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#### Abstract

The paper presents a country report on Ghana's Tertiary Education Institutions (TEIs) in the context of Higher Education Conference at Barcelona, Spain. It covers data collected from 265 accredited public and private Tertiary Education Institutions. The institutions covered were Public Universities, Public Technical Universities, Public and Private Colleges of Education, Public Specialised/Professional Teaching Institutions, Private Universities (University, University Colleges, Tutorial Colleges, and Distance Education Institutions), Colleges of Agriculture and Public and Private Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Training Colleges. This report was based on information from well researched documents from Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC) and other relevant agencies under the sector Ministry. The dynamics and demographics of the tertiary education space in Ghana are very well articulated in this paper.


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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

| DCI | Data Collection Instrument |
| :---: | :---: |
| DMD | Data Management Department |
| GAFCSC | Ghana Armed Forces Command and Staff College |
| GER | Gross Enrolment Ratio |
| GIJ | Ghana Institute of Journalism |
| GIL | Ghana Institute of Languages |
| GIMPA | Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration |
| GPI | Gender Parity Index |
| GSSM | Ghana School of Surveying and Mapping |
| GTEC | Ghana Tertiary Education Commission |
| HND | Higher National Diploma |
| ILG | Institute of Local Government |
| ISCED | International Standard Classification of Education |
| JHS | Junior High School |
| KAIPTC | Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre |
| KNUST | Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology |
| MA | Master of Arts |
| MBA | Master of Business Administration |
| M.Ed. | Master of Education |
| MPA | Master of Public Administration |
| M.Phil. | Master of Philosophy |
| MSc. | Master of Science |
| NAFTI | National Film and Television Institute (NAFTI) |
| NCTE | National Council for Tertiary Education |
| PhD | Doctor of Philosophy |
| PPMED | Planning, Policy, Monitoring and Evaluation Directorate |
| RMU | Regional Maritime University |
| SHS | Senior High School |
| STR | Student Teacher Ratio |
| TEI | Tertiary Education Institution |
| UCC | University of Cape Coast |
| UDS | University for Development Studies |

UENR University of Energy and Natural Resources
UEW University of Education, Winneba

UG University of Ghana, Legon
UHAS University of Health and Allied Sciences
UMAT University of Mines and Technology
UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
UPSA University for Professional Studies, Accra

## Presentation

This is a country report of Ghana in the context of Higher Education Conference at Barcelona, Spain. This report was prepared using information from well researched documents from Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC) and other relevant agencies under the sector Ministry. It gives in depth information about the tertiary space with particular emphasis on number of universities (both Public and Private), gender segregation, historical enrolment and graduation rate, quality and types of higher education institutions, legal and institutional framework of higher education, current challenges and recommendations.

## Current situation of higher education

### 1.1 Historical Enrolment and Graduation Rates

In the 2020/2021 academic year, 580,751 students were enrolled in tertiary education institutions in Ghana. Public tertiary education institutions enrolled $88 \%$ of the total student population whereas the remaining $12 \%$ were enrolled in private tertiary education institutions. Table 1 shows the types of TEls and enrolments. The trend of enrolment across institutions over the last six years has been increasing (see Appendix 1) and it's projected that it will continue to rise largely because of the implementation of the Free Senior High School Policy.

Table 1: Types of Institutions and Students Enrolled by Gender

| INSTITUTION | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Male | Female | Total | $\%$ |
| Public Universities ${ }^{5}$ | 187,611 | 145,175 | 332,786 | 57.3 |
|  | 23,830 | 63,728 | 11.0 |  |
|  | 26,107 | 27,213 | 53,320 | 9.2 |
| Private Colleges of Education | 2,318 | 3,523 | 5,841 | 1.0 |
| Public Specialised Institutions ${ }^{6}$ | 5,945 | 6,292 | 12,237 | 2.1 |
| Private Universities ${ }^{7}$ | 32,332 | 29,324 | 61,656 | 10.6 |
| Public Nursing, Midwifery, and Allied Health Training <br> Colleges | 10,949 | 38,098 | 49,047 | 8.4 |

[^1]| Private Nursing, Midwifery, and Allied Health Training <br> Colleges | 397 | 700 | 1,097 | 0.2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Colleges of Agriculture | 746 | 293 | 1,039 | 0.2 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 0 6 , 3 0 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 4 , 4 4 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 0 , 7 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ |

Source: Data Management Department, GTEC.

