

Table 6 - Qualifications obtained by students on HE courses at HEIs in the UK by level of qualification obtained, gender and subject area, 2002/03 to 2005/06 (1)

	Thousands											
	2002/03 All levels	2003/04 All levels	Post-graduate	First degree	2004/05		All levels	Post-graduate	First degree	2005/06		All levels
					Foundation degree	Other under-graduate HE				Foundation degree	Other under-graduate HE	
Female												
Medicine & dentistry	5.4	6.4	2.5	4.2	0.0	0.1	6.9	2.9	4.5	0.0	0.1	7.5
Subjects allied to medicine	52.8	63.0	7.5	23.0	0.4	38.1	69.0	7.9	24.5	0.7	38.5	71.6
Biological sciences	21.0	24.3	5.5	17.8	0.1	1.7	25.1	5.9	18.2	0.1	1.8	26.0
Veterinary science	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.6
Agriculture & related subjects	2.6	2.9	0.6	1.5	0.2	0.6	2.8	0.6	1.4	0.3	0.5	2.8
Physical sciences	7.9	8.2	2.5	5.4	0.0	1.2	9.2	2.7	5.6	0.1	0.9	9.3
Mathematical sciences	2.7	3.2	0.7	2.2	0.0	0.4	3.3	0.6	2.3	0.0	0.4	3.3
Computer science	8.7	9.0	2.3	4.3	0.1	2.1	8.8	2.1	3.9	0.1	1.4	7.5
Engineering & technology	5.4	5.7	2.6	2.9	0.1	0.5	6.0	2.7	3.2	0.1	0.4	6.4
Architecture, building & planning	4.0	4.3	2.0	1.8	0.0	0.7	4.5	2.2	2.2	0.0	0.8	5.2
Total Science	111.0	127.5	26.2	63.7	0.8	45.4	136.2	27.7	66.3	1.4	44.8	140.1
Social studies	29.5	36.9	9.3	17.1	0.6	12.3	39.3	9.6	18.1	0.6	8.3	36.5
Law	14.5	16.0	6.7	8.7	0.0	1.4	16.8	6.8	9.4	0.0	1.5	17.7
Business & administrative studies	44.6	48.6	19.0	22.9	0.6	7.9	50.3	19.9	22.4	0.8	6.3	49.3
Mass communications & documentation	7.5	8.2	3.0	5.5	0.1	0.7	9.2	3.2	5.5	0.1	0.5	9.3
Languages	20.1	21.2	4.1	14.8	0.0	2.7	21.5	4.3	14.7	0.0	2.8	21.8
Historical & philosophical studies	10.7	12.8	2.6	8.7	0.0	2.7	14.0	2.8	8.6	0.0	1.4	12.8
Creative arts & design	21.7	23.8	3.8	18.8	0.5	2.5	25.6	4.2	19.4	0.9	2.5	27.0
Education	39.4	42.9	29.7	8.8	1.4	9.8	49.7	29.9	10.4	2.3	9.8	52.3
Combined	20.2	6.1	0.1	3.6	0.0	1.0	4.7	0.1	4.2	0.0	1.4	5.6
All Subjects	319.3	343.9	104.6	172.5	4.0	86.4	367.5	108.5	178.9	6.0	79.1	372.5
Male												
Medicine & dentistry	4.5	5.1	2.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	5.2	2.3	3.2	0.0	0.0	5.5
Subjects allied to medicine	10.4	11.7	2.7	4.9	0.1	5.3	13.0	2.8	5.3	0.1	5.6	13.9
Biological sciences	11.7	13.3	2.9	9.4	0.1	1.3	13.7	3.1	9.6	0.1	1.3	14.1
Veterinary science	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3
Agriculture & related subjects	2.0	2.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.5	1.9	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.4	1.9
Physical sciences	11.3	11.3	3.6	7.1	0.0	1.2	12.0	3.6	7.3	0.0	1.3	12.2
Mathematical sciences	4.2	4.7	1.2	3.1	0.0	0.8	5.1	1.1	3.2	0.0	0.7	5.1
Computer science	24.8	27.8	6.8	15.8	0.3	5.7	28.7	6.7	15.0	0.6	4.2	26.5
Engineering & technology	28.1	29.9	10.0	16.7	0.4	4.3	31.4	10.5	16.6	0.5	3.8	31.4
