

Requirement for Roman Catholic Approved and Gaelic Medium Teachers

Roman Catholic Approved

Table 1: Teachers in Roman Catholic Schools, 2017

	Primary		Secondary		Special	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Teachers in RC schools	4,257	4,301	3,893	3,943	45	43
of which with approval	3,505	3,431	2,645	2,656	35	32
% with approval	82%	80%	68%	67%	78%	74%

Source: Teacher Census, 2017

The proportion of teachers in Roman Catholic schools who have approval has fallen slightly across all sectors.

Gaelic Medium Teachers

Table 2: Teachers by ability to teach through Gaelic medium, 2017

	Primary		Secondary		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Currently teaching through Gaelic	188	208	95	89	283	297
Able to teach through Gaelic	299	313	155	154	454	467
Teaching Gaelic language ⁽¹⁾	n/a	n/a	73	68	n/a	n/a

Source: Teacher Census, 2017

(1) As main subject or other subject.

The number of teachers currently teaching through Gaelic increased slightly as did the number of teachers able to teach through Gaelic between 2016 and 2017.

Vacancies for Gaelic medium and denominational teaching posts

Table 3. Gaelic Medium vacancies, 2017 and 2018

	2017	2018
Primary Gaelic Medium	8	3
Secondary Gaelic Medium	5	0
Total Gaelic Medium	12	3

Source: Scottish Government/COSLA teacher vacancy survey 2017 and 2018

The number of vacancies for Gaelic medium posts remains small.

Table 4. Denominational vacancies, 2017 and 2018

	2017	2018
Primary Denominational	87	39
Secondary Denominational	64	15
Total Denominational	151	55

Source: Scottish Government/COSLA teacher vacancy survey 2017 and 2018

The number of vacancies for Denominational posts reduced substantially between 2017 and 2018, particularly in secondary. The 55 vacancies in 2018 represents less than 1% of the total number of teachers in Roman Catholic schools.

Annex A – Teachers with Roman Catholic Approval by age band

Primary school teachers with Roman Catholic approval, by age, 2017

	all teachers in Roman Catholic schools	with Roman Catholic Approval	
		in Roman Catholic schools	in other schools
under 25	410	222	10
25-29	714	494	66
30-34	664	519	143
35-39	573	481	155
40-44	448	387	135
45-49	529	473	153
50-54	439	390	109
55-59	331	298	98
60 or over	192	167	41
total	4,301	3,431	909

Secondary school teachers with Roman Catholic approval, by age, 2017

	all teachers in Roman Catholic schools	with Roman Catholic Approval	
		in Roman Catholic schools	in other schools
under 25	190	91	10
25-29	597	354	110
30-34	547	377	160
35-39	517	334	161
40-44	479	334	165
45-49	457	337	159
50-54	444	311	171
55-59	455	342	172
60 or over	258	176	84
total	3,943	2,656	1,190

Special school teachers with Roman Catholic approval, by age, 2017

	all teachers in Roman Catholic schools	with Roman Catholic Approval	
		in Roman Catholic schools	in other schools
under 30	4	3	12
30-34	4	3	23
35-39	4	2	30
40-44	3	3	34
45-49	5	4	30
50-54	6	3	41
55 or over	17	13	72
total	43	32	241

(1) Excludes the 7 grant-aided special schools.

Annex B - Teachers with ability to teach through Gaelic medium by age band**Primary school teachers by ability to teach through Gaelic medium and age, 2017**

	able to teach through Gaelic	currently teaching through Gaelic
under 25	30	25
25-29	45	32
30-34	49	32
35-39	42	29
40-44	38	26
45-49	38	20
50-54	29	15
55 or over	43	29
total	313	208

Secondary school teachers of Gaelic medium and Gaelic language, by age, 2017

	able to teach through Gaelic	currently teaching through Gaelic	teaching Gaelic language ⁽¹⁾
under 30	21	14	15
30-34	24	11	9
35-39	17	8	9
40-44	9	4	5
45-49	19	12	9
50-54	26	18	11
55 or over	38	22	11
Total	154	89	68

(1) as main subject or other subject.