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Foreword

Children are the leaders and shapers of tomorrow's society. As citizens with a strong sense of continuity, we tend to equate children with the future of the country, perhaps not considering enough that they are here today, living as children and facing the issues of childhood. They have an impact on today's society, but this society affects them too.

As a community, we must take steps to ensure that children's rights are recognised and upheld, their needs met, their opinions listened to, and their proper role in society acknowledged by all. Through the medium of numbers, this publication documents the current situation of children in Malta, venturing into many areas that touch on this particular group of the population.

This publication builds on and updates the first thematic publication entitled *Children* issued by NSO in Spring 2002. In interpreting figures, we have to exercise care to see children not just as numbers, but as individuals and as a group. We therefore hope that a holistic analysis will be carried out on the basis of the statistics presented in this publication, providing a picture that transcends figures.

The data are organised in 19 chapters, covering births and deaths, childcare and education, child health, migration, poverty and children at risk.

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Director General

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Dedication

To all children, be they born or unborn

Children are the ultimate gift to two people who love each other and the ultimate inconvenience to parents that don't. There is no bigger responsibility, and yet a relationship with a child can bear the greatest rewards. Children intuitively know when they are wanted and when they are not. The way that they are raised from the cradle will affect the people they will become. There is a famous saying that children spell love T I M E. There may be many compelling reasons why you cannot be with your children but none of them can replace time. It is gone forever.

Source: [Children Poems – by Family Friend Poems](http://www.familyfriendpoems.com/family/children-poems.asp)
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Methodological Notes

- In line with the definition given in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, children have been taken to include persons below the age of 18 (Part I, Article 1).
- The localities are classified according to the Malta Geographic Codes (MGC).
- Occupations are coded according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO 88).
- Deaths by causes are classified according to the International Classification of Diseases (ICD).
- Where Census years are indicated in the tables and charts, Census data are referred to.

Key

U	Under represented: estimate based on 20-50 counts
:	Under represented: estimate based on less than 20 counts; not provided
N/A	Not applicable
WI	Work Intensity
-	0
.	Missing

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CHAPTER 1

Population

Summary

In the half century since 1957, the child population diminished by 41 per cent or over 54,000 from 133,377 to 79,334 in 2008. With regard to private households in 2007, 63 per cent had no children, 19 per cent had 1 child, 14 per cent had 2 children and 4 per cent had 3 children or more. An additional statistical breakdown by household indicates that households with dependent children made up 40 per cent of the total private households, with more than half of these comprising 2 adults and 1 or 2 dependent children.

1.1. Child population: 1931-2008

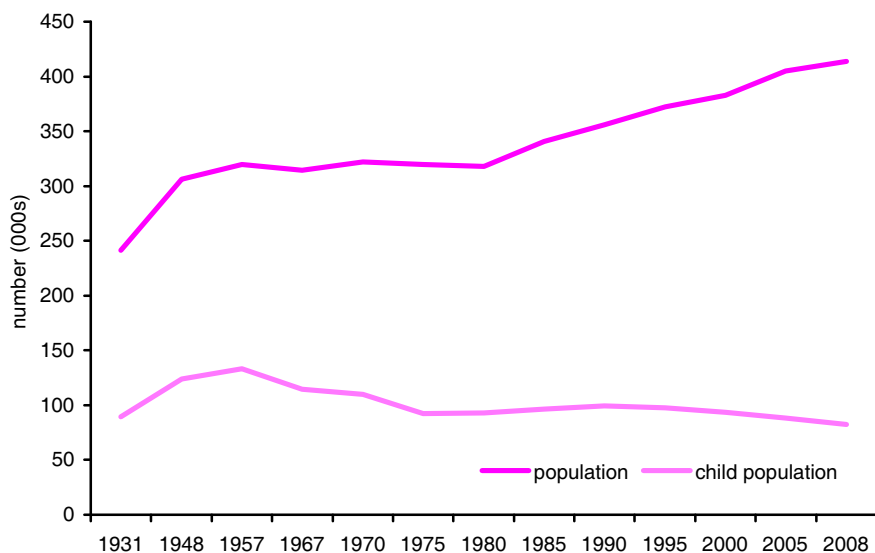
Year	Population			Child population			Children as a percentage of population		
	Males	Females	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1931 ¹	117,457	124,164	241,621	45,051	44,201	89,252	38.4	35.6	36.9
1948 ¹	150,665	155,326	305,991	62,412	61,265	123,677	41.4	39.4	40.4
1957 ¹	153,108	166,512	319,620	67,766	65,611	133,377	44.3	39.4	41.7
1967 ¹	150,598	163,618	314,216	58,324	56,311	114,635	38.7	34.4	36.5
1970	153,920	168,267	322,187	56,281	53,849	110,130	36.6	32.0	34.2
1975	152,807	167,078	319,885	49,220	43,350	92,570	32.2	25.9	28.9
1980	154,759	163,269	318,028	48,246	44,517	92,763	31.2	27.3	29.2
1985	167,875	173,032	340,907	49,760	46,899	96,659	29.6	27.1	28.4
1990	175,782	180,128	355,910	51,002	48,256	99,258	29.0	26.8	27.9
1995	184,306	187,824	372,130	49,928	47,387	97,315	27.1	25.2	26.2
2000	189,720	192,805	382,525	48,023	45,270	93,293	25.3	23.5	24.4
2005	194,603	197,303	391,906	43,371	41,219	84,590	22.3	20.9	21.6
2008	196,280	199,192	395,472	40,743	38,591	79,334	20.8	19.4	20.1

¹ Census data

Note: Up to 1972 population figures include the families of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards population figures refer to the Maltese population only.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 1.1. Population vs child population: 1931-2008



1.2. Child population by single years of age: 1948-2008

Age	1948 ¹			2000			2005			2008		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
< 1	5,042	4,949	9,991	2,118	2,120	4,238	1,846	1,751	3,597	1,947	1,770	3,717
1	4,601	4,461	9,062	2,174	2,126	4,300	1,897	1,794	3,691	1,855	1,698	3,553
2	4,877	4,693	9,570	2,304	2,186	4,490	1,958	1,956	3,914	1,862	1,706	3,568
3	4,813	4,507	9,320	2,541	2,294	4,835	2,002	1,814	3,816	2,102	2,050	4,152
4	4,549	4,345	8,894	2,543	2,384	4,927	1,990	1,888	3,878	1,952	1,840	3,792
5	3,080	3,048	6,128	2,482	2,289	4,771	2,132	2,148	4,280	1,943	1,955	3,898
6	2,380	2,425	4,805	2,483	2,344	4,827	2,192	2,142	4,334	2,002	1,843	3,845
7	2,832	2,743	5,575	2,677	2,492	5,169	2,314	2,193	4,507	2,042	1,950	3,992
8	2,911	2,864	5,775	2,772	2,638	5,410	2,548	2,305	4,853	2,071	2,148	4,219
9	3,027	3,044	6,071	2,851	2,690	5,541	2,553	2,395	4,948	2,174	2,114	4,288
10	3,282	3,350	6,632	2,866	2,725	5,591	2,490	2,302	4,792	2,335	2,225	4,560
11	3,149	3,051	6,200	2,891	2,820	5,711	2,490	2,356	4,846	2,479	2,203	4,682
12	3,520	3,228	6,748	2,846	2,743	5,589	2,681	2,501	5,182	2,523	2,311	4,834
13	2,915	2,793	5,708	2,808	2,688	5,496	2,778	2,646	5,424	2,584	2,402	4,986
14	3,086	3,037	6,123	2,866	2,503	5,369	2,856	2,694	5,550	2,570	2,467	5,037
15	2,759	2,849	5,608	2,871	2,696	5,567	2,874	2,733	5,607	2,728	2,544	5,272
16	2,894	3,027	5,921	2,929	2,727	5,656	2,909	2,844	5,753	2,753	2,648	5,401
17	2,695	2,851	5,546	3,001	2,805	5,806	2,861	2,757	5,618	2,821	2,717	5,538

¹ Census data

Note: Up to 1972 population figures include the families of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards population figures refer to the Maltese population only.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 1.2. Child population by single years of age: 1948 and 2008

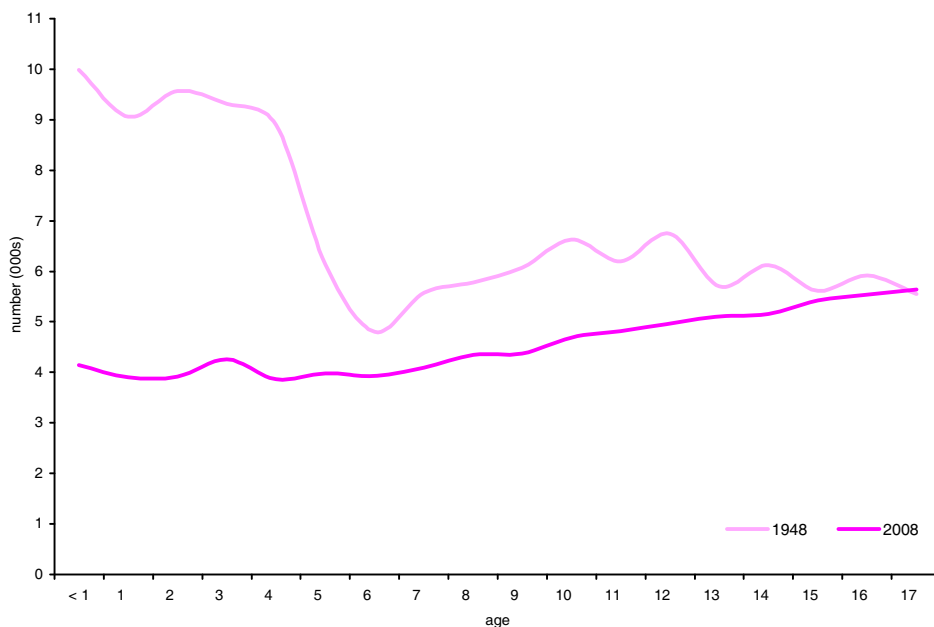


Chart 1.3. Number of children per 100 adults: 1931-2008

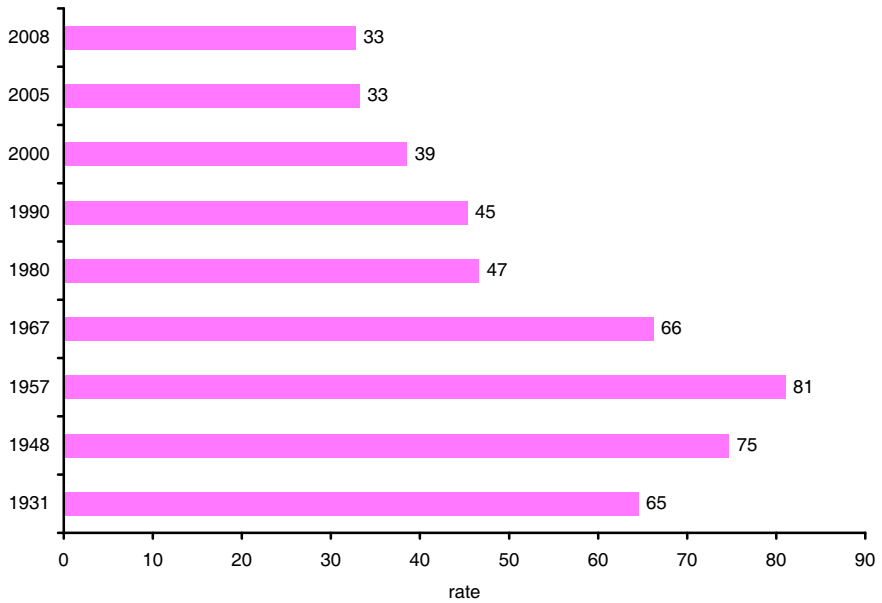
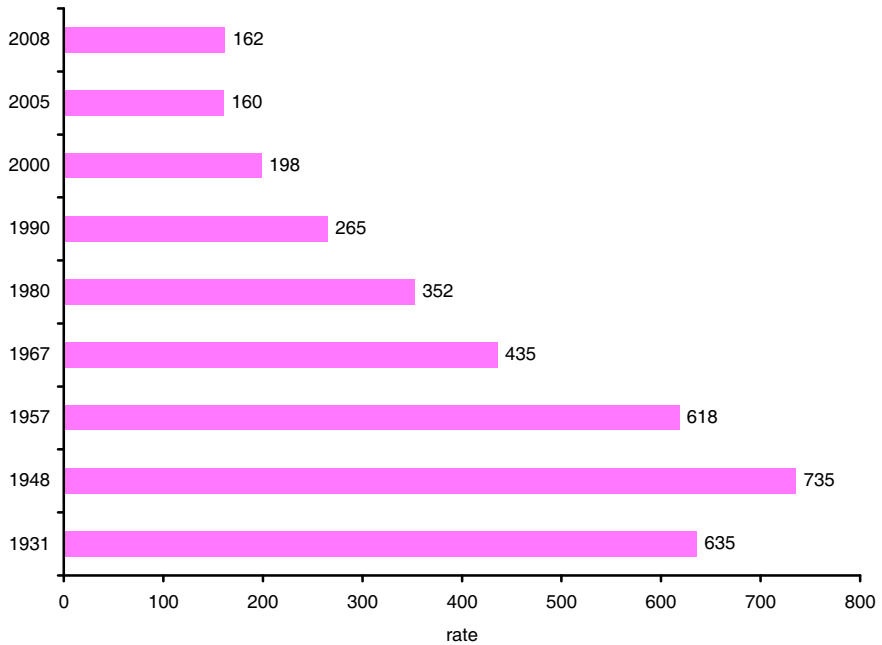


Chart 1.4. Number of children per 100 elderly persons: 1931-2008



Note: Children: 0-17; Adults: 18-64; Elderly: 65+

Source: National Statistics Office.

1.3. Child population in Malta and Gozo: 1948/1995/2005 ...

Age	Malta			Gozo		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1948						
< 1	4,619	4,492	9,111	423	457	880
1	4,192	4,108	8,300	409	353	762
2	4,436	4,284	8,720	441	409	850
3	4,453	4,159	8,612	360	348	708
4	4,158	3,987	8,145	391	358	749
5	2,802	2,781	5,583	278	267	545
6	2,179	2,201	4,380	201	224	425
7	2,571	2,499	5,070	261	244	505
8	2,622	2,600	5,222	289	264	553
9	2,774	2,802	5,576	253	242	495
10	2,965	3,074	6,039	317	276	593
11	2,879	2,822	5,701	270	229	499
12	3,231	2,957	6,188	289	271	560
13	2,673	2,548	5,221	242	245	487
14	2,807	2,781	5,588	279	256	535
15	2,535	2,627	5,162	224	222	446
16	2,624	2,760	5,384	270	267	537
17	2,451	2,596	5,047	244	255	499
Total	56,971	56,078	113,049	5,441	5,187	10,628
1995						
< 1	2,278	2,138	4,416	181	163	344
1	2,277	2,139	4,416	210	189	399
2	2,454	2,334	4,788	236	189	425
3	2,585	2,447	5,032	200	196	396
4	2,635	2,517	5,152	222	190	412
5	2,714	2,535	5,249	195	203	398
6	2,658	2,628	5,286	245	239	484
7	2,643	2,510	5,153	225	231	456
8	2,577	2,473	5,050	238	196	434
9	2,654	2,311	4,965	254	237	491
10	2,688	2,545	5,233	233	225	458
11	2,749	2,527	5,276	248	236	484
12	2,773	2,608	5,381	243	213	456
13	2,781	2,741	5,522	263	203	466
14	2,704	2,663	5,367	201	181	382
15	2,787	2,613	5,400	216	196	412
16	2,850	2,678	5,528	245	188	433
17	2,778	2,583	5,361	195	181	376
Total	47,585	44,990	92,575	4,050	3,656	7,706

... 1.3. Child population in Malta and Gozo: 1948/1995/2005

Age	Malta			Gozo		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
2005						
< 1	1,821	1,745	3,566	126	133	259
1	1,832	1,732	3,564	132	124	256
2	1,801	1,813	3,614	164	160	324
3	1,871	1,731	3,602	152	133	285
4	1,914	1,843	3,757	161	144	305
5	1,962	1,994	3,956	163	194	357
6	2,048	1,983	4,031	166	161	327
7	2,185	2,067	4,252	205	203	408
8	2,348	2,086	4,434	184	172	356
9	2,349	2,146	4,495	227	211	438
10	2,437	2,257	4,694	203	186	389
11	2,400	2,316	4,716	227	194	421
12	2,577	2,406	4,983	241	213	454
13	2,614	2,509	5,123	224	206	430
14	2,679	2,586	5,265	226	199	425
15	2,745	2,574	5,319	200	219	419
16	2,745	2,707	5,452	257	242	499
17	2,771	2,610	5,381	238	243	481
Total	41,099	39,105	80,204	3,496	3,337	6,833

Note: Data for 1948 refers to the Maltese population, while data for 1995 and 2005 refers to the total. All data in this table are obtained from the census, since data for single years of age by locality are compiled only in Population Censuses. For this reason, the totals in this table do not match those in previous tables.

Source: National Statistics Office.

Chart 1.5. Child population by single years of age, Malta: 1948 and 2005

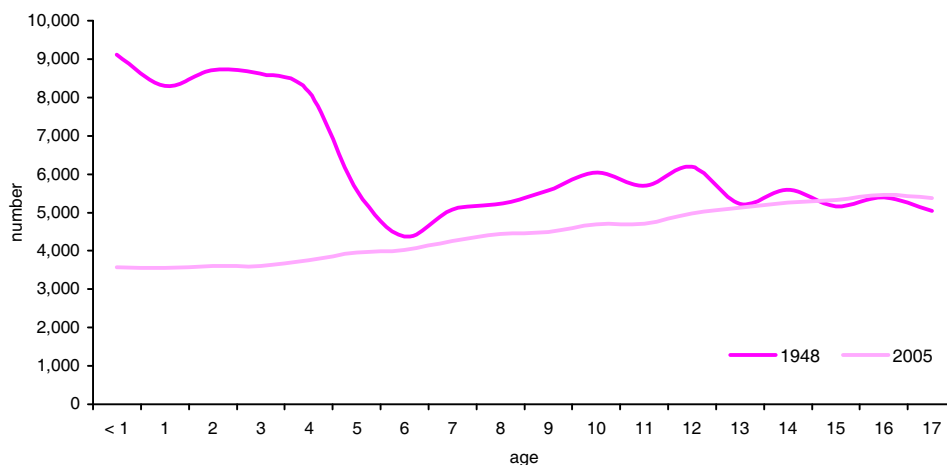
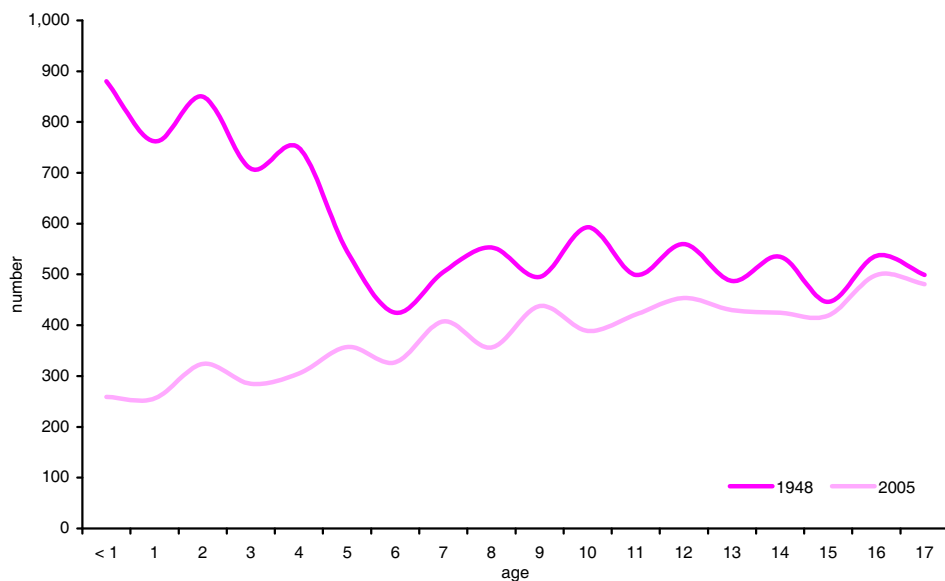


Chart 1.6. Child population by single years of age, Gozo: 1948 and 2005



1.4. Projected total population by age: 2009, 2015, 2025, 2045 and 2050

Age	2009		2015		2025		2045		2050	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0-4	10,561	9,788	11,025	10,050	10,296	9,397	8,646	7,910	8,579	7,854
5-9	10,243	10,003	10,625	9,755	10,983	10,076	8,677	8,000	8,719	8,040
10-14	12,360	11,608	10,254	9,994	11,051	10,244	8,839	8,272	8,660	8,123
15-17	8,237	7,868	6,719	6,712	6,481	6,054	5,563	5,219	5,244	4,934
18-64	139,353	134,092	140,148	131,639	137,928	125,220	135,642	116,755	131,006	111,408
65+	25,438	34,340	31,221	40,014	38,535	46,927	43,966	46,619	48,443	49,217

Basis: End 2008 Estimates of the Total Population (Maltese and Non-Maltese)

Notes: Fertility: Linear increase to 1.6 by 2100.

Expectation of life at birth: Linear increase to 85 for both sexes by 2100.

Net migration: Linear increase by sex to a total of 2,200 annually in 2100.

Source: National Statistics Office

1.5. Distribution of persons living in households by age: 2005-2007

Age	2005			2006			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
0-17	45,360	43,050	88,410	43,270	41,810	85,080	42,800	41,510	84,310
18-24	19,750	18,910	38,660	20,950	19,140	40,090	23,190	19,830	43,020
25-49	70,840	68,370	139,210	71,300	68,420	139,720	69,770	67,770	137,540
50-64	40,020	40,790	80,810	41,190	41,820	83,010	42,370	42,920	85,290
65+	22,560	28,970	51,530	22,660	29,080	51,740	23,570	29,830	53,400
Total	198,530	200,090	398,620	199,370	200,270	399,640	201,700	201,860	403,560

Note: Data in this table refers to the total population residing in private households.
Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

1.6. Distribution of households by number of children: 2007

Number of children in household	Total number of households	% total
0	89,660	63.4
1	26,150	18.5
2	19,710	13.9
3+	5,870	4.2
Total	141,390	100.0

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

1.7. Distribution of households by type: 2005-2007

Household type	2005	2006	2007
Households without dependent children	84,340	84,350	85,440
<i>of which:</i>			
One person household, total	26,410	26,500	26,780
One person household, male	9,280	10,260	10,820
One person household, female	17,130	16,240	15,960
One person household, under 65 years of age	11,230	12,330	11,930
One person household, 65 years old and over	15,180	14,170	14,850
2 adults, no dependent children, both under 65 years of age	18,800	18,510	17,310
2 adults, no dependent children, at least one adult aged 65 or more	15,720	15,770	17,430
Other households without dependent children	23,410	23,570	23,920
Households with dependent children	55,250	56,190	55,950
<i>of which:</i>			
Single parent household, one or more dependent children	3,610	2,870	3,650
2 adults, one dependent child	16,240	14,890	15,170
2 adults, two dependent children	14,960	17,310	16,440
2 adults, three or more dependent children	4,230	6,140	5,860
Other households with one or more dependent children	16,210	14,980	14,830
Total	139,590	140,540	141,390

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

CHAPTER 2

Births

Summary

The crude birth rate decreased from 33 in 1931 to 9 in 2008. In nearly 7 decades since 1940, a general decrease in births was observed, with an annual drop being seen in recent years. However, in 2008 there was an increase of 185 births when compared to 2007. The total fertility rate has seen an overall decrease since 1960.

In 2008, just over a quarter of Maltese live births involved parents originating from the Northern Harbour district, while 20 per cent involved parents originating from the Southern Harbour district.

Of the 1,048 births outside marriage in 2008, 34 per cent were registered as having an undeclared father, with the lowest percentage of undeclared fathers since 1996 being recorded in 2008. Live births outside marriage have increased on a yearly basis from 1996 to today. During the past 4 years, births to mothers under 20 years of age have been on the rise.

A classification of live births reveals that between 2000 and 2008, 3 sets of quadruplets, 16 sets of triplets and 449 sets of twins were born.

2.1. Maltese birth trends: 1931-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
Births			
1931 ¹	•	•	7,079
1948 ¹	5,635	5,394	11,029
1957 ¹	4,553	4,241	8,794
1967 ¹	2,688	2,621	5,309
1970	2,782	2,532	5,314
1975	3,005	2,719	5,724
1980	2,932	2,670	5,602
1985	2,818	2,612	5,430
1990	2,786	2,582	5,368
1995	2,403	2,210	4,613
2000	2,126	2,129	4,255
2005	1,850	1,748	3,598
2008	1,958	1,763	3,721
Crude birth rate²			
1931 ¹	•	•	33.2
1948 ¹	37.4	34.7	36.0
1957 ¹	29.7	25.5	27.5
1967 ¹	17.8	16.0	16.9
1970	18.1	15.0	16.5
1975	19.7	16.3	17.9
1980	18.9	16.4	17.6
1985	16.8	15.1	15.9
1990	15.8	14.3	15.1
1995	13.0	11.8	12.4
2000	11.2	11.0	11.1
2005	9.5	8.9	9.2
2008	10.0	8.9	9.4

¹ Census data

² Number of live births per 1,000 persons in mid-year population

• Unavailable data.

Note: Up to 1972 live births include the children of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards live births refer to persons of Maltese nationality only.

Source: National Statistics Office

2.2. Maltese live births: 1940-2008

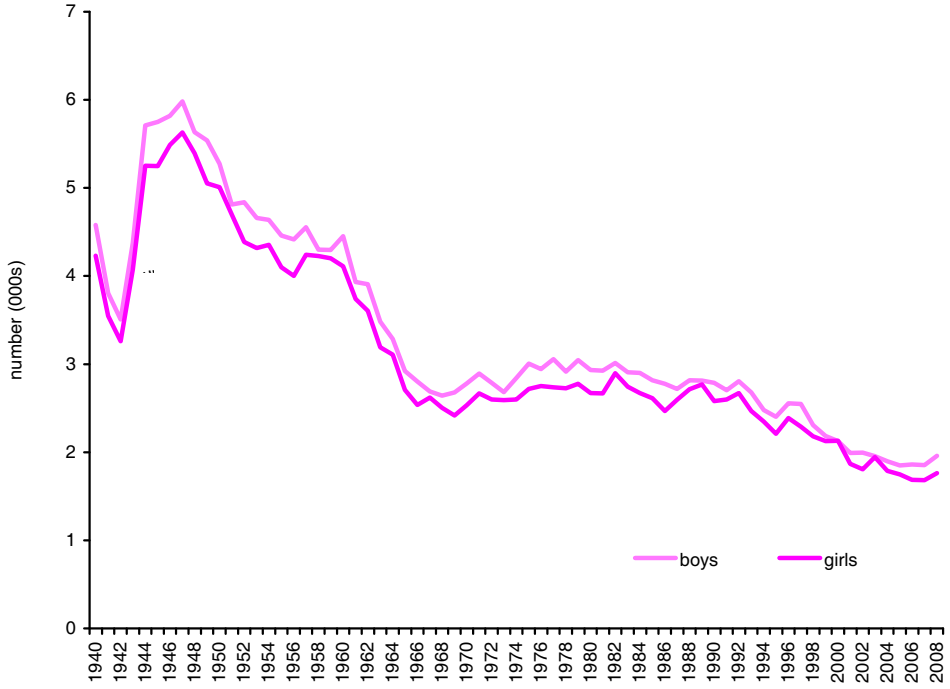
Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1940	4,579	4,229	8,808	1975	3,005	2,719	5,724
1941	3,806	3,546	7,352	1976	2,945	2,751	5,696
1942	3,508	3,260	6,768	1977	3,057	2,736	5,793
1943	4,377	4,075	8,452	1978	2,914	2,727	5,641
1944	5,710	5,253	10,963	1979	3,045	2,778	5,823
1945	5,749	5,249	10,998	1980	2,932	2,670	5,602
1946	5,817	5,487	11,304	1981	2,924	2,668	5,592
1947	5,984	5,628	11,612	1982	3,014	2,898	5,912
1948 ¹	5,635	5,394	11,029	1983	2,907	2,744	5,651
1949	5,538	5,052	10,590	1984	2,901	2,670	5,571
1950	5,273	5,008	10,281	1985	2,818	2,612	5,430
1951	4,811	4,700	9,511	1986	2,778	2,467	5,245
1952	4,839	4,387	9,226	1987	2,720	2,594	5,314
1953	4,661	4,316	8,977	1988	2,817	2,716	5,533
1954	4,636	4,355	8,991	1989	2,813	2,771	5,584
1955	4,460	4,100	8,560	1990	2,786	2,582	5,368
1956	4,415	4,003	8,418	1991	2,704	2,598	5,302
1957 ¹	4,553	4,241	8,794	1992	2,804	2,670	5,474
1958	4,300	4,228	8,528	1993	2,679	2,468	5,147
1959	4,296	4,203	8,499	1994	2,479	2,347	4,826
1960	4,454	4,111	8,565	1995	2,403	2,210	4,613
1961	3,933	3,741	7,674	1996	2,555	2,389	4,944
1962	3,908	3,605	7,513	1997	2,547	2,288	4,835
1963	3,481	3,191	6,672	1998	2,308	2,180	4,488
1964	3,287	3,107	6,394	1999	2,183	2,125	4,308
1965	2,922	2,706	5,628	2000	2,126	2,129	4,255
1966	2,803	2,537	5,340	2001	1,992	1,867	3,859
1967 ¹	2,688	2,621	5,309	2002	1,997	1,808	3,805
1968	2,641	2,504	5,145	2003	1,956	1,946	3,902
1969	2,680	2,416	5,096	2004	1,899	1,787	3,686
1970	2,782	2,532	5,314	2005	1,850	1,748	3,598
1971	2,893	2,669	5,562	2006	1,861	1,685	3,546
1972	2,788	2,597	5,385	2007	1,854	1,682	3,536
1973	2,681	2,591	5,272	2008	1,958	1,763	3,721
1974	2,842	2,598	5,440				

¹ Census data

Note: Up to 1972 live births include the children of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards live births refer to persons of Maltese nationality only.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.1. Maltese live births: 1940-2008



2.3. Maltese live births by region: 1940-2008 ...

Year	MALTA			Malta			Gozo		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1940	4,579	4,229	8,808	4,165	3,866	8,031	414	363	777
1941	3,806	3,546	7,352	3,425	3,193	6,618	381	353	734
1942	3,508	3,260	6,768	3,137	2,952	6,089	371	308	679
1943	4,377	4,075	8,452	3,973	3,694	7,667	404	381	785
1944	5,710	5,253	10,963	5,242	4,868	10,110	468	385	853
1945	5,749	5,249	10,998	5,244	4,794	10,038	505	455	960
1946	5,817	5,487	11,304	5,332	5,040	10,372	485	447	932
1947	5,984	5,628	11,612	5,484	5,131	10,615	500	497	997
1948 ¹	5,635	5,394	11,029	5,135	4,982	10,117	500	412	912
1949	5,538	5,052	10,590	5,029	4,665	9,694	509	387	896
1950	5,273	5,008	10,281	4,822	4,567	9,389	451	441	892
1951	4,811	4,700	9,511	4,400	4,317	8,717	411	383	794
1952	4,839	4,387	9,226	4,448	4,053	8,501	391	334	725
1953	4,661	4,316	8,977	4,312	3,986	8,298	349	330	679
1954	4,636	4,355	8,991	4,273	4,014	8,287	363	341	704
1955	4,460	4,100	8,560	4,118	3,781	7,899	342	319	661
1956	4,415	4,003	8,418	4,090	3,704	7,794	325	299	624
1957 ¹	4,553	4,241	8,794	4,238	3,879	8,117	315	362	677
1958	4,300	4,228	8,528	3,969	3,903	7,872	331	325	656
1959	4,296	4,203	8,499	3,964	3,861	7,825	332	342	674
1960	4,454	4,111	8,565	4,093	3,754	7,847	361	357	718
1961	3,933	3,741	7,674	3,639	3,484	7,123	294	257	551
1962	3,908	3,605	7,513	3,596	3,332	6,928	312	273	585
1963	3,481	3,191	6,672	3,237	2,948	6,185	244	243	487
1964	3,287	3,107	6,394	3,051	2,864	5,915	236	243	479
1965	2,922	2,706	5,628	2,722	2,526	5,248	200	180	380
1966	2,803	2,537	5,340	2,593	2,374	4,967	210	163	373
1967 ¹	2,688	2,621	5,309	2,512	2,468	4,980	176	153	329
1968	2,641	2,504	5,145	2,472	2,344	4,816	169	160	329
1969	2,680	2,416	5,096	2,526	2,276	4,802	154	140	294
1970	2,782	2,532	5,314	2,607	2,395	5,002	175	137	312
1971	2,893	2,669	5,562	2,709	2,518	5,227	184	151	335
1972	2,788	2,597	5,385	2,591	2,436	5,027	197	161	358
1973	2,681	2,591	5,272	2,517	2,436	4,953	164	155	319
1974	2,842	2,598	5,440	2,690	2,450	5,140	152	148	300
1975	3,005	2,719	5,724	2,836	2,555	5,391	169	164	333
1976	2,945	2,751	5,696	2,774	2,598	5,372	171	153	324
1977	3,057	2,736	5,793	2,878	2,597	5,475	179	139	318
1978	2,914	2,727	5,641	2,762	2,563	5,325	152	164	316
1979	3,045	2,778	5,823	2,834	2,619	5,453	211	159	370
1980	2,932	2,670	5,602	2,746	2,536	5,282	186	134	320

... 2.3. Maltese live births by region: 1940-2008

Year	MALTA			Malta			Gozo		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1981	2,924	2,668	5,592	2,714	2,501	5,215	210	167	377
1982	3,014	2,898	5,912	2,802	2,724	5,526	212	174	386
1983	2,907	2,744	5,651	2,710	2,570	5,280	197	174	371
1984	2,901	2,670	5,571	2,666	2,466	5,132	235	204	439
1985	2,818	2,612	5,430	2,610	2,425	5,035	208	187	395
1986	2,778	2,467	5,245	2,572	2,262	4,834	206	205	411
1987	2,720	2,594	5,314	2,524	2,430	4,954	196	164	360
1988	2,817	2,716	5,533	2,613	2,502	5,115	204	214	418
1989	2,813	2,771	5,584	2,609	2,566	5,175	204	205	409
1990	2,786	2,582	5,368	2,601	2,396	4,997	185	186	371
1991	2,704	2,598	5,302	2,512	2,434	4,946	192	164	356
1992	2,804	2,670	5,474	2,574	2,463	5,037	230	207	437
1993	2,679	2,468	5,147	2,447	2,270	4,717	232	198	430
1994	2,479	2,347	4,826	2,274	2,165	4,439	205	182	387
1995	2,403	2,210	4,613	2,220	2,034	4,254	183	176	359
1996	2,555	2,389	4,944	2,340	2,171	4,511	215	218	433
1997	2,547	2,288	4,835	2,328	2,097	4,425	219	191	410
1998	2,308	2,180	4,488	2,131	1,994	4,125	177	186	363
1999	2,183	2,125	4,308	2,015	1,961	3,976	168	164	332
2000	2,126	2,129	4,255	1,967	1,937	3,904	159	192	351
2001	1,992	1,867	3,859	1,838	1,730	3,568	154	137	291
2002	1,997	1,808	3,805	1,840	1,677	3,517	157	131	288
2003	1,956	1,946	3,902	1,809	1,788	3,597	147	158	305
2004	1,899	1,787	3,686	1,775	1,668	3,443	124	119	243
2005	1,850	1,748	3,598	1,711	1,613	3,324	139	135	274
2006	1,861	1,685	3,546	1,725	1,575	3,300	136	110	246
2007	1,854	1,682	3,536	1,715	1,572	3,287	139	110	249
2008	1,958	1,763	3,721	1,808	1,632	3,440	150	131	281

¹ Census data

Note: Up to 1972 live births include the children of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards live births refer to persons of Maltese nationality only.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.2. Maltese live births in Malta: 1940-2008

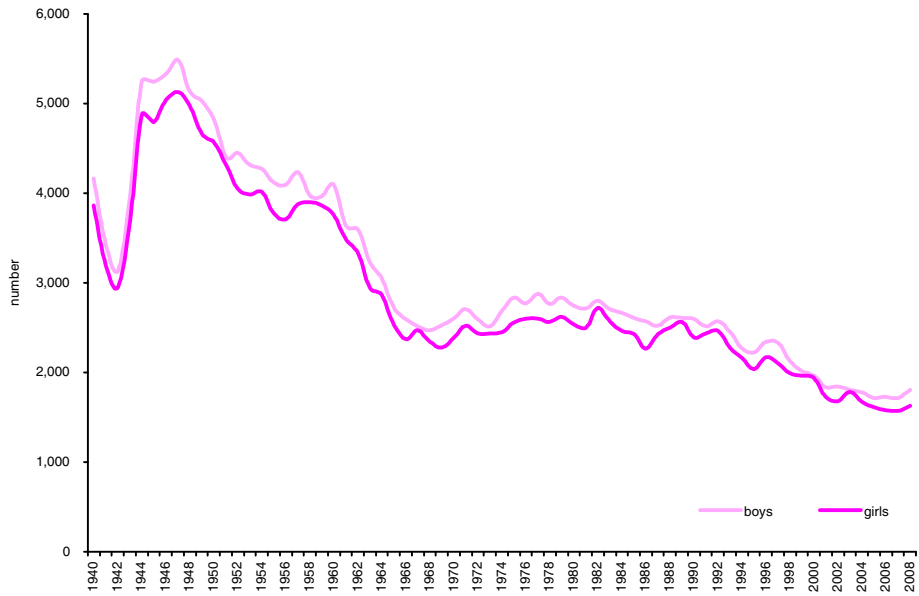
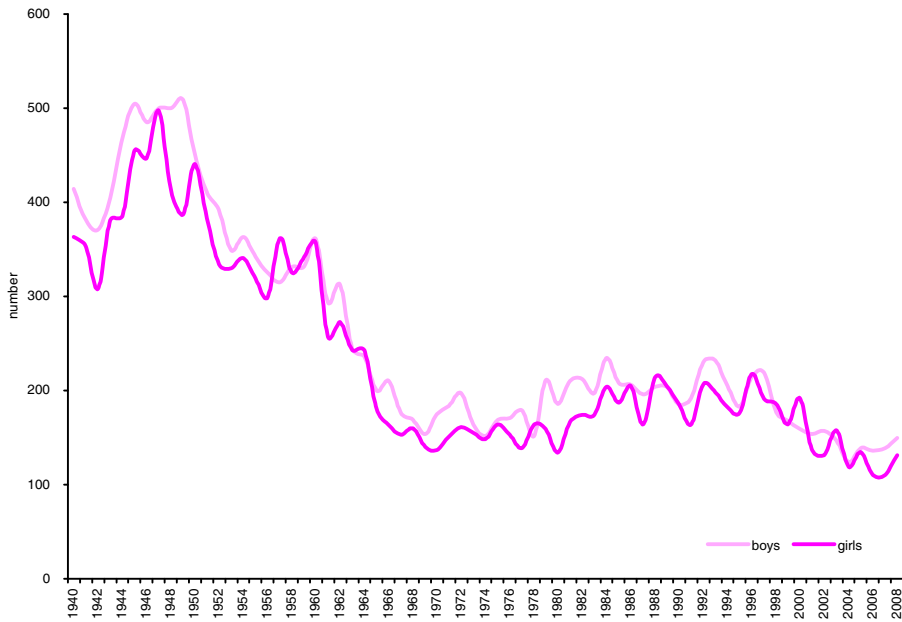


Chart 2.3. Maltese live births in Gozo: 1940-2008



2.4. Maltese live births by district: 2000-2008

District	Year									
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Southern Harbour	811	736	724	756	708	704	669	691	728	
Northern Harbour	1,084	1,018	994	966	964	944	939	977	983	
South Eastern	718	631	636	653	637	591	616	603	621	
Western	592	550	531	567	525	518	495	467	514	
Northern	699	633	632	655	609	567	581	549	594	
Gozo and Comino	351	291	288	305	243	274	246	249	281	
Total	4,255	3,859	3,805	3,902	3,686	3,598	3,546	3,536	3,721	

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.4. Maltese live births by district: 2003-2008



2.5. Maltese female population of childbearing age: 1960-2008

Year	Age							Total
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	
1960	14,750	12,950	12,650	11,150	10,350	8,450	7,950	78,250
1965	18,550	12,150	11,150	11,550	10,350	9,550	7,850	81,150
1970	16,989	17,326	12,276	11,128	10,609	9,754	9,330	87,412
1975	15,640	14,285	14,876	10,687	9,795	9,524	8,725	83,532
1980	13,294	15,233	14,231	15,017	10,837	9,861	9,555	88,028
1985	11,438	12,941	14,159	13,588	14,929	10,982	9,767	87,804
1990	12,858	11,450	12,880	14,262	13,676	14,978	10,969	91,073
1995	13,774	13,030	11,584	13,095	14,521	13,915	15,126	95,045
2000	13,976	14,095	12,784	11,039	12,846	14,550	13,770	93,060
2005	13,597	14,181	14,355	13,063	11,306	13,023	14,665	94,190
2008	13,531	13,685	14,323	13,686	12,027	11,688	13,958	92,898

Note: Up to 1972 population figures include the families of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards population figures refer to the Maltese population only.

Source: National Statistics Office

2.6. Maltese live births by age of mother: 1960-2008

Year	Age								Total
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unspecified	
1960	330	2,551	2,538	1,670	1,084	350	42	-	8,565
1965	246	1,511	1,755	974	862	264	16	-	5,628
1970	227	1,766	1,614	984	548	162	13	-	5,314
1975	265	1,698	2,234	976	411	133	7	-	5,724
1980	155	1,461	1,950	1,436	481	115	4	-	5,602
1985	160	1,113	2,029	1,325	675	125	3	-	5,430
1990	144	960	2,103	1,412	549	192	8	-	5,368
1995	142	873	1,632	1,290	555	116	5	-	4,613
2000	239	873	1,545	1,056	428	110	4	-	4,255
2005	222	614	1,346	1,039	296	74	7	-	3,598
2008	248	536	1,311	1,192	363	65	5	1	3,721

Note: Up to 1972 live births include the children of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards live births refer to persons of Maltese nationality only.

Source: National Statistics Office

2.7. Total live births by age of mother: 2000-2008

Year	Age								Total
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unspecified	
2000	246	899	1,587	1,092	450	113	5	-	4,392
2001	249	786	1,530	932	355	102	3	-	3,957
2002	234	738	1,558	911	387	88	2	-	3,918
2003	223	810	1,494	1,048	387	84	3	1	4,050
2004	223	734	1,435	1,044	362	85	4	-	3,887
2005	230	661	1,438	1,111	327	83	8	-	3,858
2006	234	653	1,389	1,161	377	69	2	-	3,885
2007	239	649	1,299	1,189	412	78	3	2	3,871
2008	269	616	1,417	1,291	443	83	5	2	4,126

Source: National Statistics Office

2.8. Age-specific and total fertility rates: 1960-2008

Year	Age							Total
	Under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	
1960	2.2	19.7	20.1	15.0	10.5	4.1	0.5	3.6
1965	1.3	12.4	15.7	8.4	8.3	2.8	0.2	2.5
1970	1.3	10.2	13.1	8.8	5.2	1.7	0.1	2.0
1975	1.7	11.9	15.0	9.1	4.2	1.4	0.1	2.2
1980	1.2	9.6	13.7	9.6	4.4	1.2	0.0	2.0
1985	1.4	8.6	14.3	9.8	4.5	1.1	0.0	2.0
1990	1.1	8.4	16.3	9.9	4.0	1.3	0.1	2.1
1995	1.0	6.7	14.1	9.9	3.8	0.8	0.0	1.8
2000	1.7	6.2	12.1	9.6	3.3	0.8	0.0	1.7
2005	1.6	4.3	9.4	8.0	2.6	0.6	0.0	1.3
2008	1.8	3.9	9.2	8.7	3.0	0.6	0.0	1.4

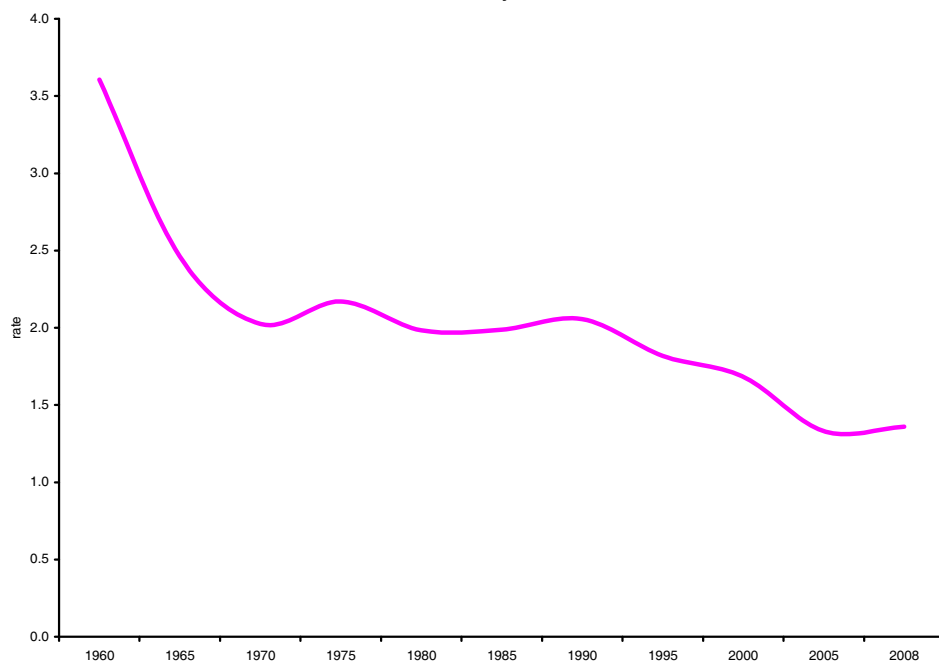
Note: Age-specific fertility rate = number of live births per 100 women for each age group.

