

# DESTINATIONS

## 2009

**A report on the choices made by young  
people**

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## Introduction

This summary is taken from a wide range of statistical data held by Shropshire Youth and explains what happened to young people at the end of compulsory education. The activity status of all those who completed Year 11 in 2008 and 2007 are also provided. Please note that the destinations of independent school students are excluded from all analyses.

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## **Executive Summary**

### **Year 11 (2009 leaving group)**

- The proportion of young people leaving compulsory education in 2009 and going on to post-16 education increased again this year.
- Over a fifth of Shropshire based year 11 leavers are accessing education opportunities outside the Shropshire Local Authority area after they complete compulsory education.
- The proportion Shropshire Year 11 leavers entering employment and/or training decreased by 4.4% compared to the previous year.
- There has been increase over last year in the percentage entering construction trades, hairdressing/beauty ,agricultural work ,associate professional work, armed forces and catering destinations.. Work areas showing a decrease include sales, clerical and skilled engineering work. Catering and armed forces are all occupations that show an increase for the fourth year running.
- The percentage of year 11 leavers who become unemployed decreased in 2009
- The proportion of young people with a statement who have stayed in full-time education this year has shown an increase over last year. Those who have entered employment and/or training have decreased from 18.7% in 2008 to 15.1% in 2009.
- Unemployment (9.3% in 2008, 2.3% in 2009) amongst those who have a statement of educational need shows a decrease over last year Unemployment is twice the percentage unemployed in the whole cohort.
- The percentage of BME year 11 leavers entering post-16 education is higher than for the White or British young people. BME young people are less likely to enter the labour and to be unemployed.

### **Year 12 (2008 leaving group)**

- 76.7% of the 2008 leaving group have remained in education for a second year compared to 71.5% of the 2007 leaving group.
- In 2008, 13.1% of year 11 leavers went into employment (full or part-time). A year later, 10.68% are in employment.
- The percentage of young people from the 2008 leaving group who were in non-employed training by November 2009 has increased from the previous year. This continues the trend of the previous leaving group.
- Unemployment at November 2009 at 0.81% is less than November 2008.

### **Year 13 (2007 leaving group)**

- A higher percentage of young people from the 2007 leaving group went into HE/Gap Year as the 2006 leaving group. The percentage of young people who are unemployed two years after leaving compulsory education is more for the 2007 leaving group than it was for the 2006 leaving group.
- A larger number of young people who did a two year course of A Levels went directly into HE compared to those who did a two year vocational course. Both of these figures have declined from the previous year.
- Young people who completed a two year course of A Levels are more likely to enter HE/Gap Year than those who took vocational courses at college.
- Young people who did a two year vocational course are more likely to enter the labour market compared to those who did A Levels

## Year 11 Destinations - Summary

A detailed analysis of the 2009 destinations is given below. The figures relate to known destinations as at 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009

Figure 1

	Shropshire 2009		Shropshire 2008		England 2009	England 2008
	Number	% (of whole cohort)	Number	%	%	%
School Sixth Form	656	19.9	642	18.9	80.0	80.0
F.E. College	1387	42.1	1256	36.9		
Sixth Form College	814	24.7	877	25.8		
E2E and other non-employed training	114	3.46	177	5.2		2.9
Full-Time Employment	149	4.5	228	6.7		8.6
Part-Time Employment	17	0.5	35	1.0	5.5	5.5
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	7	0.2	14	0.4		
Unemployed	42	1.27	110	3.2		
Not Active	16	0.48	14	0.4		0.7
Moved out of contact	1	0.03	36	1.1		1.1
No/Refused Response	55	1.6	16	0.5		1.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3258</b>		<b>3405</b>			

