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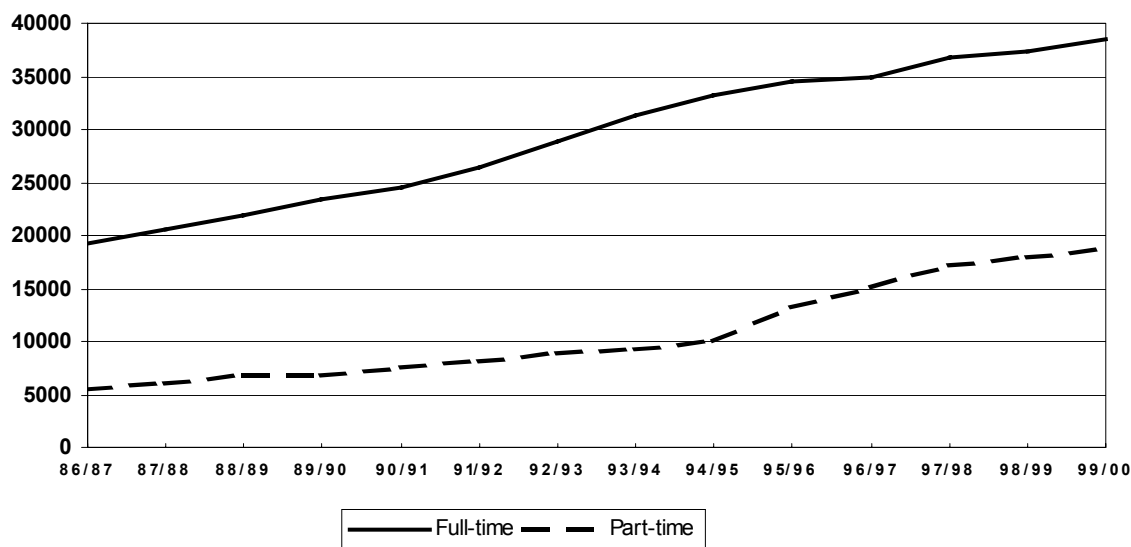
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## Student Enrolments on Higher Education courses: Northern Ireland 1999/00 (provisional)

### Introduction

This Press Release has been produced by the Department of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment, Northern Ireland (DHFETE) 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 1999/00.

### 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).

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## **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), 38,414 in 1999/00, has risen by 64% over the past decade. The number of part-time undergraduates has also been rising steadily, and has increased threefold over the same period, although this is affected to some extent 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 66,181 in 1999/00. NI domiciled undergraduate enrolments stood at 57,032 in 1999/00, and postgraduate enrolments were 9,149. There were 41,938 full-time and 24,243 part-time students.
- Full-time undergraduate enrolments increased by almost 3% and part-time undergraduate enrolments rose by 4% between 1998/99 and 1999/00. Postgraduate enrolments remained fairly stable.
- In 1999/00, females accounted for 58% of students from Northern Ireland: 59% of undergraduates and almost 55% of postgraduates.
- In 1999/00, 85% of first year full-time undergraduate students were aged under 21, whereas 88% of first year part-time undergraduate students (of known age) were aged 21 and over.
- Most students from Northern Ireland in 1999/00 were studying in the Province, but some 26% were located in Great Britain, and 2% in the Republic of Ireland. Among full-time undergraduates some 33% were studying outside Northern Ireland.
- The most popular subject areas for full-time undergraduates from the Province studying in the UK in 1999/00 were Business & Administrative studies (17%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (11%), Engineering and Technology (7%) and Social Studies (7%).

### **Enrolments at NI institutions**

- Total enrolments on Higher Education courses at NI institutions stood at 53,924 in 1999/00, of which 60% were female. Undergraduate enrolments at NI institutions stood at 45,0951 in 1999/00, and postgraduate enrolments stood at 8,833. There were 32,484 full-time and 21,440 part-time students.
- Full-time undergraduate enrolments increased by 3% between 1998/99 and 1999/00. Part-time undergraduate enrolments also rose by 3% over the period. Postgraduate enrolments increased by 6%.
- In 1999/00, some 89% of students on Higher Education courses at NI institutions were from Northern Ireland, 7% were from the Republic of Ireland, and 2% were from Great Britain.

