

The following are some particulars of the age, sex, and occupation of students :—

SEX AND AGE.

Sex.	Under 13 Years.	13 Years.	14 Years.	15 Years.	16 Years.	17 Years to 21 Years.	Over 21 Years.	Totals.
Males ..	51	105	516	991	1,351	3,486	607	7,107
Females ..	56	140	437	638	716	1,471	622	4,080
Totals	107	245	953	1,629	2,067	4,957	1,229	11,187

SUMMARY OF OCCUPATIONS OF STUDENTS.

	Number of Students.	Percentage of Total, 1929.	Percentage of Total, 1928.
Various trades and industries	5,211	46·6	46·7
Agricultural pursuits	160	1·4	1·8
Professional pursuits	625	5·6	5·9
Clerical pursuits	2,303	20·6	20·6
Domestic pursuits	1,259	11·3	11·5
No occupation	1,225	10·9	8·6
Other occupations, not stated	404	3·6	4·9
Totals	11,187	100·0	100·0

TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS, TECHNICAL DAY SCHOOLS, AND FULL-TIME DAY CLASSES.

At the 30th June, 1929, the numbers of pupils taking the various courses provided were as follows :—

Course.	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.	Percentage of Totals.	
				Boys.	Girls.
Industrial	2,097	..	2,097	50·7	..
Agricultural	408	..	408	9·8	..
Domestic	1,070	1,070	..	31·5
Commercial.. .. .	821	1,828	2,649	20·0	53·7
General	704	237	941	17·0	7·0
Art	106	265	371	2·5	7·8
Totals	4,136	3,400	7,536	100·0	100·0

It is to be noted that in some cases under the general course are included pupils preparing for the Engineering Preliminary Examination.

Of the total number of pupils (7,536) 7,324 held Government free places, classified as follows :—

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
First year	2,127	1,749	3,876
Second year	1,244	1,020	2,264
Third year	453	369	822
Fourth year	158	116	274
Fifth year	40	39	79
Sixth year	5	4	9
Totals	4,027	3,297	7,324

During 1929 4,354 new pupils were admitted, and of this number 4,072 were commencing their secondary education.