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Cara Hunter MLA has asked:

Question: To ask the Minister of Education to detail the number of students who sat each subject at (i) GCSE; and (ii) A-Level, for each of the last ten years, broken down by (a) subject; (b) year; and (c) school type.

ANSWER

The answer has been deposited in the Assembly Library.



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Minister of Education

AQW 43686/22-27: GCSE (including Double Award) Examination Entries by subject and school type, 2018/19 - 2023/24

Discount Code and Subject	2023-24_Grammar	2023-24_Non_Grammar	2023-24_Total	2022-23_Grammar	2022-23_Non_Grammar	2022-23_Total	2021-22_Grammar	2021-22_Non_Grammar	2021-22_Total	2020-21_Grammar	2020-21_Non_Grammar	2020-21_Total	2019-20_Grammar	2019-20_Non_Grammar	2019-20_Total	2018-19_Grammar	2018-19_Non_Grammar	2018-19_Total
0003 Health and Social Care	489	1,582	2,071	365	1,409	1,774	406	1,354	1,760	346	1,188	1,534	375	859	1,234	291	922	1,213
0004 Leisure and Tourism	76	54	130	65	61	126	99	83	182	86	78	164	89	87	176	43	68	111
0007 Hospitality	45	468	513	67	334	401	97	353	450	81	326	407	56	326	381	51	309	360
0015 Performing Arts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1010 Biology	3,533	358	3,891	3,450	294	3,744	3,359	280	3,639	3,481	275	3,756	3,470	283	3,753	3,564	240	3,804
1110 Chemistry	2,816	228	3,044	2,780	198	2,978	2,685	203	2,888	2,794	169	2,963	2,824	157	2,981	2,864	130	2,994
1210 Physics	2,725	203	2,928	2,613	183	2,796	2,600	189	2,789	2,654	154	2,808	2,664	149	2,813	2,665	148	2,813
1310 Science SA	872	858	1,730	617	4,785	5,402	858	5,247	6,105	809	5,272	6,081	765	5,066	5,831	720	5,008	5,728
1370 Science Double Awd	4,407	4,349	8,756	4,025	3,983	8,008	4,352	3,925	8,277	4,228	4,010	8,238	4,158	3,859	8,017	4,005	3,813	7,818
1690 Science: Astronomy	1	0	1	23	0	23	4	0	4	2	2	4	1	0	1	0	0	1
1730 Science: Electronics	17	0	17	14	0	14	0	0	16	25	0	25	8	0	8	0	0	8
1770 Science: Geology	34	0	34	12	0	12	29	0	29	18	0	18	20	0	20	28	0	28
2210 Mathematics	10,527	18,999	29,526	9,488	16,271	25,769	9,650	14,993	24,643	9,955	13,468	23,423	10,160	16,800	26,960	9,850	14,280	24,130
2330 Maths (Further)	3,565	966	4,531	3,187	728	3,915	3,260	799	4,059	3,280	743	4,023	3,083	645	3,728	3,020	628	3,648
2340 Additional Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2510 Statistics	106	456	562	137	515	652	283	364	647	125	324	449	221	366	587	280	362	642
2610 Computer Studies / Computing	593	162	755	564	191	755	529	79	607	458	62	520	374	47	421	404	57	461
2650 Information and Communication Technology	1,868	1,322	3,190	1,840	1,084	2,924	1,362	2,169	3,531	1,364	2,311	3,675	1,380	2,025	3,405	1,468	2,070	3,538
3070 Motor Vehicle Studies	113	911	1,024	70	696	766	99	690	789	137	875	1,012	99	767	866	123	802	925
3210 Business	3,181	1,677	4,858	3,044	1,475	4,519	2,754	1,146	3,900	2,584	1,205	3,789	2,480	1,251	3,731	2,402	1,056	3,458
3310 Home Economics	1,514	1,042	2,556	1,386	1,007	2,393	1,671	1,107	2,778	1,566	1,105	2,671	1,498	1,029	2,527	1,409	1,037	2,446
3330 HE: Child Development	488	1,711	2,199	516	1,517	2,033	590	1,606	2,196	582	1,629	2,211	475	1,484	1,959	476	1,465	1,941
3310 Art and Design	1,523	2,467	3,970	1,267	1,961	3,228	1,343	2,169	3,512	1,364	2,311	3,675	1,380	2,025	3,405	1,468	2,070	3,538
3550 Art and Design (Graphics)	0	8	8	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	0	12	26	0	26	0	0	26
3570 Art and Design (Photography)	0	18	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3650 Art and Design (Textiles)	0	28	28	0	23	23	0	17	17	0	0	17	0	17	17	0	12	12
3690 Art and Design (Fine Art)	0	22	22	0	35	35	0	13	13	0	0	13	0	13	13	0	1	1
3910 Geography	3,541	2,628	6,169	3,390	2,274	5,664	3,580	2,324	5,904	3,781	2,518	6,299	3,576	2,280	5,856	3,620	2,147	5,767
4010 History	4,344	3,880	8,224	4,014	3,189	7,203	4,169	3,309	7,478	4,238	3,237	7,475	4,095	3,061	7,156	3,857	2,978	6,835
4410 Economics	172	26	198	193	21	214	193	31	224	184	29	213	187	175	362	172	31	203