Student enrolments increased from 547,045 in 2019/2020 to 580,751 in 2020/2021. This indicates an increase of 6\%. Enrolment in the public TEls increased from 474,956 in 2019/2020 to 512,157 in 2020/2021 representing an increase of $8 \%$.

In the 2020/2021 academic year, $69 \%$ of students were enrolled in bachelor's or equivalent level programmes. Whilst $25 \%$ were enrolled in short-cycle programmes (i.e., Diploma or Higher National Diploma (HND) programmes). Six percent (6\%) of students were enrolled in second degree/certificate programmes (i.e., Postgraduate Diploma and Master's Degree) whilst less than $1 \%$ were enrolled in doctoral or equivalent level (i.e., Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)) programmes. Table 2 shows a breakdown of the total enrolments by the types of programmes in public and private tertiary education institutions according to ISCED levels.

Table 2: Number of Students Enrolled By Type of Institution and ISCED Levels

| Type of Programme | Number of Students |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Public <br> Institutions | Private <br> Institutions | Total | Percentage <br> (\%) |
|  | 132,542 | 10,145 | 142,687 | 24.57 |
| Bachelor's or equivalent level (ISCED 6) | 344,505 | 54,195 | 398,700 | 68.65 |
| Master's or equivalent level (ISCED 7) | 31,904 | 3,989 | 35,893 | 6.18 |
| Doctoral or equivalent level (ISCED 8) | 3,206 | 265 | 3,471 | 0.60 |
| Total | 512,157 | 68,594 | 580,751 | 100 |

Source: Data Management Department, GTEC

Figure 1 represents data on TEls by fields of study in the 2020/2021 academic year as categorised according to the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED).

Figure 1: Student Enrolment by ISCED Fields of Study


Source: Data Management Department, GTEC

### 1.1.1 Gross Tertiary Enrolment Ratio (GTER)

Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) is the number of students enrolled in each level of education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the population in the theoretical age group for the same level of education. For the tertiary level, the population used is the 5 -year age group starting from the official secondary school graduation age i.e., between age 18 and 22 in Ghana.

The Gross Enrolment Ratio8 shows the general level of participation in each level of education. It also indicates the capacity of the education system to enrol students of a particular age group. A high GER generally points to a high degree of participation in a specific level of education regardless of the ages of the students.

[^2]A GER value approaching or exceeding $100 \%$ indicates that a country is, in principle, able to accommodate all its school-age population, but it does not indicate the proportion already enrolled. The achievement of a GER of $100 \%$ is, therefore, a necessary, but not sufficient condition for enrolling all eligible children in school.

The formula for calculating GER is:

## GER $=100 \times$ [Tertiary enrolment/Five-year age cohort following theoretical age of secondary education completion]

Figure 2: Gross Enrolment Ratio of Total Tertiary Education in Ghana

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GER = [Total Tertiary Enrolment/Population within 18-22yrs] *100
Total Tertiary Enrolment = 580,751
Population within 18-22 years = 2,903,685
Therefore, GER = (580,751/2,903,685)* 100
    =20.00% \cong 20%
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## GTEC Target for GER is $25 \%$

Source of Population within 18-22 years: Ghana Statistical Service. September 19, 2020
Source of Total Tertiary Enrolment: DMD, GTEC

### 1.1.2 Gender Parity Index (GPI)

The Gender Parity Index (GPI) ${ }^{9}$ is a socio-economic index usually designed to measure the relative access to education of males and females. In its simplest form, GPI is the quotient of the number of females divided by the number of males enrolled in each stage of education (primary, secondary, tertiary, etc.).