- In 1999/00, 81% of first year full-time undergraduates at NI institutions (whose age was reported) were aged under 21, and 7% were aged 25 and over, whereas of first year part-time undergraduate students 13% were aged under 21, and 71% were aged 25 and over. Of first year full-time postgraduates (whose age was reported), 32% were aged 25 and over, compared with 87% of first year part-time postgraduates.
- The most popular subject areas among full-time undergraduate students at NI institutions in 1999/00 were Business & Administrative Studies (16%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (13%), Information Technology (7%) and Engineering & Technology (7%).

## Tables

Table 1 shows the numbers of NI domiciled students on HE courses at Higher Education and Further Education 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 1999/00.

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 1999/00.

Table 3 presents information on NI domiciled undergraduate enrolments at NI and GB institutions by mode of study, sex and subject group for first year students and all undergraduates for 1999/00.

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 1999/00.

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 1999/00.

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 1999/00.

Annex 1 compares 1998/99 and 1999/00 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 was traditionally obtained from scholarships and awards information provided by the five Northern Ireland Education and Library Boards. Reliable data is not currently available from the Boards due to changes in the funding arrangements for students and the administration of payments moving to the Student Loans Company. The information presented in this press release for NI students on HE courses in ROI relates to 1998/99 (latest year available) and was supplied by the Higher Education Authority. It should also be noted that a split for both age and level of study has been assumed based on the 1998/99 Education and Library Board information.

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, and Scotland have been held at 1998/99 levels as 1999/00 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 1999/00 reported in this Press Release are counts of student enrolments as at 1 December 1999. (1998/99 figures are as at 1 December 1998.) 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. This follows the standard UK statistical convention, however most of the NI domiciled students enrolled at the Open University will be studying in Northern Ireland. The numbers of NI students at the Open University are presented in the footnote to table 1.

12. The figures in this Press Release are based on the HESA December 1999 data set 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 included in the student numbers from 1997/98 onwards would not have been included in previous years' counts.

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16. A more detailed set of tables for 1999/00 (comprising separate figures for universities, Northern Ireland colleges of education, and FE colleges) is available on request.

### **A National Statistics publication**

National Statistics are produced to high professional standards set out in the National Statistics Code of practice. They undergo regular quality assurance reviews to ensure they meet customer needs. They are produced free from any political interference.

**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, 1999/00**

			First Years					All Years						
			NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Rol	Total	NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Rol	Total
First Degree	Full-time	Male	2834	922	641	58	108	4563	8483	2684	2282	173	384	14006
		Female	3890	1041	780	60	130	5901	11341	3009	2831	186	583	17950
		Total	6724	1963	1421	118	238	10464	19824	5693	5113	359	967	31956
	Part-time	Male	437	23	2	0	0	462	1329	113	23	4	0	1469
		Female	1008	34	5	2	0	1049	2963	89	15	9	0	3076
		Total	1445	57	7	2	0	1511	4292	202	38	13	0	4545
	All First Degree	Male	3271	945	643	58	108	5025	9812	2797	2305	177	384	15475
		Female	4898	1075	785	62	130	6950	14304	3098	2846	195	583	21026
		Total	8169	2020	1428	120	238	11975	24116	5895	5151	372	967	36501
Other Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	1297	86	39	5	5	1432	2164	171	74	13	10	2432
		Female	1787	97	47	5	4	1940	3675	227	103	10	11	4026
		Total	3084	183	86	10	9	3372	5839	398	177	23	21	6458
	Part-time	Male	2725	506	26	2	0	3259	4032	1457	31	2	0	5522
		Female	4854	617	9	5	0	5485	7028	1506	12	5	0	8551
		Total	7579	1123	35	7	0	8744	11060	2963	43	7	0	14073
	All Other Undergraduate	Male	4022	592	65	7	5	4691	6196	1628	105	15	10	7954
		Female	6641	714	56	10	4	7425	10703	1733	115	15	11	12577
		Total	10663	1306	121	17	9	12116	16899	3361	220	30	21	20531
All Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	4131	1008	680	63	113	5995	10647	2855	2356	186	394	16438
		Female	5677	1138	827	65	134	7841	15016	3236	2934	196	594	21976
		Total	9808	2146	1507	128	247	13836	25663	6091	5290	382	988	38414
	Part-time	Male	3162	529	28	2	0	3721	5361	1570	54	6	0	6991
		Female	5862	651	14	7	0	6534	9991	1595	27	14	0	11627
		Total	9024	1180	42	9	0	10255	15352	3165	81	20	0	18618
	All Undergraduate	Male	7293	1537	708	65	113	9716	16008	4425	2410	192	394	23429
		Female	11539	1789	841	72	134	14375	25007	4831	2961	210	594	33603
		Total	18832	3326	1549	137	247	24091	41015	9256	5371	402	988	57032
Postgraduate	Full-time	Male	727	213	106	26	14	1086	1048	311	142	28	15	1544
		Female	983	336	104	27	4	1454	1387	414	146	28	5	1980
		Total	1710	549	210	53	18	2540	2435	725	288	56	20	3524
	Part-time	Male	793	252	12	12	0	1069	1928	625	42	15	0	2610
		Female	1265	192	23	20	0	1500	2498	445	46	26	0	3015
		Total	2058	444	35	32	0	2569	4426	1070	88	41	0	5625
	All Postgraduate	Male	1520	465	118	38	14	2155	2976	936	184	43	15	4154
		Female	2248	528	127	47	4	2954	3885	859	192	54	5	4995
		Total	3768	993	245	85	18	5109	6861	1795	376	97	20	9149
All Students	Full-time	Male	4858	1221	786	89	127	7081	11695	3166	2498	214	409	17982
		Female	6660	1474	931	92	138	9295	16403	3650	3080	224	599	23956
		Total	11518	2695	1717	181	265	16376	28098	6816	5578	438	1008	41938
	Part-time	Male	3955	781	40	14	0	4790	7289	2195	96	21	0	9601
		Female	7127	843	37	27	0	8034	12489	2040	73	40	0	14642
		Total	11082	1624	77	41	0	12824	19778	4235	169	61	0	24243
	All Students	Male	8813	2002	826	103	127	11871	18984	5361	2594	235	409	27583
		Female	13787	2317	968	119	138	17329	28892	5690	3153	264	599	38598
		Total	22600	4319	1794	222	265	29200	47876	11051	5747	499	1008	66181

Note: There are 3,241 NI students enrolled on HE courses (2620 undergraduate and 621 postgraduate) at the Open University (OU). The OU is treated as an English institution irrespective of where the student actually studies (see Notes to Editors).

Information on NI students enrolled at ROI institutions relates to 1998/99 (see Notes to editors).

**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, 1999/00**

		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	3915	5157	9072	53	66	119	3968	5223	9191	8866	11903	20769	159	120	279	9025	12023	21048
	21and over	634	736	1370	401	967	1368	1035	1703	2738	5123	6034	11157	1298	2913	4211	6421	8947	15368
	Unknown	14	8	22	8	16	24	22	24	46	17	13	30	12	43	55	29	56	85
	Total	4563	5901	10464	462	1049	1511	5025	6950	11975	14006	17950	31956	1469	3076	4545	15475	21026	36501
Other Undergraduate	Under 21	1133	1498	2631	529	575	1104	1662	2073	3735	1739	2674	4413	697	755	1452	2436	3429	5865
	21and over	295	442	737	2663	4817	7480	2958	5259	8217	688	1350	2038	4743	7674	12417	5431	9024	14455
	Unknown	4	0	4	67	93	160	71	93	164	5	2	7	82	122	204	87	124	211
	Total	1432	1940	3372	3259	5485	8744	4691	7425	12116	2432	4026	6458	5522	8551	14073	7954	12577	20531
All Undergraduate	Under 21	5048	6655	11703	582	641	1223	5630	7296	12926	10605	14577	25182	856	875	1731	11461	15452	26913
	21and over	929	1178	2107	3064	5784	8848	3993	6962	10955	5811	7384	13195	6041	10587	16628	11852	17971	29823
	Unknown	18	8	26	75	109	184	93	117	210	22	15	37	94	165	259	116	180	296
	Total	5995	7841	13836	3721	6534	10255	9716	14375	24091	16438	21976	38414	6991	11627	18618	23429	33603	57032
Postgraduate	Under 21	3	6	9	0	2	2	3	8	11	3	6	9	0	2	2	3	8	11
	21and over	1077	1445	2522	1060	1482	2542	2137	2927	5064	1534	1971	3505	2588	2990	5578	4122	4961	9083
	Unknown	6	3	9	9	16	25	15	19	34	7	3	10	22	23	45	29	26	55
	Total	1086	1454	2540	1069	1500	2569	2155	2954	5109	1544	1980	3524	2610	3015	5625	4154	4995	9149
All Students	Under 21	5051	6661	11712	582	643	1225	5633	7304	12937	10608	14583	25191	856	877	1733	11464	15460	26924
	21and over	2006	2623	4629	4124	7266	11390	6130	9889	16019	7345	9355	16700	8629	13577	22206	15974	22932	38906
	Unknown	24	11	35	84	125	209	108	136	244	29	18	47	116	188	304	145	206	351
	Total	7081	9295	16376	4790	8034	12824	11871	17329	29200	17982	23956	41938	9601	14642	24243	27583	38598	66181

Note: Information on NI students enrolled at RoI institutions relates to 1998/99 (see Notes to editors).

