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**Total students and foreign students, by types of higher education institution, subject groups and sex<sup>1</sup>**

Nationality/Subject group/ Sex	Number					
	Winter semester 2009/2010			Winter semester 2019/2020		
	Higher education institutions, total <sup>3</sup>	University <sup>4</sup>	University of applied sciences <sup>5</sup>	Higher education institutions, total <sup>3</sup>	University <sup>4</sup>	University of applied sciences <sup>5</sup>
<b>Germans and foreigners</b>						
<b>Subject groups, total<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>2,121,178</b>	<b>1,448,616</b>	<b>644,766</b>	<b>2,891,049</b>	<b>1,814,305</b>	<b>1,023,146</b>
Male	1,106,450	698,514	393,779	1,464,867	873,330	565,177
Female	1,014,728	750,102	250,987	1,426,182	940,975	457,969
Humanities	412,477	400,229	12,248	332,440	323,488	8,952
Male	121,976	118,745	3,231	109,340	106,710	2,630
Female	290,501	281,484	9,017	223,100	216,778	6,322
Sports	26,677	26,524	153	29,207	27,922	1,285
Male	16,615	16,495	120	17,779	17,040	739
Female	10,062	10,029	33	11,428	10,882	546
Law, economics, social sciences	668,398	364,470	276,392	1,082,326	567,907	460,863
Male	332,641	189,680	129,014	459,943	242,090	191,524
Female	335,757	174,790	147,378	622,383	325,817	269,339
Mathematics, natural sciences	375,842	299,455	76,182	322,086	301,268	20,776
Male	235,925	176,112	59,644	163,604	152,984	10,589
Female	139,917	123,343	16,538	158,482	148,284	10,187
Human medicine, health sciences	119,228	100,243	18,985	186,835	128,577	58,258
Male	43,423	38,270	5,153	62,053	46,039	16,014
Female	75,805	61,973	13,832	124,782	82,538	42,244
Agricultural, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine	50,424	32,090	18,334	63,381	38,851	24,530
Male	20,050	11,070	8,980	25,899	14,046	11,853
Female	30,374	21,020	9,354	37,482	24,805	12,677
Engineering	383,931	162,081	221,850	774,687	357,874	416,813
Male	305,099	125,945	179,154	588,695	268,746	319,949
Female	78,832	36,136	42,696	185,992	89,128	96,864
Art, art theory	81,463	60,908	20,555	95,521	64,416	31,105
Male	29,636	21,193	8,443	35,433	23,783	11,650
Female	51,827	39,715	12,112	60,088	40,633	19,455
<b>Foreigners</b>						
<b>Subject groups, total<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>244,775</b>	<b>179,353</b>	<b>65,330</b>	<b>411,601</b>	<b>280,203</b>	<b>131,200</b>
Humanities	44,702	43,594	1,108	43,492	42,208	1,284
Sports	1,141	1,135	6	1,428	1,348	80
Law, economics, social sciences	69,736	43,869	25,782	111,390	64,381	46,811
Mathematics, natural sciences	42,168	33,796	8,369	43,160	39,329	3,831
Human medicine, health sciences	12,326	11,056	1,270	20,112	16,683	3,429
Agricultural, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine	4,337	3,473	864	7,652	5,616	2,036
Engineering	55,649	29,549	26,100	161,924	93,019	68,905
Art, art theory	13,685	11,917	1,768	20,107	15,749	4,358

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	Higher education institutions, total <sup>3</sup>	University <sup>4</sup>	University of applied sciences <sup>5</sup>	Higher education institutions, total <sup>3</sup>	University <sup>4</sup>	University of applied sciences <sup>5</sup>
<b>Germans and foreigners</b>						
<b>Subject groups, total<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>2,944,145</b>	<b>1,818,035</b>	<b>1,069,995</b>	<b>2,948,979</b>	<b>1,790,941</b>	<b>1,094,435</b>
Male	1,476,366	869,104	580,242	1,470,736	853,684	585,933
Female	1,467,779	948,931	489,753	1,478,243	937,257	508,502
Humanities	326,408	317,758	8,650	320,804	311,694	9,110
Male	106,404	103,900	2,504	104,736	102,051	2,685
Female	220,004	213,858	6,146	216,068	209,643	6,425
Sports	30,944	28,988	1,956	30,629	28,762	1,867
Male	18,623	17,497	1,126	18,587	17,502	1,085
Female	12,321	11,491	830	12,042	11,260	782
Law, economics, social sciences	1,128,572	575,529	496,973	1,131,886	560,746	509,822
Male	474,066	243,604	203,473	474,132	237,112	207,599
Female	654,506	331,925	293,500	657,754	323,634	302,223
Mathematics, natural sciences	319,264	297,704	21,515	316,132	292,164	23,940
Male	161,019	150,132	10,856	158,788	146,056	12,718
Female	158,245	147,572	10,659	157,344	146,108	11,222
Human medicine, health sciences	188,774	131,907	56,867	197,787	135,534	62,253
Male	60,107	46,224	13,883	61,766	46,669	15,097
Female	128,667	85,683	42,984	136,021	88,865	47,156
Agricultural, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine	65,127	39,130	25,997	64,422	38,176	26,246
Male	26,131	13,993	12,138	25,738	13,621	12,117
Female	38,996	25,137	13,859	38,684	24,555	14,129
Engineering	782,679	358,333	424,346	776,246	354,687	421,559
Male	592,125	268,256	323,869	585,864	265,228	320,636
Female	190,554	90,077	100,477	190,382	89,459	100,923
Art, art theory	98,781	65,531	33,250	100,548	64,392	36,156
Male	36,241	24,007	12,234	36,398	23,421	12,977
Female	62,540	41,524	21,016	64,150	40,971	23,179
<b>Foreigners</b>						
<b>Subject groups, total<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>416,437</b>	<b>278,115</b>	<b>138,136</b>	<b>440,212</b>	<b>290,392</b>	<b>149,617</b>
Humanities	39,141	38,095	1,046	40,850	39,688	1,162
Sports	1,440	1,318	122	1,533	1,401	132
Law, economics, social sciences	112,938	63,027	49,725	120,100	65,319	54,578
Mathematics, natural sciences	44,556	40,386	4,170	47,537	42,543	4,994
Human medicine, health sciences	20,223	16,656	3,567	21,364	17,315	4,049
Agricultural, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine	8,076	5,811	2,265	8,307	5,892	2,415
Engineering	168,466	95,892	72,574	177,365	100,674	76,691
Art, art theory	20,422	15,932	4,490	20,983	15,801	5,182

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- 1 As of 2019/2020, there has been a change in the subject classification so parts of the data are of limited comparability with the previous year. For more information see source. Subject group "Languages, cultural studies" has been renamed "Humanities". Former group "Veterinary medicine" has been added to group "Agricultural, forestry and nutritional sciences, veterinary medicine"; the values have been retrospectively adjusted to all years presented.
- 2 Preliminary results, source: Fachserie 11 Reihe 4.1 Vorbericht.
- 3 Including colleges of public administration.
- 4 Including colleges of education, colleges of theology, colleges of art and music.
- 5 Excluding colleges of public administration.
- 6 Including other studies and unclear.

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Source: Federal Statistical Office, Fachserie 11 Reihe 4.1

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