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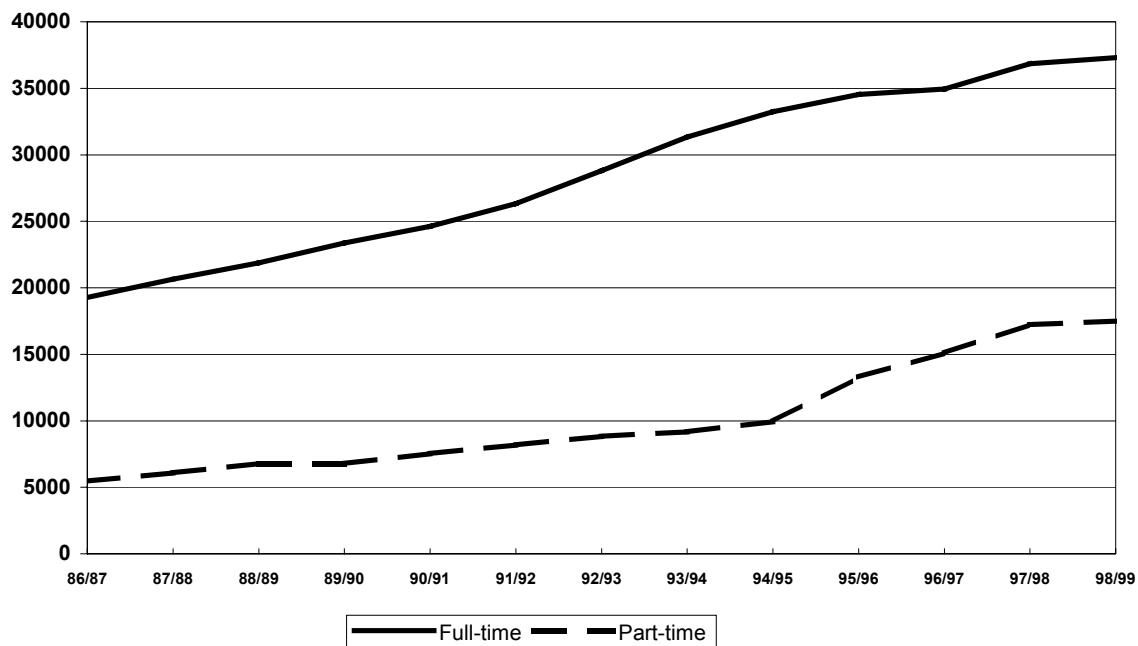
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## Student Enrolments on Higher Education courses: Northern Ireland 1998/99 (provisional)

### Introduction

This Press Release has been produced by the Department of Education Northern Ireland (DENI) using data collected by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) and the Department. It gives details of Northern Ireland (NI) domiciled students on Higher Education courses in the UK and Republic of Ireland (RoI) and details of all students on Higher Education courses in NI institutions for the academic year 1998/99.

**NI domiciled undergraduate enrolments at UK and Republic of Ireland institutions**



Note - The increase in full-time enrolments between 1996/97 and 1997/98 was partially due to the inclusion in 1997/98 of students on nursing courses for the first time. The increase in part-time enrolments between 1994/95 and 1997/98 was affected by mainstreaming of continuing education courses. (See Notes to Editors.)



## **Key Points -**

### **NI domiciled students at UK and RoI institutions**

- The number of full-time undergraduate students from Northern Ireland on Higher Education courses in the UK and Republic of Ireland (RoI), 37,311 in 1998/99, has risen sharply over the past decade - by 71%. The number of part-time undergraduates has also been rising steadily, and has increased threefold over the same period, though this is affected by mainstreaming of continuing education courses. (See Notes to Editors.)
- Total enrolments of NI domiciled students on Higher Education courses at UK and RoI institutions stood at 63,917 in 1998/99. NI domiciled undergraduate enrolments stood at 54,808 in 1998/99, and postgraduate enrolments were 9,109. There were 40,858 full-time and 23,059 part-time students.
- Full-time undergraduate enrolments increased by 1% between 1997/98 and 1998/99. Postgraduate enrolments decreased, by 6%.
- In 1998/99, females accounted for 58% of students from Northern Ireland: 59% of undergraduates and almost 51% of postgraduates.
- In 1998/99, 84% of first year full-time undergraduate students were aged under 21, whereas 89% of first year part-time undergraduate students (of known age) were aged 21 and over.
- Most students from Northern Ireland in 1998/99 were studying in the Province, but some 28% were located in Great Britain, and 2% in the Republic of Ireland. Among full-time undergraduates some 35% were studying outside Northern Ireland.
- The most popular subject areas for full-time undergraduates from the Province studying in the UK in 1998/99 were Business & Administrative studies (17%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (11%) and Social Studies (7%).

