

1 School population in Flemish education

Full-time education	
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ⁽¹⁾	
Nursery education	271,239
Primary education	428,036
Total	699,275
SECONDARY EDUCATION ⁽¹⁾	
Full-time regular secondary education	417,469
Special secondary education	20,495
Total	437,964
TERTIARY EDUCATION	
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	7,383
Higher vocational adult education ⁽³⁾	17,989
Specific teacher training ⁽³⁾	9,425
University colleges ⁽⁴⁾	112,360
Universities ⁽⁴⁾	108,771

Part-time secondary education	
Part-time vocational secondary education ⁽¹⁾	8,867
Adult education	
Secondary adult education ⁽³⁾	324,903
Basiseducatie ⁽³⁾	47,861
Part-time arts education	
Part-time arts education ⁽⁵⁾	175,251

- (1) Elementary and secondary education: number of pupils enrolled (all enrolments) on 1 February 2014.
 (2) Associate degree nursing: number of pupils enrolled on 1 February 2014.
 (3) Higher vocational adult education, specific teacher training, secondary adult education and adult basic education: number of unique enrolments on a programme for the reference period 1/4/2013 - 31/3/2014.
 (4) University colleges and universities: Bachelor's and Master's programmes. Data refer to all active enrolments in a degree contract in an institution for higher education on 30 June 2014. A student may have several enrolments.
 (5) Part-time arts education: number of students eligible for funding. Individuals enrolled on more than one course of study are counted more than once.

	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Part-time secondary education						
Part-time vocational secondary education ⁽¹⁾	6,935	7,332	7,871	8,241	8,636	8,867
Adult education						
Secondary adult education ⁽³⁾	300,093	303,912	314,576	322,744	328,087	324,903
Adult basic education ⁽³⁾	n/a	n/a	45,909	45,283	45,780	47,861
Part-time arts education						
Part-time arts education ⁽⁵⁾	167,647	170,337	171,663	173,486	174,102	175,251

- (1) Elementary and secondary education: number of pupils enrolled (all enrolments) on 1 February.
 (2) Associate degree nursing: number of pupils enrolled on 1 February.
 (3) Higher vocational adult education, specific teacher training, secondary adult education and adult basic education: number of unique enrolments on a programme for the reference period 1 April - 31 March.
 (4) University colleges and universities: Bachelor's and Master's programmes. Data refer to all active enrolments in a degree contract in an institution for higher education on 30 June. A student may have several enrolments.
 (5) Part-time arts education: number of students eligible for funding. Individuals enrolled on more than one course of study are counted more than once.

2 Changes in the school population by level of education

	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Full-time education						
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ⁽¹⁾						
Regular	243,482	250,391	257,424	262,603	265,953	269,197
Special	1,977	1,962	1,975	1,986	2,023	2,042
Total	245,459	252,353	259,399	264,589	267,976	271,239
PRIMARY EDUCATION ⁽¹⁾						
Regular	381,882	380,197	381,983	386,696	392,351	399,729
Special	27,543	27,705	28,225	28,566	28,481	28,307
Total	409,425	407,902	410,208	415,262	420,832	428,036
Total elementary education	654,884	660,255	669,607	679,851	688,808	699,275
SECONDARY EDUCATION ⁽¹⁾						
Regular	436,146	429,745	424,820	420,685	418,817	417,469
Special	18,548	19,015	19,487	19,835	20,177	20,495
Total secondary education	454,694	448,760	444,307	440,520	438,994	437,964
TERTIARY EDUCATION						
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	-	5,271	5,837	6,255	6,869	7,383
Higher vocational adult education ⁽³⁾	25,065	18,195	17,757	18,235	17,913	17,989
Specific teacher training ⁽³⁾	-	8,314	9,097	9,199	9,305	9,425
University colleges ⁽⁴⁾	109,795	116,613	123,629	128,498	132,120	112,360
Universities ⁽⁴⁾	71,645	76,602	79,575	82,113	84,177	108,771

