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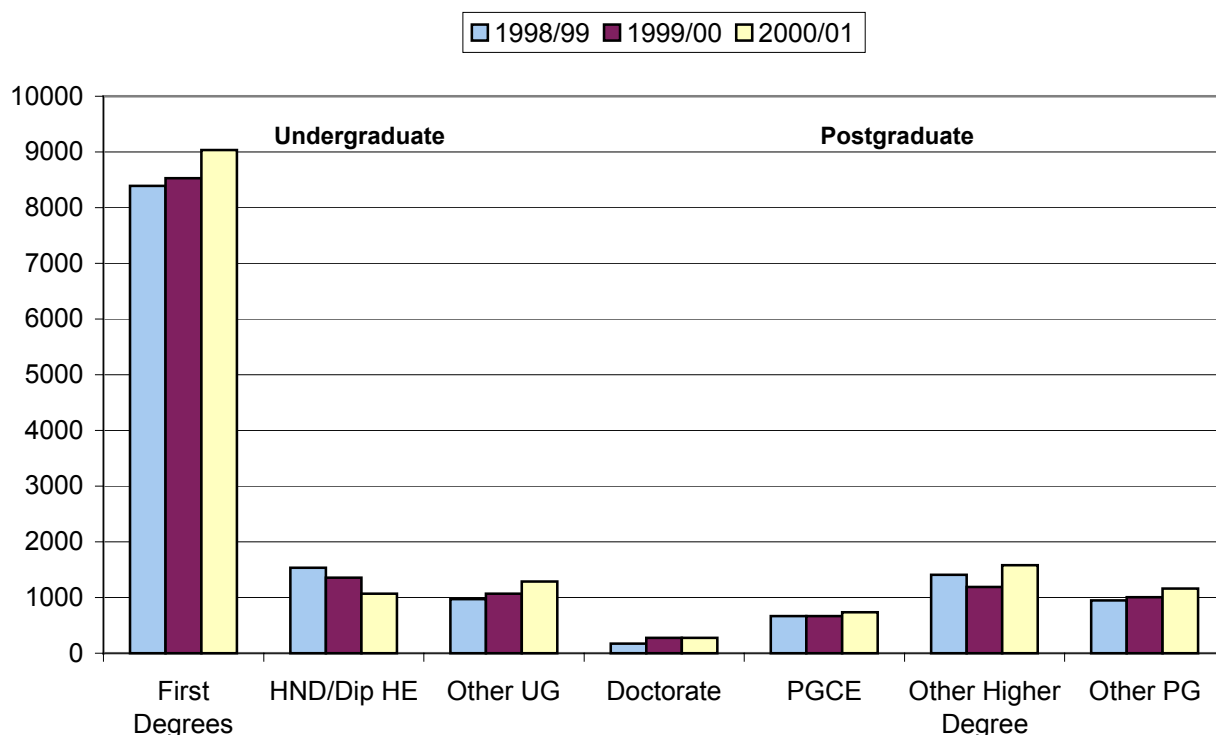
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Students gaining Higher Education qualifications: Northern Ireland 2000/01

Introduction

This Press Release has been produced by the Department for Employment and Learning (DEL) using data collected by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). It gives details of qualifications obtained by Northern Ireland (NI) domiciled students on Higher Education courses at Higher Education institutions in the UK and details of all students on Higher Education courses at Higher Education institutions in NI for the academic year 2000/01.

NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions



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- Between 1998/99 and 2000/01, the number of higher degrees (including doctorates) increased by 18%, other postgraduate (including PGCE) qualifications increased by 18% with first degrees increasing by 8%. Over the same period other undergraduate awards (including HND and Dip HE) decreased by 6%.
- The number of NI domiciled students achieving either first class or upper second class honours degrees increased by 10% from 4,492 in 1998/99 to 4,928 in 2000/01.
- Between 1998/99 and 2000/01, NI domiciled students gaining undergraduate qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions rose by 4%. There was a similar increase of 6% for those attending GB Higher Education institutions. Over the same period, there was a rise of 9% in the numbers of NI domiciled students gaining postgraduate qualifications at GB Higher Education institutions.
- In 2000/01, 23% of NI domiciled students gaining undergraduate qualifications and 59% of those attaining postgraduate qualifications gained their awards through part-time study¹.
- In 2000/01, 63% of NI domiciled students attaining undergraduate qualifications and 58% of those gaining postgraduate qualifications were female.
- The most popular subjects for NI domiciled first degree graduates in 2000/01 were Business and Administrative Studies (18%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (11%) and Social Studies (7%). The most popular subject areas for postgraduate qualifiers were Education and Leisure (31%), Business and Administrative Studies (12%) and Information Technology (10%).
- In 2000/01, 59% of female first degree graduates gained either first class honours or upper second class honours degrees compared to 47% of male first degree graduates. In the same year 7% of female first degree graduates attained pass or unclassified degrees compared to 12% of male graduates.
- In 2000/01 91% of first degree graduates attained honours degrees. A large proportion of NI domiciled first degree graduates in Medicine and Dentistry (97%) (see Notes to Editors), Veterinary Science (90%), Engineering and Technology (21%), Architecture (13%) and Information Technology (13%) received pass or unclassified degrees. Certain qualifications obtained at first degree level are not subject to classification of award, notably medical and general degrees.