### **Enrolments at NI institutions**

- Total enrolments on Higher Education courses at NI institutions stood at 51,472 in 1998/99, of which 60% were female. Undergraduate enrolments at NI institutions stood at 43,395 in 1998/99, and postgraduate enrolments stood at 8,077. There were 31,302 full-time and 20,170 part-time students.
- Full-time undergraduate enrolments remained fairly constant between 1997/98 and 1998/99. Postgraduate enrolments decreased by 11%.
- In 1998/99, some 88% of students on Higher Education courses at NI institutions were local, 8% were from the Republic of Ireland, and 1% were from Great Britain.
- In 1998/99, 81% of first year full-time undergraduates (whose age was reported) at NI institutions were aged under 21, and 8% were aged 25 and over, whereas of first year part-time undergraduate students 12% were aged under 21, and 71% were aged 25 and over. Of first year

full-time postgraduates, 29% were aged 25 and over, compared with 88% of first year part-time postgraduates.

- The most popular subject areas among full-time undergraduate students at NI institutions in 1998/99 were Business & Administrative Studies (17%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (12%) and Engineering & Technology (7%).

## **Tables**

Table 1 shows the numbers of NI domiciled students on HE courses at HE and FE institutions in the UK and RoI by level of study, mode of study, location of study and sex for first year students and all students for 1998/99.

Table 2 gives details of NI domiciled students on HE courses at HE and FE institutions in the UK and RoI by level of study, mode of study, sex and age for first year students and all students for 1998/99.

Table 3 presents information on NI domiciled undergraduate enrolments at NI and GB universities, NI Colleges of Education and NI FE colleges by mode of study, sex and subject group for first year students and all undergraduates for 1998/99.

Table 4 shows enrolments on HE courses at NI institutions by mode of study, level of study, domicile and sex for first year students and all students for 1998/99.

Table 5 presents information on enrolments on HE courses at NI institutions by mode of study, level of study, sex and age for first year students and all students for 1998/99.

Table 6 presents information on undergraduate enrolments on HE courses at NI institutions by mode of study, sex and subject group for first years and all students for 1998/99.

Annex 1 compares 1997/98 and 1998/99 information on NI domiciled students on Higher Education courses at UK and Republic of Ireland institutions and enrolments on Higher Education courses at NI institutions.

## Notes to Editors

### *General*

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 (including the former polytechnics). HESA data do not include enrolments at FE colleges in NI or GB nor enrolments at institutions in the Republic of Ireland.
2. Information on enrolments at Republic of Ireland institutions has been obtained from scholarships and awards information provided by the five Northern Ireland Education and Library Boards (it should be noted that due to data extraction difficulties, an age split has been assumed for one of the Boards).
3. Data on Higher Education enrolments at Further Education colleges in Northern Ireland and Great Britain have been obtained from the various Education Departments (Figures for England, Scotland and Wales have been held at 1997/98 levels as 1998/99 figures were not available at the time of going to press).
4. The academic year runs from 1 August to 31 July.

### *Statistical*

5. Higher Education is defined as a course 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.
6. Figures for 1998/99 reported in this Press Release are counts of student enrolments as at 1 December 1998. (1997/98 figures are as at 1 December 1997.) Enrolments at FE Colleges are as at 1 November of the relevant year.
7. First year students are those who are on their first year of study on a programme. In some cases the students' first year of study may be the second or subsequent year of a programme. Due to the increasing incidence of students studying programmes which are based on non-standard academic years, a student is defined as being on their first year of study, if they have been enrolled on their course for less than a year at the 1 December.
8. Level of course is defined by qualification aim.
  - (i) Postgraduate courses are those leading to higher degrees, diplomas and certificates (including PGCE and professional qualifications) which usually require a first degree as an entry qualification.
  - (ii) First degrees include first degrees, first degrees with qualified teacher status, enhanced first degrees, first degrees obtained concurrently with a diploma and intercalated first degrees.

(iii) Other undergraduate includes all higher education courses not included above i.e. undergraduate diplomas and certificates.