Total fertility rate = sum of age-specific fertility rates x number of years in cohort.

These have been calculated for the Maltese population as per tables 2.5 and 2.6.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.5. Total fertility rate: 1960-2008

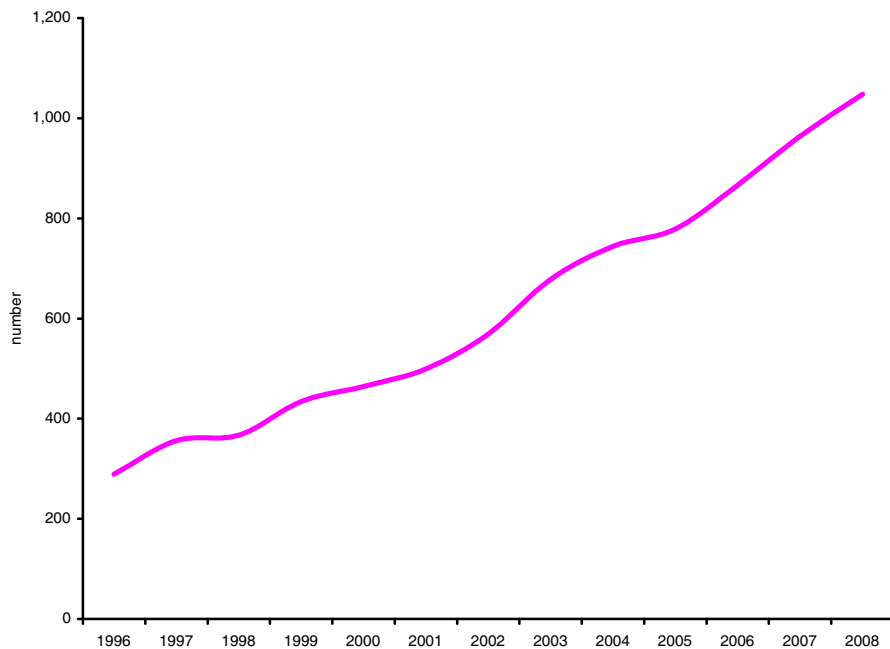


2.9. Total live births outside marriage: 1996-2008

Year	Births outside marriage	... of which with undeclared father	
		Number	%
1996	289	173	59.9
1997	356	196	55.1
1998	367	183	49.9
1999	434	230	53.0
2000	464	238	51.3
2001	499	245	49.1
2002	569	282	49.6
2003	678	306	45.1
2004	744	330	44.4
2005	779	322	41.3
2006	866	371	42.8
2007	964	352	36.5
2008	1,048	352	33.6

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.6. Total live births outside marriage: 1996-2008



2.10. Single teenage mothers: 1999-2008

Age of mother	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<15	2	2	2	4	5	5	4	2	4	5
15	10	12	10	3	10	10	7	11	9	7
16	20	15	19	18	21	21	27	26	16	19
17	14	11	14	22	20	22	25	26	26	24
Total	46	40	45	47	56	58	63	65	55	55
Total births	4,428	4,398	3,955	3,927	4,054	3,902	3,866	3,895	3,883	4,155
% of total births	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.3
Total live births	4,410	4,386	3,935	3,918	4,036	3,887	3,858	3,885	3,871	4,126
% of total live births	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.3

Note 1: Refers to births to Maltese and non-Maltese mothers.

Note 2: For the purpose of this table, single mothers are considered as those where the father is declared as unknown.

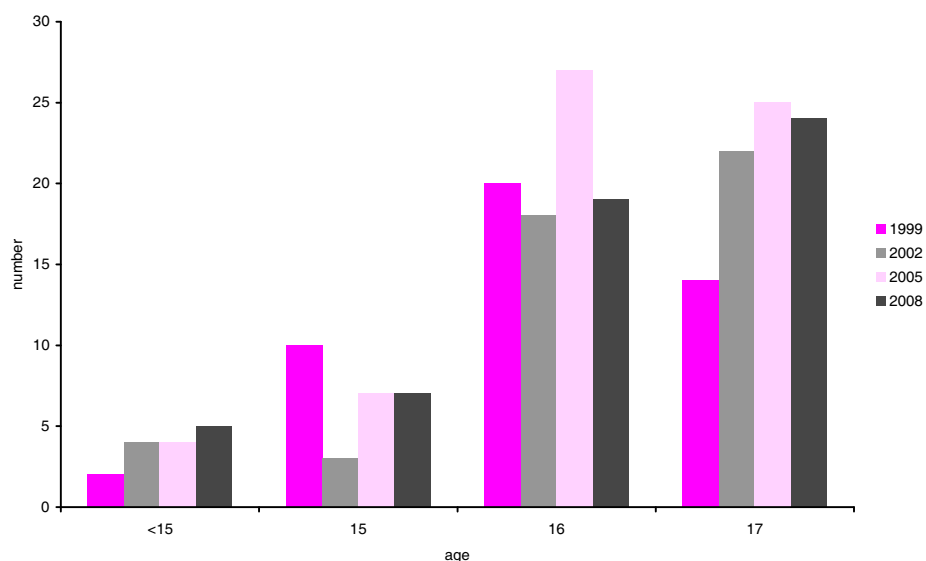
Source: National Statistics Office.

2.11. Single and total teenage mothers: 1999-2008

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Single teenage mothers <18 years old	46	40	45	47	56	58	63	65	55	55
Total teenage mothers <18 years old	89	80	85	88	83	100	98	97	83	104
% single teenage mothers <18 years old	51.7	50.0	52.9	53.4	67.5	58.0	64.3	67.0	66.3	52.9

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

Chart 2.7. Single teenage mothers by age: 1999-2008



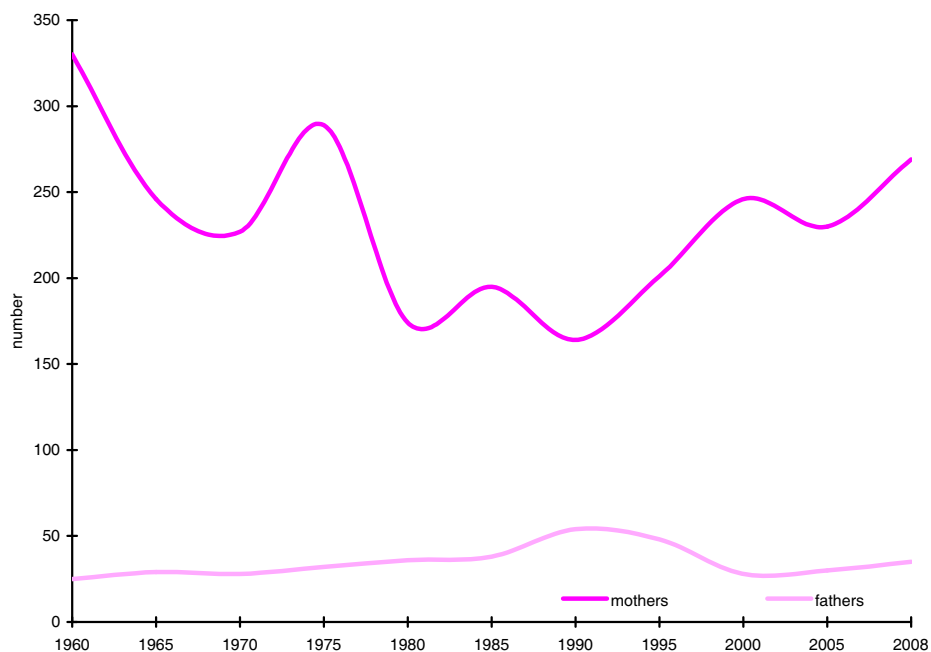
2.12. Total live births by age of mother/father: 1960-2008

Year	Age						Total live births
	≤ 19 years old		≥ 20 years old		Age unspecified		
	Mothers	Fathers	Mothers	Fathers	Mothers	Fathers	
1960	330	25	8,235	8,482	-	58	8,565
1965	246	29	5,382	5,540	-	59	5,628
1970	227	28	5,087	5,207	-	79	5,314
1975	289	32	5,718	5,904	-	71	6,007
1980	174	36	5,642	5,721	-	59	5,816
1985	195	38	5,392	5,489	-	60	5,587
1990	164	54	5,404	5,426	-	88	5,568
1995	201	48	4,802	4,801	-	154	5,003
2000	246	28	4,146	4,091	-	273	4,392
2005	230	30	3,628	3,499	-	329	3,858
2008	269	35	3,855	3,734	2	357	4,126

Note: Figures for 1960, 1965 and 1970 include only births to Maltese parents.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.8. Total live births to mothers and fathers under 20: 1960-2008



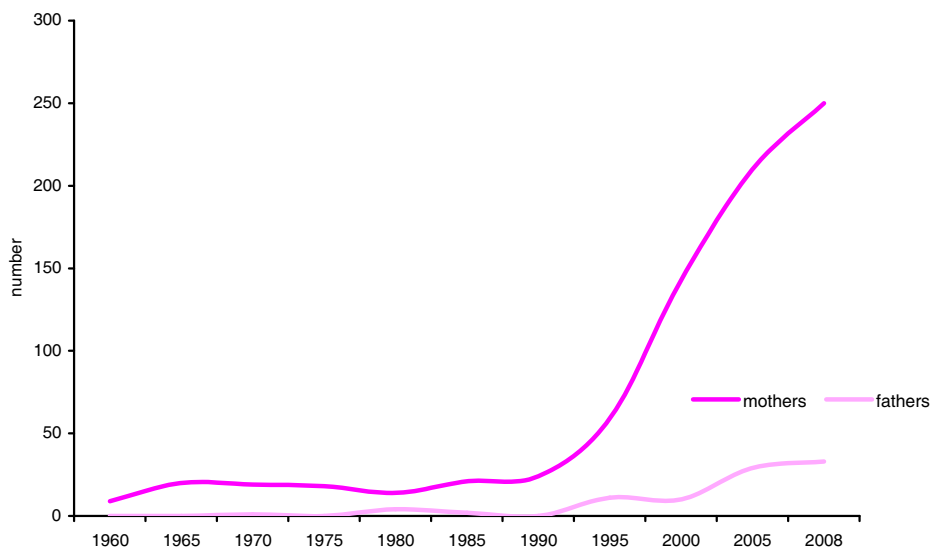
2.13. Total live births outside marriage by age of mother/father: 1960-2008

Year	Age					Total live births outside marriage
	≤ 19 years old		≥ 20 years old		Age unspecified	
	Mothers	Fathers	Mothers	Fathers	Fathers	
1960	9	-	54	5	58	63
1965	20	-	39	-	59	59
1970	19	1	60	10	68	79
1975	18	-	53	17	54	71
1980	14	4	45	11	44	59
1985	21	2	45	4	60	66
1990	24	-	71	7	88	95
1995	59	11	154	48	154	213
2000	143	10	321	216	238	464
2005	210	29	569	428	322	779
2008	250	33	798	663	352	1,048

Note: Figures for 1960, 1965 and 1970 include only births to Maltese parents.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 2.9. Total live births outside marriage to mothers and fathers under 20: 1960-2008



2.14. Maternities by type and age of mother: 2000-2008 ...

Age	Multiple maternities											
	All births			Single maternities			Twins			Triplets born alive	Quadruplets born alive	
	All maternities	Total	Live	Still *	Live	Still	Total	Both alive	One still			Both still
2000												
All ages	4,345	4,404	4,392	12	4,279	7	59	56	1	2	-	-
Under 20	244	248	246	2	239	1	4	3	1	-	-	-
20-24	891	901	899	2	879	2	10	10	-	-	-	-
25-29	1,571	1,590	1,587	3	1,551	1	19	18	-	1	-	-
30-34	1,081	1,094	1,092	2	1,066	2	13	13	-	-	-	-
35-39	440	453	450	3	426	1	13	12	-	1	-	-
40-44	113	113	113	-	113	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45+	5	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001												
All ages	3,937	3,974	3,957	17	3,893	8	35	29	3	3	1	-
Under 20	249	251	249	2	246	1	2	1	1	-	-	-
20-24	786	789	786	3	781	2	3	2	1	-	-	-
25-29	1,518	1,534	1,530	4	1,502	1	14	12	1	1	1	-
30-34	927	937	932	5	914	3	10	9	-	1	-	-
35-39	352	358	355	3	345	1	6	5	-	1	-	-
40-44	102	102	102	-	102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45+	3	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002												
All ages	3,887	3,939	3,918	21	3,823	14	48	44	1	3	2	-
Under 20	237	238	234	4	232	4	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	740	745	738	7	733	2	5	2	1	2	-	-
25-29	1,540	1,564	1,558	6	1,512	4	24	23	-	1	-	-
30-34	898	913	911	2	883	2	11	11	-	-	2	-
35-39	382	389	387	2	373	2	7	7	-	-	-	-
40-44	88	88	88	-	88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45+	2	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003												
All ages	4,015	4,068	4,050	18	3,949	13	53	50	1	2	-	-
Under 20	222	223	223	-	221	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	807	813	810	3	798	3	6	6	-	-	-	-
25-29	1,479	1,501	1,494	7	1,452	5	22	21	-	-	-	-
30-34	1,036	1,054	1,048	6	1,015	3	18	16	1	1	-	-
35-39	384	389	387	2	377	2	5	5	-	-	-	-
40-44	83	84	84	-	82	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
45+	3	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004												
All ages	3,838	3,902	3,887	15	3,767	15	50	50	-	-	4	2
Under 20	222	223	223	-	221	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	725	735	734	1	716	1	6	6	-	-	2	-
25-29	1,415	1,438	1,435	3	1,394	3	17	17	-	-	1	1
30-34	1,027	1,049	1,044	5	1,004	5	18	18	-	-	-	1
35-39	357	367	362	5	343	5	8	8	-	-	1	-
40-44	86	86	85	1	85	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45+	4	4	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

... 2.14. Maternities by type and age of mother: 2000-2008

Age	Multiple maternities											
	All births			Single maternities		Twins					Triplets born alive	Quadruplets born alive
	All maternities			Live	Still *	Total	Both alive	One still	Both still			
Total	Live	Still *										
2005												
All ages	3,804	3,866	3,858	8	3,737	8	56	56	-	-	3	-
Under 20	230	231	230	1	228	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	658	662	661	1	654	1	2	2	-	-	1	-
25-29	1,420	1,442	1,438	4	1,395	4	20	20	-	-	1	-
30-34	1,088	1,112	1,111	1	1,063	1	24	24	-	-	-	-
35-39	320	328	327	1	311	1	8	8	-	-	-	-
40-44	82	83	83	-	81	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
45+	6	8	8	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006												
All ages	3,827	3,895	3,885	10	3,752	10	62	62	-	-	3	-
Under 20	234	234	234	-	234	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	676	655	653	2	643	2	31	31	-	-	-	-
25-29	1,359	1,395	1,389	6	1,334	6	18	18	-	-	1	-
30-34	1,132	1,161	1,161	-	1,122	-	9	9	-	-	1	-
35-39	362	378	377	1	356	1	4	4	-	-	1	-
40-44	62	70	69	1	61	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45+	2	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007												
All ages	3,838	3,883	3,871	12	3,784	12	40	40	-	-	1	1
Under 20	239	240	239	1	237	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	646	652	649	3	637	3	6	6	-	-	-	-
25-29	1,288	1,302	1,299	3	1,272	3	12	12	-	-	1	-
30-34	1,175	1,190	1,189	1	1,163	1	11	11	-	-	-	1
35-39	403	412	412	-	394	-	9	9	-	-	-	-
40-44	77	78	78	-	76	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
45+	3	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	2	4	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008												
All ages	4,089	4,155	4,126	29	3,996	29	62	62	-	-	2	-
Under 20	269	270	269	1	267	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
20-24	609	617	616	1	600	1	8	8	-	-	-	-
25-29	1,409	1,424	1,417	7	1,385	7	16	16	-	-	1	-
30-34	1,269	1,300	1,291	9	1,230	9	29	29	-	-	1	-
35-39	440	450	443	7	426	7	7	7	-	-	-	-
40-44	82	83	83	-	81	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
45+	5	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	2	4	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-

* All stillbirths are included, i.e., over and under 1,000 gr.

Source: National Statistics Office

2.15. Maternities by age of mother and birth order: 2007-2008

Age	Birth order							Total
	1st birth	2nd birth	3rd birth	4th birth	5th birth	6th birth or more	Unspecified	
2007								
Under 20	219	26	2	-	-	-	-	247
20-24	471	144	29	4	1	-	-	649
25-29	771	390	102	13	3	3	-	1,282
30-34	418	541	139	53	21	10	-	1,182
35-39	77	176	93	38	15	8	-	407
40-44	13	16	21	18	4	5	-	77
45+	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3
Unspecified	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	6
Total	1,973	1,294	388	127	44	27	-	3,853
2008								
Under 20	249	25	2	-	-	-	-	276
20-24	435	145	30	4	1	-	-	615
25-29	870	439	71	33	10	6	1	1,430
30-34	492	581	150	46	15	10	-	1,294
35-39	116	169	104	32	14	7	-	442
40-44	10	28	23	15	6	5	-	87
45-49	-	1	2	1	1	1	-	6
Unspecified	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
Total	2,175	1,388	383	131	47	29	1	4,154

Note: Stillbirths are included. Not comparable with previous tables on maternities, as sources are different.

Source: National Obstetric Information Systems (NOIS), Department of Health Information and Research

CHAPTER 3

Deaths

Summary

Mortality statistics reveal that male child deaths surpass female ones. These past 40 years, the number of child deaths has been on the decrease, dropping by 158 cases since 1967.

Furthermore, the crude death rate went down by 1 since 1970. In 2008, 1 per cent of total deaths involved children under 18 years of age.

Infant mortality has fallen considerably since 1948, although slight increases were observed in 2007 and 2008. The highest number of stillbirths in the past 21 years was registered in 1988 and 1989, with 50 and 44 cases respectively. The lowest number of stillbirths was registered in 2005, while in 2008, stillbirths increased by 17 cases when compared to the preceding year.

3.1. Child deaths: 1948-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
Child population			
1948 ¹	62,412	61,265	123,677
1957 ¹	67,766	65,611	133,377
1967 ¹	58,324	56,311	114,635
1970	56,281	53,849	110,130
1975	49,220	43,350	92,570
1980	48,246	44,517	92,763
1985	49,760	46,899	96,659
1990	51,002	48,256	99,258
1995	49,928	47,387	97,315
2000	48,023	45,270	93,293
2005	43,371	41,219	84,590
2008	40,743	38,591	79,334
Child deaths			
1948 ¹	797	733	1,530
1957 ¹	267	182	449
1967 ¹	123	81	204
1970	110	76	186
1975	66	65	131
1980	80	48	128
1985	66	39	105
1990	42	30	72
1995	42	19	61
2000	22	19	41
2005	22	18	40
2008	31	15	46
Crude Death Rate²			
1948 ¹	12.8	12.0	12.4
1957 ¹	3.9	2.8	3.4
1967 ¹	2.1	1.4	1.8
1970	2.0	1.4	1.7
1975	1.3	1.5	1.4
1980	1.7	1.1	1.4
1985	1.3	0.8	1.1
1990	0.8	0.6	0.7
1995	0.8	0.4	0.6
2000	0.5	0.4	0.4
2005	0.5	0.4	0.5
2008	0.8	0.4	0.6

¹ Census data

² Number of deaths per 1,000 persons in mid-year population.

Note 1: Up to 1972 deaths include the families of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards annual deaths refer to the total population residing in Malta.

Note 2: From 1948-1957 child deaths refer to the 0-19 year age bracket. From 1967-2008 child deaths refer to the 0-17 year age bracket.

Note 3: Population figures refer to the Maltese population residing in Malta.

Source: National Statistics Office.

3.2. Child deaths vis-à-vis total deaths: 1948-2008

Year	Males	Females	Total
Total deaths			
1948 ¹	1,957	1,780	3,737
1957 ¹	1,538	1,417	2,955
1967 ¹	1,531	1,454	2,985
1970	1,619	1,451	3,070
1975	1,502	1,398	2,900
1980	1,663	1,552	3,215
1985	1,453	1,384	2,837
1990	1,401	1,344	2,745
1995	1,367	1,341	2,708
2000	1,507	1,450	2,957
2005	1,576	1,554	3,130
2008	1,668	1,575	3,243
Year	Boys	Girls	Total
Child deaths			
1948 ¹	797	733	1,530
1957 ¹	267	182	449
1967 ¹	123	81	204
1970	110	76	186
1975	66	65	131
1980	80	48	128
1985	66	39	105
1990	42	30	72
1995	42	19	61
2000	22	19	41
2005	22	18	40
2008	31	15	46
Child deaths as a percentage of total deaths			
1948 ¹	40.7	41.2	40.9
1957 ¹	17.4	12.8	15.2
1967 ¹	8.0	5.6	6.8
1970	6.8	5.2	6.1
1975	4.4	4.6	4.5
1980	4.8	3.1	4.0
1985	4.5	2.8	3.7
1990	3.0	2.2	2.6
1995	3.1	1.4	2.3
2000	1.5	1.3	1.4
2005	1.4	1.2	1.3
2008	1.9	1.0	1.4

¹ Census data

Note 1: Up to 1972 deaths include the families of British servicemen based in Malta. From 1973 onwards annual deaths refer to the total population residing in Malta.

Note 2: From 1948-1957 child deaths refer to the 0-19 year age bracket. From 1967-2008 child deaths refer to the 0-17 year age bracket.

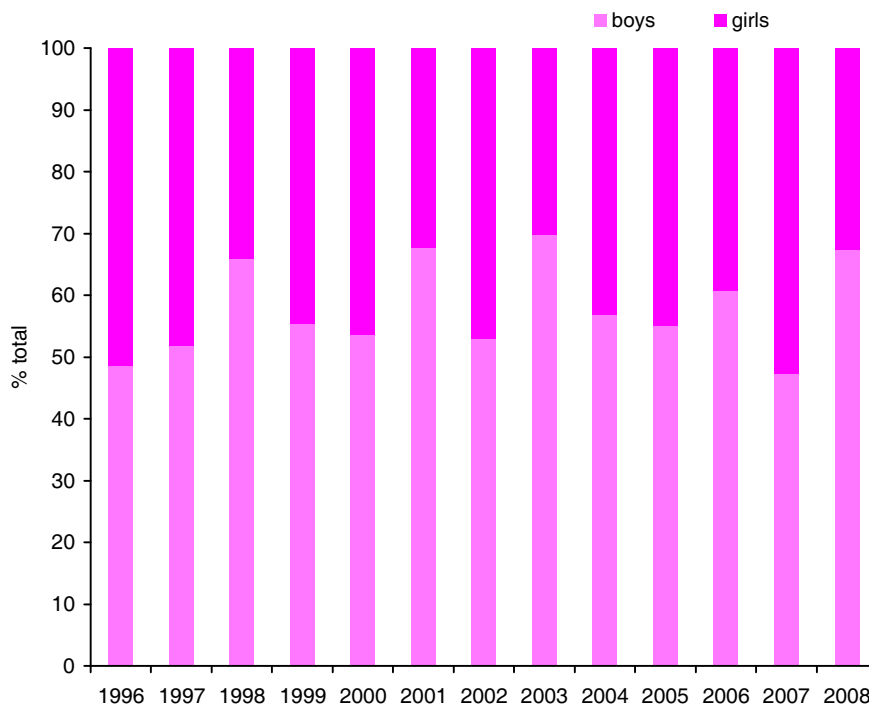
Source: National Statistics Office.

3.3. Child deaths: 1996-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1996	34	36	70
1997	28	26	54
1998	31	16	47
1999	26	21	47
2000	22	19	41
2001	23	11	34
2002	18	16	34
2003	23	10	33
2004	25	19	44
2005	22	18	40
2006	17	11	28
2007	17	19	36
2008	31	15	46

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

Chart 3.1. Child deaths: 1996-2008



3.4. Infant deaths: 1948-2008

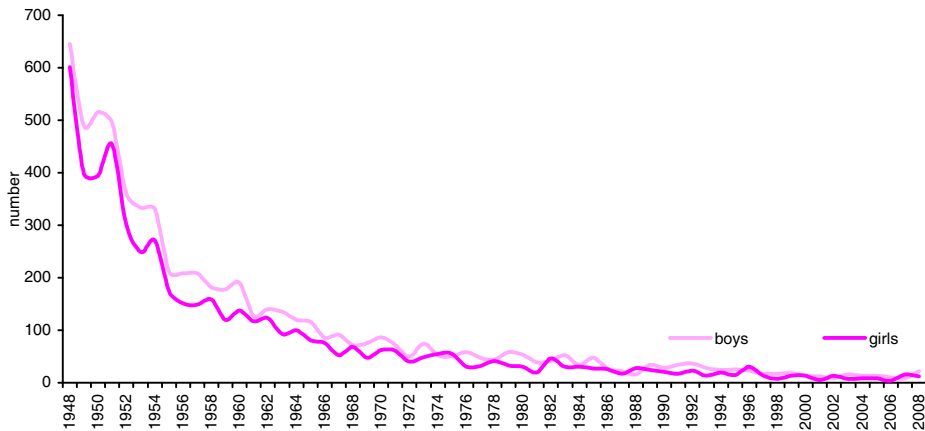
Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1948 ¹	645	601	1,246	1979	58	33	91
1949	489	398	887	1980	54	31	85
1950	516	394	910	1981	39	19	58
1951	495	454	949	1982	42	46	88
1952	361	301	662	1983	53	31	84
1953	333	249	582	1984	34	31	65
1954	331	271	602	1985	47	27	74
1955	211	174	385	1986	27	26	53
1956	208	151	359	1987	22	17	39
1957	209	149	358	1988	16	28	44
1958	182	159	341	1989	34	24	58
1959	178	119	297	1990	28	21	49
1960	190	138	328	1991	34	17	51
1961	127	117	244	1992	36	23	59
1962	140	123	263	1993	28	14	42
1963	135	93	228	1994	24	20	44
1964	119	100	219	1995	26	15	41
1965	116	80	196	1996	23	30	53
1966	85	76	161	1997	17	14	31
1967	92	53	145	1998	17	7	24
1968	72	68	140	1999	18	13	31
1969	76	48	124	2000	13	13	26
1970	86	62	148	2001	12	5	17
1971	72	61	133	2002	9	14	23
1972	50	40	90	2003	16	7	23
1973	75	49	124	2004	14	9	23
1974	52	55	107	2005	14	9	23
1975	50	55	105	2006	10	4	14
1976	58	31	89	2007	9	16	25
1977	48	32	80	2008	22	12	34
1978	44	41	85				

¹ Census data

Note: Infants refers to children under 1 year old.

Source: National Statistics Office

Chart 3.2. Infant deaths: 1948-2008



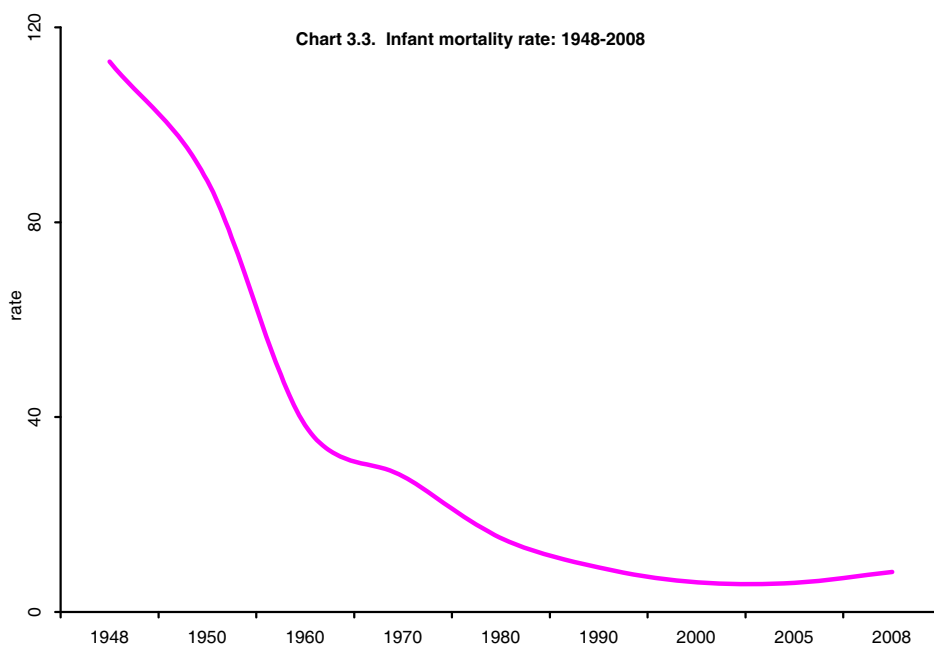
3.5. Infant mortality rate: 1948-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1948 ¹	114.5	111.4	113.0
1950	97.9	78.7	88.5
1960	42.7	33.6	38.3
1970	30.9	24.5	27.9
1980	18.4	11.6	15.2
1990	10.1	8.1	9.1
2000	6.1	6.1	6.1
2005	7.1	4.8	6.0
2008	10.2	6.0	8.2

¹ Census data

Note: Infant mortality rate is calculated as the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

Source: National Statistics Office.



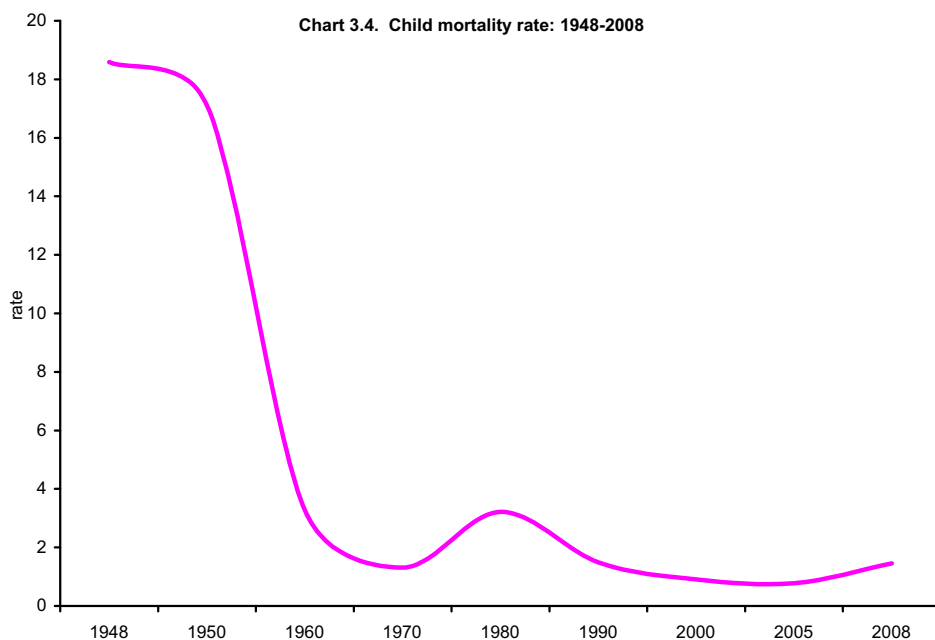
3.6. Child mortality rate: 1948-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1948 ¹	19.0	18.2	18.6
1950	15.7	18.6	17.1
1960	3.6	2.9	3.3
1970	1.4	1.2	1.3
1980	3.4	3.0	3.2
1990	1.8	1.2	1.5
2000	1.4	0.5	0.9
2005	-	1.6	0.8
2008	2.3	0.5	1.5

¹ Census data

Note: Child mortality rate is calculated as the number of deaths to children aged 1-4 per 1,000 live births.

Source: National Statistics Office.



3.7. Child deaths by age: 1997-2008 ...

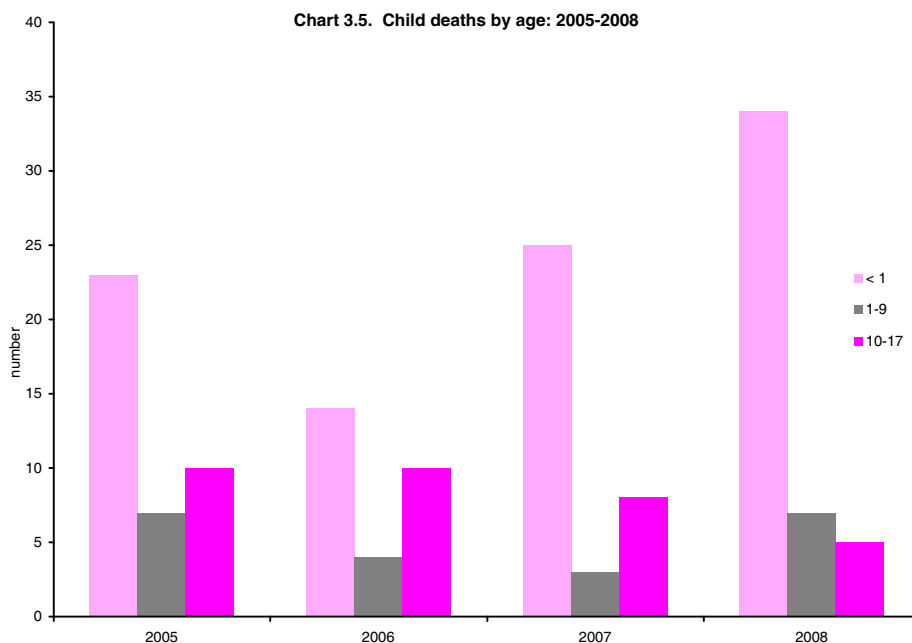
Age	Boys	Girls	Total	% total	Boys	Girls	Total	% total	
1997					1998				
< 1	17	14	31	57.4	17	7	24	51.1	
1-4	4	5	9	16.7	5	1	6	12.8	
5-9	-	2	2	3.7	3	-	3	6.4	
10-14	4	1	5	9.3	-	4	4	8.5	
15-17	3	4	7	13.0	6	4	10	21.3	
Total	28	26	54	100.0	31	16	47	100.0	
1999					2000				
< 1	18	13	31	66.0	13	13	26	63.4	
1-4	2	2	4	8.5	3	1	4	9.8	
5-9	1	1	2	4.3	2	2	4	9.8	
10-14	4	4	8	17.0	2	1	3	7.3	
15-17	1	1	2	4.3	2	2	4	9.8	
Total	26	21	47	100.0	22	19	41	100.0	
2001					2002				
< 1	12	5	17	50.0	9	14	23	67.6	
1-4	5	4	9	26.5	5	-	5	14.7	
5-9	2	1	3	8.8	2	-	2	5.9	
10-14	1	-	1	2.9	2	2	4	11.8	
15-17	3	1	4	11.8	-	-	-	-	
Total	23	11	34	100.0	18	16	34	100.0	
2003					2004				
< 1	16	7	23	69.7	14	9	23	51.1	
1-4	1	1	2	6.1	3	5	8	17.8	
5-9	1	1	2	6.1	1	-	1	2.2	
10-14	1	1	2	6.1	2	3	5	11.1	
15-17	4	-	4	12.0	6	2	8	17.8	
Total	23	10	33	100.0	26	19	45	100.0	

... 3.7. Child deaths by age: 1997-2008

Age	Boys	Girls	Total	% total	Boys	Girls	Total	% total	
2005					2006				
< 1	14	9	23	57.5	10	4	14	50.0	
1-4	-	3	3	7.5	1	3	4	14.3	
5-9	-	4	4	10.0	-	-	-	-	
10-14	3	1	4	10.0	3	3	6	21.4	
15-17	5	1	6	15.0	3	1	4	14.3	
Total	22	18	40	100.0	17	11	28	100.0	
2007					2008				
< 1	9	16	25	69.4	22	12	34	73.9	
1-4	1	-	1	2.8	5	1	6	13.0	
5-9	1	1	2	5.6	-	1	1	2.2	
10-14	3	2	5	13.9	2	1	3	6.5	
15-17	3	-	3	8.3	2	-	2	4.3	
Total	17	19	36	100.0	31	15	46	100.0	

Note: Deaths refer to the total population residing in Malta.

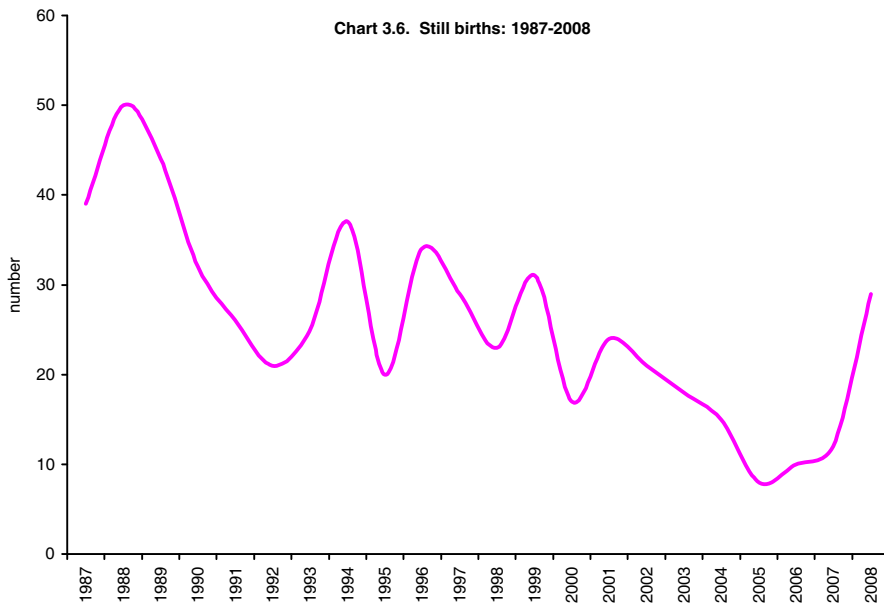
Source: Department of Health Information and Research.



3.8. Still births: 1987-2008

Year	Number
1987	39
1988	50
1989	44
1990	32
1991	26
1992	21
1993	25
1994	37
1995	20
1996	34
1997	29
1998	23
1999	31
2000	17
2001	24
2002	21
2003	18
2004	15
2005	8
2006	10
2007	12
2008	29

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.



3.9. Deaths involving children aged 0-5 by cause of death: 2002-2008 ...

Cause of death	Boys	Girls	Total	% total
2002				
Remainder of endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	1	-	1	3.6
Remainder of diseases of the nervous system	2	-	2	7.1
Other heart diseases	1	-	1	3.6
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	4	5	9	32.1
Congenital malformations, deformations, and chromosomal abnormalities	5	9	14	50.0
Falls	1	-	1	3.6
Total	14	14	28	100.0
2003				
Septicaemia	1	-	1	4.0
Remainder of diseases of the nervous system	1	1	2	8.0
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	9	2	11	44.0
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	6	5	11	44.0
Total	17	8	25	100.0
2004				
Malignant neoplasm of meninges, brain and other parts of central nervous system	-	1	1	3.2
Remainder of malignant neoplasms	-	1	1	3.2
Remainder of neoplasma	-	1	1	3.2
Remainder of endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	1	-	1	3.2
Remainder of diseases of the nervous system	3	1	4	12.9
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	5	5	10	32.3
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	7	4	11	35.5
Accidental drowning and submersion	-	1	1	3.2
All other external causes	1	-	1	3.2
Total	17	14	31	100.0
2005				
Certain infectious and parasitic diseases	-	1	1	3.8
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	1	-	1	3.8
Diseases of the respiratory system	1	2	3	11.5
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	8	6	14	53.8
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	4	2	6	23.1
External causes of morbidity and mortality	-	1	1	3.8
Total	14	12	26	100.0
2006				
Neoplasms	-	1	1	5.6
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	-	1	1	5.6
Diseases of the nervous system	1	-	1	5.6
Diseases of the circulatory system	1	-	1	5.6
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	2	4	6	33.3
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	6	-	6	33.3
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified	1	-	1	5.6
External causes of morbidity and mortality	-	1	1	5.6
Total	11	7	18	100.0

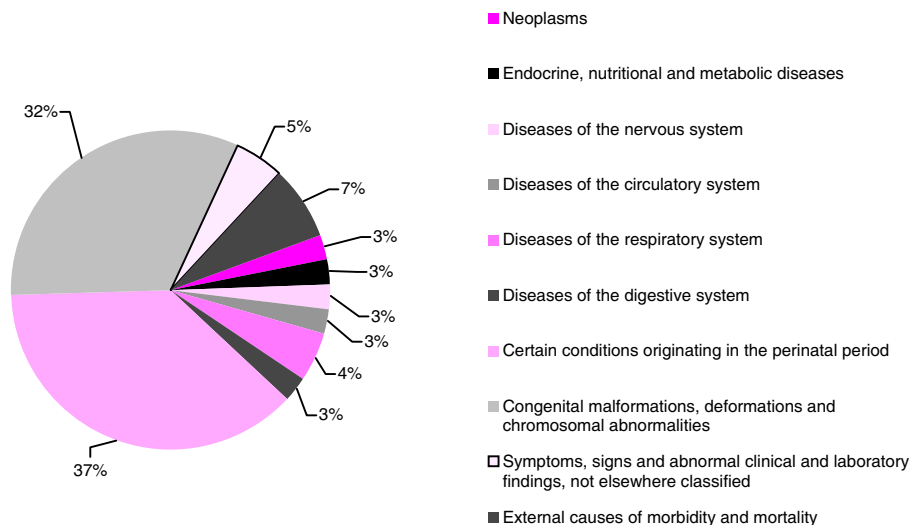
... 3.9. Deaths involving children aged 0-5 by cause of death: 2002-2008

Cause of death	Boys	Girls	Total	% total
2007				
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	1	-	1	3.8
Diseases of the nervous system	1	-	1	3.8
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	5	6	11	42.3
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	3	10	13	50.0
Total	10	16	26	100.0
2008				
Neoplasms	-	1	1	2.5
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	-	1	1	2.5
Diseases of the nervous system	1	-	1	2.5
Diseases of the circulatory system	1	-	1	2.5
Diseases of the respiratory system	2	-	2	5.0
Diseases of the digestive system	1	-	1	2.5
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	11	4	15	37.5
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	9	4	13	32.5
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified	-	2	2	5.0
External causes of morbidity and mortality	2	1	3	7.5
Total	27	13	40	100.0

Note: Including deaths of foreign residents.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

Chart 3.7. Deaths involving children aged 0-5 by cause of death: 2008



CHAPTER 4

Child care
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Summary

Around a third of the childcare facilities registered with the Department for Social Welfare Standards were located in the Northern Harbour district, while 20 per cent were in the Northern district. A further 20 per cent were located in the Southern Harbour district.

In 2009, 308 less candidates than the previous year applied for the Common Entrance Examination. The number of applicants in 2009 stood at 945.

With regard to the Junior Lyceum examination, 82 per cent of applicants in 2008 attended state primary schools, 17 per cent attended non-state primary schools and 1 per cent attended state secondary schools. This exam had a 61 per cent success rate. When analysed by type of school, the success rate stands at 57 per cent for state primary schools, 81 per cent for non-state primary schools and 27 per cent for state secondary schools.

Candidates registering for Secondary examinations in 2008 increased by 2,601 candidates over registrations in 1994, although the records show that these decreased by an average of 53 per year between 2005 and 2008. From the subject approach, in May 2008 the highest number of registrations was for English Language, with 5,933 registrations. This was followed by Mathematics, with 5,772 registrations and Maltese, with 5,306 registrations. In 2008, 28 per cent of SEC candidates came from the Northern Harbour district.

