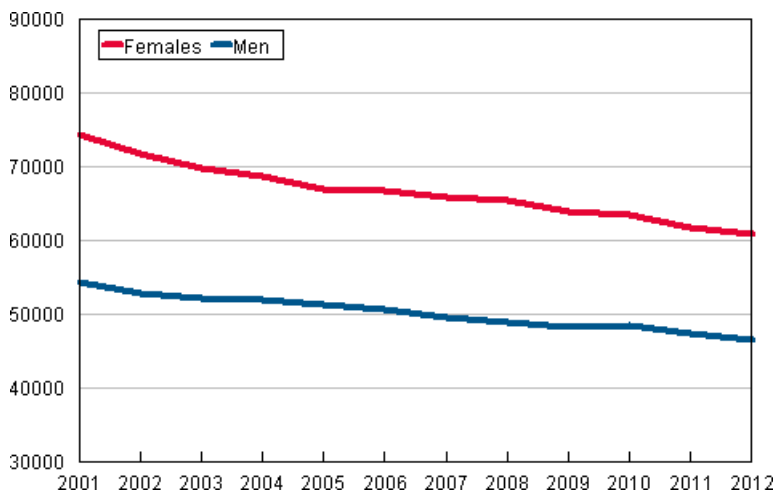


Upper secondary general education 2012

Number of students in upper secondary general education decreased further

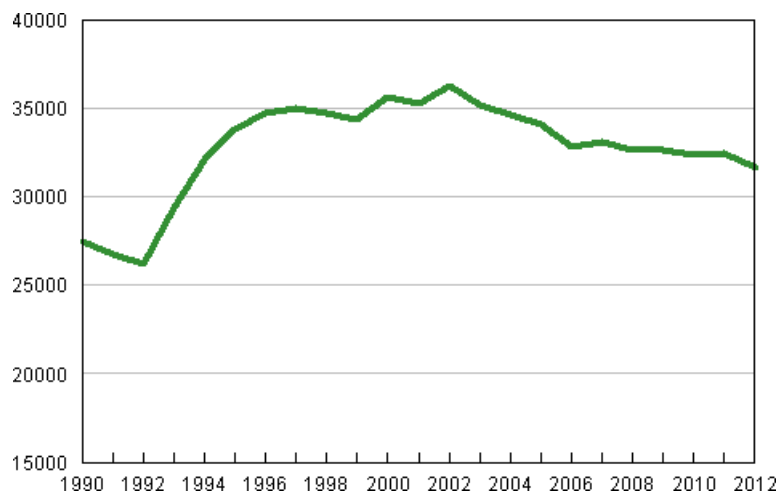
According to Statistics Finland, a total of 107,400 students attended upper secondary general school education leading to qualification in 2012. The number of students decreased further and was 1.5 per cent lower than one year before. Fifty-seven per cent of the students in upper secondary general school education were women.

Students in upper secondary general education by gender 2001–2012



Of the students in upper secondary general school education in 2012, 105,800 studied the full upper secondary general school syllabus and 1,600 studied for an international matriculation examination. Upper secondary education was offered at 422 upper secondary schools and 6 folk high schools. Education in Swedish was offered in 37 upper secondary schools and six per cent of the students in upper secondary general school education studied at these schools.

Matriculation examinations 1990–2012



A total of 31,600 students passed the matriculation examination in 2012. This was 2.5 per cent less than on the year earlier. Of the matriculation examinations, 31,500 were passed in upper secondary schools and 100 in folk high schools. Fifty-eight per cent of the students that passed the examinations were women. In addition, the International Baccalaureate examination was passed by 378 students in 16 upper secondary schools and the Reifeprüfung by 29 students in the Helsingin saksalainen koulu (the German School of Helsinki).

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Appendix table 1. Students and completed qualifications in upper secondary general education in 2012

Upper secondary general education	New students, total	New students, women	Students, total	Students, women	Completed qualifications, total	Completed qualifications, women
Total	35 959	20 547	107 412	60 864	32 002	18 484
Matriculation examination	35 336	20 180	105 787	59 889	31 595	18 244
International Baccalaureate examination	548	331	1 471	897	378	225
Reifeprüfung examination	55	28	118	62	29	15
European Baccalaureate examination	20	8	36	16	.	.
Gymnasieexamen examination	-	-	-	-	-	-

Appendix table 2. Students in upper secondary general education and completers of matriculation examination by region in 2012

Region of studying	Students, total	Students, women	Completers of matriculation examination, total	Completers of matriculation examination, women
Whole country, total¹⁾	107 412	60 864	31 595	18 244
Continental Finland	106 884	60 542	31 425	18 137
Uusimaa	36 015	19 659	9 675	5 396
Varsinais-Suomi	8 737	5 022	2 673	1 568
Satakunta	4 154	2 388	1 180	681
Kanta-Häme	3 017	1 681	878	527
Pirkanmaa	9 753	5 647	2 847	1 631
Päijät-Häme	3 721	2 135	1 205	716
Kymenlaakso	2 888	1 630	938	555
South Karelia	2 117	1 243	642	355
Etelä-Savo	3 226	1 989	864	507
Pohjois-Savo	4 521	2 669	1 401	851
North Karelia	2 895	1 630	854	499
Central Finland	4 883	2 753	1 530	897
South Ostrobothnia	3 422	2 005	1 127	665
Ostrobothnia	3 205	1 848	1 172	686
Central Ostrobothnia	1 348	800	454	273
North Ostrobothnia	7 905	4 522	2 471	1 451
Kainuu	1 636	903	489	270
Lapland	3 441	2 018	1 025	609
Åland total	461	275	152	95
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1) Includes the Aurinkorannikon suomalainen koulu (Colegio Finlandés) located in Spain, with 67 students in upper secondary general education of which 47 are female and 18 completers of matriculation examination of which 12 were female.

Appendix table 3. Students in upper secondary general education and completers of matriculation examination 2001–2012

Year	Educational institutions providing upper secondary general education	Students, total	Students, women	Matriculation examinations, total	Matriculation examinations, women
2001	483	128 642	74 309	35 283	20 538
2002	484	124 644	71 778	36 224	21 338
2003	483	121 816	69 742	35 182	20 642
2004	479	120 531	68 714	34 652	20 386
2005	471	118 111	66 921	34 058	19 624
2006	461	117 260	66 726	32 786	18 871
2007	449	115 253	65 806	33 066	19 186
2008	449	114 240	65 305	32 592	18 628
2009	441	112 088	63 939	32 643	18 835
2010	439	111 778	63 333	32 324	18 752
2011	433	109 046	61 701	32 413	18 571
2012	428	107 412	60 864	31 595	18 244

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