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## I- Universities and higher education and research institutions

### 1) Universities and general directorate of technological studies

- Number of universities including the Virtual University	13
- General Directorate of Technological Studies	1

### 2) Number of higher education and research institutions

<b>Number of institutions in public higher education and research</b>	<b>195</b>
- Under the MHESR (1)	165
- Under the joint supervision of the MHESR and other Ministries (2)	30

<b>Number of institutions in private higher education</b>	<b>44</b>
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### 3) LMD System: Number of affiliate institutions and fields of studies

- Number of institutions	166
- Number of Training Bachelor's degree	584
- General Training Bachelor's degree	192
- Vocational Training Bachelor's degree	392
- Number of masters	419
- Professional masters	223
- Research masters	196

## II- Students

### 1) Total number of students

- Under the MHESR	315 291
- Within institutions of joint supervision	24 328

### 2) Distribution of students by gender

- Male	130 555
- Female	209 064
- Female rate	61,6%

### 3) Number of foreign students and number of nationalities

- Number of foreign students	1 901
- Number of nationalities	56

### 4) Distribution of students in the public sector by filed of study (ISCED) and by university (2011-2012) (3)

University	Ezzitouna	Tunis	Tunis El Manar	Carthage	Manouba	Jendouba	Sousse	Monastir	Kairouan	Sfax	Gabes	Gafsa	GDTS (4)	Total	Which girls
Teacher training and educational sciences		49		944	176					22				1191	1047
Arts		3186		1304	2498	397	2790	1433	1797	2185	1572	986		18148	13251
Literatures	1808	7054	2695	4544	6899	3769	5039	2059	5383	3588	4363	4142		51343	38910
Business and administration	71	6195	3327	7022	6052	1388	6944	1989	1038	5996	1503	386	5191	47102	30344
Law			5890	3337		2439	3275		1176	3297	1131			20545	14636
Journalism and information sciences					1524									1524	1103
Social and behavioural sciences		3763	2730	1675	1518	1301	1347	1003	140	2923	333	491		17224	11528
Mathematics and statistics		122	1119	905			191	1013	508	723	583	481		5645	2806
Computer sciences and multimedia	86	2284	4763	4842	5602	2575	4004	3529	1976	5445	4455	1730	8214	49505	25954
Life sciences			2708	1139	261	480		1339		1350	740	587		8604	7208
Physical sciences		416	3429	3407	85		588	3012		2515	1999	983		16434	11047
Manufacturing and processing		32	149	1015				1111		571	355		1913	5146	3921
Architecture and building		289	420	3810	71		138			187	626		2017	7558	2922
Engineering and engineering trades		3012	5744	8272		362	3304	5043	1339	4773	3643	1881	10834	48207	17082
Veterinary sciences					459									459	270
Agriculture, forestry and fishery			276	2716		860	1095	1		643	716			6307	4231
Health			8419		392	346	3137	6506		3400	251			22451	16012
Social services			164	720			185			112				1181	1022
Environmental protection			795	874			46			327	69		30	2141	1711
Transport services				65			1324			310			64	1763	980
Personal services		987		860	1606	1004		309	505	1289		581		7141	3079
<b>Total</b>	<b>1965</b>	<b>27389</b>	<b>42628</b>	<b>47451</b>	<b>27143</b>	<b>14921</b>	<b>33407</b>	<b>28347</b>	<b>13862</b>	<b>39656</b>	<b>22339</b>	<b>12248</b>	<b>28263</b>	<b>339619</b>	<b>209064</b>
<b>Which girls</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>17313</b>	<b>27077</b>	<b>29318</b>	<b>17177</b>	<b>9731</b>	<b>20869</b>	<b>18228</b>	<b>8759</b>	<b>24611</b>	<b>15188</b>	<b>7451</b>	<b>12390</b>	<b>209064</b>	

(1) Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

(2) Ministry of Public Health, Ministry of Youths, Sports and Physical Education, Ministry of Communication Technologies, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries, Ministry of Social Affairs, Solidarity and Tunisians Abroad, Ministry of Women, Family, Children and Elderly Affairs and Ministry of Tourism.

(3) International Standard Classification of Education.

(4) General Directorate of Technological Studies.

