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The Further Education Sector in London

The purpose of this document is to provide a brief high level snapshot of the Further Education sector in London.

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Of interest to everyone involved in improving skills and learning opportunities across London.

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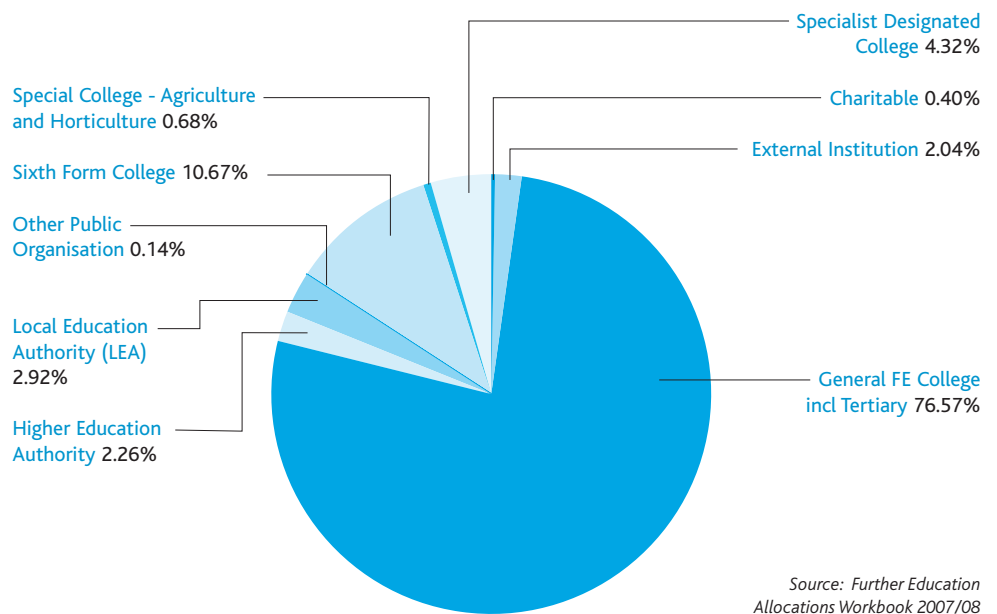
An FE snapshot for the London region

1 Budget for 2007/08

The LSC Further Education (FE) budget is £885 million, of which £390 million will be spent on Adults (-3.7 per cent or £15 million less than 2006/07), and £436 million on 16-18 (+6.9 per cent or £28 million more than 2006/07). A further £59 million has been allocated for Additional Learning Support (+2 per cent). In addition to the Further Education allocations, the Train to Gain budget for 2007/08 is £55 million (+48 per cent). The following information excludes all Train to Gain activity.

Funding by Provider Type

In London 76.6 per cent of the FE budget is spent on General FE Colleges. The pie chart below shows the split in funding by provider type including Additional Learning Support.



2 Learner Numbers

Total Learner Numbers

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07 (estimate)
Young People	96,547	98,082	100,904
Adults	484,031	454,566	425,976

Source: PAMS Report L_Fund (04/05 & 05/06), AMPS (06/07)

Balance of Provision (2005/06 based on enrolments)

	London		National	
	Young People	Adults	Young People	Adults
Contribution to Full Level 2	8%	3%	7%	5%
Contribution to Full Level 3	34%	4%	34%	5%
SfL Accredited	21%	13%	19%	10%
SfL Non-Accredited	4%	19%	3%	17%
Foundation Learning Tier	15%	27%	16%	29%
Remainder of Provision	18%	34%	20%	33%

Source: ILR 2005/06 F05

3 Key Target Participation

Learner Numbers

		2004/05	2005/06	Increase
Full Level 2	Young People	15,332	17,891	16.7%
	Adults	17,332	21,010	21.2%
Full Level 3	Young People	27,646	29,246	5.8%
	Adults	14,250	21,391	50.1%
Skills for Life (ex ESOL)	Young People	41,007	40,413	-1.4%
	Adults	55,969	53,318	-4.7%
ESOL	Young People	8,411	7,540	-10.4%
	Adults	98,325	101,044	2.8%

Source: ILR 2005/06 F05

4 What do we spend our money on?

(Excluding Entitlement Funding and Additional Learner Support)

