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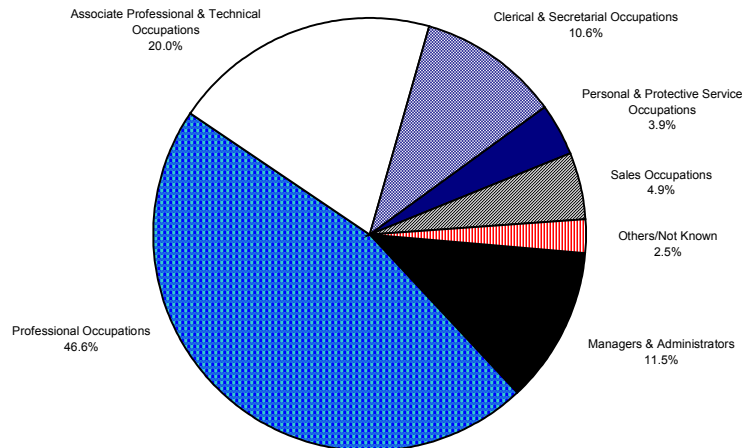
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## First Destinations of Students gaining Qualifications from Higher Education Institutions: Northern Ireland 1998/99

### Introduction

This Press Release has been produced by the Department of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment (DHFETE) using data collected by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). It gives details of the first destinations of Northern Ireland (NI) domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications from Higher Education Institutions in the UK and details of students gaining Higher Education qualifications from NI Higher Education Institutions in the academic year 1998/99.

### NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at UK Higher Education Institutions in 1998/99 entering employment



NB. Other occupations include Craft and Related Occupations and Plant & Machine Operatives.

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## **Destination of students gaining qualifications at UK Higher Education Institutions 1998/99**

### **NI domiciled students**

- There were 8,325 NI domiciled students who had First Destinations data returned to HESA. Of those whose location of activity was known, 67% of undergraduates took up their first activity in NI, 27 % in GB, 4% in the Republic of Ireland (RoI) and 3% elsewhere. Of students gaining postgraduate qualifications, 63% took up their first activity in NI, 30% in GB, 3% in RoI and 4% elsewhere.
- Of NI domiciled undergraduates who attained qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in GB, 29% of those whose location of activity was known returned to NI, whilst 3% went to RoI and 4% went elsewhere. Of NI domiciled postgraduates who studied in GB, 29% returned to NI, whilst 4% went to RoI and 4% went elsewhere.
- Fewer NI domiciled undergraduate qualifiers (62%) had found employment by 31<sup>st</sup> December 1999 compared with all UK domiciled undergraduate qualifiers (67%), but 28% of undergraduate qualifiers were undertaking further study or training compared to 21% for all UK undergraduate qualifiers. There were similar proportions of NI domiciled postgraduate qualifiers (86%) entering employment compared to all UK domiciled postgraduate qualifiers (87%).
- Of those entering employment, 75% of NI domiciled undergraduate qualifiers took up occupations as Managers and Administrators; in Professional occupations; or Associated Professional and Technical occupations. The comparable figure for undergraduates in the UK as a whole was 68%. A higher proportion of NI domiciled postgraduate students entered professional occupations (78%) than for all UK domiciled postgraduate students (74%). However a larger proportion of UK domiciled postgraduate students (8%) entered occupations as Managers and Administrators compared with those from NI (6%).
- The proportion of NI domiciled students gaining undergraduate qualifications assumed to be unemployed was similar to that for all of the UK (5%). Of NI domiciled postgraduate qualifiers, 4% were assumed to be unemployed compared to 3% of UK domiciled postgraduate qualifiers.

## NI Higher Education Institutions

- There were 6,691 students who had attained qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions and had First Destinations data returned to HESA. Of those whose location of activity was known, 77% of undergraduates remained in NI to take up their first activity, 9% went to GB, 10% went to RoI and 3% elsewhere. Of students gaining postgraduate qualifications, 72% took up their first activity in NI, 7% in GB, 12% in RoI and 9% elsewhere.
- Of undergraduates graduating from NI Higher Education institutions who were not domiciled in NI, 38% undertook their first activity in NI. Of those who were domiciled in NI, 85% stayed in the Province. Some 24% of non-resident postgraduate qualifiers remained in NI for their first activity, whilst 87% of NI domiciled postgraduates stayed in NI.
- Of undergraduate students graduating from NI Higher Education institutions, 58% entered employment, 30% embarked on further study or training and 5% were assumed to be unemployed. Of postgraduate qualifiers, 79% entered employment, 8% went on to further study and 4% were looking for employment or training.
- Of those entering employment, 77% of undergraduate qualifiers took up occupations as Managers and Administrators; in Professional occupations; or Associated Professional and Technical occupations. The comparable figure for postgraduates gaining qualifications at NI Higher Education institutions was 93%.

