

15 December 2008

University Entrance Exams. Year 2008

In 2008, a total of 218,150 students register, of whom 56.9% are women

82.4% of the registered students pass, 1.8 points more than the previous year

During the year 2008, a total of 218,150 students registered to sit the University Entrance Exams.

154,952 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 68.6% of them passed.

On the other hand, in the entrance exams for persons over 25 years of age, 21,997 students registered, that is, 7.9% less than the previous year. 57.8% of them passed the exams, 18% more than in 2007.

Students who registered and percentage of students who passed the University Entrance Exams

Evolution 2004-2008

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Students who registered	227,210	222,633	220,954	222,086	218,150
Percentage of students who passed	80.2	81.7	82.7	80.6	82.4

Students who registered and percentage of students who passed the University Entrance Exams, by sex and session

Year 2008

	Students who registered			% of student who passed		
	Total	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men
Total	218,150	124,165	93,985	82.4	83.4	81.0
June	154,952	91,209	63,743	89.5	90.3	88.4
September	41,201	22,147	19,054	68.6	68.7	68.4
Students over 25 years of age	21,997	10,809	11,188	57.8	55.3	60.1

A higher percentage of women than men pass

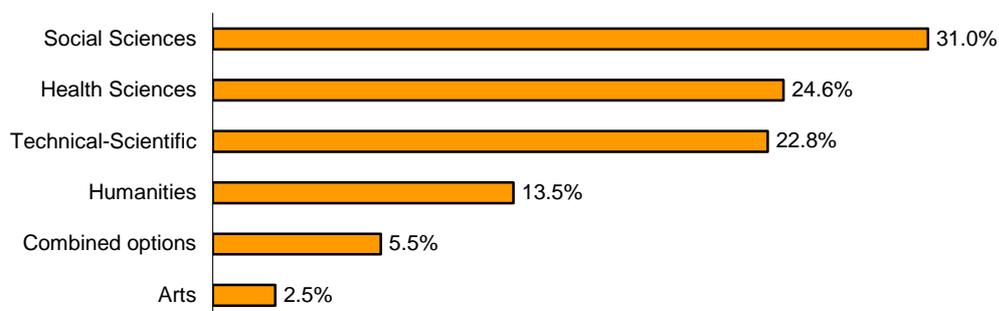
56.9% of the persons who hoped to start University were women, and 83.4% of those women who sat the exams passed. The percentage of men who passed was 81.0%.

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 32.8%), followed by the Health Sciences option (25.8%) and the Technical-Scientific option (22.2%).

The two options that carried the least weight among the students were the Combined options (students who registered for more than one option), with 5.1% of the registered students, and the Arts option, with 2.4% of the students.

Options chosen



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

Considering distribution by sex, 36.1% of the women chose the Social Sciences option as compared with the 3.0% who chose Arts. In turn, 36.8% of the men preferred the Technical-Scientific option as compared with the 1.7% who chose Arts.

For further information see INEbase-www.ine.es/en/welcome_en.htm All press releases at: www.ine.es/en/prensa/prensa_en.htm

Press office: Telephone: 91 583 93 63 / 94 08 – Fax: 91 583 90 87 - gprensa@ine.es
Information area: Telephone: 91 583 91 00 – Fax: 91 583 91 58 – www.ine.es/infoine