		2004/05 Actual	2005/06 Actual
Foundation Learning Tier	Adults	55,353,793	53,680,710
	Young People	38,897,679	45,145,955
	Total	94,251,472	98,826,665
Level 2 - directly contributes to full Level 2 threshold	Adults	25,641,102	35,107,584
	Young People	44,138,321	53,355,154
	Total	69,779,423	88,462,738
Level 2 - does not directly contribute to full Level 2 threshold	Adults	41,905,845	36,346,018
	Young People	16,062,781	11,550,433
	Total	57,968,626	47,896,451
Level 3 - directly contributes to full Level 3 threshold	Adults	51,032,678	53,629,657
	Young People	126,517,974	146,348,550
	Total	177,550,652	199,978,207
Level 3 - does not directly contribute to full Level 3 threshold	Adults	22,768,833	24,753,915
	Young People	11,081,029	12,332,306
	Total	33,849,862	37,086,221
Level 4	Adults	5,803,752	6,651,454
	Young People	195,817	225,156
	Total	5,999,569	6,876,610
Level not classified	Adults	28,007,361	18,435,718
	Young People	2,788,864	2,613,332
	Total	30,796,225	21,049,050
Skills For Life - non target	Adults	131,888,128	152,045,754
	Young People	22,838,613	21,181,223
	Total	154,726,741	173,226,977
Skills For Life - target	Adults	42,363,443	44,332,302
	Young People	24,993,700	27,877,990
	Total	67,357,143	72,210,292
Total Funding	Adults	404,764,935	424,983,112
	Young People	287,514,778	320,630,099
Grand Total		692,279,712	745,613,211

Source: ILR 2004/05 F05, ILR 2005/06 F05

5 Achievements

- 71 per cent of Young People reached Level 2 by 19 in 2005/06, an increase of 2 per cent over 2004/05.
- 49 per cent of Young People reached Level 3 by 19 in 2005/06, an increase of 3 per cent over 2004/05.
- There were 117,835 Skills for Life achievements (PSA) in 2005/06, of which 62 per cent were from Adults.

6 Quality

- Overall success rate is 77 per cent for 2005/06, which is higher than 2004/05 (73 per cent), and compares well with the national overall success rate of 76 per cent.
- For 2005/06, the overall success rate is 73 per cent for Young People and 78 per cent for Adults.
- The full Level 2 success rate for Young People and Adults in 2005/06 was 67 per cent

Success Rates

Young People	2004/05		2005/06		2006/07
Region name	Actual success rate	Change on previous year	Actual success rate	Change on previous year	Planned success rate
Greater London	70%	4.4%	73%	3.0%	73%
National	72%	3.0%	75%	3.1%	75%

Adults	2004/05		2005/06		2006/07
Region name	Actual success rate	Change on previous year	Actual success rate	Change on previous year	Planned success rate
Greater London	74%	18.8%	78%	4.0%	78%
National	75%	5.2%	77%	1.8%	76%

Source: Performance Scorecard

7 Demand

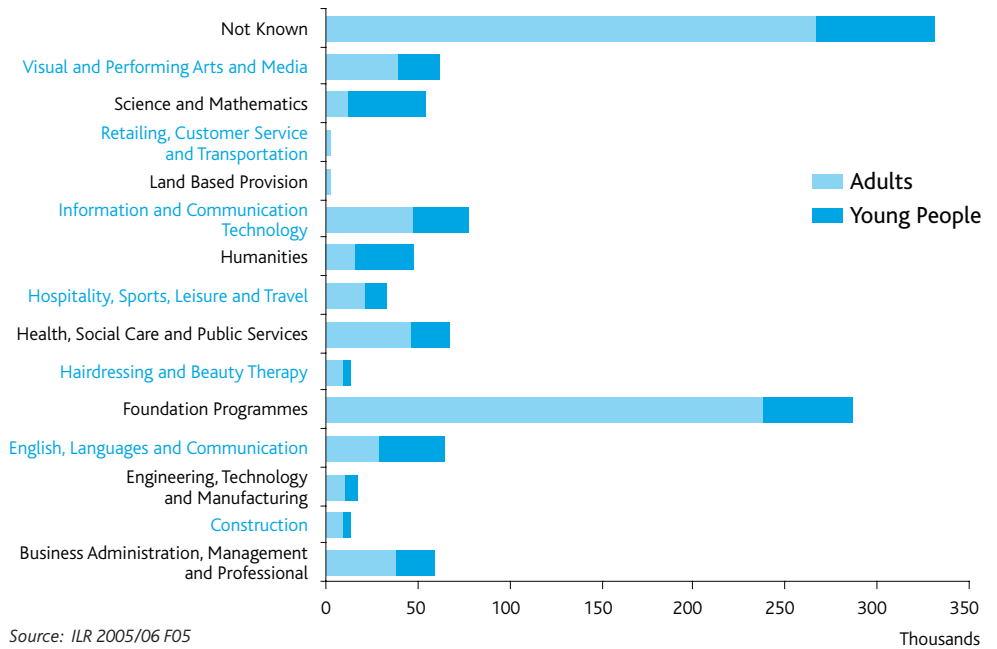
- Unemployment is 7.6 per cent, the employment rate is 5 per cent below the rest of the country.
- Employment in London is predicted to grow by 12 per cent between 2003-16 and 22 per cent between 2003-26 (Greater London Authority economics).
- 25 per cent of all Londoners of working age do not have a Level 2 and 14 per cent have no qualifications at all.
- By 2010, 46 per cent of all London jobs will require a Level 4 or above.
- 13 per cent of London's employers reported skills gaps, comprising 219,000 workers.