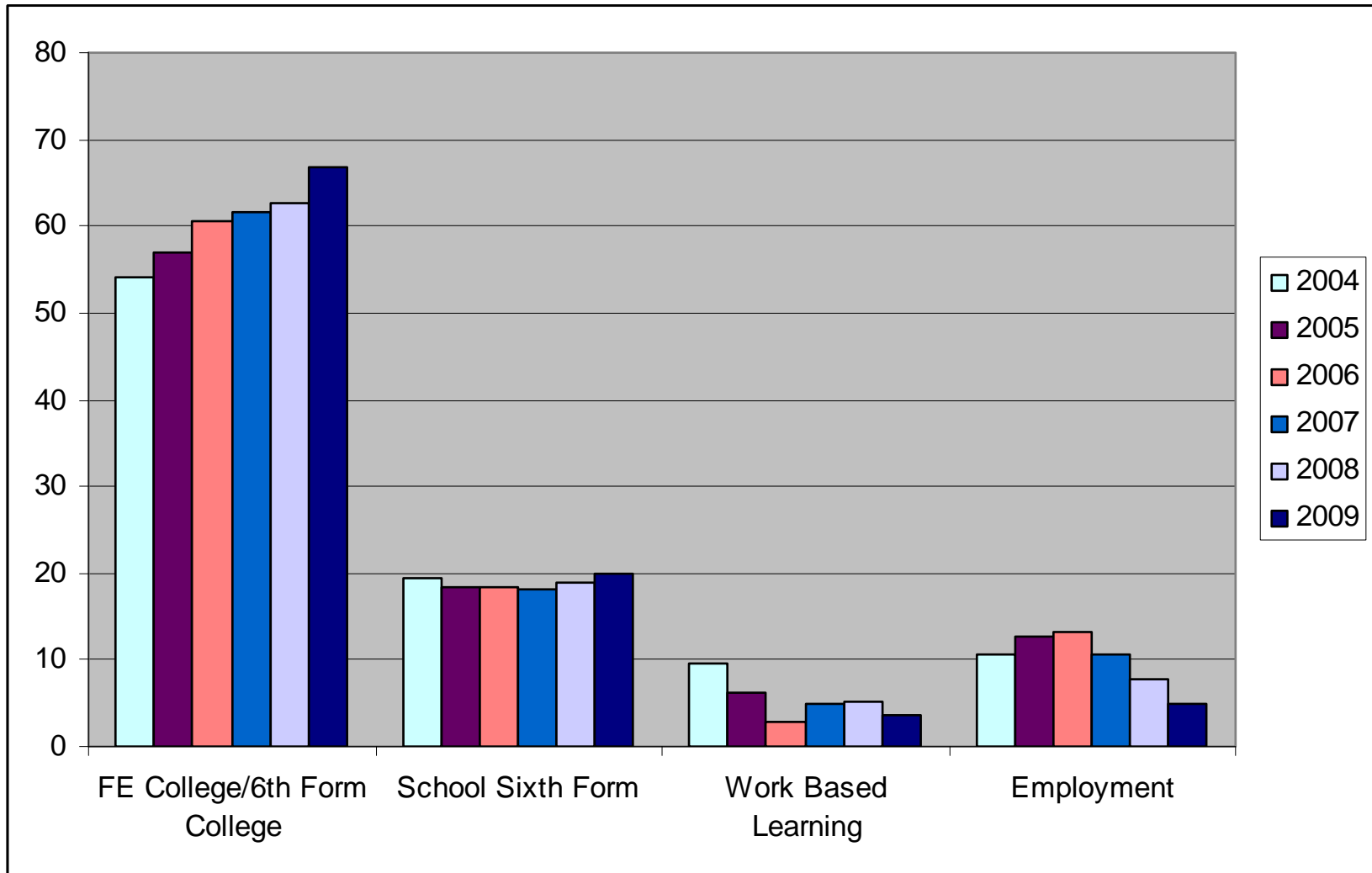
### Key points:

- The proportion of young people continuing in education continues to increase with 86.7% of year 11 students continuing in full-time education compared to 81.6% in 2008. This increase is due to more young people enrolling in Further Education and School Sixth Forms.
- The proportion of young people entering employment and/or training has fallen by 4.4% compared to 2008 continuing the trend of the last few years.
- Unemployment amongst the year 11 leaving group has decreased from 3.2% in 2008 to 1.27% in 2009 indicating the probable impact of EMA on choices.

\* Note that young people in Government Supported Training (GST) that includes employment, such as apprenticeships, are allocated to the full-time employment category. Those in GST without employed status are allocated to the E2E category.

