

# Graduation Statistics

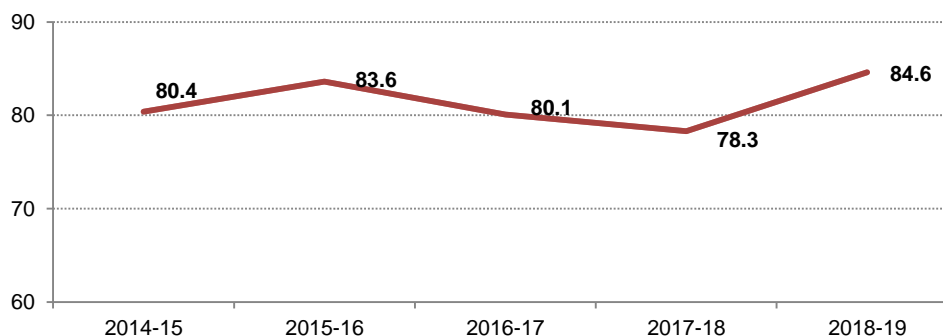
2018-2019

**Tirana, May 15, 2020:** In 2019, 34,982 pupils are graduated in basic education, either 96.4% of pupils in the ninth grade of the 2018-2019 school year recording an increase of 1 percentage points compared to the previous year. At this level of education, 52.6 % boys and 47.4 % girls are graduated.

In 2019, 34,021 pupils are graduated in upper secondary education, with a drop of 3.6 % compared to 2018. In upper secondary education, 47.9 % boys and 52.1 % girls are graduated. Pupils graduated of Professional make up 11.2% of all graduates in upper secondary education.

In 2019, the gross graduation ratio (GGR) for upper secondary education is 84.6 %.

**Fig. 1 Gross Graduation Ratio in Upper secondary GGR**

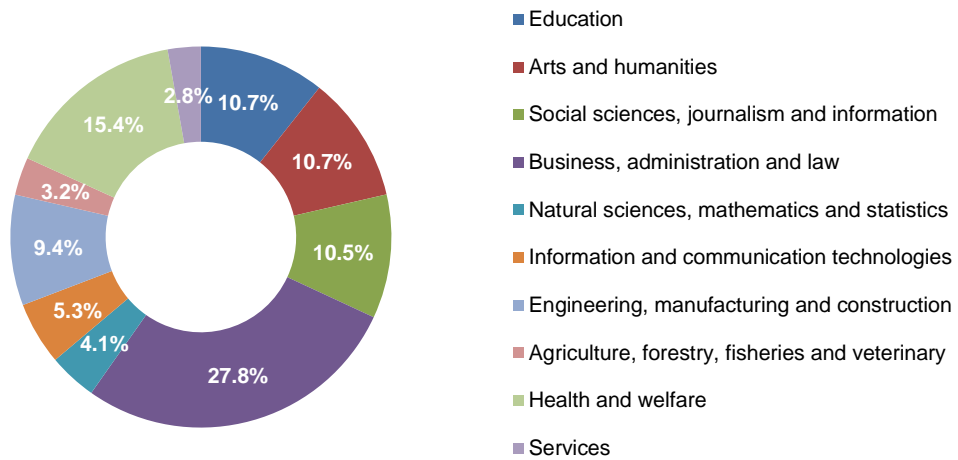


## Graduated in Tertiary

In 2019, 34,891 students have graduated in tertiary education or 1.6 % more than in 2018. Among the graduates this year, 66.4 % are women and 33.6 % are men. Graduates in Bachelor programs consists 53.6 % of the total graduate students. The field in which more students are graduated in all programs is "Business, Administration and Law" of 27.8 %.