9. Mode of attendance distinguishes students studying full- or part-time.

(i) Full-time students include all students studying full-time (for more than 18 weeks in the academic year), students on thick or thin sandwich courses, and those on a study-related year out of their institution.

(ii) Part-time students include those studying part-time, on block release, during evenings only, or full-time for less than 18 weeks.

(iii) Students writing up theses, on sabbatical, or dormant are not included in the figures.

10. Age is as at 31 August within the relevant academic year.

11. In the tables the Open University is treated as an English institution.

12. The figures in this Press Release are based on the HESA December 1998 dataset and are provisional.

13. Nurse education previously undertaken at Northern Ireland's six regional nursing colleges is now provided by Queen's University, Belfast. Accordingly, students on these courses have been included in the figures since 1997/98.

14. Mainstreaming of continuing education courses The phased introduction of new funding arrangements for students (part-time undergraduates) on continuing education courses has now been completed. This means that some students were included in the count for 1997/98 who would not have been included in previous years' counts.

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16. A more detailed set of tables for 1998/99 (comprising separate figures for universities, Northern Ireland colleges of education, and FE colleges) is available on request.

**Table 1: Northern Ireland domiciled students on Higher Education courses in the UK and Republic of Ireland by mode of study, level of study, location of study and sex, 1998/99**

			First Years						All Years					
			NI	England	Scotland	Wales	RoI	Total	NI	England	Scotland	Wales	RoI	Total
First Degree	Full-time	Male	2709	955	703	67	103	4537	8075	2725	2412	177	366	13755
		Female	3569	1063	876	79	134	5721	10671	3070	2940	202	600	17483
		Total	6278	2018	1579	146	237	10258	18746	5795	5352	379	966	31238
	Part-time	Male	547	16	3	2	0	568	1421	112	18	4	0	1555
		Female	1363	41	7	0	0	1411	2921	99	25	10	0	3055
		Total	1910	57	10	2	0	1979	4342	211	43	14	0	4610
	All First Degree	Male	3256	971	706	69	103	5105	9496	2837	2430	181	366	15310
		Female	4932	1104	883	79	134	7132	13592	3169	2965	212	600	20538
		Total	8188	2075	1589	148	237	12237	23088	6006	5395	393	966	35848
Other Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	996	121	68	5	5	1195	1887	213	105	9	10	2224
		Female	1777	124	67	6	4	1978	3453	240	134	11	11	3849
		Total	2773	245	135	11	9	3173	5340	453	239	20	21	6073
	Part-time	Male	2739	417	21	0	0	3177	3840	1325	22	1	0	5188
		Female	4769	540	6	2	0	5317	6348	1335	8	8	0	7699
		Total	7508	957	27	2	0	8494	10188	2660	30	9	0	12887
	All Other Undergraduate	Male	3735	538	89	5	5	4372	5727	1538	127	10	10	7412
		Female	6546	664	73	8	4	7295	9801	1575	142	19	11	11548
		Total	10281	1202	162	13	9	11667	15528	3113	269	29	21	18960
All Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	3705	1076	771	72	108	5732	9962	2938	2517	186	376	15979
		Female	5346	1187	943	85	138	7699	14124	3310	3074	213	611	21332
		Total	9051	2263	1714	157	246	13431	24086	6248	5591	399	987	37311
	Part-time	Male	3286	433	24	2	0	3745	5261	1437	40	5	0	6743
		Female	6132	581	13	2	0	6728	9269	1434	33	18	0	10754
		Total	9418	1014	37	4	0	10473	14530	2871	73	23	0	17497
	All Undergraduate	Male	6991	1509	795	74	108	9477	15223	4375	2557	191	376	22722
		Female	11478	1768	956	87	138	14427	23393	4744	3107	231	611	32086
		Total	18469	3277	1751	161	246	23904	38616	9119	5664	422	987	54808
Postgraduate	Full-time	Male	764	266	85	22	13	1150	1140	368	120	26	14	1668
		Female	917	293	116	25	4	1355	1313	386	148	27	5	1879
		Total	1681	559	201	47	17	2505	2453	754	268	53	19	3547
	Part-time	Male	1099	267	31	32	0	1429	1980	645	57	84	0	2766
		Female	1326	212	14	9	0	1561	2233	483	55	25	0	2796
		Total	2425	479	45	41	0	2990	4213	1128	112	109	0	5562
	All Postgraduate	Male	1863	533	116	54	13	2579	3120	1013	177	110	14	4434
		Female	2243	505	130	34	4	2916	3546	869	203	52	5	4675
		Total	4106	1038	246	88	17	5495	6666	1882	380	162	19	9109
All Students	Full-time	Male	4469	1342	856	94	121	6882	11102	3306	2637	212	390	17647
		Female	6263	1480	1059	110	142	9054	15437	3696	3222	240	616	23211
		Total	10732	2822	1915	204	263	15936	26539	7002	5859	452	1006	40858
	Part-time	Male	4385	700	55	34	0	5174	7241	2082	97	89	0	9509
		Female	7458	793	27	11	0	8289	11502	1917	88	43	0	13550
		Total	11843	1493	82	45	0	13463	18743	3999	185	132	0	23059
	All Students	Male	8854	2042	911	128	121	12056	18343	5388	2734	301	390	27156
		Female	13721	2273	1086	121	142	17343	26939	5613	3310	283	616	36761
		Total	22575	4315	1997	249	263	29399	45282	11001	6044	584	1006	63917