¹ Writing up theses is classified as "part-time". See Notes to Editors.

Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions¹

- Between 1998/99 and 2000/01, the number of higher degrees (including doctorates) awarded at the NI Higher Education institutions increased by 35%. Other postgraduate (including PGCE) qualifications increased by 27% with first degree qualifications increasing by 4%. However, over the same period other undergraduate awards (including HND and Dip HE) decreased by 19%.
- The number of students achieving either first class or upper second class honours degrees remained fairly constant at 3,878 in 1998/99 and 3,866 in 2000/01.
- In 2000/01, 24% of students at NI Higher Education institutions gaining undergraduate qualifications and 66% of those attaining postgraduate qualifications, gained their awards through part-time study².
- In 2000/01, 66% of students attaining undergraduate qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions and 58% of those gaining postgraduate qualifications were female.
- The most popular subjects for first degree graduates from NI Higher Education institutions were Business and Administrative Studies (17%), Subjects Allied to Medicine (14%) and Biological Sciences (7%). The most popular subject areas for postgraduate qualifiers were Education and Leisure (23%), Business and Administrative Studies (13%) and Information Technology (12%).
- In 2000/01, 62% of female first degree graduates gained either first class honours or upper second class honours degrees compared to 49% of male first degree graduates. Conversely, 11% of male first degree graduates attained pass or unclassified degrees compared to 4% of female graduates.
- All first degree qualifiers in Biological Sciences, Agriculture and related subjects, Law and Creative Arts and Design attained honours degrees. A large proportion of first degree graduates in Medicine and Dentistry (99%) (see Notes to Editors), Engineering and Technology (27%) and Information Technology (11%) received pass or unclassified degrees. Certain qualifications obtained at first degree level are not subject to classification of award, notably medical and general degrees.

¹ Includes the NI Universities and Colleges of Education only. The Open University is treated as a wholly English institution. See Notes to Editors.

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Tables

Table 1 details NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, location of study, mode of study and gender for 2000/01.

Table 2 gives details of NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, subject area and gender for 2000/01.

Table 3 presents information on NI domiciled students gaining first degrees at UK Higher Education institutions by subject area, degree classification and gender for 2000/01.

Table 4 shows the number of students gaining qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, domicile, mode of study and gender for 2000/01.

Table 5 gives details of students gaining qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, subject area and gender for 2000/01.

Table 6 presents information on students gaining first degrees at NI Higher Education institutions by subject area, degree classification and gender for 2000/01.

Annex A compares NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at Higher Education institutions in the UK in 1998/99, 1999/00 and 2000/01.

Annex B compares students gaining qualifications at Higher Education institutions in NI in 1998/99, 1999/00 and 2000/01.

Annex C compares NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at Higher Education institutions in the UK by location of study in 1998/99, 1999/00 and 2000/01.

Notes to Editors

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. 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.
3. Figures for 2000/01 reported in this Press Release are counts of student enrolments associated with the award of an HE qualification during the period 1 August 2000 to 31 July 2001.
4. Level of course.
 - (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) Higher degrees include doctorates, masters degrees and higher bachelor degrees.
 - (iii) Other postgraduate includes postgraduate diplomas, certificates and professional qualifications, PGCE and institutional postgraduate credit.
 - (iv) 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.
 - (v) Other undergraduate includes all higher education courses not included above i.e. undergraduate diplomas and certificates.
5. Mode of attendance distinguishes students studying full-time or part-time and other.
 - (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. Students writing up theses or on sabbatical are included in the figures, in the 'Part-time and other' category.