GPI is a measure of the progress towards gender parity in education participation and/or learning opportunities available for women in relation to those available to men and reflects the level of women's empowerment in society. The formula for calculating GPI is:

GPI= [Enrolment in Tertiary Education for females] / [Enrolment in Tertiary Education for males]

[^3]A GPI value of one (1) indicates parity between females and males. In general, a value less than one indicates a disparity in favour of males and a value greater than one indicates a disparity in favour of females.

Figure 3: Gender Parity Index for Tertiary Education in Ghana

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GPI= [Enrolment in Tertiary Education for females] / [Enrolment in Tertiary Education for
males]
Enrolment for Females = 274,448
Enrolment for Males = 306,303
Therefore, GPI = 274,448 / 306,303
    =0.90
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GTEC Norm for GPI = 1
Source of Enrolment for Males and Females: DMD, GTEC

### 1.1.3 Number of Students in Tertiary Education Per 100,000 Inhabitants

This indicator denotes the number of students enrolled in tertiary education in a given academic year per 100,000 inhabitants. This indicator shows the general level of participation in tertiary education by indicating the proportion (or density) of students within a country's population.

A high number of students per 100,000 inhabitants indicate a generally high level of participation in tertiary education to a country's population. Figure 4 shows the number of students enrolled in tertiary education in Ghana for the 2020/2021 academic year per 100,000 inhabitants.

Figure 4: Number of Students Enrolled in Tertiary Education Institutions in a Given Academic Year per 100,000 inhabitants

Formula $=$ [Total Tertiary Student Enrolment/Population] * 100,000] per 100,000 inhabitants.
Total Enrolment = 580,751

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Population = 30,792,608
Therefore => (580,751 / 30,792,608)* 100,000
    = 1,886.01\cong 1,886 per 100,000 inhabitants.
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Source of Population:
https://census2021.statsghana.gov.gh/presspage.php?readmorenews=MTQ1MTUyODEyMC43M Dc1\&Press-Release-on-Provisional-Results

Source of Total Enrolment: PPMED, GTEC

Data collected by the GTEC indicates that there are 1,886 students per population of 100,000 . This level of participation in tertiary education is low, thus efforts should made to promote access to tertiary education in Ghana.

### 1.1.4 Enrolment in Science and Arts-Related Programmes in Tertiary Education Institutions

In the 2020/2021 academic year, 225,847 students were enrolled in science-related (i.e., Applied Science, Technology, Agriculture, Engineering etc.) programmes, while 354,904 students were enrolled in arts-related (i.e., Business, Social Science, Humanities, etc.) programmes. Figure 5 presents data on the number of students enrolled in science and arts-related programmes. It also depicts the enrolment ratio of science and arts-related programmes as compared to the GTEC norm.

Figure 1: Enrolment in Science and Arts-Related Programmes

|  | Science | Arts |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total, Enrolment | 225,847 | 354,904 |
| \%Norm | 60 | 40 |
| \%Actual | 39 | 61 |

Source: Data Management Department, GTEC
Figure 5 shows that the Science to Arts ratio is 39:61. The grater number of students in Arts-related programmes may be attributed to the fact that the majority of the private TEls run Arts-related programmes only. Additionally, a high proportion of Senior High School (SHS) graduates apply to read Arts-related programmes in the public TEls.

During the year under review, 225,847 students were enrolled in science-related programmes. Therefore, there was a 17.5\% increase in enrolment in science-related programmes in the 2020/2021 academic year. For arts-related programmes, 354,904 students were enrolled, and this depicts an increase of annual enrolment of $0.1 \%$ in 2020/2021.