## **Tables**

Table 1A, 1B and 1C show the numbers of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by level of study, location of first destination, sex and location of study for 1998/99.

Table 2 gives details of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at UK Higher Education Institutions by level of study, activity and sex for 1998/99.

Table 3 shows the number of NI domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and sex for 1998/99.

Table 4A, 4B and 4C present information on the numbers of students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in NI by level of study, location of first destination, sex and domicile for 1998/99.

Table 5 details the number of students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in NI by level of study, activity and sex for 1998/99.

Table 6 presents information on students gaining Higher Education qualifications at NI Higher Education Institutions entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and sex for 1998/99.

The Annex compares the destination of NI domiciled and all UK domiciled students by level of qualification. It also compares NI domiciled and UK domiciled students entering employment by level of qualification and Standard Occupational Classification for 1998/99. Finally, it compares destinations for 1997/98 and 1998/99.

## 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 Further Education colleges in Northern Ireland or Great Britain, nor enrolments at institutions in the Republic of Ireland.
2. This Press Release is based on data returned to HESA in respect of the 'First Destination target population'. The target population contains all Higher Education students for whom first destination data was expected. Of NI domiciled students for whom first destination information was expected, 86.5% had data returned to HESA, as had 87.0% of students who attended Higher Education institutions in Northern Ireland.
3. The HESA First Destination target population includes all students reported to HESA for the reporting period 1 August 1998 to 31 July 1999 as obtaining relevant qualifications and whose study was primarily full-time (including sandwich students and those writing up theses).
4. Relevant qualifications for the First Destinations return are postgraduate degrees, Postgraduate Certificates in Education (PGCE), first degrees, diplomas/certificates of Higher Education, Higher National Diplomas (HND) and Higher National Certificates (HNC). The First Destination survey does not cover students who have gained other qualifications; examples of which include; postgraduate diplomas and certificates (other than PGCE), professional qualifications (e.g. associate membership or membership of a body such as the Institute of Bankers), and undergraduate diplomas and certificates (other than HND, DipHE, HNC and CertHE).
5. All former students for whom first destination data was supplied reported a main activity (i.e. a respondent's first destination could not be given as 'unknown'). A respondent could also have a secondary activity. Those students who reported their primary activity as seeking employment or training and their secondary activity as either employment (full-time or part-time), further study or training or professional preparation time (e.g. portfolio preparation), were categorised as 'Other' activity. The 'Other' activity field also includes overseas students who have returned overseas, for whom no further information was available.

6. The reference date for first destination data was 31 December 1999. Institutions were asked to report the destinations of qualifiers in the target population, which had been firmly determined by this date, and which took effect no later than 31 March 2000.

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**Table 1A: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99.**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	1340	95	26	4	2	87	8	23	179	1764	171	1935
	Female	1966	169	34	17	4	92	17	33	236	2568	227	2795
	Total	3306	264	60	21	6	179	25	56	415	4332	398	4730
Other Undergraduate	Male	138	12	3	0	0	2	0	2	12	169	45	214
	Female	292	10	0	0	3	4	0	0	20	329	190	519
	Total	430	22	3	0	3	6	0	2	32	498	235	733
All Undergraduate	Male	1478	107	29	4	2	89	8	25	191	1933	216	2149
	Female	2258	179	34	17	7	96	17	33	256	2897	417	3314
	Total	3736	286	63	21	9	185	25	58	447	4830	633	5463
Postgraduate	Male	208	24	1	0	0	13	3	6	18	273	36	309
	Female	321	10	2	1	0	8	5	8	25	380	53	433
	Total	529	34	3	1	0	21	8	14	43	653	89	742
All Students	Male	1686	131	30	4	2	102	11	31	209	2206	252	2458
	Female	2579	189	36	18	7	104	22	41	281	3277	470	3747
	Total	4265	320	66	22	9	206	33	72	490	5483	722	6205

<sup>1</sup> Those students who were identified in the HESA First Destination target population who did not return first destination information to HESA (see Notes to Editors).