6. Qualifications obtained have been aggregated to 19 broad subject areas. Depending on their academic content, qualifications have been assigned to the 19 subject areas according to the following rules:
 - (i) a qualification in a single subject is allocated to its area.
 - (ii) if a combination of two subjects lies within one area, the qualification is allocated to that area.
 - (iii) if a combination of two subjects lies within more than one area, with a major or minor split, the qualification is allocated to the area relating to the major part of the study.
 - (iv) if a combination of two subjects lies within more than one area, with an equal split, the qualification is allocated to the Combined area.
 - (v) all subject combinations (major or minor) containing Initial Teacher Training (ITT) are included in the Education subject area.
7. Certain qualifications obtained at first degree level are not subject to classification of award, notably medical and general degrees. These, together with ordinary and Aegrotat classifications (whether to honours or pass) have been included within the unclassified category. Third and fourth class honours have been grouped together. Lower second and undivided second class honours have also been aggregated.
8. 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 number of NI students receiving awards at the Open University are presented in the footnote to table 1.

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Table 1: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, location of study, mode of study and gender 2000/01

			Postgraduate						Undergraduate					Total		
			Higher Degrees			Other Postgraduate			All PG	First Degree	Other Undergraduate				All UG	
			Doctorate	Higher Degrees		PGCE	Other PG				HND/Dip HE	Other UG				All
				Doctorate	Degrees		All	PGCE				Other PG	All			
Northern Ireland	Full-time	Male	7	129	136	84	111	195	331	1,877	169	44	213	2,090	2,421	
		Female	1	208	209	293	109	402	611	3,122	493	127	620	3,742	4,353	
		Total	8	337	345	377	220	597	942	4,999	662	171	833	5,832	6,774	
	Part-time & other	Male	116	432	548	0	243	243	791	255	30	233	263	518	1,309	
		Female	96	483	579	1	397	398	977	715	235	476	711	1,426	2,403	
		Total	212	915	1,127	1	640	641	1,768	970	265	709	974	1,944	3,712	
	Total	Male	123	561	684	84	354	438	1,122	2,132	199	277	476	2,608	3,730	
		Female	97	691	788	294	506	800	1,588	3,837	728	603	1,331	5,168	6,756	
		Total	220	1,252	1,472	378	860	1,238	2,710	5,969	927	880	1,807	7,776	10,486	
	England	Full-time	Male	0	48	48	81	29	110	158	654	33	9	42	696	854
			Female	2	53	55	202	45	247	302	820	45	14	59	879	1,181
			Total	2	101	103	283	74	357	460	1,474	78	23	101	1,575	2,035
Part-time & other		Male	21	80	101	0	82	82	183	162	7	138	145	307	490	
		Female	13	63	76	12	47	59	135	120	5	216	221	341	476	
		Total	34	143	177	12	129	141	318	282	12	354	366	648	966	
Total		Male	21	128	149	81	111	192	341	816	40	147	187	1,003	1,344	
		Female	15	116	131	214	92	306	437	940	50	230	280	1,220	1,657	
		Total	36	244	280	295	203	498	778	1,756	90	377	467	2,223	3,001	
Scotland		Full-time	Male	0	19	19	9	21	30	49	535	18	4	22	557	606
			Female	2	22	24	25	19	44	68	634	24	10	34	668	736
			Total	2	41	43	34	40	74	117	1,169	42	14	56	1,225	1,342
	Part-time & other	Male	12	28	40	0	15	15	55	15	5	6	11	26	81	
		Female	5	11	16	0	30	30	46	29	1	11	12	41	87	
		Total	17	39	56	0	45	45	101	44	6	17	23	67	168	
	Total	Male	12	47	59	9	36	45	104	550	23	10	33	583	687	
		Female	7	33	40	25	49	74	114	663	25	21	46	709	823	
		Total	19	80	99	34	85	119	218	1,213	48	31	79	1,292	1,510	
	Wales	Full-time	Male	0	3	3	9	5	14	17	41	3	0	3	44	61
			Female	0	0	0	18	4	22	22	57	0	0	0	57	79
			Total	0	3	3	27	9	36	39	98	3	0	3	101	140
Part-time & other		Male	2	4	6	0	2	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	
		Female	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	
		Total	3	4	7	0	3	3	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	
Total		Male	2	7	9	9	7	16	25	41	3	0	3	44	69	
		Female	1	0	1	18	5	23	24	57	0	0	0	57	81	
		Total	3	7	10	27	12	39	49	98	3	0	3	101	150	
All Students		Full-time	Male	7	199	206	183	166	349	555	3,107	223	57	280	3,387	3,942
			Female	5	283	288	538	177	715	1,003	4,633	562	151	713	5,346	6,349
			Total	12	482	494	721	343	1,064	1,558	7,740	785	208	993	8,733	10,291
	Part-time & other	Male	151	544	695	0	342	342	1,037	432	42	377	419	851	1,888	
		Female	115	557	672	13	475	488	1,160	864	241	703	944	1,808	2,968	
		Total	266	1,101	1,367	13	817	830	2,197	1,296	283	1,080	1,363	2,659	4,856	
	Total	Male	158	743	901	183	508	691	1,592	3,539	265	434	699	4,238	5,830	
		Female	120	840	960	551	652	1,203	2,163	5,497	803	854	1,657	7,154	9,317	
		Total	278	1,583	1,861	734	1,160	1,894	3,755	9,036	1,068	1,288	2,356	11,392	15,147	

Note: Included above are 634 NI domiciled students who gained qualifications (122 Postgraduate awards, 213 First Degrees and 299 Other Undergraduate awards) at the Open University (see Notes to Editors).