### 1.1.4 Graduate Output

In the year under review, data presented to GTEC indicates that 107,26310 students graduated from the various TEls in Ghana. Fifty-six percent (56\%) of the graduates were males whilst $44 \%$ were females. The distribution by programmes pursued by the graduates using the ISCED classification were as follows: Diploma programmes $38.3 \%$, First Degree programmes $51.9 \%$, Masters and MPhil degree programmes $9.6 \%$, and PhD programmes $0.2 \%$. Table 5 shows a breakdown of the graduates by the types of programmes in public and private tertiary education institutions according to ISCED levels.

Table 3: Number of Graduates By Type of Institution and ISCED Levels

| Type of Programme | Number of Students |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Public <br> Institutions | Private <br> Institutions | Total | Percentage <br> (\%) |
|  | 37,203 | 3,846 | 39,733 | 38.3 |
| Bachelor's or equivalent level (ISCED <br> 6) | 45,996 | 9,648 | 55,644 | 51.9 |
| Master's or equivalent level (ISCED 7) | 8,350 | 1,949 | 10,299 | 9.6 |
| Doctoral or equivalent level (ISCED 8) | 208 | 63 | 271 | 0.2 |
| Total | 91,757 | 15,506 | 107,263 | 100 |

Source: Data Management Department, GTEC

Figure 6 shows the number of students who graduated in the year under review using the ISCED fields of education. It is worth noting that the last six years has seen consistent year-on-year growth

[^4]graduation numbers (see Appendix 2). Thus it can be safely projected that in spite of the surge of the covid-19 pandemic, next graduation will produce more graduates than the year under review.

Figure 6: Graduate Students by ISCED Fields of Education


Source: Data Management Department, GTEC

### 1.2 Quantity and Types of Higher Education Institutions

Table 3: Quantity and Types of Higher Education Institutions

| PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS | NUMBER | PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS | NUMBER |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Universities | 14 | Universities (Universities, University <br> Colleges, Tutorial Colleges, and Distance <br> Education Institutions) | 86 |
| Technical University and <br> Polytechnics | 10 | Colleges of Education | 3 |
| Colleges of Education | 46 | Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health <br> Training Colleges | 5 |
| Specialised/Professional <br> Teaching Institutions | 9 |  |  |
| Colleges of Agriculture | 3 |  |  |


| Nursing, Midwifery and <br> Allied Health Training <br> Colleges | 89 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total | 171 | Total | 94 |
|  | Grand Total | 265 |  |

Table 3 presents the number of Tertiary Education Institutions (TEIs) in Ghana and their classification. As of the time of collecting this data, the overall total number of TEls were 265. The number of Public Tertiary Institutions are 171 and the Private institutions are 94. The institutions covered were Public Universities, Public Technical Universities, Public and Private Colleges of Education, Public Specialised/Professional Teaching Institutions, Private Universities (University, University Colleges, Tutorial Colleges, and Distance Education Institutions), Colleges of Agriculture and Public and Private Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Training Colleges.

### 1.3 Legal and institutional framework of higher education

The key legislation governing tertiary education based on which the Policies have been developed include the following:

### 1.3.1 The 1992 Constitution of the Republic of Ghana

Article 25 (1) gives all persons "the right to equal educational opportunities and facilities ...", and Article 25 (1c) states that "higher education shall be made equally accessible to all, on the basis of capacity, by every appropriate means, and in particular, by progressive introduction of free education". Article 25(2) further provides that every person has "the right, at his own expense, to establish and maintain a private school at all levels and of such categories and in accordance with such conditions as may be provided by law".

In addition, Article 38 of the Constitution obligates the Government to provide educational facilities at all levels and in all the Regions of Ghana and make those facilities available to all citizens to the greatest extent feasible. The State is obliged to provide equal access to university or equivalent education with emphasis on science and technology.

### 1.3.2 The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

The UN Sustainable Development Goal 4, which is the overall goal for education and is endorsed by Ghana, is to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. The SDGs are internationally agreed development goals.