Students applying for the Matriculation Certificate have increased by more than 1,000 between 1997 and 2008, with the last 2 years in this time span registering a slight decrease in applications. On the other hand, registrations for single subjects have seen an overall decrease during the past 12 years. In 2008, 28 per cent of individuals registering for the Matriculation Certificate came from the Northern Harbour district, while 18 per cent and 17 per cent lived in the Western and Northern districts respectively. Of these registrations, 63 per cent passed, meaning a success rate that is 12 percentage points lower than 1997.

In May 2008 the Advanced Level examination applied for by most candidates was Pure Mathematics, followed by Biology and Physics. At Intermediate Level, the majority of registrations, excluding Systems of Knowledge, were for English, followed by Philosophy and Physics.

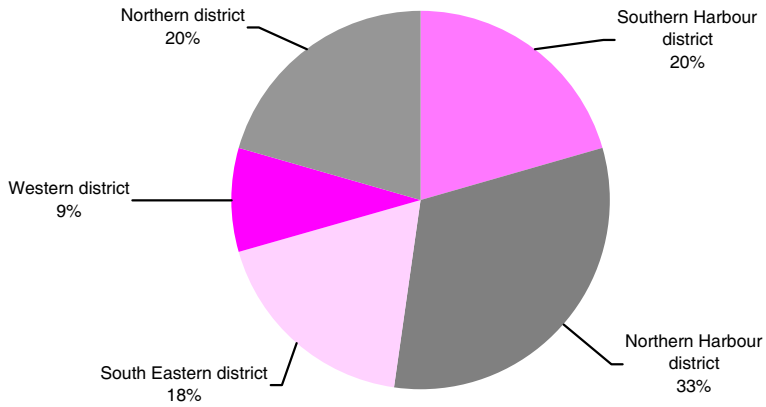
Between 2000 and 2008 there were 2,040 children with disabilities and conditions in mainstream education. Of these, 38 per cent had an intellectual disability, ranging from mild to profound; 28 per cent had emotional and behavioural difficulties; while 17 per cent had communication difficulties.

4.1. Childcare facilities registered with the Department for Social Welfare Standards by locality: 2008

Locality	Number of registered childcare centres
Southern Harbour district	9
Birgu	1
Fgura	4
Luqa	1
Paola	2
Tarxien	1
Northern Harbour district	14
Birkirkara	2
Gżira	2
Ħamrun	2
Msida	1
Pembroke	1
San Ġwann	3
Santa Venera	1
Sliema	2
South Eastern district	8
Żejtun	3
Birżebbuġa	1
Marsascala	1
Żurrieq	3
Western district	4
Żebbuġ (Malta)	1
Attard	2
Balzan	1
Northern district	9
Għargħur	1
Mellieha	2
Mġarr	2
Mosta	1
Naxxar	1
San Pawl il-Baħar	2
Gozo and Comino	-
Total	44

Source: Department for Social Welfare Standards

Chart 4.1. Childcare facilities registered with the Department for Social Welfare Standards by district: 2008



4.2. Childcare by number of children, average number of hours and type: 2007

Type of childcare	Number of children availing of service	Number of hours per week	Average per child availing of service
Education at pre-school	8,630	215,320	25
Education at compulsory school	31,390	933,310	30
Childcare at centre-based services/day-care centres	5,700	57,400	10
Childcare by a professional child-minder at child's home or at child-minder's home	:	:	:
Childcare by grandparents, other household members (outside parents), other relatives, friends or neighbours	6,260	99,440	16

Note: Children aged 0-12

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions, 2007

4.3. Persons aged 15 and over by completed level of education and age: 2001-2008 ...

Educational level	2001						2002					
	15-17		18+		Total		15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Males												
Primary	3,272	37.1	43,667	30.0	46,939	30.4	3,475	39.0	41,250	28.0	44,725	28.6
Secondary	5,156	58.5	65,381	45.0	70,537	45.7	5,196	58.3	69,175	46.9	74,371	47.5
Post-secondary	340 ^u	3.9 ^u	18,321	12.6	18,661	12.1	234 ^u	2.6 ^u	18,526	12.6	18,760	12.0
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	2,939	2.0	2,939	1.9	-	-	3,410	2.3	3,410	2.2
First degree	-	-	8,200	5.6	8,200	5.3	-	-	7,841	5.3	7,841	5.0
Masters	-	-	1,188	0.8	1,188	0.8	-	-	1,832	1.2	1,832	1.2
Ph.D	-	-	692	0.5	692	0.4	-	-	704	0.5	704	0.5
No schooling	43 ^u	0.5 ^u	5,040	3.5	5,083	3.3	-	-	4,781	3.2	4,781	3.1
Total	8,811	100.0	145,428	100.0	154,239	100.0	8,905	100.0	147,519	100.0	156,424	100.0
Females												
Primary	3,081	37.7	53,908	35.6	56,989	35.7	3,332	39.2	53,820	34.9	57,152	35.1
Secondary	4,760	58.2	63,898	42.2	68,658	43.0	4,974	58.6	65,497	42.4	70,471	43.3
Post-secondary	301 ^u	3.7 ^u	16,237	10.7	16,538	10.4	188 ^u	2.2 ^u	17,599	11.4	17,787	10.9
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	2,733	1.8	2,733	1.7	-	-	2,759	1.8	2,759	1.7
First degree	-	-	5,881	3.9	5,881	3.7	-	-	6,821	4.4	6,821	4.2
Masters	-	-	499	0.3	499	0.3	-	-	690	0.4	690	0.4
Ph.D	-	-	210 ^u	0.1 ^u	210 ^u	0.1 ^u	-	-	112 ^u	0.1 ^u	112 ^u	0.1 ^u
No schooling	32 ^u	0.4 ^u	7,981	5.3	8,013	5.0	-	-	7,063	4.6	7,063	4.3
Total	8,174	100.0	151,347	100.0	159,521	100.0	8,494	100.0	154,361	100.0	162,855	100.0
Total												
Primary	6,353	37.4	97,575	32.9	103,928	33.1	6,807	39.1	95,070	31.5	101,877	31.9
Secondary	9,916	58.4	129,279	43.6	139,195	44.4	10,170	58.5	134,672	44.6	144,842	45.4
Post-secondary	641	3.8	34,558	11.6	35,199	11.2	422 ^u	2.4 ^u	36,125	12.0	36,547	11.4
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	5,672	1.9	5,672	1.8	-	-	6,169	2.0	6,169	1.9
First degree	-	-	14,081	4.7	14,081	4.5	-	-	14,662	4.9	14,662	4.6
Masters	-	-	1,687	0.6	1,687	0.5	-	-	2,522	0.8	2,522	0.8
Ph.D	-	-	902	0.3	902	0.3	-	-	816	0.3	816	0.3
No schooling	75 ^u	0.4 ^u	13,021	4.4	13,096	4.2	-	-	11,844	3.9	11,844	3.7
Total	16,985	100.0	296,775	100.0	313,760	100.0	17,399	100.0	301,880	100.0	319,279	100.0

... 4.3. Persons aged 15 and over by completed level of education and age: 2001-2008

Educational level	2003						2004					
	15-17		18+		Total		15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Males												
Primary	3,753	42.2	40,400	27.2	44,153	28.0	3,498	39.9	37,891	25.5	41,389	26.3
Secondary	4,994	56.1	69,116	46.5	74,110	47.1	5,205	59.4	65,261	43.9	70,466	44.7
Post-secondary	156 ^u	1.8 ^u	20,837	14.0	20,993	13.3	67 ^u	0.8 ^u	25,520	17.1	25,587	16.2
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	3,205	2.2	3,205	2.0	-	-	3,716	2.5	3,716	2.4
First degree	-	-	8,044	5.4	8,044	5.1	-	-	10,539	7.1	10,539	6.7
Masters	-	-	1,639	1.1	1,639	1.0	-	-	1,790	1.2	1,790	1.1
Ph.D	-	-	641	0.4	641	0.4	-	-	360 ^u	0.2 ^u	360 ^u	0.2 ^u
No schooling	-	-	4,696	3.2	4,696	3.0	-	-	3,744	2.5	3,744	2.4
Total	8,903	100.0	148,578	100.0	157,481	100.0	8,770	100.0	148,821	100.0	157,591	100.0
Females												
Primary	3,604	42.4	53,675	34.6	57,279	35.0	3,393	37.2	49,275	31.8	52,668	32.1
Secondary	4,750	55.9	65,543	42.3	70,293	43.0	5,670	62.1	66,026	42.7	71,696	43.7
Post-secondary	139 ^u	1.6 ^u	16,473	10.6	16,612	10.2	69 ^u	0.8 ^u	18,846	12.2	18,915	11.5
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	3,063	2.0	3,063	1.9	-	-	3,365	2.2	3,365	2.1
First degree	-	-	7,892	5.1	7,892	4.8	-	-	10,121	6.5	10,121	6.2
Masters	-	-	1,126	0.7	1,126	0.7	-	-	616	0.4	616	0.4
Ph.D	-	-	218 ^u	0.1 ^u	218 ^u	0.1 ^u	-	-	137 ^u	0.1 ^u	137 ^u	0.1 ^u
No schooling	-	-	7,132	4.6	7,132	4.4	-	-	6,365	4.1	6,365	3.9
Total	8,493	100.0	155,122	100.0	163,615	100.0	9,132	100.0	154,751	100.0	163,883	100.0
Total												
Primary	7,357	42.3	94,075	31.0	101,432	31.6	6,891	38.5	87,166	28.7	94,057	29.3
Secondary	9,744	56.0	134,659	44.3	144,403	45.0	10,875	60.7	131,287	43.2	142,162	44.2
Post-secondary	295 ^u	1.7 ^u	37,310	12.3	37,605	11.7	136 ^u	0.8 ^u	44,366	14.6	44,502	13.8
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	6,268	2.1	6,268	2.0	-	-	7,081	2.3	7,081	2.2
First degree	-	-	15,936	5.2	15,936	5.0	-	-	20,660	6.8	20,660	6.4
Masters	-	-	2,765	0.9	2,765	0.9	-	-	2,406	0.8	2,406	0.7
Ph.D	-	-	859	0.3	859	0.3	-	-	497 ^u	0.2 ^u	497 ^u	0.2 ^u
No schooling	-	-	11,828	3.9	11,828	3.7	-	-	10,109	3.3	10,109	3.1
Total	17,396	100.0	303,700	100.0	321,096	100.0	17,902	100.0	303,572	100.0	321,474	100.0

... 4.3. Persons aged 15 and over by completed level of education and age: 2001-2008

Educational level	2005						2006					
	15-17		18+		Total		15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Males												
Primary	3,406	36.7	40,153	26.0	43,559	26.6	3,380	37.4	40,061	25.6	43,441	26.2
Secondary	5,847	63.0	64,171	41.5	70,018	42.8	5,555	61.5	65,704	41.9	71,259	43.0
Post-secondary	21 ^u	0.2 ^u	28,764	18.6	28,785	17.6	92 ^u	1.0 ^u	29,985	19.1	30,077	18.2
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	3,089	2.0	3,089	1.9	-	-	3,295	2.1	3,295	2.0
First degree	-	-	12,049	7.8	12,049	7.4	-	-	11,720	7.5	11,720	7.1
Masters	-	-	1,947	1.3	1,947	1.2	-	-	2,104	1.3	2,104	1.3
Ph.D	-	-	375 ^u	0.2 ^u	375 ^u	0.2 ^u	-	-	349 ^u	0.2 ^u	349 ^u	0.2 ^u
No schooling	-	-	3,952	2.6	3,952	2.4	-	-	3,463	2.2	3,463	2.1
Total	9,274	100.0	154,500	100.0	163,774	100.0	9,027	100.0	156,681	100.0	165,708	100.0
Females												
Primary	2,754	31.8	54,059	33.7	56,813	33.6	3,201	36.7	54,760	33.8	57,961	34.0
Secondary	5,896	68.0	66,774	41.6	72,670	42.9	5,478	62.7	66,311	41.0	71,789	42.1
Post-secondary	21 ^u	0.2 ^u	18,910	11.8	18,931	11.2	53 ^u	0.6 ^u	17,761	11.0	17,814	10.4
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	2,699	1.7	2,699	1.6	-	-	3,507	2.2	3,507	2.1
First degree	-	-	10,518	6.5	10,518	6.2	-	-	12,420	7.7	12,420	7.3
Masters	-	-	1,237	0.8	1,237	0.7	-	-	1,200	0.7	1,200	0.7
Ph.D	-	-	122 ^u	0.1 ^u	122 ^u	0.1 ^u	-	-	61 ^u	0.1 ^u	61 ^u	0.1 ^u
No schooling	-	-	6,296	3.9	6,296	3.7	-	-	5,762	3.5	5,762	3.3
Total	8,671	100.0	160,615	100.0	169,286	100.0	8,732	100.0	161,782	100.0	170,514	100.0
Total												
Primary	6,160	34.3	94,212	29.9	100,372	30.1	6,581	37.1	94,821	29.8	101,402	30.2
Secondary	11,743	65.4	130,945	41.6	142,688	42.8	11,033	62.1	132,015	41.5	143,048	42.5
Post-secondary	42 ^u	0.2 ^u	47,674	15.1	47,716	14.3	145 ^u	0.8 ^u	47,746	15.0	47,891	14.2
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	5,788	1.8	5,788	1.7	-	-	6,802	2.1	6,802	2.0
First degree	-	-	22,567	7.2	22,567	6.8	-	-	24,140	7.6	24,140	7.2
Masters	-	-	3,184	1.0	3,184	1.0	-	-	3,304	1.0	3,304	1.0
Ph.D	-	-	497 ^u	0.2 ^u	497 ^u	0.1 ^u	-	-	410 ^u	0.1 ^u	410 ^u	0.1 ^u
No schooling	-	-	10,248	3.3	10,248	3.1	-	-	9,225	2.9	9,225	2.7
Total	17,945	100.0	315,115	100.0	333,060	100.0	17,759	100.0	318,463	100.0	336,222	100.0

... 4.3. Persons aged 15 and over by completed level of education and age: 2001-2008

Educational level	2007						2008					
	15-17		18+		Total		15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Males												
Primary	3,041	33.5	42,265	26.5	45,306	26.9	3,728	43.6	40,056	24.7	43,784	25.7
Secondary	5,836	64.3	65,748	41.2	71,584	42.4	4,646	54.3	69,272	42.8	73,918	43.3
Post-secondary	201 ^u	2.2 ^u	29,270	18.3	29,440	17.5	183 ^u	2.1 ^u	29,644	18.3	29,827	17.5
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	3,687	2.3	3,687	2.2	-	-	4,047	2.5	4,047	2.4
First degree	-	-	12,624	7.9	12,655	7.5	-	-	13,002	8.0	13,002	7.6
Masters	-	-	1,851	1.2	1,851	1.1	-	-	2,355	1.5	2,355	1.4
Ph.D	-	-	596	0.4	596	0.4	-	-	302 ^u	0.2 ^u	302 ^u	0.2 ^u
No schooling	-	-	3,548	2.2	3,548	2.1	-	-	3,343	2.1	3,343	2.0
Total	9,078	100.0	159,589	100.0	168,667	100.0	8,557	100.0	162,020	100.0	170,576	100.0
Females												
Primary	3,543	37.4	55,245	33.9	58,788	34.1	4,094	44.2	52,993	32.0	57,087	32.7
Secondary	5,688	60.0	64,724	39.7	70,412	40.8	4,939	53.3	66,354	40.1	71,294	40.8
Post-secondary	251 ^u	2.6 ^u	19,646	12.0	19,897	11.5	237 ^u	2.6 ^u	21,894	13.2	22,131	12.7
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	2,657	1.6	2,657	1.5	-	-	3,426	2.1	3,426	2.0
First degree	-	-	13,957	8.6	13,957	8.1	-	-	13,305	8.0	13,305	7.6
Masters	-	-	983	0.6	983	0.6	-	-	1,303	0.8	1,303	0.7
Ph.D	-	-	129 ^u	0.1 ^u	129 ^u	0.1 ^u	-	-	144 ^u	0.1 ^u	144 ^u	0.1 ^u
No schooling	-	-	5,791	3.5	5,791	3.4	-	-	5,995	3.6	5,995	3.4
Total	9,482	100.0	163,132	100.0	172,614	100.0	9,270	100.0	165,414	100.0	174,684	100.0
Total												
Primary	6,584	35.5	97,510	30.2	104,094	30.5	7,822	43.9	93,049	28.4	100,871	29.2
Secondary	11,524	62.1	130,472	40.4	141,996	41.6	9,585	53.8	135,626	41.4	145,211	42.1
Post-secondary	452 ^u	2.5 ^u	48,916	15.2	49,337	14.5	419 ^u	2.4 ^u	51,538	15.7	51,957	15.0
Diploma issued by a university	-	-	6,344	2.0	6,344	1.9	-	-	7,473	2.3	7,473	2.2
First degree	-	-	26,581	8.2	26,612	7.8	-	-	26,307	8.0	26,307	7.6
Masters	-	-	2,834	0.9	2,834	0.8	-	-	3,658	1.1	3,658	1.1
Ph.D	-	-	725	0.2	725	0.2	-	-	446	0.1	446	0.1
No schooling	-	-	9,339	2.9	9,339	2.7	-	-	9,338	2.9	9,338	2.7
Total	18,560	100.0	322,721	100.0	341,281	100.0	17,826	100.0	327,434	100.0	345,260	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2001-2008

4.4. Candidates sitting for the common entrance examination: 1990-2009

Year	Malta		Gozo				MALTA	
	Applicants	Vacancies *	Applicants		Vacancies *		Applicants	Vacancies *
			Males	Females	Males	Females		
1990	661	126	162	-	50	-	823	176
1991	845	205	164	-	50	-	1,009	255
1992	1,025	200	163	-	50	-	1,219	250
1993	1,297	363	194	-	50	-	1,491	413
1994	1,411	374	160	-	50	-	1,571	424
1995	1,382	384	165	-	50	-	1,547	434
1996	1,494	382	162	-	50	-	1,656	432
1997	1,543	342	154	-	50	-	1,697	392
1998	1,407	432	80	-	50	-	1,487	482
1999	1,428	437	*	-	50	-	1,428	487
2000	1,482	446	152	-	50	-	1,634	496
2001	1,514	423	134	-	50	-	1,648	473
2002	1,409	426	143	89	50	35	1,552	476
2003	1,423	451	147	112	50	35	1,570	501
2004	1,328	432	169	119	50	35	1,497	482
2005	1,317	455	151	97	50	40	1,468	505
2006	1,175	455	134	72	50	40	1,309	505
2007	1,115	458	124	104	50	40	1,239	508
2008	1,111	475	142	127	50	35	1,253	525
2009	821	363	124	109	50	30	945	413

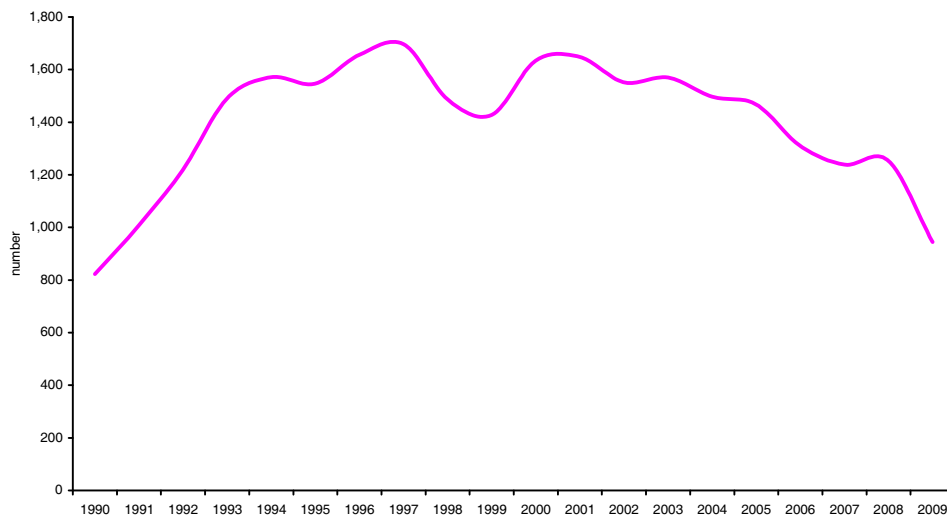
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* Vacancies are the posts available in schools

Note: There is no common entrance examination for girls in Malta.

Source: Private Schools Association

Chart 4.2. Candidates sitting for the common entrance examination: 1990-2009



4.5. Candidates obtaining more than 50% and 75% in common entrance examinations by subject: 2003-2008

Subject	more than 75%		more than 50%		more than 75%		more than 50%		more than 75%		more than 50%	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
	2003				2004				2005			
Religion	553	39.0	1,297	92.0	1,085	82.0	1,307	99.0	1,044	80.0	1,282	98.0
Social Studies	737	52.0	1,350	95.0	521	39.0	1,276	96.0	911	70.0	1,267	97.0
English	254	18.0	1,065	75.0	137	10.0	985	74.0	182	14.0	861	66.0
Mathematics	326	23.0	964	68.0	286	22.0	1,015	76.0	515	39.0	1,084	83.0
Maltese	243	17.0	1,151	81.0	210	16.0	1,201	91.0	223	17.0	1,088	83.0
	2006				2007				2008			
Religion	776	67.0	1,117	96.0	537	49.0	980	90.0	473	43.0	1,040	95.0
Social Studies	912	78.0	1,144	98.0	883	80.0	1,087	99.0	523	48.0	1,014	93.0
English	262	22.0	917	79.0	232	21.0	848	77.0	118	11.0	692	63.0
Mathematics	390	33.0	936	80.0	523	48.0	941	86.0	465	42.0	927	85.0
Maltese	129	11.0	937	80.0	307	28.0	962	88.0	403	37.0	1,010	92.0

Source: Private Schools Association

4.6. Applications for grave humanitarian cases, special conditions, exemptions and revision of papers for common entrance examinations: 2004-2008

Year	Number of requests for acceptance as grave humanitarian cases	Accepted requests for grave humanitarian cases	Number of granted access arrangements and special conditions	Exemptions	Number of requests for revision of papers*	Number of cases where marks were changed
2004	40	19	50	12	125	1
2005	57	24	66	9	102	3
2006	56	27	88	10	144	10
2007	61	28	111	7	110	6
2008	81	28	145	15	140	5

* number of requests does not reflect the number of candidates applying for the request

Source: Private Schools Association

4.7. Number of Year 6 students by type of school: 2008

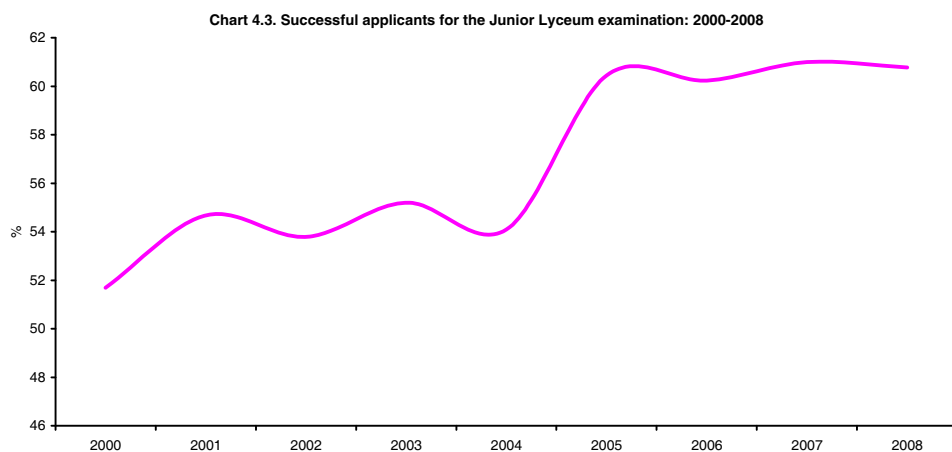
Region	Type of school								Total					
	State				Non-State									
	Males	%	Females	%	Males	%	Females	%	Males	%	Females	%	Total	%
Malta	1,684	35.5	1,345	28.4	847	17.9	862	18.2	2,531	53.4	2,207	46.6	4,738	100.0
Gozo	146	38.6	119	31.5	53	14.0	60	15.9	199	52.7	179	47.4	378	100.0
Total	1,830	35.8	1,464	28.6	900	17.6	922	34.1	2,730	53.4	2,386	46.6	5,116	100.0

Source: Educational Assessment Unit

4.8. Number of applicants for the Junior Lyceum examination: 2000-2008

Year	State primary			Non-State primary			State secondary			Total		
	Applicants	Successful applicants	% successful	Applicants	Successful applicants	% successful	Applicants	Successful applicants	% successful	Applicants	Successful applicants	% successful
2000	3,805	1,860	48.9	809	570	70.5	118	16	13.6	4,732	2,446	51.7
2001	3,749	1,936	51.6	763	567	74.3	88	12	13.6	4,600	2,515	54.7
2002	3,646	1,827	50.1	839	606	72.2	62	13	21.0	4,547	2,446	53.8
2003	3,573	1,858	52.0	812	611	75.2	118	17	14.4	4,503	2,486	55.2
2004	3,578	1,823	51.0	712	540	75.8	104	14	13.5	4,394	2,377	54.1
2005	3,495	2,022	57.9	723	549	75.9	84	29	34.5	4,302	2,600	60.4
2006	3,214	1,805	56.2	702	575	81.9	52	10	19.2	3,968	2,390	60.2
2007	3,073	1,769	57.6	643	523	81.3	56	9	16.1	3,772	2,301	61.0
2008	2,973	1,687	56.7	626	509	81.3	26	7	26.9	3,625	2,203	60.8

Source: Educational Assessment Unit

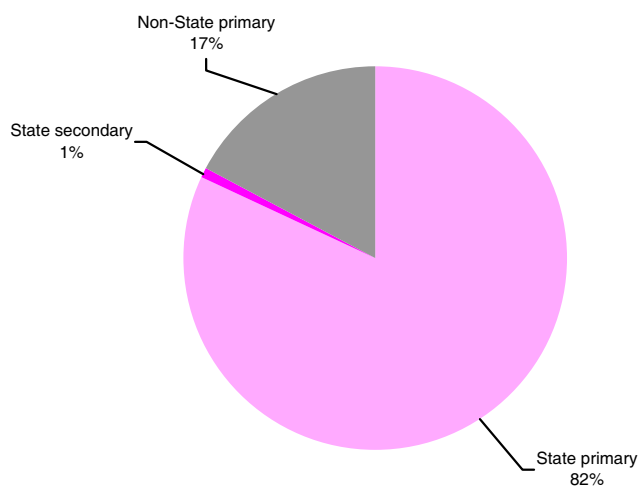


4.9. Number of applicants for the Junior Lyceum examination by type of school: 2008

Type of school	Males	Females	Total
Malta			
State primary	1,496	1,240	2,736
State secondary	7	19	26
Non-State primary	349	169	518
Total	1,852	1,428	3,280
Gozo			
State primary	127	110	237
State secondary	-	-	-
Non-State primary	52	56	108
Total	179	166	345
MALTA			
State primary	1,623	1,350	2,973
State secondary	7	19	26
Non-State primary	401	225	626
Total	2,031	1,594	3,625

Source: Educational Assessment Unit

Chart 4.4. Number of applicants for the Junior Lyceum examination by type of school: 2008

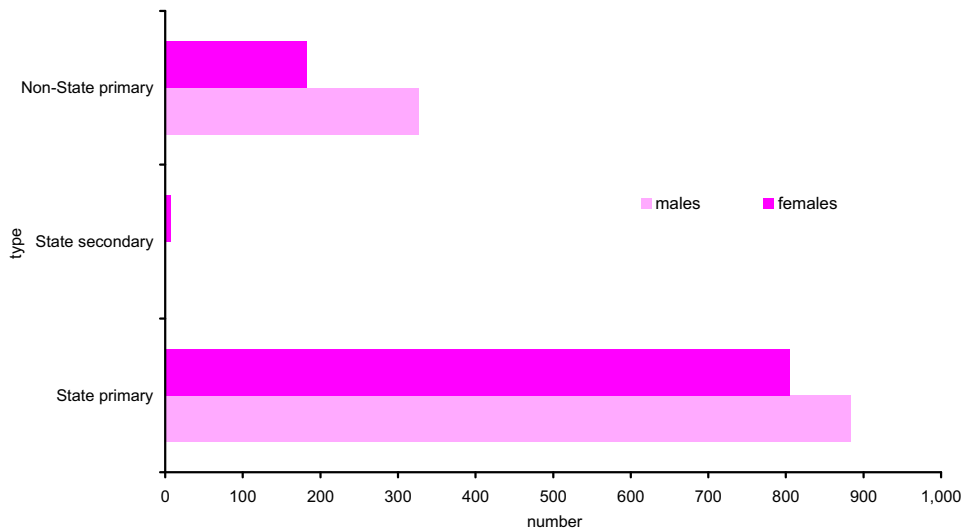


4.10. Successful applicants for the Junior Lyceum examination by type of school: 2008

Type of school	Males	Females	Total
Malta			
State primary	814	720	1,534
State secondary	1	6	7
Non-State primary	285	135	420
Total	1,100	861	1,961
Gozo			
State primary	69	84	153
State secondary	-	-	-
Non-State primary	42	47	89
Total	111	131	242
MALTA			
State primary	883	804	1,687
State secondary	1	6	7
Non-State primary	327	182	509
Total	1,211	992	2,203

Source: Educational Assessment Unit

Chart 4.5. Successful applicants for the Junior Lyceum examination by type of school: 2008



4.11. Global performance of candidates sitting for the Junior Lyceum examination: 2008

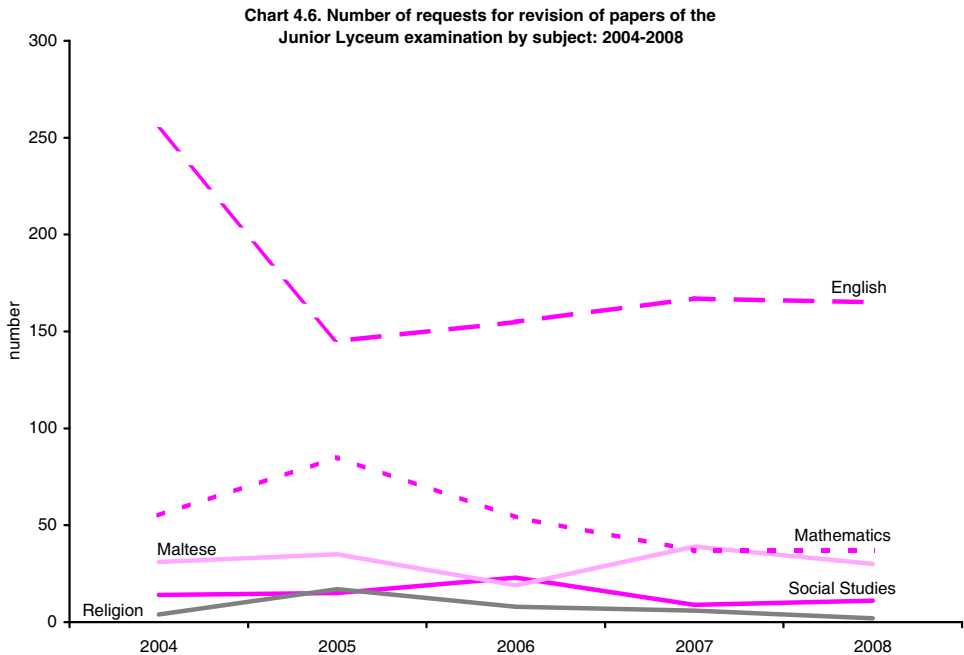
Candidates	Number	% total
Successful candidates	2,203	60.8
Unsuccessful candidates	1,422	39.2
Total	3,625	100.0

Source: Educational Assessment Unit

4.12. Number of requests for revision of papers of the Junior Lyceum examination by subject: 2004-2008

Subject	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Social Studies	14	15	23	9	11
Maltese	31	35	19	39	30
English	254	145	155	167	165
Mathematics	55	85	54	37	37
Religion	4	17	8	6	2
Total	358	297	259	258	245

Source: Educational Assessment Unit



4.13. Candidates registering for SEC examinations: 1994-2008

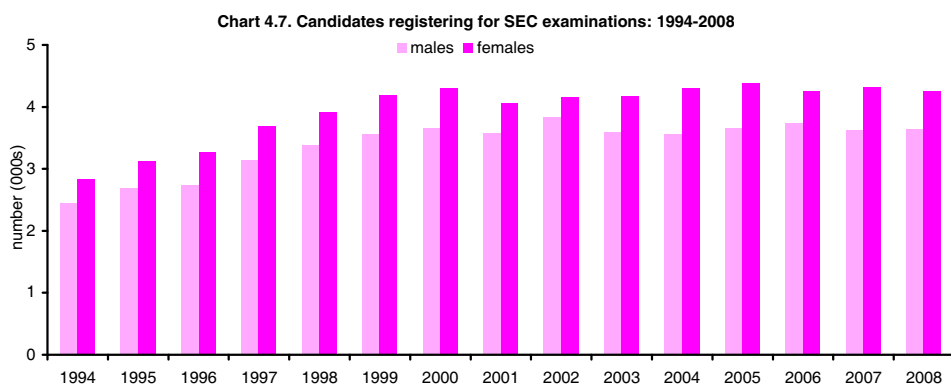
Year	Males	Females	Total
1994	2,440	2,838	5,278
1995	2,686	3,117	5,803
1996	2,733	3,276	6,009
1997	3,145	3,690	6,835
1998	3,386	3,917	7,303
1999	3,559	4,195	7,754
2000	3,660	4,302	7,962
2001	3,568	4,060	7,628
2002	3,832	4,146	7,978
2003	3,584	4,180	7,764
2004	3,560	4,301	7,861
2005	3,664	4,374	8,038
2006	3,727	4,256	7,983
2007	3,617	4,325	7,942
2008	3,633	4,246	7,879

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.14. Candidates registering for SEC examinations by year of birth: 2008

Year of birth	May session			September session		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1993	4	4	8	1	-	1
1992	2,126	2,280	4,406	593	633	1,226
1991	751	851	1,602	248	301	549
1990	285	305	590	74	110	184
1989	120	208	328	28	46	74
1988	66	98	164	12	19	31
Pre-1988	281	500	781	42	72	114
Total	3,633	4,246	7,879	998	1,181	2,179

Source: MATSEC Support Unit



4.15. Registrations for SEC examinations by subject: May 2008

Subject	Males	Females	Total
Accounting	405	598	1,003
Arabic	3	8	11
Art	358	413	771
Biology	580	1,205	1,785
Business studies	262	354	616
Chemistry	482	527	1,009
Commerce	10	-	10
Computer studies	900	357	1,257
Design and technology	57	2	59
Economics	180	117	297
English language	2,801	3,132	5,933
English literature	1,354	1,642	2,996
Environmental studies	1,167	1,341	2,508
European studies	67	126	193
French	726	1,228	1,954
Geography	194	90	284
German	231	337	568
Graphical communication	599	94	693
History	148	114	262
Home economics	207	557	764
Italian	1,273	1,303	2,576
Maltese	2,611	2,695	5,306
Mathematics	2,714	3,058	5,772
Physical education	238	205	443
Physics	2,200	2,091	4,291
Religious knowledge	2,205	2,368	4,573
Russian	10	9	19
Social studies	799	1,276	2,075
Spanish	85	245	330
Textiles and design	-	25	25

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.16. Registered candidates for SEC examinations by subject: September 2008

Subject	Eligible to apply in September	Applied in September	% applied in September	Applied in September	
				Males	Females
Biology*	684	152	22.2	17	135
Chemistry*	295	6	2.0	1	5
English language	2,662	1,129	42.4	498	631
Maltese	2,197	757	34.5	433	324
Mathematics	2,735	1,108	40.5	471	637
Physics*	1,446	501	34.6	285	216

* Candidates can register for one subject from biology, chemistry or physics and only if a grade not lower than 5 was obtained in any one of the three subjects.

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.17. Registrations for SEC examinations by subject and type of school: 2008

Subject	Malta												Gozo			
	Junior Lyceum		Area Secondary		Church Schools		Independent		Post-Secondary		Private Candidates		Gozo Schools		Private Candidates	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
May session																
Accounting	3	7	-	-	204	217	78	34	24	41	68	264	20	4	8	31
Arabic	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	1	-	-	-
Art	122	119	28	26	82	117	52	66	17	26	30	29	24	25	3	5
Biology	136	326	1	41	255	462	101	118	25	109	21	48	39	91	2	10
Business studies	134	199	7	53	48	17	14	-	18	28	21	18	16	38	4	1
Chemistry	86	171	6	4	268	213	76	59	7	18	7	17	31	43	1	2
Commerce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9	-	-	-
Computer studies	199	131	71	29	353	114	110	16	23	10	60	20	70	30	14	7
Design and technology	-	-	38	2	15	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	1	-
Economics	-	-	-	-	108	82	42	19	7	7	8	5	14	4	1	-
English language	727	923	307	355	728	688	241	152	112	216	447	532	174	189	65	77
English literature	527	839	3	1	522	570	203	145	4	11	22	15	72	60	1	1
Environmental studies	377	745	86	153	397	270	168	93	22	17	41	35	74	26	2	2
European studies	48	88	-	-	22	-	-	6	-	2	3	10	11	1	2	
French	194	454	15	39	365	486	65	76	10	33	18	46	58	84	1	10
Geography	68	54	6	12	53	6	7	6	15	7	16	3	29	2	-	-
German	70	185	7	15	89	36	14	18	8	18	24	23	18	39	1	3
Graphical communication	191	54	40	10	223	1	33	8	20	6	50	4	40	10	2	1
History	21	53	4	4	53	22	15	18	15	7	18	8	22	1	-	1
Home economics	129	220	39	120	-	116	11	19	1	7	5	10	20	64	2	1
Italian	327	378	160	169	433	438	98	53	26	68	133	124	84	65	12	8
Maltese	729	932	306	345	724	685	219	139	188	187	243	193	174	187	28	27
Mathematics	724	935	284	306	725	679	240	149	167	351	363	384	174	188	37	66
Physical education	83	100	15	15	78	53	34	22	8	3	12	6	7	6	1	-
Physics	692	943	181	246	694	431	214	96	92	119	158	80	152	166	17	10
Religious knowledge	618	861	215	265	707	661	211	141	48	75	227	194	157	161	22	10
Russian	2	4	3	1	-	2	2	2	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Social studies	348	577	36	140	229	366	7	3	25	30	98	88	49	65	7	7
Spanish	40	139	3	11	-	1	1	2	8	26	26	43	6	14	1	9
Textiles and design	-	16	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
September session																
Biology*	1	5	-	6	5	69	3	11	3	26	2	11	2	5	1	2
Chemistry*	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
English language	200	146	55	118	49	77	14	6	33	79	93	115	32	54	22	36
Maltese	159	61	43	56	56	73	60	44	48	36	34	12	28	34	5	8
Mathematics	181	141	49	72	41	109	34	22	52	122	71	104	30	39	13	28
Physics*	148	92	31	39	31	18	11	5	19	18	23	14	17	24	5	6

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Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.18. Registrations of SEC candidates by locality: 2008 ...

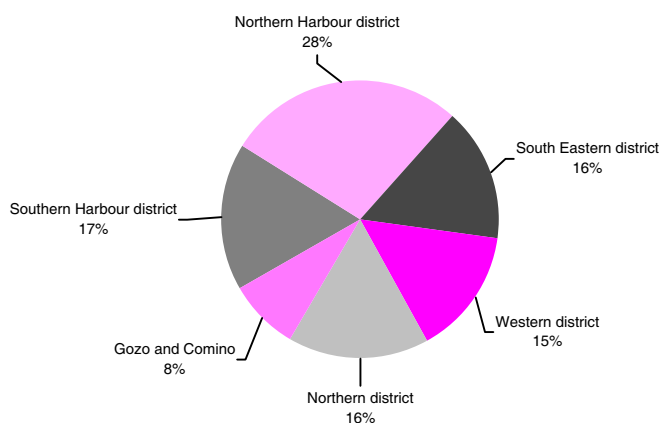
MALTA			
Locality	Males	Females	Total
MALTA	3,633	4,246	7,879
Malta	3,337	3,877	7,214
Gozo	296	369	665
Southern Harbour district	613	733	1,346
Birgu	21	13	34
Bormla	36	44	80
Fgura	106	129	235
Floriana	12	17	29
Isla	17	24	41
Kalkara	28	33	61
Luqa	46	51	97
Marsa	25	22	47
Paola	52	53	105
Santa Luċija	34	44	78
Tarxien	62	85	147
Valletta	27	29	56
Xgħajra	5	10	15
Żabbar	142	179	321
Northern Harbour district	1,044	1,148	2,192
Birkirkara	156	193	349
Gżira	63	52	115
Hamrun	59	72	131
Msida	57	73	130
Pembroke	53	43	96
Pieta`	32	37	69
Qormi	164	178	342
San Ġiljan	76	75	151
San Ġwann	137	170	307
Santa Venera	41	65	106
Sliema	106	96	202
Swieqi	90	81	171
Ta' Xbiex	10	13	23
South Eastern district	546	679	1,225
Birżebbuġa	77	101	178
Għaxaq	48	55	103
Gudja	35	40	75
Kirkop	16	25	41
Marsascala	86	100	186
Marsaxlokk	31	39	70
Mqabba	29	40	69
Qrendi	15	39	54
Safi	21	24	45
Żejtun	96	106	202
Żurrieq	92	110	202

... 4.18. Registrations of SEC candidates by locality: 2008

Locality	Males	Females	Total
Western district	544	618	1,162
Attard	112	125	237
Balzan	25	42	67
Dingli	30	55	85
Iklin	46	44	90
Lija	28	24	52
Mdina	1	1	2
Mtarfa	25	21	46
Rabat	92	113	205
Siggiewi	70	93	163
Żebbuġ	115	100	215
Northern district	590	699	1,289
Gharghur	30	29	59
Mellieha	85	83	168
Mġarr	33	49	82
Mosta	203	252	455
Naxxar	138	156	294
San Pawl il-Baħar	101	130	231
Gozo and Comino	296	369	665
Fontana	11	10	21
Għajnsielem	25	43	68
Għarb	3	18	21
Għasri	1	5	6
Kerċem	11	18	29
Munxar	10	13	23
Nadur	42	40	82
Qala	21	17	38
Rabat	75	63	138
San Lawrenz	6	11	17
Sannat	14	16	30
Xagħra	42	56	98
Xewkija	21	44	65
Żebbuġ	14	15	29

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

Chart 4.8. Registrations of SEC candidates by district: 2008



4.19. Results by subject for paper IIA: May session 2008 ...

Subject	1	2	3	4	5	U	Absent	Total
Accounting	39	111	133	114	78	145	44	664
Males	18	47	59	55	35	53	12	279
Females	21	64	74	59	43	92	32	385
Arabic	-	1	2	3	-	1	-	7
Males	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Females	-	1	2	1	-	1	-	5
Art	11	42	101	103	144	64	7	472
Males	1	28	46	45	63	32	4	219
Females	10	14	55	58	81	32	3	253
Biology	96	140	266	297	155	176	5	1,135
Males	52	59	112	108	37	52	2	422
Females	44	81	154	189	118	124	3	713
Business studies	21	31	56	56	50	31	5	250
Males	4	10	24	30	21	16	2	107
Females	17	21	32	26	29	15	3	143
Chemistry	89	160	168	155	88	121	3	784
Males	38	74	79	82	44	59	-	376
Females	51	86	89	73	44	62	3	408
Commerce	-	2	4	2	-	1	-	9
Males	-	2	4	2	-	1	-	9
Females	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer studies	32	160	169	209	204	58	5	837
Males	24	125	124	153	131	40	5	602
Females	8	35	45	56	73	18	-	235
Design and technology	-	2	1	2	2	2	-	9
Males	-	2	1	2	2	2	-	9
Females	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economics	6	16	38	70	29	10	5	174
Males	3	13	21	39	17	8	-	101
Females	3	3	17	31	12	2	5	73
English language	139	533	805	577	566	335	45	3,000
Males	61	241	384	254	241	152	17	1,350
Females	78	292	421	323	325	183	28	1,650
English literature	141	176	389	429	297	377	18	1,827
Males	20	41	123	182	137	225	8	736
Females	121	135	266	247	160	152	10	1,091
Environmental studies	88	223	332	372	254	168	11	1,448
Males	31	104	161	154	110	76	7	643
Females	57	119	171	218	144	92	4	805
European studies	15	21	24	27	16	4	1	108
Males	3	3	2	7	4	2	-	21
Females	12	18	22	20	12	2	1	87
French	123	286	373	175	167	63	5	1,192
Males	27	108	149	63	63	30	1	441
Females	96	178	224	112	104	33	4	751

... 4.19. Results by subject for paper IIA: May session 2008

Subject	1	2	3	4	5	U	Absent	Total
Geography	25	33	44	34	18	10	3	167
Males	14	24	23	21	12	10	2	106
Females	11	9	21	13	6	-	1	61
German	19	26	47	57	73	107	8	337
Males	6	6	21	23	26	49	3	134
Females	13	20	26	34	47	58	5	203
Graphical communication	25	55	59	105	144	82	3	473
Males	21	45	51	89	126	68	1	401
Females	4	10	8	16	18	14	2	72
History	9	23	23	32	50	22	8	167
Males	5	11	15	21	23	12	5	92
Females	4	12	8	11	27	10	3	75
Home economics	31	103	130	92	36	36	4	432
Males	1	13	18	23	13	20	1	89
Females	30	90	112	69	23	16	3	343
Italian	128	253	335	285	167	66	14	1,248
Males	47	114	174	152	81	35	4	607
Females	81	139	161	133	86	31	10	641
Maltese	131	570	595	804	280	301	18	2,699
Males	37	203	256	369	120	154	10	1,149
Females	94	367	339	435	160	147	8	1,550
Mathematics	327	422	574	411	436	169	24	2,363
Males	200	209	271	181	198	100	17	1,176
Females	127	213	303	230	238	69	7	1,187
Physical education	11	39	57	74	26	60	5	272
Males	7	20	29	33	11	29	3	132
Females	4	19	28	41	15	31	2	140
Physics	187	345	446	731	397	227	11	2,344
Males	65	164	231	375	225	154	7	1,221
Females	122	181	215	356	172	73	4	1,123
Religious knowledge	170	3,438	703	467	251	225	29	2,383
Males	27	179	305	248	136	131	8	1,034
Females	143	3,259	398	219	115	94	21	1,349
Russian	9	2	2	-	-	1	-	14
Males	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	6
Females	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	8
Social studies	12	73	96	129	284	245	12	851
Males	1	14	39	39	99	73	5	270
Females	11	59	57	90	185	172	7	581
Spanish	25	27	47	59	28	28	14	228
Males	3	4	5	11	11	12	3	49
Females	22	23	42	48	17	16	11	179
Textiles and design	1	3	2	4	1	1	-	12
Males	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Females	1	3	2	4	1	1	-	12

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.20. Results by subject for paper IIB: May session 2008 ...

