

# STATISTICAL BULLETIN

## ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017

Quarterly Statistics from August 2013 to April 2019

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# INTRODUCTION

## Coverage

This Statistical Bulletin is part of a biannual series published by the Department for the Economy (DfE) to provide key information on both the [ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 and 2017](#) programmes (hereby referred to jointly as ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017<sup>1</sup>) and contains data up to the end of April 2019.

The statistics presented in this Bulletin cover a range of topics including starts, occupancy, leavers and outcomes for participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/17. For more information on the coverage please see the [Notes to Readers](#) section.

## Policy and Operational Context

ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 aims to provide participants with the opportunity to take part in a Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship where the apprentice, in paid employment from day one, works towards achieving an industry-approved Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship Framework.

ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 aims to:

- provide apprentices with the knowledge, understanding, and competence to work at a higher level in their chosen occupation;
- offer high quality training to fulfil the requirements of an appropriate Apprenticeship Framework;
- contribute to raising the skills level of the Northern Ireland workforce;
- provide opportunities for progression to further and higher education and training; and
- encourage the direct involvement of employers in training key personnel.

Figures in this Statistical Bulletin are solely in respect of participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 and 2017. The original ApprenticeshipsNI programme was introduced for new starts from September 2007 to replace the Jobskills programme.

This bulletin does not include information or statistics on the ApprenticeshipsNI 2008 contract as the overwhelming majority of participants on this version of the programme have now left. Relevant statistics for this contract can be found in tables on the DfE website and in versions of this bulletin published on or before 24 February 2016.

## Who will be interested?

The information presented in this Statistical Bulletin will be of interest to a wide variety of people including training suppliers and employers. For example, the statistics in and derived from this Bulletin are used by DfE policy officials in their role of assisting and advising the Minister for the Economy to discharge their duties; by the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Department for the Economy committee to scrutinise DfE training programmes; and by DfE

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<sup>1</sup> The new ApprenticeshipsNI 2017 contract was introduced in August 2017, however, there are still candidates who are yet to finish their course as part of the 2013 contract.

policy officials in order to monitor performance of the programme. Other interested parties include academics, the private sector and the general public.

## Structure

This Bulletin analyses key statistical information for this programme and data have been provided on numbers participating in ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017; on key personal characteristics of participants (such as gender and background); on the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 provision undertaken within the programme; and on outcomes gained by participants.

The Bulletin consists of three sections:

- [Key Statistics](#) – Highlights the main facts from the statistical tables.
- [Notes to Readers](#) – Provides further information on programme design and terminology.
- [Statistical Tables](#) – Includes statistics on the options undertaken within the programme; on starts; on leavers; on numbers participating in the programme; on key personal characteristics of participants (such as gender and background); and on qualifications and outcomes gained by participants.

It should be noted that this Bulletin does not represent the full apprenticeships position in Northern Ireland. The Jobskills Programme was replaced in September 2007 for new starts, however existing Jobskills participants continued to progress within Jobskills until their natural conclusion. Jobskills Modern Apprentices are not included in the figures within this Bulletin.

In addition, opportunities are also now available through the [Higher Level Apprenticeships](#) for those wishing to gain qualifications from Level 4 to Level 8. Higher Level Apprenticeships will be reported on separately; therefore figures for these apprenticeships are not included in this bulletin.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- 16-24 year olds make up 89% of all those participants starting in the current academic year to date (2018/19).
- Level 3 Apprenticeships account for 47% of all those participants starting in the current academic year.
- Electrotechnical, engineering and food manufacturing are the most popular frameworks for the current occupancy quarter.
- Males account for 71% of current participants. The proportion of male participants is highest in the Level 2/3 Apprenticeship group at 91%.
- Over three fifths (62%) of those who left Level 2 apprenticeships in 2018/19 (up to April 2019), achieved a Level 2 Framework.
- Over three fifths (61%) of those who left Level 3 apprenticeships in 2018/19 (up to April 2019), achieved a Level 3 Framework.

## KEY STATISTICS

### Starts

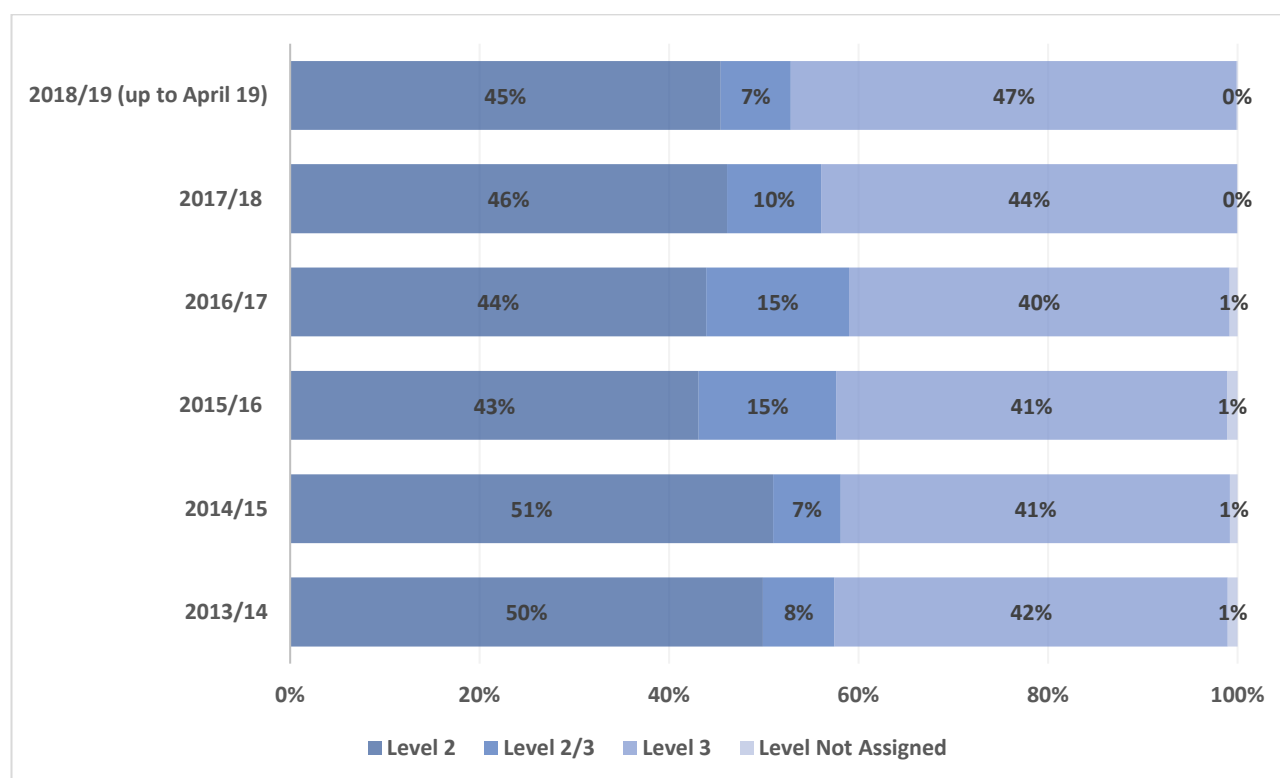
Between the commencement of the programme and 2018/19 (up to April 2019), 33,770 participants started ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2018. Of this total, 46% have been targeted at Level 2, 11% at Level 2/3 and 42% at Level 3.

The total number of participants starting at all levels for full academic years steadily increased up to 2016/17, after which there was a decrease in the number of starts (2013/14: 5,203, 2014/15: 5,451, 2015/16: 6,083, 2016/17: 6,498 and 2017/18: 5,646). A total of 4,888 participants have started in the latest academic year to April 2019.

**Figure 1** shows that the proportion of participants starting on Level 2 apprenticeships in 2018/19 (up to April 2019) has remained similar to the previous year. In the current academic year 2018/19, the proportion of Level 2 starts is 45%.

The proportion of participants entering the programme at Level 3 in 2018/19 (up to April 19) has increased from previous years. For the current academic year, the proportion has increased from 44% in 2017/18 to 47%.

