

Press Release

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University Entrance Exams. Year 2007

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80.6% of the registered students pass, 2.6% fewer than the previous year

During the year 2007, a total of 222,086 students registered to sit the University Entrance Exams.

155,400 students registered for the June exam session, and 89.5% of them passed the exams, while 42,804 students registered for the September exam session, and 68.1% of them passed.

On the other hand, in the entrance exams for persons over 25 years of age, 23,882 students registered, that is, 24.1% more than the previous year, and 45.1% of them passed the exams, 19.4% less than in 2006.

Evolution of students who registered and who passed the University Entrance Exams

Exam sessions	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Registered students					
TOTAL	240,373	227,210	222,633	220,954	222,086
June (%)	70.7	69.9	71.2	71.7	70.0
September (%)	21.2	20.9	19.9	19.5	19.3
Persons over 25 years of age (%)	8.1	9.2	8.9	8.7	10.8

Percentage of students who passed over the total number registered

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TOTAL	79.2	80.3	81.7	82.7	80.6
June	87.2	88.7	89.3	89.9	89.5
September	63.2	64.6	66.2	68.2	68.1
Persons over 25 years of age	51.9	51.6	55.2	56.0	45.1

57.2% of the persons who hoped to start University were women, and 81.5% of those women who sat the exams passed. The percentage of men who passed was 79.3%.

Students registered in 2007, by exam session and sex

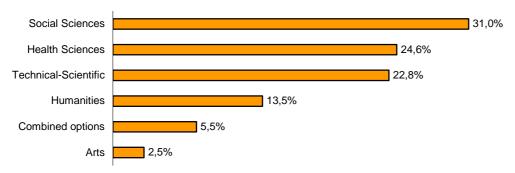
Exam sessions	Both sexes	Males	Females	
TOTAL	222,086	42.8%	57.2%	
June	155,400	40.8%	59.2%	
September	42,804	45.3%	54.7%	
Persons over 25 years of age	23,882	51.4%	48.6%	

Social Sciences is the option preferred by the students

Excluding the exams for persons over 25 years of age, the Social Sciences option was the option preferred by the registered students (with 31.0%), followed by the Health Sciences option (24.6%) and the Technical-Scientific option (22.8%).

The two options that carried the least weight among the students were the Combined options (students who registered for more than one option), with 5.5% of the registered students, and the Arts option, with 2.5% of the students.

Options chosen



The Technical-Scientific option is the option most chosen by men, and the Social Sciences option is that most chosen by women

Considering distribution by sex, 38.0% of the men chose the Technical-Scientific option as compared with the 1.7% who chose Arts, while 34.1% of the women preferred the Social Sciences option as compared with the 3.0% who chose Arts.

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