1 Educational institutions in Flemish education

Full-time education		Part-time secondary education	
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ^{(1) (2)}		Part-time vocational secondary education ⁽⁴⁾ 47	
Autonomous nursery schools	165		
Autonomous primary schools	267	Adult education	
Schools providing nursery and primary education	2,145	Secondary adult education ⁽⁵⁾	104
Total	2,577	Adult basic education	13
SECONDARY EDUCATION		Part-time arts education	
Full-time regular secondary education ^{(3) (4)}	952	Part-time arts education	168
Special secondary education ⁽²⁾	115		
Total	1,067		
TERTIARY EDUCATION			
Associate degree nursing ⁽³⁾	20		
Higher vocational adult education and specific teacher training ⁽⁵⁾	51		
University colleges	17		
Universities	6		

(1) Autonomous nursery schools organise nursery education only. Autonomous primary schools organise primary education only.

(2) Excluding the so-called 'type 5-schools'. These schools organise special education of type 5 only (for pupils with long-term illness). In special elementary education, 6 schools organise nursery and primary education. In special secondary education there are 4 schools organising type 5-education. In order to avoid double counts, the pupils enrolled in special education type 5 are not included in the figures.

(3) 16 of the 952 schools organising full-time regular secondary education also organise the courses for the associate degree in nursing. Beside these schools, 4 schools only organise the courses for the associate degree in nursing. In the table above, the 16 schools referred to in this footnote are reported under both full-time regular secondary education and associate degree nursing.

(4) 42 of these 952 schools also organise part-time vocational secondary education. There are 5 schools that only organise part-time vocational secondary education. In the table above, the 42 schools referred to in this footnote are reported under both full-time secondary education and part-time vocational education.

(5) There are 109 centres for adult education. Some centres for adult education organise secondary adult education as well as higher vocational adult education. In the table, these centres are reported under both higher vocational adult education and secondary adult education.

1 Staff by level of education expressed in number of persons

	Tenured posts			Temporary posts			Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Elementary education	7,328	45,560	52,888	2,540	17,542	20,082	9,868	63,102	72,970
Secondary education ⁽¹⁾	21,178	36,828	58,006	6,774	11,994	18,768	27,952	48,822	76,774
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	124	815	939	76	384	460	200	1,199	1,399
Higher vocational adult education and specific teacher training	283	340	623	361	261	622	644	601	1,245
University colleges ⁽³⁾	2,680	3,775	6,455	2,102	2,585	4,687	4,782	6,360	11,142
Secondary adult education	1,177	2,767	3,944	957	1,610	2,567	2,134	4,377	6,511
Adult basic education ⁽⁴⁾	-	-	-	139	811	950	139	811	950
Part-time arts education	1,637	2,372	4,009	710	1,036	1,746	2,347	3,408	5,755
Staff of pupil guidance centres, education inspectorate, educational advisory service, boarding schools, ...	967	3,328	4,295	364	1,623	1,987	1,331	4,951	6,282
Total	35,374	95,785	131,159	14,023	37,846	51,869	49,397	133,631	183,028
Universities ⁽⁵⁾							n/a	n/a	n/a

2 Staff by level of education expressed in number of full-time equivalents

	Tenured posts			Temporary posts			Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Elementary education	6,925	39,559	46,484	2,081	14,501	16,582	9,006	54,060	63,066
Secondary education ⁽¹⁾	20,073	31,903	51,976	6,056	10,425	16,481	26,129	42,328	68,457
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	104	679	783	48	312	360	152	991	1,143
Higher vocational adult education and specific teacher training	220	271	491	137	163	300	357	434	791
University colleges ⁽³⁾	2,399	3,130	5,529	1,254	1,860	3,114	3,653	4,990	8,643
Secondary adult education	1,003	2,232	3,235	620	1,128	1,748	1,623	3,360	4,983
Adult basic education ⁽⁴⁾	-	-	-	113	594	707	113	594	707
Part-time arts education	1,425	1,874	3,299	400	571	971	1,825	2,445	4,270
Staff of pupil guidance centres, education inspectorate, educational advisory service, boarding schools, ...	898	2,696	3,594	294	1,264	1,558	1,192	3,960	5,152
Total	33,047	82,344	115,391	11,003	30,818	41,821	44,050	113,162	157,212
Universities ⁽⁵⁾							n/a	n/a	n/a

(1) Staff in full-time and part-time secondary education.

