

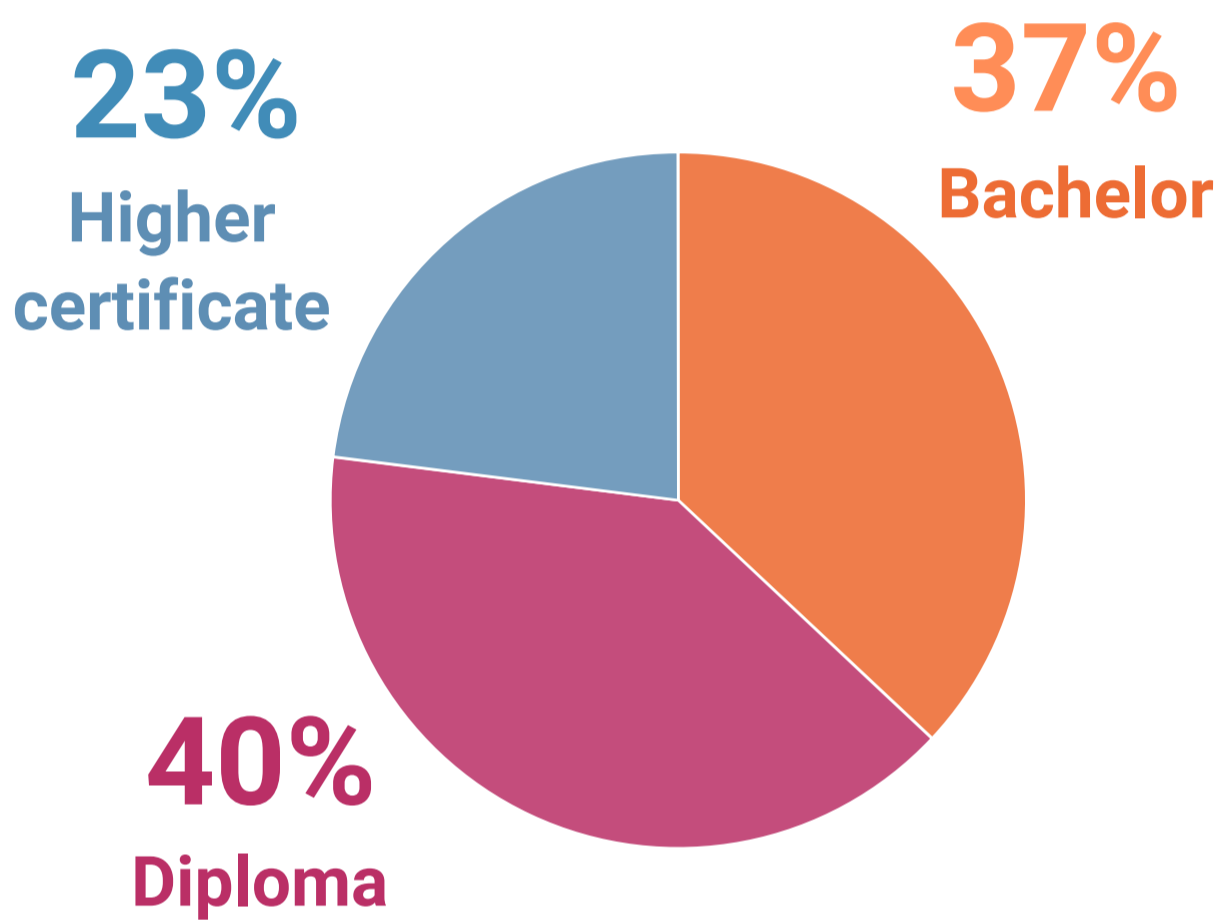
2016 Matric @ a glance

To meet the minimum admission requirements to a Bachelor's Degree study at a higher education institution, a candidate must obtain, in addition to the NSC, an achievement rating of at least 50% in four designated subjects. The pool of learners that will be able to access careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects is small. This has serious implications for the country in terms of the number of STEM graduates entering the labour market and more broadly, for the achievement of national development priorities.

