

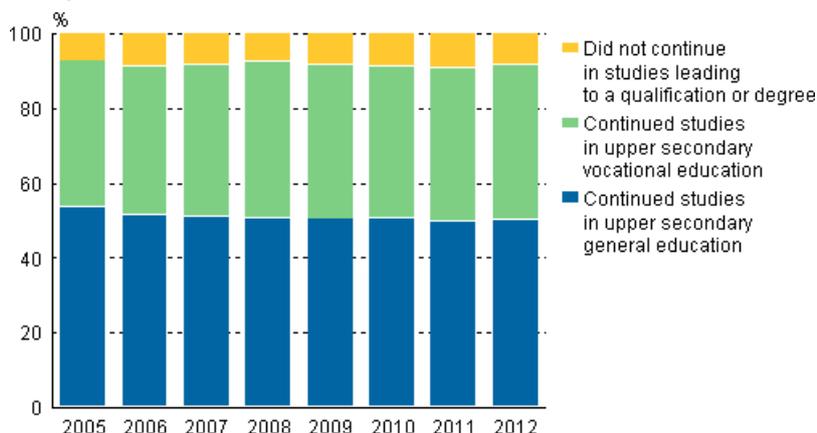
Entrance to education 2012

Immediate entrance to education of completers of comprehensive school and new passers of the matriculation examination

Immediate continuation of studies became easier for completers of comprehensive school but more difficult for new passers of the matriculation examination

Immediate continuation of studies was slightly easier for completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school in 2012 than one year earlier. In contrast, immediate continuation of studies was more difficult than before for new passers of the matriculation examination. In all, 8.5 per cent of the completers of the comprehensive school and 62.5 per cent of the new passers of the matriculation examination failed to get a place for further studies. The share of those left outside further studies went down for completers of comprehensive school and went up for new passers of the matriculation examination by good one-half of a percentage point from one year before. These data derive from education statistics compiled by Statistics Finland.

Direct transition to further studies of completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school 2005 - 2012, %



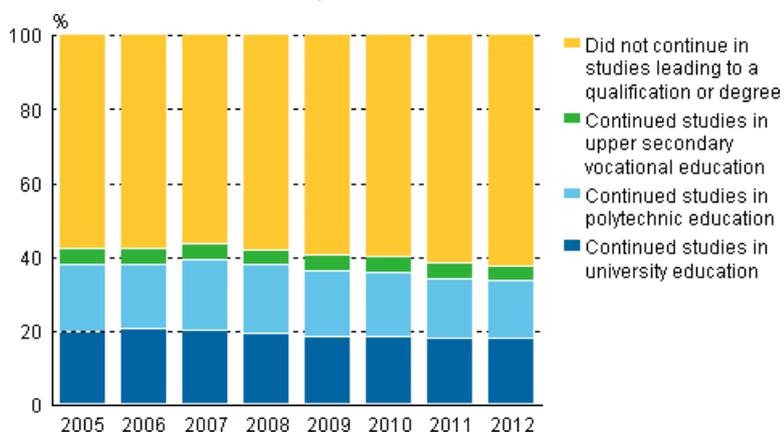
The total number of completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school was 61,100 in 2012, which was good two thousand fewer than one year earlier. Fifty per cent of them (59 per cent of women and 42 per cent of men) went on to study in upper secondary general school, and 41.5 per cent (33 per cent of women and 50 per cent of men) went on to attend upper secondary level vocational education. The remaining 8.5 per cent did not immediately continue studies leading to a qualification or degree. They may have continued

studies not leading to a qualification, such as additional education of the comprehensive school (tenth grade) or counselling and preparatory studies for initial vocational education (Career Start).

The share of those continuing studies leading to a qualification or degree was slightly higher than in the previous year, even though the share of those who did not apply for a student place at all decreased to some degree. However, nearly all completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school applied for further studies as only 1.7 per cent did not do so.

The share of completers of the comprehensive school who continued to upper secondary general education was highest in the region of Uusimaa and the number who continued to vocational education was highest in the region of Kymenlaakso. The number of young people who did not continue to any studies leading to a qualification or degree after the comprehensive school was relatively highest in the comprehensive schools of the regions of North Ostrobothnia, Päijät-Häme and Uusimaa.

Direct transition to further studies of passers of the matriculation examination 2005 - 2012, %



New passers of the matriculation examination numbered 32,000 in 2012, which was nearly one thousand fewer than in the previous year. Eighteen per cent of them entered university education and 16 per cent entered polytechnic education in the autumn of the year they passed the exam. Four per cent entered upper secondary vocational education.

Clearly over one-half, or 62.5 per cent, of the passers of the matriculation examination in 2012 did not continue studying in their year of graduation. The share of those left outside further studies has increased over several years and it continued growing in 2012. This was the case, although the share of those who did not apply for a student place at all diminished. Seventy-seven per cent of the new passers of the matriculation examination applied for further studies. The share of applicants was good one-half of a percentage point higher than a year before.

Entry to university education was easiest for students from the region of Ostrobothnia. The largest numbers of students continued to polytechnic education in Central Ostrobothnia. Those having passed the matriculation examination in Uusimaa remained most frequently outside further studies.