<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 1B: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in Great Britain by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99.**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	233	378	170	15	1	23	9	22	122	973	191	1164
	Female	376	509	202	16	1	30	19	31	117	1301	226	1527
	Total	609	887	372	31	2	53	28	53	239	2274	417	2691
Other Undergraduate	Male	6	31	9	3	0	1	0	0	2	52	16	68
	Female	9	32	11	3	0	3	0	1	6	65	28	93
	Total	15	63	20	6	0	4	0	1	8	117	44	161
All Undergraduate	Male	239	409	179	18	1	24	9	22	124	1025	207	1232
	Female	385	541	213	19	1	33	19	32	123	1366	254	1620
	Total	624	950	392	37	2	57	28	54	247	2391	461	2852
Postgraduate	Male	58	87	12	4	0	5	2	6	11	185	54	239
	Female	63	128	27	8	0	10	3	6	21	266	66	332
	Total	121	215	39	12	0	15	5	12	32	451	120	571
All Students	Male	297	496	191	22	1	29	11	28	135	1210	261	1471
	Female	448	669	240	27	1	43	22	38	144	1632	320	1952
	Total	745	1165	431	49	2	72	33	66	279	2842	581	3423

<sup>1</sup> Those students who were identified in the HESA First Destination target population who did not return first destination information to HESA (see Notes to Editors).

<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 1C: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99.**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	1573	473	196	19	3	110	17	45	301	2737	362	3099
	Female	2342	678	236	33	5	122	36	64	353	3869	453	4322
	Total	3915	1151	432	52	8	232	53	109	654	6606	815	7421
Other Undergraduate	Male	144	43	12	3	0	3	0	2	14	221	61	282
	Female	301	42	11	3	3	7	0	1	26	394	218	612
	Total	445	85	23	6	3	10	0	3	40	615	279	894
All Undergraduate	Male	1717	516	208	22	3	113	17	47	315	2958	423	3381
	Female	2643	720	247	36	8	129	36	65	379	4263	671	4934
	Total	4360	1236	455	58	11	242	53	112	694	7221	1094	8315
Postgraduate	Male	266	111	13	4	0	18	5	12	29	458	90	548
	Female	384	138	29	9	0	18	8	14	46	646	119	765
	Total	650	249	42	13	0	36	13	26	75	1104	209	1313
All Students	Male	1983	627	221	26	3	131	22	59	344	3416	513	3929
	Female	3027	858	276	45	8	147	44	79	425	4909	790	5699
	Total	5010	1485	497	71	11	278	66	138	769	8325	1303	9628

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<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 2: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK by level of study, activity and sex, 1998/99.**

		Activity												
		Paid, Full-time, permanent employment in the UK	Paid, Part-time, permanent employment in the UK	Self-employed in the UK	Other employment in the UK	Unpaid employed in the UK	Employment outside the UK	Undertaking study or training	Not available for employment, study or training	Seeking employment or training	Others	Total respondents	Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
First Degree	Male	1407	76	39	21	9	154	736	111	156	28	2737	362	3099
	Female	2021	184	19	18	27	202	1052	150	159	37	3869	453	4322
	Total	3428	260	58	39	36	356	1788	261	315	65	6606	815	7421
Other	Male	93	4	1	1	0	4	103	5	8	2	221	61	282
Undergraduate	Female	204	11	0	1	0	8	144	12	12	2	394	218	612
	Total	297	15	1	2	0	12	247	17	20	4	615	279	894
All Undergraduate	Male	1500	80	40	22	9	158	839	116	164	30	2958	423	3381
	Female	2225	195	19	19	27	210	1196	162	171	39	4263	671	4934
	Total	3725	275	59	41	36	368	2035	278	335	69	7221	1094	8315
Postgraduate	Male	323	24	7	6	1	31	35	6	21	4	458	90	548
	Female	478	38	7	5	0	34	34	10	27	13	646	119	765
	Total	801	62	14	11	1	65	69	16	48	17	1104	209	1313
All Students	Male	1823	104	47	28	10	189	874	122	185	34	3416	513	3929
	Female	2703	233	26	24	27	244	1230	172	198	52	4909	790	5699
	Total	4526	337	73	52	37	433	2104	294	383	86	8325	1303	9628