4610 Religious Studies	6,346	4,581	10,927	5,791	4,335	10,126	6,341	4,539	10,880	6,233	4,339	10,572	6,054	4,201	10,255	6,044	4,419	10,463
4810 Personal / Social Education	1,154	2,490	3,644	1,037	1,205	2,242	1,205	1,076	2,281	1,317	2,398	3,715	1,317	2,787	4,104	1,248	4,972	6,220
4830 Government and Politics	144	163	307	124	115	239	117	115	232	106	95	201	76	85	161	79	24	103
4850 Psychology	13	61	74	19	36	55	13	19	32	15	13	28	14	19	33	16	14	30
4890 Sociology	33	186	219	0	172	172	36	172	208	27	129	156	47	136	183	27	189	196
4910 Social Science: Citizenship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5010 English	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5012 Gaelic	54	240	294	49	187	236	40	192	232	48	191	239	61	148	209	50	154	204
5030 English Language	9,738	14,201	23,939	8,918	12,264	21,182	9,547	12,655	22,202	9,463	12,574	22,037	9,419	12,286	21,705	9,326	11,726	21,052
5110 English Literature	7,558	3,362	10,920	6,919	2,998	9,917	7,212	2,800	10,012	7,216	2,931	10,147	7,302	2,907	10,209	7,019	2,853	9,872
5210 Drama and Theatre Studies	749	675	1,424	600	587	1,187	785	589	1,374	746	743	1,489	822	746	1,568	702	777	1,479
5350 Media	290	514	804	353	468	821	269	408	677	303	365	668	346	332	678	369	362	731
5360 Film Studies	0	8	8	0	17	17	0	16	16	0	0	16	0	0	16	0	0	16
5510 Welsh Language	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
5550 Irish	783	751	1,534	607	692	1,299	825	899	1,724	844	627	1,471	868	641	1,509	893	663	1,556
5650 French	2,125	684	2,809	2,205	643	2,848	2,452	721	3,173	2,656	888	3,544	2,750	907	3,657	3,006	1,000	4,006
5670 German	585	43	628	508	18	527	658	60	718	655	37	692	767	46	813	748	35	783
5690 Italian	2	7	9	3	7	10	3	7	10	1	3	4	4	4	8	6	1	7
5710 Modern Greek	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5730 Portuguese	3	39	42	1	60	61	8	59	67	3	21	24	2	17	19	1	53	54
5750 Spanish	2,932	795	3,727	2,683	640	3,323	2,779	802	3,581	2,886	740	3,626	2,820	737	3,557	2,768	552	3,320
5910 Arabic	10	28	38	12	45	57	10	57	67	3	37	40	2	26	28	5	10	15
5930 Bengali	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
5950 Chinese	32	15	47	15	7	22	28	2	30	1	1	2	4	4	8	19	6	25
6010 Japanese	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0	3
6070 Polish	49	94	143	46	84	130	49	124	165	16	40	56	47	111	158	41	119	160
6090 Russian	22	14	36	9	27	36	16	18	34	9	1	10	9	2	11	19	3	22
6110 Turkish	1	0	1	0	3	3	1	3	4	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	4
6130 Urdu	1	5	6	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	4
6150 Persian	0	2	2	1	9	10	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
6510 Ancient History	0	15	15	0	19	19	0	19	19	44	9	53	0	15	15	23	11	34
6530 Classic Civilisation	105	0	105	83	0	83	61	0	61	94	0	94	87	0	87	69	0	69
6550 Classical Greek	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	1
6610 Latin	60	0	60	65	0	65	57	0	57	84	0	84	69	0	69	53	0	53
7010 Music	722	542	1,264	634	400	1,034	824	535	1,359	826	561	1,387	832	559	1,391	832	529	1,361
7210 Sport / P.E. Studies	2,110	1,092	3,202	1,768	890	2,658	1,879	958	2,837	1,759	1,008	2,767	1,768	1,025	2,793	1,727	1,014	2,741
8210 IT and Art	255	391	646	279	243	522	270	329	599	329	373	702	320	338	658	364	382	746
8500 Design and Technology	2,165	1,861	4,046	1,785	1,443	3,228	1,993	1,665	3,658	1,660	1,781	3,441	1,876	1,820	3,696	1,860	1,921	3,781
AAS Business and ICT	554	1,862	2,416	427	1,498	1,925	368	1,536	1,904	341	1,409	1,750	340	1,126	1,466	455	1,174	1,629
FX22 ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IB Creative Craft	33	95	128	21	67	88	31	94	125	29	116	145	24	114	138	39	109	148
KD1 Journalism	0	65	65	0	0	0	65	78	143	63	119	182	75	73	148	73	40	113
KJ1 Photography	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LB1 Dance	0	8	8	0	7	7	0	11	11	0	0	11	8	0	8	11	4	15
SA1 Agriculture	327	309	636	159	184	343	119	184	303	130	171	301	157	166	323	157	152	309
TE1 Construction	405	918	1,323	267	858	1,125	338	719	1,057	330	692	1,022	253	708	961	188	607	795
XA1 Engineering	107	123	230	150</														