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Appendix table 1. Direct transition to further studies of completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school 2005 - 2012

Year of graduation	Completers of 9th grade of comprehensive school		Continued studies in upper secondary general education		Continued studies in upper secondary vocational education		Did not continue in studies leading to a qualification or degree	
	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
2005	63 297	100,0	33 706	53,3	24 925	39,4	4 666	7,4
2006	65 838	100,0	33 666	51,1	26 374	40,1	5 798	8,8
2007	65 235	100,0	33 152	50,8	26 548	40,7	5 535	8,5
2008	64 740	100,0	32 743	50,6	27 100	41,9	4 897	7,6
2009	64 137	100,0	32 200	50,2	26 427	41,2	5 510	8,6
2010	64 215	100,0	32 352	50,4	26 153	40,7	5 710	8,9
2011	63 194	100,0	31 368	49,6	26 064	41,2	5 762	9,1
2012	61 059	100,0	30 539	50,0	25 360	41,5	5 160	8,5

Appendix table 2. Direct transition to further studies of completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school by sex 2012¹⁾

	Total		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Women		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Men		Change from the previous year, percentage points
		%			%			%	
Completers of 9th grade of comprehensive school 2012	61 059	100,0	.	29 846	100,0	.	31 213	100,0	.
Continued studies in upper secondary general education	30 539	50,0	0,4	17 483	58,6	0,9	13 056	41,8	-0,1
Continued studies in upper secondary vocational education	25 360	41,5	0,3	9 738	32,6	-0,4	15 622	50,0	0,9
Did not continue in studies leading to a qualification or degree	5 160	8,5	-0,6	2 625	8,8	-0,5	2 535	8,1	-0,8

1) Completers of comprehensive school who started in both upper secondary general and vocational education are counted in those continuing in upper secondary general education.

Appendix table 3. Immediate applying for further studies by completers of the 9th grade of comprehensive school by sex 2012¹⁾

	Total		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Women		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Men		Change from the previous year, percentage points
		%			%			%	
Completers of 9th grade of comprehensive school 2012	61 059	100,0	.	29 846	100,0	.	31 213	100,0	.
Applied for upper secondary general education	32 153	52,7	0,5	18 253	61,2	0,9	13 900	44,5	-0,1
Applied for upper secondary vocational education	27 877	45,7	-0,5	11 091	37,2	-1,0	16 786	53,8	-0,1
Did not apply for education leading to a qualification	1 029	1,7	0,2	502	1,7	0,2	527	1,7	0,1

1) According to the first preference option.

Appendix table 4. Direct transition to further studies of passers of the matriculation examination 2005 - 2012

Year of graduation	Completers of the matriculation examination		Continued studies in upper secondary vocational education		Continued studies in polytechnic education		Continued studies in university education		Did not continue in studies leading to a qualification or degree	
	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
2005	34 337	100,0	1 490	4,3	6 262	18,2	6 702	19,5	19 883	57,9
2006	33 091	100,0	1 398	4,2	5 766	17,4	6 774	20,5	19 153	57,9
2007	33 420	100,0	1 412	4,2	6 366	19,0	6 725	20,1	18 917	56,6
2008	32 936	100,0	1 396	4,2	6 087	18,5	6 287	19,1	19 166	58,2
2009	33 011	100,0	1 476	4,5	5 842	17,7	6 025	18,3	19 668	59,6
2010	32 681	100,0	1 365	4,2	5 676	17,4	5 923	18,1	19 717	60,3
2011	32 801	100,0	1 374	4,2	5 300	16,2	5 850	17,8	20 277	61,8
2012	31 996	100,0	1 324	4,1	5 005	15,6	5 680	17,8	19 987	62,5

Appendix table 5. Direct transition to further studies of passers of the matriculation examination by sex 2012¹⁾

	Total		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Women		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Men		Change from the previous year, percentage points
	Total	%		Total	%		Total	%	
Completers of the matriculation examination 2012	31 996	100,0	.	18 480	100,0	.	13 516	100,0	.
Continued studies in upper secondary vocational education	1 324	4,1	-0,1	1 066	5,8	0,0	258	1,9	-0,1
Continued studies in polytechnic education	5 005	15,6	-0,6	2 902	15,7	-0,5	2 103	15,6	-0,6
Continued studies in university education	5 680	17,8	0,0	2 925	15,8	0,2	2 755	20,4	-0,5
Did not continue in studies leading to a qualification or degree	19 987	62,5	0,7	11 587	62,7	0,2	8 400	62,1	1,2

1) Those continuing education are included once in the table figures according to the highest level of education.

Appendix table 6. Immediate applying for further studies by passers of the matriculation examination by sex 2012¹⁾

	Total		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Women		Change from the previous year, percentage points	Men		Change from the previous year, percentage points
	Total	%		Total	%		Total	%	
Completers of the matriculation examination 2012	31 996	100,0	.	18 480	100,0	.	13 516	100,0	.
Applied for upper secondary vocational education	648	2,0	-0,1	461	2,5	0,0	187	1,4	-0,1
Applied only for polytechnic education	6 337	19,8	-1,4	3 870	20,9	-2,0	2 467	18,3	-0,6
Applied for both polytechnic and university education	7 517	23,5	-0,9	4 774	25,8	-2,1	2 743	20,3	0,6
Applied only for university education	10 019	31,3	3,0	5 525	29,9	4,4	4 494	33,2	1,1
Did not apply for further studies	7 475	23,4	-0,6	3 850	20,8	-0,4	3 625	26,8	-1,0

1) Applicants are included once in the table figures according to the highest level of education.

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