Table 2: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, subject area and gender 2000/01

		Medicine & Dentistry	Subjects allied to Medicine	Biological Sciences	Veterinary Science	Agriculture & Related Subjects	Physical Sciences	Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	Information Technology	Engineering & Technology	Architecture	Social Studies	Law	Business & Administrative Studies	Mass Communication & Documentation	Languages & Related Disciplines	Humanities	Creative Arts & Design	Education & Leisure	Combined	Total
Doctorate	Male	22	11	14	0	2	25	1	10	23	7	11	2	2	1	5	15	3	3	1	158
	Female	12	16	17	0	3	20	0	2	4	3	15	1	2	1	6	4	1	10	3	120
	Total	34	27	31	0	5	45	1	12	27	10	26	3	4	2	11	19	4	13	4	278
Other Higher Degrees	Male	7	15	15	1	9	20	5	132	79	24	40	21	180	12	36	25	16	47	59	743
	Female	15	52	40	0	17	15	2	124	18	14	130	33	147	22	38	13	16	99	45	840
	Total	22	67	55	1	26	35	7	256	97	38	170	54	327	34	74	38	32	146	104	1,583
PGCE	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	183	183
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	550	0	551
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	733	0	734
Other Postgraduate	Male	13	17	4	0	4	6	2	63	11	82	19	57	58	18	2	0	5	97	50	508
	Female	15	77	5	0	3	1	0	34	1	41	62	96	71	12	1	2	8	188	35	652
	Total	28	94	9	0	7	7	2	97	12	123	81	153	129	30	3	2	13	285	85	1,160
All Postgraduate	Male	42	43	33	1	15	51	8	205	113	113	70	80	240	31	43	40	24	330	110	1,592
	Female	42	145	62	0	23	36	3	160	23	58	207	130	220	35	45	19	25	847	83	2,163
	Total	84	188	95	1	38	87	11	365	136	171	277	210	460	66	88	59	49	1,177	193	3,755
First Degree	Male	121	168	180	10	46	189	50	255	352	259	188	106	593	67	106	148	135	105	461	3,539
	Female	161	863	391	11	55	214	90	78	77	80	465	145	995	123	303	161	257	404	624	5,497
	Total	282	1,031	571	21	101	403	140	333	429	339	653	251	1,588	190	409	309	392	509	1,085	9,036
HND/DipHE	Male	0	33	6	0	16	1	3	58	27	3	31	0	64	0	0	2	7	6	8	265
	Female	0	542	11	0	5	3	7	32	5	1	60	0	95	1	2	0	7	29	3	803
	Total	0	575	17	0	21	4	10	90	32	4	91	0	159	1	2	2	14	35	11	1,068
Other Undergraduate	Male	0	12	2	0	1	4	1	35	4	3	51	3	73	0	29	9	41	7	159	434
	Female	0	83	5	0	18	1	0	53	1	3	148	2	89	5	50	10	105	19	262	854
	Total	0	95	7	0	19	5	1	88	5	6	199	5	162	5	79	19	146	26	421	1,288
All Undergraduate	Male	121	213	188	10	63	194	54	348	383	265	270	109	730	67	135	159	183	118	628	4,238
	Female	161	1,488	407	11	78	218	97	163	83	84	673	147	1,179	129	355	171	369	452	889	7,154
	Total	282	1,701	595	21	141	412	151	511	466	349	943	256	1,909	196	490	330	552	570	1,517	11,392
Total	Male	163	256	221	11	78	245	62	553	496	378	340	189	970	98	178	199	207	448	738	5,830
	Female	203	1,633	469	11	101	254	100	323	106	142	880	277	1,399	164	400	190	394	1,299	972	9,317
	Total	366	1,889	690	22	179	499	162	876	602	520	1,220	466	2,369	262	578	389	601	1,747	1,710	15,147

Table 3: NI domiciled students gaining first degrees at UK Higher Education institutions by subject area, degree classification and gender 2000/01