**Table 2: Northern Ireland domiciled students on Higher Education courses in the UK and Republic of Ireland by level of study, mode of study, sex and age, 1998/99**

		First Year Students									All Students								
		Full-time			Part-time			Full- & Part-time			Full-time			Part-time			Full- & Part-time		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
First Degree	Under 21	3796	5004	8800	58	66	124	3854	5070	8924	8561	11462	20023	156	135	291	8717	11597	20314
	21 and over	736	708	1444	507	1314	1821	1243	2022	3265	5189	6009	11198	1395	2889	4284	6584	8898	15482
	Unknown	5	9	14	3	31	34	8	40	48	5	12	17	4	31	35	9	43	52
	Total	4537	5721	10258	568	1411	1979	5105	7132	12237	13755	17483	31238	1555	3055	4610	15310	20538	35848
Other Undergraduate	Under 21	945	1571	2516	502	495	997	1447	2066	3513	1574	2629	4203	668	596	1264	2242	3225	5467
	21 and over	246	400	646	2522	4415	6937	2768	4815	7583	646	1213	1859	4342	6672	11014	4988	7885	12873
	Unknown	4	7	11	153	407	560	157	414	571	4	7	11	178	431	609	182	438	620
	Total	1195	1978	3173	3177	5317	8494	4372	7295	11667	2224	3849	6073	5188	7699	12887	7412	11548	18960
All Undergraduate	Under 21	4741	6575	11316	560	561	1121	5301	7136	12437	10135	14091	24226	824	731	1555	10959	14822	25781
	21 and over	982	1108	2090	3029	5729	8758	4011	6837	10848	5835	7222	13057	5737	9561	15298	11572	16783	28355
	Unknown	9	16	25	156	438	594	165	454	619	9	19	28	182	462	644	191	481	672
	Total	5732	7699	13431	3745	6728	10473	9477	14427	23904	15979	21332	37311	6743	10754	17497	22722	32086	54808
Postgraduate	Under 21	5	6	11	7	3	10	12	9	21	5	9	14	8	3	11	13	12	25
	21 and over	1138	1348	2486	1406	1546	2952	2544	2894	5438	1656	1869	3525	2739	2776	5515	4395	4645	9040
	Unknown	7	1	8	16	12	28	23	13	36	7	1	8	19	17	36	26	18	44
	Total	1150	1355	2505	1429	1561	2990	2579	2916	5495	1668	1879	3547	2766	2796	5562	4434	4675	9109
All Students	Under 21	4746	6581	11327	567	564	1131	5313	7145	12458	10140	14100	24240	832	734	1566	10972	14834	25806
	21 and over	2120	2456	4576	4435	7275	11710	6555	9731	16286	7491	9091	16582	8476	12337	20813	15967	21428	37395
	Unknown	16	17	33	172	450	622	188	467	655	16	20	36	201	479	680	217	499	716
	Total	6882	9054	15936	5174	8289	13463	12056	17343	29399	17647	23211	40858	9509	13550	23059	27156	36761	63917

**Table 3: Northern Ireland domiciled undergraduate students on Higher Education courses in the UK <sup>(1)</sup> by mode of study, sex and subject group, 1998/99**