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<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1997 and 31 July 1998 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 3: Northern Ireland domiciled students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in the UK entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and sex, 1998/99.**

		Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)										
		Managers and Administrators	Professional Occupations	Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	Clerical and Secretarial Occupations	Craft and Related Occupations	Personal and Protective Service Occupations	Sales Occupations	Plant and Machine Operatives	Other Occupations	Not Known	Total
First Degree	Male	225	785	331	148	23	66	81	10	27	10	1706
	Female	326	961	469	369	9	133	167	11	11	15	2471
	Total	551	1746	800	517	32	199	248	21	38	25	4177
Other Undergraduate	Male	14	29	30	21	2	3	3	0	1	0	103
	Female	12	24	163	17	1	2	5	0	0	0	224
	Total	26	53	193	38	3	5	8	0	1	0	327
All Undergraduate	Male	239	814	361	169	25	69	84	10	28	10	1809
	Female	338	985	632	386	10	135	172	11	11	15	2695
	Total	577	1799	993	555	35	204	256	21	39	25	4504
Postgraduate	Male	28	282	53	10	3	2	7	0	1	6	392
	Female	25	460	46	14	0	6	6	1	1	3	562
	Total	53	742	99	24	3	8	13	1	2	9	954
All Students	Male	267	1096	414	179	28	71	91	10	29	16	2201
	Female	363	1445	678	400	10	141	178	12	12	18	3257
	Total	630	2541	1092	579	38	212	269	22	41	34	5458

**Table 4A: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99 - NI domiciled only**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	1340	95	26	4	2	87	8	23	179	1764	171	1935
	Female	1966	169	34	17	4	92	17	33	236	2568	227	2795
	Total	3306	264	60	21	6	179	25	56	415	4332	398	4730
Other Undergraduate	Male	138	12	3	0	0	2	0	2	12	169	45	214
	Female	292	10	0	0	3	4	0	0	20	329	190	519
	Total	430	22	3	0	3	6	0	2	32	498	235	733
All Undergraduate	Male	1478	107	29	4	2	89	8	25	191	1933	216	2149
	Female	2258	179	34	17	7	96	17	33	256	2897	417	3314
	Total	3736	286	63	21	9	185	25	58	447	4830	633	5463
Postgraduate	Male	208	24	1	0	0	13	3	6	18	273	36	309
	Female	321	10	2	1	0	8	5	8	25	380	53	433
	Total	529	34	3	1	0	21	8	14	43	653	89	742
All Students	Male	1686	131	30	4	2	102	11	31	209	2206	252	2458
	Female	2579	189	36	18	7	104	22	41	281	3277	470	3747
	Total	4265	320	66	22	9	206	33	72	490	5483	722	6205

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<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 4B: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99 - Other domiciles**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	117	30	2	1	0	149	6	27	37	369	68	437
	Female	180	52	13	2	0	190	15	34	60	546	67	613
	Total	297	82	15	3	0	339	21	61	97	915	135	1050
Other Undergraduate	Male	17	1	0	1	0	11	2	0	1	33	9	42
	Female	23	3	0	0	1	16	2	1	5	51	58	109
	Total	40	4	0	1	1	27	4	1	6	84	67	151
All Undergraduate	Male	134	31	2	2	0	160	8	27	38	402	77	479
	Female	203	55	13	2	1	206	17	35	65	597	125	722
	Total	337	86	15	4	1	366	25	62	103	999	202	1201
Postgraduate	Male	23	5	1	2	0	32	6	20	9	98	44	142
	Female	24	10	2	0	0	43	1	23	8	111	29	140
	Total	47	15	3	2	0	75	7	43	17	209	73	282
All Students	Male	157	36	3	4	0	192	14	47	47	500	121	621
	Female	227	65	15	2	1	249	18	58	73	708	154	862
	Total	384	101	18	6	1	441	32	105	120	1208	275	1483

<sup>1</sup> Those students who were identified in the HESA First Destination target population who did not return first destination information to HESA (see Notes to Editors).