		Degree Classification						Total
		First class honours	Second class, upper division	Second class, lower division	Third/Fourth class honours	Pass	Unclassified	
Medicine & Dentistry	Male	2	3	0	0	2	114	121
	Female	1	3	0	0	1	156	161
	Total	3	6	0	0	3	270	282
Subjects allied to Medicine	Male	15	87	54	5	4	3	168
	Female	124	478	220	10	12	19	863
	Total	139	565	274	15	16	22	1,031
Biological Sciences	Male	19	68	81	6	2	4	180
	Female	34	236	106	10	0	5	391
	Total	53	304	187	16	2	9	571
Veterinary Science	Male	0	1	1	0	1	7	10
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
	Total	0	1	1	0	1	18	21
Agriculture & Related Subjects	Male	2	18	21	2	2	1	46
	Female	3	27	24	0	0	1	55
	Total	5	45	45	2	2	2	101
Physical Sciences	Male	24	62	85	10	3	5	189
	Female	12	99	98	4	0	1	214
	Total	36	161	183	14	3	6	403
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	Male	14	15	13	4	3	1	50
	Female	26	30	24	6	2	2	90
	Total	40	45	37	10	5	3	140
Information Technology	Male	32	100	80	14	14	15	255
	Female	6	36	21	2	5	8	78
	Total	38	136	101	16	19	23	333
Engineering & Technology	Male	27	108	114	32	12	59	352
	Female	4	29	24	2	2	16	77
	Total	31	137	138	34	14	75	429
Architecture	Male	14	100	97	13	21	14	259
	Female	4	40	28	0	3	5	80
	Total	18	140	125	13	24	19	339
Social Studies	Male	9	87	75	11	1	5	188
	Female	15	230	204	7	3	6	465
	Total	24	317	279	18	4	11	653
Law	Male	7	50	44	0	0	5	106
	Female	2	88	52	1	0	2	145
	Total	9	138	96	1	0	7	251
Business & Administrative Studies	Male	34	257	254	20	7	21	593
	Female	60	563	323	5	9	35	995
	Total	94	820	577	25	16	56	1,588
Mass Communication & Documentation	Male	0	36	27	3	0	1	67
	Female	17	61	40	2	0	3	123
	Total	17	97	67	5	0	4	190
Languages & Related Disciplines	Male	13	51	35	3	1	3	106
	Female	17	181	99	2	1	3	303
	Total	30	232	134	5	2	6	409
Humanities	Male	10	72	58	5	0	3	148
	Female	6	84	65	5	0	1	161
	Total	16	156	123	10	0	4	309
Creative Arts & Design	Male	18	51	55	7	1	3	135
	Female	16	126	105	8	0	2	257
	Total	34	177	160	15	1	5	392
Education & Leisure	Male	4	33	49	9	0	10	105
	Female	19	261	110	10	2	2	404
	Total	23	294	159	19	2	12	509
Combined	Male	26	202	138	17	34	44	461
	Female	40	279	234	22	19	30	624
	Total	66	481	372	39	53	74	1,085
All First Degrees	Male	270	1,401	1,281	161	108	318	3,539
	Female	406	2,851	1,777	96	59	308	5,497
	Total	676	4,252	3,058	257	167	626	9,036

Table 4: Students gaining qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, domicile, mode of study and gender 2000/01