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full-time learners wrote the 2016 National Senior Certificate

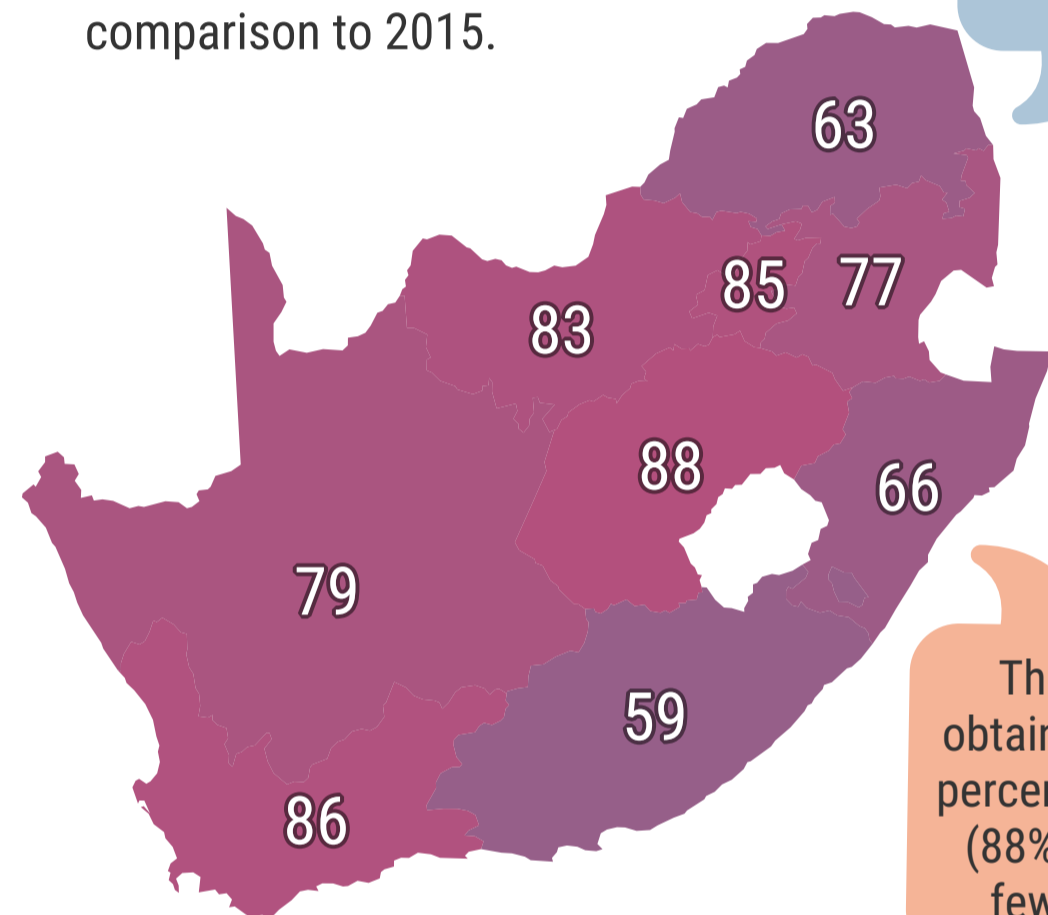
Percentage of Matric pass qualifications*



*The minimum requirement to obtain the National Senior Certificate is 40% in three subjects, one of them a home language, and to achieve 30% in three other subjects.

Pass rate by province

The results show that overall the provinces have improved their percentage pass rate in comparison to 2015.



The pass rate decreased in Mpumalanga and Limpopo from 2015.

The Free State obtained the highest percentage pass rate (88%), but had the fewest learners.

Percentage of learners achieving above 50% (2013-2016)