**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, 1999/00**

	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	143	207	350	0	0	0	721	890	1611	9	5	14
Subjects Allied to Medicine	258	1142	1400	57	933	990	775	3449	4224	137	1882	2019
Biological Sciences	258	477	735	22	36	58	766	1427	2193	76	100	176
Veterinary Science	7	18	25	0	0	0	50	60	110	0	0	0
Agriculture & Related Subjects	53	69	122	15	22	37	174	180	354	31	36	67
Physical Sciences	233	258	491	22	12	34	692	735	1427	51	29	80
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	87	96	183	1	7	8	252	300	552	8	14	22
Information Technology	790	323	1113	518	536	1054	1743	606	2349	751	699	1450
Engineering & Technology	778	115	893	478	24	502	2110	381	2491	798	37	835
Architecture	473	138	611	158	27	185	1326	392	1718	324	41	365
Social Studies	262	653	915	289	1118	1407	763	1723	2486	511	1793	2304
Law	179	238	417	15	22	37	498	637	1135	33	38	71
Business & Administrative Studies	957	1663	2620	1041	2011	3052	2317	3931	6248	1696	3266	4962
Mass Communication & Documentation	124	181	305	12	19	31	297	468	765	21	31	52
Language and related disciplines	114	325	439	160	270	430	399	1135	1534	265	466	731
Humanities	139	148	287	56	113	169	504	499	1003	138	239	377
Creative Arts	345	534	879	64	170	234	727	1117	1844	98	274	372
Education and Leisure	151	456	607	126	338	464	499	1541	2040	148	394	542
Combined	499	631	1130	656	868	1524	1383	1844	3227	1837	2265	4102
<b>Total</b>	<b>5850</b>	<b>7672</b>	<b>13522</b>	<b>3690</b>	<b>6526</b>	<b>10216</b>	<b>15996</b>	<b>21315</b>	<b>37311</b>	<b>6932</b>	<b>11609</b>	<b>18541</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> This table excludes the 988 Northern Ireland domiciled undergraduate students on Higher Education courses in the Republic of Ireland; a subject breakdown for these student is not available. Also excluded are the 192 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, 1999/00**