			Postgraduate							Undergraduate					Total		
			Higher Degrees			Other Postgraduate				All PG	First Degree	Other Undergraduate				All UG	
			Doctorate	Other		PGCE	Other PG		All			HND/Dip HE	Other UG				All
				Higher	All		Other PG	All					Other UG	All			
Northern Ireland	Full-time	Male	7	129	136	84	111	195	331	1,877	169	44	213	2,090	2,421		
		Female	1	208	209	293	109	402	611	3,122	493	127	620	3,742	4,353		
		Total	8	337	345	377	220	597	942	4,999	662	171	833	5,832	6,774		
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		Female	96	483	579	1	397	398	977	715	235	476	711	1,426	2,403		
		Total	212	915	1,127	1	640	641	1,768	970	265	709	974	1,944	3,712		
	Total	Male	123	561	684	84	354	438	1,122	2,132	199	277	476	2,608	3,730		
		Female	97	691	788	294	506	800	1,588	3,837	728	603	1,331	5,168	6,756		
		Total	220	1,252	1,472	378	860	1,238	2,710	5,969	927	880	1,807	7,776	10,486		
Great Britain	Full-time	Male	1	7	8	0	0	0	8	24	0	0	0	24	32		
		Female	0	6	6	1	1	2	8	39	1	0	1	40	48		
		Total	1	13	14	1	1	2	16	63	1	0	1	64	80		
	Part-time & other	Male	9	19	28	0	20	20	48	0	1	0	1	49	67		
		Female	9	19	28	0	69	69	97	2	1	1	2	101	139		
		Total	18	38	56	0	89	89	145	2	2	1	3	150	206		
	Total	Male	10	26	36	0	20	20	56	24	1	0	1	25	32		
		Female	9	25	34	1	70	71	105	41	2	1	3	144	183		
		Total	19	51	70	1	90	91	161	65	3	1	4	169	215		
Republic of Ireland	Full-time	Male	0	36	36	3	8	11	47	210	11	1	12	222	269		
		Female	0	96	96	24	26	50	146	308	26	11	37	345	491		
		Total	0	132	132	27	34	61	193	518	37	12	49	567	760		
	Part-time & other	Male	22	70	92	0	25	25	117	9	2	11	13	22	139		
		Female	25	92	117	0	33	33	150	46	14	51	65	111	261		
		Total	47	162	209	0	58	58	267	55	16	62	78	133	400		
	Total	Male	22	106	128	3	33	36	164	219	13	12	25	244	408		
		Female	25	188	213	24	59	83	296	354	40	62	102	456	752		
		Total	47	294	341	27	92	119	460	573	53	74	127	700	1,160		
Other EU	Full-time	Male	0	12	12	0	2	2	14	2	0	0	0	2	16		
		Female	0	13	13	0	1	1	14	13	2	0	2	15	29		
		Total	0	25	25	0	3	3	28	15	2	0	2	17	45		
	Part-time & other	Male	10	13	23	0	1	1	24	9	0	1	1	10	34		
		Female	9	8	17	0	1	1	18	4	0	4	4	8	26		
		Total	19	21	40	0	2	2	42	13	0	5	5	18	60		
	Total	Male	10	25	35	0	3	3	38	11	0	1	1	12	50		
		Female	9	21	30	0	2	2	32	17	2	4	6	23	55		
		Total	19	46	65	0	5	5	70	28	2	5	7	35	105		
Other Overseas	Full-time	Male	2	15	17	0	7	7	24	49	0	0	0	49	73		
		Female	2	23	25	0	0	0	25	38	0	0	0	38	63		
		Total	4	38	42	0	7	7	49	87	0	0	0	87	136		
	Part-time & other	Male	18	63	81	0	7	7	88	0	0	0	0	88	136		
		Female	5	30	35	0	6	6	41	1	0	1	1	43	67		
		Total	23	93	116	0	13	13	129	1	0	1	1	131	203		
	Total	Male	20	78	98	0	14	14	112	49	0	0	0	49	161		
		Female	7	53	60	0	6	6	66	39	0	1	1	40	106		
		Total	27	131	158	0	20	20	178	88	0	1	1	89	267		
All Students	Full-time	Male	10	199	209	87	128	215	424	2,162	180	45	225	2,387	2,811		
		Female	3	346	349	318	137	455	804	3,520	522	138	660	4,180	4,984		
		Total	13	545	558	405	265	670	1,228	5,682	702	183	885	6,567	7,795		
	Part-time & other	Male	175	597	772	0	296	296	1,068	273	33	245	278	551	1,619		
		Female	144	632	776	1	506	507	1,283	768	250	533	783	1,551	2,834		
		Total	319	1,229	1,548	1	802	803	2,351	1,041	283	778	1,061	2,102	4,453		
	Total	Male	185	796	981	87	424	511	1,492	2,435	213	290	503	2,938	4,430		
		Female	147	978	1,125	319	643	962	2,087	4,288	772	671	1,443	5,731	7,818		
		Total	332	1,774	2,106	406	1,067	1,473	3,579	6,723	985	961	1,946	8,669	12,248		

Table 5: Students gaining qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions by qualifications obtained, subject area and gender 2000/01