Architecture, building & planning	8.4	9.0	3.1	4.7	0.1	1.7	9.6	3.4	5.2	0.1	1.9	10.6
Total Science	105.6	115.2	33.1	65.8	1.1	20.7	120.8	34.3	66.3	1.7	19.2	121.4
Social studies	17.8	21.3	7.0	11.7	0.1	4.0	22.8	7.1	12.5	0.1	2.9	22.7
Law	10.0	11.0	5.3	5.0	0.0	1.2	11.5	5.6	5.3	0.0	1.2	12.1
Business & administrative studies	40.7	45.1	21.1	19.3	0.4	6.3	47.1	21.2	20.1	0.5	5.5	47.2
Mass communications & documentation	4.3	5.0	1.5	3.4	0.1	0.8	5.8	1.6	3.5	0.1	0.6	5.8
Languages	8.2	8.5	1.9	5.3	0.0	1.5	8.7	2.1	5.5	0.0	1.5	9.1
Historical & philosophical studies	8.6	9.8	2.6	6.8	0.0	1.5	10.8	2.7	7.2	0.0	0.9	10.7
Creative arts & design	14.6	15.1	2.5	11.8	0.4	2.1	16.8	2.9	12.0	0.6	1.9	17.4
Education	14.3	15.9	12.2	1.8	0.0	3.6	17.7	12.3	1.9	0.1	3.8	18.1
Combined	14.2	4.8	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.7	3.6	0.1	3.0	0.0	0.8	3.9
All Subjects	238.4	251.7	87.3	133.9	2.2	42.3	265.6	89.8	137.1	3.3	38.3	268.4
All Genders												
Medicine & dentistry	9.9	11.6	4.5	7.4	0.0	0.1	12.1	5.2	7.7	0.0	0.1	13.0
Subjects allied to medicine	63.1	74.7	10.2	27.9	0.5	43.4	82.0	10.7	29.8	0.8	44.1	85.4
Biological sciences	32.7	37.6	8.4	27.2	0.1	3.0	38.7	9.1	27.8	0.2	3.0	40.2
Veterinary science	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.2	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.9
Agriculture & related subjects	4.6	4.9	1.2	2.2	0.3	1.1	4.7	1.3	2.1	0.4	0.9	4.7
Physical sciences	19.2	19.5	6.2	12.5	0.1	2.4	21.2	6.3	12.9	0.1	2.2	21.5
Mathematical sciences	6.9	7.9	1.9	5.3	0.0	1.2	8.3	1.7	5.5	0.0	1.1	8.3
Computer science	33.6	36.8	9.1	20.1	0.4	7.8	37.4	8.8	18.8	0.8	5.6	34.0
Engineering & technology	33.4	35.6	12.6	19.6	0.5	4.8	37.4	13.2	19.8	0.6	4.2	37.8
Architecture, building & planning	12.5	13.4	5.1	6.6	0.1	2.4	14.1	5.6	7.4	0.2	2.6	15.7
Total Science	216.6	242.6	59.4	129.5	1.9	66.2	256.9	62.0	132.5	3.1	63.9	261.6
Social studies	47.3	58.1	16.3	28.8	0.7	16.3	62.1	16.7	30.5	0.7	11.2	59.2
Law	24.5	27.0	12.1	13.7	0.0	2.5	28.4	12.4	14.7	0.0	2.7	29.8
Business & administrative studies	85.3	93.6	40.1	42.2	1.0	14.1	97.4	41.1	42.4	1.2	11.8	96.5
Mass communications & documentation	11.9	13.2	4.4	8.9	0.2	1.5	15.0	4.7	9.1	0.2	1.1	15.1
Languages	28.3	29.7	6.0	20.0	0.0	4.2	30.2	6.4	20.2	0.0	4.3	30.9
Historical & philosophical studies	19.4	22.6	5.2	15.5	0.0	4.2	24.9	5.5	15.8	0.0	2.2	23.5
Creative arts & design	36.3	38.9	6.2	30.6	1.0	4.6	42.4	7.2	31.3	1.5	4.4	44.4
Education	53.8	58.9	41.9	10.6	1.4	13.4	67.4	42.1	12.3	2.4	13.6	70.4
Combined	34.4	11.0	0.1	6.5	0.0	1.7	8.3	0.2	7.1	0.0	2.2	9.5
All Subjects	557.8	595.6	191.8	306.4	6.2	128.7	633.0	198.3	316.0	9.3	117.3	640.8

None of the tables presented should be interpreted without reference to the Notes to Editors and Definitions provided.

(1) Refer to Notes to Editors paragraphs 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9