



9 April 2019

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Dear 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your request, received on 15 March 2019, for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *Number of students and number of student FTE studying towards a qualification in Early Childhood Education each year since 2010*
- *Number of students and number of student FTE completing or graduating with a teaching qualification in ECE each year since 2010*

Your urgent consideration of this request would be appreciated as I am working on a project.

I noted this information has recently been referred to in a submission by Te Rito Maioho: Per Tertiary Education Commission Ngā Kete figures, ECE teachers in study have dropped from 5,325 Equivalent Fulltime Students in 2011 to 1,765 currently in study in 2018

In regards to your first question please refer to the table below:

Number of students and number of student FTE studying towards a qualification in Early Childhood Education each year since 2010

Reporting Year	Equivalent full-time students (EFTS)	Number of learners
2011	5,325	7,680
2012	4,935	7,365
2013	4,405	6,560
2014	3,875	5,755
2015	3,315	5,085
2016	2,920	4,300
2017	2,725	4,005



Please note that we are unable to provide data that is comparable for the 2010 reporting year. The data provided was extracted on 26 March 2019. At this stage the 2018 figures are not available as they have yet to be finalised. The data has been taken from the Ngā Kete information product - Tertiary Provision, sheet "Enrolment trends over time".

The filters used for deriving the number of students and number of EFTS are:

- Reporting years 2011 to 2017 (2011 is the earliest year available in this particular comparable data set);
- Source of Funding 01 - Student Achievement Component at Level 3 and above;
- NZ Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) code 070101 - Teacher Education Early Childhood;
- Qualifications at level 7 on the NZ qualifications framework (NZQF). Level 7 can include degree and non-degree qualifications.

In regards to your second question please refer to the table below:

Number of students and number of student FTE completing or graduating with a teaching qualification in ECE each year since 2010

Reporting Year	Number of qualification completions
2010	1,797
2011	2,020
2012	2,190
2013	2,009
2014	1,640
2015	1,385
2016	1,118
2017	1,023

Please note the data was extracted on 22 March 2019, and the 2018 figures are not available as they have not yet been finalised. The data is taken from the Tertiary Education Commission's data warehouse "Educational Performance Indicators - qualifications completions cube".

The filters used for deriving the number of qualification completions are:

- Reporting years 2010 to 2017;
- Source of Funding 01 - Student Achievement Component at Level 3 and above;
- NZ Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) code 070101 - Teacher Education Early Childhood;



- Qualifications at level 7 on the NZ qualifications framework (NZQF). Level 7 can include degree and non-degree qualifications.

We have consulted with Te Rito Maioho and ensured that data we have provided has used same methodology as in the submission you have referenced.

The TEC intends to publish its response to this request on our website with your personal details removed. Consistent with the Act, we are publishing responses in the interests of transparency and accountability, and to improve access to official information.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about my decision.

Yours sincerely



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Tertiary Education Commission



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