AQW 43686/22-27: GCSE (including Double Award) Examination Entries by subject and school type, 2014/15 - 2017/18

Discount Code and Subject	2017-18 Grammar	2017-18 Non-Grammar	2017-18 Total	2016-17 Grammar	2016-17 Non-Grammar	2016-17 Total	2015-16 Grammar	2015-16 Non-Grammar	2015-16 Total	2014-15 Grammar	2014-15 Non-Grammar	2014-15 Total
0001 Applied Art & Des	0	0	0	0	32	32	0	21	21	0	37	37
0002 Applied Business	181	710	891	186	659	845	174	489	663	76	526	602
0003 Health & Soc Care	241	653	894	246	578	824	183	585	748	211	530	741
0004 Leisure & Tourism	52	189	241	54	198	252	35	188	223	23	158	181
0005 Manufacturing	42	46	88	65	91	156	37	79	116	49	115	164
0006 Construction	191	549	740	120	553	673	148	422	570	99	424	523
0007 Hosp & Catering	32	302	334	17	330	347	25	310	335	47	329	376
0009 Applied Engineering	256	455	711	225	415	640	375	204	579	204	201	366
0010 Applied ICT	0	181	181	0	182	182	0	170	170	0	185	185
0015 Performing Arts	0	0	0	40	246	286	30	272	302	66	297	363
0021 Prep for Employment	1,115	3,900	5,015	1,298	4,272	5,570	1,590	4,463	6,053	1,619	5,231	6,850
0028 Adml Appl Sci	0	0	0	0	25	25	0	21	21	0	52	52
0040 Journalism	96	36	132	154	76	230	172	89	241	201	60	261
1010 Biology	3,459	2,223	5,682	3,922	3,377	7,299	3,959	453	4,422	3,521	333	3,854
1110 Chemistry	2,755	155	2,910	2,819	178	2,998	2,961	184	3,145	2,903	194	3,097
1210 Physics	2,704	131	2,835	2,799	136	2,935	2,732	141	2,873	2,788	175	2,963
1300 Science (Core)	0	0	0	3	777	780	7	1,009	1,016	13	1,661	1,674
1310 Science SA	644	5,297	5,941	564	4,865	5,229	483	4,422	4,905	387	4,269	4,656
1320 Science: Additional	0	0	0	4	888	892	176	1,035	1,211	182	1,364	1,546
1370 Science Double Award	3,992	3,682	7,674	4,026	2,910	6,936	4,004	2,919	6,923	4,125	2,936	7,061
1690 Science: Astronomy	23	0	23	24	0	24	46	0	46	31	0	31
1730 Sci: Electronics	13	0	13	21	0	21	28	0	28	23	0	23
1770 Science: Geology	33	0	33	17	0	17	30	0	30	33	0	33
2210 Mathematics	8,995	12,877	20,972	8,162	12,370	20,532	8,128	12,512	20,640	8,129	13,749	21,878
2330 Maths (Further)	2,822	5,964	8,786	3,426	4,65	8,081	2,883	2,884	3,367	2,367	432	3,369
2510 Statistics	141	128	269	148	190	338	159	253	414	78	234	313
2610 Com. Stds/Computing	550	99	649	580	87	677	475	36	511	249	0	249
2650 Inform Comm Tech	2,938	4,283	7,221	2,986	4,558	7,544	2,986	4,640	7,626	2,926	4,870	7,796
3070 Motor Vehicle Stds	77	787	864	71	770	841	55	703	758	67	853	920
3210 Bus. Studs: Single	2,065	803	2,868	1,898	791	2,689	1,849	739	2,588	1,823	876	2,699
3310 Home Economics	1,233	1,015	2,248	1,213	985	2,198	1,194	989	2,183	1,194	1,154	2,364
3330 HE: Child Devt	368	1,340	1,708	307	1,470	1,777	259	1,519	1,778	219	1,847	2,066
3350 HE: Food	0	0	0	30	88	118	40	127	167	27	127	154
3510 Art & Design	1,415	2,179	3,594	1,491	2,310	3,801	1,523	2,422	3,945	1,432	2,646	4,078
3570 Art & Des(Photo.)	18	19	37	15	10	25	25	27	52	18	18	39
3650 Art & Des(Textiles)	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	4	4	0	16	16
3690 Art/Des: Fine Art	0	46	46	0	18	18	0	3	3	0	17	17
3910 Geography	3,458	2,354	5,712	3,519	2,228	5,747	3,584	2,333	5,917	3,689	2,762	6,451