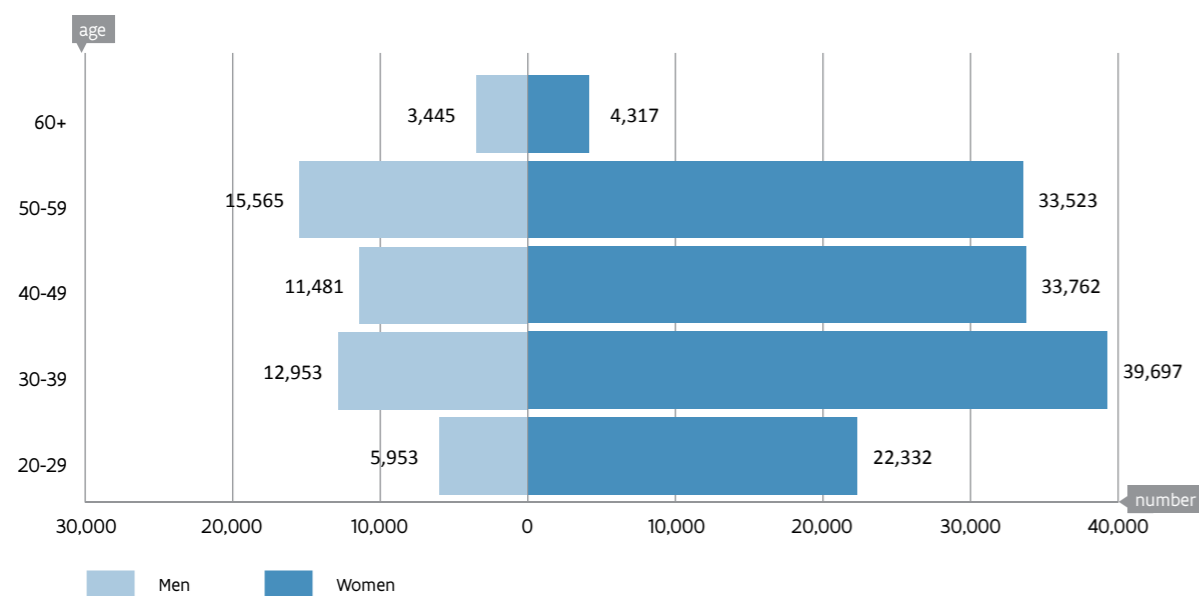
(2) The nursing courses at the 4th stage of vocational education became associate degree (HBOS) programmes in 2009-10.

(3) In the data on the university colleges, visiting professors and mandate fees are not included in the number of full-time equivalents.

(4) Since 1 September 2008 the staff members working at adult basic education centres have been paid directly by the Education and Training policy area. The Education and Training policy area functions as a third-party payment provider for staff members who have an employment contract with the adult basic education centre but are not paid through any other channel. This third-party payment scheme was introduced on the basis of the Decree on Adult Education (15 June 2007).

(5) The data for February 2014 were not yet available at the time of publication.

3 Staff by age group and gender ⁽¹⁾



(1) Excluding staff employed by universities.

4 Changes in staff by level of education expressed in number of persons

	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Regular elementary education	59,566	59,986	60,147	60,377	62,203	63,171
Special elementary education	9,147	9,339	9,533	9,620	9,712	9,799
Regular secondary education ⁽¹⁾	71,534	70,936	70,275	69,507	68,527	67,973
Special secondary education	7,473	7,774	8,032	8,296	8,472	8,801
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	-	1,006	1,118	1,203	1,291	1,399
Higher vocational adult education and specific teacher training	1,272	1,301	1,302	1,308	1,261	1,245
University colleges ⁽³⁾	12,460	12,730	12,705	12,592	12,705	11,142
Secondary adult education	6,088	6,180	6,284	6,331	6,417	6,511
Adult basic education ⁽⁴⁾	809	848	868	899	914	950
Part-time arts education	5,530	5,613	5,680	5,708	5,728	5,755
Staff of pupil guidance centres, education inspectorate, educational advisory service, boarding schools, ...	6,083	6,223	6,274	6,270	6,269	6,282
Total	179,962	181,936	182,218	182,111	183,499	183,028
Universities ⁽⁵⁾	11,583	11,838	12,016	12,169	12,405	n/a