### 1.3.3 Africa Union Agenda 2063

The AU Agenda 2063 is the collective vision and roadmap for the transformation of Africa in the next 50 years developed under the guidance of the AU Commission. One of the seven aspirations of Agenda 2063 demands a commitment to speeding up actions to catalyze education and skills revolution and actively promote science, technology, research and innovation to building knowledge, human capabilities and skills to drive innovations and for the African country, among other things, to build and expand African knowledge society through transformation and investment in universities and other fields.

### 1.3.4 Education Act, 2008 (Act 778)

The Education Act, 2008 (Act 778) seeks to provide for the establishment of an educational system intended to produce well-balanced individuals with the requisite knowledge, skills, values, aptitudes and attitudes to become functional and productive citizens for the total development and democratic advancement of the nation. Act 778 places the education system into three progressive levels which include 'tertiary education' as education provided at universities, polytechnics or colleges of education.

### 1.3.5 Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC)

The Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC) Act, 2020 (Act 1023) established the Commission to, among other things, advise the Minister of Education on the development of tertiary education institutions, accreditation of institutions and publish information on tertiary education in Ghana. Act 1023 also enjoins the Board to recommend national standards and norms including standards and norms on staff, costs, accommodation, and time utilisation for approval by the Minister of Education; monitor the implementation of any approved national standards and norms by the institutions and publish information on tertiary education in Ghana.
1.3.6 The Commission for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (CTVET)

The Commission for Technical and Vocational Education and Training was established by the Education Regulatory Bodies Act 2020 (Act 1023). The mandate of CTVET is to regulate, promote and administer technical and vocational education and training for transformation and innovation for sustainable development.

### 1.3.7 The Ghana Education Trust Fund Act, 2000 (Act 581)

GETFund pursuant to the Ghana Education Trust Fund Act, 2000 (Act 581) makes available funds for infrastructure, human resource capacity building and research in TEls through the NCTE.

### 1.3.8 Students Loan Trust Fund Act, 2011 (Act 820)

The Students Loan Trust Fund was established by the Students Loan Trust Fund Act, 2011 (Act 820) to administer and manage loans in a manner that ensures that eligible students in accredited institutions have equal financial access to tertiary education.

### 1.3.9 Laws establishing Tertiary Institutions

- Acts of Public Universities: Public Universities were established by individual Acts.
- The Colleges of Education Act, 2012 (Act 847): The Colleges of Education Act, 2012 (Act 847) elevated teacher training colleges to tertiary status, and designated them as Colleges of Education.
- The Polytechnics Act, 2007 (Act 745): Overarching law for Polytechnics.
- The Technical Universities Act 2016 (Act 922); Technical Universities (Amendment) Act, 2018 (Act 974): Overarching law for Technical Universities.
- Private Universities: Fully fledged private universities have their own Charters.


## Current challenges in higher education

## Challenge 1.

One of the major challenges that beset the higher educational sector is infrastructural deficit. There has been increased in enrolment without corresponding increase in infrastructure. In view of this most students are clustered into lecture halls that should accommodate lesser students. Residential accommodation is also limited to only a fraction of students leaving many students staying outside campus. This to a large extent affect academic performance and general wellbeing of students.

## Challenge 2.

Another challenge that confront the tertiary education space is the imbalance of students offering science vis-a-vis those in humanities. The Education Strategic Plan (ESP) 2018-2030 clearly outlines Ghana's vision and goals for the education sector and detailed strategies to achieve these goals. One key policy objective in the ESP is to achieve a $60: 40$ Science: Humanities ratio favouring science at the tertiary level. However, only about $12 \%$ of students at the Senior High Schools are studying science, making the 60:40 Science: Humanities ratio at the tertiary almost impossible.