Enrolments by Area of Learning

(based on funded learners in 2005/06)

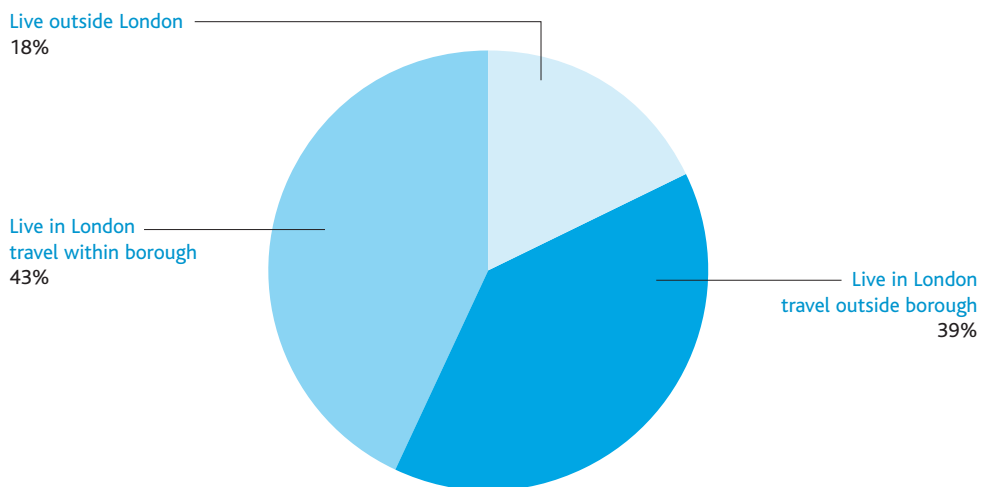
The following graph shows the number of enrolments of funded learners in 2005/06 by area of learning. A high proportion of the learning aims do not have a known area of learning because most of these are modular.



Travel to Study

(based on funded and non-funded learners in 2005/06 excluding unknowns)

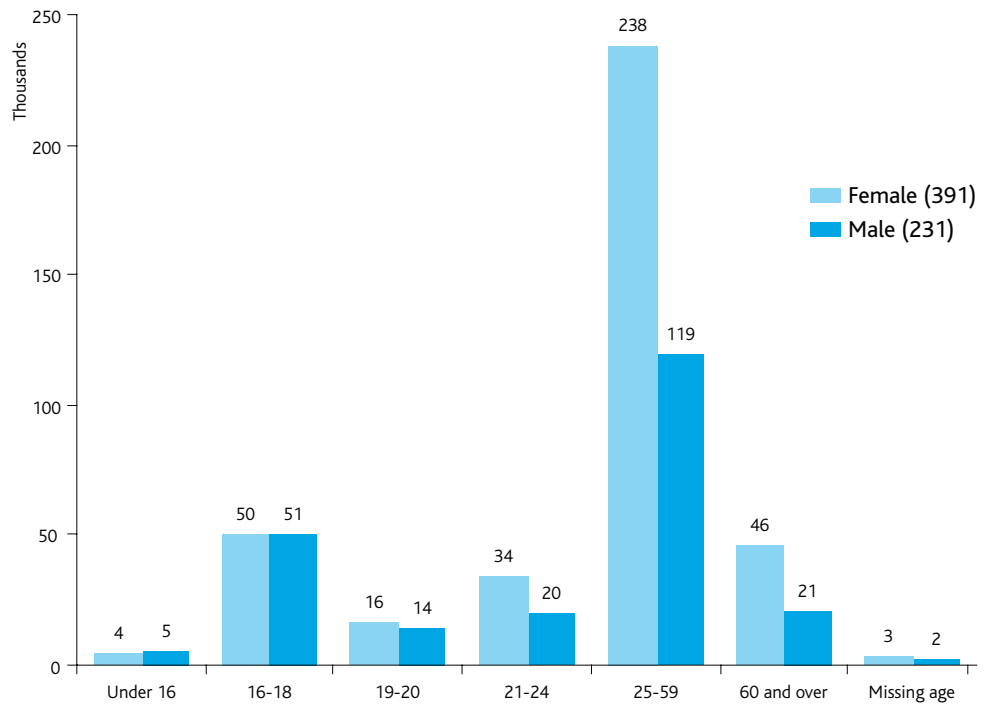
Most people that attend a course in London also live in the capital, with just over half of them doing their learning in their 'home' borough.



Gender and Age split

(based on funded and non-funded learners in 2005/06)

The following graph shows the gender and age split for learners attending a further education institution in London.



Source: ILR 2005/06 F05

8 Train to Gain

The Train to Gain budget for 2007/08 is £55 million of which £1.2 million is Additional Learning Support.

The following table is a breakdown of the planned expenditure for Train to Gain in 2007/08.

	Funding	Learners
Skills for Life	£53,891,600	7,084
Level 2 (including Level 3 jumpers)		40,662
Additional Learner Support	£1,192,884	

Source: Train to Gain Allocations Workbook 2007/08



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