5 Changes in staff by level of education expressed in number of full-time equivalents

	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012 ⁽⁶⁾	2012-2013	2013-2014
Regular elementary education	50,982	51,297	51,353	51,122	53,868	54,546
Special elementary education	7,921	8,108	8,267	8,312	8,468	8,520
Regular secondary education ⁽¹⁾	63,984	63,369	62,499	61,593	61,079	60,513
Special secondary education	6,709	6,969	7,228	7,416	7,661	7,944
Associate degree nursing ⁽²⁾	-	825	911	978	1,047	1,143
Higher vocational adult education and specific teacher training	755	785	800	805	786	791
University colleges ⁽³⁾	9,838	10,041	9,973	9,831	9,923	8,643
Secondary adult education	4,746	4,825	4,831	4,832	4,918	4,983
Adult basic education ⁽⁴⁾	619	644	652	672	692	707
Part-time arts education	4,120	4,174	4,234	4,237	4,259	4,270
Staff of pupil guidance centres, education inspectorate, educational advisory service, boarding schools, ...	5,033	5,137	5,134	5,144	5,149	5,152
Total	154,707	156,174	155,882	154,942	157,850	157,212
Universities ⁽⁵⁾	8,339.80	8,547.10	8,520.80	8,618.20	8,690.06	n/a

(1) Staff in full-time and part-time secondary education.

(2) The nursing courses at the 4th stage of vocational education became associate degree (HBO5) programmes in 2009-10.

(3) In the data on the university colleges, visiting professors and mandate fees are not included in the number of full-time equivalents.

(4) Since 1 September 2008 the staff members working at adult basic education centres have been paid directly by the Education and Training policy area. The Education and Training policy area functions as a third-party payment provider for staff members who have an employment contract with the adult basic education centre but are not paid through any other channel. This third-party payment scheme was introduced on the basis of the Decree on Adult Education (15 June 2007).

(5) The data for February 2014 were not yet available at the time of publication.

(6) The number of full-time equivalents in January 2012 may be lower than normal due to a strike. This strike is not taken into account in the calculation of the budgetary full-time equivalents.

1 Overall education budget (in thousands of euros)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Changes in the Flemish education budget	9,284,058	9,854,971	10,144,051	10,386,131	10,649,922	10,908,442
The education budget as a percentage of the Flemish budget	36.78%	39.24%	39.12%	38.63%	38.50%	38.80%

2 Distribution of the education budget by educational level



3 Changes in the education budget by educational level (in thousands of euros)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Elementary education	2,918,945	3,195,164	3,315,165	3,467,787	3,641,127	3,711,134
Secondary education	3,669,730	3,929,442	4,016,863	4,097,863	4,138,240	4,182,565
Tertiary education	1,641,566	1,652,037	1,669,649	1,644,017	1,683,089	1,750,419
Adult education	315,157	333,285	355,293	370,347	374,996	390,687
Part-time arts education	199,175	204,735	216,767	224,098	228,895	233,312

1 Approved subsidy amounts and approved subsidy applications by educational level in 2013

	VGO		OGO		Total	
	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications
Regular elementary education	83,420,785	678	40,399,348	74	123,820,133	752
Special elementary education	6,016,432	41	4,416,050	4	10,432,482	45
Full-time regular secondary education	53,826,819	368	6,253,111	17	60,079,930	385
Special secondary education	7,667,528	26	2,815,929	4	10,483,457	30
Part-time vocational secondary education	187,577	2	-	-	187,577	2
Adult education	8,243,509	14	-	-	8,243,509	14
Part-time arts education	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pupil guidance centres	1,286,087	15	-	-	1,286,087	15
Boarding schools	2,556,953	33	-	-	2,556,953	33
Total	163,205,690	1,177	53,884,438	99	217,090,128	1,276

2 Approved subsidy amounts and approved subsidy applications by province in 2013

	VGO		OGO		Total	
	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications	Amount (in euros)	Number of subsidy applications
Antwerp	40,660,412	286	20,648,123	57	61,308,535	343
Flemish Brabant	20,364,687	160	19,806,401	18	40,171,088	178
BCR	12,937,010	36	1,349,027	7	14,286,037	43
West Flanders	33,401,447	293	2,848,030	5	36,249,477	298
East Flanders	36,282,245	240	8,512,683	9	44,794,928	249
Limburg	19,559,889	162	720,174	3	20,280,063	165
Total	163,205,690	1,177	53,884,438	99	217,090,128	1,276

1 School and study allowances by educational level

	Number of applications	Number of allowances granted ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Percentage of allowances granted	Total amount of allowances granted (in euros)	Average allowance (in euros)
Nursery education	75,299	48,368	64.23%	4,363,761	90.22
Primary education	136,491	95,318	69.83%	12,177,322	127.75
Secondary education of which	159,491	109,413	68.60%	46,732,982	427.12
- Full-time secondary education	154,492	107,392	69.51%	46,175,695	429.97
- Part-time secondary education	4,999	2,021	40.43%	557,286	275.75
Associate degree nursing	2,942	1,476	50.17%	1,843,948	1,249.29
Syntra	1,230	731	59.43%	179,183	245.12
Tertiary education of which	67,660	40,036	59.17%	68,553,998	1,712.31
- University colleges	40,449	24,540	60.67%	40,509,375	1,650.75
- Universities	24,776	14,987	60.49%	27,118,692	1,809.48
- Unknown ⁽³⁾	2,435	509	20.90%	925,931	1,819.12
Total	443,113	295,342	66.65%	133,851,193	-

(1) As known on 20/08/2014.

(2) School allowances are awarded to pupils in nursery, primary and secondary education; study allowances are awarded to students in higher education.

(3) The type of tertiary education is not known (because the student is studying abroad or in another Community of Belgium).

Remark:

The data above are not yet final as a number of applicants are still under consideration (71,280 applicants) for the school year 2013-2014. Due to this, the number of allowances granted may increase further.

1 Number of applications in 2013

	Number of applications
Higher education: PhD	10
Higher education: full equivalence	1,112
Higher education: level equivalence	190
Higher vocational education	151
Secondary education: level equivalence	1,245
Secondary education: full equivalence	1
Adult education	474
Certificates	454
Professional recognition	179
Referrals/rejections	329
Legal precedents	126
Level definition	-
Total	4,271

2 Number of decisions in 2013 ⁽¹⁾

Procedure	Positive ⁽²⁾	Negative ⁽³⁾	Other ⁽⁴⁾
Higher education: PhD	2	-	-
Higher education: full equivalence	425	115	260
Higher education: level equivalence	84	3	1
Higher vocational education	47	27	46
Secondary education	851	8	308
Adult education	279	55	-
Professional recognition	109	3	-
Legal precedent	132	-	-
Certificates	73	8	-
Total	2,002	219	615

(1) A file needs to be completed before a final decision can be taken. For this reason incomplete files are not taken into account.

(2) The person concerned receives the equivalence (s)he applied for or for which the file was initially examined.

(3) In case of a negative decision equivalence is not granted.

(4) An 'other' decision concerns an equivalence with another study certificate or level than the one initially applied for or examined. e.g. a person applies for equivalence with the degree of master but receives equivalence with the degree of bachelor.

3 Top 10 countries of origin of applicants in 2013

Secondary education		Tertiary education	
Country	Number	Country	Number
The Netherlands	178	The Netherlands	141
Morocco	124	India	78
Bulgaria	60	The Philippines	68
Poland	54	Russia	63
Iran	49	Germany	55
Romania	48	United Kingdom	52
Suriname	41	Iraq	51
Turkey	40	Morocco	50
Congo (RDC)	33	Ukraine	42
Syria	30	Poland	41

A Elementary education

1 Number of participants to obtain a certificate of elementary education by province in 2013 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

	Number of participants	Number of passed
Antwerp	3	3
Flemish Brabant	9	7
West Flanders	12	10
East Flanders	5	3
Limburg	3	2
Total	32	25

(1) A participant is a candidate who has passed at least 1 examination.