**Figure 1: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 starts by level (2013/14 to 2018/19)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Figure 2** shows that the total number of participants between the ages of 16 and 24 has been reasonably similar for the four academic years of the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 contracts. In the

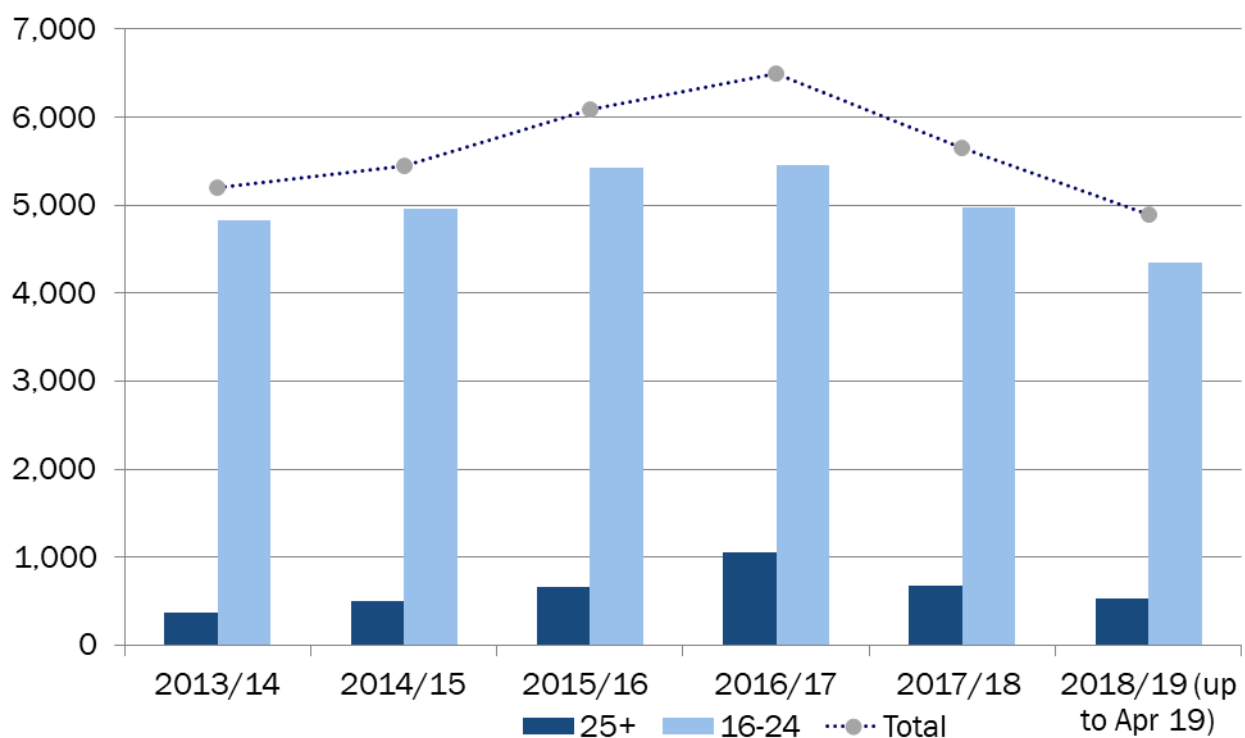
current academic year, 2018/19 (up to April 2019), 4,354 participants aged 16-24 have commenced an apprenticeship.

From September 2007 ApprenticeshipsNI was aimed at individuals aged 16-24; however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 apprenticeships for those aged 25 and over have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

In the current year (to date) 11% of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 starts were aged 25 and over, a similar proportion to the previous year (2017/18). (Figure 2).

Between 2013/14 and 2017/18, females accounted for 38-41% of starts. The figure was 31% for the current academic year.

**Figure 2: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 Starts by age at start of programme (2013/14 to 2018/19)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

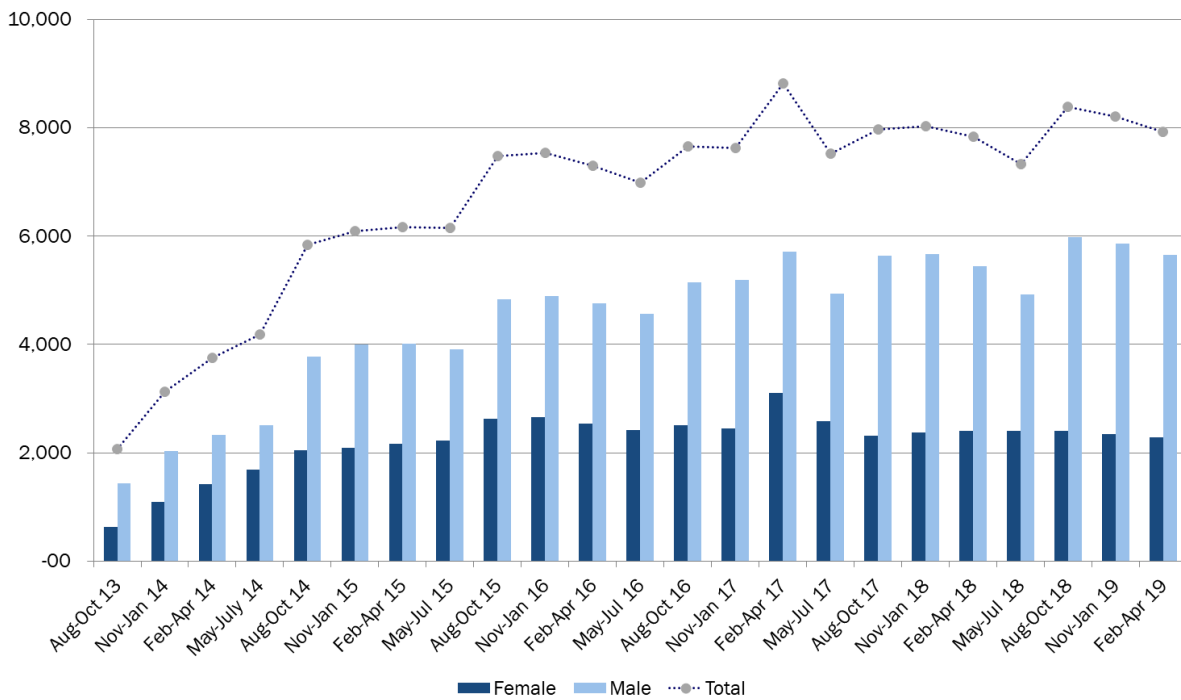
See [Section 1](#) of the Statistical Tables for further information on starts.

## Occupancy

Between the quarters ending October 2013 and April 2019, the number of participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 (at the end of the quarter) increased from 2,070 to 7,927. It should be noted that as apprenticeships can take up to four years to complete, there is a cumulative effect for the number of participants on programme each year.

Figure 3 shows that since the start of the programme in October 2013, there are predominantly more male than female apprenticeships.

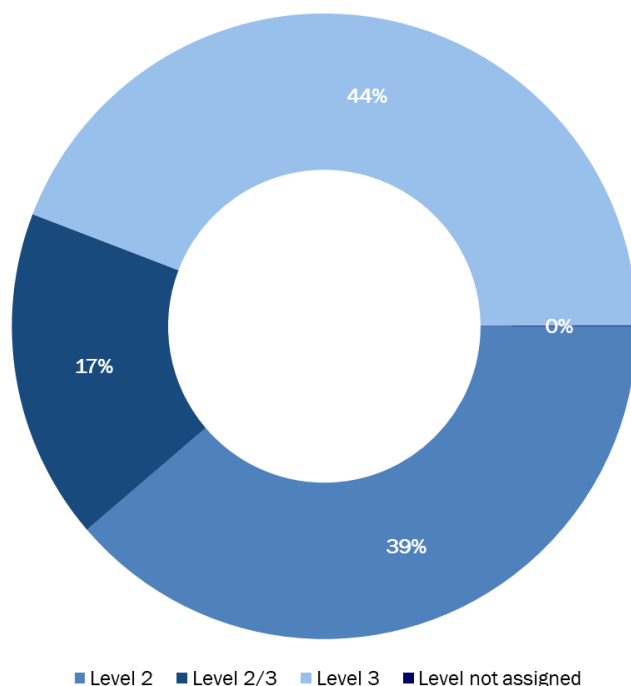
**Figure 3: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2018 by gender (August 2013 to April 2019)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.



**Figure 4: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2018 by level (April 2019) <sup>(1)</sup>**



(1) 'Level not assigned' includes those participants for whom framework has not been recorded by the Supplier.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Figure 4** shows the percentage of occupants at each level of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2019 at the end of April 2019. Of the total of 7,927 participants, 3,070 were on Level 2; 1,356 were on Level 2/3, and 3,497 participants were on the Level 3 route.

The two most common frameworks at Level 2 based on current occupancy are Construction and Food Manufacture. For Level 2/3, the top two are Electrotechnical and vehicle maintenance repair, and for Level 3, the top two are Electrotechnical and Food Manufacture.