<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 4C: Students gaining Higher Education courses at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, location of first destination and sex, 1998/99 - All domiciles**

		Location of First Destination										Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		NI	England	Scotland	Wales	Other UK & UK unknown	Republic of Ireland	Other EU	Other Overseas	Not Known	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	1457	125	28	5	2	236	14	50	216	2133	239	2372
	Female	2146	221	47	19	4	282	32	67	296	3114	294	3408
	Total	3603	346	75	24	6	518	46	117	512	5247	533	5780
Other Undergraduate	Male	155	13	3	1	0	13	2	2	13	202	54	256
	Female	315	13	0	0	4	20	2	1	25	380	248	628
	Total	470	26	3	1	4	33	4	3	38	582	302	884
All Undergraduate	Male	1612	138	31	6	2	249	16	52	229	2335	293	2628
	Female	2461	234	47	19	8	302	34	68	321	3494	542	4036
	Total	4073	372	78	25	10	551	50	120	550	5829	835	6664
Postgraduate	Male	231	29	2	2	0	45	9	26	27	371	80	451
	Female	345	20	4	1	0	51	6	31	33	491	82	573
	Total	576	49	6	3	0	96	15	57	60	862	162	1024
All Students	Male	1843	167	33	8	2	294	25	78	256	2706	373	3079
	Female	2806	254	51	20	8	353	40	99	354	3985	624	4609
	Total	4649	421	84	28	10	647	65	177	610	6691	997	7688

<sup>1</sup> Those students who were identified in the HESA First Destination target population who did not return first destination information to HESA (see Notes to Editors).

<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 5: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications at Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland by level of study, activity and sex, 1998/99.**

		Activity											Non-respondents <sup>1</sup>	Target population <sup>2</sup>
		Paid, Full-time, permanent employment in the UK	Paid, Part-time, permanent employment in the UK	Self-employed in the UK	Other employment in the UK	Unpaid employed in the UK	Employment outside the UK	Undertaking study or training	Not available for employment, study or training	Seeking employment or training	Others	Total respondents		
First Degree	Male	952	56	22	0	5	205	608	81	116	88	2133	239	2372
	Female	1375	136	11	0	20	277	932	127	144	92	3114	294	3408
	Total	2327	192	33	0	25	482	1540	208	260	180	5247	533	5780
Other Undergraduate	Male	82	2	1	0	0	8	88	5	7	9	202	54	256
	Female	192	11	0	0	0	13	130	13	10	11	380	248	628
	Total	274	13	1	0	0	21	218	18	17	20	582	302	884
All Undergraduate	Male	1034	58	23	0	5	213	696	86	123	97	2335	293	2628
	Female	1567	147	11	0	20	290	1062	140	154	103	3494	542	4036
	Total	2601	205	34	0	25	503	1758	226	277	200	5829	835	6664
Postgraduate	Male	208	16	4	0	1	59	37	7	19	20	371	80	451
	Female	305	27	5	0	0	57	36	10	19	32	491	82	573
	Total	513	43	9	0	1	116	73	17	38	52	862	162	1024
All Students	Male	1242	74	27	0	6	272	733	93	142	117	2706	373	3079
	Female	1872	174	16	0	20	347	1098	150	173	135	3985	624	4609
	Total	3114	248	43	0	26	619	1831	243	315	252	6691	997	7688

<sup>1</sup> Those students who were identified in the HESA First Destination target population who did not return first destination information to HESA (see Notes to Editors).

<sup>2</sup> The First Destination target population includes students (primarily full-time) who obtained a relevant qualification between 1 August 1998 and 31 July 1999 (see Notes to editors).

**Table 6: Students gaining Higher Education qualifications from Higher Education Institutions in Northern Ireland and entering employment by Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), level of study and sex, 1998/99.**

		Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)										
		Managers and Administrators	Professional Occupations	Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	Clerical and Secretarial Occupations	Craft and Related Occupations	Personal and Protective Service Occupations	Sales Occupations	Plant and Machine Operatives	Other Occupations	Not Known	Total
First Degree	Male	141	615	230	108	15	45	59	10	16	1	1240
	Female	206	707	417	276	5	77	117	5	9	0	1819
	Total	347	1322	647	384	20	122	176	15	25	1	3059
Other Undergraduate	Male	10	29	30	19	1	1	3	0	0	0	93
	Female	10	23	160	15	1	2	5	0	0	0	216
	Total	20	52	190	34	2	3	8	0	0	0	309
All Undergraduate	Male	151	644	260	127	16	46	62	10	16	1	1333
	Female	216	730	577	291	6	79	122	5	9	0	2035
	Total	367	1374	837	418	22	125	184	15	25	1	3368
Postgraduate	Male	25	200	41	11	3	3	5	0	0	0	288
	Female	18	314	38	13	1	4	5	0	1	0	394
	Total	43	514	79	24	4	7	10	0	1	0	682
All Students	Male	176	844	301	138	19	49	67	10	16	1	1621
	Female	234	1044	615	304	7	83	127	5	10	0	2429
	Total	410	1888	916	442	26	132	194	15	26	1	4050

