



About the General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland

The Council is the independent, self-regulatory professional body for teachers in Northern Ireland. It is dedicated to enhancing the status of teaching and promoting the highest standards of professional conduct and practice. If you wish to teach in a grant-aided school in Northern Ireland you must be registered with the Council.

Established by the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1998, the Council has a membership of 33, the majority of whom are teachers. The Council's responsibilities are as follows:

- the registration of teachers and the approval of teacher qualifications;
- the development of a Code of Values and Professional Practice for the profession;
- disciplinary functions relating to professional conduct and competence; and
- the provision of advice to the Department of Education and Employing Authorities on:

- the education, career development and performance management of teachers;
- standards of teaching;
- registration issues;
- standards of conduct for teachers; and
- other issues such as may be determined by the Department of Education.

The Council is a unique coalition of the profession and other partners with an interest in the education service. It is funded by the annual registration fees paid by teachers.

The Register of Teachers

The Council's Register of Teachers contains the names of and other information – contact details, qualifications and employment history – on more than 27,000 teachers working in grant-aided schools in Northern Ireland; it also contains details about peripatetic teachers. The Register was established in April 2004, and the Council is constantly adding new records and improving the quality of the data held on the Register.

Introduction to this Digest of Statistics

This is the fourth annual 'digest' of statistics produced by the Council; it presents information extracted from the Register of Teachers, which is an important and unique data source. The information that the Council is able to hold on its 'Register' is determined by Schedule One of the General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland (Registration of Teachers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004. The fields that have been selected for the 'digest' are those fields which are considered to have a high level of accuracy and completeness.

Data Definitions and Assumptions

The 'digest' tables have been generated from teacher record data with a census date of the 31st March 2009. The following assumptions apply to all tables in the 'digest':

- the figures count 'actual' teachers and not full-time equivalents;
- substitute/supply teachers are only counted once; and
- the number of registered teachers is 'real time' and can go up or down, depending on new registrations and deregistrations.

As of the census date, the Council had some 27,776 registered teachers, and tables 1.0 to 1.3 analyse these teachers by age and gender. The Council's Register of Teachers also contains employment details and 20,185 registered teachers are employed on permanent or temporary (one term or more) contracts in grant-aided schools, this figure does not include peripatetic teachers or teachers working in a substitute/supply capacity. These 20,185 teachers have been analysed, see tables 2.0 to 2.9, in terms of age, gender, Education

and Library Board, school sector and school management type.

In addition to information about registered teachers, specific statistics relating to Principals and Vice-Principals have been included, see tables 3.0 to 3.9.

The management and publication of all information from the Council's Register is in keeping with Data Protection legislation and safeguards against the publication of data about individuals.

1.0 Number of teachers registered with GTCNI

March	1 2006	Mar	ch 2007	Marc	h 2008	Marcl	h 2009	
Total:	26,151	Total:	26,866	Total:	27,237	Total:	27,776	

1.1 Number of teachers registered with GTCNI by gender

	March 2006		March	2007	Marc	h 2008	March 2009		
Gender	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
Female	19,489	74.52%	20,098	74.81%	20,504	75.28%	20,960	75.46%	
Male	6,662	25.48%	6,768	25.19%	6,733	24.72%	6,816	24.54%	
Total:	26,151	100.00%	26,866	100.00%	27,237	100.00%	27,776	100.00%	

1.2 Number of teachers registered with GTCNI by age

	March 2006		March	2007	March	2008	March 2009		
Age Range	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
24 and under	907	3.47%	1,062	3.95%	1,078	3.96%	1,119	4.03%	
25 to 29	3,391	12.97%	3,689	13.73%	3,838	14.09%	3,908	14.07%	
30 to 34	3,691	14.11%	3,790	14.11%	3,823	14.04%	3,933	14.16%	
35 to 39	3,412	13.05%	3,600	13.40%	3,772	13.85%	3,899	14.04%	
40 to 44	2,678	10.24%	2,818	10.49%	2,973	10.92%	3,178	11.44%	
45 to 49	3,177	12.15%	2,927	10.89%	2,756	10.12%	2,714	9.77%	
50 to 54	4,483	17.14%	4,301	16.01%	4,017	14.75%	3,698	13.31%	
55 to 59	3,162	12.09%	3,314	12.34%	3,505	12.87%	3,603	12.97%	
60 to 64	1,101	4.21%	1,216	4.53%	1,281	4.70%	1,451	5.22%	
65 and Over	149	0.57%	149	0.55%	194	0.71%	273	0.98%	
Total:	26,151	100.00%	26,866	100.00%	27,237	100.00%	27,776	100.00%	