			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	2834	39	200	15	50	3138	8483	100	729	33	137	9482
		Female	3890	46	305	11	62	4314	11341	138	1090	29	149	12747
		Total	6724	85	505	26	112	7452	19824	238	1819	62	286	22229
	Part-time	Male	437	0	14	0	1	452	1329	3	45	0	3	1380
		Female	1008	1	53	0	1	1063	2963	5	144	1	4	3117
		Total	1445	1	67	0	2	1515	4292	8	189	1	7	4497
	All First Degree	Male	3271	39	214	15	51	3590	9812	103	774	33	140	10862
		Female	4898	47	358	11	63	5377	14304	143	1234	30	153	15864
		Total	8169	86	572	26	114	8967	24116	246	2008	63	293	26726
Other Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	1297	1	78	127	30	1533	2164	3	122	128	31	2448
		Female	1787	3	191	195	94	2270	3675	7	327	197	97	4303
		Total	3084	4	269	322	124	3803	5839	10	449	325	128	6751
	Part-time	Male	2725	6	84	9	14	2838	4032	7	121	10	17	4187
		Female	4854	16	244	15	24	5153	7028	19	328	23	29	7427
		Total	7579	22	328	24	38	7991	11060	26	449	33	46	11614
	All Other Undergraduate	Male	4022	7	162	136	44	4370	6196	10	243	138	48	6635
		Female	6641	19	435	210	118	7423	10703	26	655	220	126	11730
		Total	10663	26	597	346	162	11794	16899	36	898	358	174	18365
All Undergraduate	Full-time	Male	4131	40	278	142	80	4671	10647	103	851	161	168	11930
		Female	5677	49	496	206	156	6584	15016	145	1417	226	246	17050
		Total	9808	89	774	348	236	11255	25663	248	2268	387	414	28980
	Part-time	Male	3162	6	98	9	15	3290	5361	10	166	10	20	5567
		Female	5862	17	297	15	25	6216	9991	24	472	24	33	10544
		Total	9024	23	395	24	40	9506	15352	34	638	34	53	16111
	All Undergraduate	Male	7293	46	376	151	95	7961	16008	113	1017	171	188	17497
		Female	11539	66	793	221	181	12800	25007	169	1889	250	279	27594
		Total	18832	112	1169	372	276	20761	41015	282	2906	421	467	45091
Postgraduate	Full-time	Male	727	31	148	64	112	1082	1048	53	204	85	179	1569
		Female	983	23	256	41	68	1371	1387	39	337	66	106	1935
		Total	1710	54	404	105	180	2453	2435	92	541	151	285	3504
	Part-time	Male	793	46	64	4	25	932	1928	182	138	21	47	2316
		Female	1265	81	102	12	13	1473	2498	270	197	18	30	3013
		Total	2058	127	166	16	38	2405	4426	452	335	39	77	5329
	All Postgraduate	Male	1520	77	212	68	137	2014	2976	235	342	106	226	3885
		Female	2248	104	358	53	81	2844	3885	309	534	84	136	4948
		Total	3768	181	570	121	218	4858	6861	544	876	190	362	8833
All Students	Full-Time	Male	4858	71	426	206	192	5753	11695	156	1055	246	347	13499
		Female	6660	72	752	247	224	7955	16403	184	1754	292	352	18985
		Total	11518	143	1178	453	416	13708	28098	340	2809	538	699	32484
	Part-Time	Male	3955	52	162	13	40	4222	7289	192	304	31	67	7883
		Female	7127	98	399	27	38	7689	12489	294	669	42	63	13557
		Total	11082	150	561	40	78	11911	19778	486	973	73	130	21440
	All Students	Male	8813	123	588	219	232	9975	18984	348	1359	277	414	21382
		Female	13787	170	1151	274	262	15644	28892	478	2423	334	415	32542
		Total	22600	293	1739	493	494	25619	47876	826	3782	611	829	53924

**Table 5: Enrolments on Higher Education courses at Northern Ireland institutions by level of study, mode of study, sex and age 1999/00.**

		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	2651	3677	6328	53	66	119	2704	3743	6447	6003	8375	14378	132	119	251	6135	8494	14629
	21 - 24	307	347	654	93	226	319	400	573	973	2772	3537	6309	266	536	802	3038	4073	7111
	25 and over	163	280	443	298	753	1051	461	1033	1494	687	818	1505	970	2417	3387	1657	3235	4892
	Unknown	17	10	27	8	18	26	25	28	53	20	17	37	12	45	57	32	62	94
	Total	3138	4314	7452	452	1063	1515	3590	5377	8967	9482	12747	22229	1380	3117	4497	10862	15864	26726
Other undergraduate	Under 21	1142	1663	2805	516	565	1081	1658	2228	3886	1720	2790	4510	680	720	1400	2400	3510	5910
	21 - 24	268	350	618	415	783	1198	683	1133	1816	520	997	1517	623	1033	1656	1143	2030	3173
	25 and over	115	255	370	1838	3708	5546	1953	3963	5916	199	512	711	2799	5548	8347	2998	6060	9058
	Unknown	8	2	10	69	97	166	77	99	176	9	4	13	85	126	211	94	130	224
	Total	1533	2270	3803	2838	5153	7991	4371	7423	11794	2448	4303	6751	4187	7427	11614	6635	11730	18365
All undergraduate	Under 21	3793	5340	9133	569	631	1200	4362	5971	10333	7723	11165	18888	812	839	1651	8535	12004	20539
	21 - 24	575	697	1272	508	1009	1517	1083	1706	2789	3292	4534	7826	889	1569	2458	4181	6103	10284
	25 and over	278	535	813	2136	4461	6597	2414	4996	7410	886	1330	2216	3769	7965	11734	4655	9295	13950
	Unknown	25	12	37	77	115	192	102	127	229	29	21	50	97	171	268	126	192	318
	Total	4671	6584	11255	3290	6216	9506	7961	12800	20761	11930	17050	28980	5567	10544	16111	17497	27594	45091
Postgraduate	Under 21	12	25	37	1	0	1	13	25	38	12	25	37	1	0	1	13	25	38
	21 - 24	714	919	1633	117	194	311	831	1113	1944	922	1159	2081	183	284	467	1105	1443	2548
	25 and over	351	422	773	804	1265	2069	1155	1687	2842	629	742	1371	2111	2708	4819	2740	3450	6190
	Unknown	5	5	10	10	14	24	15	19	34	6	9	15	21	21	42	27	30	57
	Total	1082	1371	2453	932	1473	2405	2014	2844	4858	1569	1935	3504	2316	3013	5329	3885	4948	8833
All students	Under 21	3805	5365	9170	570	631	1201	4375	5996	10371	7735	11190	18925	813	839	1652	8548	12029	20577
	21 - 24	1289	1616	2905	625	1203	1828	1914	2819	4733	4214	5693	9907	1072	1853	2925	5286	7546	12832
	25 and over	629	957	1586	2940	5726	8666	3569	6683	10252	1515	2072	3587	5880	10673	16553	7395	12745	20140
	Unknown	30	17	47	87	129	216	117	146	263	35	30	65	118	192	310	153	222	375
	Total	5753	7955	13708	4222	7689	11911	9975	15644	25619	13499	18985	32484	7883	13557	21440	21382	32542	53924