Subject	4	5	6	7	U	Absent	Total
Accounting	46	23	32	41	132	65	339
Males	11	8	10	19	59	19	126
Females	35	15	22	22	73	46	213
Arabic	-	1	1	2	-	-	4
Males	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Females	-	1	-	2	-	-	3
Art	18	78	65	63	54	21	299
Males	11	38	20	30	30	10	139
Females	7	40	45	33	24	11	160
Biology	50	97	117	109	247	30	650
Males	17	15	34	32	49	11	158
Females	33	82	83	77	198	19	492
Business studies	43	97	71	37	94	24	366
Males	11	35	32	16	49	12	155
Females	32	62	39	21	45	12	211
Chemistry	22	32	31	31	100	9	225
Males	10	14	11	14	55	2	106
Females	12	18	20	17	45	7	119
Commerce	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Males	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Females	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer studies	64	117	94	55	63	27	420
Males	43	79	65	44	47	20	298
Females	21	38	29	11	16	7	122
Design and technology	6	6	12	8	13	5	50
Males	6	5	12	7	13	5	48
Females	-	1	-	1	-	-	2
Economics	11	27	22	41	17	5	123
Males	7	18	15	28	8	3	79
Females	4	9	7	13	9	2	44
English language	137	514	549	680	893	160	2,933
Males	81	263	253	298	475	81	1,451
Females	56	251	296	382	418	79	1,482
English literature	122	233	158	242	341	73	1,169
Males	34	87	75	132	251	39	618
Females	88	146	83	110	90	34	551
Environmental studies	135	233	238	191	197	66	1,060
Males	62	119	126	86	98	33	524
Females	73	114	112	105	99	33	536
European studies	9	30	16	11	16	3	85
Males	2	17	8	8	9	2	46
Females	7	13	8	3	7	1	39
French	125	223	156	91	126	41	762
Males	48	90	57	37	37	16	285
Females	77	133	99	54	89	25	477

... 4.20. Results by subject for paper IIB: May session 2008

Subject	4	5	6	7	U	Absent	Total
Geography	13	22	20	9	38	15	117
Males	9	13	18	8	30	10	88
Females	4	9	2	1	8	5	29
German	20	33	59	56	53	10	231
Males	7	13	20	24	29	4	97
Females	13	20	39	32	24	6	134
Graphical communication	14	46	38	54	49	19	220
Males	11	42	36	48	45	16	198
Females	3	4	2	6	4	3	22
History	7	15	16	7	31	19	95
Males	2	10	9	3	19	13	56
Females	5	5	7	4	12	6	39
Home economics	68	128	69	25	35	7	332
Males	14	46	26	13	14	5	118
Females	54	82	43	12	21	2	214
Italian	211	268	274	137	368	70	1,328
Males	95	132	152	72	171	44	666
Females	116	136	122	65	197	26	662
Maltese	281	448	229	228	1,225	196	2,607
Males	98	223	116	129	786	110	1,462
Females	183	225	113	99	439	86	1,145
Mathematics	195	672	662	627	954	299	3,409
Males	96	289	287	277	452	137	1,538
Females	99	383	375	350	502	162	1,871
Physical education	18	17	39	26	49	22	171
Males	11	7	28	16	28	16	106
Females	7	10	11	10	21	6	65
Physics	247	492	601	251	293	63	1,947
Males	127	243	303	127	146	33	979
Females	120	249	298	124	147	30	968
Religious knowledge	191	461	349	467	528	194	2,190
Males	70	185	171	291	344	110	1,171
Females	121	276	178	176	184	84	1,019
Russian	3	2	-	-	-	-	5
Males	3	1	-	-	-	-	4
Females	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Social studies	333	168	120	151	367	85	1,224
Males	141	73	58	69	144	44	529
Females	192	95	62	82	223	41	695
Spanish	11	28	16	15	18	14	102
Males	4	8	6	6	7	5	36
Females	7	20	10	9	11	9	66
Textiles and design	3	4	3	3	-	-	13
Males	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Females	3	4	3	3	-	-	13

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.21. Results by subject: September session 2008

Subject	4	5	6	7	U	Absent	Total
Biology*	12	55	34	16	23	12	152
Males	-	3	4	5	3	2	17
Females	12	52	30	11	20	10	135
Chemistry*	-	-	-	2	4	-	6
Males	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Females	-	-	-	2	3	-	5
English language	26	309	365	261	141	27	1,129
Males	12	145	169	105	59	8	498
Females	14	164	196	156	82	19	631
Maltese	145	211	92	93	188	28	757
Males	89	109	54	57	107	17	433
Females	56	102	38	36	81	11	324
Mathematics	19	273	333	285	142	56	1,108
Males	7	119	146	121	57	21	471
Females	12	154	187	164	85	35	637
Physics*	4	57	194	135	80	31	501
Males	2	45	121	62	41	14	285
Females	2	12	73	73	39	17	216

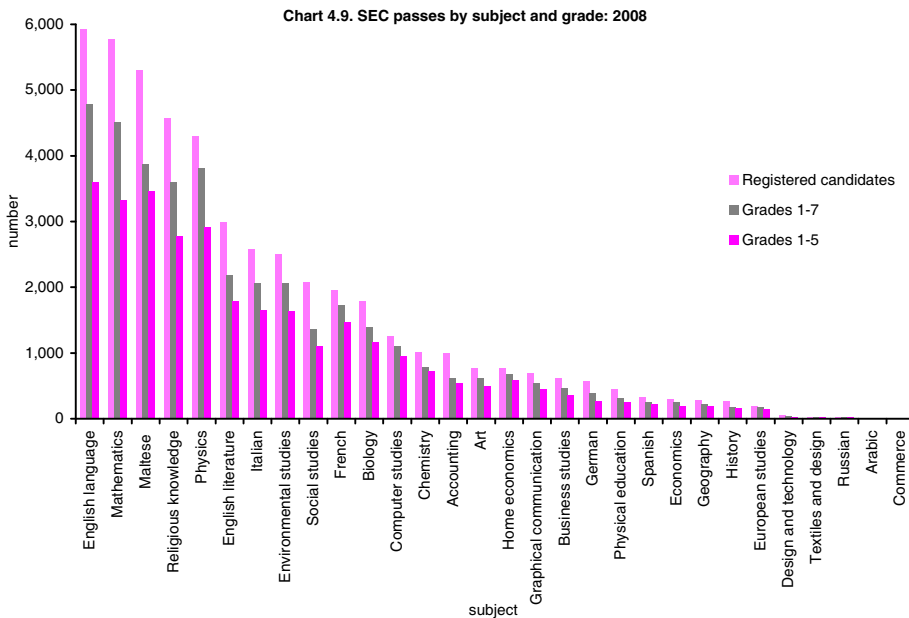
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Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.22. SEC passes by subject and grade: 2008

Subject	Number registered	Grades 1-7	% passes	Grades 1-5	% passes
Accounting	1,003	617	61.5	544	54.2
Arabic	11	10	90.9	7	63.6
Art	771	625	81.1	497	64.5
Biology	1,785	1,386	77.6	1,168	65.4
Business studies	616	462	75.0	354	57.5
Chemistry	1,009	777	77.0	714	70.8
Commerce	10	8	80.0	8	80.0
Computer studies	1,257	1,104	87.8	955	76.0
Design and technology	59	39	66.1	19	32.2
Economics	297	260	87.5	197	66.3
English language	5,933	4,781	80.6	3,606	60.8
English literature	2,996	2,187	73.0	1,787	59.6
Environmental studies	2,508	2,066	82.4	1,637	65.3
European studies	193	169	87.6	142	73.6
French	1,954	1,719	88.0	1,472	75.3
Geography	284	218	76.8	189	66.5
German	568	390	68.7	275	48.4
Graphical communication	693	540	77.9	448	64.6
History	262	182	69.5	159	60.7
Home economics	764	682	89.3	588	77.0
Italian	2,576	2,058	79.9	1,647	63.9
Maltese	5,306	3,876	73.0	3,465	65.3
Mathematics	5,772	4,508	78.1	3,329	57.7
Physical education	443	307	69.3	242	54.6
Physics	4,291	3,817	89.0	2,906	67.7
Religious knowledge	4,573	3,597	78.7	2,781	60.8
Russian	19	18	94.7	18	94.7
Social studies	2,075	1,366	65.8	1,095	52.8
Spanish	330	256	77.6	225	68.2
Textiles and design	25	24	96.0	18	72.0

Source: MATSEC Support Unit



4.23. Candidates sitting for Ordinary Level (London) in January by subject and grade attained: 2005-2009

Subject	Number of candidates sitting for exam	Passed	% passed	Grades				
				A	B	C	D	E
2005								
Accounting	16	11	68.8	1	1	4	3	2
Biology	2	2	100.0	-	2	-	-	-
Chemistry	2	1	50.0	-	-	-	-	1
Economics	2	2	100.0	1	-	1	-	-
English language (Syllabus C)	71	43	60.6	4	6	6	11	16
History (Syllabus C)	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Human biology	2	1	50.0	-	1	-	-	-
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	5	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Physics	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Total	102	62	60.8	6	10	11	14	21
2006								
Accounting	12	9	75.0	2	1	3	2	1
Biology	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	1	-
Economics	5	5	100.0	-	2	1	1	1
English language	52	42	80.8	4	4	13	6	15
French	5	4	80.0	1	1	1	-	1
Human biology	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	1	-
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	7	2	28.6	-	-	-	1	1
Physics	3	1	33.3	-	-	1	-	-
Total	86	65	75.6	7	8	19	12	19
2007								
Accounting	5	4	80.0	1	-	2	-	1
Biology	3	3	100.0	-	-	1	-	2
Chemistry	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Economics	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
English language	54	36	66.7	1	2	11	10	12
French	2	1	50.0	-	1	-	-	-
History (Syllabus B)	4	1	25.0	-	-	-	-	1
Human biology	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Physics	3	1	33.0	-	-	-	-	1
Total	74	47	63.5	2	3	14	10	18
2008								
Accounting	14	6	42.9	1	1	1	1	2
Biology	3	3	100.0	-	1	-	-	2
Chemistry	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Commerce	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Economics	4	2	50.0	1	-	-	1	-
English language	43	35	81.4	2	6	6	10	11
Human biology	2	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	7	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Physics	3	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Total	78	46	59.0	4	8	7	12	15
2009								
Accounting	9	5	55.6	-	1	3	-	1
Biology	3	3	100.0	-	-	1	1	1
Chemistry	2	1	50.0	-	1	-	-	-
English language	37	28	75.7	1	3	6	9	9
Human biology	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	8	1	12.5	-	1	-	-	-
Physics	2	2	100.0	-	1	-	-	1
Total	62	40	64.5	1	7	10	10	12

Source: Edexcel 2009

4.24. Candidates sitting for Ordinary Level (London) in June by subject and grade attained: 2005-2009 ...

Subject	Number of candidates sitting for exam	Passed	% passed	Grades				
				A	B	C	D	E
2005								
Accounting	709	597	84.2	150	138	175	62	72
Art and design	131	108	82.4	9	15	49	15	20
Biology	73	53	72.6	13	10	15	7	8
Chemistry	147	121	82.3	21	37	30	14	19
Chinese	1	1	100.0	-	1	-	-	-
Commerce	9	8	88.9	1	2	1	1	3
Economics	235	177	75.3	42	42	47	19	27
English language (Syllabus C)	1,721	1,426	82.9	178	310	374	217	347
English literature	8	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
French	121	82	67.8	11	19	29	10	13
Geography	5	2	40.0	-	-	-	2	2
German	6	3	50.0	-	-	2	1	-
History (Syllabus B)	5	4	80.0	3	1	-	-	-
Human biology	242	164	67.8	19	25	41	28	51
Italian	61	48	78.7	21	9	12	4	2
Maltese	44	30	68.1	11	4	7	1	7
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	138	101	73.2	3	10	36	12	40
Physics	355	324	91.3	30	61	100	38	95
Religious studies	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Spanish	54	51	94.4	24	14	5	4	4
Total	4,066	3,300	81.2	536	698	923	435	710
2006								
Accounting	569	454	79.8	83	119	110	49	93
Art and design	65	48	73.8	2	9	22	8	7
Biology	32	18	56.3	-	1	3	1	13
Chemistry	75	57	76.0	6	13	13	6	19
Chinese	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Commerce	12	12	100.0	1	-	5	-	6
Economics	232	187	80.6	45	53	51	18	20
English language	1,550	1,429	92.2	292	375	425	185	142
English literature	8	2	25.0	-	-	1	-	1
French	55	32	58.2	5	10	5	8	4
Geography	2	1	50.0	-	-	1	-	-
German	10	2	20.0	-	1	-	1	-
History (Syllabus B)	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Human biology	125	88	70.4	12	12	29	11	24
Italian	60	41	68.3	21	6	8	2	4
Maltese	48	36	75.0	12	5	10	2	7
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	117	67	57.3	4	17	16	10	20
Modern Greek	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	1	-
Physics	308	285	92.5	31	66	73	30	85
Spanish	24	21	87.5	10	5	3	1	2
Total	3,295	2,783	84.5	524	692	775	333	449

... 4.24. Candidates sitting for Ordinary Level (London) in June by subject and grade attained: 2005-2009

Subject	Number of candidates sitting for exam	Passed	% passed	Grades				
				A	B	C	D	E
2007								
Accounting	568	448	78.9	83	101	115	44	105
Art and design	101	85	84.2	6	12	39	19	9
Biology	96	68	70.8	15	18	12	3	20
Chemistry	54	40	74.1	5	12	8	5	10
Classical Arabic	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Commerce	5	2	40.0	-	1	1	-	-
Economics	231	176	76.2	30	42	52	18	34
English language	1,826	1,665	91.2	334	425	493	259	154
English literature	6	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
French	81	54	66.7	13	9	15	5	12
Geography	4	2	50.0	-	-	-	1	1
German	24	3	12.5	-	1	1	-	1
History (Syllabus B)	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Human biology	130	93	71.5	10	21	29	11	22
Italian	52	43	82.7	20	9	9	4	1
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	88	50	56.8	3	6	21	3	17
Physics	215	194	90.2	21	36	60	25	52
Spanish	7	6	85.7	3	2	1	-	-
Total	3,490	2,929	83.9	543	695	856	397	438
2008								
Accounting	402	356	88.8	98	105	86	20	47
Art and design	88	78	88.6	10	15	30	17	6
Biology	59	48	81.4	16	11	7	4	10
Chemistry	13	6	46.2	3	-	-	-	3
Commerce	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Economics	145	117	80.7	20	36	36	17	8
English language	1,576	1,288	81.7	213	312	315	257	191
English literature	6	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
French	32	23	71.9	5	4	8	2	4
German	13	6	46.2	4	-	1	1	-
Human biology	49	36	73.5	2	11	8	4	11
Italian	81	54	66.7	22	12	8	1	11
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	62	45	72.6	2	8	21	2	12
Physics	208	186	89.4	24	39	53	17	53
Spanish	2	1	50.0	-	-	-	1	-
Total	2,737	2,244	82.0	431	571	591	358	367
2009								
Accounting	388	335	86.3	93	87	97	31	27
Art and design	97	88	90.7	9	13	45	10	11
Biology	139	108	77.7	27	25	24	9	23
Chemistry	118	102	86.4	15	27	29	10	21
Economics	131	104	79.4	19	23	38	10	14
English language	1,458	1,211	83.1	268	274	299	230	140
English literature	5	1	20.0	-	-	-	-	1
French	28	17	60.7	1	4	4	2	6
Geography	2	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Human biology	55	37	67.3	3	9	9	7	9
Mathematics (Syllabus B)	60	32	53.3	-	1	8	8	15
Physics	204	179	87.7	17	31	49	18	64
Turkish	1	1	100.0	1	-	-	-	-
Total	2,686	2,215	82.5	453	494	602	335	331

Source: Edexcel 2009

4.25. Registrations for Matriculation Certificate: 1997-2008

Year	Males	Females	Total
1997	628	681	1,309
1998	756	874	1,630
1999	784	937	1,721
2000	811	1,051	1,862
2001	842	1,139	1,981
2002	869	1,149	2,018
2003	878	1,181	2,059
2004	976	1,257	2,233
2005	1,028	1,427	2,455
2006	1,052	1,498	2,550
2007	1,071	1,461	2,532
2008	995	1,361	2,356

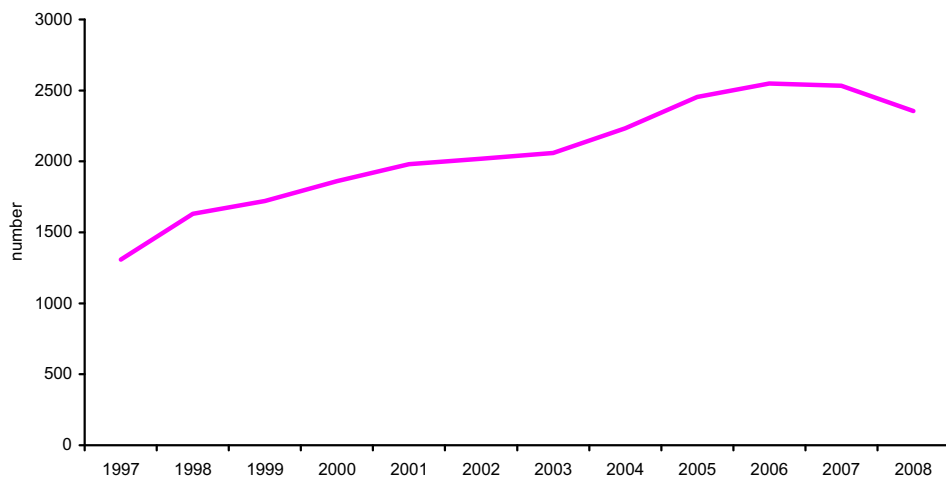
Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.26. Registrations for single subjects: 1997-2008

Year	Males	Females	Total
1997	713	760	1,473
1998	558	635	1,193
1999	610	800	1,410
2000	556	671	1,227
2001	643	874	1,517
2002	586	739	1,325
2003	522	733	1,255
2004	478	700	1,178
2005	471	658	1,129
2006	435	649	1,084
2007	369	663	1,032
2008	411	699	1,110

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

Chart 4.10. Registrations for Matriculation Certificate: 1997-2008



4.27. Matriculation Certificate registrations by year of birth: 2008

Year	Males	Females	Total
Pre-1987	11	7	18
1987	13	18	31
1988	44	38	82
1989	217	251	468
1990	706	1,042	1,748
1991	4	5	9
Total	995	1,361	2,356

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.28. Single subject registrations by year of birth: 2008

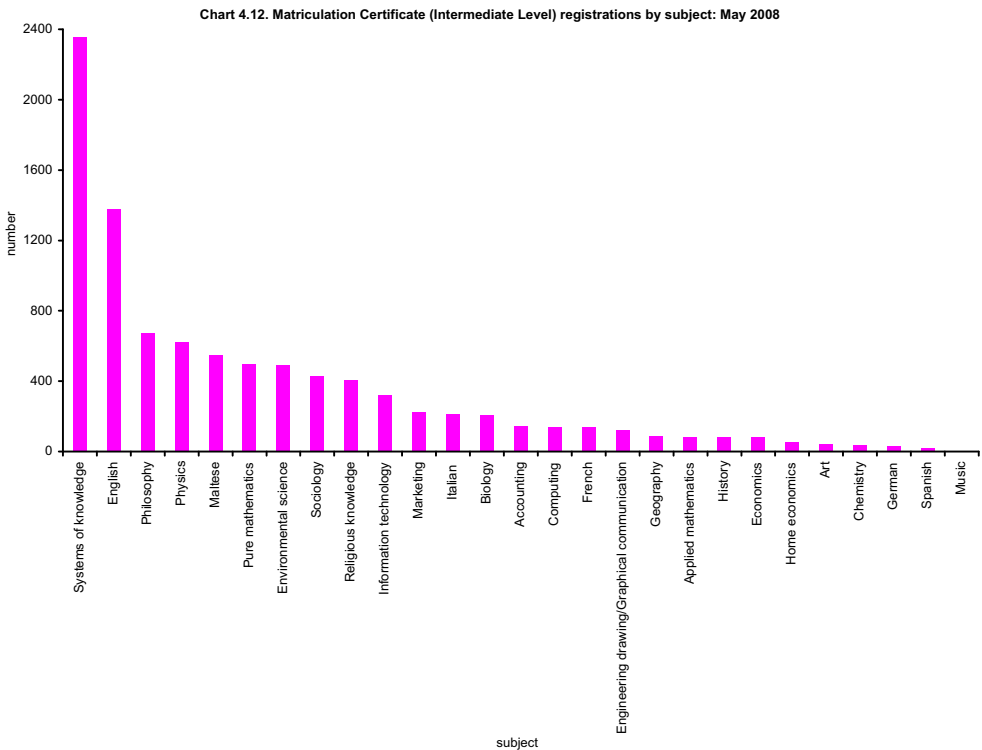
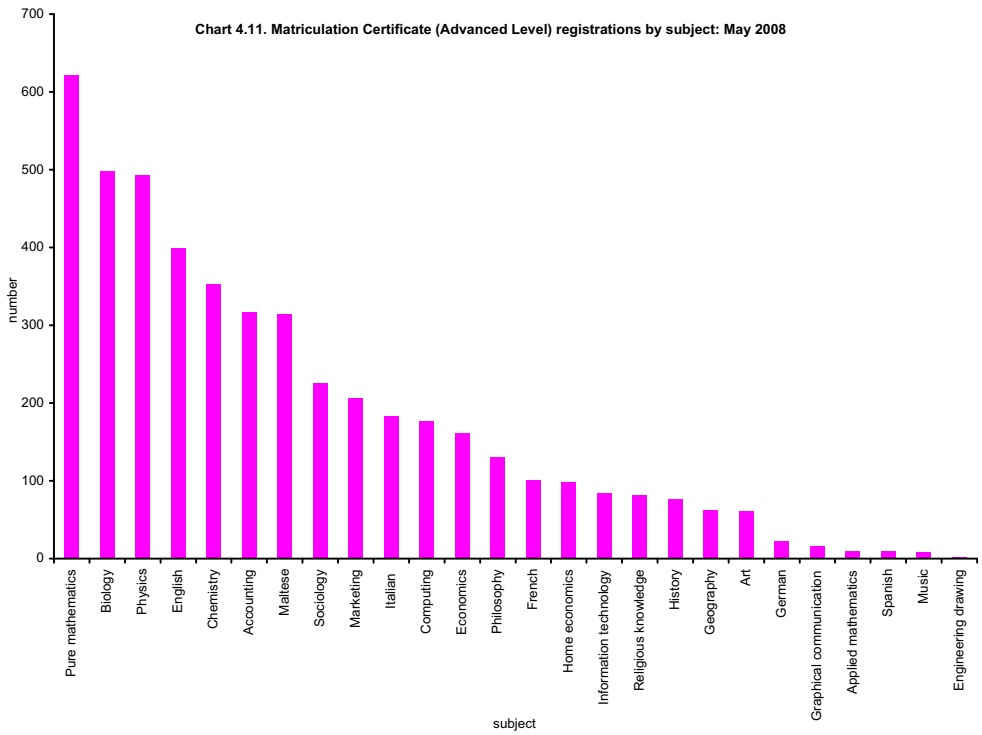
Year	Males	Females	Total
Pre-1987	137	275	412
1987	26	47	73
1988	64	73	137
1989	96	153	249
1990	57	98	155
1991	30	51	81
1992 and later	1	2	3
Total	411	699	1,110

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.29. Matriculation Certificate registrations by subject: May 2008

Subject	Advanced Level			Intermediate		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Accounting	139	178	317	68	75	143
Applied mathematics	6	4	10	62	22	84
Art	18	43	61	23	18	41
Biology	173	325	498	40	168	208
Chemistry	152	201	353	16	22	38
Computing	101	75	176	96	41	137
Economics	97	64	161	37	43	80
Engineering drawing	2	-	2	-	-	-
Engineering drawing/ Graphical communication	-	-	-	91	29	120
English	111	288	399	609	770	1,379
Environmental science	-	-	-	131	358	489
French	16	85	101	34	102	136
Geography	23	39	62	45	45	90
German	4	19	23	11	20	31
Graphical communication	13	3	16	-	-	-
History	35	42	77	45	36	81
Home economics	10	88	98	9	47	56
Information technology	35	49	84	179	140	319
Italian	56	127	183	112	99	211
Maltese	71	244	315	200	347	547
Marketing	77	129	206	98	125	223
Music	4	4	8	1	5	6
Philosophy	44	87	131	267	408	675
Physics	337	156	493	265	358	623
Pure mathematics	382	239	621	220	276	496
Religious knowledge	39	42	81	196	209	405
Sociology	45	181	226	128	304	432
Spanish	-	10	10	2	16	18
Systems of knowledge	-	-	-	995	1,361	2,356
Total	1,990	2,722	4,712	3,980	5,444	9,424

Source: MATSEC Support Unit



4.30. Registrations of Matriculation Certificate candidates by locality: 2008 ...

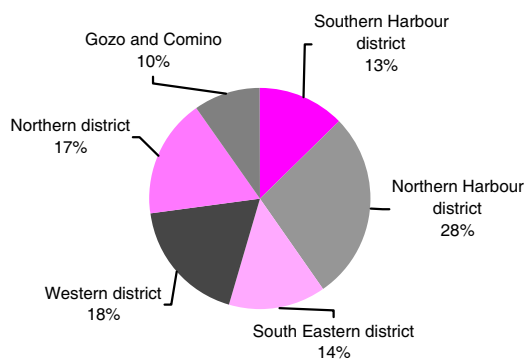
MALTA			
Locality	Males	Females	Total
MALTA	995	1,361	2,356
Malta	914	1,213	2,127
Gozo	81	148	229
Southern Harbour district	138	162	300
Birgu	3	2	5
Bormla	2	4	6
Fgura	32	36	68
Floriana	1	6	7
Kalkara	13	5	18
Luqa	11	20	31
Marsa	2	3	5
Paola	13	10	23
Santa Luċija	8	12	20
Tarxien	15	16	31
Valletta	4	8	12
Xghajra	3	1	4
Żabbar	31	39	70
Northern Harbour district	279	370	649
Birkirkara	40	67	107
Gżira	16	14	30
Ħamrun	9	13	22
Msida	15	19	34
Pembroke	14	15	29
Pieta`	6	10	16
Qormi	31	50	81
San Ġiljan	24	26	50
San Ġwann	42	53	95
Santa Venera	7	19	26
Sliema	29	36	65
Swieqi	44	40	84
Ta' Xbiex	2	8	10
South Eastern district	131	207	338
Birżebbuġa	18	28	46
Għaxaq	6	13	19
Gudja	10	12	22
Kirkop	6	10	16
Marsascala	25	36	61
Marsaxlokk	14	12	26
Mqabba	6	13	19
Qrendi	3	10	13
Safi	5	4	9
Żejtun	24	32	56
Żurrieq	14	37	51

... 4.30. Registrations of Matriculation Certificate candidates by locality: 2008

Locality	Males	Females	Total
Western district	194	235	429
Attard	62	69	131
Balzan	16	14	30
Dingli	5	14	19
Iklin	25	21	46
Lija	13	16	29
Mdina	2	1	3
Mtarfa	2	4	6
Rabat	22	45	67
Siggiewi	24	24	48
Żebbuġ	23	27	50
Northern district	172	239	411
Gharghur	11	20	31
Mellieħa	16	22	38
Mġarr	2	18	20
Mosta	62	79	141
Naxxar	47	58	105
San Pawl il-Baħar	34	42	76
Gozo and Comino	81	148	229
Fontana	2	4	6
Għajnsielem	1	9	10
Għarb	4	7	11
Kerċem	8	11	19
Munxar	-	5	5
Nadur	8	14	22
Qala	6	5	11
Rabat	24	36	60
San Lawrenz	-	3	3
Sannat	6	6	12
Xagħra	11	19	30
Xewkija	8	26	34
Żebbuġ	3	3	6

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

Chart 4.13. Registrations of Matriculation Certificate candidates by district: 2008



4.31. Advanced Level results by subject (Matriculation Certificate): May 2008...

Subject	A	B	C	D	E	F	Absent	Total
Accounting	16	63	113	41	36	44	4	317
Males	7	32	44	18	15	22	1	139
Females	9	31	69	23	21	22	3	178
Applied mathematics	-	-	-	1	2	5	2	10
Males	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	6
Females	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	4
Art	2	7	20	15	8	6	3	61
Males	1	2	5	6	2	2	-	18
Females	1	5	15	9	6	4	3	43
Biology	57	100	120	85	74	49	13	498
Males	30	33	41	30	21	15	3	173
Females	27	67	79	55	53	34	10	325
Chemistry	23	46	120	43	45	65	11	353
Males	18	22	45	21	13	29	4	152
Females	5	24	75	22	32	36	7	201
Computing	10	34	52	28	19	29	4	176
Males	6	19	25	17	12	18	4	101
Females	4	15	27	11	7	11	-	75
Economics	11	28	49	34	16	20	3	161
Males	3	20	34	13	12	13	2	97
Females	8	8	15	21	4	7	1	64
Engineering drawing	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Males	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Females	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English	11	22	136	102	57	61	10	399
Males	1	8	32	21	22	25	2	111
Females	10	14	104	81	35	36	8	288
French	8	21	33	20	14	4	1	101
Males	2	3	3	3	4	1	-	16
Females	6	18	30	17	10	3	1	85
Geography	4	10	24	18	4	1	1	62
Males	-	3	10	6	3	-	1	23
Females	4	7	14	12	1	1	-	39
German	4	6	6	4	1	2	-	23
Males	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	4
Females	3	6	5	2	1	2	-	19
Graphical communication	2	2	2	1	1	8	-	16
Males	2	1	2	1	1	6	-	13
Females	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	3
History	-	27	29	10	3	6	2	77
Males	-	13	10	8	1	2	1	35
Females	-	14	19	2	2	4	1	42
Home economics	8	18	43	15	8	5	1	98
Males	-	1	3	4	2	-	-	10
Females	8	17	40	11	6	5	1	88

... 4.31. Advanced Level results by subject (Matriculation Certificate): May 2008

Subject	A	B	C	D	E	F	Absent	Total
Information technology	7	19	25	18	10	4	1	84
Males	3	7	15	7	2	1	-	35
Females	4	12	10	11	8	3	1	49
Italian	14	27	58	29	17	36	2	183
Males	7	11	18	7	6	7	-	56
Females	7	16	40	22	11	29	2	127
Maltese	14	68	134	32	40	15	12	315
Males	5	20	25	5	10	4	2	71
Females	9	48	109	27	30	11	10	244
Marketing	17	52	78	19	18	14	8	206
Males	9	16	28	6	8	9	1	77
Females	8	36	50	13	10	5	7	129
Music	2	1	3	2	-	-	-	8
Males	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	4
Females	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	4
Philosophy	9	37	45	11	11	12	6	131
Males	2	15	12	2	3	7	3	44
Females	7	22	33	9	8	5	3	87
Physics	26	74	120	119	61	78	15	493
Males	22	52	75	76	45	57	10	337
Females	4	22	45	43	16	21	5	156
Pure mathematics	30	81	136	62	73	217	22	621
Males	21	50	74	30	49	141	17	382
Females	9	31	62	32	24	76	5	239
Religious knowledge	8	18	30	8	5	6	6	81
Males	4	4	17	4	3	4	3	39
Females	4	14	13	4	2	2	3	42
Sociology	7	15	62	52	46	37	7	226
Males	2	6	8	10	9	9	1	45
Females	5	9	54	42	37	28	6	181
Spanish	2	6	1	-	-	-	1	10
Males	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Females	2	6	1	-	-	-	1	10
Total	293	782	1,440	769	569	724	135	4,712

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.32. Intermediate Level results by subject (Matriculation Certificate): May 2008 ...

Subject	A	B	C	D	E	F	Absent	Total
Accounting	15	27	30	28	26	17	-	143
Males	5	9	15	14	13	12	-	68
Females	10	18	15	14	13	5	-	75
Applied mathematics	12	8	25	9	18	10	2	84
Males	6	7	20	6	16	5	2	62
Females	6	1	5	3	2	5	-	22
Art	1	3	15	6	9	7	-	41
Males	-	3	8	3	4	5	-	23
Females	1	-	7	3	5	2	-	18
Biology	17	45	41	22	37	34	12	208
Males	1	8	10	7	7	4	3	40
Females	16	37	31	15	30	30	9	168
Chemistry	4	4	9	4	4	11	2	38
Males	1	2	3	2	2	5	1	16
Females	3	2	6	2	2	6	1	22
Computing	8	23	45	25	14	20	2	137
Males	6	17	31	21	9	10	2	96
Females	2	6	14	4	5	10	-	41
Economics	2	10	26	18	9	14	1	80
Males	1	5	13	7	4	6	1	37
Females	1	5	13	11	5	8	-	43
Engineering drawing/Graphical communication	13	14	29	14	14	34	2	120
Males	12	10	24	8	11	24	2	91
Females	1	4	5	6	3	10	-	29
English	67	182	326	231	225	317	31	1,379
Males	30	69	137	99	95	163	16	609
Females	37	113	189	132	130	154	15	770
Environmental science	24	40	149	63	100	90	23	489
Males	2	12	40	15	36	21	5	131
Females	22	28	109	48	64	69	18	358
French	5	18	16	39	37	21	-	136
Males	-	11	2	6	7	8	-	34
Females	5	7	14	33	30	13	-	102
Geography	3	9	18	18	11	24	7	90
Males	2	6	9	7	5	13	3	45
Females	1	3	9	11	6	11	4	45
German	5	5	7	8	3	3	-	31
Males	1	2	2	2	2	2	-	11
Females	4	3	5	6	1	1	-	20
History	5	8	30	17	6	11	4	81
Males	3	5	17	7	4	7	2	45
Females	2	3	13	10	2	4	2	36
Home economics	3	14	17	7	6	6	3	56
Males	-	1	2	1	1	3	1	9
Females	3	13	15	6	5	3	2	47

... 4.32. Intermediate Level results by subject (Matriculation Certificate): May 2008

Subject	A	B	C	D	E	F	Absent	Total
Information technology	45	77	100	44	32	18	3	319
Males	25	42	53	28	21	9	1	179
Females	20	35	47	16	11	9	2	140
Italian	13	31	79	29	27	26	6	211
Males	5	13	47	12	19	14	2	112
Females	8	18	32	17	8	12	4	99
Maltese	23	61	187	130	68	67	11	547
Males	6	21	75	39	26	32	1	200
Females	17	40	112	91	42	35	10	347
Marketing	21	40	59	29	35	30	9	223
Males	5	17	21	17	20	13	5	98
Females	16	23	38	12	15	17	4	125
Music	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	6
Males	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Females	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	5
Philosophy	60	95	201	86	79	133	21	675
Males	26	36	85	35	33	46	6	267
Females	34	59	116	51	46	87	15	408
Physics	40	79	199	94	86	104	21	623
Males	27	29	73	41	34	49	12	265
Females	13	50	126	53	52	55	9	358
Pure mathematics	24	39	146	63	98	110	16	496
Males	14	17	62	25	38	56	8	220
Females	10	22	84	38	60	54	8	276
Religious knowledge	12	36	126	142	44	30	15	405
Males	7	17	60	61	26	19	6	196
Females	5	19	66	81	18	11	9	209
Sociology	7	15	66	51	120	153	20	432
Males	4	2	18	12	29	57	6	128
Females	3	13	48	39	91	96	14	304
Spanish	2	5	4	5	1	1	-	18
Males	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Females	2	5	4	3	1	1	-	16
Systems of knowledge	51	385	1,200	116	33	539	32	2,356
Males	18	163	505	53	17	224	15	995
Females	33	222	695	63	16	315	17	1,361
Total	485	1,275	3,151	1,298	1,142	1,830	243	9,424

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.33. Passes in Advanced Level subjects (May and September sessions): 2008 ...

Subject	Registered candidates	Grades A-E	Overall pass rate (%)
Accounting	546	395	72.3
Matriculation certificate	317	281	88.6
Single subject	229	114	49.8
Applied mathematics	14	6	42.9
Matriculation certificate	10	4	40.0
Single subject	4	2	50.0
Art	107	86	80.4
Matriculation certificate	61	53	86.9
Single subject	46	33	71.7
Biology	529	464	87.7
Matriculation certificate	498	448	90.0
Single subject	31	16	51.6
Chemistry	385	307	79.7
Matriculation certificate	353	288	81.6
Single subject	32	19	59.4
Computing	224	178	79.5
Matriculation certificate	176	147	83.5
Single subject	48	31	64.6
Economics	183	152	83.1
Matriculation certificate	161	144	89.4
Single subject	22	8	36.4
Engineering drawing	4	3	75.0
Matriculation certificate	2	2	100.0
Single subject	2	1	50.0
English	594	439	73.9
Matriculation certificate	399	340	85.2
Single subject	195	99	50.8
French	110	104	94.5
Matriculation certificate	101	97	96.0
Single subject	9	7	77.8
Geography	65	61	93.8
Matriculation certificate	62	60	96.8
Single subject	3	1	33.3
German	33	30	90.9
Matriculation certificate	23	21	91.3
Single subject	10	9	90.0
Graphical communication	25	17	68.0
Matriculation certificate	16	12	75.0
Single subject	9	5	55.6
History	107	88	82.2
Matriculation certificate	77	70	90.9
Single subject	30	18	60.0

... 4.33. Passes in Advanced Level subjects (May and September sessions): 2008

Subject	Registered candidates	Grades A-E	Overall pass rate (%)
Home economics	119	110	92.4
Matriculation certificate	98	92	93.9
Single subject	21	18	85.7
Information technology	93	85	91.4
Matriculation certificate	84	79	94.0
Single subject	9	6	66.7
Italian	244	194	79.5
Matriculation certificate	183	160	87.4
Single subject	61	34	55.7
Maltese	405	353	87.2
Matriculation certificate	315	290	92.1
Single subject	90	63	70.0
Marketing	416	324	77.9
Matriculation certificate	206	188	91.3
Single subject	210	136	64.8
Music	11	11	100.0
Matriculation certificate	8	8	100.0
Single subject	3	3	100.0
Philosophy	168	134	79.8
Matriculation certificate	131	116	88.5
Single subject	37	18	48.6
Physics	560	440	78.6
Matriculation certificate	493	405	82.2
Single subject	67	35	52.2
Pure mathematics	692	444	64.2
Matriculation certificate	621	425	68.4
Single subject	71	19	26.8
Religious knowledge	149	118	79.2
Matriculation certificate	81	71	87.7
Single subject	68	47	69.1
Russian	8	8	100.0
Matriculation certificate	-	-	-
Single subject	8	8	100.0
Sociology	270	207	76.7
Matriculation certificate	226	193	85.4
Single subject	44	14	31.8
Spanish	29	27	93.1
Matriculation certificate	10	9	90.0
Single subject	19	18	94.7

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.34. Passes in Intermediate Level subjects (May and September sessions): 2008

Subject	Registered candidates	Grades A-E	Overall pass rate (%)
Accounting	143	130	90.9
Applied mathematics	84	74	88.1
Art	41	34	82.9
Biology	208	168	80.8
Chemistry	38	30	78.9
Computing	137	116	84.7
Economics	80	65	81.3
Engineering drawing/Graphical communication	120	90	75.0
English	1,379	1,148	83.2
Environmental science	489	388	79.3
French	136	116	85.3
Geography	90	69	76.7
German	31	29	93.5
History	81	67	82.7
Home economics	56	47	83.9
Information technology	319	301	94.4
Italian	211	184	87.2
Maltese	547	481	87.9
Marketing	223	187	83.9
Music	6	6	100.0
Philosophy	675	551	81.6
Physics	623	526	84.4
Pure mathematics	496	383	77.2
Religious knowledge	405	362	89.4
Sociology	432	303	70.1
Spanish	18	18	100.0
Systems of knowledge	2,356	2,003	85.0

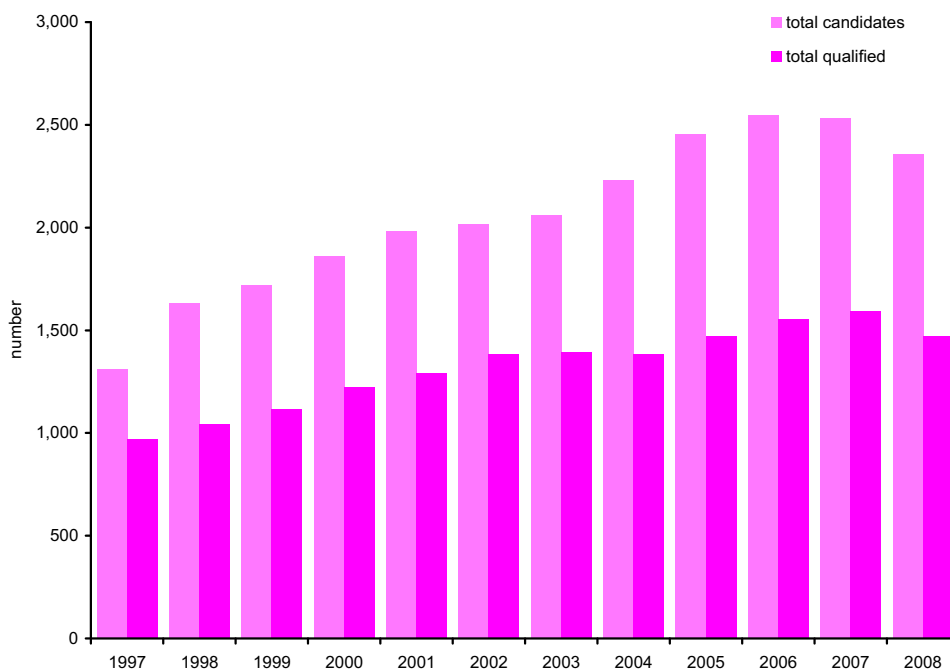
Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.35. Candidates who qualified for the Matriculation Certificate: 1997-2008

Year	Registered candidates	Qualified in				Total qualified	
		May		September		Number	%
		Number	%	Number	%		
1997	1,309	775	59.2	197	15.0	972	74.3
1998	1,630	787	48.3	255	15.6	1,042	63.9
1999	1,721	878	51.0	238	13.8	1,116	64.8
2000	1,862	950	51.0	275	14.8	1,225	65.8
2001	1,981	1,043	52.7	247	12.5	1,290	65.1
2002	2,018	1,106	54.8	280	13.9	1,386	68.7
2003	2,059	1,089	52.9	306	14.9	1,395	67.8
2004	2,233	1,063	47.6	319	14.3	1,382	61.9
2005	2,455	1,136	46.3	333	13.6	1,469	59.8
2006	2,550	1,297	50.9	259	10.2	1,556	61.0
2007	2,532	1,169	46.2	426	16.8	1,595	63.0
2008	2,356	1,086	46.1	387	16.4	1,473	62.5