1.3 Number of teachers registered with GTCNI by age and gender

	March 2006				March 2007			March 2008		I	March 2009	
Age Range	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:
24 and under	771	136	907	916	146	1,062	939	139	1,078	960	159	1,119
25 to 29	2,736	655	3,391	2,969	720	3,689	3,071	767	3,838	3,127	781	3,908
30 to 34	2,937	754	3,691	3,015	775	3,790	3,030	793	3,823	3,106	827	3,933
35 to 39	2,638	774	3,412	2,781	819	3,600	2,938	834	3,772	3,063	836	3,899
40 to 44	1,958	720	2,678	2,081	737	2,818	2,225	748	2,973	2,403	775	3,178
45 to 49	2,315	862	3,177	2,129	798	2,927	1,976	780	2,756	1,940	774	2,714
50 to 54	3,176	1,307	4,483	3,085	1,216	4,301	2,925	1,092	4,017	2,725	973	3,698
55 to 59	2,090	1,072	3,162	2,195	1,119	3,314	2,385	1,120	3,505	2,487	1,116	3,603
60 to 64	756	345	1,101	822	394	1,216	876	405	1,281	955	496	1,451
65 and Over	112	37	149	105	44	149	139	55	194	194	79	273
Totals:	19,489	6,662	26,151	20,098	6,768	26,866	20,504	6,733	27,237	20,960	6,816	27,776

2.0 Number of teachers employed in grant-aided schools registered with GTCNI

March	າ 2006	March	າ 2007	March	2008	2009	
Total:	19,796	Total:	19,811	Total:	19,802	Total:	20,185

2.1 Number of teachers by gender

	March 2006		March	2007	March	2008	March	March 2009		
Gender	Number	Number Percentage		Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage		
Female	14,426	72.87%	14,601	73.70%	14,697	74.22%	15,084	74.73%		
Male	5,370	27.13%	5,210	26.30%	5,105	25.78%	5,101	25.27%		
Total:	19,796	100.00%	19,811	100.00%	19,802	100.00%	20,185	100.00%		

2.2 Number of teachers by age

	March 2006			March 2007			2008	March 2009		
Age Range	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage		Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
24 and under	325	1.64%	371	1.87%		373	1.88%	415	2.06%	
25 to 29	2,384	12.04%	2,578	13.01%		2,595	13.10%	2,676	13.26%	
30 to 34	3,180	16.06%	3,189	16.10%		3,223	16.28%	3,288	16.29%	
35 to 39	2,978	15.04%	3,139	15.84%		3,314	16.74%	3,386	16.77%	
40 to 44	2,314	11.70%	2,432	12.28%		2,563	12.94%	2,731	13.53%	
45 to 49	2,737	13.83%	2,529	12.77%		2,392	12.08%	2,339	11.59%	
50 to 54	3,607	18.22%	3,382	17.07%		3,089	15.60%	2,889	14.31%	
55 to 59	1,921	9.70%	1,850	9.34%		1,903	9.61%	2,057	10.19%	
60 to 64	336	1.70%	326	1.65%		331	1.67%	372	1.84%	
65 and Over	14	0.07%	15	0.08%		19	0.10%	32	0.16%	
Total:	19,796	100.00%	19,811	100.00%		19,802	100.00%	20,185	100.00%	

2.3 Number of teachers by age and gender

	March 2006				March 2007			March 2008			March 2009		
Age Range	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	
24 and under	262	63	325	301	70	371	304	69	373	348	67	415	
25 to 29	1,916	468	2,384	2,071	507	2,578	2,064	531	2,595	2,133	543	2,676	
30 to 34	2,508	672	3,180	2,514	675	3,189	2,534	689	3,223	2,578	710	3,288	
35 to 39	2,273	705	2,978	2,390	749	3,139	2,558	756	3,314	2,642	744	3,386	
40 to 44	1,659	655	2,314	1,771	661	2,432	1,899	664	2,563	2,041	690	2,731	
45 to 49	1,947	790	2,737	1,807	722	2,529	1,681	711	2,392	1,654	685	2,339	
50 to 54	2,464	1,143	3,607	2,356	1,026	3,382	2,198	891	3,089	2,073	816	2,889	
55 to 59	1,173	748	1,921	1,173	677	1,850	1,248	655	1,903	1,373	684	2,057	
60 to 64	214	122	336	209	117	326	119	132	331	219	153	372	
65 and Over	10	4	14	9	6	15	12	7	19	23	9	32	
Totals:	14,426	5,370	19,796	14,601	5,210	19,811	14,697	5,105	19,802	15,084	5,101	20,185	