4010 History	3,388	2,611	5,999	3,486	2,784	6,240	3,563	3,049	6,612	4,087	3,437	7,524
4410 Economics	168	13	181	174	23	197	234	0	234	168	20	188
4510 Humanities: Single	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10
4610 Religious Studies	5,868	4,775	10,643	5,888	5,239	11,107	6,175	5,536	11,711	5,788	5,972	11,760
4850 Psychology	13	14	27	10	14	24	10	17	27	11	16	27
4890 Sociology	54	122	176	34	148	182	15	163	178	18	122	140
4910 Soc Sci/Citizenshp	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5010 English	0	46	46	0	34	34	110	705	815	297	1,179	1,476
5030 English Language	9,085	10,747	19,832	9,117	10,603	19,720	9,089	10,250	19,339	8,861	10,893	19,754
5110 English Literature	6,923	2,770	9,743	7,114	2,835	9,949	7,213	2,985	10,198	7,333	3,295	10,628
5210 Drama & Theat. Stds	739	651	1,390	671	604	1,275	746	661	1,427	765	782	1,527
5350 Media/Film/TV Stds	812	900	1,712	731	960	1,691	680	1,025	1,705	573	986	1,559
5360 Film Studies	0	20	20	0	9	9	0	13	13	0	15	15
5550 Irish	947	574	1,521	950	533	1,483	971	567	1,538	1,027	589	1,616
5630 Dutch	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
5650 French	3,232	1,041	4,123	3,516	1,068	4,604	3,767	1,388	5,073	4,020	1,457	5,477
5670 German	915	83	998	866	49	915	1,026	111	1,137	909	110	1,019
5690 Italian	0	0	0	7	1	8	13	0	13	24	1	25
5730 Portuguese	1	15	16	1	15	16	1	16	17	0	25	25
5750 Spanish	2,876	776	3,652	2,919	868	3,787	2,881	613	3,494	2,948	666	3,614
5910 Arabic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
5930 Bengali	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
5950 Chinese	2	3	5	1	1	2	2	4	6	2	4	6
6010 Japanese	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
6070 Polish	7	61	68	8	50	58	4	55	59	7	85	92
6090 Russian	16	2	18	13	3	16	21	1	22	1	3	4
6110 Turkish	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6130 Urdu	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
6510 Ancient History	0	11	11	0	17	17	0	17	17	0	17	17
6530 Class. Civilisation	89	0	89	85	0	85	61	0	61	60	0	60
6550 Classical Greek	3	0	3	4	0	4	2	0	2	8	0	8
6610 Latin	86	1	87	66	0	66	51	0	51	83	0	83
7010 Music	777	492	1,269	861	532	1,393	856	673	1,529	895	790	1,685
7210 Sport/P.E. Studies	1,987	1,271	3,258	1,932	1,431	3,363	1,830	1,523	3,353	1,511	1,741	3,252
7230 Dance	0	0	0	2	7	9	0	18	18	2	15	19
7430 Catering Studies	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	15	15	0	0	0
7460 Office Technology	161	829	990	107	909	1,016	121	1,015	1,136	62	1,166	1,228
8900 Design&Technology	1,468	1,085	2,553	1,456	985	2,441	1,519	1,044	2,563	1,446	1,365	2,811
9010 D&T Electric Prods	99	115	214	109	14	123	114	17	131	103	18	121
9020 D&T Food Technology	12	17	29	2	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
9030 D&T Graphic Prods	18	43	61	44	69	113	24	38	62	22	48	70
9040 D&T Resist. Matris	217	872	1,089	165	998	1,163	102	1,068	1,170	68	1,241	1,309
9050 D&T Textiles Tech.	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
9060 D&T Systems & Cont	73	0	73	90	0	90	85	0	85	126	10	136
9080 D&T Product Design	0	67	67	0	124	124	0	124	124	0	44	44
9A1 Agriculture	51	184	235	31	142	173	25	141	166	41	122	163