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

Chart 4.14. Candidates who qualified for the Matriculation Certificate: 1997-2008



4.36. Supplementary sessions - changes in overall grade: 1997-2008

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Registered candidates	646	937	836	914	1,016	970	1,006	1,151	1,310	1,195	1,232	1,061
No change in overall grade	326 50.5%	509 54.3%	461 55.1%	482 52.7%	587 57.8%	538 55.5%	527 52.4%	633 55.0%	730 55.7%	734 61.4%	621 50.4%	506 47.7%
A → A	10	3	3	4	3	2	2	-	5	3	2	1
B → B	20	33	31	28	40	47	37	35	47	48	27	23
C → C	105	168	119	158	208	194	199	201	219	248	193	145
F → F	191	305	308	292	336	295	289	397	459	435	399	337
Upgraded	54 8.4%	46 4.9%	20 2.4%	40 4.4%	46 4.5%	53 5.5%	45 4.5%	35 3.0%	77 5.9%	40 3.3%	54 4.4%	39 3.7%
B → A	14	7	3	3	7	3	8	8	6	4	7	2
C → A	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
C → B	40	39	16	36	39	5	36	27	71	36	47	37
Upgraded / Qualified for certificate	197 30.5%	255 27.2%	238 28.5%	275 30.1%	247 24.3%	280 28.9%	306 30.4%	319 27.7%	333 25.4%	259 21.7%	426 34.6%	387 36.5%
F → A	4	1	3	7	2	3	3	1	4	1	7	8
F → B	25	29	24	35	35	38	27	36	39	25	34	54
F → C	168	225	211	233	210	240	276	282	290	233	385	325
Upgraded to narrowly failed	69 10.7%	127 13.6%	117 14.0%	117 12.8%	136 13.4%	99 10.2%	128 12.7%	164 14.2%	170 13.0%	162 13.6%	131 10.6%	129 12.2%
F → N	69	127	117	117	136	99	128	164	170	162	131	129

Source: MATSEC Support Unit

4.37. Candidates sitting for Advanced Level (London) in January by subject and grade attained: 2005-2009

Subject	Number of candidates sitting for exam	Passed	% passed	Grades				
				A	B	C	D	E
2005								
Accounting	3	3	100.0	1	-	-	1	1
Biology	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4	3	75.0	1	-	-	1	1
2006								
Accounting	8	5	62.5	-	1	2	1	1
Biology	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Pure mathematics	1	1	100.0	-	-	1	-	-
Total	10	6	60.0	-	1	3	1	1
2007								
Accounting	5	5	100.0	-	-	1	1	3
Biology	2	1	50.0	-	-	-	1	-
Total	7	6	85.7	-	-	1	2	3
2008								
Accounting	5	2	40.0	-	-	-	2	-
Biology	1	1	100.0	-	1	-	-	-
Business studies	1	1	100.0	1	-	-	-	-
Total	7	4	57.1	1	1	-	2	-
2009								
Accounting	9	6	66.7	-	1	-	2	3
Biology	4	2	50.0	-	-	-	-	2
Total	13	8	66.7	-	1	-	2	5

Source: Edexcel 2009

4.38. Candidates sitting for Advanced Level (London) in June by subject and grade attained: 2005-2009

Subject	Number of candidates sitting for exam	Passed	% passed	Grades				
				A	B	C	D	E
2005								
Accounting	158	142	89.9	64	30	26	14	8
Biology	30	23	76.7	4	7	6	4	2
Business studies	1	1	100.0	-	-	1	-	-
Chemistry	7	4	57.1	2	1	-	-	1
Economics	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
English language	3	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
History	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Human biology	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Pure mathematics	4	2	50.0	-	-	2	-	-
Physics	3	2	66.7	-	2	-	-	-
Total	209	175	83.7	70	40	35	18	12
2006								
Accounting	184	160	87.0	67	23	27	25	18
Biology	5	1	20.0	-	-	-	-	1
Business studies	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Chemistry	6	4	66.7	-	-	2	1	1
Computing	3	3	100.0	2	1	-	-	-
Economics	4	2	50.0	-	-	-	-	2
English language and literature	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	1
Physics	1	1	100.0	1	-	-	-	-
Total	205	172	83.9	70	24	29	26	23
2007								
Accounting	112	93	83.0	36	23	18	7	9
Biology	9	5	55.6	-	1	1	2	1
Business studies	2	2	100.0	-	-	1	-	1
Chemistry	6	6	100.0	1	1	1	3	-
Economics	2	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Pure mathematics	1	-	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Total	132	106	80.3	37	25	21	12	11
2008								
Accounting	115	99	86.1	33	27	16	14	9
Biology	8	3	37.5	-	1	1	1	-
Business studies	1	1	100.0	-	-	1	-	-
Chemistry	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	1	-
Total	125	104	83.2	33	28	18	16	9
2009								
Accounting	142	126	88.7	32	29	32	22	11
Biology	4	1	25.0	-	-	-	-	1
Chemistry	1	1	100.0	-	-	1	-	-
Economics	1	1	100.0	-	-	-	1	-
English language and literature	3	1	33.3	-	-	-	-	1
Pure mathematics	2	2	100.0	-	-	1	-	1
Total	153	132	86.3	32	29	34	23	14

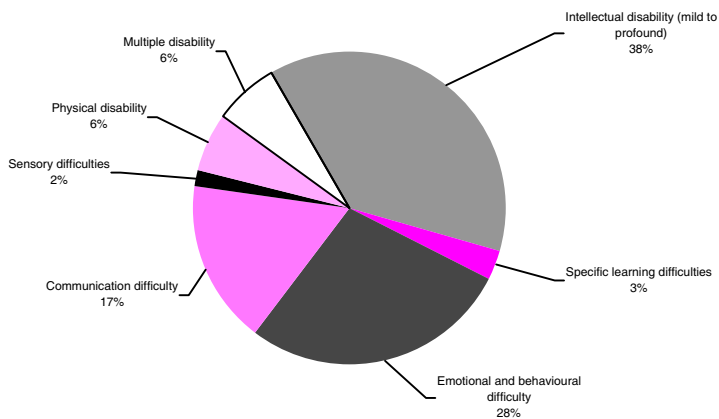
Source: Edexcel 2009

4.39. Children with disabilities/conditions in mainstream education by type of school and disability/condition: 2000-2008 total

Category	School										Total
	Boys' Junior Lyceum	Boys' School (ex-Opportunity Centre)	Boys' Secondary School	Girls' Junior Lyceum	Girls' School (ex-Opportunity Centre)	Girls' Secondary School	Higher Secondary School	Kindergarten Centre	Primary Schools	Junior College	
Intellectual disability (mild to profound)	25	5	232	10	2	112	2	12	371	-	771
Specific learning difficulties	1	-	13	2	-	10	1	-	36	-	63
Emotional and behavioural difficulty	56	3	120	4	3	37	3	9	333	-	568
Communication difficulty	6	-	27	3	1	17	3	32	254	-	343
Sensory difficulties	1	-	7	-	-	2	3	5	15	-	33
Physical disability	4	2	21	6	-	19	4	10	61	1	128
Multiple disability	1	-	23	-	-	22	-	9	77	-	132
Unspecified	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Total	94	10	444	25	6	219	17	77	1,147	1	2,040

Source: Education Division

Chart 4.15. Children with disabilities/conditions in mainstream education, by type of disability/condition: 2000-2008 total



CHAPTER 5

Social-welfare oriented
Non-Governmental
Organisations
for children

Summary

Fourteen per cent of permanent residents in NGOs were children, as were 37 per cent of temporary residents and 54 per cent of day-care residents.

The majority of NGO members under 18 years of age – 74 per cent – were in membership and religious organisations, a further 13 per cent were members of NGOs providing social work without accommodation.

Of 76,101 NGO beneficiaries, 2 per cent were children aged 0-17.

5.1. Residents in NGOs by age and type of residency: 2007

Type of residency	Sex	Age	Number
Permanent residents	Males	0-17	112
		18+	541
		Total	653
	Females	0-17	129
		18+	971
		Total	1,100
Temporary residents	Males	0-17	279
		18+	521
		Total	800
	Females	0-17	341
		18+	524
		Total	865
Day-care residents	Males	0-17	286
		18+	249
		Total	535
	Females	0-17	215
		18+	179
		Total	394

Source: Non-Governmental Organisations Survey 2007

5.2. Paid and non-paid NGO membership by type of NGO and age: 2007

Sex	Age	Human health activities	Veterinary activities	Social work activities with accommodation	Social work activities without accommodation	Membership and religious organisations
Males	0-17	457	76	226	825	3,088
	18+	8,150	2,091	464	1,848	21,392
	Total	8,607	2,167	690	2,673	24,480
Females	0-17	206	30	112	333	3,305
	18+	16,854	1,951	723	2,107	21,887
	Total	17,060	1,981	835	2,440	25,192
Total	0-17	663	106	338	1,158	6,393
	18+	25,004	4,042	1,187	3,955	43,279
	Total	25,667	4,148	1,525	5,113	49,672

Source: Non-Governmental Organisations Survey 2007

5.3. Persons benefiting directly from NGOs by age and type of NGO: 2007

Sex	Age	Social work activities with accommodation	Social work activities without accommodation	Educational services	Activities of religious organisations	Human health activities	Other pressure groups	Other	Total
Males	0-17	304	215	8	40	271	-	74	912
	18+	1,282	2,243	135	542	12,299	393	1,036	17,931
	Total	1,586	2,458	143	582	12,570	393	1,110	18,843
Females	0-17	330	153	49	145	93	-	65	834
	18+	1,022	8,911	315	954	44,904	79	239	56,424
	Total	1,352	9,064	364	1,099	44,997	79	304	57,258

Source: Non-Governmental Organisations Survey 2007

Chart 5.1. Children benefiting directly from NGOs: 2007

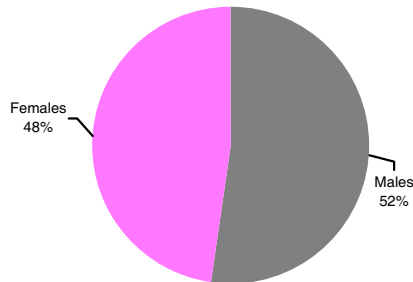
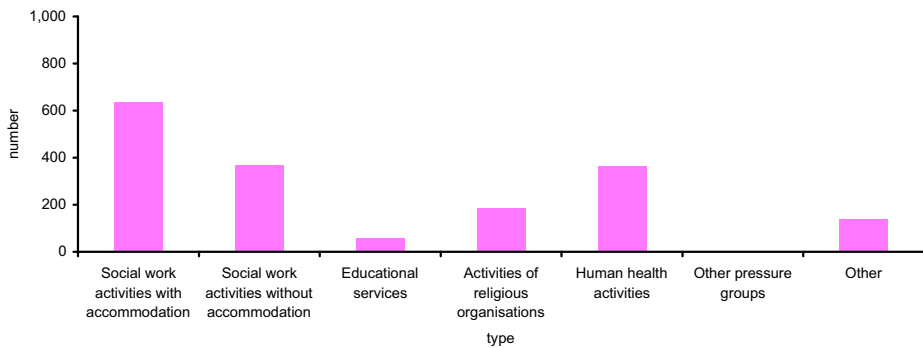


Chart 5.2. Children benefiting directly from NGOs by type of NGO: 2007



CHAPTER 6

Children in
residential homes

Summary

In 2008, the number of children cared for in residential children's homes run by the Church stood at 191. Following increases in 2006 and 2007, the 2008 figure is the lowest since 2005. Sixty-eight per cent of children in these residential homes were located in the Northern Harbour district, while 23 per cent were in the Southern Harbour district. Lay and religious workers in children's residential homes run by the Church were almost equal in proportion in 2008.

6.1. Children and staff in residential children's homes run by the Church: September 2008

Homes	Children			Staff		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Religious	Lay	Total
Angela House	12	30	42	8	13	21
Crèche, Sliema	18	13	31	12	-	12
Crèche, Valletta	3	3	6	4	2	6
Dar Sagra Familja	1	12	13	4	7	11
Fatima Hostel	-	8	8	3	1	4
St. Joseph Home, St. Venera	16	-	16	1	17	18
St. Joseph Home, Żabbar	3	3	6	8	3	11
St. Rita Home	5	11	16	5	3	8
St. Teresa Home	3	5	8	8	2	10
Fra Diegu Home	6	11	17	13	10	23
Dar Qalb ta' Ġesu	3	4	7	4	8	12
Dar Merġba Bik	4	5	9	-	8	8
Total	74	105	179	70	74	150*

Note: The programme called 'Kids' found in 'Dar Ġesu Nażżarenu' and in St Patrick's, Sliema is not administered by the Central Office for Children's Homes 'Ejjew Ghandi' and is therefore not included in these figures.

* Apart from the workers accounted for, the Central Office for Children's Homes 'Ejjew Ghandi' employs 6 other workers, 4 of which are Residential Social Workers.

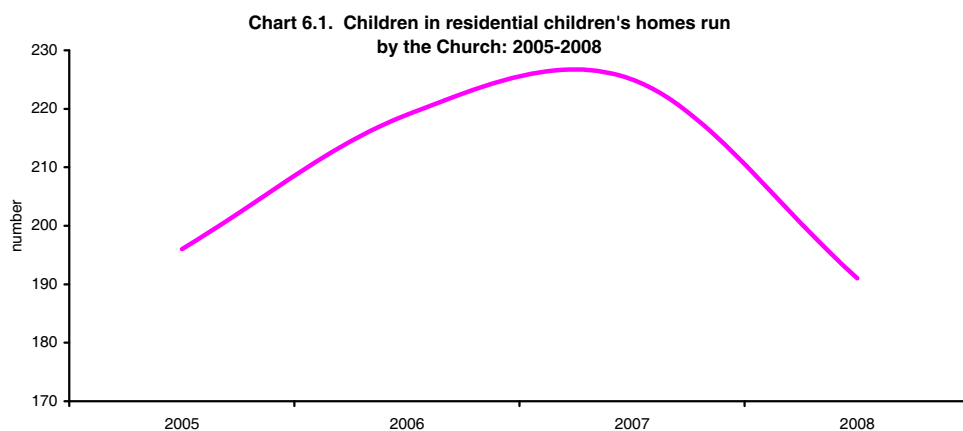
Source: Diocesan Commission 'Ejjew Ghandi' (Children's Homes)

6.2. Children in residential children's homes run by the Church: 2005-2008

Year	Number of children
2005	196
2006	219
2007	225
2008	191

Note: Totals for table 6.2 reflect totals at the end of each respective year, whereas the total in table 6.1 refers to the total in September 2008.

Source: Diocesan Commission 'Ejjew Ghandi' (Children's Homes)



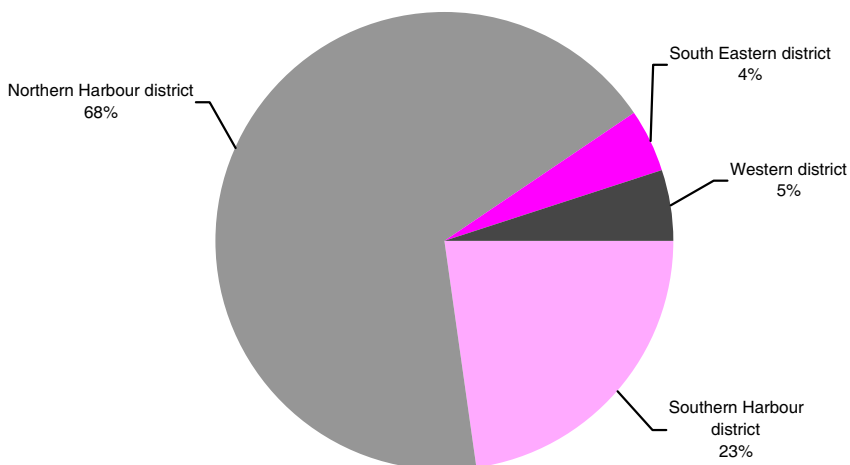
6.3. Children in residential children's homes run by the Church by locality: September 2008

Locality	Boys	Girls	Total
Southern Harbour district	12	29	41
Valletta	3	3	6
Żabbar	4	15	19
Tarxien	5	11	16
Northern Harbour district	55	66	121
Hamrun	6	11	17
Pieta'	12	30	42
Santa Venera	19	4	23
Sliema	18	21	39
South Eastern district	3	5	8
Żurrieq	3	5	8
Western district	4	5	9
Balzan	4	5	9
Northern district	-	-	-
Gozo and Comino	-	-	-
Total	74	105	179

Note: The programme called 'Kids' found in 'Dar Ġesu Nażżarenu' and in St Patrick's, Sliema is not administered by the Central Office for Children's Homes 'Ejjew Ghandi' and is therefore not included in these figures.

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Chart 6.2. Children in residential children's homes run by the Church, by district: September 2008



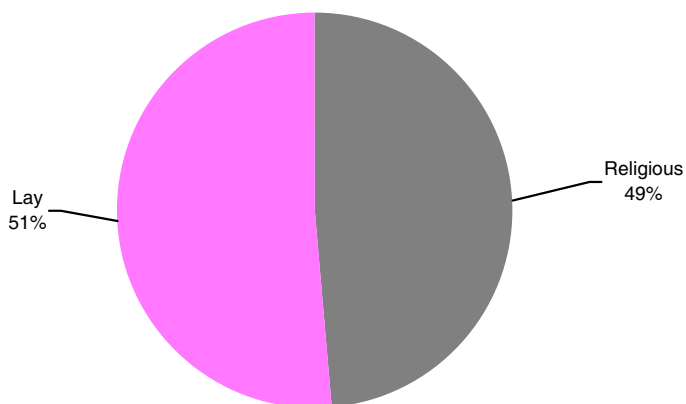
6.4. Staff in residential children's homes run by the Church by locality: September 2008

Locality	Religious	Lay	Total
Southern Harbour district	21	15	36
Valletta	4	2	6
Żabbar	12	10	22
Tarxien	5	3	8
Northern Harbour district	41	49	90
Hamrun	13	10	23
Pieta'	8	13	21
Santa Venera	5	25	30
Sliema	15	1	16
South Eastern district	8	2	10
Żurrieq	8	2	10
Western district	-	8	8
Balzan	-	8	8
Northern district	-	-	-
Gozo and Comino	-	-	-
Total	70	74	150*

* Apart from the workers accounted for, the Central Office for Children's Homes 'Ejjeu Ghandi' employs 6 other workers, 4 of which are Residential Social Workers.

Source: Diocesan Commission "Ejjeu Ghandi" (Children's Homes)

Chart 6.3. Staff in residential children's homes run by the Church: September 2008



CHAPTER 7

Care orders

Summary

There was an annual increase in the number of care orders between 2000 and 2006, followed by a decrease of 19 cases in 2007 when compared to 2006. In the latter year, 36 care orders were issued.

In 2007, the main reasons for the issuance of care orders were observed to be parental mental health, physical abuse and neglect (including severe neglect). Over one-fourth of the cases involved children between 10 and 12 years of age.

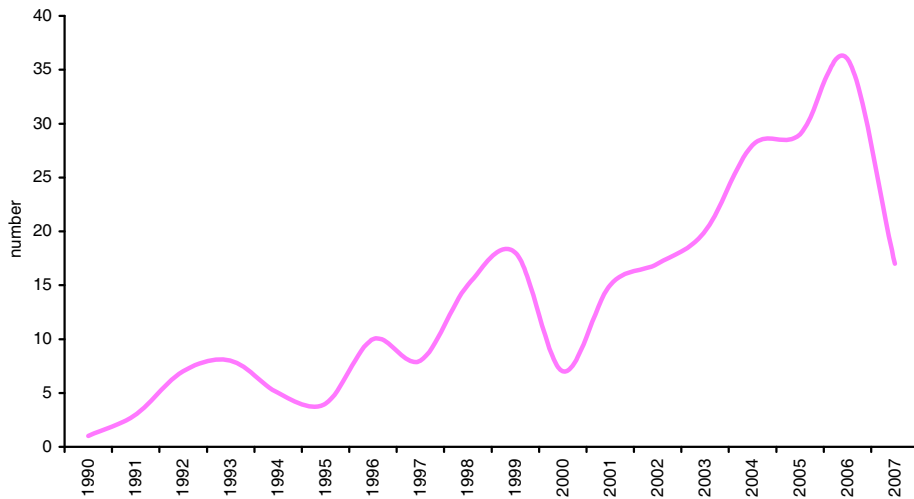
7.1. Care orders issued for children: 1990-2008

Year	Number
1990	1
1991	3
1992	7
1993	8
1994	5
1995	4
1996	10
1997	8
1998	15
1999	18
2000	7
2001	15
2002	17
2003	20
2004	28
2005	29
2006	36
2007	17
2008 (until May)	7

Note: Data includes care orders issued to refugees.

Source: Aģenzija Apgoģģ

Chart 7.1. Care orders issued for children: 1990-2007

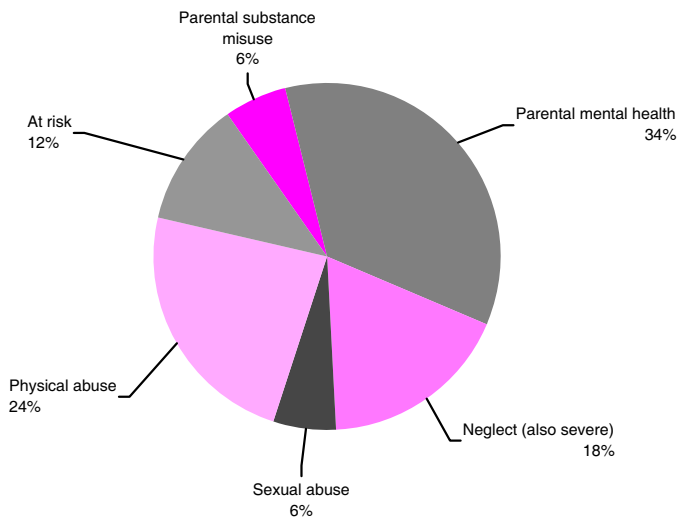


7.2. Care orders issued for children by reason: 2005-2007

Reason	2005	2006	2007
Parental substance misuse	4	7	1
Parental mental health	7	4	6
Neglect (also severe)	2	12	3
Sexual abuse	5	4	1
Physical abuse	4	7	4
Lack of control	1	-	-
Abandoned at residential home	4	-	-
At risk	2	-	2
Care and custody issues	-	2	-
Total	29	36	17

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

Chart 7.2. Care orders issued for children by reason: 2007



7.3. Children under a care order by residence: 1990-2008 total

Residence	Number of children
Birth family	20
Fostered	51
Institutions	103
Angela House	25
FEJDA	5
Fra Diegu Home	13
Jeanne Antide Home	7
St Joseph Home	5
St Patrick's Home	19
Ursuline Crèche	7
Other	22
Total	174

Note: Data does not include care orders issued to refugees.

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

7.4. Children under a care order by age: 1990-2008 total

Age	Number of children
Under 1	3
1	5
2	7
3	5
4	11
5	11
6	4
7	9
8	11
9	14
10	17
11	19
12	10
13	10
14	16
15	11
16+	11
Total	174

Note: Data does not include care orders issued to refugees.

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

CHAPTER 8

Fostering
and
adoption

Summary

The number of fostered children increased gradually in the 1998-2005 period, from 32 to 185, to drop subsequently to 160 in 2008. On an annual basis, more boys than girls are taken into foster care.

The average number of child adoptions per year between 2004 and 2008 climbed to 71, from an average of 49 adoptions every year for the previous 5 years.

8.1. Fostered children: 1998-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1998	22	10	32
1999	31	21	52
2000	36	21	57
2001	61	35	96
2002	51	36	87
2003	81	65	146
2004	97	80	177
2005	103	82	185
2006	87	72	159
2007	82	73	155
2008	81	79	160

Source: Agencija Appoġġ

Chart 8.1. Fostered children: 1998-2008



8.2. Local and foreign adoptions of children by Maltese couples by country of origin: 1997-2008

Country	1997	1998	1999	2000
Malta	12	14	17	15
United Kingdom	3	1	1	-
Pakistan	-	4	9	7
Romania	42	31	38	32
Others	3	7	7	1
Total	60	57	72	55
	2001	2002	2003	2004
Malta	16	15	9	24
United Kingdom	1	-	1	2
Pakistan	10	4	10	6
Romania	23	10	-	5
Ethiopia	-	-	7	18
Russia	-	-	-	3
Others	5	4	5	12
Total	55	33	32	70
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Malta	23	17	12	18
United Kingdom	-	1	-	-
Pakistan	1	2	3	3
Romania	1	-	-	-
Ethiopia	24	21	15	14
Russia	10	29	40	27
Others	3	7	6	9
Total	62	77	76	71

Note 1: Adopted children as per Census of Population and Housing 1995: 545

Note 2: Before 2002, adoptions from Russia and Ethiopia were included in 'others'.

Source: Department of Family Welfare.

Chart 8.2. Local and foreign adoptions of children by Maltese couples: 1988-2008



CHAPTER 9

Migration
and
asylum

Summary

In 2007, the number of applications for asylum involving children dropped over the preceding year, but almost doubled in 2008 to 305. Of child asylum applicants in 2008, 98 per cent originated from Africa while 1 per cent were from Asia. Overall in 2007, 631 positive decisions were granted to applicants for asylum protection. This figure more than doubled in 2008 with 1,425 positive decisions granted. As at end 2008, 108 children were residing in Open Centres, the proportions for boys and girls standing at 65 and 35 per cent respectively. The largest group consisted of Somalis.

During 2008, 205 children were found to be illegally present in Malta, almost all Africans.

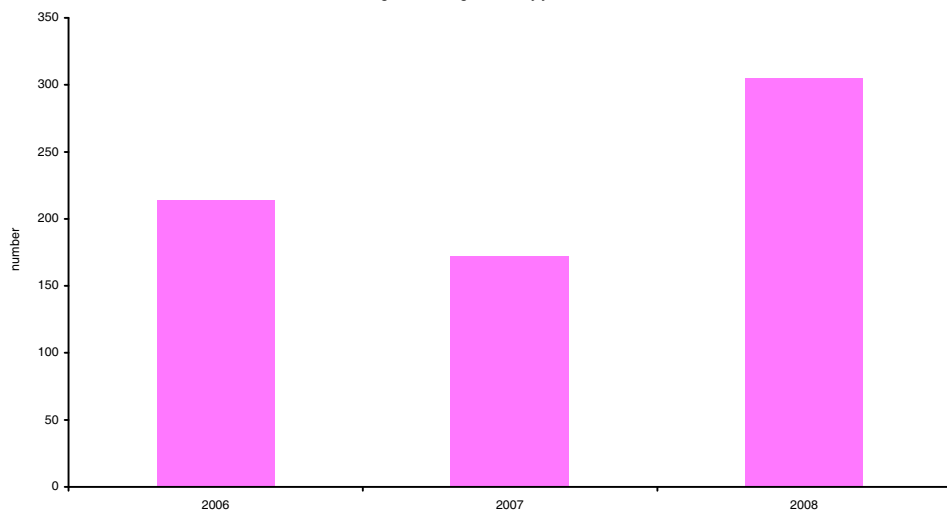
9.1. New applications for international protection filed at the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees involving children by country of citizenship: 2006-2008

Country of citizenship	2006			2007			2008		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Africa	168	39	207	141	28	169	250	50	300
Burkina Faso	4	-	4	3	-	3	4	-	4
Congo, the Republic of the	-	1	1	-	5	5	-	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	9	-	9	24	-	24	45	-	45
Eritrea	28	7	35	12	2	14	11	4	15
Ethiopia	23	6	29	20	5	25	6	3	9
Gambia	-	-	-	2	-	2	5	-	5
Ghana	7	1	8	10	-	10	16	-	16
Guinea	-	-	-	4	-	4	11	-	11
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	5	-	5	-	-	-
Liberia	5	-	5	3	-	3	4	-	4
Mali	2	-	2	11	-	11	35	-	35
Niger	13	-	13	9	2	11	18	-	18
Nigeria	14	3	17	6	6	12	16	12	28
Sierra Leone	2	-	2	2	-	2	3	-	3
Somalia	37	20	57	19	8	27	64	29	93
Sudan	9	-	9	4	-	4	-	-	-
Togo	11	-	11	5	-	5	5	-	5
Tunisia	1	1	2	-	-	-	2	1	3
Other Africa	3	-	3	2	-	2	5	1	6
Asia	7	-	7	1	2	3	2	2	4
Palestinian Territory, Occupied	6	-	6	1	-	1	1	1	2
Other Asia	1	-	1	-	2	2	1	1	2
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	175	39	214	142	30	172	252	53	305

Note: Figures may differ slightly from those already published due to updates in the databases.

Source: Office of the Commissioner for Refugees

Chart 9.1. New applications for international protection filed at the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees involving children by year: 2006-2008

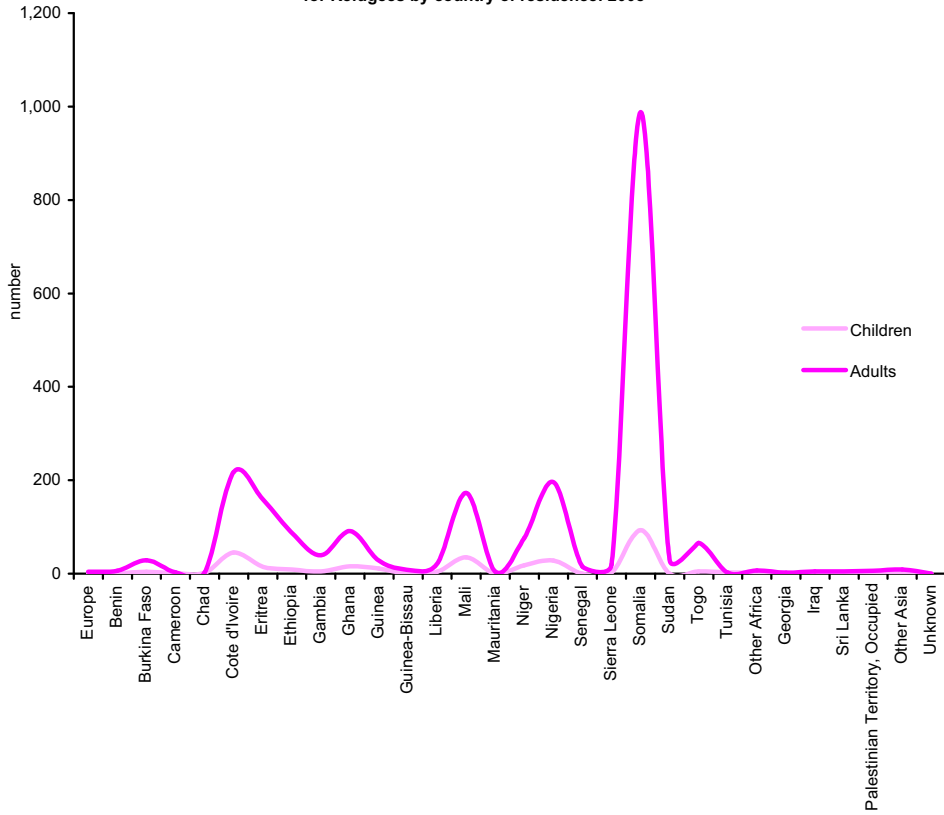


9.2. New applications for international protection filed at the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees by country of citizenship: 2008

Country of citizenship	Total	Males				Females			
		Total	Children	Adults	Unknown	Total	Children	Adults	Unknown
Europe	4	3	-	3	-	1	-	1	-
Africa	2,572	2,260	250	2,009	1	312	50	261	1
Benin	7	7	1	6	-	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	33	33	4	29	-	-	-	-	-
Cameroon	4	2	-	2	-	2	1	1	-
Chad	5	5	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	262	262	45	217	-	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	175	153	11	142	-	22	4	18	-
Ethiopia	97	78	6	72	-	19	3	16	-
Gambia	44	44	5	39	-	-	-	-	-
Ghana	107	106	16	90	-	1	-	1	-
Guinea	39	39	11	28	-	-	-	-	-
Guinea-Bissau	8	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	25	24	4	20	-	1	-	1	-
Mali	209	209	35	173	1	-	-	-	-
Mauritania	4	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Niger	94	93	18	75	-	1	-	1	-
Nigeria	224	172	16	156	-	52	12	40	-
Senegal	15	15	-	15	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	23	19	3	16	-	4	-	4	-
Somalia	1,082	875	64	811	-	207	29	177	1
Sudan	30	30	-	30	-	-	-	-	-
Togo	71	70	5	65	-	1	-	1	-
Tunisia	5	3	2	1	-	2	1	1	-
Other Africa	9	9	2	7	-	-	-	-	-
Asia	31	26	2	24	-	5	2	3	-
Georgia	4	2	1	1	-	2	1	1	-
Iraq	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
Sri Lanka	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
Palestinian Territory, Occupied	8	6	1	5	-	2	1	1	-
Other Asia	9	8	-	8	-	1	-	1	-
Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Total	2,608	2,289	252	2,036	1	319	53	265	1

Source: Office of the Commissioner for Refugees

Chart 9.2. New applications for international protection filed at the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees by country of residence: 2008



9.3. Minors in open centres: December 2008

Country of citizenship	Boys	Girls	Total
Cameroon	-	1	1
Eritrea	9	5	14
Ethiopia	11	3	14
Ghana	1	-	1
Mali	2	-	2
Nigeria	6	8	14
Palestine	-	1	1
Somalia	40	20	60
Sudan	1	-	1
Total	70	38	108

Source: The Organisation for the Integration and Welfare of Asylum Seekers

9.4. Positive decisions by type, citizenship and age of applicant: 2007-2008

Decision	Country of citizenship	Total	Males				Females			
			Total	0-17	18+	Unknown	Total	0-17	18+	Unknown
2007										
Provisional	Africa	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Refugee	Africa	7	5	-	5	-	2	1	1	-
	Somalia	4	2	-	2	-	2	1	1	-
	Other Africa	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Subsidiary protection	Africa	619	506	19	487	-	113	8	105	-
	Eritrea	214	197	5	192	-	17	2	15	-
	Sudan	33	33	1	32	-	-	-	-	-
	Somalia	368	272	10	262	-	96	6	90	-
	Other Africa	4	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
	Asia	4	-	-	-	-	4	2	2	-
	Iraq	4	-	-	-	-	4	2	2	-
2008										
Refugee	Africa	18	16	1	15	-	2	-	2	-
	Eritrea	10	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	-
	Ethiopia	5	3	1	2	-	2	-	2	-
	Other Africa	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Subsidiary protection	Africa	1,394	1,161	57	1,104	-	233	25	207	1
	Eritrea	255	232	5	227	-	23	3	20	-
	Sudan	16	16	-	16	-	-	-	-	-
	Somalia	1,122	913	52	861	-	209	22	186	1
	Other Africa	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
	Asia	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
Sri Lanka	5	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	
Temporary Humanitarian	Africa	7	7	4	3	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Office of the Commissioner for Refugees.

9.5. Third-country nationals who were found to be illegally present and who were subject to an obligation to leave by country of citizenship, of which children: 2008

Country of citizenship	Number	of which children
Europe	40	-
Ukraine	9	-
Serbia	16	-
Other Europe	15	-
Africa	2,917	204
Benin	9	-
Burkina Faso	25	-
Chad	10	2
Cote d'Ivoire	160	11
Egypt	24	7
Eritrea	145	9
Ethiopia	27	4
Gambia	38	1
Ghana	157	21
Guinea	27	-
Libya	139	-
Mali	186	5
Niger	27	3
Nigeria	349	33
Senegal	12	-
Somalia	1,443	101
Sudan	62	3
Togo	29	-
Tunisia	14	-
Other Africa	34	4
Asia	54	1
China (including Hong Kong)	9	1
Syrian Arab Republic	19	-
Other Asia	26	-
Other countries	2	-
Total	3,013	205

Source: Immigration Section - Police General Headquarters.

CHAPTER 10

Child-related
social benefits

Summary

The number of beneficiaries of child-related social benefits stood at 3,407 in 2008. This translates into a drop of 33 per cent since 1995.

In 2008, recipient families of children's allowances comprised 24,057 families with 1 child, 16,569 with 2 children, 3,695 with 3 children, and 867 families with 4 children or more.

The total government expenditure on child-related social benefits totalled €43 million in 2008. This is equivalent to 7 per cent of the total government expenditure on social benefits in the same year.

10.1. Number of beneficiaries of child-related social benefits: 1995-2008

Type of benefit	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Disabled child allowances	604	577	562	577	603	603	544
Orphan's allowances	13	15	15	12	12	11	10
Maternity benefits	4,458	4,079	4,013	3,652	3,424	3,305	2,958
Total	5,075	4,671	4,590	4,241	4,039	3,919	3,512
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Disabled child allowances	597	660	673	660	646	682	709
Orphan's allowances	12	13	10	9	14	11	11
Maternity benefits	3,243	2,839	2,774	2,671	2,497	2,629	2,687
Total	3,852	3,512	3,457	3,340	3,157	3,322	3,407

Source: Department of Social Security

10.2. Families receiving children's allowances by number of eligible children: 1995-2008

Eligible children	Number of families						
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1	22,598	21,141	18,368	19,186	19,270	19,576	17,849
2	19,669	19,255	17,702	17,234	16,459	15,871	13,424
3	5,794	5,652	5,115	4,911	4,688	4,449	3,682
4+	1,979	1,432	1,292	1,250	1,153	1,095	859
Total	50,040	47,480	42,477	42,581	41,570	40,991	35,814
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
1	18,412	18,169	18,247	17,662	17,265	16,228	24,057
2	14,064	13,746	14,594	13,704	12,871	11,830	16,569
3	3,778	3,679	3,974	3,613	3,364	3,094	3,695
4+	887	887	994	926	854	799	867
Total	37,141	36,481	37,809	35,905	34,354	31,951	45,188

Source: Department of Social Security

10.3. Government expenditure on child-related social benefits: 1995-2008

€

Type of benefit	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Children's allowances (million)	36.2	42.7	47.4	46.8	44.3	42.9	36.9
Orphan's allowances	28,185	27,841	31,074	28,321	32,625	25,017	22,958
Disabled child allowances	243,217	210,289	296,781	401,048	386,236	393,033	400,818
Maternity benefits (million)	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Children's allowances (million)	36.9	34.6	33.3	31.6	31.0	29.1	40.2
Orphan's allowances	43,951	41,530	40,026	29,937	51,731	40,913	59,638
Disabled child allowances	390,250	374,375	466,033	275,383	400,374	399,809	624,996
Maternity benefits (million)	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.8	2.1

Source: Department of Social Security

10.4. Total government expenditure on social benefits: 1995-2008

million €

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Social benefits ¹	251.1	281.9	301.2	326.1	350.5	365.1	390.9
Child-related benefits	37.6	44.2	49.0	48.7	46.1	44.6	38.7
Total	288.7	326.1	350.2	374.8	396.5	409.7	429.6
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Social benefits ¹	405.6	431.5	448.0	480.9	510.7	540.9	581.8
Child-related benefits	38.8	36.5	35.3	33.5	33.1	31.4	43.0
Total	444.3	468.0	483.2	514.4	543.8	572.3	624.8

¹ Not including child-related benefits.

Source: Department of Social Security

CHAPTER 11

Obstetrics

Summary

The majority of babies born in 2008 weighed between 2.5 and 5 kilograms.

At the time of discharge from the birthing facility, 58 per cent of the babies were breast-fed only, 33 per cent were bottle-fed only and 9 per cent had mixed feeding methods, i.e. breast and bottle.

Ninety-two per cent of mothers stated that they did not smoke during pregnancy, while 4 per cent smoked more than 3 cigarettes a day. Two per cent said they smoked between 1 and 3 cigarettes daily. On alcohol consumption, 98 per cent reported that they did not drink alcohol while pregnant, while a very small number – under 1 per cent – said that they had consumed up to 1 unit of alcohol daily. Of the mothers who gave birth in 2008, 1 per cent said they had a drug habit during their pregnancy.

11.1. Newborn babies by birth weight: 1999-2008

Weight (g)	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
< 500	2	4	-	1	3	-	-	1	4	3
500 - 1499	46	29	36	36	45	38	26	29	31	51
1500 - 2499	239	232	209	211	251	271	230	226	223	250
2500 - 4999	4,082	4,105	3,699	3,670	3,744	3,589	3,604	3,631	3,620	3,899
5000 +	4	-	1	5	2	1	1	-	-	4
Unspecified	9	7	9	3	9	3	4	4	20	21
Total	4,382	4,377	3,954	3,926	4,054	3,902	3,865	3,891	3,898	4,228

Note 1: Refers to births to Maltese and non-Maltese mothers.

Note 2: This table is not comparable with the Demographic Review since sources differ. Table 11.1 includes live births, stillbirths and babies born in Malta but registered abroad.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

11.2. Feeding methods at time of discharge from birthing facility: 1999-2008

Feeding method	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Breast only	2,076	2,305	1,880	1,914	2,165	2,130	2,332	2,384	2,143	2,407
Bottle only	1,463	1,503	1,469	1,537	1,427	1,218	1,098	1,032	1,019	1,370
Mixed (breast and bottle)	694	479	508	405	395	501	397	415	521	384
Other	32	25	29	12	16	32	31	57	68	62
Unspecified	117	65	68	58	51	21	7	3	147	5
Total	4,382	4,377	3,954	3,926	4,054	3,902	3,865	3,891	3,898	4,228

Note 1: Refers to births to Maltese and non-Maltese mothers.

