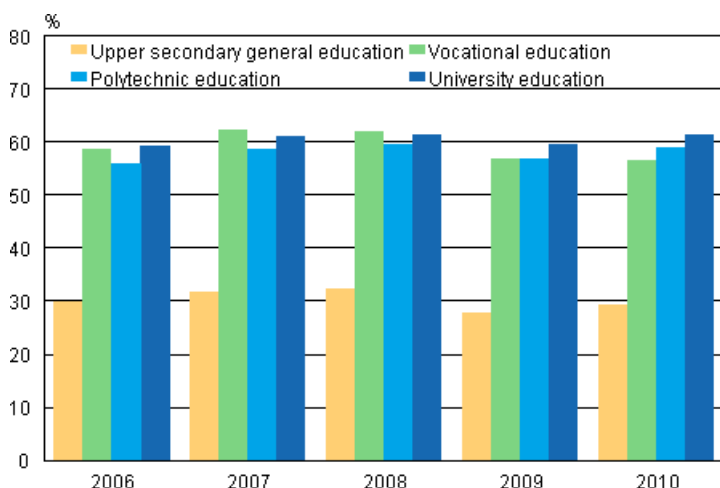


Employment of students 2010

Employment during studies was more widespread in 2010 than one year earlier

According to Statistics Finland's data, employment during studies was more widespread in 2010 than one year earlier. Fifty-six per cent of students were employed during their studies. The share of students employed during studies grew by one percentage point from the previous year. Employment during studies was most widespread among university students, as 61 per cent of them had an employment contract while studying. The share of students employed during polytechnic studies was 59 per cent. Employment during studies remained on level with the previous year only among students in upper secondary vocational education.

Shares of employed students aged at least 18 of all students in 2006-2010



Women worked while studying more frequently than men: 59 per cent of women and 53 per cent of men had an employment contract while studying. The differences between women and men in working while studying were the largest in education leading to matriculation examination and polytechnic degree. The proportion of employed women was ten percentage points higher than that of men. By contrast, in education leading to a higher university degree, such as master's degrees, under two percentage points more women than men were employed during studies.

Employment during studies grew more widespread the older the students were. Twenty-four per cent of 18-year-old students, 46 per cent of 21-year-old students and 55 per cent of 24-year-old students had an employment relationship. Among the students aged 25 or over, 70 per cent were employed during their studies.

Employment of students during studies varied by field of education. Sixty-eight per cent of students in the fields of social sciences, and business and administration were employed at the end of 2010. In the fields of safety and security, social services, health and sports 63 per cent of students and in the field of tourism, catering and domestic services 56 per cent of students were employed during studies.

Employment during studies was more common than the average for the whole country in the regions of Uusimaa, Varsinais-Suomi, Kanta-Häme and Ostrobothnia.

More information related to the progress of studies is available from statistics describing [Discontinuation of education](#) and [Progress of studies](#).

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Sector of education	Students total 2010	Employed students 2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Upper secondary general education	46 995	13 669	29,1	27,6	32,3	31,6	29,8	30,0	31,0	30,0
Vocational education	225 516	126 874	56,3	56,6	62,0	62,1	58,6	56,2	54,4	45,6
Polytechnic education	138 797	81 741	58,9	56,8	59,5	58,5	55,8	53,6	52,7	50,8
University education	169 391	103 626	61,2	59,6	61,4	60,9	59,1	57,5	56,9	55,7
Total	580 699	325 910	56,1	55,2	58,7	58,3	55,6	53,6	52,5	48,8

Appendix table 2. Students and employed students aged at least 18 years by level of education and age in 2010

Level of education	Students total	Employed students	18 years	19 years	20 years	21 years	22 years	23 years	24 years	25 years-	
		%									
Upper secondary general education	46 995	13 669	29,1	7 303	3 080	678	381	299	213	170	1 545
Upper secondary vocational education	225 436	126 794	56,2	7 728	4 794	3 982	4 651	4 737	4 064	3 914	92 924
Post-secondary non-higher vocational education	80	80	100,0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
Polytechnic degree (Bachelor)	132 217	75 586	57,2	48	2 172	4 670	7 139	8 499	7 640	6 640	38 778
Lower university degree (Bachelor)	103 576	56 504	54,6	53	1 347	2 744	4 380	4 996	4 691	4 162	34 131
Higher polytechnic degree (Master)	6 580	6 155	93,5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6 154
Higher university degree (Master)	41 372	26 785	64,7	-	26	108	221	510	1 249	2 124	22 547
Specialisation in medicine, veterinary medicine and dentistry	3 555	3 345	94,1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 345
Licentiate's degree	2 526	2 138	84,6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2 137
Doctoral degree	18 362	14 854	80,9	-	-	-	-	4	12	52	14 786
Total	580 699	325 910	56,1	15 132	11 419	12 182	16 772	19 045	17 870	17 063	216 427
Per cent of age group				23,7	33,0	37,0	46,0	50,1	52,3	55,4	69,8

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