### III- Distribution of student in the public sector by field of study and by type of diploma (2011-2012)

Field of study	Type of diploma	LMD				Bacalorious	Doctorate in medicine and in pharmacy	Preparatory cycle	Engineering and Architecture cycle	Research masters	Professional masters	Doctorate	Other diplomas (6)	Total
	General training bachelor's degree	Vocational training bachelor's degree	Research masters	Professional masters										
Teacher training and educational sciences			1106		22					12	32	19		<b>1191</b>
Arts	5055	9274	649	795					1	836	551	987		<b>18148</b>
Literatures	24507	17487	3126	983			582		347	2528	965	818		<b>51343</b>
Business and administration	14630	21436	1967	5479	753				446	808	818	765		<b>47102</b>
Law	8469	6797	1453	958					313	1880	390	285		<b>20545</b>
Journalism and information sciences	188	939	22	216					77	52	10	20		<b>1524</b>
Social and behavioural sciences	6018	6908	1478	927			46	96	211	885	578	77		<b>17224</b>
Mathematics and statistics	3659	139	750					335		382	326	54		<b>5645</b>
Computer sciences and multimedia	11696	27306	1221	2574			556	4482	228	856	<b>579</b>	7		<b>49505</b>
Life sciences	2512	2386	1273	387			114	488		532	912			<b>8604</b>
Physical sciences	6310	4793	1527	794			375	773	20	847	953	42		<b>16434</b>
Manufacturing and processing		3429		525				770		270	152			<b>5146</b>
Architecture and building		3574	95	231				3430	20	73	59	76		<b>7558</b>
Engineering and engineering trades	1214	19911	384	1488			14776	7312	89	1634	1397	2		<b>48207</b>
Veterinary sciences												459		<b>459</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishery	32	1536		127		11198	2466	1407		374	365			<b>17505</b>
Health		8871	80	245					1064	234	58	701		<b>11253</b>
Social services	435	713		12					21					<b>1181</b>
Environmental potection		1638		411					46	40	6			<b>2141</b>
Transport services	309	941	95	303				28		87				<b>1763</b>
Personal services	3641	2463	284	317					76	319	40	1		<b>7141</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>88675</b>	<b>141647</b>	<b>14404</b>	<b>16794</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>11198</b>	<b>18915</b>	<b>19121</b>	<b>2971</b>	<b>12669</b>	<b>8178</b>	<b>4294</b>		<b>339619</b>

### IV- Distribution of graduates in the public sector by university and by type of diploma (2011)

University	Type of diploma	General Training Bachelor's degree	Vocational Training Bachelor's degree	Short Cycle (old system)(5)	Bachelor of Arts	Doctorate in medicine and in pharmacy	Engineering and architecture	Professional Master	Research Master	Doctorate	Other types of diplomas (6)	Total
Ezzitouna		191	106					21	16	15		<b>349</b>
Tunis		2056	1533		1274			397	354	109	132	<b>5855</b>
Tunis El Manar		2278	3072		746	395	817	324	790	292	21	<b>8735</b>
Carthage		2703	3160	38	728		1227	216	864	148	166	<b>9250</b>
Manouba		1692	1713		505		286	224	280	42	523	<b>5265</b>
Jendouba		896	2063		629		179	131	90			<b>3988</b>
Sousse		2321	2916		834	173	452	632	311	25	118	<b>7782</b>
Monastir		1202	2827		218	669	347	115	288	74		<b>5740</b>
Kairouan		825	1909		193			324	68			<b>3319</b>
Sfax		2931	2662		863	217	632	658	703	239	120	<b>9025</b>
Gafsa		1365	1865		224			191	33			<b>3678</b>
Gabes		1465	2033		295		312	134	102	15	35	<b>4391</b>
GDTS			6738	18								<b>6756</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>19925</b>	<b>32597</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>6509</b>	<b>1454</b>	<b>4252</b>	<b>3367</b>	<b>3899</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>1115</b>	<b>74133</b>

(5) Short cycle (old system) includes the diploma of vocational training bachelor's degree (old system), the academic diploma of technological studies and the higher technician diploma technological studies.

(6) Other diplomas include the digrees of auditing, aggregation, doctor of veterinary medicine, certificate of complementary studies and the national diploma of arts and crafts.