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Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

Chart 11.1. Feeding methods at time of discharge from birthing facility: 1999

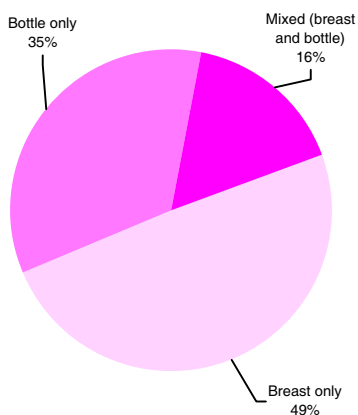


Chart 11.2. Feeding methods at time of discharge from birthing facility: 2008



11.3. Smoking habits of mothers during pregnancy: 1999-2008

Number of cigarettes	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
1-3 per day	90	69	87	23	18	58	36	22	25	89
>3 per day	285	314	230	100	105	218	167	83	90	175
None	3,918	3,905	3,591	3,690	3,824	3,552	3,574	3,605	3,493	3,827
Unspecified	18	23	9	59	48	10	27	112	245	63
Total	4,311	4,311	3,917	3,872	3,995	3,838	3,804	3,822	3,853	4,154

Source: Department of Health Information and Research

11.4. Drinking habits of mothers during pregnancy: 1999-2008

Alcohol consumption	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Up to 1 unit per day	6	3	2	2	-	-	-	1	-	3
> 1 unit per day	2	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
None	4,290	4,295	3,907	3,815	3,948	3,830	3,777	3,708	3,607	4,088
Unspecified	13	11	5	55	47	8	27	112	246	63
Total	4,311	4,311	3,917	3,872	3,995	3,838	3,804	3,822	3,853	4,154

Note: 1 unit of alcohol = 9 grams of absolute alcohol = 1 tot of standard spirit, 1 glass of wine, or half pint of beer

Source: Department of Health Information and Research

11.5. Drug habits of mothers during pregnancy: 1999-2008

Drug use	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Yes	16	13	7	6	8	12	12	9	19	28
No	4,281	4,285	3,905	3,811	3,941	3,818	3,765	3,701	3,589	4,061
Unspecified	14	13	5	55	46	8	27	112	245	65
Total	4,311	4,311	3,917	3,872	3,995	3,838	3,804	3,822	3,853	4,154

Note: Tables 11.3 - 11.5 refer to mothers, whereas tables 11.1 and 11.2 refer to births.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

Chart 11.3. Smoking habits of mothers during pregnancy: 1999-2008

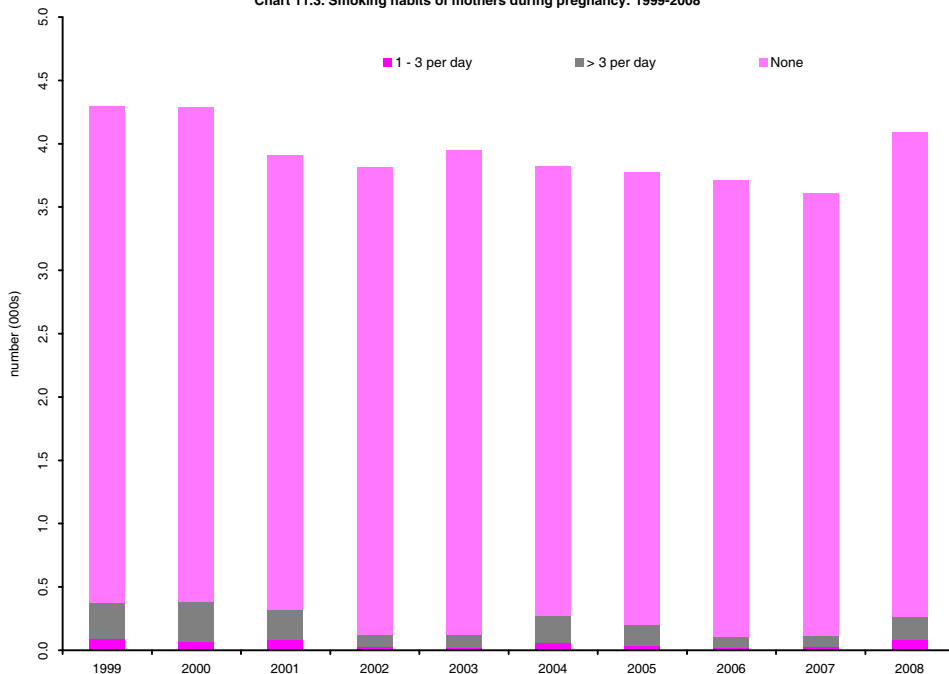
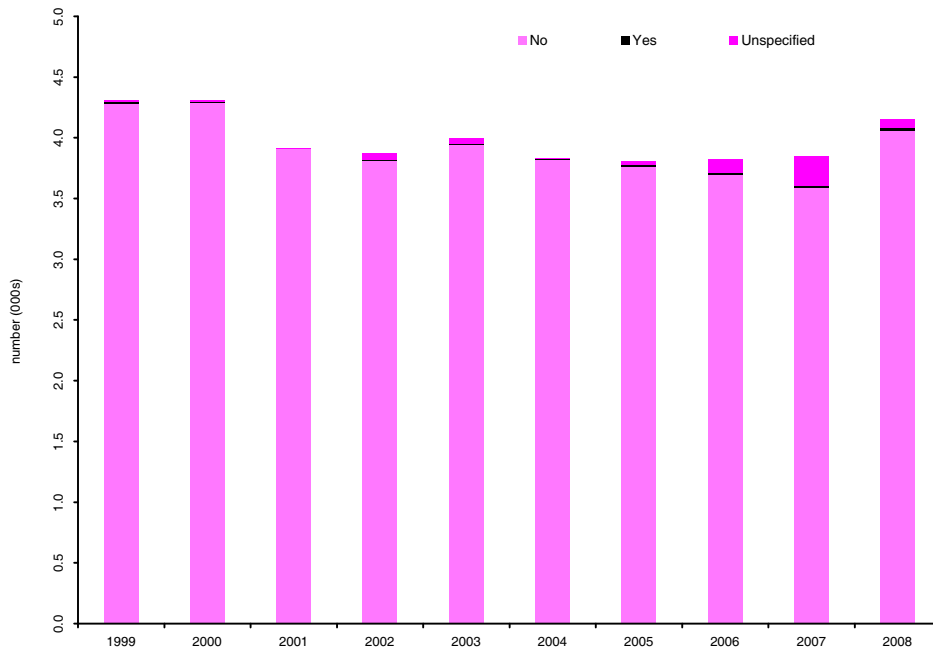


Chart 11.4. Drug habits of mothers during pregnancy: 1999-2008



CHAPTER 12

Health

Summary

In 2008, a total of 92,557 vaccines were given in Health Centres, a decrease of 3 per cent when compared to the preceding year. The coverage rates for vaccinations revealed that not all children were being vaccinated against diphtheria and/or tetanus, polio, whooping cough, M.M.R. and influenza type B.

With regard to hospitalisation of children in the 0-17 age bracket, the most common discharge diagnosis in connection with admissions to state-run hospitals were gastroenteritis and colitis. In 2008, 47 per cent of child admissions to hospital involved children aged under 5 years.

The total number of childhood cancer cases registered annually between 1993 and 2007 has continued to fluctuate; around an average of 13 cases per year. The most common type of cancer occurring in children up to the age of 14, over the same period, was leukaemia.

12.1. Vaccines given at Health Centres in Malta: 1999-2008 ...

Type of vaccine	Mosta	Rabat	Għajra	Qormi	Paola	Cospicua	Floriana	Total
1999								
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,878	468	912	834	2,300	-	1,265	7,657
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	1,109	327	593	788	1,880	-	1,729	6,426
Polio	2,994	771	1,430	2,020	3,800	-	3,056	14,071
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,951	462	942	853	2,385	-	1,304	7,897
Tetanus	918	479	407	1,029	358	223	991	4,405
Rubella	48	26	16	59	2	-	39	190
Diphtheria	3	-	9	-	18	-	87	117
Pertussis (whooping cough)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mumps	2	-	-	2	1	-	3	8
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	994	283	494	533	1,405	-	752	4,461
Influenza	2,423	1,298	2,034	2,324	2,396	-	4,420	14,895
Varicella	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	25
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	1,800
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	482	482
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	774	774
Hep B (hepatitis B)	579	132	326	338	495	-	1,822	3,692
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	19
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	934	934
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,006	3,006
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	274	274
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,254	1,254
Total	12,900	4,246	7,163	8,805	15,040	223	24,011	72,388
2000								
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,981	423	960	934	1,864	376	1,419	7,957
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	1,384	276	772	1,648	1,773	307	2,262	8,422
Polio	3,119	700	1,719	1,715	3,194	646	3,554	14,647
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	2,003	425	997	804	1,899	371	1,441	7,940
Tetanus	876	372	332	457	374	186	826	3,423
Rubella	48	12	30	-	2	-	102	194
Diphtheria	20	12	8	-	16	3	240	299
Mumps	9	5	6	6	-	2	19	47
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	890	403	482	527	1,038	239	994	4,573
Influenza	2,807	1,146	2,298	2,463	2,165	930	5,722	17,531
Varicella	-	11	-	14	-	-	-	25
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,559	1,559
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	223	223
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	2	-	-	1,060	1,062
Hep B (hepatitis B)	459	173	367	270	357	75	2,104	3,805
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	84	84
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,255	1,255
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,925	3,925
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	490	490
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,470	1,470
Total	13,596	3,958	7,971	8,840	12,682	3,135	28,749	78,931

... 12.1. Vaccines given at Health Centres in Malta: 1999-2008

Type of vaccine	Mosta	Rabat	Gżira	Qormi	Paola	Cospicua	Floriana	Total
2001								
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,797	447	822	905	1,856	374	1,149	7,350
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	1,086	206	344	554	1,279	198	794	4,461
Polio	2,925	863	1,327	1,596	3,165	561	3,133	13,570
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	2,203	464	828	909	1,952	349	1,221	7,926
Tetanus	664	168	485	356	1,024	353	1,291	4,341
Rubella	65	5	5	1	3	2	21	102
Diphtheria	16	1	19	-	-	-	56	92
Mumps	40	3	5	14	40	9	45	156
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	892	375	388	463	253	201	819	3,391
Influenza	1,610	725	1,940	1,432	1,857	700	2,719	10,983
Varicella	-	-	-	11	5	1	1	18
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,706	3,706
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,105	1,105
Hep B (hepatitis B)	691	126	583	328	314	72	2,371	4,485
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	142	142
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	437	437
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,200	2,200
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	294	294
M.Meningitis A&C	-	1	-	-	-	-	457	458
Twinrix	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,079	2,079
Vivotif	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,166	1,166
di-Te adult	156	65	141	195	131	41	1,414	2,143
Total	12,145	3,449	6,887	6,764	11,879	2,861	26,620	70,605
2002								
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,664	456	301	871	1,755	332	1,559	6,938
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	1,087	256	123	602	820	205	745	3,838
Polio	2,950	864	510	1,709	3,472	632	4,589	14,726
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,638	435	162	855	1,747	308	1,627	6,772
Tetanus	670	135	162	407	754	347	916	3,391
Rubella	86	10	21	33	111	5	138	404
Diphtheria	27	-	10	-	-	6	419	462
Mumps	26	3	-	6	16	-	35	86
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	588	183	117	385	624	125	683	2,705
Influenza	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	24,934
Varicella	9	-	-	21	3	-	23	56
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,248	2,248
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,463
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,049	1,049
Hep B (hepatitis B)	457	143	187	306	324	48	3,097	4,562
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	173	173
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,529	3,529
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	319	319
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	381	381
Twinrix	-	-	-	9	-	-	1,283	1,292
Vivotif	-	-	-	-	-	-	227	227
di-Te adult	773	147	138	258	896	66	2,153	4,431
Japanese Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Total	9,975	2,632	1,731	5,462	10,522	2,074	25,205	86,998

... 12.1. Vaccines given at Health Centres in Malta: 1999-2008

Type of vaccine	Mosla	Rabat	Gzira	Qormi	Paola	Cospicua	Floriana	B'Kara	Total
2003									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,807	462	826	841	1,959	244	1,197	100	7,436
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	716	135	400	421	754	133	545	20	3,124
Polio	3,199	919	1,636	1,724	3,704	526	3,764	157	15,629
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,801	456	798	842	1,937	233	1,164	107	7,338
Tetanus	522	164	294	205	709	120	435	7	2,456
Rubella	36	8	33	12	19	-	30	-	138
Diphtheria	-	-	8	1	-	-	190	2	201
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	824	284	341	513	971	175	924	29	4,061
Influenza	1,601	909	2,237	1,430	1,788	600	2,835	-	11,400
Varicella	-	-	2	33	7	-	7	-	49
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	367	-	367
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,788
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	2	-	-	-	1,057	-	1,059
Hep B (hepatitis B)	510	454	516	270	355	370	2,799	28	5,302
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	152
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	188	-	188
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,038	-	3,038
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	416	-	416
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	395	-	395
Twinrix	-	-	1	12	-	-	956	-	969
di-Te adult	1,033	325	538	625	992	136	2,124	37	5,810
5 in 1 (diphtheria,tetanus, acellular pertussis, polio, Hib)	-	-	4	-	-	-	2	-	6
Total	12,049	4,116	7,636	6,929	13,195	2,537	22,585	487	74,322
2004									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,284	420	901	810	1,534	606	1,184	649	7,388
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	526	225	313	418	628	233	435	206	2,984
Polio	2,336	887	1,659	1,701	3,006	1,107	4,623	1,216	16,535
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,318	444	920	822	1,519	581	1,239	674	7,517
Tetanus	416	161	290	267	412	144	428	106	2,224
Rubella	4	18	39	10	3	-	13	1	88
Diphtheria	6	-	10	10	12	2	371	7	418
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	627	247	414	454	929	257	868	364	4,160
Influenza	1,232	1,052	2,542	1,470	1,799	867	2,731	1,209	12,902
Varicella	-	-	3	62	5	-	15	4	89
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	433	-	433
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,723
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,058	-	1,058
Hep B (hepatitis B)	1,507	1,145	1,448	970	1,556	1,089	3,251	707	11,673
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	182	-	182
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,775	-	2,775
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	364	-	364
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	3	-	-	-	404	-	407
Twinrix	-	-	9	37	-	-	1,401	-	1,447
di-Te adult	767	290	499	640	946	336	2,864	413	6,755
5 in 1 (diphtheria,tetanus, acellular pertussis, polio, Hib)	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Total	10,023	4,889	9,052	7,671	12,349	5,222	24,639	5,556	84,124

... 12.1. Vaccines given at Health Centres in Malta: 1999-2008

Type of vaccine	Mosta	Rabat	Gżira	Qormi	Paola	Cospicua	Floriana	B'Kara	Total
2005*									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,196	492	794	929	-	2,040	1,168	671	7,290
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	528	225	415	353	-	802	525	213	3,061
Polio	2,403	997	1,665	1,894	-	4,103	3,760	1,229	16,051
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,199	481	802	694	-	1,800	1,282	678	6,936
Tetanus	520	143	370	274	-	450	595	195	2,547
Rubella	7	13	18	6	-	12	19	1	76
Diphtheria	-	-	29	17	-	30	452	6	534
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	977	593	848	642	-	1,787	1,197	524	6,568
Influenza	6,662	4,246	6,954	5,646	-	8,171	8,994	4,615	45,288
Varicella	1	-	1	67	-	-	6	-	75
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	304	-	304
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,906
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,045	-	1,045
Hep B (hepatitis B)	1,746	946	1,539	1,153	-	2,586	3,145	858	11,973
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	114	-	114
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	109	-	109
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,933	-	2,933
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	346	-	346
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	518	-	518
Twinrix	2	-	1	22	-	-	1,765	-	1,790
di-Te adult	825	319	474	670	-	1,132	1,862	379	5,661
Total	16,066	8,455	13,910	12,367	-	22,913	30,139	9,369	116,125
2006									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,272	487	760	785	414	1,614	1,151	690	7,173
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	471	204	301	333	115	688	430	226	2,768
Polio	2,320	926	1,484	1,514	781	3,092	3,282	1,187	14,586
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,282	489	764	786	436	1,601	1,183	687	7,228
Tetanus	277	161	250	133	55	216	366	86	1,544
Diphtheria	21	-	-	12	-	27	327	12	399
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	796	324	696	655	181	1,216	1,230	477	5,575
Influenza	3,921	2,052	4,593	3,346	3,649	1,496	5,223	3,172	27,452
Varicella	-	1	-	-	2	1	9	1	14
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	362	-	362
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,920
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	5	-	-	979	-	984
Hep B (hepatitis B)	1,577	632	1,302	1,266	457	2,089	3,164	918	11,405
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	374	-	374
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	114	-	114
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,939	-	2,939
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	479	-	479
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	384	-	384
Twinrix	-	-	-	14	-	-	1,843	2	1,859
di-Te adult	730	266	553	510	282	1,003	2,604	324	6,272
Total	12,667	5,542	10,703	9,359	6,372	13,043	26,443	7,782	97,831

... 12.1. Vaccines given at Health Centres in Malta: 1999-2008

Type of vaccine	Mosta	Rabat	Gżira	Qormi	Paola	Cospicua	Floriana	B'Kara	Total
2007									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	1,309	428	908	763	1,890	272	1,192	679	7,441
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	384	146	276	266	579	99	403	176	2,329
Polio	2,175	722	1,461	1,402	3,324	437	5,325	1,033	15,879
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	1,335	429	910	785	1,933	303	1,212	683	7,590
Tetanus	65	51	57	13	56	43	248	54	587
Diphtheria	18	2	6	1	-	9	251	-	287
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	698	257	566	502	1,050	173	975	381	4,602
Influenza	3,403	2,127	4,903	3,374	3,539	1,470	4,783	2,817	26,416
Varicella	3	2	3	4	6	-	16	1	35
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	215	-	215
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,645
Hep A (hepatitis A)	2	-	-	8	5	-	1,071	-	1,086
Hep B (hepatitis B)	1,615	549	1,124	1,028	1,944	356	3,239	770	10,625
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	404	-	404
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	114	-	114
Typhoid	1	-	-	-	-	-	2,733	-	2,734
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	530	-	530
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	1	-	-	-	560	-	561
Twinrix	7	3	-	6	-	-	1,903	-	1,919
di-Te adult	680	200	535	507	1,137	95	3,958	226	7,338
5 in 1 (diphtheria,tetanus, acellular pertussis, polio, Hib)	-	3	4	2	-	-	43	-	52
Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine	1	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	9
Total	11,696	4,919	10,754	8,669	15,463	3,257	29,175	6,820	95,398
2008									
DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	766	333	681	647	1,201	221	864	533	5,246
DT (diphtheria, tetanus)	314	151	253	284	491	94	415	222	2,224
Polio	1,932	763	1,491	1,519	2,991	481	4,094	1,081	14,352
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	760	345	681	639	1,286	221	864	537	5,333
Tetanus	48	19	44	21	62	8	96	13	311
Diphtheria	3	-	-	3	-	-	143	-	149
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	634	218	565	470	998	150	967	289	4,291
Influenza	3,949	2,136	5,093	3,872	3,733	1,421	6,782	2,999	29,985
Varicella	5	-	4	47	12	-	40	-	108
Tuberculin	-	-	-	-	-	-	259	-	259
BCG (tuberculosis)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,313
Hep A (hepatitis A)	-	-	-	4	2	-	1,015	-	1,021
Hep B (hepatitis B)	1,454	529	1,104	983	2,091	291	2,908	634	9,994
Rabies	-	-	-	-	-	-	251	-	251
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	-	64
Typhoid	-	-	-	6	-	-	2,537	-	2,543
Yellow fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	565	-	565
M.Meningitis A&C	-	-	-	-	-	-	416	-	416
Twinrix	10	-	2	4	-	2	2,398	-	2,416
di-Te adult	643	280	582	510	917	110	2,822	236	6,100
5 in 1 (diphtheria,tetanus, acellular pertussis, polio, Hib)	3	-	-	14	4	1	57	2	81
Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine	10	-	7	27	-	-	1	-	45
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Hib	461	124	252	278	637	117	434	187	2,490
Total	10,992	4,898	10,759	9,328	14,425	3,117	27,992	6,733	92,557

Note: Some vaccines, including rabies, cholera, typhoid and yellow fever are given only at the Floriana Health Centre. BCG (tuberculosis) is given by the School Health Service, so only totals are available.

* 2005: Paola Health Centre closed for refurbishment. Services transferred to Cospicua.

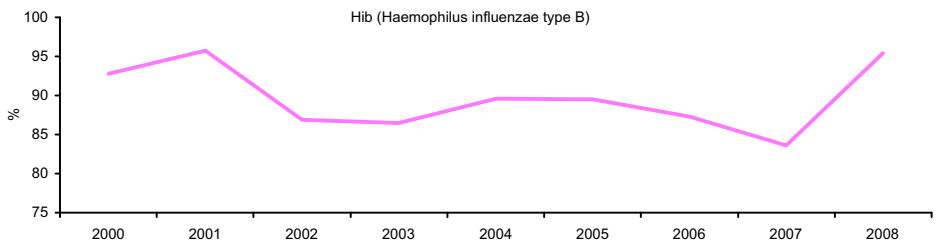
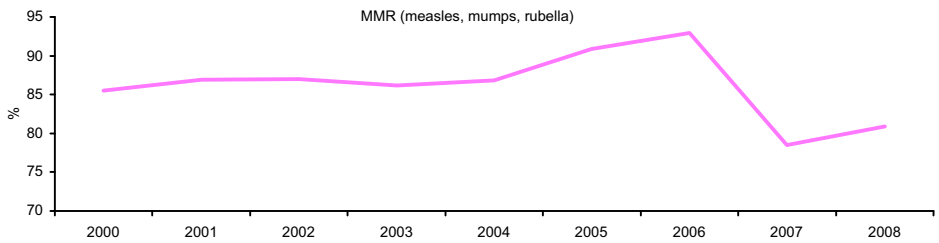
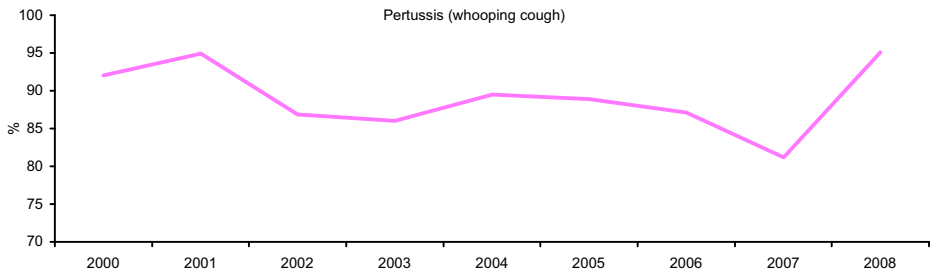
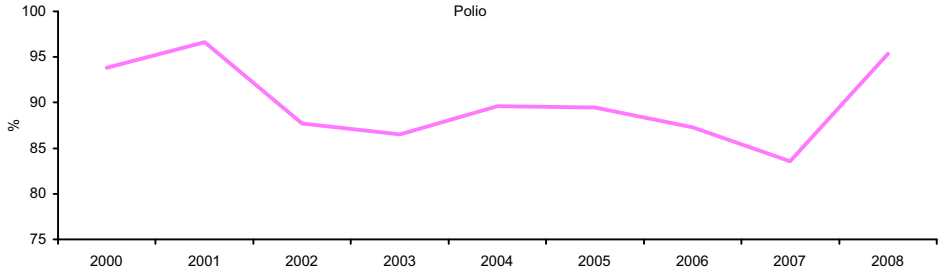
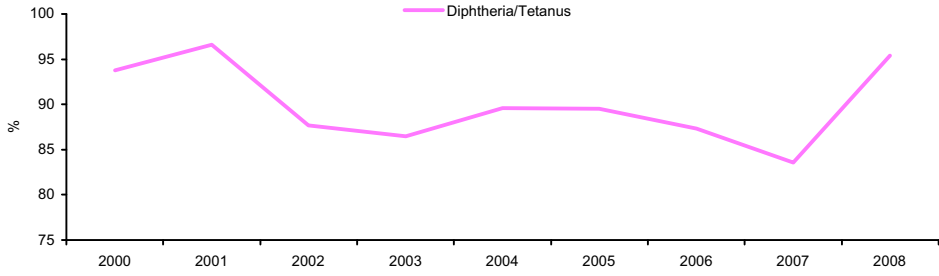
Source: National Immunisation Service, Floriana.

12.2. Vaccination coverage rates for children: 1999-2008

Vaccine	Coverage percentage	Vaccine	Coverage percentage
1999		2000	
Diphtheria/Tetanus	93.2	Diphtheria/Tetanus	93.8
Polio	93.3	Polio	93.8
Pertussis (whooping cough)	90.7	Pertussis (whooping cough)	92.0
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	89.5	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	85.5
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	91.7	Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	92.8
2001		2002	
Diphtheria/Tetanus	96.6	Diphtheria/Tetanus	87.7
Polio	96.6	Polio	87.7
Pertussis (whooping cough)	94.9	Pertussis (whooping cough)	86.9
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	86.9	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	87.0
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	95.8	Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	86.9
2003		2004	
Diphtheria/Tetanus	86.5	Diphtheria/Tetanus	89.6
Polio	86.5	Polio	89.6
Pertussis (whooping cough)	86.0	Pertussis (whooping cough)	89.5
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	86.2	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	86.8
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	86.5	Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	89.6
2005		2006	
Diphtheria/Tetanus	89.5	Diphtheria/Tetanus	87.3
Polio	89.5	Polio	87.3
Pertussis (whooping cough)	88.9	Pertussis (whooping cough)	87.1
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	90.9	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	92.9
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	89.5	Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	87.3
2007		2008	
Diphtheria/Tetanus	83.6	Diphtheria/Tetanus	95.4
Polio	83.6	Polio	95.4
Pertussis (whooping cough)	81.2	Pertussis (whooping cough)	95.1
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	78.5	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	80.9
Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	83.6	Hib (haemophilus influenzae type B)	95.4

Source: Floriana Health Centre.

Chart 12.1. Vaccination coverage rates for children: 2000-2008



Some notes about vaccinations for children in the Maltese Islands

Diphtheria

Important outbreaks of this disease occurred in 1906 and in 1947. The latter had mostly affected children under the age of 5, hence, an anti-diphtheria inoculation campaign for children between 9 months and 5 years of age was started in February 1949. Following this, there was an irregular decline in the incidence of the disease. The last case in Malta was reported in 1969.

Pertussis (whooping cough)

Peak years in the incidence of whooping cough included 1900, 1913, 1917, 1923, 1947-48, 1952, 1957 and 1961. Because of the relatively low mortality ever since antibiotics have become available, this disease has never been accorded the degree of attention given to other communicable diseases. Efforts to control the disease through vaccination have been hampered by certain fears, mostly unfounded, that the pertussis vaccine instils in the public. As a result of this, pertussis remains a threat, although less common than it used to be.

Poliomyelitis (Polio)

This condition was first noted in Malta in the 1920s, when small numbers of cases and single deaths were attributed to it. In 1942-43, an epidemic of nearly 400 cases occurred, resulting in 17 deaths. From 1962 to 1964, mass immunisation campaigns against polio were undertaken. The last case of this disease in the Maltese Islands was reported in 1964.

Measles

During the 20th century, measles regularly caused epidemics in the Maltese Islands. The most serious of these occurred in 1946, with a staggering amount of 21,168 reported cases and 240 deaths. Of the latter, 178 occurred in children under 3 years of age. Outbreaks of measles continued to occur periodically, roughly every four to five years. In 1989, the concerted vaccination campaign against this disease averted the periodic outbreak expected in 1990. Nevertheless, minor outbreaks continue to occur. This suggests that, unless there is sustained emphasis upon vaccination, there is a risk that this disease will take serious hold.

12.3. Most common discharge diagnoses in child admissions to St. Luke's/Mater Dei hospitals: 2002-2008 ...

Main discharge diagnosis	0-4			5-9			10-14			15-17			Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	
2002													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	120	112	232	63	43	106	15	15	30	2	3	5	373
Head injury, other and unspecified	82	74	156	50	28	78	36	10	46	13	7	20	300
Acute bronchitis	107	66	173	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	175
Abdominal and pelvic pain	10	5	15	22	26	48	39	40	79	10	22	32	174
Asthma	56	25	81	26	7	33	5	3	8	5	4	9	131
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	32	44	76	11	6	17	4	2	6	-	3	3	102
Other respiratory disorders (includes chest infection)	31	31	62	9	6	15	3	4	7	4	1	5	89
Acute tonsillitis	29	16	45	8	8	16	2	6	8	4	15	19	88
Gastritis and duodenitis	18	22	40	19	13	32	7	7	14	-	2	2	88
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	42	38	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
2003													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	86	94	180	37	33	70	16	13	29	3	2	5	284
Head injury, other and unspecified	79	71	150	43	23	66	25	14	39	15	4	19	274
Abdominal and pelvic pain	14	15	29	33	42	75	28	32	60	12	28	40	204
Acute tonsillitis	52	36	88	27	22	49	11	11	22	11	15	26	185
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	58	45	103	13	20	33	8	6	14	1	-	1	151
Acute bronchitis	74	58	132	2	1	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	136
Asthma	34	20	54	18	5	23	11	8	19	2	5	7	103
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	52	39	91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91
Other diseases of hard tissues of teeth	10	9	19	13	11	24	11	14	25	11	4	15	83
Acute obstructive laryngitis (croup) and epiglottitis	40	13	53	14	2	16	2	-	2	-	-	-	71
2004													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	106	100	206	42	49	91	13	16	29	2	2	4	330
Head injury, other and unspecified	99	70	169	45	19	64	27	6	33	13	4	17	283
Acute tonsillitis	69	37	106	60	25	85	15	25	40	6	17	23	254
Abdominal and pelvic pain	6	7	13	31	20	51	47	47	94	16	21	37	195
Acute bronchitis	88	48	136	4	1	5	2	-	2	-	1	1	144
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	55	44	99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	39	28	67	5	10	15	4	2	6	1	-	1	89
Gastritis and duodenitis	27	19	46	7	11	18	6	6	12	7	2	9	85
Asthma	23	17	40	18	9	27	4	3	7	6	4	10	84
Chronic diseases of tonsils and adenoids	21	16	37	17	11	28	3	5	8	6	1	7	80
2005													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	155	149	304	50	66	116	20	17	37	3	5	8	465
Acute tonsillitis	61	46	107	44	42	86	13	28	41	18	20	38	272
Head injury, other and unspecified	77	74	151	34	16	50	26	11	37	7	9	16	254
Abdominal and pelvic pain	9	6	15	31	21	52	38	42	80	15	25	40	187
Acute bronchitis	106	56	162	1	4	5	1	-	1	-	-	-	168
Acute pbstructive laryngitis (croup) and epiglottitis	44	26	70	14	2	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	86
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	35	30	65	8	5	13	2	5	7	1	-	1	86
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	43	41	84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84
Asthma	20	14	34	16	3	19	16	4	20	-	6	6	79
Gastritis and duodenitis	12	22	34	13	11	24	7	6	13	4	3	7	78

... 12.3. Most common discharge diagnoses in child admissions to St. Luke's/Mater Dei hospitals: 2002-2008

Main discharge diagnosis	0-4			5-9			10-14			15-17			Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	
2006													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	161	131	292	59	57	116	22	18	40	6	1	7	455
Acute tonsillitis	72	53	125	36	35	71	10	17	27	22	21	43	266
Abdominal and pelvic pain	15	9	24	47	33	80	53	62	115	9	32	41	260
Head injury, other and unspecified	71	67	138	40	20	60	30	10	40	16	3	19	257
Acute bronchitis	130	69	199	2	1	3	3	-	3	-	-	-	205
Gastritis and duodenitis	26	30	56	21	18	39	10	18	28	5	2	7	130
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	65	50	115	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	115
Redundant prepuce, phimosis and paraphimosis	35	-	35	47	-	47	19	-	19	7	-	7	108
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	28	36	64	8	1	9	3	5	8	3	1	4	85
Hordeolum and chalazion	8	15	23	5	10	15	6	12	18	3	13	16	72
2007													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	88	97	185	27	34	61	12	12	24	2	8	10	280
Head injury, other and unspecified	78	69	147	27	18	45	42	7	49	12	5	17	258
Abdominal and pelvic pain	14	10	24	42	28	70	54	55	109	13	30	43	246
Acute tonsillitis	59	41	100	27	29	56	12	21	33	11	25	36	225
Acute bronchitis	55	37	92	4	2	6	1	-	1	-	-	-	99
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	44	34	78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	78
Hordeolum and chalazion	11	9	20	10	12	22	5	10	15	4	16	20	77
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	31	22	53	7	3	10	2	4	6	-	1	1	70
Acute bronchiolitis	40	28	68	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	69
Redundant prepuce, phimosis and paraphimosis	26	-	26	27	-	27	10	-	10	3	-	3	66
2008													
Gastroenteritis and colitis, other non-infective	157	147	304	43	58	101	16	25	41	5	11	16	462
Head injury, other and unspecified	88	60	148	38	29	67	32	12	44	23	11	34	293
Abdominal and pelvic pain	8	7	15	41	36	77	58	70	128	9	51	60	280
Acute tonsillitis	56	34	90	27	17	44	9	15	24	12	20	32	190
Acute bronchitis	81	50	131	3	-	3	1	1	2	-	-	-	136
Convulsions (includes febrile convulsions)	48	22	70	8	7	15	5	11	16	4	6	10	111
Chronic diseases of tonsils and adenoids	24	13	37	16	14	30	6	11	17	1	12	13	97
Redundant prepuce, phimosis and paraphimosis	18	-	18	40	-	40	13	-	13	7	-	7	78
Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight	53	20	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73
Gastritis and duodenitis	24	6	30	9	10	19	3	4	7	5	8	13	69

Note: The information available to the Clinical Performance Unit concerns exclusively admissions to St. Luke's/Mater Dei hospital notified through the Hospital Activity Analysis System, Malta.

Source: Hospital Activity Analysis Database, SLH/MDH

12.4. Most common discharge diagnoses in hospitalised children in Gozo: 2004-2008 ...

Main discharge diagnosis	0-4			5-9			10-14			15-17			Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	
2004													
Abdominal/pelvic symptoms other than digestive/urinary system	1	-	1	1	2	3	11	5	16	-	2	2	22
General symptoms (e.g. faints, dizziness, fever of unknown origin)	-	2	2	2	1	3	6	4	10	3	3	6	21
Head injury and other/ unspecified intracranial injury	5	1	6	4	2	6	1	2	3	2	2	4	19
Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis	3	4	7	-	2	2	1	2	3	1	-	1	13
Chronic disease of tonsils/adenoids	1	-	1	2	5	7	1	-	1	-	-	-	9
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	3	1	4	-	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	7
Asthma	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	7
Acute laryngitis and tracheitis (croup)	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Inguinal hernia	2	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Acute upper respiratory infections of multiple or unspecified site	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Diseases of hard tissues of teeth	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Gastritis/ duodenitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Total	19	14	33	11	14	25	21	16	37	6	8	14	109
2005													
Abdominal pain	-	2	2	5	1	6	13	9	22	3	12	15	45
Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis	11	8	19	7	6	13	4	2	6	2	-	2	40
Injury of head	4	4	8	5	1	6	8	-	8	1	2	3	25
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	12	8	20	1	2	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	24
Febrile convulsions	2	5	7	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Acute obstructive laryngitis (croup)	5	2	7	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Gastritis	2	5	7	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	8
Asthma	3	2	5	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	7
Chronic tonsillitis	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	4
Diseases of hard tissues of teeth	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	40	37	77	20	13	33	26	13	39	8	14	22	171
2006													
Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis	16	18	34	6	7	13	-	1	1	2	-	2	50
Abdominal pain	2	4	6	5	5	10	13	2	15	1	12	13	44
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	22	17	39	1	2	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	43
Injury of head	7	4	11	6	6	12	5	4	9	7	-	7	39
Gastritis	1	2	3	9	4	13	6	2	8	-	1	1	25
Chronic tonsillitis	3	1	4	6	5	11	1	1	2	1	3	4	21
Asthma	2	-	2	3	3	6	1	-	1	-	-	-	9
Acute obstructive laryngitis (croup)	4	2	6	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Diseases of hard tissues of teeth	1	-	1	3	2	5	-	1	1	-	-	-	7
Febrile convulsions	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Total	60	50	110	39	36	75	26	12	38	11	16	27	250

... 12.4. Most common discharge diagnoses in hospitalised children in Gozo: 2004-2008

Main discharge diagnosis	0-4			5-9			10-14			15-17			Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	
2007													
Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis	8	14	22	4	3	7	6	1	7	5	1	6	42
Abdominal pain	-	2	2	2	2	4	16	5	21	1	8	9	36
Injury of head	6	5	11	3	2	5	3	1	4	3	-	3	23
Chronic tonsillitis	4	2	6	3	3	6	3	-	3	-	3	3	18
Gastritis	1	3	4	3	4	7	2	-	2	-	3	3	16
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	7	4	11	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	12
Diseases of hard tissues of teeth	-	-	-	2	5	7	1	3	3	-	-	-	10
Asthma	4	-	4	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	2	8
Acute obstructive laryngitis (croup)	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Febrile convulsions	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Total	37	31	68	19	19	38	32	10	41	9	17	26	173
2008													
Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis	16	8	24	7	7	14	6	5	11	2	2	4	53
Abdominal pain	1	-	1	2	2	4	12	7	19	3	15	18	42
Injury of head	5	6	11	6	2	8	4	3	7	2	2	4	30
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	14	10	24	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	25
Gastritis	4	5	9	3	4	7	6	-	6	-	-	-	22
Chronic tonsillitis	3	2	5	7	2	9	-	2	2	1	-	1	17
Diseases of hard tissues of teeth	-	1	1	5	2	7	-	-	-	1	-	1	9
Febrile convulsions	6	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Acute obstructive laryngitis (croup)	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Asthma	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	55	32	87	30	19	49	28	18	46	9	19	28	210

Source: Gozo General Hospital

12.5. Hospital admissions of children: 1997-2008 ...

Age	Boys		Girls		Unspecified		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
1997								
0-4	1,588	51.0	982	45.2	-	-	2,570	48.6
5-9	711	22.9	399	18.3	-	-	1,110	21.0
10-14	517	16.6	331	15.2	-	-	848	16.0
15-17	295	9.5	463	21.3	-	-	758	14.4
Total	3,111	100.0	2,175	100.0	-	-	5,286	100.0
1998								
0-4	1,793	53.8	1,133	45.0	-	-	2,926	50.0
5-9	638	19.2	470	18.7	-	-	1,108	19.0
10-14	535	16.1	401	15.9	-	-	936	16.0
15-17	364	10.9	515	20.4	-	-	879	15.0
Total	3,330	100.0	2,519	100.0	-	-	5,849	100.0
1999								
0-4	1,599	50.3	1,078	45.2	-	-	2,677	48.1
5-9	674	21.2	484	20.3	-	-	1,158	20.8
10-14	510	16.1	365	15.3	-	-	875	15.7
15-17	394	12.4	459	19.2	-	-	853	15.4
Total	3,177	100.0	2,386	100.0	-	-	5,563	100.0
2000								
0-4	1,700	53.5	1,160	46.6	-	-	2,860	50.5
5-9	703	22.1	519	20.9	-	-	1,222	21.6
10-14	478	15.0	395	15.9	-	-	873	15.4
15-17	298	9.4	414	16.6	-	-	712	12.5
Total	3,179	100.0	2,488	100.0	-	-	5,667	100.0
2001								
0-4	1,622	53.8	1,057	45.8	-	-	2,679	50.4
5-9	694	23.0	474	20.6	-	-	1,168	22.0
10-14	423	14.1	350	15.2	-	-	773	14.5
15-17	274	9.1	424	18.4	-	-	698	13.1
Total	3,013	100.0	2,305	100.0	-	-	5,318	100.0
2002								
0-4	1,536	43.5	1,038	38.6	102	82.3	2,676	42.2
5-9	933	26.4	672	25.0	14	11.3	1,619	25.5
10-14	667	18.9	502	18.7	5	4.0	1,174	18.5
15-17	394	11.2	476	17.7	3	2.4	873	13.8
Total	3,530	100.0	2,688	100.0	124	100.0	6,342	100.0

... 12.5. Hospital admissions of children: 1997-2008

Age	Boys		Girls		Unspecified		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2003								
0-4	1,469	44.1	1,045	40.4	39	100.0	2,553	42.9
5-9	861	25.8	614	23.8	-	-	1,475	24.8
10-14	629	18.9	429	16.6	-	-	1,058	17.8
15-17	372	11.2	497	19.2	-	-	869	14.6
Total	3,331	100.0	2,585	100.0	39	100.0	5,955	100.0
2004								
0-4	1,663	44.2	1,182	41.9	248	88.9	3,093	45.1
5-9	917	24.4	572	20.3	14	5.0	1,503	21.9
10-14	725	19.3	534	18.9	9	3.2	1,268	18.5
15-17	455	12.1	536	19.0	8	2.9	999	14.6
Total	3,760	100.0	2,824	100.0	279	100.0	6,863	100.0
2005								
0-4	1,846	45.2	1,410	41.6	293	86.9	3,549	45.4
5-9	914	22.4	714	21.1	19	5.6	1,647	21.1
10-14	848	20.8	646	19.1	12	3.6	1,506	19.3
15-17	478	11.7	618	18.2	13	3.9	1,109	14.2
Total	4,086	100.0	3,388	100.0	337	100.0	7,811	100.0
2006								
0-4	2,025	44.2	1,574	43.2	294	90.5	3,893	45.5
5-9	1,076	23.5	699	19.2	19	5.8	1,794	21.0
10-14	916	20.0	717	19.7	10	3.1	1,643	19.2
15-17	562	12.3	655	18.0	2	0.6	1,219	14.3
Total	4,579	100.0	3,645	100.0	325	100.0	8,549	100.0
2007								
0-4	1,736	43.8	1,312	42.7	293	83.7	3,341	45.2
5-9	836	21.1	520	16.9	30	8.6	1,386	18.8
10-14	835	21.1	572	18.6	11	3.1	1,418	19.2
15-17	555	14.0	668	21.7	16	4.6	1,239	16.8
Total	3,962	100.0	3,072	100.0	350	100.0	7,384	100.0
2008								
0-4	2,173	48.3	1,484	42.3	279	74.8	3,936	47.0
5-9	928	20.6	591	16.9	56	15.0	1,575	18.8
10-14	853	18.9	685	19.5	15	4.0	1,553	18.5
15-17	548	12.2	746	21.3	23	6.2	1,317	15.7
Total	4,502	100.0	3,506	100.0	373	100.0	8,381	100.0

Note: Figures for 2002 and 2003 exclude Gozo. Figures for 2004 for Gozo cover July-December only.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

12.6. Average length of stay of children in state hospitals in days: 1997-2008

Age	Boys	Girls	Unspecified	Total	Age	Boys	Girls	Unspecified	Total
1997					1998				
0-4	3.5	3.5	-	3.5	0-4	3.6	4.1	-	3.8
5-9	2.5	2.4	-	2.5	5-9	2.4	2.8	-	2.6
10-14	3.3	3.0	-	3.2	10-14	3.8	4.0	-	3.9
15-17	2.6	2.7	-	2.6	15-17	3.1	3.5	-	3.3
Total	3.2	3.1	-	3.1	Total	3.3	3.7	-	3.5
1999					2000				
0-4	3.5	3.6	-	3.5	0-4	3.2	3.4	-	3.3
5-9	2.1	2.6	-	2.3	5-9	2.6	2.1	-	2.4
10-14	2.7	3.0	-	2.8	10-14	2.5	2.5	-	2.5
15-17	2.6	2.9	-	2.8	15-17	2.9	2.9	-	2.9
Total	3.0	3.2	-	3.1	Total	2.9	2.9	-	2.9
2001					2002				
0-4	3.4	4.4	-	3.8	0-4	3.4	3.6	3.8	3.5
5-9	2.1	2.5	-	2.2	5-9	2.7	2.6	2.9	2.6
10-14	2.6	2.8	-	2.7	10-14	2.4	2.6	3.4	2.5
15-17	3.7	2.4	-	2.9	15-17	2.9	2.8	6.7	2.8
Total	3.0	3.4	-	3.2	Total	2.9	3.0	3.8	3.0
2003					2004				
0-4	4.3	4.1	5.1	4.2	0-4	6.2	6.6	3.7	6.4
5-9	2.7	2.8	-	2.7	5-9	4.3	4.7	5.3	4.5
10-14	2.7	2.7	-	2.7	10-14	4.5	4.1	2.0	4.3
15-17	3.0	2.8	-	2.9	15-17	16.3	4.4	2.3	16.3
Total	3.4	3.3	5.1	3.4	Total	6.8	5.5	3.7	6.3
2005					2006				
0-4	6.1	6.5	3.8	6.3	0-4	6.7	6.8	2.6	6.6
5-9	4.2	5.6	1.3	4.8	5-9	4.7	4.7	2.3	4.7
10-14	5.1	5.9	2.7	5.4	10-14	4.6	5.0	1.9	4.8
15-17	4.5	4.2	2.7	4.4	15-17	5.7	5.1	2.0	5.4
Total	5.3	5.8	3.5	5.6	Total	5.8	5.8	2.5	5.8
2007					2008				
0-4	6.7	6.4	2.8	6.5	0-4	6.7	5.9	2.5	6.3
5-9	4.4	4.6	1.4	4.5	5-9	3.9	4.4	1.3	4.0
10-14	5.7	4.3	1.8	5.2	10-14	4.3	4.4	1.9	4.3
15-17	5.5	4.7	1.8	5.1	15-17	4.6	5.7	2.1	5.2
Total	5.9	5.5	2.6	5.7	Total	5.5	5.3	2.3	5.4

Note: Figures for 2002 and 2003 exclude Gozo. Figures for 2004 for Gozo cover July-December only.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research.