## Challenge 3.

Delay in the release of subvention or funds to the tertiary institutions is another challenge that confront higher educational sector in Ghana. Institutions mandated to provide funds at certain intervals are unable to release funds as expected. This has dire consequences on the performance of the tertiary institutions.

## Towards 2030 and beyond: recommendations for the future

## Recommendation 1.

To address the infrastructure deficit, the government is taken steps to put up infrastructure in the tertiary education institutions through Ghana Education Trust Fund (GETFund) to augment the existing infrastructure. Currently, each of the all 46 Colleges of Education are benefiting from a 400-bed ultramodern residential accommodation facility fully sponsored by GETFund. It is heavily recommended that the government partners with the private sector for Build Operate and Transfer (BOT) and other Public Private Partnership (PPP) arrangements to bridge the infrastructural deficit.

## Recommendation 2.

To address the challenge of Science: Humanities ratio, it is recommended that the government pursues the following strategies;
a. First, we will consider a review of the Senior High School (SHS) Curriculum to make it dynamic or flexible to enable students to change their minds to study any programme at the university. For example, it should be seamless for a Business student to switch to science at the university because of the preparatory courses he might have taken at the SHS.
b. We will also introduce a Pre-Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (Pre-STEM) programme, which will admit all non-science students desirous of studying any STEM-related field and prepare them for one year before enrolling in any Science programme at the tertiary level.
c. Invest more resources in building new science SHS and equipping existing schools with logistics required to promote science at the schools. We will also work with the teacher training institutions to train more science teachers to handle the increasing student numbers in science. This will help increase the number of science students in the pipeline for tertiary education.

Pursuing the above strategies can significantly improve the 12\% story at the Senior High Schools and ultimately help achieve the 60:40 Science: Humanities ratio at the tertiary level.

## Recommendation 3

To deal with the delays in the release of the subventions or funds, it is recommended that the Ministry of Education through GTEC prepares a detailed Cash Flow Plan and highlights those funds' cash flow timing and criticality. The timing of the funds will consider all the bureaucratic processes we need to go through. After preparing this detailed cash flow plan, we will engage the Chief Director of the Finance Ministry to assist in the implementation of the plan and also declare them as priority payments since the lives of the students depend on it.

## Annexes

## Annex 1

Student Enrolment in the Tertiary Education Institutions by Type of Institution and Gender for Ten Years