## V- The full time teaching staff

Rank	Statute	Statutory	Contractual	Total	Which women
Professor		1105		1105	169
Lecturer		792	1	793	165
Assistant lecturer		4904		4904	1940
Assistant		4014	3399	7413	4415
Medical university teacher		2211		2211	967
Lecturer technologist		93		93	22
Technologist		1300		1300	498
Assistant technologist			629	629	381
Foreigners			264	264	93
Other ranks (7)		3200	499	3699	1929
	<b>Total</b>	17619	4791	22410	10579
	<b>Which women</b>	7650	2929	10579	

(7) Other grades include craftsmen, engineers, experts, etc.

## VI- Continuing and distance training

Type of training	Cycle of studies	Short Cycle	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle	Engineer	Master	Total
Presential training		1288	1239	264	282	3073
Distance training		675	247	263	40	1225
	<b>Total</b>	1963	1486	527	322	4298

## VII- Increase of school attendance in higher education

(Age category 20-24 years)

Year	Rate of school attendance (%)	Year	Rate of school attendance (%)
2001/2002	25	2006/2007	34,6
2002/2003	28	2007/2008	36,2
2003/2004	31,7	2008/2009	37,3
2004/2005	33,3	2009/2010	37,6
2005/2006	34,6	2010/2011	36,9

## VIII- The budget of the MHESR (2012)

(in million of TND)

Title	State Budget	Budget of MHESR	MHESR budget/ State budget (%)
<b>Title I</b>	17000,400	989,106	5,8%
<b>Title II</b>	7185,000	247,762	3,4%
<b>Revenue from special treasury funds</b>	1080,600		
<b>Total</b>	<b>25266,000</b>	<b>1236,868</b>	<b>4,9%</b>

Source : 2012 Finance Law

## IX-University services

### 1. Number of granted scholarships by office and by cycle of study (2011-2012)

Office	Cycle of studies		Third cycles		Total
	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> cycles		Tunisians	Foreigners	
	Tunisians	Foreigners			
North University Service Office	38035	(-)	8604	(-)	46639
Centre University Service Office	27153	118	3742	3	31016
South University Service Office	30086	72	4785	16	34959
<b>Total</b>	<b>95274</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>17131</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>112614</b>

- Number of granted scholarships abroad by cycle of study (2011-2012)

Cycle	1st and 2nd cycles	Third cycles	Others <sup>(8)</sup>	Total
Number of granted scholarships abroad	638	100	971	1709

### 2. Number of university loans by office and by cycle of studies (2011-2012)

Office	Cycle	1st and 2nd cycle	Third cycles	Total
North University Service Office		(-)	(-)	
Centre University Service Office		659	49	708
South University Service Office		739	63	802
<b>Total</b>		<b>1398</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1510</b>

(-):Data not available

- Number of beneficiaries from loans to study abroad (2011-2012)

Number of beneficiaries from loans to study abroad	572
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### 3. Number of university loans by fund (2011-2012)

Fund	Number
National pension and social providence fund Social Security Fund	3758
National Social Security Fund	3501
<b>Total</b>	<b>7259</b>

## X- Private higher education: distribution of students by fields of studies and type of diploma (2011-2012)

Field of studies	Type of diploma									Total
	General Training Bachelor's degree	Vocational Training Bachelor's degree	Higher technician	Preparatory cycle	Engineering	Research master	Professional master	Other diplomas <sup>(9)</sup>		
Arts	39	21						1	61	
Literatures	2156	546				142	1055	33	3932	
Social and behavioural science						2			2	
Business and administration		3583				4			3587	
Law	688	46				91	13		838	
Life sciences	171	2							173	
Mathematics and statistics	363	359	11	463	3254		161		4611	
Computer sciences and telecommunication					243				243	
Engineering and engineering trades	32	237					32	71	372	
Architecture and building		8			742			468	1218	
Health		48		1093	1595				2736	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3449</b>	<b>4850</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1556</b>	<b>5834</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>1261</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>17773</b>	

(8) "others" include scholarships granted for medical residents, cooperation scholarships and exchange scholarships.

(9) Other diplomas : Auditing, national diploma of arts and crafts, national diploma of architect

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