

Adult education of educational institutions 2017

Educational institutions' adult education not leading to a qualification decreased in 2017

According to Statistics Finland's Education Statistics, education not leading to a qualification organised by educational institutions decreased in 2017. Good five million hours of teaching were given 2017, which is over 12 per cent lower than in the year before. The number of participants (gross number of students) also decreased to around two million, which is seven per cent lower than in the year before.

Educational institutions' adult education not leading to a qualification by type of education in 2017

Type of education	Participants (gross)	Women %	Teaching hours
Further vocational education, not apprenticeship training	52 125	34	149 377
Further vocational education, apprenticeship training	1 122	65	13 661
Employment training for adults	30 142	43	601 038
Courses ordered by the employer	169 908	46	294 646
Education organised as liberal adult education	1 576 800	72	2 728 282
Open university of applied sciences	40 262	66	744 583
Open university teaching ¹⁾	33 892	76	56 504
Other education	95 036	60	454 428
Total	1 999 287	68	5 042 519

1) Excl. data on open university teaching implemented by the universities themselves.

The number of teaching hours given in further vocational education (not apprenticeship training), labour market training and open education at universities of applied sciences decreased significantly from the year before, by around 30 per cent in 2017. Examined by the number of teaching hours, courses ordered by the employer also decreased by nearly one-fourth. The number of teaching hours in education organised as liberal education, on the other hand, remained almost on level (-1 per cent) with the year before.

Good one-half of all hours taught in education not leading to a qualification were given in education organised as liberal adult education, and 15 per cent as open education at universities of applied sciences. Employment training for adults covered 12 per cent of all teaching hours. Of all participants almost four out of five were studying in education arranged as liberal education and almost every tenth in education ordered by employers.

The gross number of students in education organised as liberal adult education was close on 1.6 million and their net number was almost 900,000. A person is included (as participant) in the gross number of students from each education he/she studies. Thus a student can be included more than once in the number of students in one or more educational institutions during the calendar year. In net numbers of students one person is included only once.

The number of teaching hours in education arranged as liberal education was good 2.7 million. The highest share (28 per cent) of all the teaching hours in adult education not leading to a qualification was given in the field of culture, where the most popular were music, and crafts and design. Popular fields of education were also social, health and sports, where 18 per cent of hours were taught, and humanities and education with 17 per cent of all hours taught.

In 2017, students in basic level education outside comprehensive school (upper secondary general schools, folk high schools, adult education centres and vocational institutes) numbered 4,160, of whom 3,843 were in basic education, that is, studying the full comprehensive school curriculum and 317 attended additional education (10th grade).

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Content of education ¹⁾	Type of education								Total
	Further vocational education, not apprenticeship training	Further vocational education, apprenticeship training	Employment training for adults	Courses ordered by the employer	Education organised as liberal adult education	Open university of applied sciences	Open university teaching	Other education	
Total	149 377	13 661	601 038	294 646	2 728 282	744 583	56 504	454 428	5 042 519
General education	136	-	34 837	1 229	53 013	2 016	96	69 155	160 482
Humanities and Education	14 306	346	183 684	18 840	556 508	40 275	30 082	28 396	872 437
Culture	3 165	-	218	2 569	1 342 363	33 985	9 974	37 830	1 430 104
Economics and Administration	15 595	5 485	40 194	31 421	86 338	208 720	11 410	16 683	415 846
Natural sciences	3 935	100	2 661	4 942	70 096	43 550	873	2 117	128 274
Technology and Transport	58 890	2 569	203 207	142 793	27 951	111 608	319	33 082	580 419
Natural resources and the Environment	7 036	-	1 617	2 013	13 178	26 160	93	2 919	53 016
Welfare, Health and Sport	24 562	771	9 273	72 214	529 485	224 638	3 240	36 898	901 081
Tourism, Catering and Home economics	4 458	2 621	11 493	3 812	22 282	49 855	269	7 506	102 296
Other education	17 294	1 769	113 854	14 813	27 068	3 776	148	219 842	398 564

1) The educational administration's classification of fields of education, application for adult education 2003

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