**Table 6: Undergraduate enrolments on Higher Education courses at Northern Ireland institutions by mode of study, sex and subject group, 1999/00**

	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	90	129	219	0	1	1	468	570	1038	11	8	19
Subjects Allied to Medicine	207	991	1198	52	872	924	605	3051	3656	126	1831	1957
Biological Sciences	182	397	579	20	35	55	553	1263	1816	71	105	176
Veterinary Science	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	0
Agriculture & Related Subjects	37	52	89	14	26	40	105	142	247	28	39	67
Physical Sciences	173	202	375	23	12	35	483	595	1078	47	30	77
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	56	83	139	1	9	10	174	248	422	8	18	26
Information Technology	711	324	1035	552	586	1138	1557	597	2154	786	764	1550
Engineering & Technology	686	90	776	481	23	504	1822	303	2125	795	37	832
Architecture	376	102	478	164	26	190	961	276	1237	332	40	372
Social Studies	177	548	725	293	1164	1457	499	1352	1851	495	1856	2351
Law	83	143	226	15	27	42	241	355	596	29	39	68
Business & Administrative Studies	732	1474	2206	1033	2049	3082	1558	3161	4719	1682	3329	5011
Mass Communication & Documentation	102	159	261	14	19	33	234	417	651	19	26	45
Language and related disciplines	93	243	336	175	311	486	286	815	1101	294	526	820
Humanities	104	124	228	54	108	162	393	383	776	136	227	363
Creative Arts	283	493	776	73	189	262	544	938	1482	108	298	406
Education and Leisure	108	328	436	123	350	473	341	1092	1433	142	405	547
Combined	471	695	1166	203	409	612	1106	1485	2591	458	966	1424
<b>Total</b>	<b>4671</b>	<b>6584</b>	<b>11255</b>	<b>3290</b>	<b>6216</b>	<b>9506</b>	<b>11930</b>	<b>17050</b>	<b>28980</b>	<b>5567</b>	<b>10544</b>	<b>16111</b>

## ANNEX

### Total enrolments and First Year students - NI domiciled students on HE courses at UK and Rol institutions and all students on HE courses at NI institutions, 1998/99 –1999/00

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

	First Years		Total Enrolments	
	1998/99	1999/00	1998/99	1999/00
FT undergraduate	13,435	13,836	37,449	38,414
PT undergraduate	10,403	10,255	17,924	18,618
FT postgraduate	2,487	2,540	3,503	3,524
PT postgraduate	2,838	2,569	5,612	5,625
Total	29,163	29,200	64,448	66,181

#### Enrolments on HE courses in NI institutions

	First Years		Total Enrolments	
	1998/99	1999/00	1998/99	1999/00
FT undergraduate	10,307	11,255	28,110	28,980
PT undergraduate	9,974	9,506	15,581	16,111
FT postgraduate	2,316	2,453	3,464	3,504
PT postgraduate	2,552	2,405	4,858	5,329
Total	25,149	25,619	52,013	53,924

1. Figures for 1999/00 are provisional.