		Medicine & Dentistry	Subjects allied to Medicine	Biological Sciences	Veterinary Science	Agriculture & Related Subjects	Physical Sciences	Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	Information Technology	Engineering & Technology	Architecture	Social Studies	Law	Business & Administrative Studies	Mass Communication & Documentation	Languages & Related Disciplines	Humanities	Creative Arts & Design	Education & Leisure	Combined	Total
Doctorate	Male	26	13	17	0	2	29	0	12	31	8	13	1	6	2	6	12	2	3	2	185
	Female	12	21	21	0	4	27	0	2	3	4	21	1	4	1	8	3	2	9	4	147
	Total	38	34	38	0	6	56	0	14	34	12	34	2	10	3	14	15	4	12	6	332
Other Higher Degrees	Male	5	29	26	0	8	20	0	162	96	23	43	22	195	20	34	24	11	48	30	796
	Female	9	106	54	0	25	20	0	149	29	11	136	32	155	40	50	15	18	100	29	978
	Total	14	135	80	0	33	40	0	311	125	34	179	54	350	60	84	39	29	148	59	1,774
PGCE	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87	0	87
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	319	0	319
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	406	0	406
Other Postgraduate	Male	14	41	4	0	2	6	0	72	13	62	18	38	47	15	2	0	1	83	6	424
	Female	13	164	8	0	3	2	0	40	1	30	63	61	58	12	1	2	1	171	13	643
	Total	27	205	12	0	5	8	0	112	14	92	81	99	105	27	3	2	2	254	19	1,067
All Postgraduate	Male	45	83	47	0	12	55	0	246	140	93	74	61	248	37	42	36	14	221	38	1,492
	Female	34	291	83	0	32	49	0	191	33	45	220	94	217	53	59	20	21	599	46	2,087
	Total	79	374	130	0	44	104	0	437	173	138	294	155	465	90	101	56	35	820	84	3,579
First Degree	Male	80	144	131	0	41	133	23	223	277	185	125	44	362	50	73	117	99	62	266	2,435
	Female	106	797	362	0	48	188	68	64	58	54	346	70	781	107	231	119	197	280	412	4,288
	Total	186	941	493	0	89	321	91	287	335	239	471	114	1,143	157	304	236	296	342	678	6,723
HND/DipHE	Male	0	29	5	0	0	1	4	59	26	0	26	0	46	0	0	2	3	4	8	213
	Female	0	529	11	0	0	3	7	35	5	0	60	0	87	1	0	0	5	29	0	772
	Total	0	558	16	0	0	4	11	94	31	0	86	0	133	1	0	2	8	33	8	985
Other Undergraduate	Male	0	12	1	0	1	0	0	35	0	0	58	3	65	0	27	9	40	3	36	290
	Female	0	69	2	0	17	2	0	54	0	0	184	1	78	5	52	10	112	13	72	671
	Total	0	81	3	0	18	2	0	89	0	0	242	4	143	5	79	19	152	16	108	961
All Undergraduate	Male	80	185	137	0	42	134	27	317	303	185	209	47	473	50	100	128	142	69	310	2,938
	Female	106	1,395	375	0	65	193	75	153	63	54	590	71	946	113	283	129	314	322	484	5,731
	Total	186	1,580	512	0	107	327	102	470	366	239	799	118	1,419	163	383	257	456	391	794	8,669
Total	Male	125	268	184	0	54	189	27	563	443	278	283	108	721	87	142	164	156	290	348	4,430
	Female	140	1,686	458	0	97	242	75	344	96	99	810	165	1,163	166	342	149	335	921	530	7,818
	Total	265	1,954	642	0	151	431	102	907	539	377	1,093	273	1,884	253	484	313	491	1,211	878	12,248

Table 6: Students gaining first degrees at NI Higher Education institutions by subject area, degree classification and gender 2000/01

		Degree Classification						Total
		First class honours	Second class, upper division	Second class, lower division	Third/Fourth class honours	Pass	Unclassified	
Medicine & Dentistry	Male	1	0	0	0	0	79	80
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	106	106
	Total	1	0	0	0	0	185	186
Subjects allied to Medicine	Male	14	78	47	2	3	0	144
	Female	120	464	194	8	11	0	797
	Total	134	542	241	10	14	0	941
Biological Sciences	Male	12	56	61	2	0	0	131
	Female	37	227	95	3	0	0	362
	Total	49	283	156	5	0	0	493
Veterinary Science	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agriculture & Related Subjects	Male	1	17	23	0	0	0	41
	Female	1	23	24	0	0	0	48
	Total	2	40	47	0	0	0	89
Physical Sciences	Male	20	46	59	5	1	2	133
	Female	6	90	87	4	0	1	188
	Total	26	136	146	9	1	3	321
Mathematical Sciences & Informatics	Male	7	8	3	0	4	1	23
	Female	22	18	21	4	2	1	68
	Total	29	26	24	4	6	2	91
Information Technology	Male	34	89	71	8	14	7	223
	Female	6	28	17	1	5	7	64
	Total	40	117	88	9	19	14	287
Engineering & Technology	Male	19	69	92	23	16	58	277
	Female	1	19	20	3	0	15	58
	Total	20	88	112	26	16	73	335
Architecture	Male	14	78	66	4	19	4	185
	Female	3	28	21	0	2	0	54
	Total	17	106	87	4	21	4	239
Social Studies	Male	11	59	50	5	0	0	125
	Female	16	181	143	4	2	0	346
	Total	27	240	193	9	2	0	471
Law	Male	1	20	23	0	0	0	44
	Female	0	38	32	0	0	0	70
	Total	1	58	55	0	0	0	114
Business & Administrative Studies	Male	19	172	155	5	10	1	362
	Female	55	458	258	1	5	4	781
	Total	74	630	413	6	15	5	1,143
Mass Communication & Documentation	Male	0	28	19	3	0	0	50
	Female	16	51	38	1	0	1	107
	Total	16	79	57	4	0	1	157
Languages & Related Disciplines	Male	7	35	27	3	0	1	73
	Female	13	133	84	1	0	0	231
	Total	20	168	111	4	0	1	304
Humanities	Male	6	58	50	2	0	1	117
	Female	4	60	52	2	0	1	119
	Total	10	118	102	4	0	2	236
Creative Arts & Design	Male	11	40	48	0	0	0	99
	Female	10	90	96	1	0	0	197
	Total	21	130	144	1	0	0	296
Education & Leisure	Male	3	29	26	2	0	2	62
	Female	16	213	48	3	0	0	280
	Total	19	242	74	5	0	2	342
Combined	Male	15	120	91	4	29	7	266
	Female	19	203	166	5	17	2	412
	Total	34	323	257	9	46	9	678
All First Degrees	Male	195	1,002	911	68	96	163	2,435
	Female	345	2,324	1,396	41	44	138	4,288
	Total	540	3,326	2,307	109	140	301	6,723

