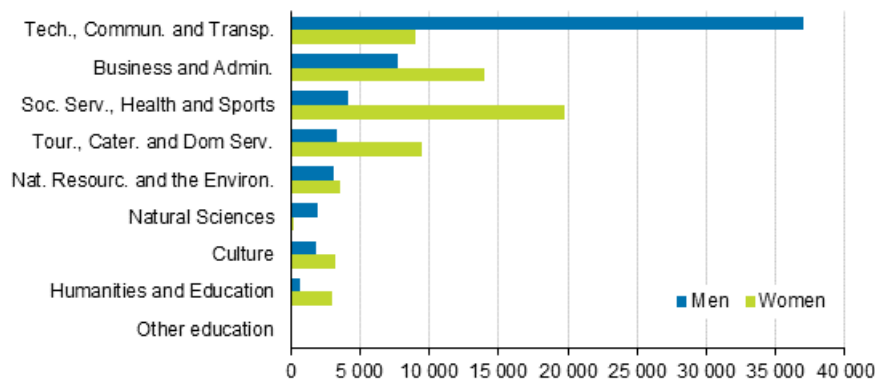


Vocational training 2015

Number of new students in vocational training 122,200 in 2015

According to Statistics Finland's education statistics, a total of 122,200 new students attended education leading to a vocational qualification in 2015. Of the new students, 48,400 studied in curriculum-based education aimed at young people leading to an initial vocational qualification, 36,300 in preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination, and 37,500 in further vocational education (further and specialist vocational qualifications). There were one per cent more new students than in the previous year.

New students in vocational education by field of education and gender in 2015



Thirty-eight per cent of the new students studied in the field of technology and transport, twenty per cent in the field of health, welfare and sports, and eighteen per cent in the field of business economics and administration. The shares of men and women among the new students were almost equal. The fluctuation in the shares of men and women viewed by fields of education was, however, large. In the field of health, welfare and sports, the share of women was 82 per cent and in the field of technology and transport it was 20 per cent.

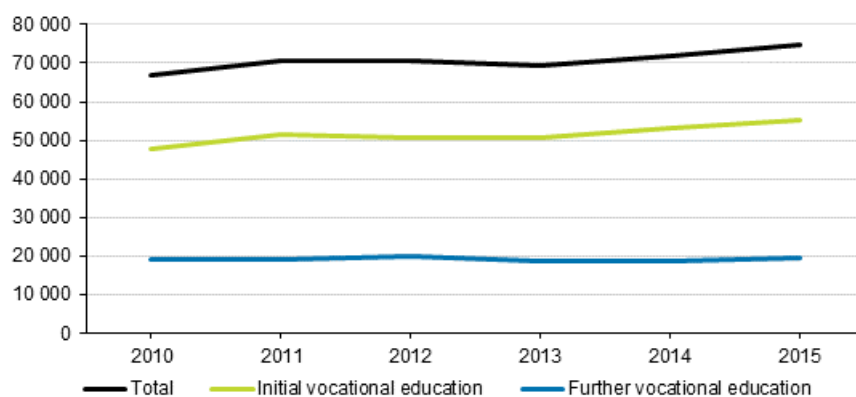
In the calendar year 2015, a total of 325,100 persons were studying in vocational education leading to a qualification.

There were 167,000 students in curriculum-based basic vocational education provided by educational institutions in 2015. Since 2013, data on the number of students in education for young people have been available both for the calendar year and for the autumn cross-sectional point on 20 September. On 20 September 2015, there were 124,200 students in education for young people. There were four per cent less of them than in the previous year.

There were 109,000 students in preparatory education for a skills examination provided by educational institutions. There were seven per cent more students than in the year before. Of the students, 61,900 studied in preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination, and 47,100 in further vocational education.

There were 49,100 students in apprenticeship training. The number of students was two per cent lower than in the year before. Of the students, 500 studied in curriculum-based education aimed at young people leading to an initial vocational qualification, 17,900 in preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination, and 30,700 in further vocational education.

Qualifications from vocational education 2010–2015



Altogether, 74,600 students completed a vocational qualification in 2015. Curriculum-based basic vocational education qualifications numbered 37,800, examinations in preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination totalled 17,400, and qualifications in further vocational education amounted to 19,400. The number of attainers of vocational qualifications was four per cent higher than in the previous year. Fifty-three per cent of them were women. More than half, 55 per cent, of those who attained qualifications studied in the fields of technology and transport, or in health, welfare and sports. Sixteen per cent of the qualifiers were apprenticeship students.

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Appendix table 1. New students in vocational education by type of education 2015

	Educational institution-based education	Women	Apprenticeship training	Women	Total	Women
Types of vocational education total	102 930	51 231	19 307	11 084	122 237	62 315
Curriculum-based basic vocational education	48 119	22 254	288	118	48 407	22 372
Preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination	30 178	16 348	6 107	3 481	36 285	19 829
Preparatory education for further vocational qualifications	20 925	10 651	6 274	3 548	27 199	14 199
Preparatory education for a specialist vocational qualification	3 708	1 978	6 638	3 937	10 346	5 915

Appendix table 2. Students in vocational education by type of education 2015

	Educational institution-based education	Women	Apprenticeship training	Women	Total	Women
Types of vocational education total	275 983	136 416	49 102	27 366	325 085	163 782
Curriculum-based basic vocational education	166 967	76 009	536	230	167 503	76 239
Preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination	61 887	35 306	17 899	10 058	79 786	45 364
Preparatory education for further vocational qualifications	39 023	20 923	14 887	8 106	53 910	29 029
Preparatory education for a specialist vocational qualification	8 106	4 178	15 780	8 972	23 886	13 150

Appendix table 3. Qualifications from vocational education by type of education 2015

	Educational institution-based education	Women	Apprenticeship training	Women	Total	Women
Types of vocational education total	62 402	32 528	12 243	7 190	74 645	39 718
Curriculum-based basic vocational education	37 677	17 893	133	56	37 810	17 949
Preparatory initial vocational education for a skills examination	12 852	7 639	4 587	2 760	17 439	10 399
Preparatory education for further vocational qualifications	9 882	5 966	4 020	2 336	13 902	8 302
Preparatory education for a specialist vocational qualification	1 991	1 030	3 503	2 038	5 494	3 068

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