12.7. Registered childhood cancer cases: 1993-2007

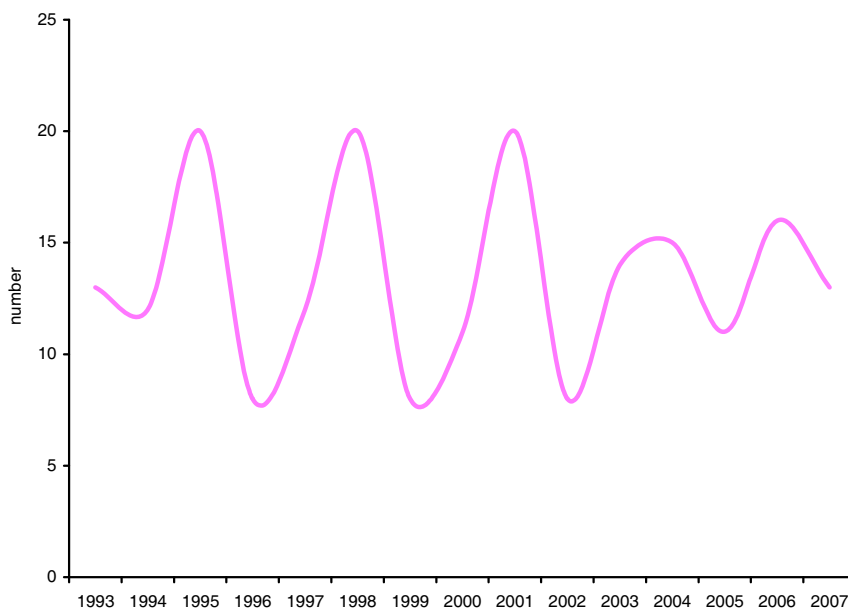
Year	Boys	Girls	Total
1993	9	4	13
1994	8	4	12
1995	10	10	20
1996	5	3	8
1997	7	5	12
1998	11	9	20
1999	3	5	8
2000	4	7	11
2001	13	7	20
2002	6	2	8
2003	10	4	14
2004	10	5	15
2005	3	8	11
2006	9	7	16
2007	11	2	13
Total	119	82	201

Note 1: 2007 data is still provisional. 2008 data is not available

Note 2: Childhood cancers are classified as such when they occur in persons up to the age of 14.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research

Chart 12.2. Registered childhood cancer cases: 1993-2007



12.8. Registered childhood cancer cases by main diagnostic group: 1993-2007

Main diagnostic group	Boys	Girls	Total
1993-2000			
Leukaemias	20	13	33
Lymphomas ¹	8	4	12
Central nervous system tumours (brain and spine)	9	10	19
Sympathetic nervous system (neuroblastoma and ganglioneuroblastoma)	6	4	10
Retinoblastoma ²	3	2	5
Renal (kidney) tumours	3	4	7
Malignant bone tumours	2	3	5
Soft tissue tumours (tumours arising in muscle, connective tissues, fatty tissues, etc.)	5	3	8
Germ cell tumours (arising in the gonad: ovary or testis, or elsewhere)	-	1	1
Carcinomas ³ (includes adrenocortical, thyroid, nasopharyngeal and skin carcinomas and malignant melanoma)	1	3	4
Total	57	47	104
2001-2007			
Leukaemias	22	10	32
Lymphomas ¹	11	1	12
Central nervous system tumours (brain and spine)	8	9	17
Sympathetic nervous system (neuroblastoma and ganglioneuroblastoma)	1	4	5
Retinoblastoma ²	2	1	3
Renal (kidney) tumours	3	1	4
Malignant bone tumours	5	1	6
Soft tissue tumours (tumours arising in muscle, connective tissues, fatty tissues, etc.)	3	2	5
Germ cell tumours (arising in the gonad: ovary or testis, or elsewhere)	-	3	3
Carcinomas ³ (includes adrenocortical, thyroid, nasopharyngeal and skin carcinomas and malignant melanoma)	5	2	7
Other ⁴	2	1	3
Total	62	35	97

¹ a diverse group of malignant conditions of lymph nodes and lymphoid cells with a large variation in tumour biology and course of disease. Apart from in the lymph nodes, lymphoid cells are found in many organs including the stomach, colon, thyroid and brain. The lymphoid cells form an important part of the body's immune system.

² the most common primary intra-ocular malignancy in children.

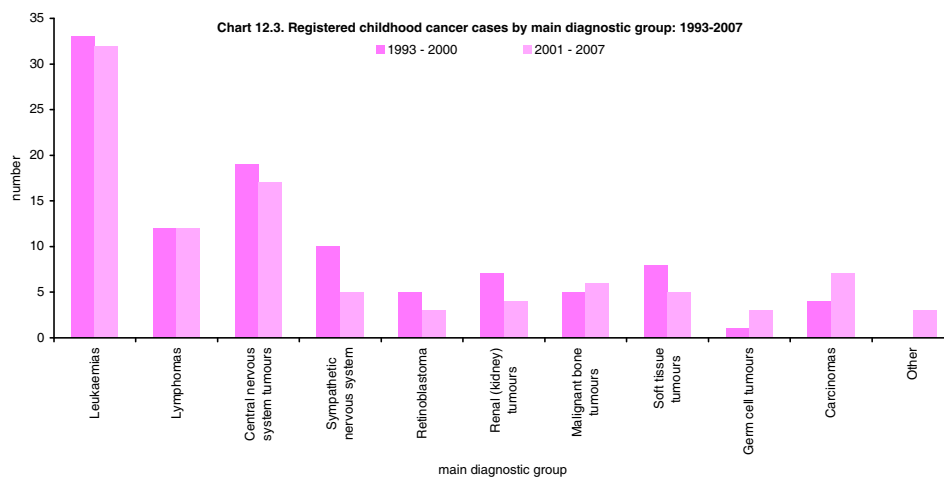
³ this term is used to denote the most common histological group of cancers (90% of all cancers). The carcinomas arise from tissues that outline organs; example: the outer layers of the skin, or the innermost layers of the bowel.

⁴ Other category includes tumours not included in categories above.

Note 1: 2007 data is still provisional. 2008 data is not available

Note 2: Childhood cancers are classified as such when they occur in persons up to the age of 14.

Source: Department of Health Information and Research



CHAPTER 13

Children in households

Summary

In 2007, 32 per cent of children living in households were in the 10-14 age bracket, while 24 per cent were 5-9 years old and 24 per cent were under 5 years of age. Fifty-one per cent of households with children lived in apartments or flats, while 46 per cent lived in semi-detached or terraced houses. Of households with children, 32 per cent lived in dwellings that consisted of 5 rooms, 30 per cent in dwellings with 7 or more rooms, and 2 per cent in dwellings with less than 4 rooms.

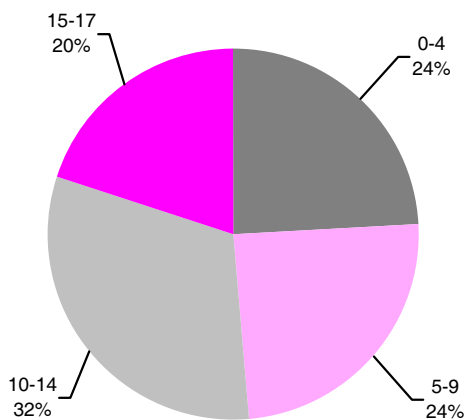
2,160 households with children said that they could not afford to buy a computer. Of the 12,690 households that said they experienced problems related to shortage of space in their main dwelling, 6,310 (50 per cent) had children.

13.1. Children living in households by age: 2007

Age	Boys	Girls	Total
0-4	10,580	9,820	20,400
5-9	10,340	10,280	20,620
10-14	13,620	12,840	26,460
15-17	8,260	8,570	16,830
Total	42,800	41,510	84,310

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

Chart 13.1. Children living in households by age: 2007



13.2. Households with children by type of dwelling: 2007

Dwelling type	Number	% total
Detached house	1,860	3.6
Semi-detached or terraced house	23,560	45.5
Apartment or flat	26,130	50.5
Some other kind of accommodation	190	0.4
Total	51,740	100.0

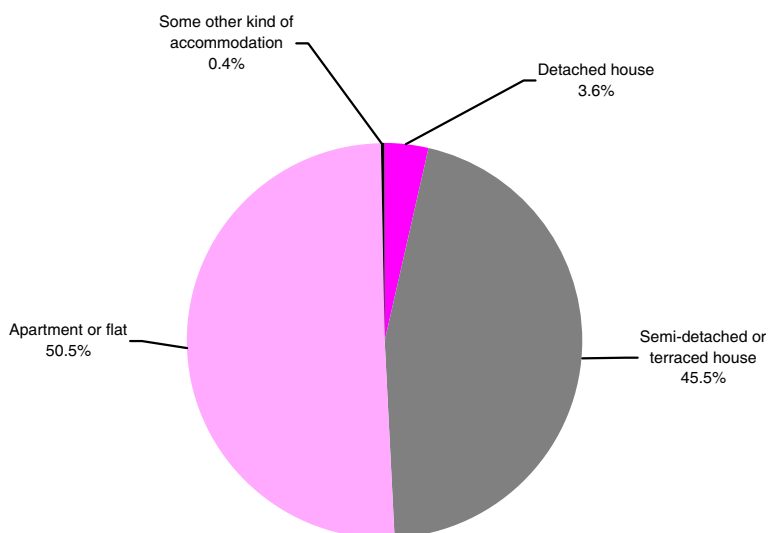
Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

13.3. Children living in households by type of dwelling: 2007

Dwelling type	Number	% total
Detached house	3,390	4.0
Semi-detached or terraced house	39,500	46.9
Apartment or flat	41,020	48.7
Some other kind of accommodation	400	0.5
Total	84,310	100.0

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

Chart 13.2. Households with children by type of dwelling: 2007

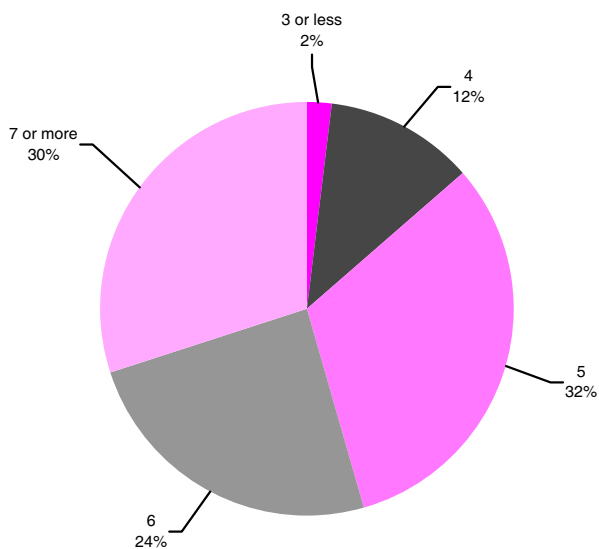


13.4. Households with children by number of rooms in main dwelling: 2007

Number of rooms	Number	% total
3 or less	1,010	2.0
4	6,070	11.7
5	16,520	31.9
6	12,620	24.4
7 or more	15,520	30.0
Total	51,740	100.0

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

Chart 13.3. Households with children by number of rooms in main dwelling: 2007



13.5. Number of households by availability of various amenities and presence of children: 2007

Amenity	Children	Availability of amenity			Total
		Yes	No		
			Cannot afford	Other reason	
Telephone (including mobile phone)	No children	87,230	:	1,850 ^u	89,580
	One or more children	51,080	:	:	51,740
	Total	138,310	:	2,200	141,320
Colour TV	No children	87,940	:	1,160 ^u	89,580
	One or more children	51,540	:	:	51,740
	Total	139,480	:	1,300^u	141,320
Computer	No children	38,830	4,110	46,640	89,580
	One or more children	42,320	2,160	7,260	51,740
	Total	81,150	6,270	53,900	141,320
Washing machine	No children	84,350	:	4,530	89,580
	One or more children	51,550	:	:	51,740
	Total	135,900	:	4,680	141,320
Car	No children	63,130	4,150	22,300	89,580
	One or more children	48,580	1,580 ^u	1,580 ^u	51,740
	Total	111,710	5,730	23,880^u	141,320
% availability					
Telephone (including mobile phone)	No children	97.4	:	2.1 ^u	100.0
	One or more children	98.7	:	:	100.0
	Total	97.9	:	1.6	100.0
Colour TV	No children	98.2	:	1.3 ^u	100.0
	One or more children	99.6	:	:	100.0
	Total	98.7	:	0.9^u	100.0
Computer	No children	43.3	4.6	52.1	100.0
	One or more children	81.8	4.2	14.0	100.0
	Total	57.4	4.4	38.1	100.0
Washing machine	No children	94.2	:	5.1	100.0
	One or more children	99.6	:	:	100.0
	Total	96.2	:	3.3	100.0
Car	No children	70.5	4.6	24.9	100.0
	One or more children	93.9	3.1 ^u	3.1 ^u	100.0
	Total	79.0	4.1	16.9^u	100.0

Note: These totals do not necessarily represent the total population as there were a number of households which did not respond to these questions.

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

13.6. Households having problems related to shortage of space in their main dwelling: 2007

	Shortage of space	No shortage of space
Number of households	12,690	128,640
... of which with children	6,310	45,430
... of which with children (%)	49.7%	35.3%

Note: These totals do not necessarily represent the total population as there were a number of households which did not respond to these questions.

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

13.7 Households by number of children and disposable income group: 2007

Income group	Number of children				Total
	0	1	2	3+	
€10,000 and under	34,670	3,020	1,580 ^u	:	39,840
€10,001-€15,000	15,020	4,860	5,010	1,670 ^u	26,560
€15,001-€20,000	11,930	5,470	4,540	1,100 ^u	23,040
€20,001-€25,000	9,050	4,340	3,370	930 ^u	17,690
€25,001-€30,000	7,510	3,980	2,530	940 ^u	14,960
€30,001+	11,480	4,480	2,680	:	19,300
Total	89,660	26,150	19,710	5,870	141,390

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

13.8. Number of households by capacity to afford various items and number of children: 2007

Item	Number of children	Capacity to afford		
		Yes	No	Total
Paying for one week annual holiday away from home	0	36,160	53,380	89,540
	1	7,420	18,700	26,120
	2	5,210	14,500	19,710
	3+	1040 ^u	4,830	5,870
	Total	49,830	91,410	141,240
Eating a meal with meat, chicken, fish (or vegetarian equivalent) every second day	0	83,270	6,310	89,580
	1	23,840	2,280	26,120
	2	17,870	:	19,720
	3+	5,270	:	5,870
	Total	130,250	11,040	141,290
Facing unexpected financial expenses (of €500 and over)	0	58,960	30,630	89,590
	1	16,650	9,470	26,120
	2	13,270	6,440	19,710
	3+	3,230	2,640	5,870
	Total	92,110	49,180	141,290
Keeping home adequately warm	0	80,960	8,630	89,590
	1	23,670	2,380	26,050
	2	17,660	2,050	19,710
	3+	5,180	690 ^u	5,870
	Total	127,470	13,750	141,220
% capacity				
Paying for one week annual holiday away from home	0	40.4	59.6	100.0
	1	28.4	71.6	100.0
	2	26.4	73.6	100.0
	3+	17.7 ^u	82.3	100.0
	Total	35.3	64.7	100.0
Eating a meal with meat, chicken, fish (or vegetarian equivalent) every second day	0	93.0	7.0	100.0
	1	91.3	8.7	100.0
	2	90.6	:	100.0
	3+	89.8	:	100.0
	Total	92.2	7.8	100.0
Facing unexpected financial expenses (of €500 and over)	0	65.8	34.2	100.0
	1	63.7	36.3	100.0
	2	67.3	32.7	100.0
	3+	55.0	45.0	100.0
	Total	65.2	34.8	100.0
Keeping home adequately warm	0	90.4	9.6	100.0
	1	90.9	9.1	100.0
	2	89.6	10.4	100.0
	3+	88.2	11.8 ^u	100.0
	Total	90.3	9.7	100.0

Note: These totals do not necessarily represent the total population as there were a number of households which did not respond to these questions.

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

CHAPTER 14

Monetary poverty

Summary

The at-risk-of-poverty rate among children stood at 18 per cent in 2007. Children who were mostly at-risk-of-poverty were those living in single-parent households having one or more dependent children. This was followed by children living in households comprising 2 adults and 3 dependent children or more. The at-risk-of-poverty rates for children within these two household types were 55 per cent and 27 per cent respectively. An increase in households' work intensity results in a lower at-risk-of-poverty rate among children.

14.1 At-risk-of-poverty rates among children by various household characteristics, compared to the total population: 2007

Household characteristics	Children			Total population			
	At-risk-of-poverty rates	Number of children at-risk-of-poverty	Total number of children	At-risk-of-poverty rates	Number of persons at-risk-of-poverty	Total number of persons	
Work intensity (WI)	WI is equal to 0	71	5,090	7,170	51	23,140	45,420
	WI is greater than 0 but less than 0.5	33 ^u	1,480 ^u	4,560	20	6,360	31,740
	WI is greater or equal to 0.5 but less than 1	17	8,010	47,660	9	17,310	192,880
	WI is equal to 1	4 ^u	970 ^u	24,880	2	2,190	98,860
Household disposable income	€5,000 and under	:	:	840 ^u	100	7,940	7,940
	€5,001-€10,000	94	6,680	7,140	55	31,760	57,590
	€10,001+	11	8,040	76,330	5	17,740	338,030
Household type	Single parent household, one or more dependent children	55	3,490	6,370	54	5,450	10,020
	2 adults, one dependent child	11 ^u	1,520 ^u	14,050	12	5,300	45,520
	2 adults, two dependent children	15	4,590	30,480	15	9,920	65,730
	2 adults, three or more dependent children	27	4,510	16,670	25	7,640	30,490
	Other households with one or more dependent children	9 ^u	1,450 ^u	16,740	7	5,000	72,460
Household size	2	:	:	1,600 ^u	23	16,680	72,670
	3	16	2,710	17,040	11	10,135	93,340
	4	17	6,130	36,430	11	13,740	124,780
	5+	20	5,790	29,240	13	11,440	85,990
Total		18	15,560	84,310	14	57,440	403,560

Note: Work intensity refers to the number of months that all working age household members (people aged 18 – 64 who are not dependent children) have been working during the income reference year as a proportion of the total number of months that could theoretically be worked. Work intensity is classified as WI = 0 and WI = 1, where WI = 0 refers to jobless households and WI = 1 refers to full work intensity. Work intensity is not calculated for households in which there are no working-age persons.

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

CHAPTER 15

Toys and games

Summary

Since 2004, an annual decrease in respect of imports of toys and games (excluding video games) has been recorded. In 2008, more than €8 million worth of toys and games was imported into Malta, a decrease of 19 per cent compared to 2004.

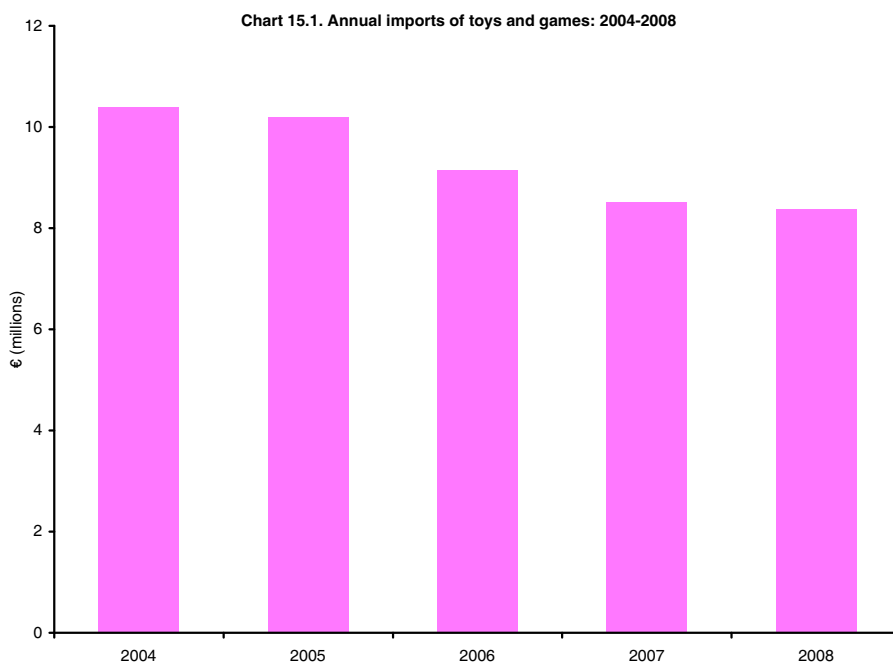
15.1. Annual imports of toys and games: 2004-2008

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Description	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Dolls and related articles	1,309,956	1,313,217	931,914	1,018,981	867,545
Toy models	1,422,307	1,156,771	870,676	775,332	779,273
Toy trains	66,578	154,429	57,806	235,163	273,762
Wheeled toys	158,737	149,987	168,163	275,854	155,257
Construction sets	547,437	713,133	331,704	220,293	397,068
Puzzles	57,608	52,351	57,037	96,247	159,694
Toys representing animals	1,064,614	681,322	774,308	453,076	572,852
Stuffed toys	526,872	576,594	587,463	650,153	614,242
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	22,918	44,996	21,841	53,484	73,091
Toy weapons	5,643	3,074	22,935	54,463	27,148
Toys in sets	302,322	541,210	501,109	740,427	868,950
Other	4,903,518	4,796,096	4,817,438	3,943,873	3,581,531
Total	10,388,510	10,183,180	9,142,394	8,517,346	8,370,413

Note: Video games are excluded.

Source: International Trade and Transport Statistics, National Statistics Office



15.2. Quarterly imports of toys and games: 2004-2008 ...

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Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2004				
Dolls and related articles	216,392	480,392	368,832	244,340
Toy models	108,334	204,981	778,337	330,655
Toy trains	8,819	17,839	13,833	26,087
Wheeled toys	3,471	13,896	56,203	85,167
Construction sets	39,661	152,197	233,038	122,541
Puzzles	6,851	13,674	25,373	11,710
Toys representing animals	256,422	272,054	331,074	205,064
Stuffed toys	184,059	85,442	101,854	155,517
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	1,444	5,675	13,372	2,427
Toy weapons	282	2,380	9	2,972
Toys in sets	42,099	31,438	83,116	145,669
Other	1,485,959	1,160,624	1,082,209	1,174,726
Total	2,353,793	2,440,592	3,087,250	2,506,875
2005				
Dolls and related articles	335,546	390,833	265,921	320,917
Toy models	387,279	298,177	215,176	256,139
Toy trains	21,206	30,078	67,752	35,393
Wheeled toys	5,399	33,506	51,046	60,036
Construction sets	114,892	284,193	89,672	224,376
Puzzles	12,146	19,799	7,985	12,421
Toys representing animals	262,385	128,079	117,702	173,156
Stuffed toys	145,751	133,478	104,756	192,609
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	1,703	15,683	26,627	983
Toy weapons	149	993	1,207	725
Toys in sets	60,920	127,758	89,444	263,088
Other	1,120,447	1,293,418	1,014,826	1,367,405
Total	2,467,823	2,755,995	2,052,114	2,907,248
2006				
Dolls and related articles	214,593	276,243	182,504	258,574
Toy models	169,388	355,001	158,310	187,977
Toy trains	21,570	15,691	26	20,519
Wheeled toys	12,884	27,678	80,090	47,511
Construction sets	153,631	95,122	19,002	63,949
Puzzles	15,350	13,156	10,442	18,089
Toys representing animals	120,453	185,510	212,788	255,557
Stuffed toys	179,513	93,153	101,376	213,421
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	1,036	10,584	4,822	5,399
Toy weapons	12,376	1,798	2,211	6,550
Toys in sets	102,926	81,387	148,527	168,269
Other	1,243,899	1,387,627	874,373	1,311,539
Total	2,247,619	2,542,950	1,794,471	2,557,354

... 15.2. Quarterly imports of toys and games: 2004-2008

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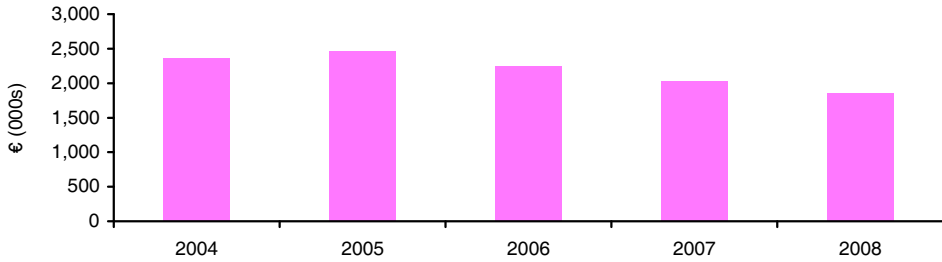
Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2007				
Dolls and related articles	210,851	392,554	200,096	215,480
Toy models	167,602	226,308	178,385	203,037
Toy trains	68,148	13,279	98,249	55,487
Wheeled toys	3,254	142,874	63,664	66,062
Construction sets	20,302	44,413	73,508	82,070
Puzzles	16,400	41,007	22,001	16,839
Toys representing animals	151,982	123,191	89,620	88,283
Stuffed toys	212,193	141,025	128,599	168,336
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	24,660	16,858	3,461	8,505
Toy weapons	10,396	4,203	5,425	34,439
Toys in sets	171,201	92,880	292,914	183,432
Other	974,953	1,156,108	890,132	922,680
Total	2,031,942	2,394,700	2,046,054	2,044,650
2008				
Dolls and related articles	263,870	218,429	165,992	219,254
Toy models	151,443	209,852	144,428	273,550
Toy trains	39,644	27,425	94,097	112,596
Wheeled toys	44,248	69,322	24,844	16,843
Construction sets	38,477	109,662	96,726	152,203
Puzzles	31,871	44,809	43,972	39,042
Toys representing animals	122,978	157,685	116,762	175,427
Stuffed toys	220,469	61,853	106,156	225,764
Toy musical instruments and apparatus	15,115	8,972	39,654	9,350
Toy weapons	1,263	1,306	10,540	14,039
Toys in sets	162,904	194,439	334,898	176,709
Other	763,146	880,794	935,498	1,002,093
Total	1,855,428	1,984,548	2,113,567	2,416,870

Note: Video games are excluded.

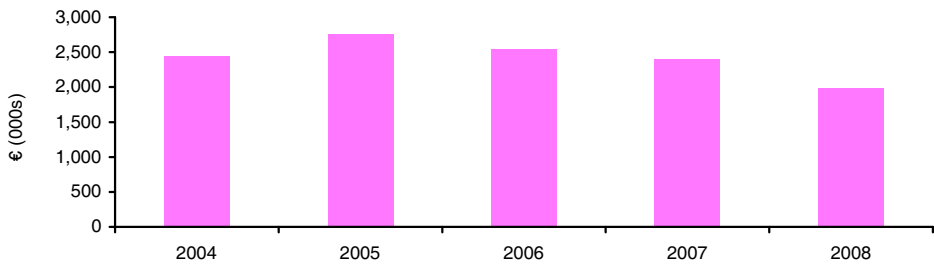
Source: International Trade and Transport Statistics, National Statistics Office

Chart 15.2. Quarterly imports of toys and games: 2004-2008

Quarter 1: January-March



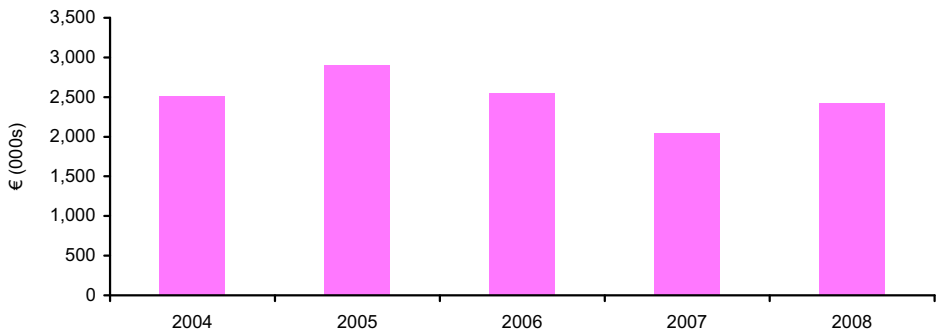
Quarter 2: April-June



Quarter 3: July-September



Quarter 4: October-December



CHAPTER 16

Work aspects

Summary

In the 2005-2008 period, the majority of reference persons in households with children were employed. These included self-employed persons. In 2008, three per cent were unemployed, while a further 14 per cent were inactive. Of employed reference persons in households with children in this year, 17 per cent were craft and related trades workers, a further 17 per cent were technicians and associate professionals, and 13 per cent were working in elementary occupations.

With regard to children in the 15-17 age bracket, the majority were inactive in the 2001-2008 period. In 2008, the main reason for inactivity given by 94 per cent of this group was that they were still in education or training.

16.1. Distribution of households by work intensity and size: 2007

Household size	WI is equal to 0	WI is greater than 0 but less than 0.5	WI is greater or equal to 0.5 but less than 1	WI is equal to 1	Total
1	6,720	:	:	5,100	11,930
2	10,330	:	6,550	9,440	26,660
3	3,280	4,060	13,550	10,110	31,000
4	1,220 ^u	2,540	19,960	7,460	31,180
5+	640 ^u	1,560 ^u	10,980	2,780	15,960
Total	22,190	8,550	51,100	34,890	116,730

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

16.2. Distribution of households by work intensity and number of children: 2007

Number of children	WI is equal to 0	WI is greater than 0 but less than 0.5	WI is greater or equal to 0.5 but less than 1	WI is equal to 1	Total
0	18,150	5,320	22,530	19,000	65,000
1	1,960	2,160	13,370	8,670	26,160
2	1,230 ^u	830 ^u	11,720	5,920	19,700
3+	850 ^u	:	3,480	1,300 ^u	5,870
Total	22,190	8,550	51,100	34,890	116,730

Source: Survey on Income and Living Conditions 2007

Note: Work intensity refers to the number of months that all working age household members (people aged 18 – 64 who are not dependent children) have been working during the income reference year as a proportion of the total number of months that could theoretically be worked. Work intensity is classified as WI = 0 and WI = 1, where WI = 0 refers to jobless households and WI = 1 refers to full work intensity. Work intensity is not calculated for households in which there are no working age persons.

16.3. Distribution of persons living in households by labour status: 2008

Age	Labour status							
	Employed		Unemployed		Inactive		Children less than 15 years	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Males								
0-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,004	59.1
10-19	3,605	3.4	1,349	21.0	10,281	18.0	13,850	40.9
20-29	24,434	22.8	1,709	26.5	3,619	6.3	-	-
30-39	26,491	24.8	998	15.5	959	1.7	-	-
40-49	25,015	23.4	1,431	22.2	1,886	3.3	-	-
50-59	23,495	22.0	849	13.2	5,708	10.0	-	-
60-69	3,720	3.5	102	1.6	18,402	32.2	-	-
70-79	267	0.2	-	-	11,749	20.6	-	-
80-89	-	-	-	-	4,169	7.3	-	-
90-100	-	-	-	-	342	0.6	-	-
Total	107,026	100.0	6,437	100.0	57,113	100.0	33,854	100.0
Females								
0-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,130	59.6
10-19	3,089	5.8	1,077	27.4	10,663	9.1	12,969	40.4
20-29	18,910	35.5	732	18.6	7,514	6.4	-	-
30-39	13,439	25.2	692	17.6	13,541	11.5	-	-
40-49	9,839	18.5	1,017	25.9	16,778	14.3	-	-
50-59	6,950	13.0	398	10.1	22,054	18.8	-	-
60-69	982	1.8	10	0.2	23,118	19.7	-	-
70-79	89	0.2	-	-	16,453	14.0	-	-
80-89	-	-	-	-	6,775	5.8	-	-
90-100	-	-	-	-	565	0.5	-	-
Total	53,298	100.0	3,925	100.0	117,461	100.0	32,099	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2008

16.4. Reference persons in households with children by labour status: 2005-2008

Labour status	2005	2006	2007	2008
Employed *	45,205	44,329	45,540	44,362
Unemployed	1,951	1,577	1,643	1,508
Inactive	6,750	7,344	7,156	7,475
Total	53,906	53,250	54,339	53,344
% total	2005	2006	2007	2008
Employed *	83.9	83.2	83.8	83.2
Unemployed	3.6	3.0	3.0	2.8
Inactive	12.5	13.8	13.2	14.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

* Includes self-employed persons.

Source: Labour Force Survey 2008

16.5. Employed reference persons in households with children by occupational category and average income: 2005-2008

Occupational category	Number	%	Average income €
2005			
Armed forces	699	2.0	13,039
Legislators, senior officials and managers	3,607	10.2	22,555
Professionals	2,860	8.1	18,887
Technicians and associate professionals	6,217	17.6	14,436
Clerks	2,323	6.6	12,399
Service workers and shop and sales workers	4,160	11.8	11,866
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	238 ^u	0.7 ^u	11,372 ^u
Craft and related trades workers	6,515	18.5	12,135
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	3,818	10.8	11,384
Elementary occupations	4,857	13.8	11,219
Total	35,294	100.0	13,948
2006			
Armed forces	1,013	2.9	12,345
Legislators, senior officials and managers	3,212	9.3	23,539
Professionals	2,898	8.3	18,924
Technicians and associate professionals	4,866	14.0	15,144
Clerks	2,609	7.5	13,192
Service workers and shop and sales workers	4,167	12.0	12,554
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	302 ^u	0.9 ^u	12,090 ^u
Craft and related trades workers	6,657	19.2	11,955
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	3,330	9.6	11,956
Elementary occupations	5,659	16.3	10,882
Total	34,713	100.0	14,058
2007			
Armed forces	892	2.5	12,419
Legislators, senior officials and managers	3,115	8.7	24,842
Professionals	3,493	9.8	20,727
Technicians and associate professionals	5,898	16.5	15,437
Clerks	2,414	6.8	13,474
Service workers and shop and sales workers	4,189	11.7	12,413
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	281 ^u	0.8 ^u	12,073 ^u
Craft and related trades workers	6,150	17.2	12,243
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	4,188	11.7	12,796
Elementary occupations	5,118	14.3	11,346
Total	35,738	100.0	14,740
2008			
Armed forces	836	2.4	13,179
Legislators, senior officials and managers	3,636	10.4	25,556
Professionals	3,564	10.2	21,310
Technicians and associate professionals	5,733	16.5	15,981
Clerks	2,396	6.9	13,887
Service workers and shop and sales workers	4,457	12.8	12,593
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	326 ^u	0.9 ^u	11,788 ^u
Craft and related trades workers	6,031	17.3	12,401
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	3,282	9.4	13,075
Elementary occupations	4,585	13.2	11,330
Total	34,844	100.0	15,332

Note: Does not include self-employed persons.

Source: Labour Force Survey 2005-2008

16.6. Persons aged 15 and over by labour status: 2001-2008

Labour status	15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2001						
Employed	2,285	13.4	143,732	48.3	146,017	46.4
Unemployed	1,839	10.8	8,225	2.8	10,064	3.2
Inactive	12,890	75.8	145,699	48.9	158,589	50.4
Total	17,014	100.0	297,703	100.0	314,717	100.0
2002						
Employed	2,352	13.5	146,100	48.4	148,452	46.5
Unemployed	1,521	8.7	9,497	3.1	11,018	3.5
Inactive	13,526	77.7	146,283	48.5	159,809	50.1
Total	17,399	100.0	301,880	100.0	319,279	100.0
2003						
Employed	1,826	10.5	146,938	48.4	148,764	46.3
Unemployed	1,631	9.4	10,462	3.4	12,093	3.8
Inactive	13,939	80.1	146,300	48.2	160,239	49.9
Total	17,396	100.0	303,700	100.0	321,096	100.0
2004						
Employed	2,046	11.4	147,414	48.6	149,460	46.5
Unemployed	1,532	8.6	10,003	3.3	11,535	3.6
Inactive	14,324	80.0	146,155	48.1	160,479	49.9
Total	17,902	100.0	303,572	100.0	321,474	100.0
2005						
Employed	1,974	11.0	148,996	47.3	150,970	45.3
Unemployed	1,564	8.7	9,673	3.1	11,237	3.4
Inactive	14,407	80.3	156,446	49.6	170,853	51.3
Total	17,945	100.0	315,115	100.0	333,060	100.0
2006						
Employed	1,363	7.7	149,985	47.1	151,348	45.0
Unemployed	1,389	7.8	9,814	3.1	11,203	3.3
Inactive	15,007	84.5	158,664	49.8	173,671	51.7
Total	17,759	100.0	318,463	100.0	336,222	100.0
2007						
Employed	2,343	12.6	153,960	47.7	156,303	45.8
Unemployed	1,371	7.4	9,460	2.9	10,831	3.2
Inactive	14,846	80.0	159,301	49.4	174,147	51.0
Total	18,560	100.0	322,721	100.0	341,281	100.0
2008						
Employed	2,046	11.5	158,278	48.3	160,324	46.4
Unemployed	1,097	6.2	9,265	2.8	10,362	3.0
Inactive	14,684	82.4	159,890	48.8	174,574	50.6
Total	17,826	100.0	327,434	100.0	345,260	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2001-2008

16.7. Male inactive persons aged 15 and over by reason for inactivity and age: 2001-2008

Reason for inactivity	15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2001						
Education or training	6,092	94.1	3,476	9.1	9,568	21.5
Other reasons	380 ^u	5.9 ^u	34,584	90.9	34,964	78.5
Total	6,472	100.0	38,060	100.0	44,532	100.0
2002						
Education or training	6,514	93.9	4,572	11.6	11,086	24.0
Other reasons	424 ^u	6.0 ^u	34,713	88.4	35,137	76.0
Total	6,938	100.0	39,285	100.0	46,223	100.0
2003						
Education or training	6,749	93.8	5,392	13.7	12,141	26.1
Other reasons	446 ^u	6.2 ^u	33,923	86.3	34,369	73.9
Total	7,195	100.0	39,315	100.0	46,510	100.0
2004						
Education or training	6,578	93.2	5,085	13.0	11,663	25.2
Other reasons	415 ^u	5.9 ^u	34,098	87.0	34,575	74.8
Total	7,055	100.0	39,183	100.0	46,238	100.0
2005						
Education or training	6,759	89.5	5,205	11.7	11,964	22.9
Other reasons	793	10.5	39,460	88.3	40,253	77.1
Total	7,552	100.0	44,665	100.0	52,217	100.0
2006						
Education or training	6,451	89.0	5,060	10.9	11,511	21.4
Other reasons	798	11.1	41,475	89.1	42,273	78.6
Total	7,249	100.0	46,535	100.0	53,784	100.0
2007						
Education or training	6,420	92.1	5,339	11.0	11,759	21.1
Other reasons	550	7.9	43,360	89.0	43,910	78.9
Total	6,970	100.0	48,699	100.0	55,669	100.0
2008						
Education or training	6,744	94.7	5,785	11.6	12,528	21.9
Other reasons	379 ^u	5.3 ^u	44,207	88.4	44,585	78.1
Total	7,122	100.0	49,991	100.0	57,113	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2008

16.8. Female inactive persons aged 15 and over by reason for inactivity and age: 2001-2008

Reason for inactivity	15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2001						
Education or training	5,935	92.5	4,006	3.7	9,941	8.7
Other reasons	483 ^u	7.5 ^u	103,633	96.3	104,116	91.3
Total	6,418	100.0	107,639	100.0	114,057	100.0
2002						
Education or training	6,240	94.7	4,387	4.1	10,627	9.4
Other reasons	348 ^u	5.3 ^u	102,611	95.9	102,959	90.6
Total	6,588	100.0	106,998	100.0	113,586	100.0
2003						
Education or training	6,177	91.6	4,588	4.3	10,765	9.5
Other reasons	567	8.4	102,397	95.7	102,964	90.5
Total	6,744	100.0	106,985	100.0	113,729	100.0
2004						
Education or training	6,756	92.9	5,694	5.3	12,450	10.9
Other reasons	513	7.1	101,278	94.7	101,791	89.1
Total	7,269	100.0	106,972	100.0	114,241	100.0
2005						
Education or training	6,140	89.6	5,430	4.9	11,570	9.8
Other reasons	715	10.4	106,351	95.1	107,066	90.2
Total	6,855	100.0	111,781	100.0	118,636	100.0
2006						
Education or training	7,330	94.5	5,612	5.0	12,942	10.8
Other reasons	428 ^u	5.6 ^u	106,517	95.0	106,945	89.2
Total	7,758	100.0	112,129	100.0	119,887	100.0
2007						
Education or training	7,150	90.8	5,437	4.9	12,587	10.6
Other reasons	726	9.3	105,165	95.1	105,891	89.4
Total	7,876	100.0	110,602	100.0	118,478	100.0
2008						
Education or training	7,030	93.0	5,534	5.0	12,564	10.7
Other reasons	532	7.0	104,365	95.0	104,898	89.3
Total	7,562	100.0	109,899	100.0	117,461	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2008

16.9. Total inactive persons aged 15 and over by reason for inactivity and age: 2001-2008

Reason for inactivity	15-17		18+		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2001						
Education or training	12,027	93.3	7,482	5.1	19,509	12.3
Other reasons	863	6.7	138,217	94.9	139,080	87.7
Total	12,890	100.0	145,699	100.0	158,589	100.0
2002						
Education or training	12,754	94.3	8,959	6.1	21,713	13.6
Other reasons	772	5.7	137,324	93.9	138,096	86.4
Total	13,526	100.0	146,283	100.0	159,809	100.0
2003						
Education or training	12,926	92.7	9,980	6.8	22,906	14.3
Other reasons	1,013	7.3	136,320	93.2	137,333	85.7
Total	13,939	100.0	146,300	100.0	160,239	100.0
2004						
Education or training	13,334	93.1	10,779	7.4	24,113	15.0
Other reasons	990	6.9	135,376	92.6	136,366	85.0
Total	14,324	100.0	146,155	100.0	160,479	100.0
2005						
Education or training	12,899	89.6	10,635	6.8	23,534	13.8
Other reasons	1,508	10.4	145,811	93.2	147,319	86.2
Total	14,407	100.6	156,446	100.0	170,853	100.0
2006						
Education or training	13,781	91.8	10,672	6.7	24,453	14.1
Other reasons	1,226	8.2	147,992	93.3	149,218	85.9
Total	15,007	100.0	158,664	100.0	173,671	100.0
2007						
Education or training	13,570	91.4	10,776	6.8	24,346	14.0
Other reasons	1,276	8.7	148,525	93.2	149,801	86.0
Total	14,846	100.0	159,301	100.0	174,147	100.0
2008						
Education or training	13,773	93.8	11,319	7.1	25,092	14.4
Other reasons	911	6.2	148,572	92.9	149,483	85.6
Total	14,684	100.0	159,890	100.0	174,574	100.0

Source: Labour Force Survey 2008

CHAPTER 17

Children at risk

Summary

Thirty-six per cent of child abuse cases reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ in the 1993-2008 time span were related to physical abuse. One-fifth of the cases involved child neglect, while 18 per cent and 17 per cent were respectively cases of sexual abuse and children at risk. Abuse by the parents was the most frequent. In fact, in the cases reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ in 2006-2008, the mother and/or father were/was seen to be the most common perpetrator of child abuse. The majority of reported child abuse cases involved girls. Between 2006-2008 this trend was reversed. In 2008, 33 per cent of the children involved were under 6 years old.

In the 2005-2008 period, an annual average of 23 persons in the 14-18 age bracket made use of the services of the DETOX out-patient centre. This figure with regard to DETOX in-patients stood at 20 persons. In 2008, Sedqa and Caritas drug rehabilitation programmes hosted 7 and 45 individuals aged 14-18 years respectively. These made up 7 per cent of the total number of persons in the programmes.

The results of the European School Survey Project on Alcohol and Other Drugs (ESPAD) study highlighted usage of tobacco, alcohol, illicit drugs and other behavioural patterns among 15-16-year-olds. In the 2007 study, 92 per cent of the respondents answered positively to drinking alcohol, while 46 per cent said they had smoked cigarettes. Sixteen per cent of the respondents said that they had inhaled glue and/or thinners, while 13 per cent said that they had smoked marijuana.

The past 10 years saw an average number of 57 abortions per year being carried out on Maltese nationals in England and Wales, with this statistic falling by 45 per cent in 2008 when compared to the preceding year. In fact, in 2008, the lowest number of abortions in a span of 19 years was carried out in England and Wales on Maltese nationals. Data on abortions of Maltese nationals in other countries was not forthcoming.

17.1. Cases of child abuse reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ by district: 1993-2008

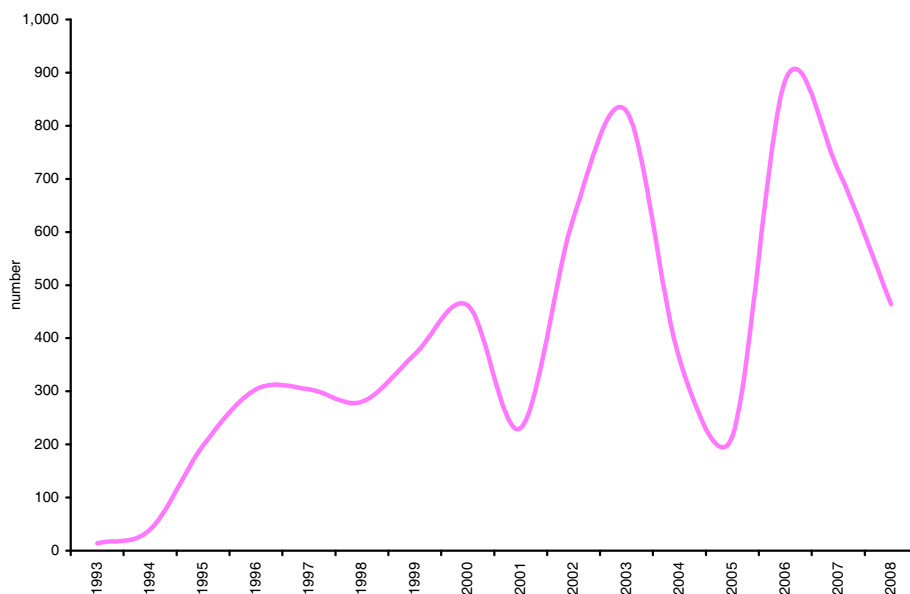
District	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Southern Harbour	1	14	62	95	100	109	107	146
Northern Harbour	11	8	72	102	89	83	118	134
South Eastern	-	6	18	37	34	18	42	47
Western	-	7	17	27	26	24	32	36
Northern	2	4	22	25	32	33	54	71
Gozo and Comino	-	-	1	2	8	9	11	8
Unknown	-	1	6	16	15	4	6	20
Total	14	40	198	304	304	280	370	462

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Southern Harbour	52	168	220	109	61	249	236	133
Northern Harbour	88	174	247	100	19	212	198	110
South Eastern	34	90	99	53	36	95	87	67
Western	18	58	91	24	14	89	55	47
Northern	28	102	120	44	61	119	74	48
Gozo and Comino	7	21	15	5	4	28	23	7
Unknown	4	13	35	26	20	94	43	52
Total	231	626	827	361	215	886	716	464

Note: Data for 1993-2000 refer to children aged 0-17, while data for 2001-2008 refer to 0-18 year-olds.