Annex A: NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK 1998/99 – 2000/01

	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01
Doctorate	172	274	278
Other Higher Degrees	1,406	1,190	1,583
PGCE	664	669	734
Other Postgraduate	946	1,007	1,160
All Postgraduate qualifications	3,188	3,140	3,755
First Degrees	8,391	8,526	9,036
<i>of which</i>			
First	623	622	676
<i>Upper Second</i>	3,869	3,888	4,252
<i>Lower Second</i>	2,817	2,945	3,058
<i>Third/Fourth</i>	254	252	257
<i>Pass</i>	368	141	167
<i>Unclassified</i>	460	678	626
HND/Dip HE	1,533	1,358	1,068
Other Undergraduate qualifications	973	1,071	1,288
All Undergraduate qualifications	10,897	10,955	11,392
Total	14,085	14,095	15,147

Annex B: Students gaining qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in NI 1998/99 – 2000/01

	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01
Doctorate	184	350	332
Other Higher Degrees	1,372	1,192	1,774
PGCE	349	371	406
Other Postgraduate	811	869	1,067
All Postgraduate qualifications	2,716	2,782	3,579
First Degrees	6,495	6,492	6,723
<i>of which</i>			
First	558	565	540
Upper Second	3,320	3,227	3,326
<i>Lower Second</i>	2,111	2,183	2,307
<i>Third/Fourth</i>	111	120	109
<i>Pass</i>	359	91	140
<i>Unclassified</i>	36	306	301
HND/Dip HE	1,562	1,263	985
Other Undergraduate qualifications	852	784	961
All Undergraduate qualifications	8,909	8,539	8,669
Total	11,625	11,321	12,248

Annex C: NI domiciled students gaining qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by location of study 1998/99 – 2000/01

		1998/99	1999/00	2000/01
N Ireland	Doctorate	120	225	220
	Other Higher Degrees	1,069	892	1,252
	PGCE	322	339	378
	Other Postgraduate qualifications	721	754	860
	All Postgraduate qualifications	2,232	2,210	2,710
	First Degree	5,396	5,601	5,969
	Other Undergraduate qualifications	2,084	1,918	1,807
	All Undergraduate qualifications	7,480	7,519	7,776
	Total	9,712	9,729	10,486
England	Doctorate	40	35	36
	Other Higher Degrees	250	221	244
	PGCE	270	253	295
	Other Postgraduate qualifications	162	175	203
	All Postgraduate qualifications	722	684	778
	First Degree	1,755	1,752	1,756
	Other Undergraduate qualifications	356	415	467
	All Undergraduate qualifications	2,111	2,167	2,223
	Total	2,833	2,851	3,001
Scotland	Doctorate	11	10	19
	Other Higher Degrees	77	60	80
	PGCE	43	43	34
	Other Postgraduate qualifications	53	67	85
	All Postgraduate qualifications	184	180	218
	First Degree	1,146	1,074	1,213
	Other Undergraduate qualifications	56	85	79
	All Undergraduate qualifications	1,202	1,159	1,292
	Total	1,386	1,339	1,510
Wales	Doctorate	1	4	3
	Other Higher Degrees	10	17	7
	PGCE	29	34	27
	Other Postgraduate qualifications	10	11	12
	All Postgraduate qualifications	50	66	49
	First Degree	94	99	98
	Other Undergraduate qualifications	10	11	3
	All Undergraduate qualifications	104	110	101
	Total	154	176	150