

13. EDUCATION

13.1 Number of Schools, Teachers, Pupils and Pupil Teacher Ratio by Type of Schools, 2017-2020

	2017	2018	2019	2020*
Total Number of Schools	11,053	11,044	11,084	11,091
Government Schools(a)	10,194	10,175	10,165	10,155
Government approved Private Schools		80	89	90
Special Schools	106	26	29	30
Pirivenas	753	763	801	816
Total Number of Teachers	255,044	261,485	261,803	265,394
Government Schools	241,591	247,334	246,592	249,494
Government approved Private Schools		6,829	7,490	8,019
Special Schools	7,039	490	521	545
Pirivenas	6,414	6,832	7,200	7,336
Total Number of Pupils	4,367,493	4,417,679	4,268,039	4,272,289
Government Schools(a)	4,165,964	4,214,772	4,061,653	4,063,685
Government approved Private Schools		139,581	135,600	136,230
Special Schools	138,657	2,451	2,467	2,496
Pirivenas	62,872	60,875	68,319	69,878
Pupil Teacher Ratio				
Government Schools	17	17	17	16
Government approved Private Schools		20	18	17
Special Schools	20	5	5	5
Pirivenas	10	9	10	10
New Admissions to Government Schools	322,137	328,632	333,074	319,405

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Note: (a) Functioning schools only

Source: Ministry of Education

13.2 Performance of Candidates - G.C.E.(O/L) and G.C.E.(A/L), 2019-2020

(Number,%)

	2019**		2020***#	
School Candidates sat for the GCE(O/L)	315,278	
Percentage Qualifying for GCE(A/L)	72.28*	
All Candidates Sat for the GCE(O/L)	334,474	
Percentage Qualifying for GCE(A/L)	70.59*	
	New Syllabus	Old Syllabus	New Syllabus	Old Syllabus
School Candidates sat for the GCE(A/L)	173,781	61,769	251,168	..
School Candidates Qualifying to Enter University	108,367	46,557	165,711	..
Percentage Qualifying to Enter University	62.40	75.37	65.98	..
All Candidates Applied for the GCE(A/L)	197,349	136,286	316,737	41,702
All Candidates Sat for the GCE(A/L)	187,167	94,619	277,625	24,146
All Candidates Qualifying to Enter University	113,651	67,500	178,337	15,960
Percentage Qualifying to Enter University	60.72	71.34	64.24	66.10

* Percentage qualifying for G.C.E.(A/L) calculated by number sat for 5 or more subjects for GCE (O/L)

** After released withheld results.

*** Excluded withheld results releasing # not finalized yet.

Source: Department of Examinations

13.3 University Education, 2019-2020

	2019	2020*
1. No. of Universities	15	15
No. of Other Higher Educational Institutions	20	20
2. No. of Students (Undergraduates)(a)		
Universities	100,944	106,641
Institutes	3,724	3,844
Open University	25,165	26,255
3. No. of Lecturers(b)	6,321	6,525
4. No. of Students (Postgraduates)	40,931	41,074
5. No. of Graduates(includes External & Open University also)		
Basic Degree	25,757	24,565
Arts and Education	9,907	11,795
Commerce & Management Studies	5,469	3,842
Law	771	814
Science	3,634	1,849
Engineering	1,026	1,516
Medicine	1,433	969
Dental Surgery	87	87
Agriculture	927	1,142
Veterinary Science	54	10
Architecture & Quantity Surveying	242	115
Computer Sc/IT/ICT/MIT	1,210	1,175
Paramedical Studies	749	1,006
Indigenous Medicine	248	245
6. New admissions for basic degrees	31,902	41,669*
7. Admission as a percentage of eligible	18.98	22.98

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(a) Excluding external degree courses

(b) Excluding Temporary Staff

Source: University Grants Commission

13.4 Expenditure on Education, 2019-2020

Item	2019	2020*
Total Government		
Expenditure	290.2	..
(a) Current	234.4	..
(b) Capital	55.8	..

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Source - Central Bank of Sri Lanka

13.5 Number Literate and Literacy Rates by Census years & Sex

[10 Years of Age and Over]

Census year	Population ('000)			No. Literate('000)			Percentage Literate		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1953	3,110	2,693	5,803	2,510	1,496	4,006	80.7	55.6	69.0
1963	3,952	3,571	7,523	3,385	2,404	5,789	85.6	67.3	77.0
1971	4,839	4,515	9,354	4,143	3,201	7,344	85.6	70.9	78.5
1981	5,768	5,541	11,309	5,257	4,608	9,866	91.1	83.2	87.2
2001(a)	6,937	7,069	14,006	6,423	6,340	12,763	92.6	89.7	91.1
2012	8,046	8,736	16,782	7,807	8,304	16,111	96.8	94.6	95.6

(a) Jaffna, Mannar, Vavuniya, Mullaitivu, Kilinochchi, Batticaloa and Trincomalee districts in which the 2001 census enumeration was not completed are not included here.