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

Chart 17.1. Cases of child abuse reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ: 1993-2008



17.2. Cases of child abuse reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ by type of abuse: 1993-2008

Type of abuse	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
At risk	4	10	41	55	26	35	33	79
Emotional	-	3	14	9	23	14	18	37
Neglect	2	6	41	79	84	48	89	102
Physical	2	14	67	118	123	119	184	177
Sexual	6	7	34	40	46	61	42	63
Other *	-	-	1	3	-	3	3	1
Not specified	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	3
Total	14	40	198	304	304	280	370	462
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
At risk	32	86	91	33	16	215	200	126
Emotional	17	80	97	47	20	30	40	18
Neglect	66	129	171	63	46	162	111	80
Physical	77	211	276	146	77	285	242	134
Sexual	36	99	169	63	55	188	114	91
Other *	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Not specified	3	21	21	9	1	6	9	15
Total	231	626	827	361	215	886	716	464

Note 1: Data for 1993-2000 refer to children aged 0-17, while data for 2001-2008 refer to 0-18 year-olds.

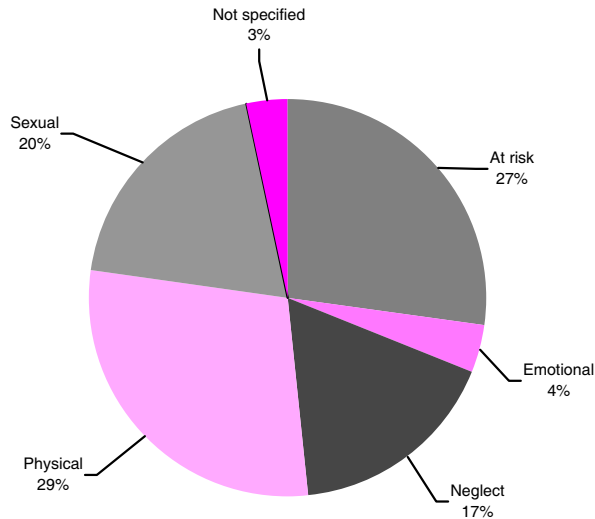
Note 2: All cases of abuse may involve multiple types of abuse.

Note 3: In 'not specified' cases, the only known information is that a report of abuse was lodged.

* Includes pre-natal abuse.

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

Chart 17.2. Cases of child abuse reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ by type of abuse: 2008



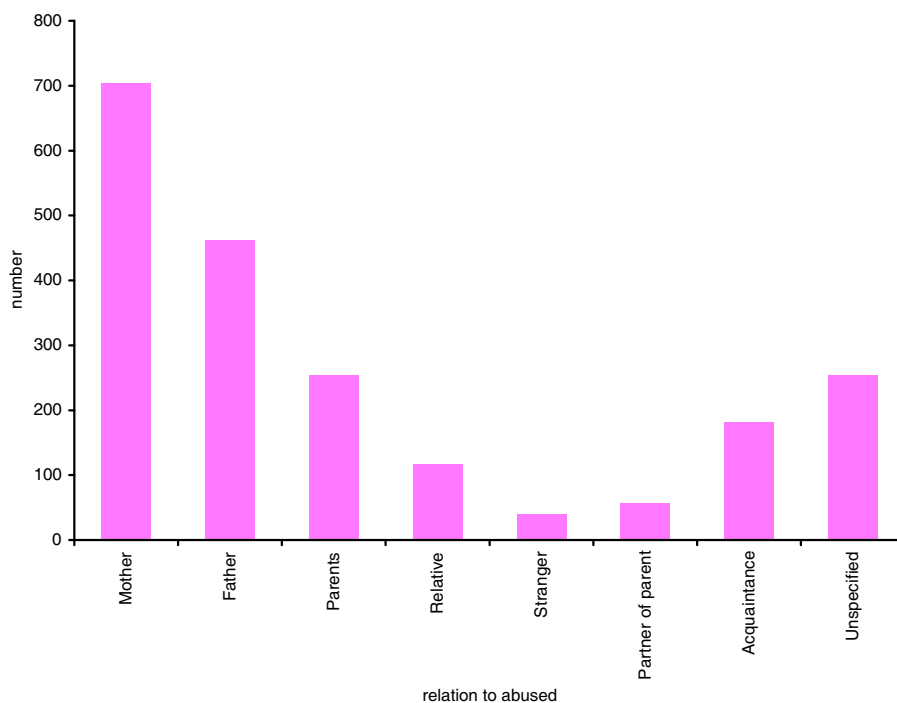
17.3. Child abusers reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ by relation to abused: 2006-2008

Relation to abused	2006	2007	2008
Mother	277	290	137
Father	197	168	97
Parents	129	76	49
Relative	50	42	24
Stranger	17	14	8
Partner of parent	25	18	13
Acquaintance	68	71	42
Unspecified	123	37	94
Total	886	716	464

Note: Data refers to abuse suffered by persons aged 0-18.

Source: Aġenzija Appoġġ

Chart 17.3. Total child abusers reported to Aġenzija Appoġġ by relation to abused: 2006-2008 total



17.4. Abused children: 1993-2008

Sex	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Boys	9	18	96	133	135	125	167	204
Girls	5	21	99	162	156	153	196	242
Not specified	-	1	3	9	13	2	7	16
Total	14	40	198	304	304	280	370	462

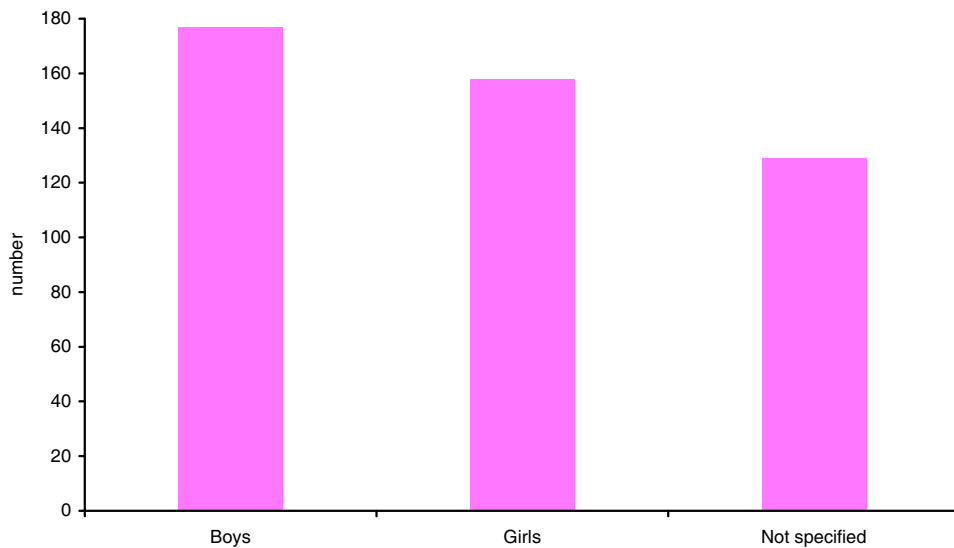
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Boys	80	278	371	154	103	447	368	177
Girls	133	310	381	185	105	415	319	158
Not specified	18	38	75	22	7	24	29	129
Total	231	626	827	361	215	886	716	464

Note 1: Data for 1993-2000 refer to children aged 0-17, while data for 2001-2008 refer to 0-18 year-olds.

Note 2: In 'not specified' cases, the only known information is that a report of abuse was lodged.

Source: Agenzija Appoġġ

Chart 17.4. Abused children: 2008



17.5. Abused children by age: 1993-2008

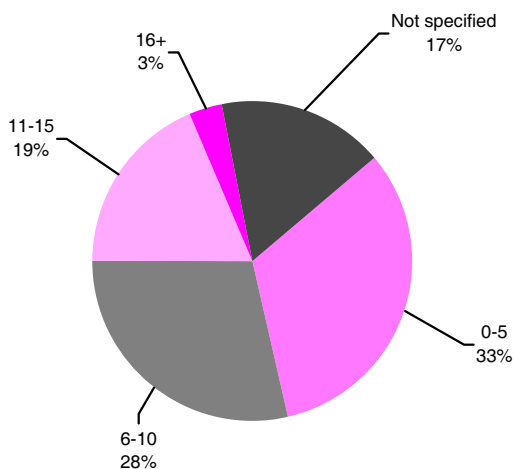
Age	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
0-5	10	18	55	91	81	75	106	125
6-10	1	11	63	104	108	103	118	142
11-15	-	6	48	78	79	74	102	124
16+	-	3	13	16	17	22	27	33
Not specified	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11	38	179	289	285	274	353	424

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
0-5	47	106	163	92	70	191	167	151
6-10	62	205	255	111	63	268	238	132
11-15	51	160	254	104	16	255	193	87
16+	50	119	107	34	49	69	40	16
Not specified	21	36	48	20	17	103	78	78
Total	231	626	827	361	215	886	716	464

Note: For 1993-2000, total is exclusive of pre-natal cases, cases involving 18 year-olds, and cases about which no information is available.

Source: Agencija Appogó

Chart 17.5. Abused children by age: 2008



17.6. Clients attending Substance Misuse Unit (DETOX) out-patients by age: 1997-2008

Age	Sex	1997	1998	1999	2000
14-18	Males	37	26	24	26
	Females	20	12	5	11
	Total	57	38	29	37
19+	Males	612	634	669	747
	Females	72	81	99	116
	Total	684	715	768	863
Total	Males	649	660	693	773
	Females	92	93	104	127
	Total	741	753	797	900
		2001	2002	2003	2004
14-18	Males	22	18	21	13
	Females	7	6	8	4
	Total	29	24	29	17
19+	Males	782	781	803	882
	Females	124	124	126	154
	Total	906	905	929	1,036
Total	Males	804	799	824	895
	Females	131	130	134	158
	Total	935	929	958	1,053
		2005	2006	2007	2008
14-18	Males	13	18	30	8
	Females	4	4	9	4
	Total	17	22	39	12
19+	Males	909	914	894	889
	Females	148	158	153	184
	Total	1,057	1,072	1,047	1,073
Total	Males	922	932	924	897
	Females	152	162	162	188
	Total	1,074	1,094	1,086	1,085

Note: The total has not been calculated since it would be over estimating the number of clients. This is due to having the possibility of the same clients using and attending the service over a number of years.

Source: Sedqa

17.7. Clients attending Substance Misuse Unit (DETOX) in-patients by age: 1999-2008

Age	Sex	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
14-18	Males	8	7	3	9	10
	Females	2	3	2	2	2
	Total	10	10	5	11	12
19+	Males	102	111	134	138	127
	Females	31	29	31	28	26
	Total	133	140	165	166	153
Total	Males	110	118	137	147	12
	Females	33	32	33	30	153
	Total	143	150	170	177	165
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
14-18	Males	10	11	25	21	4
	Females	-	1	5	5	9
	Total	10	12	30	26	13
19+	Males	120	125	146	177	62
	Females	27	30	54	54	179
	Total	147	155	200	231	241
Total	Males	130	135	171	198	66
	Females	27	31	59	59	188
	Total	157	166	230	257	254

Source: Sedqa

17.8. Clients attending Drug Community Services by age: 1997-2008

Age	1997			1998			1999		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
14-18	36	21	57	34	15	49	29	8	37
19+	218	37	255	241	50	291	261	62	323
Total	254	58	312	275	65	340	290	70	360
Age	2000			2001			2002		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
14-18	29	15	44	30	12	42	32	20	52
19+	308	79	387	306	66	372	408	74	482
Total	337	94	431	336	78	414	440	94	534
Age	2003			2004			2005		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
14-18	44	22	66	31	6	37	20	8	28
19+	397	77	474	425	72	497	417	58	475
Total	441	99	540	456	78	534	437	66	503
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
14-18	7	11	18	29	16	45	23	9	32
19+	415	61	476	367	68	435	385	88	473
Total	422	72	494	396	84	480	408	97	505

Source: Sedqa

17.9. Residents at the Sedqa Residential Drug Rehabilitation Programme by age: 1999-2008

Age	Males	Females	Total
1999			
14-18	3	1	4
19+	46	7	53
Total	49	8	57
2000			
14-18	1	-	1
19+	53	2	55
Total	54	2	56
2001			
14-18	3	-	3
19+	50	2	55
Total	53	2	58
2002			
14-18	3	-	3
19+	38	5	43
Total	41	5	46
2003			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	65	4	69
Total	65	4	69
2004			
14-18	4	-	4
19+	63	7	70
Total	67	7	74
2005			
14-18	3	-	3
19+	63	6	69
Total	66	6	72
2006			
14-18	5	-	5
19+	67	10	77
Total	72	10	82
2007			
14-18	1	-	1
19+	74	12	86
Total	75	12	87
2008			
14-18	5	2	7
19+	89	7	96
Total	94	9	103

Source: Sedqa.

17.10. Clients attending Caritas drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 2003-2008

Age	Males	Females	Total
2003			
14-18	22	8	30
19+	398	63	461
Total	420	71	491
2004			
14-18	38	9	47
19+	405	66	471
Total	443	75	518
2005			
14-18	45	9	54
19+	420	79	499
Total	465	88	553
2006			
14-18	55	16	71
19+	507	93	600
Total	562	109	671
2007			
14-18	42	10	52
19+	512	98	610
Total	554	108	662
2008			
14-18	37	8	45
19+	545	101	646
Total	582	109	691

Source: Caritas Malta

17.11. Clients attending Oasi out-patient drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 1997-2008 ...

Age	Motivation and assessment			Motivation and support			Out-patient programme		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1997									
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	3	-	3	-	-	-	2	1	3
Total	3	-	3	-	-	-	2	1	3
1998									
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	4	1	5	-	-	-	4	1	5
Total	4	1	5	-	-	-	4	1	5
1999									
14-18	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1
19+	19	8	27	1	-	1	4	2	6
Total	21	8	29	1	-	1	5	2	7
2000									
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	25	7	32	2	1	3	6	4	10
Total	25	7	32	2	1	3	6	4	10
2001									
14-18	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1
19+	36	11	47	2	-	2	10	3	13
Total	38	11	49	2	-	2	11	3	14
2002									
14-18	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	66	13	79	2	1	3	8	2	10
Total	66	14	80	2	1	3	8	2	10

... 17.11. Clients attending Oasi out-patient drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 1997-2008

Age	Motivation and assessment			Motivation and support			Out-patient programme		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2003									
14-18	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	30	5	35	4	2	6	10	1	11
Total	31	5	36	4	2	6	10	1	11
2004									
14-18	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	23	10	33	1	-	1	6	2	8
Total	23	11	34	1	-	1	6	2	8
2005									
14-18	3	-	3	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	49	7	56	1	-	1	8	1	9
Total	52	7	59	2	-	2	8	1	9
2006									
14-18	5	-	5	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	50	16	66	2	-	2	4	3	7
Total	55	16	71	3	-	3	4	3	7
2007									
14-18	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	32	5	37	22	1	23	3	3	6
Total	33	5	38	23	1	24	3	3	6
2008									
14-18	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-
19+	37	21	58	40	11	51	2	1	3
Total	38	21	59	42	11	53	2	1	3

... 17.11. Clients attending Oasi out-patient drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 1997-2008

Age	Continued care			After care		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1997						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
1999						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	5	3	8	-	-	-
Total	5	3	8	-	-	-
2000						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	10	8	18	-	-	-
Total	10	8	18	-	-	-
2001						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	12	4	16	3	2	5
Total	12	4	16	3	2	5
2002						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	11	2	13	5	2	7
Total	11	2	13	5	2	7

... 17.11. Clients attending Oasi out-patient drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 1997-2008

Age	Continued care			After care		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2003						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	17	1	18	7	2	9
Total	17	1	18	7	2	9
2004						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	8	-	8	7	2	9
Total	8	-	8	7	2	9
2005						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	14	5	19	8	2	10
Total	14	5	19	8	2	10
2006						
14-18	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	20	5	25	8	2	10
Total	21	5	26	8	2	10
2007						
14-18	2	-	2	-	-	-
19+	25	3	28	12	2	14
Total	27	3	30	12	2	14
2008						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	21	1	22	14	2	16
Total	21	1	22	14	2	16

Source: OASI

17.12. Clients attending Oasi residential drug rehabilitation service programmes by age: 1997-2008 ...

Age	Residential			Half-Way House		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1997						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	-	1	1	-	-	-
Total	-	1	1	-	-	-
1999						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	12	4	16	-	-	-
Total	12	4	16	-	-	-
2000						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	13	4	17	-	-	-
Total	13	4	17	-	-	-
2001						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	15	3	18	-	-	-
Total	15	3	18	-	-	-
2002						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	18	4	22	-	-	-
Total	18	4	22	-	-	-

... 17.12. Clients attending Oasi residential drug rehabilitation service programmes by age: 1997-2008

Age	Residential			Half-Way House		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2003						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	14	1	15	-	-	-
Total	14	1	15	-	-	-
2004						
14-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
19+	5	4	9	-	-	-
Total	5	4	9	-	-	-
2005						
14-18	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	15	5	20	3	3	6
Total	16	5	21	3	3	6
2006						
14-18	3	-	3	1	-	1
19+	28	-	28	13	2	15
Total	31	-	31	14	2	16
2007						
14-18	2	-	2	1	-	1
19+	19	-	19	14	-	14
Total	21	-	21	15	-	15
2008						
14-18	1	-	1	-	-	-
19+	22	9	31	18	1	19
Total	23	9	32	18	1	19

Source: OASI

17.13. Clients attending Oasi semi-residential drug rehabilitation programmes by age: 1997-2008

Age	Day care		
	Males	Females	Total
1997			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-
1998			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-
1999			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	1	-	1
Total	1	-	1
2000			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	2	1	3
Total	2	1	3
2001			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	2	-	2
Total	2	-	2
2002			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	2	2	4
Total	2	2	4
2003			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	1	1	2
Total	1	1	2
2004			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	1	-	1
Total	1	-	1
2005			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	2	-	2
Total	2	-	2
2006			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	1	1	2
Total	1	1	2
2007			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	3	-	3
Total	3	-	3
2008			
14-18	-	-	-
19+	-	2	2
Total	-	2	2

Source: OASI

17.14. ESPAD Study (European School Project on Alcohol and Drugs), lifetime use: 1995-2007

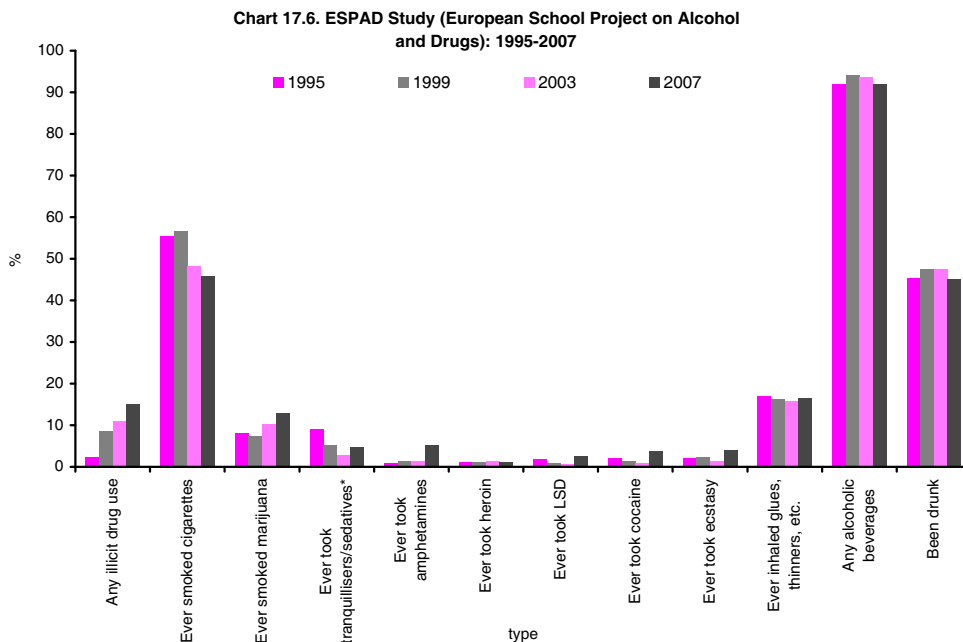
	1995	1999	2003	2007
Sample size	2,832	3,703	3,500	3,668
	%			
Any illicit drug use	2.4	8.5	11.0	15.1
Ever smoked cigarettes	55.3	56.6	48.2	45.7
Ever smoked marijuana	8.0	7.2	10.2	12.9
Ever took tranquillisers/sedatives*	8.9	5.2	2.7	4.7
Ever took amphetamines	0.9	1.4	1.3	5.2
Ever took heroin	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.1
Ever took LSD	1.8	0.8	0.6	2.5
Ever took cocaine	1.9	1.3	0.8	3.7
Ever took ecstasy	2.1	2.3	1.2	3.9
Ever inhaled glues, thinners, etc.	16.9	16.2	15.8	16.4
Any alcoholic beverages	91.9	94.0	93.7	92.0
Been drunk **	45.3	47.5	47.5	45.0

Note: The primary aim of the European School Project on Alcohol and other Drugs is to assess attitudes and habits to tobacco, alcohol, illicit drugs and other behavioural patterns among students aged 15-16. It is conducted by Sedqa in collaboration with the Education Division and the Swedish Council for Information on Alcohol and Other Drugs.

* Without a doctor's prescription

** The question was re-phrased in 2003.

Source: Sedqa.



17.15. Frequency of substance use in lifetime for all students: ESPAD 1995-2007 ...

Substance	Number of respondents	Number of occasions used in lifetime						
		0	1-2	3-5	6-9	10-19	20-39	40+
		%						
		1995						
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	2,817	44.7	12.4	6.8	5.4	6.6	5.4	18.9
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	2,678	8.1	8.7	9.0	10.6	13.8	15.9	33.8
Been drunk	2,770	54.7	23.4	10.3	4.5	3.6	1.6	2.0
Other drug use								
Marijuana or hashish	2,801	92.0	4.3	1.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.8
Amphetamines	2,786	99.1	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
LSD or other hallucinogens	2,789	98.2	1.0	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Crack	2,793	99.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Cocaine	2,793	98.1	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
Ecstasy	2,789	97.9	1.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Heroin	2,791	99.0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
Tranquillisers or sedatives	2,795	91.1	5.2	1.8	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.4
Inhalants	2,780	83.1	8.9	3.1	1.9	1.2	0.7	1.1
Alcohol together with pills	2,797	87.1	7.9	2.5	1.2	0.8	0.3	0.2
				Never		< 3 weeks		> 3 weeks
		%						
Tranquillisers or sedatives	2,763	90.1		8.5		1.4		
Substance	Number of respondents	Number of occasions used in lifetime						
		0	1-2	3-5	6-9	10-19	20-39	40+
		%						
		1999						
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	3,684	43.4	11.3	6.6	5.7	7.0	5.8	20.3
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	3,607	6.0	7.4	9.3	10.6	15.4	15.4	35.9
Been drunk	3,668	52.5	22.4	11.5	5.3	4.2	1.8	2.2
Other drug use								
Marijuana or hashish	3,675	92.8	4.2	1.0	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.6
Amphetamines	3,668	98.6	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
LSD or other hallucinogens	3,666	99.2	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Crack	3,666	99.3	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cocaine	3,672	98.7	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Ecstasy	3,670	97.7	1.4	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
Heroin (by smoking)	3,663	99.0	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Heroin (other than by smoking)	3,672	99.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,668	94.8	2.7	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3
Inhalants	3,669	83.8	8.9	2.6	1.8	1.2	0.8	1.0
Anabolic steroids	3,665	98.9	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Alcohol together with pills	3,673	88.0	7.8	2.7	0.9	0.4	0.1	0.1
Alcohol and marijuana/hashish at the same time	3,669	95.5	2.4	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3
				Never		< 3 weeks		> 3 weeks
		%						
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,673	91.4		7.1		1.5		

... 17.15. Frequency of substance use in lifetime for all students: ESPAD 1995-2007

Substance	Number of respondents	Number of occasions used in lifetime						
		0	1-2	3-5	6-9	10-19	20-39	40+
%								
2003								
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	3,483	51.8	11.2	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	16.3
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	3,398	6.3	8.5	9.6	10.2	14.2	17.8	33.4
Been drunk	3,470	52.5	22.7	10.9	5.4	3.9	2.1	2.4
Other drug use								
Any illicit drug use*	3,487	89.0	4.3	1.7	1.3	1.3	0.9	1.5
Any illicit drug use other than marijuana or hashish**	3,448	96.3	1.4	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.4
Any drug by injection	3,393	99.5	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Marijuana or hashish	3,455	89.8	4.3	1.7	1.2	1.2	0.8	1.2
Amphetamines	3,430	98.7	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
LSD or other hallucinogens	3,432	99.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Crack	3,430	98.9	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Cocaine	3,425	99.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Ecstasy	3,428	98.8	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Heroin	3,432	98.7	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,424	97.4	1.3	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Inhalants	3,452	84.2	9.1	2.7	1.2	1.2	0.7	1.0
Anabolic steroids	3,418	98.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0
Alcohol together with pills	3,425	90.6	5.1	2.3	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.4
Alcohol and marijuana/hashish at the same time	3,413	92.5	3.0	1.7	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.6
Medically supervised use								
		Never		<3 weeks		>3 weeks		
		%						
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,467	91.6		6.7		1.7		
2007								
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	3,661	54.3	11.4	5.8	3.8	4.8	4.5	15.4
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	3,629	8.0	8.3	9.0	10.7	14.7	16.0	33.3
Been drunk	3,636	55.0	22.8	10.6	5.1	3.6	1.7	1.2
Other drug use								
Any illicit drug use*	3,667	84.9	4.8	2.8	2.2	1.9	1.3	2.2
Any illicit drug use other than marijuana or hashish **	3,665	91.4	3.0	2.1	1.4	0.7	0.5	1.0
Any drug by injection	3,652	99.2	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Marijuana or hashish	3,661	87.1	5.2	2.4	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.4
Amphetamines	3,660	94.8	3.2	1.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2
LSD or other hallucinogens	3,657	97.5	1.3	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Crack	3,655	98.1	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0
Cocaine	3,660	96.3	2.2	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1
Ecstasy	3,664	96.1	2.0	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1
Heroin	3,656	98.9	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,662	95.3	2.6	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2
Magic mushrooms	3,655	98.1	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
GHB	3,649	99.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0
Inhalants	3,663	83.6	8.5	3.4	1.7	1.3	0.7	0.9
Anabolic steroids	3,643	98.0	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
Alcohol together with pills	3,660	89.3	6.2	2.6	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.2
Medically supervised use								
		Never		<3 weeks		>3 weeks		
		%						
Tranquillisers or sedatives	3,660	93.0		5.5		1.5		

Note: ESPAD study was conducted amongst students aged 15-16.

* Includes marijuana or hashish, LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy.

** Includes LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy.

Source: Sedqa.

17.16. Frequency of substance use in lifetime for boys: ESPAD 2007

Substance	Number of respondents	Number of occasions used in lifetime						
		0	1-2	3-5	6-9	10-19	20-39	40+
%								
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	1,719	55.4	11.5	5.5	2.9	4.1	5.0	15.7
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	1,706	6.2	7.0	7.4	9.2	14.0	15.5	40.6
Been drunk	1,702	53.5	23.9	10.6	4.3	3.9	2.1	1.6
Other drug use								
Any illicit drug use*	1,722	82.1	6.0	3.1	3.0	2.3	1.3	2.2
Any illicit drug use other than marijuana or hashish **	1,720	89.4	4.0	2.3	1.8	0.8	0.5	1.2
Any drug by injection	1,712	99.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Marijuana or hashish	1,719	85.3	6.3	2.7	1.9	1.6	0.9	1.3
Amphetamines	1,717	93.7	3.8	1.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2
LSD or other hallucinogens	1,716	97.2	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2
Crack	1,715	97.1	1.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0
Cocaine	1,719	96.1	2.3	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1
Ecstasy	1,720	95.5	2.2	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.1
Heroin	1,714	98.7	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
Tranquillisers or sedatives	1,718	96.6	1.9	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.1
Magic mushrooms	1,715	97.7	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
GHB	1,713	99.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
Inhalants	1,720	82.4	9.2	3.8	1.5	1.5	0.9	0.8
Anabolic steroids	1,712	97.1	1.7	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1
Alcohol together with pills	1,717	90.4	5.1	2.6	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.2
Medically supervised use			Never	<3 weeks	>3 weeks			
%								
Tranquillisers or sedatives	1,717		93.0	6.1	1.0			

Note: ESPAD study was conducted amongst students aged 15-16.

* Includes marijuana or hashish, LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy.

** Includes LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy

Source: Sedqa.

17.17. Frequency of substance use in lifetime for girls: ESPAD 2007

Substance	Number of respondents	Number of occasions used in lifetime						
		0	1 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 39	40+
%								
Tobacco								
Cigarettes	1,942	53.3	11.4	6.2	4.5	5.4	4.1	15.1
Alcohol								
Any alcoholic beverage	1,923	9.6	9.4	10.3	12.0	15.3	16.5	26.9
Been drunk	1,934	56.3	21.8	10.6	5.8	3.4	1.3	0.8
Other drug use								
Any illicit drug use*	1,945	87.4	3.7	2.4	1.5	1.6	1.2	2.1
Any illicit drug use other than marijuana or hashish**	1,945	93.2	2.1	1.9	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.8
Any drug by injection	1,940	99.3	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Marijuana or hashish	1,942	88.6	4.2	2.1	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.6
Amphetamines	1,943	95.8	2.7	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2
LSD or other hallucinogens	1,941	97.8	1.2	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
Crack	1,940	99.0	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Cocaine	1,943	96.3	2.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1
Ecstasy	1,943	96.3	2.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1
Heroin	1,942	99.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Tranquillisers or sedatives	1,944	94.2	3.2	1.2	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.4
Magic mushrooms	1,940	98.4	1.0	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
GHB	1,936	99.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Inhalants	1,943	84.8	7.8	3.0	1.9	1.1	0.5	1.0
Anabolic steroids	1,931	98.8	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Alcohol together with pills	1,943	88.3	7.3	2.6	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.3
Medically supervised use			Never	< 3 weeks	> 3 weeks			
%								
Tranquillisers or sedatives	1,943		93.0	5.1	1.9			

Note: ESPAD study was conducted amongst students aged 15-16.

* Includes marijuana or hashish, LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy.

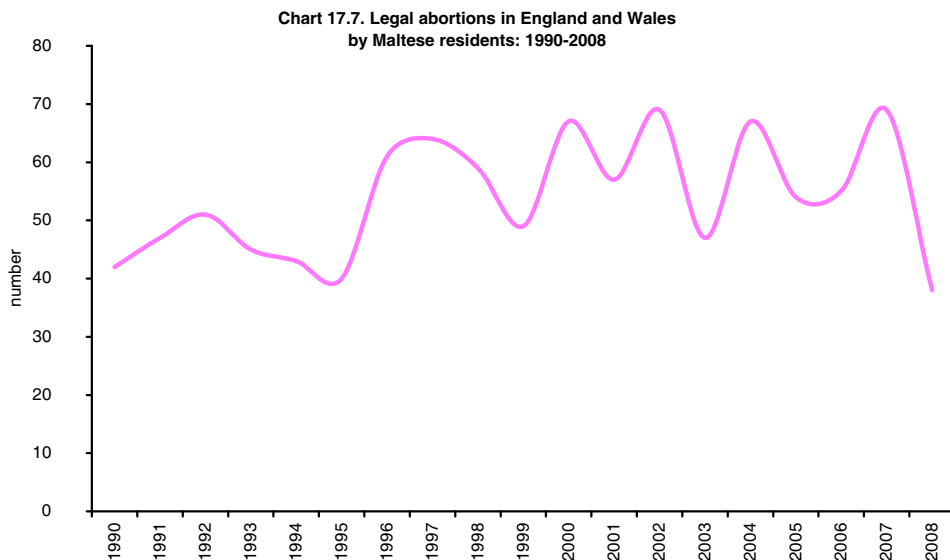
** Includes LSD, amphetamines, crack, cocaine, heroin and ecstasy.

Source: Sedqa.

17.18. Legal abortions in England and Wales by Maltese residents: 1990-2008

Year	Age		Total
	under 25	25 and over	
1990	12	30	42
1991	21	26	47
1992	24	27	51
1993	20	25	45
1994	16	27	43
1995	16	24	40
1996	28	33	61
1997	28	36	64
1998	36	23	59
1999	19	30	49
2000	22	45	67
2001	25	32	57
2002	30	39	69
2003	22	25	47
2004	35	32	67
2005	15	39	54
2006	26	29	55
2007	32	37	69
2008	12	26	38

Source: Abortion Statistics 2000, Office for National Statistics UK (1990-2000). The Stationery Office, London, UK (2001). Department of Health, UK (2002-2008).



CHAPTER 18

Children and crime

Summary

The police received 49 reports of sexual offences on minors in 2008, 11 cases more than 2007. Nearly half the 2008 reported cases involved children aged 15-17, while another 22 per cent involved children under the age of 10. During the past 7 years, the highest number of reported sexual offences on minors was in 2003, with 68 cases. Forty-one per cent of reported cases in this time span involved children in the 15-17 age bracket, another 41 per cent involved children aged 10-14, and the rest – 18 per cent – concerned children in the 0-9 age bracket.

With regard to physical abuse on minors, an annual average of 30 cases were reported between 2001 and 2008. Children aged 10-14 were involved in 46 per cent of the cases, while an additional 31 per cent concerned persons in the older age group of 15-17. The youngest age group – children under 10 – were victims in 23 per cent of the cases. Overall, physical abuse cases involved more girls than boys. Such reports reached the highest level in 2006, with 42 cases.

In 2007, the Courts referred 61 cases to the Probation Services, a peak year in this regard. The majority of cases between 2002 and 2008 – 82 per cent – involved boys. Nearly half of these cases involved theft, 16 per cent involved violence against the person, and 13 per cent were juvenile drug-related offences.

18.1. Cases of sexual offences on minors reported to the police: 2002-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
2002	11	38	49
2003	15	53	68
2004	3	41	44
2005	11	40	51
2006	10	53	63
2007	8	30	38
2008	6	43	49

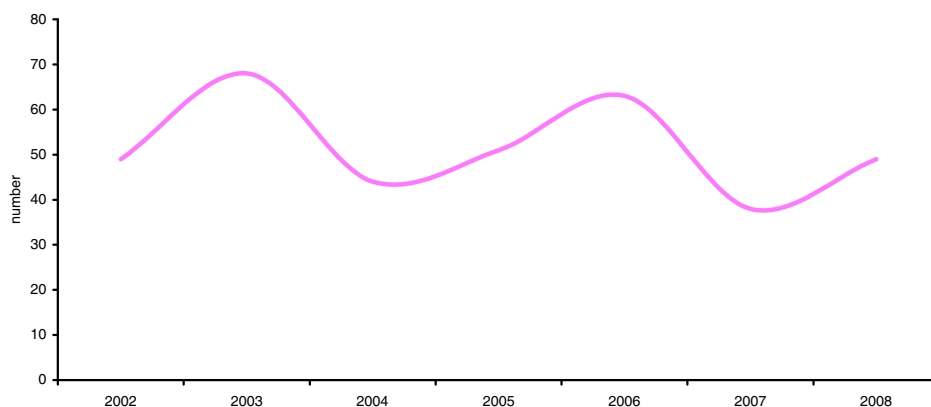
Source: Police Head Quarters

18.2. Cases of sexual offences on minors reported to the police by age of victim: 2002-2008

Year	Age			Total
	0-9	10-14	15-17	
2002	8	24	17	49
2003	12	21	35	68
2004	5	27	12	44
2005	10	25	16	51
2006	14	23	26	63
2007	4	14	20	38
2008	11	14	24	49

Source: Police Head Quarters

Chart 18.1. Cases of sexual offences on minors reported to the police: 2002-2008



18.3. Cases of physical abuse on minors reported to the police: 2001-2008

Year	Boys	Girls	Total
2001	20	12	32
2002	5	18	23
2003	9	23	32
2004	1	20	21
2005	10	22	32
2006	8	34	42
2007	6	21	27
2008	4	27	31

Source: Police Head Quarters

18.4. Cases of physical abuse on minors reported to the police by age of victim: 2001-2008

Year	Age			Total
	0-9	10-14	15-17	
2001	2	11	19	32
2002	6	12	5	23
2003	8	15	9	32
2004	4	15	2	21
2005	10	19	3	32
2006	12	19	11	42
2007	4	10	13	27
2008	9	10	12	31

Source: Police Head Quarters

Chart 18.2. Cases of physical abuse on minors reported to the police: 2001-2008



18.5. Cases of prostitution involving minors arraigned in court by the Police Vice Squad: 2002-2008

Year	Number of persons	Sex of persons involved	Number of charges	Age of persons involved
2002	3	Male and Female	7	17
2003	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-
2005	1	Female	1	17
2006	5	Male and Female	9	14-15
2007	1	Male	2	16
2008	5	Male and Female	6	13-17

Source: Police Head Quarters

18.6. Cases referred by the courts to the Probation Services: 2002-2008

Year	Males	Females	Total
2002	14	4	18
2003	25	2	27
2004	35	3	38
2005	23	8	31
2006	30	7	37
2007	46	15	61
2008	31	7	38
Total	204	46	250

Source: The Probation Services

18.7. Cases referred by the courts to the Probation Services by type of offence, age and sex of offender: 2002-2008

Type of offence	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
	Age 11			Age 12		
Violence against the person	-	-	-	1	-	1
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft	1	-	1	1	-	1
Fraud and forgery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	1	-	1	-	-	-
Breach of public order	-	-	-	1	-	1
Traffic offences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cruelty to animals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Possession of an unlicensed firearm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2	-	2	3	-	3
	Age 13			Age 14		
Violence against the person	4	4	8	3	3	6
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	1	1
Theft	3	-	3	7	3	10
Fraud and forgery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal damage	-	-	-	2	-	2
Drug offences	1	-	1	2	1	3
Breach of public order	-	1	1	3	-	3
Traffic offences	1	-	1	3	-	3
Cruelty to animals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Possession of an unlicensed firearm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9	5	14	20	8	28
	Age 15			Age 16		
Violence against the person	8	1	9	6	2	8
Sexual offences	2	1	3	-	-	3
Theft	24	1	25	31	3	34
Fraud and forgery	-	-	-	1	-	1
Criminal damage	2	-	2	1	-	1
Drug offences	2	1	3	9	2	11
Breach of public order	2	1	3	1	-	1
Traffic offences	8	-	8	5	-	5
Cruelty to animals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Possession of an unlicensed firearm	-	1	1	1	-	1
Other offences	1	-	1	-	1	1
Total	49	6	55	55	11	66
	Age 17			Total		
Violence against the person	3	4	7	25	14	39
Sexual offences	2	1	3	4	6	10
Theft	46	1	47	113	8	121
Fraud and forgery	3	2	5	4	2	6
Criminal damage	3	2	5	8	2	10
Drug offences	9	5	14	24	9	33
Breach of public order	-	-	-	7	2	9
Traffic offences	-	-	-	17	-	17
Cruelty to animals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Possession of an unlicensed firearm	-	-	-	1	1	2
Other offences	-	1	1	1	2	3
Total	66	16	82	204	46	250

Source: The Probation Services

CHAPTER 19

Babies' names

Summary

The most popular name for baby boys in 2008, given to 5 per cent of newborn boys, was Matthew. Luke was in second place with 4 per cent. These names, including variants such as Matthias, Matteo, Luca and Luciano, have been the top two names given to boys since 2004. Other names which were consistently popular over the past 5 years were John, Michael, Jake and their variants.

Maria, and variants such as Marie and Mariah, was the most popular name given to girls in all 5 years under review, reaching 5 per cent of all newborn girls in 2008. Other popular names given to girls in 2008 included Elizabeth, Julia, Christina and their variants. These names also appeared regularly in the top 10 over the past 5 years.

19.1. Top 10 babies' names: 2004

Name	% total	Name	% total
Boys		Girls	
Matthew / Matthias / Matteo	4.7	Maria / Mariah / Marie	4.7
Luke / Luca / Luciano	4.4	Martina	3.0
Jean / John / Juan / Sean / Gianni / Jonathan	3.8	Nicole / Nicola / Nikita / Nicolette	3.0
Jake	3.6	Christina / Christine / Krista / Christabelle / Christianne	2.3
Michael / Miguel / Michele / Mikiel	3.4	Maya / Maia	2.3
Nathan / Nathaniel	2.2	Eliza / Elise / Lisa / Elizabeth	2.2
Isaac	2.1	Julia / Giulia	2.0
Andre / Andrea / Andreas / Andrew	2.0	Amy / Aimee	1.9
Daniel / Daniele	2.0	Jasmine / Yasmine	1.9
Kyle	1.9	Shania	1.9

Source: National Statistics Office

19.2. Top 10 babies' names: 2005

Name	% total	Name	% total
Boys		Girls	
Matthew / Matthias / Matteo	5.9	Maria / Mariah / Marie	4.1
Jean / John / Juan / Sean / Gianni / Jonathan	3.9	Martina	2.7
Luke / Luca / Luciano	3.6	Christina / Christine / Krista / Christabelle / Christianne	2.6
Michael / Miguel / Michele / Mikiel	2.5	Amy / Aimee	2.4
Aiden	2.2	Julia / Giulia	2.3
Jake	2.0	Shania	2.2
James / Jamie	2.0	Maya / Maia	2.1
Isaac	1.9	Katia / Katrina / Katie / Catherine / Kate	2.0
Andre / Andrea / Andreas / Andrew	1.9	Nicole / Nicola / Nikita / Nicolette	2.0
Nathan / Nathaniel	1.9	Eliza / Elise / Lisa / Elizabeth	2.0

Source: National Statistics Office

19.3. Top 10 babies' names: 2006

Name	% total	Name	% total
Boys		Girls	
Luke / Luca / Luciano	3.9	Maria / Mariah / Marie	4.0
Matthew / Matthias / Matteo	3.8	Maya / Maia	2.9
Jake	3.3	Amy / Aimee	2.3
Jean / John / Juan / Sean / Gianni / Jonathan	3.2	Eliza / Elise / Lisa / Elizabeth	2.3
Michael / Miguel / Michele / Mikiel	2.4	Emma	2.2
Isaac	2.4	Martina	2.2
Andre / Andrea / Andreas / Andrew	2.4	Shania	2.0
Nicholas / Nikolai	2.3	Michela / Michelle	1.9
Aiden	2.1	Sara / Sarah	1.9
Keiran / Kearon	2.0	Ylenia / Elena / Elenia / Ilenia	1.9

Source: National Statistics Office

19.4. Top 10 babies' names: 2007

Name	% total	Name	% total
Boys		Girls	
Luke / Luca / Luciano	4.8	Maria / Mariah / Marie	4.0
Matthew / Matthias / Matteo	4.3	Martina	2.6
Jean / John / Juan / Sean / Gianni / Jonathan	3.7	Eliza / Elise / Lisa / Elizabeth	2.3
Jake	2.8	Julia / Giulia	2.3
Michael / Miguel / Michele / Mikiel	2.6	Christina / Christine / Krista / Christabelle / Christianne	2.1
Julian	2.0	Sara / Sarah	2.0
Aiden	1.8	Emma	1.9
Nicholas / Nikolai	1.8	Maya / Maia	1.9
Keiran / Kearon	1.7	Ylenia / Elena / Elenia / Ilenia	1.8
Isaac	1.7	Nicole / Nicola / Nikita / Nicolette	1.7

Source: National Statistics Office

19.5. Top 10 babies' names: 2008

Name	% total	Name	% total
Boys		Girls	
Matthew / Matthias / Matteo	5.0	Maria / Mariah / Marie	4.8
Luke / Luca / Luciano	3.7	Eliza / Elise / Lisa / Elizabeth	3.6
Jean / John / Juan / Sean / Gianni / Jonathan	3.3	Julia / Giulia	2.4
Jake	3.3	Christina / Christine / Krista / Christabelle / Christianne	2.3
Michael / Miguel / Michele / Mikiel	2.9	Maya / Maia	2.0
Aiden	2.5	Martina	1.8
Kayden / Kai	2.5	Emma	1.7
Andre / Andrea / Andreas / Andrew	2.4	Nicole / Nicola / Nikita / Nicolette	1.6
Kyle	1.9	Kaya	1.5
Jayden	1.6	Michela / Michelle	1.5

Source: National Statistics Office