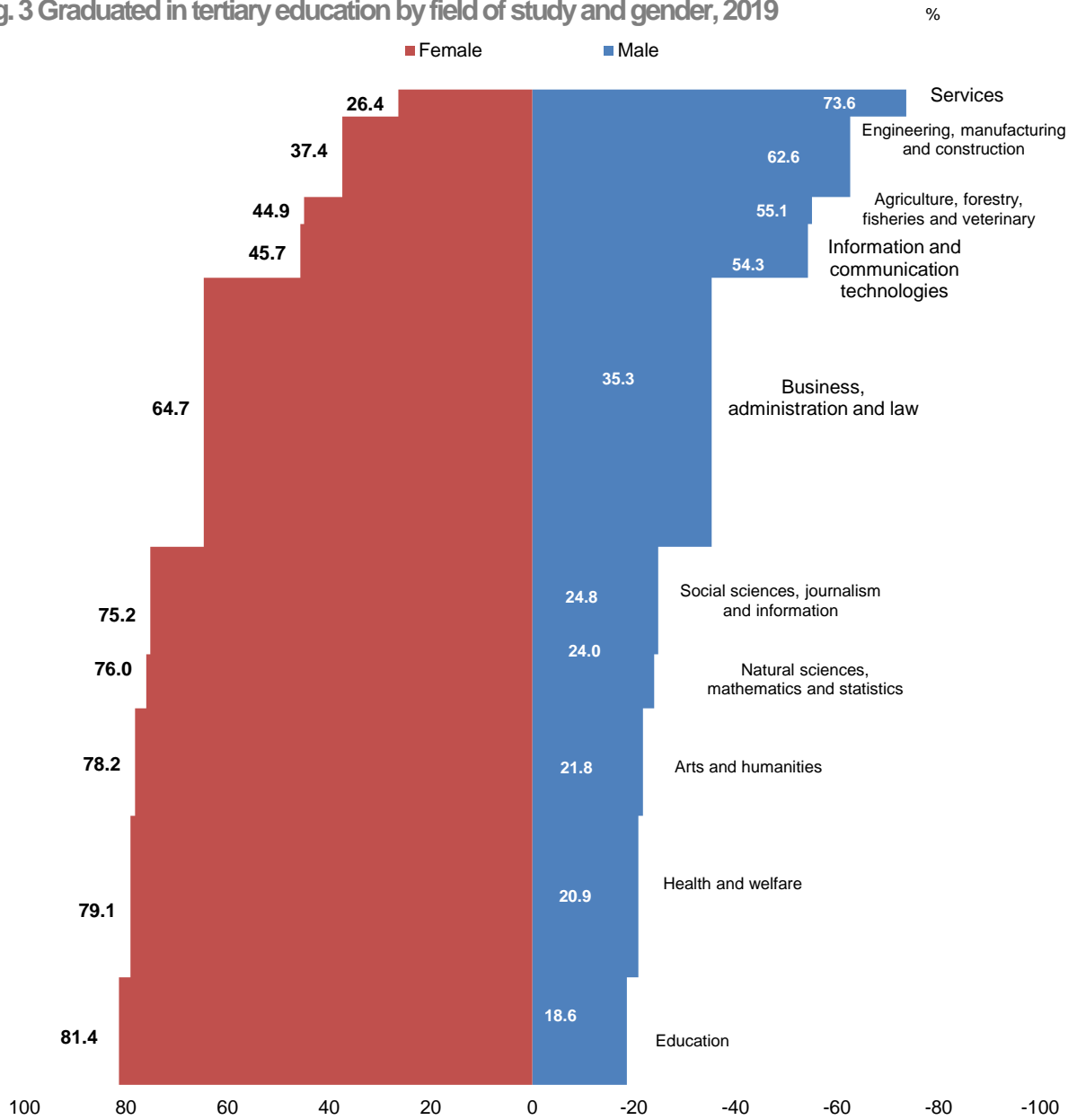
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Fig. 2 Graduated in tertiary by fields of study, 2019



In 2019, graduates by field of study have different percentages for men and women among graduates in total. Fields of study where more women are graduated more than men are "Education" with 81.4 %, followed by "Health and Wellbeing" with 79.1 %, and "Arts and humanities" with 78.2 %. Fields in which more men are graduated are "Services" with 73.6%, "Engineering, Production and Construction" with 62.6 %, and "Agriculture forestry, fisheries and veterinary" with 55.1 %.

Fig. 3 Graduated in tertiary education by field of study and gender, 2019



# Methodology

Education in Albania is organized according to these programs and classified according to ISCED-2011

Classification used internationally in education statistics:

Level 0 - Early childhood education - Early childhood / Pre-primary education;

Level 1 - Primary education or first cycle of basic education;

Level 2 - Lower Secondary Education or second cycle of basic education;

Level 3 - Upper Secondary Education - Gymnasium / Professional;

Level 4 - Post-secondary but not tertiary;

Level 5 - Higher Education Short Circuit;

Level 6 - Bachelor or equivalent;

Level 7 - Master or equivalent;

Level 8 - PHD or equivalent

**Definition:**

**Pre-university education** includes education provided by educational institutions such as kindergartens, basic schools and upper secondary ones

**Basic education** consists of two cycles: primary education that is conducted in grades 1-5 and upper cycle or lower secondary education that is conducted in grades 6-9. Basic education is compulsory at age 6 and lasts 9 years. The student is required to attend basic education up to the age of 16 years old.

**Upper secondary education** includes gymnasium and professional education, which is divided into lower technical (vocational) and higher professional education, as well as social cultural education, which is presented in statistics, together with professional education.

**Professional education** includes education programs designed to gain the knowledge, skills and competences specific to a particular profession, class of professions, or trade.

**Graduated** in an educational program, is a pupil or student who has successfully completed all program requirements.

**The gross graduation ratio** is the number of graduates regardless of age at a certain level or program.

Source of Graduation data: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports and Ministry of Finance and Economy.