2.4 Number of teachers by Education and Library Board (ELB) and gender

Gender	Belfast ELB	North Eastern ELB	South Eastern ELB	Southern ELB	Western ELB	Totals:
Female	2,789	3,415	2,950	3,326	2,604	15,084
Male	1,010	1,064	933	1,128	966	5,101
Totals:	3,799	4,479	3,883	4,454	3,570	20,185

2.5 Number of teachers by ELB and age

March 2009

Age Range	Belfast ELB	North Eastern ELB	South Eastern ELB	Southern ELB	Western ELB	Totals:
24 and under	67	127	78	70	73	415
25 to 29	512	683	476	580	425	2,676
30 to 34	612	741	644	737	554	3,288
35 to 39	633	723	614	789	627	3,386
40 to 44	508	520	500	667	536	2,731
45 to 49	431	488	449	519	452	2,339
50 to 54	538	661	572	624	494	2,889
55 to 59	405	466	468	379	339	2,057
60 to 64	89	64	74	81	64	372
65 and Over	4	6	8	8	6	32
Totals:	3,799	4,479	3,883	4,454	3,570	20,185

2.6 Number of teachers by school sector and gender

			Post-Primary			
			Grammar	Post-Primary		
Gender	Nursery	Primary	(inc. Prep. Depts.)	Non Grammar	Special	Totals:
Female	210	7,057	2,929	4,176	712	15,084
Male		1,307	1,615	1,998	181	5,101
Totals:	210	8,364	4,544	6,174	893	20,185

2.7 Number of teachers by school sector and age

March 2009

			Post-Primary			
			Grammar	Post-Primary		
Age Range	Nursery	Primary	(inc. Prep. Depts.)	Non Grammar	Special	Totals:
24 and under	2	189	105	108	11	415
25 to 29	20	1,064	612	873	107	2,676
30 to 34	22	1,235	768	1,154	109	3,288
35 to 39	28	1,511	730	1,002	115	3,386
40 to 44	35	1,271	625	698	102	2,731
45 to 49	29	958	567	695	90	2,339
50 to 54	40	1,144	591	957	157	2,889
55 to 59	30	841	447	583	156	2,057
60 to 64	4	137	96	99	36	372
65 and Over		14	3	5	10	32
Totals:	210	8,364	4,544	6,174	893	20,185

2.8 Number of teachers by school management type and gender

Gender	Catholic Maintained Schools	Controlled Integrated Schools	Controlled Schools	Grant Maintained Integrated Schools	Other Maintained Schools	Voluntary Grammar Schools	Totals:
Female	5,051	229	6,682	728	157	2,237	15,084
Male	1,697	67	1,776	248	49	1,264	5,101
Totals:	6,748	296	8,458	976	206	3,501	20,185

2.9 Number of teachers by school management type and age

Age Range	Catholic Maintained Schools	Controlled Integrated Schools	Controlled Schools	Grant Maintained Integrated Schools	Other Maintained Schools	Voluntary Grammar Schools	Totals:
24 and under	100	7	190	33	7	78	415
25 to 29	799	46	1,145	151	58	477	2,676
30 to 34	1,067	57	1,344	208	39	573	3,288
35 to 39	1,199	46	1,330	212	34	565	3,386
40 to 44	1,008	47	1,038	131	16	491	2,731
45 to 49	816	25	916	105	21	456	2,339
50 to 54	1,015	44	1,287	82	16	445	2,889
55 to 59	629	20	1,010	44	12	342	2,057
60 to 64	109	4	174	10	3	72	372
65 and Over	6		24			2	32
Totals:	6,748	296	8,458	976	206	3,501	20,185

3.0 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals registered with GTCNI

March 2007 March 2008 March 2009

Total:	2,169	Total:	2,164	Total:	2,191

3.1 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by gender

	March 2007		Marc	n 2008	March 2009		
Gender	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentag	

Gender	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Female	1,196	55.14%	1,214	56.10%	1,251	57.10%
Male	973	44.86%	950	43.90%	940	42.90%
Total:	2,169	100.00%	2,164	100.00%	2,191	100.00%