	First Years						All years					
	FT Undergraduate			PT Undergraduate			FT Undergraduate			PT Undergraduate		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Medicine & Dentistry	150	200	350	1	0	1	707	887	1594	16	8	24
Subjects Allied to Medicine	263	1200	1463	60	1061	1121	732	3186	3918	105	1757	1862
Biological Sciences	311	504	815	23	39	62	759	1399	2158	61	105	166
Veterinary Science	18	10	28	0	0	0	66	54	120	0	1	1
Agriculture & Related Subjects	75	92	167	24	103	127	193	209	402	39	115	154
Physical Sciences	232	237	469	19	31	50	703	708	1411	48	43	91
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	97	111	208	13	3	16	287	296	583	23	10	33
Information Technology	578	255	833	458	419	877	1428	484	1912	645	526	1171
Engineering & Technology	742	106	848	427	11	438	2014	368	2382	803	26	829
Architecture	452	133	585	177	11	188	1329	387	1716	313	17	330
Social Studies	252	619	871	276	975	1251	777	1703	2480	521	1520	2041
Law	151	196	347	9	13	22	462	625	1087	33	29	62
Business & Administrative Studies	917	1613	2530	1159	2233	3392	2360	3904	6264	1668	3080	4748
Mass Communication & Documentation	84	157	241	8	10	18	269	434	703	18	23	41
Language and related disciplines	114	352	466	174	329	503	404	1161	1565	288	512	800
Humanities	168	150	318	128	146	274	531	505	1036	198	281	479
Creative Arts	309	484	793	53	145	198	693	1017	1710	72	206	278
Education and Leisure	153	397	550	76	197	273	477	1503	1980	95	219	314
Combined	515	710	1225	634	994	1628	1344	1826	3170	1769	2266	4035
<b>Total</b>	<b>5581</b>	<b>7526</b>	<b>13107</b>	<b>3719</b>	<b>6720</b>	<b>10439</b>	<b>15535</b>	<b>20656</b>	<b>36191</b>	<b>6715</b>	<b>10744</b>	<b>17459</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> This table excludes the 987 Northern Ireland domiciled undergraduate students on Higher Education courses in the Republic of Ireland; a subject breakdown for these students is not available. Also excluded are the 171 NI-domiciled undergraduate students at FE colleges in GB.

**Table 4: Enrolments on Higher Education courses at Northern Ireland institutions by mode of study, level of study, domicile and sex, 1998/99**

			First Years					All Years						
			NI	GB	Republic of Ireland	Other EC	Other O'seas	Total	NI	GB	Republic of Ireland	Other EC	Other O'seas	Total
First degree	Full-time	Male	2709	33	218	16	44	3020	8075	115	897	30	161	9278
		Female	3569	53	316	10	42	3990	10671	172	1308	30	168	12349
		Total	6278	86	534	26	86	7010	18746	287	2205	60	329	21627
	Part-time	Male	547	1	21	0	2	571	1421	2	52	0	4	1479
		Female	1363	1	62	1	1	1428	2921	5	137	2	4	3069
		Total	1910	2	83	1	3	1999	4342	7	189	2	8	4548
	All First Degree	Male	3256	34	239	16	46	3591	9496	117	949	30	165	10757
		Female	4932	54	378	11	43	5418	13592	177	1445	32	172	15418
		Total	8188	88	617	27	89	9009	23088	294	2394	62	337	26175
Other Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	996	1	59	137	40	1233	1887	3	157	137	42	2226
		Female	1777	4	88	141	81	2091	3453	10	316	143	85	4007
		Total	2773	5	147	278	121	3324	5340	13	473	280	127	6233
	Part-time	Male	2739	21	74	65	38	2937	3840	22	102	68	43	4075
		Female	4769	56	224	109	69	5227	6348	83	288	117	76	6912
		Total	7508	77	298	174	107	8164	10188	105	390	185	119	10987
	All Other Undergraduate	Male	3735	22	133	202	78	4168	5727	25	259	205	85	6301
		Female	6546	60	312	250	150	7318	9801	93	604	260	161	10919
		Total	10281	82	445	452	228	11488	15528	118	863	465	246	17220
All Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	3705	34	277	153	84	4253	9962	118	1054	167	203	11504
		Female	5346	57	404	151	123	6081	14124	182	1624	173	253	16356
		Total	9051	91	681	304	207	10334	24086	300	2678	340	456	27860
	Part-time	Male	3286	22	95	65	40	3508	5261	24	154	68	47	5554
		Female	6132	57	286	110	70	6655	9269	88	425	119	80	9981
		Total	9418	79	381	175	110	10163	14530	112	579	187	127	15535
	All Undergraduate	Male	6991	56	372	218	124	7761	15223	142	1208	235	250	17058
		Female	11478	114	690	261	193	12736	23393	270	2049	292	333	26337
		Total	18469	170	1062	479	317	20497	38616	412	3257	527	583	43395
Postgraduate	Full-time	Male	764	18	140	32	77	1031	1140	40	223	51	124	1578
		Female	917	30	229	34	69	1279	1313	47	345	55	104	1864
		Total	1681	48	369	66	146	2310	2453	87	568	106	228	3442
	Part-time	Male	1099	5	74	3	5	1186	1980	19	138	14	20	2171
		Female	1326	4	89	5	11	1435	2233	21	177	8	25	2464
		Total	2425	9	163	8	16	2621	4213	40	315	22	45	4635
	All Postgraduate	Male	1863	23	214	35	82	2217	3120	59	361	65	144	3749
		Female	2243	34	318	39	80	2714	3546	68	522	63	129	4328
		Total	4106	57	532	74	162	4931	6666	127	883	128	273	8077
All Students	Full-Time	Male	4469	52	417	185	161	5284	11102	158	1277	218	327	13082
		Female	6263	87	633	185	192	7360	15437	229	1969	228	357	18220
		Total	10732	139	1050	370	353	12644	26539	387	3246	446	684	31302
	Part-Time	Male	4385	27	169	68	45	4694	7241	43	292	82	67	7725
		Female	7458	61	375	115	81	8090	11502	109	602	127	105	12445
		Total	11843	88	544	183	126	12784	18743	152	894	209	172	20170
	All Students	Male	8854	79	586	253	206	9978	18343	201	1569	300	394	20807
		Female	13721	148	1008	300	273	15450	26939	338	2571	355	462	30665
		Total	22575	227	1594	553	479	25428	45282	539	4140	655	856	51472