## Annex

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

**Table A - First destination of qualifiers by level of qualification and domicile 1998/99**

	NI domiciled			UK domiciled						
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total				
Employment in the UK	4136	57.3%	889	80.5%	5025	126749	64.6%	25918	82.7%	152667
Employment outside UK	368	5.1%	65	5.9%	433	4542	2.3%	1312	4.2%	5854
Undertaking study or training	2035	28.2%	69	6.3%	2104	42067	21.5%	2283	7.3%	44350
Not available for employment, study or training	278	3.8%	16	1.4%	294	10239	5.2%	641	2.0%	10880
Assumed to be unemployed	335	4.6%	48	4.3%	383	10297	5.3%	1023	3.3%	11320
Other	69	1.0%	17	1.5%	86	2206	1.1%	175	0.6%	2381
<b>Total</b>	<b>7221</b>		<b>1104</b>		<b>8325</b>	<b>196100</b>		<b>31352</b>		<b>227452</b>

**Table B - Qualifiers entering employment by level of qualification, domicile and Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) 1998/99**

	NI domiciled			UK domiciled						
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Total				
Managers & Administrators	577	12.8%	53	5.6%	630	20471	15.6%	2099	7.7%	22570
Professional Occupations	1799	39.9%	742	77.8%	2541	36524	27.8%	20274	74.5%	56798
Associated professional & technical occupations	993	22.0%	99	10.4%	1092	32069	24.4%	3104	11.4%	35173
Clerical & Secretarial occupations	555	12.3%	24	2.5%	579	20435	15.6%	716	2.6%	21151
Craft & related occupations	35	0.8%	3	0.3%	38	1410	1.1%	50	0.2%	1460
Personal & protective service occupations	204	4.5%	8	0.8%	212	6020	4.6%	152	0.6%	6172
Sales occupations	256	5.7%	13	1.4%	269	8809	6.7%	216	0.8%	9025
Plant & machine operatives	21	0.5%	1	0.1%	22	870	0.7%	24	0.1%	894
Other occupations	39	0.9%	2	0.2%	41	1920	1.5%	53	0.2%	1973
Unknown	25	0.6%	9	0.9%	34	2763	2.1%	542	2.0%	3305
<b>Total</b>	<b>4504</b>		<b>954</b>		<b>5458</b>	<b>131291</b>		<b>27230</b>		<b>158521</b>

## Annex

### Comparison of first destinations 1997/98 and 1998/99

**Table C - First destination of NI domiciled qualifiers by level of qualification**

	Undergraduate				Postgraduate			
	1997/98		1998/99		1997/98		1998/99	
Employment in the UK	3899	55.5%	4136	57.3%	1046	80.2%	889	80.5%
Employment outside UK	397	5.6%	368	5.1%	95	7.3%	65	5.9%
Undertaking study or training	2096	29.8%	2035	28.2%	87	6.7%	69	6.3%
Not available for employment, study or training	234	3.3%	278	3.8%	21	1.6%	16	1.4%
Assumed to be unemployed	344	4.9%	335	4.6%	38	2.9%	48	4.3%
Other	59	0.8%	69	1.0%	18	1.4%	17	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7029</b>		<b>7221</b>		<b>1305</b>		<b>1104</b>	

**Table D - First destination of qualifiers from NI Higher Education institutions by level of qualification**

	Undergraduate				Postgraduate			
	1997/98		1998/99		1997/98		1998/99	
Employment in the UK	2710	47.2%	2865	49.2%	738	61.9%	566	65.7%
Employment outside UK	533	9.3%	503	8.6%	181	15.2%	116	13.5%
Undertaking study or training	1790	31.2%	1758	30.2%	99	8.3%	73	8.5%
Not available for employment, study or training	176	3.1%	226	3.9%	22	1.8%	17	2.0%
Assumed to be unemployed	269	4.7%	277	4.8%	27	2.3%	38	4.4%
Other	268	4.7%	200	3.4%	125	10.5%	52	6.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5746</b>		<b>5829</b>		<b>1192</b>		<b>862</b>	