Source: RM Database

The analysis taken from the RM Database and is based on data collected from Awarding Organisations. As such, it is a snapshot of the administrative data held on the school SIMS at that point in time. No further validation is undertaken directly with schools.

Includes all entries, regardless of year group or whether they appeared in the Summer or Winter examination series. No discounting applied.

Double award subjects are only counted as one entry

Does not include equivalent qualifications

AQW 43686/22-27: A Level (including Double Award) Examination Entries by subject and school type, 2018/19 - 2023/24

Discount Code and Subject	2023-24_Grammar	2023-24_Non_Grammar	2023-24_Total	2022-23_Grammar	2022-23_Non_Grammar	2022-23_Total	2021-22_Grammar	2021-22_Non_Grammar	2021-22_Total	2020-21_Grammar	2020-21_Non_Grammar	2020-21_Total	2019-20_Grammar	2019-20_Non_Grammar	2019-20_Total	2018-19_Grammar	2018-19_Non_Grammar	2018-19_Total
0003 Health and Social Care	1,414	1,643	3,057	1,329	1,558	2,887	1,406	1,607	3,013	1,430	1,643	3,073	1,212	1,503	2,715	1,158	1,342	2,500
0015 Performing Arts	84	136	220	75	136	211	73	130	203	74	142	216	66	168	234	67	109	176
1010 Biology	2,288	454	2,742	2,441	484	2,925	2,301	493	2,794	2,363	396	2,759	2,077	371	2,448	2,064	336	2,400
1110 Chemistry	1,992	209	2,201	1,603	219	1,822	1,636	220	1,856	1,770	187	1,957	1,553	164	1,717	1,388	150	1,538
1210 Physics	1,098	134	1,232	1,022	122	1,144	1,125	143	1,268	1,119	95	1,214	901	95	996	963	105	1,068
1730 Science: Electronics	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1750 Science: Environmental	148	59	207	109	57	166	109	32	141	92	33	125	71	44	115	81	39	120
1770 Science: Geology	12	0	12	0	0	0	8	0	8	19	0	19	11	0	11	15	0	15
2210 Mathematics	2,508	556	3,064	2,150	487	2,637	2,467	562	3,029	2,599	496	3,095	2,414	425	2,839	2,341	381	2,722
2330 Maths (Further)	194	4	198	150	3	153	169	11	180	171	6	177	153	2	155	163	4	167
2610 Computer Studies / Computing	363	64	427	292	42	334	304	54	358	286	51	337	278	65	343	263	66	329
2650 Information and Communication Technology	453	154	607	462	134	596	526	206	734	560	148	708	659	165	824	737	207	944
3210 Business	1,830	399	2,229	1,641	366	2,007	1,669	340	2,009	1,524	294	1,818	1,479	335	1,814	1,402	355	1,847
3310 Home Economics	558	131	689	462	69	531	539	60	599	580	84	664	497	103	600	497	88	585
3510 Art and Design	440	431	871	458	334	792	406	327	733	413	304	717	394	379	773	436	328	764
3570 Art and Design (Photography)	0	9	9	4	9	13	2	37	39	2	25	27	6	23	31	9	34	43
3650 Art and Design (Textiles)	0	5	5	0	3	3	0	11	11	0	7	7	0	8	8	0	4	4
3670 Art and Design (3D Studies)	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3690 Art and Design (Fine Art)	0	14	14	0	15	15	2	16	18	12	31	43	19	29	48	13	22	35
3830 History of Art	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
3910 Geography	1,253	378	1,631	1,370	453	1,823	1,421	396	1,817	1,448	384	1,832	1,167	281	1,448	1,226	303	1,529
4010 History	1,396	631	2,027	1,352	591	1,943	1,369	581	1,950	1,432	587	2,019	1,186	436	1,622	1,173	425	1,598
4110 Economics	306	33	339	266	15	281	254	23	276	217	32	249	240	19	259	271	23	293
4510 Religious Studies	827	496	1,322	711	527	1,238	957	543	1,500	1,064	582	1,646	1,098	623	1,721	1,098	634	1,732