| TYPE OF INSTITUTION | 2015/2016 |  |  | 2016/2017 |  |  | $2017 / 2018$ |  |  | 2018/2019 |  |  | 2019/2020 |  |  | 202012021 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  |
|  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Public Universities | 135,139 | 84,457 | 219,596 | 156,413 | 102,256' | 258,669 | 147,170 | 96,909 | 244,079 | 164,186 | 119,872' | 284,058 | 178,200 | ${ }^{133,827}{ }^{\prime}$ | 317,027 | 187,611 | 145,175 | 332,786 |
| Public Technical Universities and Polytechnics | 34,688 | 18,077 | 52,765 | 33,365 | 17,567 | 50,932 | 32,707 | 19,826 | 52,533 | 31,095 | 19,744 | 50,839 | 34,303 | 22,307 | 56,610 | 39,898 | 23,830 | 63,728 |
| Public Colleges of Education | 23,611 | 19,142 | 42,753 | 24,041 | 20,772 | 44,813 | 25,664 | 22,489 | 48,153 | 25,434 | 22,651 | 48,085 | 24,888 | 22,697 | 47,585 | 26,107 | 27,213 | 53,320 |
| Private Colleges of Education | 4,241 | 3,578 | 7,819 | 2,721 | 2,475 | 5,196 | 3,043 | 3,095 | 6,138 | 2,970 | 4,124 | 7,094 | 3,242 | 4,545 | 7,787 | 2,318 | 3,523 | 5,841 |
| Public Specialised Instituions | 7,213 | 6,065 | 13,278 | 5,692 | 4,631 | 10,323 | 6,265 | 4,993 | 11,258 | 5,831 | 5,957 | 11,788 | 6,026 | 6,500 | 12,526 | 5,945 | 6,292 | 12,237 |
| Private Universities (University, University Colleges, Tutoria Colleges etc.) | 41,234 | 30,093 | 71,327 | 37,350 | 28,672 | 66,022 | 36,455 | 26,997 | 63,452 | 37,208 | 27,580 | 64,788 | 35,786 | 27,459 ${ }^{\prime}$ | 63,245 | 32,332 | 29,324 | 61,656 |
| Public Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Training Colleges | 3,574 | 10,027 | 13,601 | 1,634 | 4,691 | 6,325 | 4,263 | 12,675 | 16,938 | 6,729 | 21,581 | 28,310 | 10,114 | 30,366 | 40,480 | 10,949 | 38,098 | 49,047 |
| Private Nursing and Midwifery Training Colleges | 159 | 661 | 820 | 270 | 668 | 938 | 147 | 385 | 532 | 140 | 397 | 537 | 427 | 630 | 1,057 | 397 | 700 | 1,097 |
| Colleges of Agriculture | 143 | 20 | 163 | 652 | 108 | 760 | 513 | 97 | 610 | 536 | 113 | 649 | 570 | 158 | 728 | 746 | 293 | 1,039 |
| Total | 250,002 | 172,120 | 422,122 | 262,138 | 181,840 | 443,978 | 256,227 | 187,466 | 443,693 | 274,129 | 222,019 | 496,148 | 293,556 | 253,489 | 547,045 | 306,303 | 274,448 | 580,751 |
| Enrolments from Public Universities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regular | 99,644 | 55,758 | 155,402 | 107,076 | 60,660 | 167,736 | 106,988 | 60,995 | 167,983 | 114,442 | 74,137 | 188,579 | 127,562 | 85,752 | 213,314 | 146,065 | 99,820 | 245,885 |
| Distance | 27,217 | 22,044 | 49,261 | 43,367 | 36,752 | 80,119 | 34,689 | 31,000 | 65,689 | 43,349 | 40,095 | 83,444 | 43,529 | 43,657 | 87,186 | 32,813 | 33,063 | 65,876 |
| Sandwich | 8,278 | 6,655 | 14,933 | 5,970 | 4,844 | 10,814 | 5,493 | 4,914 | 10,407 | 6,395 | 5,640 | 12,035 | 7,109 | 9,418 | 16,527 | 8,733 | 12,292 | 21,025 |
| Total | 135,139 | 84,457 | 219,596 | 156,413 | 102,256 | 258,669 | 147,170 | 96,909 | 244,079 | 164,186 | 119,872 | 284,058 | 178,200 | 138,827 | 317,027 | 187,611 | 145,175 | 332,786 |
| Enrolments from Private Universities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regular |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - | 35,073 | 26,239 | 61,312 | 33,710 | 25,999 | 59,709 | 29,534 | 27,967 | 57,501 |
| Distance |  |  | $\cdot$ |  |  | $\cdot$ |  |  | - | 377 | 333 | 710 | 445 | 360 | 805 | 571 | 375 | 946 |
| Sandwich |  |  | $\cdot$ |  |  | $\cdot$ |  |  | - | 1,758 | 1,008 | 2,766 | 1,631 | 1,100 | 2,731 | 2,227 | 982 | 3,209 |
| Total | $\cdot$ | - | $\cdot$ | . | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | . | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | 37,208 | 27,580 | 64,788 | 35,786 | 27,459 | 63,245 | 32,332 | 29,324 | 61,656 |
| Enrolments from Public Specialsied Institutions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regular |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - | 5,894 | 6,389 | 12,283 | 5,812 | 6,157 | 11,969 |
| Distance |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - |  |  | - |
| Sandwich |  |  | - |  |  | $\cdot$ |  |  | - |  |  | - | 132 | 111 | 243 | 133 | 135 | 268 |
| Total | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | . | . | $\cdot$ | - | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | - | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | . | 6,026 | 6,500 | 12,526 | 5,945 | 6,292 | 12,237 |