**Table 5: Enrolments on Higher Education courses at Northern Ireland institutions by level of study, mode of study, sex and age 1998/99**

		First years									All years								
		Full-time			Part-time			Full & part time			Full-time			Part-time			Full & part time		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
First degree	Under 21	2465	3381	5846	58	68	126	2523	3449	5972	5707	7939	13646	136	129	265	5843	8068	13911
	21 - 24	340	341	681	127	292	419	467	633	1100	2770	3474	6244	320	529	849	3090	4003	7093
	25 and over	210	260	470	383	1033	1416	593	1293	1886	796	926	1722	1019	2376	3395	1815	3302	5117
	Unknown	5	8	13	3	35	38	8	43	51	5	10	15	4	35	39	9	45	54
	Total	3020	3990	7010	571	1428	1999	3591	5418	9009	9278	12349	21627	1479	3069	4548	10757	15418	26175
Other undergraduate	Under 21	902	1582	2484	497	489	986	1399	2071	3470	1546	2652	4198	662	580	1242	2208	3232	5440
	21 - 24	226	275	501	515	751	1266	741	1026	1767	486	902	1388	713	917	1630	1199	1819	3018
	25 and over	100	224	324	1762	3539	5301	1862	3763	5625	189	443	632	2511	4943	7454	2700	5386	8086
	Unknown	5	10	15	163	448	611	168	458	626	5	10	15	189	472	661	194	482	676
	Total	1233	2091	3324	2937	5227	8164	4170	7318	11488	2226	4007	6233	4075	6912	10987	6301	10919	17220
All undergraduate	Under 21	3367	4963	8330	555	557	1112	3922	5520	9442	7253	10591	17844	798	709	1507	8051	11300	19351
	21 - 24	566	616	1182	642	1043	1685	1208	1659	2867	3256	4376	7632	1033	1446	2479	4289	5822	10111
	25 and over	310	484	794	2145	4572	6717	2455	5056	7511	985	1369	2354	3530	7319	10849	4515	8688	13203
	Unknown	10	18	28	166	483	649	176	501	677	10	20	30	193	507	700	203	527	730
	Total	4253	6081	10334	3508	6655	10163	7761	12736	20497	11504	16356	27860	5554	9981	15535	17058	26337	43395
Postgraduate	Under 21	11	25	36	2	2	4	13	27	40	11	25	36	2	2	4	13	27	40
	21 - 24	689	902	1591	136	165	301	825	1067	1892	939	1213	2152	178	230	408	1117	1443	2560
	25 and over	324	348	672	1031	1252	2283	1355	1600	2955	621	622	1243	1974	2216	4190	2595	2838	5433
	Unknown	7	4	11	17	16	33	24	20	44	7	4	11	17	16	33	24	20	44
	Total	1031	1279	2310	1186	1435	2621	2217	2714	4931	1578	1864	3442	2171	2464	4635	3749	4328	8077
All students	Under 21	3378	4988	8366	557	559	1116	3935	5547	9482	7264	10616	17880	800	711	1511	8064	11327	19391
	21 - 24	1255	1518	2773	778	1208	1986	2033	2726	4759	4195	5589	9784	1211	1676	2887	5406	7265	12671
	25 and over	634	832	1466	3176	5824	9000	3810	6656	10466	1606	1991	3597	5504	9535	15039	7110	11526	18636
	Unknown	17	22	39	183	499	682	200	521	721	17	24	41	210	523	733	227	547	774
	Total	5284	7360	12644	4694	8090	12784	9978	15450	25428	13082	18220	31302	7725	12445	20170	20807	30665	51472