3.2 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by age

March 2007	March 2008	March 2009

Age Range	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
24 and under	1	0.05%				
25 to 29	2	0.09%	5	0.23%	10	0.46%
30 to 34	56	2.58%	53	2.45%	66	3.01%
35 to 39	236	10.88%	243	11.23%	224	10.22%
40 to 44	327	15.08%	340	15.71%	386	17.62%
45 to 49	370	17.06%	382	17.65%	364	16.61%
50 to 54	616	28.40%	574	26.52%	533	24.33%
55 to 59	451	20.79%	454	20.98%	487	22.23%
60 to 64	107	4.93%	106	4.90%	114	5.20%
65 and Over	3	0.14%	7	0.32%	7	0.32%
Total:	2,169	100.00%	2,164	100.00%	2,191	100.00%

3.3 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by age and gender

	March 2007				March 2008			March 2009		
Age Range	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	Female	Male	Totals:	
24 and under	1		1							
25 to 29	2		2	4	1	5	8	2	10	
30 to 34	37	19	56	33	20	53	38	28	66	
35 to 39	154	82	236	157	86	243	148	76	224	
40 to 44	185	142	327	208	132	340	245	141	386	
45 to 49	203	167	370	202	180	382	195	169	364	
50 to 54	346	270	616	335	239	574	309	224	533	
55 to 59	211	240	451	225	229	454	262	225	487	
60 to 64	56	51	107	46	60	106	43	71	114	
65 and Over	1	2	3	4	3	7	3	4	7	
Totals:	1,196	973	2,169	1,214	950	2,164	1,251	940	2,191	

3.4 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by Education and Library Board (ELB) and gender

Gender	Belfast ELB	North Eastern ELB	South Eastern ELB	Southern ELB	Western ELB	Totals:
Female	203	273	212	301	262	1,251
Male	121	223	189	231	176	940
Totals:	324	496	401	532	438	2,191

3.5 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by ELB and age

March 2009

Age Range	Belfast ELB	North Eastern ELB	South Eastern ELB	Southern ELB	Western ELB	Totals:
25 to 29		5	2	1	2	10
30 to 34	9	17	8	15	17	66
35 to 39	21	63	38	65	37	224
40 to 44	52	76	70	116	72	386
45 to 49	46	82	55	98	83	364
50 to 54	78	127	107	113	108	533
55 to 59	89	109	97	100	92	487
60 to 64	26	16	22	24	26	114
65 and Over	3	1	2		1	7
Totals:	324	496	401	532	438	2,191

3.6 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by school sector and gender

Gender	Nursery	Primary	Grammar (inc. Prep. Depts.)	Post-Primary Non Grammar	Special	Totals:
Female	102	850	89	138	72	1,251
Male		555	136	217	32	940
Totals:	102	1,405	225	355	104	2,191

3.7 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by school sector and age

March 2009

			Post-Primary Grammar	Post-Primary		
Age Range	Nursery	Primary	(inc. Prep. Depts.)	Non Grammar	Special	Totals:
25 to 29		9			1	10
30 to 34	5	53	4	3	1	66
35 to 39	10	180	11	13	10	224
40 to 44	23	280	29	37	17	386
45 to 49	18	242	35	53	16	364
50 to 54	28	301	67	108	29	533
55 to 59	15	279	61	109	23	487
60 to 64	3	56	18	31	6	114
65 and Over		5		1	1	7
Totals:	102	1,405	225	355	104	2,191

3.8 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by school management type and gender March 2009

Gender	Catholic Maintained Schools	Controlled Integrated Schools	Controlled Schools	Grant Maintained Integrated Schools	Other Maintained Schools	Voluntary Grammar Schools	Totals:
Female Male	495 363	23 13	593 420	46 34	24 10	70 100	1,251 940
Totals:	858	36	1,013	80	34	170	2,191

3.9 Number of Principals and Vice-Principals by school management type and age March 2009

Age Range	Catholic Maintained Schools	Controlled Integrated Schools	Controlled Schools	Grant Maintained Integrated Schools	Other Maintained Schools	Voluntary Grammar Schools	Totals:
25 to 29	3		4	1	2		10
30 to 34	21	1	37	2	3	2	66
35 to 39	85	3	105	17	8	6	224
40 to 44	163	10	176	14	3	20	386
45 to 49	151	4	159	13	8	29	364
50 to 54	212	9	243	14	5	50	533
55 to 59	176	7	235	17	4	48	487
60 to 64	44	2	50	2	1	15	114
65 and Over	3		4				7
Totals:	858	36	1,013	80	34	170	2,191

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