(2) The data by province refer to the province of the schools (where the examination takes place).

B Secondary education

1 Study certificates awarded by the Examination Board in 2013

	Number of diplomas/certificates awarded
Certificate 1st stage	13
Certificate 2nd stage	32
Diploma secondary education	678
<i>More than half of the diplomas of vocational secondary education (359)</i>	

2 Success rate by stage and type of secondary education in 2013

		Passed	Failed	% passed
Per stage	1st stage	270	95	74%
	2nd stage	806	574	58%
	3rd stage	13,105	8,413	61%
	Total	14,181	9,082	61%
	Business management	63	71	47%
Total	14,244	9,153	61%	

		Passed	Failed	% passed	
Type of secondary education	1st stage	270	95	74%	
	2nd and 3rd stage	General	2,665	2,840	48%
		Vocational	8,493	4,033	68%
		Arts	162	86	65%
		Technical	2,591	2,028	56%
	Total	14,181	9,082	61%	

1 Number of subsidised/financed boarding schools and boarders ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

	Number of boarding schools	Number of boarders				Total number of boarders
		Nursery education	Primary education	Secondary education	Associate degree nursing	
GO	33	61	418	1,919	6	2,404
VGO	103	60	776	7,500	157	8,493
OGO	3	16	59	77	34	186
Total	139	137	1,253	9,496	197	11,083

(1) Count date: 1 February 2014.

(2) Boarding schools with fewer than 30 boarders are not included, as they cannot be financed or subsidised.

(3) The following pupils and students are not reported in the data: 150 boarders in university colleges, 7 boarders in universities and 27 boarders in European schools.

1 Number of pupil guidance centres by educational network

	GO	VGO	OGO	Total
Pupil guidance centres	24	43	5	72
Permanent support units	1	1	1	3
Total	25	44	6	75

2 Staff of pupil guidance centres by legal status and gender (full-time equivalents)

	Tenured posts			Temporary posts			Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
GO	72	387	459	17	177	194	89	564	653
VGO	208	1,173	1,381	35	433	468	243	1,606	1,849
OGO	32	132	164	5	68	73	37	200	237
Total	312	1,692	2,004	57	678	735	369	2,370	2,739

3 Changes in staff of pupil guidance centres (full-time equivalents)

	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Tenured posts	2,040	2,004	1,990	2,040	2,001	2,004
Temporary posts	737	767	773	702	748	735
Total	2,777	2,771	2,763	2,742	2,749	2,739

1 Number of transported pupils by educational level and educational network

	GO ⁽¹⁾	VGO	OGO	Total
Regular elementary education	1,421	1,201	332	2,954
Special elementary education	7,540	17,494	4,856	29,890
Total elementary education	8,961	18,695	5,188	32,844
Regular secondary education	81	194	-	275
Special secondary education	5,567	11,375	1,834	18,776
Total secondary education	5,648	11,569	1,834	19,051
Total	14,609	30,264	7,022	51,895

2 Number of transported pupils by transport mode

	GO ⁽¹⁾	VGO	OGO	Total
Pupils transported collectively ⁽²⁾	11,895	24,632	5,285	41,812
Pupils transported individually ⁽³⁾	2,305	6,166	1,612	10,083
Total	14,200	30,798	6,897	51,895

(1) For Community education only pupils within the zones are taken into account.

(2) A collectively transported pupil is a pupil using a special transport service with a minimum capacity of 7, financed or subsidised by the Flemish Community. Since 1 September 2001 this transport has been organised by the Flemish public bus company.

(3) An individually transported pupil is a pupil using public transport or a transport service with a capacity lower than 7, for which the Flemish Community contributes to the transport costs based on official public transport fares.