13.6 Students by Institute of Vocational & Technical Training Sector, 2019-2020

Institute	Year established	Total no. of Students					
		Intake		Completed		Dropped	
		2019	2020*	2019	2020*	2019	2020*
1. Dept. of Technical Education and Training (DTET)	1893	35,599	25,000	23,621	**	10,636	3,159**
2. Vocational Training Authority(VTA)	1995	37,936	24,703	34,235	2,835	3,701	3,304
3. National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority (NAITA)	1990	30,952	14,207	25,756	15,630	7,857	..
4. National Institute of Business Management (NIBM)	1968	9,801	7,482	9,218	6,805	222	125
5. NSBM Green UniversityTown	2011	2,682	2,834	2,155	2,084	9	150
6. University of Vocational Technology (UNIVOTEC)	1999	1,040	0	301	0	34	34
7. Ceylon German Technical Training Institute(CGTTI)	1959	3,726	2,415	2,649	1,459	386	141
Full time courses		600	650	502	524	17	17
Part time courses		3,126	1,765	2,147	935	369	124
8. Ocean University	2014	1,851	1,236	733	..	159	..
9. Sri Lanka Institute of Printing (SLIOP)	1984	1,001	512	464	274	203	25
10. National Youth Corps	2002	11,067	11,515	7,416	9,684	3,651	1,831
11. National Youth Service Council	1969	22,280	13,232	17,457	10,794	4,369	2,438

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** Completion and Dropout cannot be calculated as the courses for 2020 academic year are still on-going due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Source : State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation. National Youth Corps, National Youth Service Council, Ministry of Youth and Sports.

13.7 Income and Expenditure of Vocational & Technical Training Sector, 2019-2020

Institute	Year Establi- shed	Total Income (Rs.Mn)				Total Expenditure(Rs.Mn)			
		Govt. Grant		Fees & Other		Capital		Recurrent	
		2019	2020*	2019	2020*	2019	2020*	2019	2020*
1. Dept.of Technical Education and Training (DTET)	1893	2058.45	2138.63	35.56	46.50	204.66	155.57	1853.79	1983.05
2. Vocational Training Authority(VTA)	1995	1694.00	1610.65	84.40	63.60	104.22	48.67	1659.52	1583.85
3. National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority (NAITA)	1971	1217.50	1126.75	61.83	42.90	61.08	28.33	1186.00	1097.13
4. National Institute of Business Management (NIBM)	1968	0.00	0.00	1144.17	1200.80	93.36	42.04	1058.76	1025.94
5. NSBM Green University Town	2011	0.00	0.00	3041.00	3335.10	118.00	92.50	2952.00	2896.60
6. University of VocationalTechnology (UNIVOTEC)	2008	403.25	388.74	45.20	21.87	78.00	45.26	382.07	359.74
7. UNIVOTEC Univesity Colleges	2014	363.45	344.26	10.40	5.65	56.96	38.22	316.84	304.72
8. Ceylon German Technical Training Institute(CGTTI)	1959	270.80	329.53	100.30	74.33	38.08	21.98	335.30	396.50
9. Ocean University	2014	387.96	450.09	4.18	4.50	101.17	100.34	381.43	399.70
10.Sri Lanka Institute of Printing (SLIOP)	1984	0.00	0.00	41.78	29.30	69.68	1.26	27.07	24.20
11 National Youth Corps	2002	1710.00	1186.77	3.2	3.1	242.84	261.11	747.45	607.68
12.National Youth Service Council	1968	90.90	54.50	214.30	137.49	19.4.0	144.89	227.00	-

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Source : State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation.
National Youth Corps, National Youth Service Council, Ministry of Youth and Sports.

13.8 Institutional Development of Vocational and Technical Training Sector, 2019-2020

Institute	No. of Centres		No. of Courses				Strength of Employees			
	2019	2020*	Part time		Full time		Academic		Non Academic	
			2019	2020*	2019	2020*	2019	2020*	2019	2020*
1 Dept.of Technical Education and Training (DTET)	39	39	18	17	100	94	549	536	1813	1762
2 Vocational Training Authority(VTA)	216	216	191	145	1,245	1,075	1,331	1,294	634	620
3 National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority (NAITA)	66	66	33	13	251	338	442	370	572	505
4 National Institute of Business Management (NIBM)	5	5	72	76	69	54	73	74	130	128
5 NSBM Green University Town	1	1	6	5	31	29	54	68	125	102
6 University of Vocational Technology (UNIVOTEC)	1	1	0	0	15	15	41	39	136	136
7 Ceylon German Technical Training Institute(CGTTI)	2	2	45	49	12	12	154	171	81	73
8 Ocean University	8	8	1	5	20	41	44	44	159	159
9 Sri Lanka Institute of Printing	2	2	20	18	01	-	4	4	4	4
10 National Youth Corps	56	58	-	-	06	02	355	357	297	327
11 National Youth Service Council	54	54	87	87	49	49	390	390	266	258

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Source : State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation.
National Youth Corps, National Youth Service Council, Ministry of Youth and Sports.