4770 Law	0	13	13	0	10	10	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	5	5
4830 Government and Politics	902	278	1,180	793	265	1,058	754	269	1,023	706	236	942	767	206	973	744	193	937
4850 Psychology	426	92	518	407	138	545	384	151	535	407	356	339	318	107	425	409	109	448
4890 Sociology	427	243	670	456	250	706	451	319	770	446	307	753	440	210	650	392	277	669
5010 English	15	0	15	0	23	23	0	54	54	0	35	35	0	33	33	0	28	28
5030 English Language	29	0	29	0	22	22	37	5	42	36	0	46	39	0	39	33	11	44
5110 English Literature	1,015	487	1,502	899	428	1,327	1,007	477	1,484	997	430	1,427	1,121	453	1,574	1,156	445	1,601
5210 Drama and Theatre Studies	218	66	284	180	70	250	277	93	370	273	84	357	252	72	324	249	99	348
5350 Media	209	282	491	202	197	399	196	239	435	187	233	420	212	251	463	231	231	462
5360 Film Studies	10	0	10	6	0	6	6	0	6	9	0	9	0	2	12	7	2	9
5550 Irish	129	140	269	127	139	266	183	132	315	163	149	312	166	136	302	150	133	283
5650 French	237	2	239	272	13	285	269	16	279	307	10	317	302	22	324	337	13	350
5670 German	0	73	0	61	0	61	71	0	72	90	0	90	89	0	89	67	1	68
5690 Italian	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	2
5730 Portuguese	0	7	0	0	10	10	0	6	6	0	3	3	4	9	13	2	12	14
5750 Spanish	329	37	366	368	40	408	350	34	384	403	35	438	406	56	462	396	45	441
5910 Arabic	1	5	6	4	9	13	3	13	16	0	0	0	0	15	15	0	4	4
5950 Chinese	8	1	9	6	2	8	9	11	10	4	4	8	5	0	5	4	4	8
6070 Polish	6	11	17	7	10	17	9	22	33	7	16	23	13	22	35	20	37	57
6090 Russian	0	7	0	1	3	4	0	3	3	3	0	3	6	3	9	7	1	8
6110 Turkish	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
6130 Urdu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
6150 Persian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6510 Ancient History	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6530 Classic Civilisation	48	0	48	59	0	59	36	11	37	44	0	44	73	0	73	65	0	65
6550 Classical Greek	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6610 Latin	4	10	0	4	13	0	13	0	13	4	0	4	10	0	10	7	0	7
7010 Music	167	27	194	170	32	202	222	31	253	189	38	227	221	32	253	229	50	279
7040 Music Technology	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
7210 Sport/P.E. Studies	364	65	429	291	44	335	311	40	353	274	13	287	259	34	293	226	16	242
7410 Accounting / Finance	46	7	53	58	13	71	64	16	80	65	11	76	39	9	48	8	8	92
8210 IT and Art	198	149	347	188	139	327	218	168	386	162	213	375	234	211	445	239	220	459
8900 Design and Technology	474	106	580	431	120	551	490	148	638	498	119	617	398	123	521	485	103	588
9050 Design and Technology: Textiles Technology	17	7	24	14	26	40	17	0	17	55	13	68	9	15	24	0	8	8
9070 Design and Technology: Engineering	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9080 Design and Technology: Product Design	88	153	241	78	116	194	108	111	219	65	96	161	74	131	205	114	150	264
K01 Journalism	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	21	89	55	36	91	64	37	101	48	45	93
L01 Dance	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	4	4
MA11 Sports Science	296	0	296	238	0	238	260	1	261	208	0	208	202	4	206	258	25	283
NK1 Travel and Tourism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
RA1B Applied Science	202	449	651	188	444	632	167	374	541	139	316	455	118	282	400	99	328	427