Female participation is highest on frameworks including Child Care Learning and Development (99%) and Beauty Therapy (100%). There are popular frameworks where participation by gender is more balanced including Retail (52% male, 48% female), Food Manufacture (50% male, 50% female) and Insurance (48% male, 52% female).

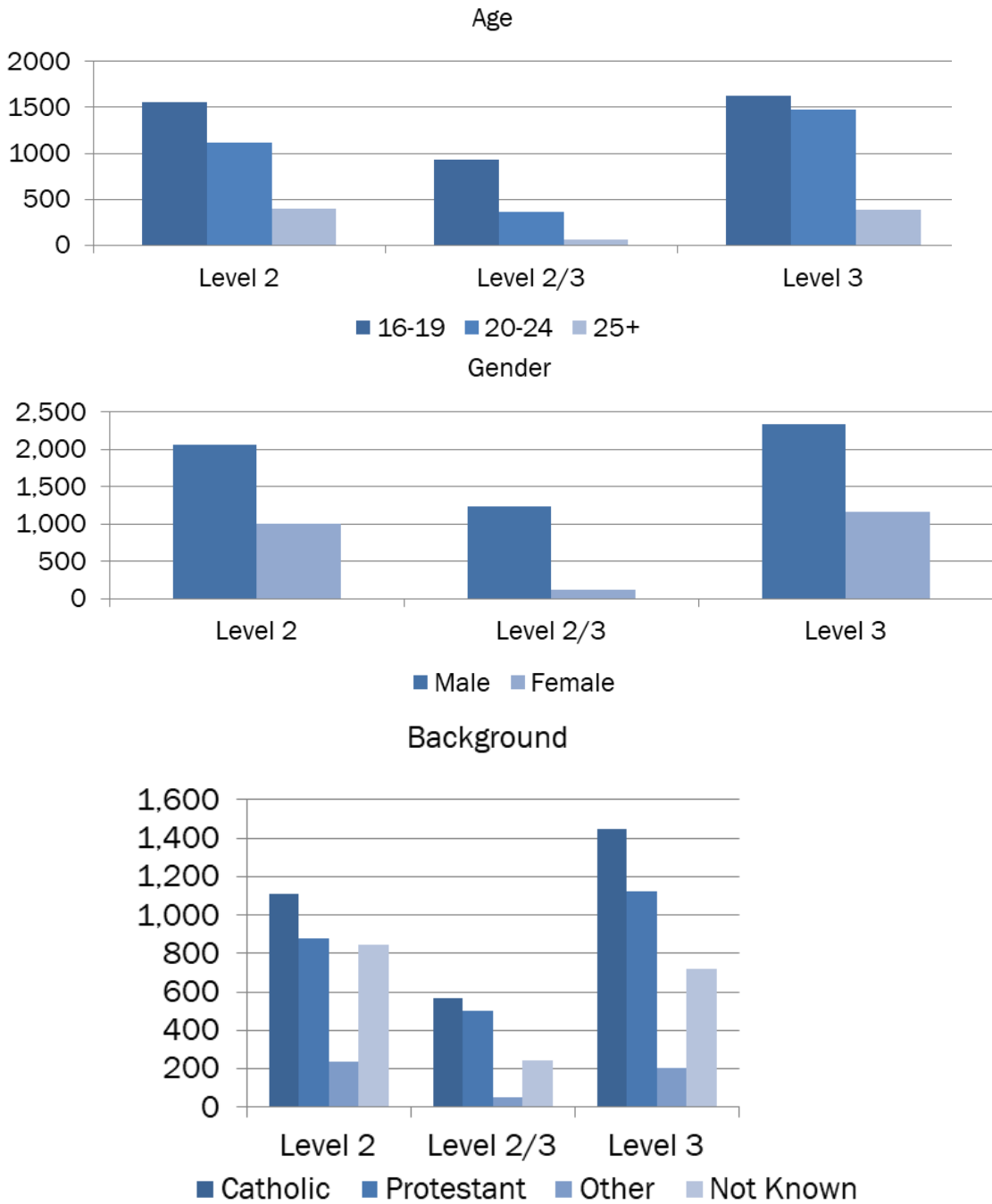
The ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2019 provision is employer/demand led. The gender balance is a reflection of employment in various occupational areas and is outside the control of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2018 and the Department for the Economy. A full breakdown of frameworks studied by gender is available at Section 2, Table 2.2.

**Figure 5** shows the number of participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2019 Equality Groups at April 2019, broken down by Level. Please note that, due to the small numbers of participants involved, the Level Not Assigned category has not been included in the graphs below.

The Age graph shows that Level 3 apprenticeships are most popular with 16-19 and 20-24 year olds.

Males currently make up the majority of participants at each Level of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2019 and this is particularly noticeable at Level 2/3 (Male: 1,240, Female: 116).

**Figure 5: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by Equality Group and Level (April 2019)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department’s Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

See [Section 2](#) of the Statistical Tables for further information on occupancy, including breakdowns by equality groups, geography and subject area (framework).

## Leavers and Main Outcomes

Since ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 began in the 2013/14 academic year, 25,834 participants left the programme. Of these, 61% achieved their targeted Full Framework.

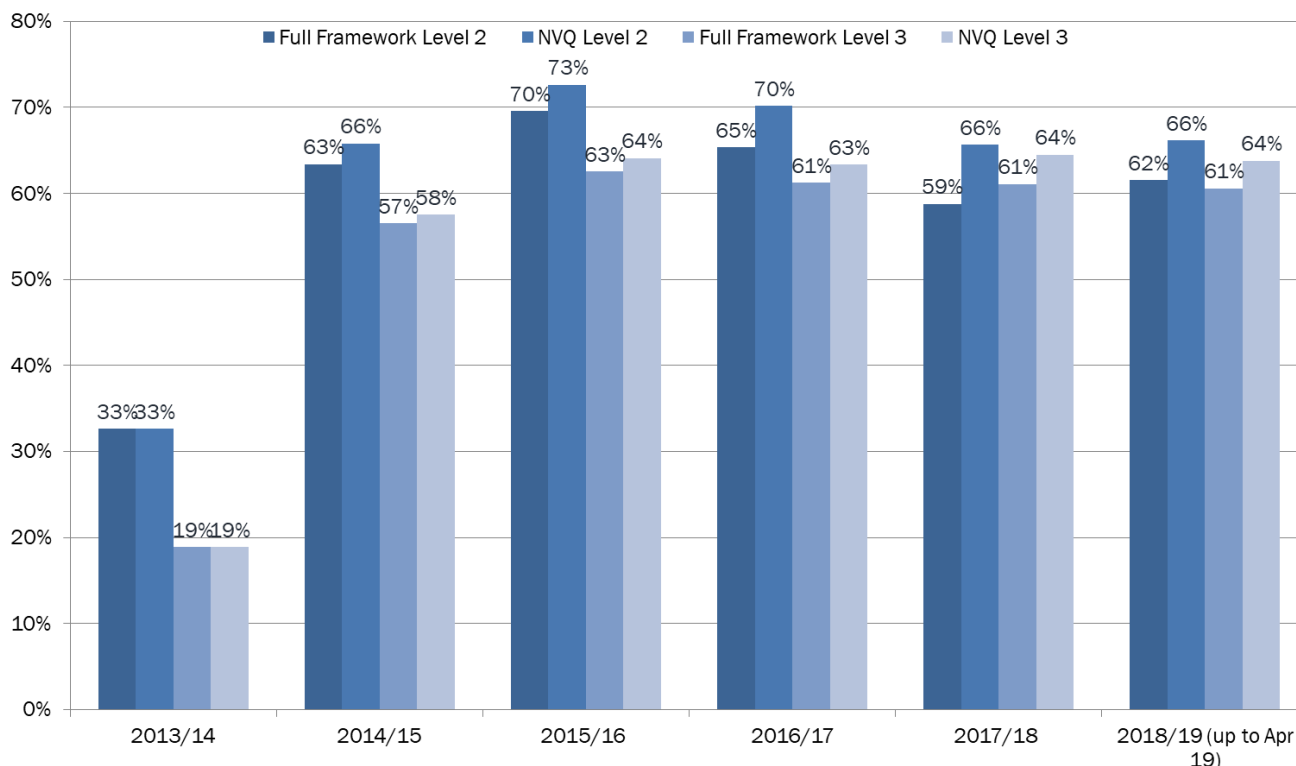
**Figure 6** shows that for the current academic year (up to Apr 2019) the percentage of leavers at Level 2 achieving a Full Framework Level 2 increased from 59% in 2017/18 to 62%.

