

Statistics on teachers of public sector secondary and primary schools

- A. The total number of teachers, number of retired teachers reported and the average age of the retired teachers in public sector primary and secondary schools

School year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Total number of teachers	45 588	45 379	45 083	44 606	44 278
Number of retired teachers reported	700	738	750	821	788
Average age of the retired teachers reported (as at August 31 before the commencement of the respective school year)	59	59	59	59	59

Note:

- (1) Figures for the 2020/21 school year refer to the position as at mid-October, and others refer to the position as at mid-September of the respective school years.
- (2) “Retired teachers reported” refer to the teachers who were serving in ordinary schools in the preceding school year, and reported with retirement as the reason for leaving and were no longer serving in any local ordinary schools in the school year concerned.
- (3) Figures (including principals) excluded special schools.

- B. The estimated numbers of teachers who will attain the age of 60 in public sector primary and secondary schools

School year	Number of teachers
2025/26 (as at 31 August 2025)	About 1 140

2026/27 (as at 31 August 2026)	About 780
2027/28 (as at 31 August 2027)	About 850
2028/29 (as at 31 August 2028)	About 930
2029/30 (as at 31 August 2029)	About 950

Notes:

- (4) The retirement age in different sectors varies. The figures are only rough estimates of the number of teachers who attained the age of 60 in the preceding school year.
- (5) The total number and the composition of teachers in the next few years may change. Figures have been compiled based on the teacher data of the 2024/25 school year.
- (6) Figures (including principals) excluded special schools.