Source: DE Exams Database

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Note on 2022/23 - Data from 13 schools with Post 16 provision were not made available in a usable format for 2022/23 due to ongoing Action Shot of Strike (ASOS) in schools. Data from these schools are therefore missing from this analysis.

AQW 43686/22-27: A Level (including Double Award) Examination Entries by subject and school type, 2014/15 - 2017/18

Discount Code and Subject	2017-18_Grammar	2017-18_Non_Grammar	2017-18_Total	2016-17_Grammar	2016-17_Non_Grammar	2016-17_Total	2015-16_Grammar	2015-16_Non_Grammar	2015-16_Total	2014-15_Grammar	2014-15_Non_Grammar	2014-15_Total
0001 Applied Art & Des	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0001 GNVC Art and Design	0	0	0	1	45	46	17	36	53	8	34	42
0002 GNVC Business Studies	406	776	1,182	490	1,024	1,514	426	1,046	1,472	376	973	1,349
0003 Health & Soc Care	971	1,308	2,279	907	1,405	2,312	867	1,476	2,343	803	1,453	2,256
0008 GNVC Science	10	20	30	62	417	479	79	431	510	46	389	415
0009 GNVC Engineering	0	0	0	0	19	19	0	0	0	2	43	45
0010 GNVC Information Technology	377	1,204	1,581	340	1,389	1,729	312	1,471	1,783	243	1,484	1,727
0012 GNVC Media Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	9
0015 Performing Arts	55	152	207	43	122	165	43	91	134	32	73	105
0016 Leisure & Recreatio	8	26	34	19	38	57	22	40	62	13	48	61
0017 Travel and Tourism	109	158	267	62	156	218	60	145	205	54	183	237
0040 Journalism	65	32	97	40	28	68	31	31	62	16	0	16
1010 Biology	2,184	477	2,661	2,262	483	2,745	2,414	524	2,938	2,406	540	2,946
1110 Chemistry	1,422	172	1,594	1,463	195	1,658	1,546	209	1,755	1,531	211	1,742
1210 Physics	1,093	117	1,210	1,109	124	1,233	1,209	142	1,351	1,311	173	1,484
1310 Sciences SA	36	143	179	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1370 Science Double Awd	15	122	137	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1730 Sci: Electronics	14	0	14	22	0	22	14	0	14	12	0	12
1750 Sci: Environmental	72	35	107	46	40	86	35	32	67	1	45	46
1770 Science: Geology	20	0	20	32	0	32	38	0	38	35	0	35
2210 Mathematics	2,459	416	2,875	2,548	451	2,999	2,712	512	3,224	2,740	469	3,209
2330 Maths (Further)	186	6	192	187	6	193	178	9	187	178	2	180
2340 Additional Maths	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2610 Computer Studies	301	63	364	247	77	324	226	17	243	142	35	167
2650 Information Technology	851	147	998	1,137	245	1,382	1,205	198	1,403	1,228	198	1,426
3210 Business Studies	1,283	206	1,489	1,200	110	1,310	1,144	174	1,318	1,091	195	1,286
3310 Home Economics	7	6	13	453	72	525	463	65	528	433	85	518
3350 Home Economics: Food	505	84	589	16	29	45	26	21	47	18	13	31
3510 Art and Design	408	343	751	455	377	832	476	377	853	510	426	936
3570 Art and Design (Photography)	13	48	61	8	57	65	11	40	51	13	34	47
3650 Art & Des(Textiles)	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3690 Fine Art	15	22	37	0	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