Between the academic years 2013/14 and 2017/18, the percentage of leavers at Level 3 achieving a Full Framework Level 3 increased from 19% to 61%. For the current academic year 2018/19 (up to Apr 2019), this figure is 61%.

**Figure 6** also shows that although some participants have not achieved a full framework, an additional number of leavers each year achieved NVQs. In the latest full academic year 2017/18, the achievement rate for NVQ Level 2 was 66% compared with the Full Framework rate of 59%, and the comparable figures for Level 3 were 64% NVQ Level 3 and 61% Full Framework Level 3.

Please note that data for 2013/14 have to be viewed in the light of this being the first year of the programme, thus many participants had not yet reached the point of completing their programme and gaining their targeted qualifications.

**Figure 6: Percentages of Full Frameworks and NVQs achieved by leavers from ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 (2013/14 to 2018/19)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

See [Section 3](#) of the Statistical Tables for further information on leavers and outcomes.

## Performance Monitoring - Performance against Programme Targets<sup>2 3</sup>

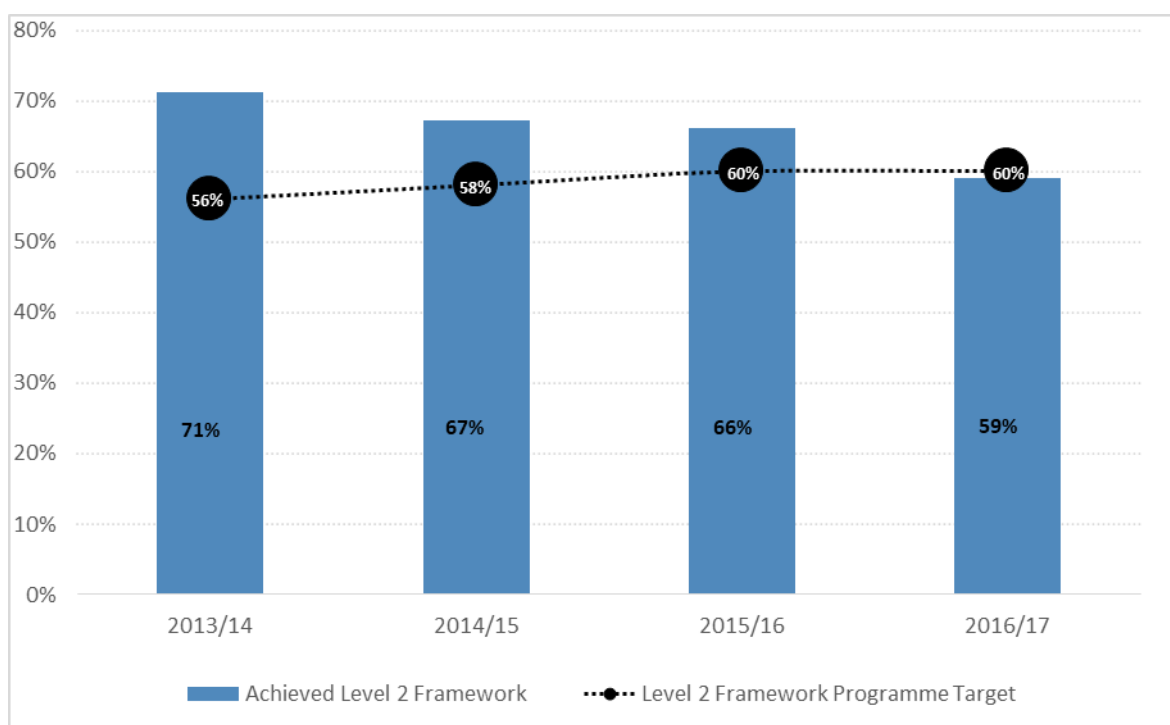
### Level 2

Of those participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2 who began their participation in 2013/14, 74% achieved an NVQ Level 2. The equivalent percentages for those achieving an NVQ Level 2 in 2014/15 is 72%, 71% in 2015/16 and 67% in 2016/17, respectively.

Overall 71% achieved a Full Framework at Level 2 within the target timeframe in 2013/14, this exceeded the 2013/14 target for achievement of a Full Framework at Level 2 which was 56%. Of the 2,761 participants commencing a Level 2 Apprenticeship in 2014/15, 67% (1,859) have achieved a Full Framework and (exceeding the 58% target for that year). Of the 2,706 participants commencing a Level 2 Apprenticeship in 2015/16, 66% (1,789) have achieved a Full Framework (achieving the targets set for that year).

In 2016/17, 59% have achieved a Full Framework (2,034). Three percent, (109) are still on programme.

**Figure 7: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

### Level 2 / 3

There are two programme targets at Level 2/3. For 2013/14 these are 65% achievement of NVQ Level 2 and 57% achievement of Level 3 Full Frameworks.

<sup>2</sup> Unlike earlier sections of this bulletin which are based on academic years, Performance Monitoring tables are based on completed financial years, i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March in the following year.

<sup>3</sup> ApprenticeshipsNI 2017 has not been included in this section of the bulletin as targets are for 2 years for Levels 2 and 3, and 4 years for Level 2/3 after contract commencement.

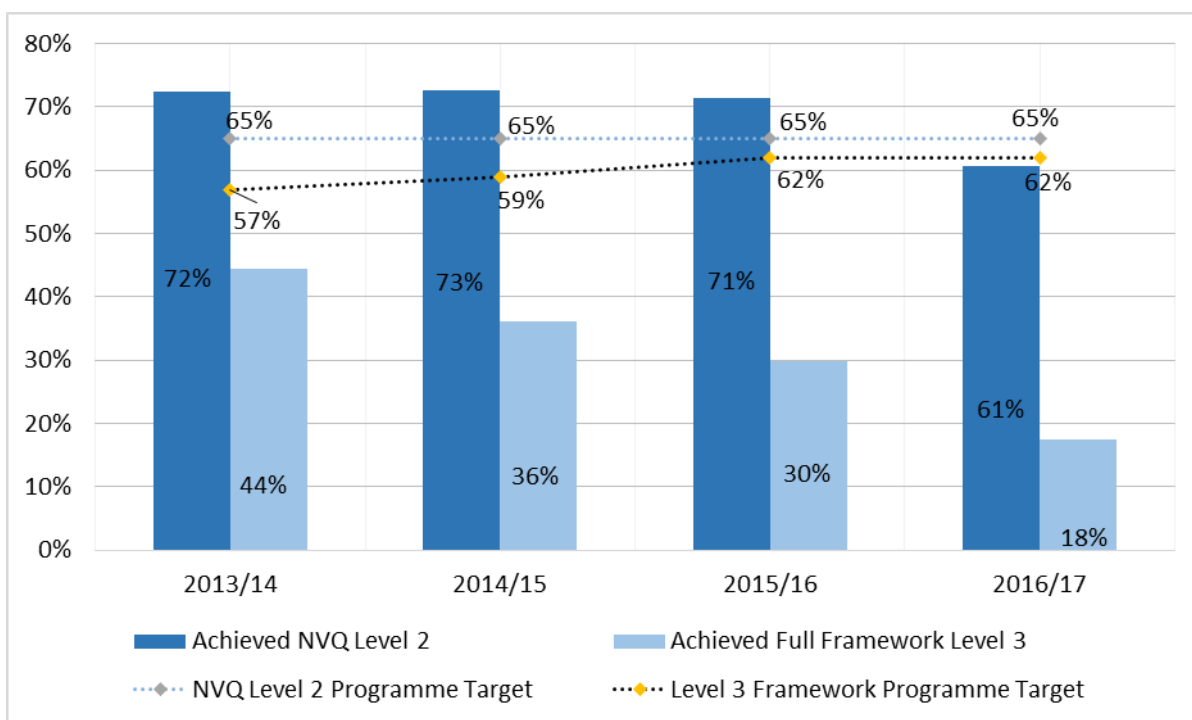
Of those participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2/3 who began their participation in 2013/14, 72% achieved an NVQ Level 2 within the target timeframe, (with 45% going on to achieve an NVQ Level 3). Eight per cent of participants achieved a Level 2 Full Framework, while 44% have achieved a Full Framework Level 3.

Of the participants commencing in 2014/15, 73% have already achieved an NVQ Level 2 with 36% having achieved a Level 3 Full Framework. The programme targets for 2014/15 are 65% achievement of NVQ Level 2 within two years and 59% achievement of Level 3 Full Framework within four years.

