## Composition of Vocational Qualifications

**VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS** (180 cps)

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**FURTHER VQ** (120 or 150 cps)

**SPECIALIST VQ** (180 cps)

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In addition, it is possible to choose a unit/s from another vocational, further or special vocational qualification competence area or common units.
Education system in Finland

**Early Childhood Education and Care**

- 6-year-olds

**Basic Education**

- 7-16-year-olds
  - Comprehensive schools

**Pre-Primary Education**

- 6-year olds

**Preparatory Education and Training**

- General upper secondary schools
  - Initial vocational qualifications
  - Further vocational qualifications
  - Specialist vocational qualifications

**Matriculation Examination**

- General upper secondary schools

**Vocational Qualifications**

- Vocational institutions
  - Initial vocational qualifications
  - Further vocational qualifications
  - Specialist vocational qualifications

**Doctoral & Licenciatic Degrees**

- Universities

**Master’s Degrees**

- Universities
- Universities of Applied Sciences (Work experience 2 years**)

**Bachelor’s Degrees**

- Universities
- Universities of Applied Sciences

**Voluntary Additional Year of Basic Education**

**Basic Education**

- 7-16-year-olds
  - Comprehensive schools

**Pre-Primary Education**

- 6-year olds

**Early Childhood Education and Care**
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The most popular vocational qualifications

Total number of completed qualifications was 80,000 in 2018.

1. Vocational qualification in Social and Health Care
2. Vocational qualification in Business
3. Vocational qualification in Restaurant and Catering Services
4. Vocational qualification in Electrical Engineering and Automation Technology
5. Vocational qualification in Logistics
6. Vocational qualification in Construction
7. Further vocational qualification in First-Level Management
8. Specialist vocational qualification in Leadership and Business Management
9. Vocational qualification in the Vehicle Sector
10. Vocational qualification in Metalwork and Machinery