3830 History of Art	14	0	14	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
3910 Geography	1,260	313	1,573	1,301	336	1,637	1,410	381	1,791	1,466	431	1,897
4010 History	1,150	538	1,688	1,443	576	2,019	1,548	627	2,175	1,539	635	2,174
4410 Economics	267	31	298	286	19	305	323	29	352	310	35	345
4610 Religious Studies	1,253	711	1,964	1,238	782	2,020	1,203	751	1,954	1,408	895	2,303
4770 Law	1	23	24	3	26	29	2	45	47	0	31	31
4790 Logic/Philosophy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
4830 Politics	744	223	967	727	183	910	702	884	687	243	930	
4850 Psychology	322	126	448	316	134	450	427	136	563	377	185	542
4890 Sociology	497	315	812	450	313	763	312	747	424	285	729	
4892 Anthropology	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4910 Citizenship	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	25	25	3	19	22
5010 English	0	44	44	0	23	23	31	28	59	28	42	70
5030 English Language	31	12	43	46	13	59	39	5	44	37	0	37
5110 English Literature	1,333	460	1,793	1,343	492	1,835	1,426	472	1,898	1,468	488	1,956
5210 Drama & Theat.Stds	262	86	348	315	151	466	317	146	463	353	188	541
5230 Creative Writing	12	11	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5310 Communication Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
5350 Media/Film/TV Stds	536	536	1,072	532	626	1,158	492	612	1,104	499	643	1,142
5360 Film Studies	14	10	24	2	8	10	7	11	18	7	11	18
5550 Irish	195	129	324	180	147	327	182	133	315	175	146	321
5650 French	369	39	408	426	36	462	452	40	492	484	41	525
5670 German	101	2	103	97	2	99	100	0	100	92	2	94
5690 Italian	3	0	3	1	0	1	3	0	3	1	0	1
5730 Portuguese	5	7	12	0	16	16	0	6	6	0	4	4
5750 Spanish	372	49	421	451	59	510	432	79	511	487	50	517
5910 Arabic	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	1	2
5950 Chinese	18	1	19	13	2	15	20	1	21	24	2	26
6070 Polish	18	45	63	19	49	68	13	31	44	10	30	40
6090 Russian	8	0	8	1	1	2	4	1	5	7	0	7
6110 Turkish	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6130 Urdu	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
6150 Persian	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
6510 Ancient History	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
6530 Classical Civilisation	72	0	72	103	0	103	101	0	101	77	0	77
6610 Latin	6	0	6	14	0	14	7	0	7	8	0	8
7010 Music	273	81	354	258	65	323	272	79	351	347	94	441
7040 Music Technology	0	2	2	2	0	2	1	3	4	3	10	13
7210 Sport/P.E. Studies	476	59	535	497	88	585	461	81	542	472	88	560
7230 Dance	0	2	2	0	6	6	0	7	7	0	7	7
7410 Accounting/Finance	101	15	116	109	27	136	109	25	134	106	33	139
8900 Design& Technology	450	130	580	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9050 D&T Textiles Tech.	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9060 Systems	10	1	11	412	118	530	400	88	488	406	80	486
9080 Design and technology: Product Design	137	230	367	186	307	493	201	290	491	200	334	534

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