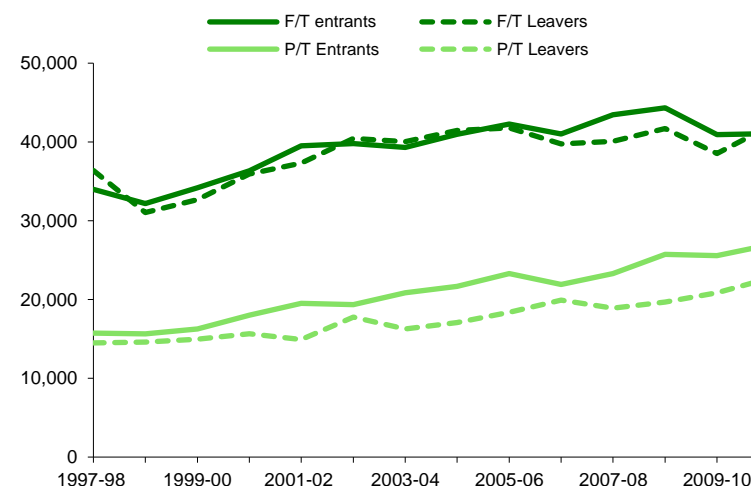


## Teachers

- There were 500,000 full-time equivalent qualified teachers in state funded nursery, primary and secondary schools in 2013/14.
- The ratio of pupils to teachers was at its lowest level in primary schools in 2010/11 and the 2012/13 ratios in secondary schools were the lowest since the early 1990s.
- The recent peak in teacher vacancy rates was 4,700 or 1.4% in 2001. Vacancies have fallen since then to 1,460, or 0.5% in 2010. A new series, not comparable to the earlier data, estimated a rate of 0.1% in November 2010, rising to 0.2% in 2013.
- Teacher vacancies peaked at almost 6,500 in 1990, well above the more recent high in 2001. The latest vacancy rates are similar to those seen in the mid 1990s.
- Entrants to full-time teaching increased up to 2008-09 before falling back by 10% in 2009-10. The number of full-time leavers has remained broadly flat over the last six years and was higher than full-time entrants in 2010-11.
- Entrants to part-time teaching have increased by more than two-thirds since 1996-97, reaching almost 27,000 in 2010-11. The gap between part-time entrants and leavers has generally widened over the past decade.

Teacher Flows in Maintained Schools in England



FTE teachers in UK primary and secondary schools

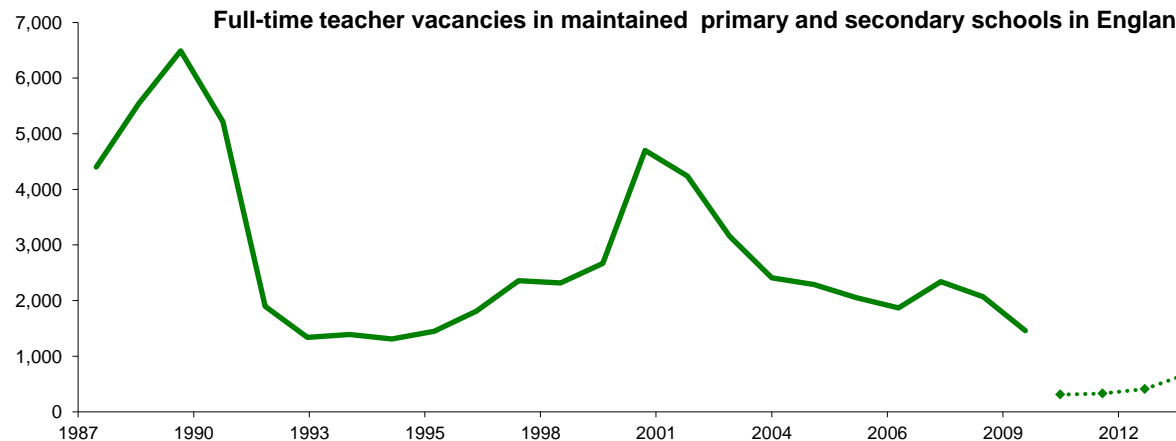
	Teachers ('000s)		Pupils per teacher	
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary
1979	241.2	281.8	22.9	16.5
1990	219.0	236.6	21.7	14.8
1997	227.0	228.9	22.8	16.2
2000	228.0	232.9	22.7	16.6
2010	238.3	233.4	20.7	15.3
2011	238.7	247.2	20.4	15.3
2012	238.1	246.1	20.5	15.3
2013	244.9	250.3	20.5	15.2
2014	251.0	248.7	20.5	15.4

Notes: Excludes pupils and teachers in sixth form colleges in England and Wales from 1994 onwards.

Nursery teachers included with primary FTEs from 2010  
From 2011 includes all academies and free schools.

Source: ONS, Annual Abstract 2010, and earlier  
Education and training statistics for the UK 2014, DfE

Full-time teacher vacancies in maintained primary and secondary schools in England



Sources: DfE-School Workforce in England, November 2013 -and earlier Teachers' Review Body report, various years  
DES news release 13 August 1991 Marked improvement in teacher vacancy rates