For 2015/16 the targets are 65% for the NVQ Level 2 qualification and 62% for Level 3 Full Framework. The NVQ Level 2 target has been achieved at 71%, while 30% have achieved a Full Framework Level 3. It should be noted that 25% of 2015/16 participants are still on the programme.

Targets for 2016/17 are the same as the previous financial year. To date, 61% of participants have achieved an NVQ Level 2 qualification and 18% have achieved a Level 3 Full Framework. It should be noted that 43% of 2016/17 participants are still on the programme.

**Figure 8: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2/3 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

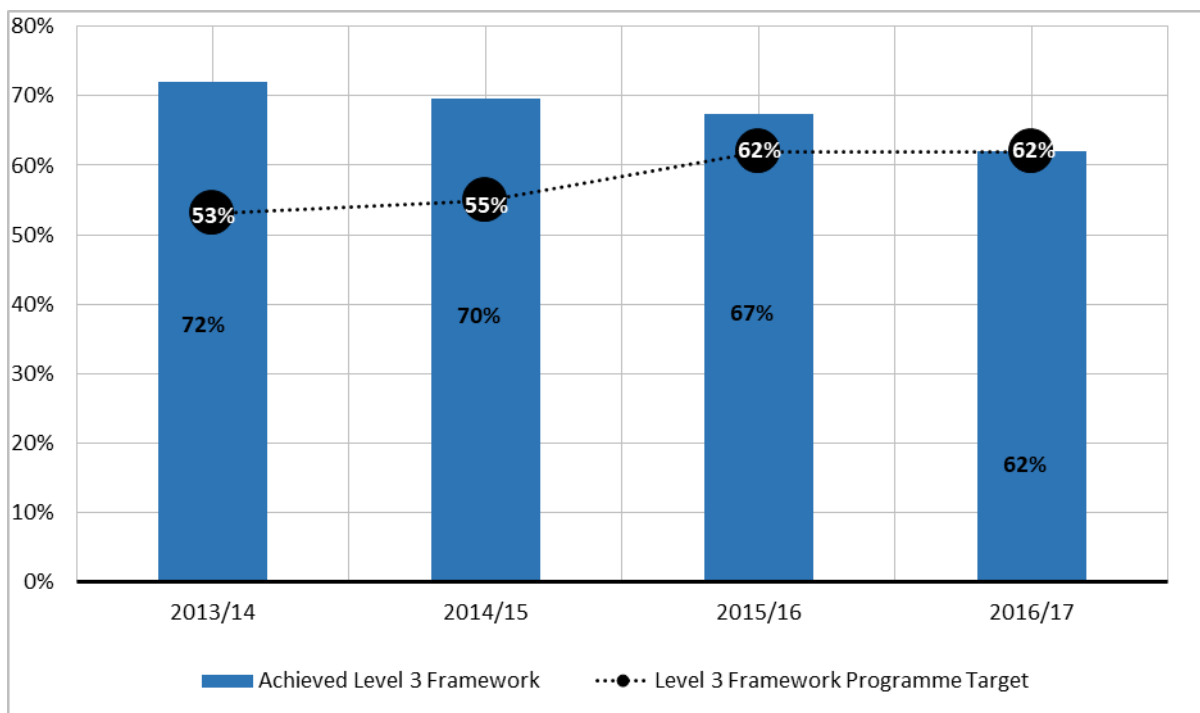
### Level 3

Of those participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 3 who began their participation in 2013/14, 74% achieved an NVQ Level 3, and 72% achieved a Full Framework at Level 3 within the target time limit. The programme target for 2013/14 is 53% of participants to achieve a Level 3 Full Framework.

Of the 2,124 participants commencing at this Level in 2014/15, 72% have achieved an NVQ Level 3 while 70% have achieved a Level 3 Full Framework. The programme target for 2014/15 is 55% of participants to achieve a Level 3 Full Framework.

The equivalent target for 2015/16 and 2016/17 is 62%. In total, 71% and 67% of participants at this level in 2015/16, and 67% and 62% for 2016/17 have respectively achieved NVQ Level 3 and Level 3 Full Framework.

**Figure 9: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 3 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**



Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

It should be noted that the Target Year for achievement of qualifications is 2 years after the financial year a participant starts on the programme, with the exception of the Level 3 elements of a Level 2/3 start, which can be up to 4 years after a participant starts on the programme. Therefore participants at all of these levels from 2015/16 onwards still have time remaining in which to achieve their qualifications.

## NOTES TO READERS

### 1. Context

It should be noted that the figures in this Statistical Bulletin are solely in respect of participants on the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 and 2017 contracts, introduced for new starts from August 2013 and August 2017.

### 2. Introduction

Apprenticeships are available in a wide range of occupational areas and may take up to four years to complete, and some time thereafter for achievements to be recorded, validated and reported upon.

The aim of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 is to provide participants with the opportunity to achieve a Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship where the apprentice, in paid employment from day one, will work towards achieving the requirements of an industry-approved Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship Framework.

Each apprenticeship comprises an agreed set of qualifications, called an Apprenticeship Framework, as developed by Industry Recognized bodies such as Sector Skills Councils with the help of employers in their industry. Most Apprenticeship Frameworks follow a standard format that comprises:-

- a competency based qualification, e.g. a National Vocational Qualification;
- Essential Skills;
- a knowledge based qualification; and
- other mandatory or optional elements as specified by the particular industry for the occupational area.

Training Suppliers provide the underpinning knowledge and develop skills, while the employer provides the practical experience to put those skills to the test. Depending on the subject requirements, training may be delivered in a classroom or workshop setting.

The current frameworks can be found by following the link: [Current Frameworks](#).

### 3. Eligibility

Generally, people may enter ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 subject to:-

- having attained the legal minimum school leaving age in Northern Ireland;
- being contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including day release/off-the-job training) with one employer;
- having the potential to successfully complete all the requirements of the appropriate Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship Framework;
- meeting any health requirements specific to the occupation of their choice;

- having achieved any necessary entry academic qualifications determined by the relevant sector for the Apprenticeship and approved by the Department; and
- passing any entry tests specified by the relevant sector/employer and approved by the Department.

**Note: From 27<sup>th</sup> August 2012 the policy for ApprenticeshipsNI was revised, restricting apprenticeships for over 25s to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.**

The following, are not eligible to enter an ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 – funded Level 2/Level 3 Apprenticeship:

- a person taking up, or already in, a self-employment opportunity;
- a public sector employee (i.e. a direct employee of a public body);
- a non-EU National, who is subject to employment restrictions and/or a time limit on his/her stay in Northern Ireland at the time of application to enter training;
- a person for whom the employer is claiming financial support from any other Departmental budget or programme; or
- a person following a full-time course of study in either further or higher education.

## 4. Source of Data

The Department's Client Management System (CMS), installed in Jobcentre/Jobs & Benefits offices throughout Northern Ireland, is an IT system used to facilitate the interface with the Department's customers. It maintains a basic client record; allows the preferred occupation stated by clients to be matched against suitable vacancies; records actions such as interviews, referrals to training opportunities, placing into jobs etc. In particular, it has been significantly enhanced to record ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 specific actions, and certain permitted data fields are populated automatically whenever Training Suppliers update their records on the Trainee Management System software.

The relevant data are extracted from CMS each month to form the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Database maintained by the Department's Youth Training Statistics and Research Branch within Analytical Services. The data for this Bulletin were extracted from CMS on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The data presented are derived from the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 and 2017 database.

## 5. Definitions

The following notes explain the definitions underlying the data presented in this Statistical Bulletin except where these are self-explanatory – e.g. gender.

### i. Programme Definitions

Academic year: Refers to 1<sup>st</sup> August to 31<sup>st</sup> July.

Full Framework: All the required elements of an Apprenticeship including the relevant NVQ and Technical Certificate if applicable and Essential Skills if applicable.

Leavers: Refers to the number of participants leaving ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 who are on provision for more than 28 days and excludes Rejoins.



Level 2: Refers to those Apprentices with a specific Personal Training Plan, the targeted outcome of which is NVQ Level 2 or equivalent, but no higher.

Level 2/3: Refers to those Apprentices with a specific Personal Training Plan, who are pursuing an NVQ Level 2 en route to a targeted outcome which is NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.

Level 3: Refers to those Apprentices who have already met the Level 2 requirement before commencing a Level 3 programme.

Level not assigned: Refers to those Apprentices who are undertaking an apprenticeship but the level is not known. This is most likely due to the fact that the participant has not been on programme long enough to complete their initial assessment period and establish which framework they should be on. Without the framework code, the level of their apprenticeship cannot be determined.

