Tab. C 1-5 First-time graduates and subject structure rate 2015–2020

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total number of graduates	**317,102**	**315,168**	**311,441**	**303,155**	**310,747**	**289,615**
Percentage of women	51.1	52.0	52.6	53.0	53.6	53.7
Percentage of graduates from universities	56.8	54.7	53.9	53.0	52.8	50.7
Humanities	**37,135**	**34,886**	**32,205**	**30,491**	**30,660**	**27,633**
Share subject group in percent	11.7	11.1	10.3	10.1	9.9	9.5
Legal, economics and social sciences	**128,273**	**132,737**	**134,605**	**131,832**	**135,165**	**128,531**
Share subject group in percent	40.5	42.1	43.2	43.5	43.5	44.4
Human medicine, health sciences	**17,935**	**19,521**	**20,308**	**20,101**	**21,957**	**20,309**
Share subject group in percent	5.7	6.2	6.5	6.6	7.1	7.0
Agriculture, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine	**7,442**	**6,978**	**7,148**	**7,252**	**7,226**	**7,104**
Share subject group in percent	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.5
Art, art history	**11,514**	**11,268**	**11,119**	**10,892**	**10,905**	**9,754**
Share subject group in percent	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.4
Mathematics, natural sciences	**30,001**	**28,081**	**26,261**	**25,677**	**26,765**	**23,627**
Share subject group in percent	9.5	8.9	8.4	8.5	8.6	8.2
Engineering	**81,300**	**78,552**	**76,133**	**73,849**	**74,868**	**69,547**
Share subject group in percent	25.6	24.9	24.4	24.4	24.1	24.0

First-degree graduates and subject-structure ratio: First-degree graduates are persons who have successfully completed a first degree course. The subject-structure ratio indicates the percentage of first-degree graduates who have completed their degree course in a specific subject or group of subjects.
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