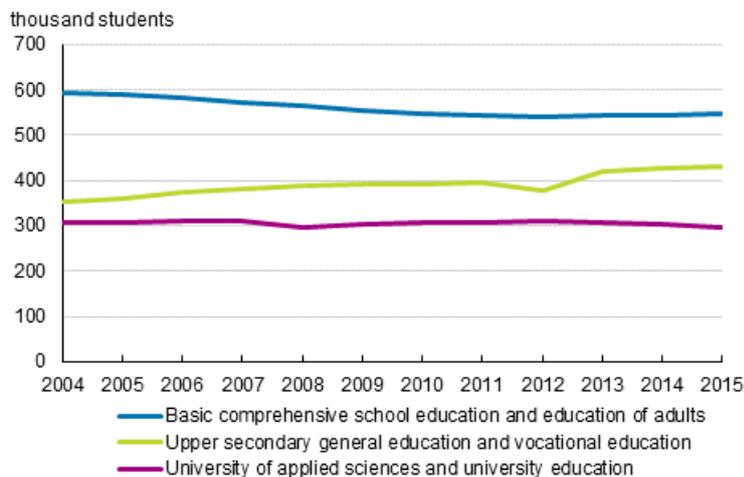


# Students and qualifications of educational institutions 2015

## Students in education leading to a qualification or degree number 1.27 million

In 2015, the total number of students in education leading to a qualification or degree remained on level with the previous year, at 1.27 million. The number of students grew slightly in comprehensive school education, upper secondary general school education, vocational education and university of applied sciences education. The number of students in university education declined. These data derive from education statistics compiled by Statistics Finland.

### Students in education leading to a qualification or degree 2004–2015



In 2015, the number of new students totalled 283,100 and that of attainers of qualifications or degrees 223,500. A total of 52 per cent of new students and 54 per cent of attainers of qualifications or degrees were women.

The statistics on students and qualifications of educational institutions apply harmonised concepts and classifications to draw an overall picture of education leading to a qualification or degree. The statistics contain data on all the sectors of education. Data on the subject matter are also published in the [database tables](#) of these statistics, and on the web pages of the statistics on [pre-primary and comprehensive school](#)

education, upper secondary general education, vocational education, university of applied sciences education, university education, and adult education of educational institutions.

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**Appendix table 1. Students in education leading to a qualification or degree by sector of education in 2014 and 2015**

Sector of education	2014	2015	Change 2014–2015, %
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 273 172</b>	<b>1 274 593</b>	<b>0</b>
Basic comprehensive school education, compulsory education school (incl. pre-primary education)	542 932	546 065	1
Basic education of adults	2 112	2 220	5
Upper secondary general education	103 914	104 060	0
Vocational education <sup>1)</sup>	321 736	325 085	1
University of applied sciences education	138 719	139 727	1
University education	163 759	157 436	–4

1) Data on vocational education are from the entire calendar year. Data for other sectors of education are for the situation on 20 September.

**Appendix table 2. Students and completed qualifications and degrees in education leading to a qualification or degree by sector of education in 2015**

Sector of education	New students	New students, women	Students	Students, women	Completed qualifications and degrees	Completed qualifications and degrees, women
		%		%		%
<b>Total</b>	<b>283 108</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1 274 593</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>223 507</b>	<b>54</b>
Basic comprehensive school education, compulsory education school <sup>1)</sup>	61 019	49	546 065	49	58 284	48
Basic education of adults <sup>2)</sup>	.	.	2 220	47	604	45
Upper secondary general education	35 262	58	104 060	57	31 081	57
Vocational education	122 237	51	325 085	50	74 645	53
University of applied sciences education	38 671	55	139 727	53	26 175	62
University education	25 919	55	157 436	53	32 718	58

1) Including pre-primary education in comprehensive schools.

2) Excluding new students in basic education of adults.

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