## Annex 2

GRADUATE DATA BY GENDER IN THE TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS FROM $2015 / 2016$ TO $2020 / 2021$

|  | 2015/2016 |  |  | 2016/2017 |  |  | $2017 / 2018$ |  |  | 2018/2019 |  |  | 2019/2020 |  |  | 202012021 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TYPE OF INSTITUTION | NUMBER OF STUDE |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  | NUMBER OF STUDENTS |  |  |
|  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Public Universities | 22,404 | 17,341 | 39,745 | 30,325 | 20,632 | 50,957 | 34,460 | 21,886 | 56,346 | 35,040 | 19,786 | 54,826 | 30,489 | 25,502 | 55,991 | 31,196 | 25,651 | 56,847 |
| Public Technical Universities and Polytechnics | 9,353 | 5,501 | 14,854 | 9,842 | 5,653 | 15,495 | 8,865 | 4,668 | 13,533 | 9,458 | 5,345 | 14,803 | 7,895 | 4,055 | 11,950 | 9,863 | 6,005 | 15,868 |
| Public Colleges of Education | 4,803 | 3,594 | 8,397 | 7,604 | 5,623 | 13,227 | 7,305 | 5,159 | 12,464 | 7,670 | 6,703 | 14,373 | 8,497 | 7,544 | 16,041 | 7,845 | 6,637 | 14,482 |
| Private Colleges of Education | 1,050 | 1,041 | 2,091 | 1,102 | 1,130 | 2,232 | 1,088 | 1,129 | 2,217 | 787 | 737 | 1,524 | 585 | 608 | 1,193 | 525 | 610 | 1,135 |
| Public Specialised Institutions | 1,010 | 435 | 1,445 | 1,669 | 1,520 | 3,189 | 2,328 | 1,368 | 3,696 | 1,839 | 1,851 | 3,690 | 1,996 | 2,021 | 4,017 | 2,190 | 2,189 | 4,379 |
| Private Universities (University, University Colleges, Tutorial Colleges etc.) | 11,482 | 7,821 | 19,303 | 10,673 | 7,333 | 18,006 | 9,953 | 8,007 | 17,960 | 9,909 | 7,374 | 17,283 | 10,274 | 6,206 | 16,480 | 8,451 | 5,920 | 14,371 |
| Public Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Training Colleges | 681 | 959 | 1,640 | 377 | 927 | 1,304 | 733 | 2,806 | 3,539 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Private Nursing and Midwifery Training Colleges | 22 | 16 | 38 | 48 | 134 | 182 | 10 | 64 | 74 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Colleges of Agriculture | 44 | 1 | 45 | 234 | 24 | 258 | 42 | 3 | 45 |  |  |  | 37 | 12 | 49 | 140 | 41 | 181 |
| Total | 50,849 | 36,709 | 87,558 | 61,874 | 42,976 | 104,850 | 64,784 | 45,090 | 109,874 | 64,703 | 41,796 | 106,499 | 59,773 | 45,948 | 105,721 | 60,210 | 47,053 | 107,263 |


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[^1]:    ${ }^{5}$ The enrolment figures for the Public Universities includes Distance and Sandwich Students
    ${ }^{6}$ The enrolment figures for the Public Specialized Institutions includes Sandwich Students
    ${ }^{7}$ The enrolment figures for the Private Universities includes Distance and Sandwich Students

[^2]:    ${ }^{8}$ Education Indicators Technical Guidelines - UNESCO Report November 2009

[^3]:    ${ }^{9}$ Education Indicators Technical Guidelines - UNESCO Report November 2009

[^4]:    ${ }^{10}$ Data does not include NMAHTC (Public and Private)