National Vocational Qualification (NVQ): A nationally recognised competence based vocational qualification demonstrating practical and theoretical knowledge in an occupation area at a pre-set standard.

Occupancy: Refers to the number of participants on the programme/provision at a particular point in time. Occupancy figures relate to those participants on provision on the last Friday of the quarter.

Participant: A participant is defined for statistical purposes as an individual on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013. An individual can participate on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 more than once.

Rejoin: Refers to a participant who leaves a programme but later returns to the same programme, at the same level, on the same Framework, regardless of the Training Supplier they return to.

Starts: Refers to the number of participants starting ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 who are on provision for more than 28 days and excludes Rejoins.

## **ii. Equality Definitions**

Background: The Department records information reported by the participant, who may indicate if they are from a Catholic, Protestant or Other background. Participants who do not respond are classified as Not Known.

Dependants: The Department records the number of dependants as reported by the participant. Each participant is asked to indicate (yes or no) if they have any dependants. By dependants the Department means that they are the main carer for a child (aged 16 or under), a person with a disability or an elderly person.

Disability: Refers to those participants on the system who have indicated that they have a disability.

Ethnic Origin: The Department records ethnic origin as reported by the participant under the following categories - Bangladeshi, Black-African, Black-Caribbean, Black-Other, Chinese, Indian, Irish Traveller, Malaysia, Mixed, Pakistani, Vietnam, White, Other or Unknown. For

statistical purposes ethnic origin is reported in this publication as White, Non White and Not Known. The 'Non White' figures quoted are those clients who record their ethnic origin as other than White.

**Marital Status:** The Department records marital status background information as reported by the participant, who is asked if they are married, living with a partner, single (never married), separated, divorced or widowed. For statistical purposes marital status is reported in this publication as Single, Married/Co-Habiting, Widowed/Separated/Divorced and Not Known.

**Note:** In each of the equality categories above, an answer of 'Not Known' may occur – this is where no data have been recorded by the Department and the information is not known.

### **iii. Performance Monitoring Definitions**

It should be noted that in the Performance Monitoring tables, the reporting periods used are 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March in the following year, and data represent outcomes only for participants who started the programme in that financial year.

The data used to measure performance excludes rejoin records except where a participant leaves a Supplier and rejoins the programme with a different Supplier, but gains outcomes at both Suppliers. In this case the outcome is reported as being achieved at the Supplier it is recorded against on the Trainee Management System.

The targets against which performance has been measured may vary between programmes and between options within the same programme e.g. between Level 2 and Level 3 Apprenticeships. Where appropriate, targets for each programme and for different versions of each are specified in the footnotes to each table.

## **6. Revisions**

Over time, as more information becomes available, estimates can be revised to improve quality and accuracy, which will provide a better picture of that being measured. The programme dynamics of ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 may lead to the revision of published statistics as described in the previous section. In addition there may be a lag in recording some information on the administrative system and therefore statistics may be updated in future to improve accuracy.

## **7. Quality Measures**

**Relevance:** This Statistical Bulletin has been drafted following consultation with customers. The key customers within Government use the data to monitor performance of the programme and consider operational impacts of delivering the programme. There is ongoing interaction with users to ensure the data are still relevant to meet their needs.

**Accuracy:** The statistics included are representative of the administrative database (CMS) at the time of data extraction. The administrative system has in-built validation checks to minimise user error and can be interrogated to assess data quality and cross check statistics. Validation checks are also carried out on the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 database. A small number of erroneous records are excluded from the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 database.

Timeliness and Punctuality: Data in this Bulletin include all participants who commenced ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019. The time gap between this date and the publication date is due to a lag of three months that must be left before data can be extracted from CMS, along with time taken to complete validation and processing. The publication schedule for the Department for the Economy can be accessed via the following link: [Statistics Publication Schedule](#).

Accessibility and Clarity: This Statistical Bulletin is part of a regular series published by the Department for the Economy. The Bulletin is published on a biannual basis. It is available on the Department's website and is free of charge. The Bulletin includes tables, text and charts. The Bulletin is available in other formats upon request.

Comparability: The Bulletin provides data by academic year and by quarter since the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 programmes were introduced in Northern Ireland, to enable comparisons over time. When methodological changes or other effects such as programme changes are made, every effort is made to ensure that all previous data are amended to make them directly comparable.

## **8. The Apprenticeship Levy**

The Apprenticeship Levy was introduced on a UK-wide basis on 6 April 2017. The collection of the Levy is a reserved matter for the UK Government. Further information on this can be found at:

<https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/apprenticeships-employers-guide>

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**Percentages based on small numbers should be interpreted with caution.**

## Section 1: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 Starts

**Table 1.1: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 starts by age and gender (2012/13 to 2018/19) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>**

Academic year	Total	Aged 16 to 19			Aged 20 to 24			Aged 25+		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2012/13	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2013/14	5,203	1,483	553	2,036	1,340	1,453	2,793	241	133	374
2014/15	5,451	1,713	599	2,312	1,301	1,342	2,643	276	220	496
2015/16	6,083	1,864	661	2,525	1,463	1,434	2,897	341	320	661
2016/17	6,498	1,910	643	2,553	1,542	1,353	2,895	565	485	1,050
2017/18	5,646	1,961	605	2,566	1,243	1,163	2,406	326	348	674
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	4,888	2,018	458	2,476	1,065	813	1,878	280	254	534
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,770</b>	<b>10,950</b>	<b>3,519</b>	<b>14,469</b>	<b>7,954</b>	<b>7,558</b>	<b>15,512</b>	<b>2,029</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>3,789</b>

**Notes:**

- (1) From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.  
 (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 1.2: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 starts by level (2012/13 to 2018/19) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>**

Academic year	Total	Level 2	Level 3		Level not assigned
			Level 2/3	Level 3	
2012/13	1	1	0	0	0
2013/14	5,203	2,597	392	2,160	54
2014/15	5,451	2,779	388	2,241	43
2015/16	6,083	2,623	883	2,509	68
2016/17	6,498	2,854	979	2,611	54
2017/18	5,646	2,603	561	2,479	3
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	4,888	2,221	362	2,301	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,770</b>	<b>15,678</b>	<b>3,565</b>	<b>14,301</b>	<b>226</b>

**Notes:**

- (1) From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.  
 (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.  
 (3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers tab.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

## Section 2: Occupancy on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017

**Table 2.1: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by gender (August 2013 to Apr 2019)<sup>(1) (2) (3)</sup>**

Quarter	All			Level 2			Level 3						Level not assigned		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Level 2/3			Level 3			Total	Male	Female
							Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female			
Aug-Oct 13	2,070	1,436	634	817	512	305	256	232	24	975	678	297	22	14	8
Nov-Jan 14	3,128	2,029	1,099	1,360	815	545	338	282	56	1,421	926	495	9	6	3
Feb-Apr 14	3,753	2,330	1,423	1,765	1,022	743	345	287	58	1,641	1,019	622	2	2	0
May-July 14	4,191	2,510	1,681	2,061	1,176	885	330	272	58	1,784	1,053	731	16	9	7
Aug-Oct 14	5,830	3,778	2,052	2,670	1,628	1,042	575	520	55	2,578	1,627	951	7	3	4
Nov-Jan 15	6,091	3,996	2,095	2,792	1,735	1,057	576	518	58	2,721	1,742	979	2	1	1
Feb-Apr 15	6,164	4,005	2,159	2,789	1,733	1,056	569	512	57	2,800	1,757	1,043	6	3	3
May-Jul 15	6,144	3,914	2,230	2,854	1,764	1,090	563	506	57	2,717	1,640	1,077	10	4	6
Aug-Oct 15	7,470	4,839	2,631	3,161	1,921	1,240	1,117	1,031	86	3,182	1,880	1,302	10	7	3
Nov-Jan 16	7,543	4,889	2,654	3,070	1,877	1,193	1,197	1,060	137	3,270	1,949	1,321	6	3	3
Feb-Apr 16	7,293	4,754	2,539	2,933	1,841	1,092	1,155	991	164	3,195	1,917	1,278	10	5	5
May-Jul 16	6,986	4,564	2,422	2,778	1,744	1,034	1,168	984	184	3,035	1,832	1,203	5	4	1
Aug-Oct 16	7,655	5,149	2,506	2,805	1,797	1,008	1,443	1,238	205	3,395	2,103	1,292	12	11	1
Nov-Jan 17	7,631	5,188	2,443	2,698	1,716	982	1,544	1,361	183	3,380	2,105	1,275	9	6	3
Feb-Apr 17	8,819	5,713	3,106	3,311	1,959	1,352	1,733	1,489	244	3,755	2,253	1,502	20	12	8
May-Jul 17	7,514	4,934	2,580	2,822	1,654	1,168	1,606	1,411	195	3,085	1,869	1,216	1	0	1
Aug-Oct 17	7,963	5,642	2,321	2,940	1,963	977	1,724	1,543	181	3,299	2,136	1,163	0	0	0
Nov-Jan 18	8,034	5,661	2,373	3,077	2,054	1,023	1,691	1,497	194	3,266	2,110	1,156	0	0	0
Feb-Apr 18	7,834	5,438	2,396	3,025	2,000	1,025	1,629	1,407	222	3,180	2,031	1,149	0	0	0
May-Jul 18	7,325	4,927	2,398	2,871	1,851	1,020	1,474	1,282	192	2,979	1,793	1,186	1	1	0
Aug-Oct 18	8,387	5,981	2,406	3,248	2,217	1,031	1,566	1,379	187	3,573	2,385	1,188	0	0	0
Nov-Jan 19	8,205	5,863	2,342	3,200	2,165	1,035	1,454	1,306	148	3,551	2,392	1,159	0	0	0
Feb-Apr 19	7,927	5,647	2,280	3,070	2,067	1,003	1,356	1,240	116	3,497	2,336	1,161	4	4	0

