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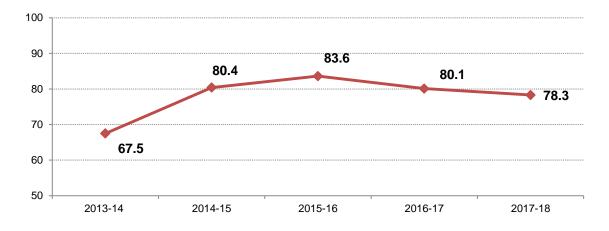
# **Graduation Statistics**

### 2017-2018

**Tirana, May 15, 2019:** In 2018, 37,795 pupils are graduated in basic education, either 95.4% of pupils in the ninth grade of the 2017-2018 school year, recording a decrease of 1 percentage points compared to the previous year. At this level of education, 51.1 % boys and 48.9 % girls are graduated.

In 2018, 35,278 pupils are graduated in upper secondary education, with a drop of 3.2 % compared to 2017. In upper secondary education, 49.4 % boys and 50.6 % girls are graduated. The gross graduation ratio (GGR) for upper secondary education is 78.3 %.

Fig. 1 Gross Graduation Ratio in upper secondary education, GGR



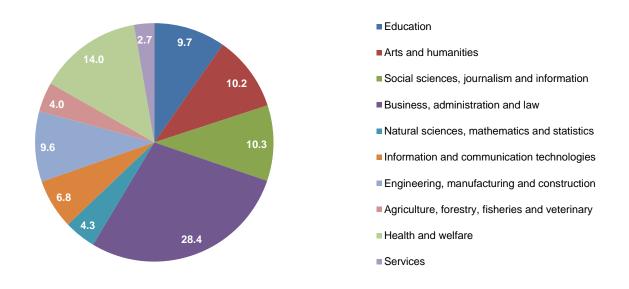
#### **Graduated in Tertiary**

In 2018, 34,331 students have graduated in tertiary education or 3.0 % less than in 2017. Among the graduates this year, 63.3 % are women and 36.7 % are men. Graduates in Bachelor programs consists 58.6 % of the total graduate students.

The field in which more students are graduated in all programs is "Business, Administration and Law" of 28.4 %

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In 2018, graduates by field of study have different percentages for men and women among graduates in total. Fields of study where more women are graduated are " Health and Wellbeing " with 78.9 %, followed by " Education " with 77.7 % and "Social Science, Journalism and Information" with

74.2 %. Fields in which more men are graduated are "Services" with 71.1%, "Engineering, Production and Construction" with 61.7 %, and "Information and communication technologies" with 56.3 %.

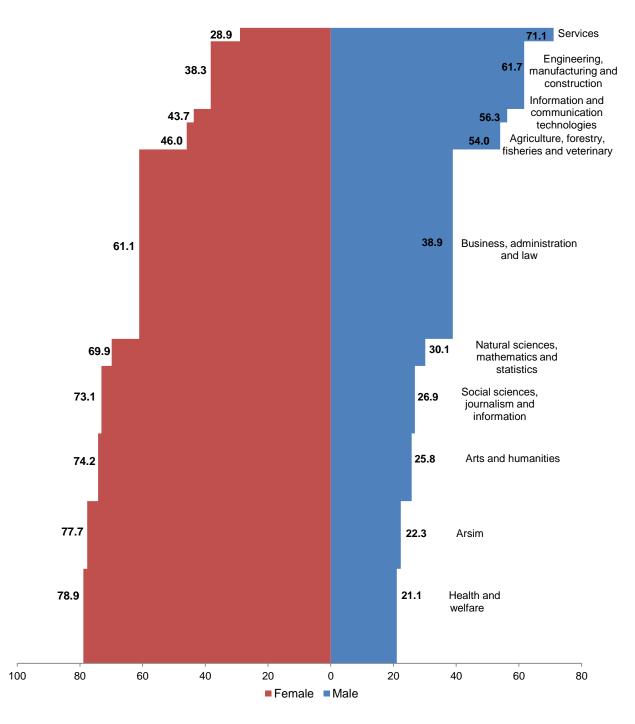


Fig. 3 Graduated in tertiary education by field of study and gender, 2018

According to the Manual of Field of Study ISCED F-2013.

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## 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, expressed as a percentage of the population of the age of theoretical graduation, for that level or program.

Source of Graduation data: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports