information.

² Extreme values have been excluded from these tables.

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Table G: Northern Ireland domiciled students who gained first degrees through full-time study at Higher Education Institutions and entering full-time employment (without further study) by Standard Occupation Classification 2003/04.

	Students ¹	Average salary ² (£)	Median salary ² (£)
Managers and Senior Officials	110	15,855	15,000
Professional Occupations	520	19,110	18,000
Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	325	16,340	17,000
Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	190	12,870	12,000
Skilled Trades Occupations	10	18,910	16,000
Personal Service Occupations	45	11,605	11,000
Sales and Customer Service Occupations	80	11,755	12,000
Process, Plant and Machine Operatives	5	16,570	14,000
Elementary Occupations	15	11,500	12,000
Total	1,310	16,420	16,000

¹ Of those in full-time employment who disclosed salary information.

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