### Notes:

- (1) From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.
- (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.
- (3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers tab.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 2.2: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by Framework, Level and Gender (Apr 2019) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>**

Framework	Total	Level 2			Level 3						Level Not Assigned
		Male	Female	Total	Level 2/3			Level 3			
					Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Accountancy	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Active Lelsure Learning and Well-being	42	10	0	10	5	2	7	11	14	25	0
Agriculture	140	64	4	68	0	0	0	64	8	72	0
Amenity Horticulture	12	11	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Animal Care	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Aviation Operations on the Ground	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barbering	25	6	4	10	6	0	6	7	2	9	0
Beauty Therapy	52	0	21	21	0	0	0	0	31	31	0
Business and Administration	53	4	11	15	2	4	6	8	24	32	0
Call Handling	85	46	39	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Catering and Professional Chefs	254	136	68	204	6	0	6	35	9	44	0
Child Care Learning and Development	197	0	26	26	0	1	1	1	169	170	0
Construction	376	357	3	360	16	0	16	0	0	0	0
Construction Crafts	265	0	0	0	67	0	67	198	0	198	0
Construction Technical	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	31	0
Contact Centre Operation	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	18	36	0
Creative and Digital Media	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Customer Service	149	47	51	98	5	3	8	21	22	43	0
Dental Nursing	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0
Distribution and Warehousing	96	68	2	70	6	0	6	19	1	20	0
Driving Goods Vehicles	15	11	3	14	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Electrical and Electronic Servicing	16	13	0	13	1	0	1	2	0	2	0
Electrical Distribution and Trans. Engineering	48	0	0	0	39	5	44	4	0	4	0
Electrical Power Engineering	6	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Electrotechnical	1187	0	0	0	417	1	418	765	4	769	0
Engineering	759	278	4	282	253	20	273	199	5	204	0
Equine Industry	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Manufacture	663	184	161	345	6	10	16	142	160	302	0
Furniture Production	25	22	0	22	0	0	0	3	0	3	0
HaIRDressing	243	10	86	96	1	1	2	4	141	145	0
Health and Social Care	451	16	150	166	2	9	11	23	251	274	0
Heating , Ventiaillation, Air Conditioning and Refridgeration	58	32	0	32	0	0	0	26	0	26	0
Hospitality	593	117	170	287	6	17	23	122	161	283	0
Housing	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I.T. User	24	4	5	9	2	1	3	7	5	12	0
Insurance	220	69	72	141	9	16	25	28	26	54	0
IT and Telecoms Professional	62	20	9	29	0	0	0	25	8	33	0
Land - based Service Engineering	33	9	0	9	0	0	0	24	0	24	0
Light Vehicle Body and Paint Operations	49	0	0	0	12	0	12	37	0	37	0
Management	23	0	0	0	5	5	10	5	8	13	0
Marketing	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0

Framework	Total	Level 2			Level 3						Level Not Assigned
		Male	Female	Total	Level 2/3			Level 3			
					Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Mechanical Engineering Services (Plumbing)	410	200	2	202	59	0	59	148	1	149	0
Nail Services	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	4	0
Pharmacy Services	30	3	15	18	0	0	0	1	11	12	0
Print Production	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	2	21	0
Printing Industry	30	28	2	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retail	302	69	75	144	19	11	30	68	60	128	0
Sales and Telesales	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Security Systems	63	41	2	43	1	0	1	19	0	19	0
Social Media & Digital Marketing	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	4	19	0
Supply Chain Management	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surveying	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0
Team Leading	18	7	9	16	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Body and Paint	51	48	0	48	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Fitting	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Maintenance and Repair	594	106	1	107	279	3	282	201	4	205	0
Vehicle Parts	34	4	0	4	10	3	13	17	0	17	0
Vehicle Sales	8	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veterinary Nursing	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Not Assigned	27	5	1	6	1	1	2	15	0	15	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,927</b>	<b>2,067</b>	<b>1,003</b>	<b>3,070</b>	<b>1,240</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>1,356</b>	<b>2,336</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>3,497</b>	<b>4</b>

Notes:

- (1) From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.
- (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI, they do not include those apprentices who remain on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.
- (3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers tab.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.



**Table 2.3: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by equality group (Apr 2019) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>**

Equality Group	Equality Sub-Categories	Total	Level 2	Level 3		Level not assigned
				Level 2/3	Level 3	
All	All	7,927	3,070	1,356	3,497	4
Age (4)	16-19	4,117	1,553	933	1,630	1
	20-24	2,964	1,118	362	1,481	3
	25+	846	399	61	386	0
Sex	Male	5,647	2,067	1,240	2,336	4
	Female	2,280	1,003	116	1,161	0
Disability	Yes	1,290	622	165	503	0
	No	6,637	2,448	1,191	2,994	4
Background	Catholic	3,129	1,111	566	1,450	2
	Protestant	2,505	878	501	1,125	1
	Other	487	236	49	202	0
	Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	1,806	845	240	720	1
Ethnicity	White	7,268	2,684	1,310	3,270	4
	Non White	100	43	5	52	0
	Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	559	343	41	175	0
Dependants	No Dependants	1,626	733	202	691	0
	With Dependants	180	83	12	85	0
	Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	6,121	2,254	1,142	2,721	4
Marital Status	Single	5,459	2,222	916	2,318	3
	Married / Cohabiting	97	41	5	51	0
	Widowed/ Separated/ Divorced	28	17	1	10	0
	Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	2,343	790	434	1,118	1

**Notes:**

- (1) From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.
- (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.
- (3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers tab.
- (4) 'Age' relates to age of the participant on starting provision.
- (5) The 'Not Known' category is where information has not been recorded or is not available for a participant.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 2.4: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by Local Government District (Apr 2019) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>**

Local Government District <sup>(4)</sup>	Total	Level 2	Level 2/3	Level 3	Level not assigned
Antrim and Newtownabbey	629	265	127	237	0
Ards and North Down	479	185	83	211	0
Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon	693	248	102	339	4
Belfast	1,076	450	126	500	0
Causeway Coast and Glens	660	215	146	299	0
Derry and Strabane	933	460	101	372	0
Fermanagh and Omagh	613	192	109	312	0
Lisburn and Castlereagh	451	186	60	205	0
Mid and East Antrim	669	265	161	243	0
Mid Ulster	964	299	229	436	0
Newry, Mourne and Down	686	270	106	310	0
Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	74	35	6	33	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,927</b>	<b>3,070</b>	<b>1,356</b>	<b>3,497</b>	<b>4</b>

Notes:

(1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

(2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

(3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers section.

(4) Local Government District (LGD) is based on a participant's home postcode. It should be noted that although they live in a particular LGD, they may work elsewhere. Reform of Local Government reduced the number of LGDs from 26 to 11 from 1 April 2015.