**Table 6: Undergraduate enrolments on Higher Education courses at Northern Ireland institutions by mode of study, sex and subject group, 1998/99**

	First Years						All Years					
	Full-time undergraduate			Part-time undergraduate			Full-time undergraduate			Part-time undergraduate		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Medicine & Dentistry	105	111	216	1	0	1	465	542	1007	16	10	26
Subjects Allied to Medicine	205	1011	1216	59	1043	1102	576	2900	3476	96	1769	1865
Biological Sciences	229	461	690	23	45	68	574	1321	1895	58	115	173
Veterinary Science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agriculture & Related Subjects	35	63	98	25	104	129	107	158	265	37	117	154
Physical Sciences	166	199	365	13	17	30	509	593	1102	40	29	69
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	68	87	155	10	3	13	215	253	468	20	13	33
Information Technology	516	250	766	487	457	944	1286	485	1771	675	575	1250
Engineering & Technology	608	75	683	422	11	433	1736	287	2023	791	26	817
Architecture	337	95	432	181	13	194	932	269	1201	315	20	335
Social Studies	165	486	651	272	1067	1339	538	1325	1863	476	1605	2081
Law	69	106	175	5	9	14	227	324	551	27	21	48
Business & Administrative Studies	664	1321	1985	1168	2268	3436	1577	3083	4660	1675	3130	4805
Mass Communication & Documentation	63	135	198	7	11	18	226	384	610	14	14	28
Language and related disciplines	81	254	335	297	526	823	278	857	1135	429	724	1153
Humanities	141	127	268	133	152	285	436	395	831	204	274	478
Creative Arts	260	407	667	57	153	210	501	822	1323	76	224	300
Education and Leisure	93	285	378	70	195	265	325	1058	1383	87	211	298
Combined	448	608	1056	278	581	859	996	1300	2296	518	1104	1622
<b>Total</b>	<b>4253</b>	<b>6081</b>	<b>10334</b>	<b>3508</b>	<b>6655</b>	<b>10163</b>	<b>11504</b>	<b>16356</b>	<b>27860</b>	<b>5554</b>	<b>9981</b>	<b>15535</b>

## ANNEX 1

### Total enrolments and First Year students - NI domiciled students on HE courses at UK and RoI institutions and all students on HE courses at NI institutions, 1997/98 - 1998/99

#### NI domiciled students on HE courses in the UK and RoI

	First Years		Total Enrolments	
	1997/98	1998/99	1997/98	1998/99
FT undergraduate	13,728	13,431	36,842	37,311
PT undergraduate	8,569	10,473	17,224	17,497
FT postgraduate	2,604	2,505	3,953	3,547
PT postgraduate	2,156	2,990	5,710	5,562
Total	27,057	29,399	63,729	63,917

#### Enrolments on HE courses in NI institutions

	First Years		Total Enrolments	
	1997/98	1998/99	1997/98	1998/99
FT undergraduate	10,496	10,334	27,950	27,860
PT undergraduate	8,914	10,163	14,828	15,535
FT postgraduate	2,277	2,310	3,886	3,442
PT postgraduate	2,161	2,621	5,164	4,635
Total	23,848	25,428	51,828	51,472

1. Figures for 1998/99 are provisional.