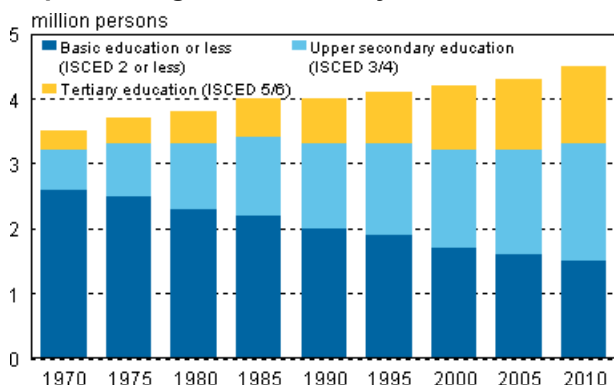


# Educational structure of population 2010

## Size of population with educational qualifications has multiplied many times over in 40 years

By the end of 2010, a total of 3,005,000 persons in Finland had attained post-comprehensive level educational qualifications in upper secondary general school education, vocational education, polytechnic education or university education. Four decades earlier, their number was 3.4 times lower, or 882,000. By the end of 1970, one out of four and by the end of 2010 two out of three in the population aged 15 or over had attained a post-comprehensive level educational qualification.

Population aged 15 or over by level of education 1970-2010



Persons having only completed the basic level of education, i.e. comprehensive school, middle school or elementary school, numbered 1,483,000 in 2010, or one-third of the population aged 15 or over. Upper secondary level qualifications were held by 39 per cent and tertiary level qualifications by 28 per cent. In 1970, persons having only completed the basic level of education numbered 2,600,000, or three-quarters of the population aged 15 or over. At that time, upper secondary level qualifications were held by 16 per cent and tertiary level qualifications by 9 per cent.

In 2010, the share of population aged 15 or over with educational qualifications was highest in Kauniainen at 79 per cent and lowest in Rautavaara at 49 per cent. In four decades, the share of population aged 15 or over with educational qualifications has risen by least in Kauniainen and by most in municipalities

around Oulu. Municipalities have been compared according to the municipal division valid on 1 January 2011.

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**Appendix table 1. Population aged 15 or over by level of education and gender 2010**

Level	Gender					
	Total		Men		Women	
		%		%		%
Population aged 15 or over	4,487,599	100.0	2,184,771	100.0	2,302,828	100.0
Basic education or less (ISCED 2 or less)	1,482,696	33.0	733,038	33.6	749,658	32.6
Population with educational qualifications	3,004,903	67.0	1,451,733	66.4	1,553,170	67.4
Upper secondary /Post-secondary non tertiary education (ISCED 3/4)	1,758,056	39.2	912,105	41.7	845,951	36.7
Tertiary level (ISCED 5/6)	1,246,847	27.8	539,628	24.7	707,219	30.7
ISCED 5 B programmes	472,283	10.5	183,651	8.4	288,632	12.5
ISCED 5 A Medium programmes (Bachelor level)	395,862	8.8	176,959	8.1	218,903	9.5
ISCED 5 A Long/very long programmes (Master level)	342,598	7.6	157,587	7.2	185,011	8.0
Second stage of tertiary Education (ISCED 6)	36,104	0.8	21,431	1.0	14,673	0.6
Licentiate's degree	9,549	0.2	5,637	0.3	3,912	0.2
Doctor's degree	26,555	0.6	15,794	0.7	10,761	0.4

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