(5) 'Not Known' includes those participants for whom postcode is not known / incorrect or where postcode cannot be mapped to LGD.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 2.5: All participants on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 by Parliamentary Constituency (Apr 2019) <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>**

Parliamentary Constituency <sup>(4)</sup>	Total	Level 2	Level 2/3	Level 3	Level not assigned
Belfast East	304	119	26	159	0
Belfast North	432	189	67	176	0
Belfast South	254	96	22	136	0
Belfast West	333	143	49	141	0
East Antrim	446	165	115	166	0
East Londonderry	459	159	94	206	0
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	523	166	115	242	0
Foyle	636	343	64	229	0
Lagan Valley	339	149	45	145	0
Mid-Ulster	731	234	164	333	0
Newry & Armagh	431	162	62	203	4
North Antrim	512	186	119	207	0
North Down	229	102	26	101	0
South Antrim	481	203	96	182	0
South Down	459	179	77	203	0
Strangford	333	111	68	154	0
Upper Bann	364	134	52	178	0
West Tyrone	587	195	89	303	0
Not Known <sup>(5)</sup>	74	35	6	33	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,927</b>	<b>3,070</b>	<b>1,356</b>	<b>3,497</b>	<b>4</b>

Notes:

- (1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.
- (2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.
- (3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers section.
- (4) Parliamentary Constituency (PC) is based on a participant's home postcode. It should be noted that although they live in a particular PC, they may work elsewhere.
- (5) 'Not Known' includes those participants for whom postcode is not known / incorrect or where postcode cannot be mapped to PC.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

### Section 3: Leavers and Outcomes for ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017

**Table 3.1: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 leavers by gender (2013/14 to 2018/19) (1) (2) (3)**

Academic year	Leavers				
	Total	Male	% Male	Female	% Female
2013/14	902	515	57%	387	43%
2014/15	3,575	1,916	54%	1,659	46%
2015/16	5,213	3,014	58%	2,199	42%
2016/17	6,011	3,650	61%	2,361	39%
2017/18	5,787	3,504	61%	2,283	39%
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	4,346	2,679	62%	1,667	38%
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,834</b>	<b>15,278</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>10,556</b>	<b>41%</b>

Notes:

(1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

(2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

(3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers section.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 3.2: ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017 leavers by level (2013/14 to 2018/19) (1) (2) (3)**

Academic year	Total	Level 2	Level 3		Level not assigned
			Level 2/3	Level 3	
2013/14	902	481	59	322	40
2014/15	3,575	2,024	154	1,348	49
2015/16	5,213	2,692	264	2,186	71
2016/17	6,011	2,835	548	2,569	59
2017/18	5,787	2,536	678	2,571	2
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	4,346	2,038	506	1,801	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,834</b>	<b>12,606</b>	<b>2,209</b>	<b>10,797</b>	<b>222</b>

Notes:

(1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

(2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

(3) For definitions of each level of Apprenticeship, see Notes to Readers section.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 3.3: Qualifications achieved by participants leaving Level 2 Apprenticeships (2013/14 to 2018/19) <sup>(1) (2) (3)</sup>**

Academic Year	Total Leavers	Number of leavers achieving each qualification		% of leavers achieving each qualification	
		NVQ Level 2	Full Framework Level 2	NVQ Level 2	Full Framework Level 2
2013/14	481	157	157	33%	33%
2014/15	2,024	1,332	1,283	66%	63%
2015/16	2,692	1,954	1,872	73%	70%
2016/17	2,835	1,989	1,852	70%	65%
2017/18	2,536	1,665	1,490	66%	59%
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	2,038	1,348	1,254	66%	62%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,606</b>	<b>8,445</b>	<b>7,908</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>63%</b>

Notes:

(1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

(2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

(3) For definitions of Level 2 Apprenticeships, see Notes to Readers section.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 3.4: Qualifications achieved by participants leaving Level 2/3 and Level 3 Apprenticeships (2013/14 to 2018/19) <sup>(1) (2) (3)</sup>**

Academic Year	Total Leavers	Number of leavers achieving each qualification				% of leavers achieving each qualification			
		NVQ Level 2	NVQ Level 3	Full Framework Level 2	Full Framework Level 3	NVQ Level 2/3	NVQ Level 3	Full Framework Level 2	Full Framework Level 3
2013/14	381	11	72	7	72	3%	19%	2%	19%
2014/15	1,502	78	864	30	849	5%	58%	2%	57%
2015/16	2,450	82	1,570	13	1,532	3%	64%	1%	63%
2016/17	3,117	287	1,974	10	1,909	9%	63%	0%	61%
2017/18	3,249	458	2,095	25	1,984	14%	64%	1%	61%
2018/19 (up to Apr 19)	2,307	368	1,471	4	1,398	16%	64%	0%	61%
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,006</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>8,046</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>7,744</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>60%</b>

Notes:

(1) From September 2007, ApprenticeshipsNI were aimed at individuals aged 16-24, however in September 2008 they became all-age apprenticeships. From August 2012 adult apprenticeships have been restricted to the priority economic sectors needed to rebalance the economy.

(2) These figures are for apprentices on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013/2017, they do not include apprentices on the Jobskills Modern Apprenticeships programme.

(3) For definitions of Level 2/3 and Level 3 Apprenticeships, see Notes to Readers section.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

## ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Performance Monitoring Tables - Performance against Programme Targets

The following tables (4.1 to 4.3) provide data on the performance of participants on the ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Programme. There are several major differences between these tables and those on previous pages, which should be noted.

Unlike the tables in earlier sections of this bulletin which are based on academic years, the Performance Monitoring tables are based on financial years, i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March in the following year.

The figures for each financial year represent the cohort of participants who started the programme in that financial year, and the progress and performance of each yearly cohort is detailed in each column of the tables.

ApprenticeshipsNI 2017 has not been included in this section of the bulletin.

The Target Year for achievement of qualifications is 2 years after the financial year a participant starts on the programme, with the exception of the Level 3 elements of a Level 2/3 start, which can be up to 4 years after a participant starts on the programme.

## Section 4: Performance Measures for ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 - Performance against Programme Targets

**Table 4.1: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**

Financial Year	Completed 4 Weeks	No. of Participants				% of Participants				Level 2 Framework Programme Target
		Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 2 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 2 Framework (1) (2)	Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 2 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 2 Framework (1) (2)	
2013/14	1,880	1	474	1,391	1,340	0%	25%	74%	71%	56%
2014/15	2,761	2	768	1,983	1,859	0%	28%	72%	67%	58%
2015/16	2,706	3	776	1,917	1,789	0%	29%	71%	66%	60%
2016/17	3,447	109	1,050	2,311	2,034	3%	30%	67%	59%	60%

(1) The Target Year for achievement of qualifications is 2 years after a participant starts on a programme.

(2) It should be noted that a participant can gain more than one qualification.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 4.2: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 2/3 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**

Financial Year	Completed 4 Weeks	No. of Participants						% of Participants							Level 3 Framework Programme Target
		Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 2 (1) (2)	Achieved NVQ Level 3 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 2 Framework (1) (2)	Achieved Level 3 Framework (1) (2)	Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 2 (1) (2)	NVQ Level 2 Programme Target	Achieved NVQ Level 3 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 2 Framework (1) (2)	Achieved Level 3 Framework (1) (2)	
2013/14	363	0	88	263	165	30	161	0%	24%	72%	65%	45%	8%	44%	57%
2014/15	377	18	96	274	145	20	136	5%	25%	73%	65%	38%	5%	36%	59%
2015/16	847	211	217	604	270	20	252	25%	26%	71%	65%	32%	2%	30%	62%
2016/17	1,007	428	268	611	193	21	177	43%	27%	61%	65%	19%	2%	18%	62%

(1) The Target Year for achievement of qualifications is 2 years after a participant starts on a programme, with the exception of the Level 3 elements of a Level 2/3 start, which can be up to 4 years after a participant starts on the programme.

(2) It should be noted that a participant can gain more than one qualification.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

**Table 4.3: Performance on ApprenticeshipsNI 2013 Level 3 (2013/14 to 2016/17)**

Financial Year	Completed 4 Weeks	No. of Participants				% of Participants				Level 3 Framework Programme Target
		Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 3 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 3 Framework (1) (2)	Still on this training programme	Left without an NVQ or Full Framework	Achieved NVQ Level 3 (1) (2)	Achieved Level 3 Framework (1) (2)	
2013/14	1,774	2	458	1,314	1,279	0%	26%	74%	72%	53%
2014/15	2,124	7	581	1,538	1,479	0%	27%	72%	70%	55%
2015/16	2,546	6	736	1,803	1,716	0%	29%	71%	67%	62%
2016/17	3,033	64	929	2,029	1,882	2%	31%	67%	62%	62%

(1) The Target Year for achievement of qualifications is 2 years after a participant starts on a programme.

(2) It should be noted that a participant can gain more than one qualification.

Source: Data extracted from the Department's Client Management System on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.





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