# Trends in destinations of Year 11 pupils

Figure 2



## Year 11 destination trends by gender

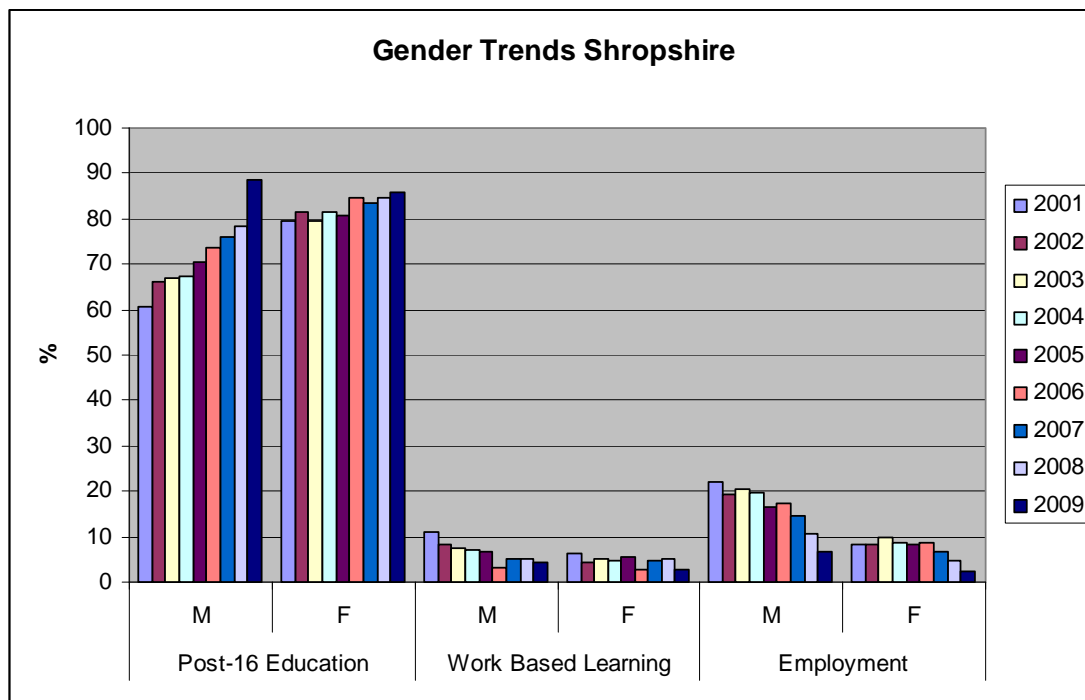
Since 2001 the number of male Year 11 leavers entering Post-16 Education has increased by nearly 20%. The relative increase in this period for female leavers entering Post-16 Education is much smaller

There has also been a decrease in the percentage entering work based learning and entering employment for both sexes over this period.

### Gender Trends 2009

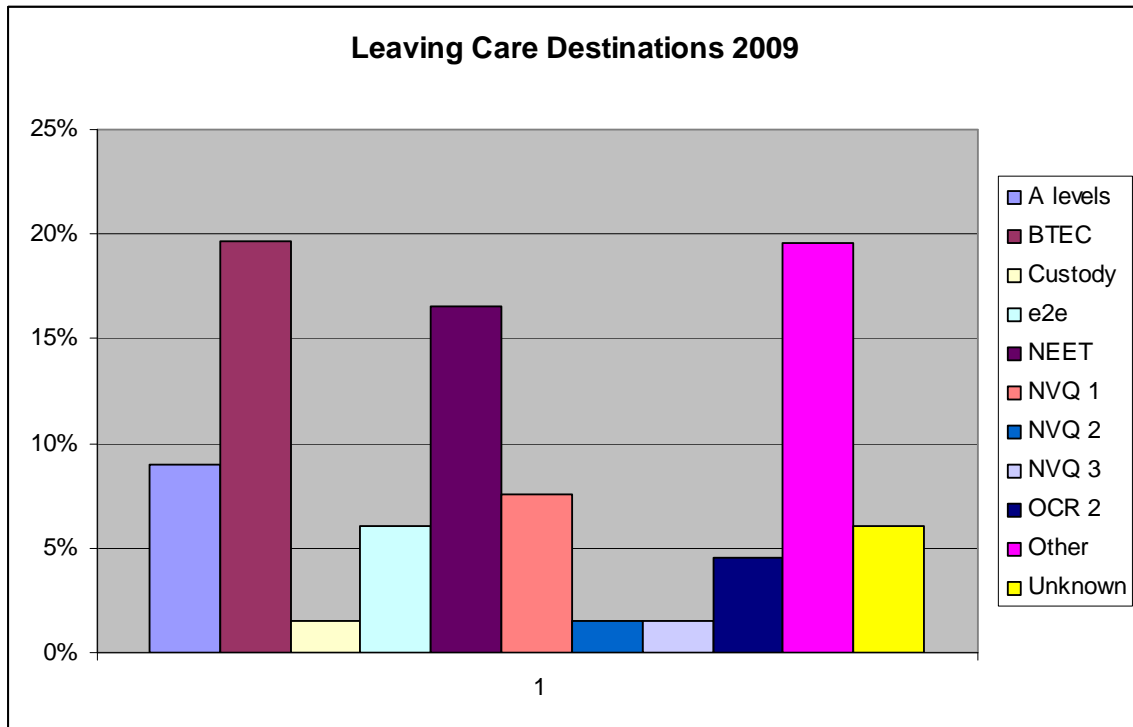
- This year there are lower percentages of female Year 11 leavers compared to males going on to Post-16 Education, Work-Based Learning and Employment..
- This year for the first time there is a higher percentage of male Year 11 leavers going on to post-16 education. This indicates a lack of employment and training opportunities.

Figure 3



# Year 11 destinations for looked after pupils

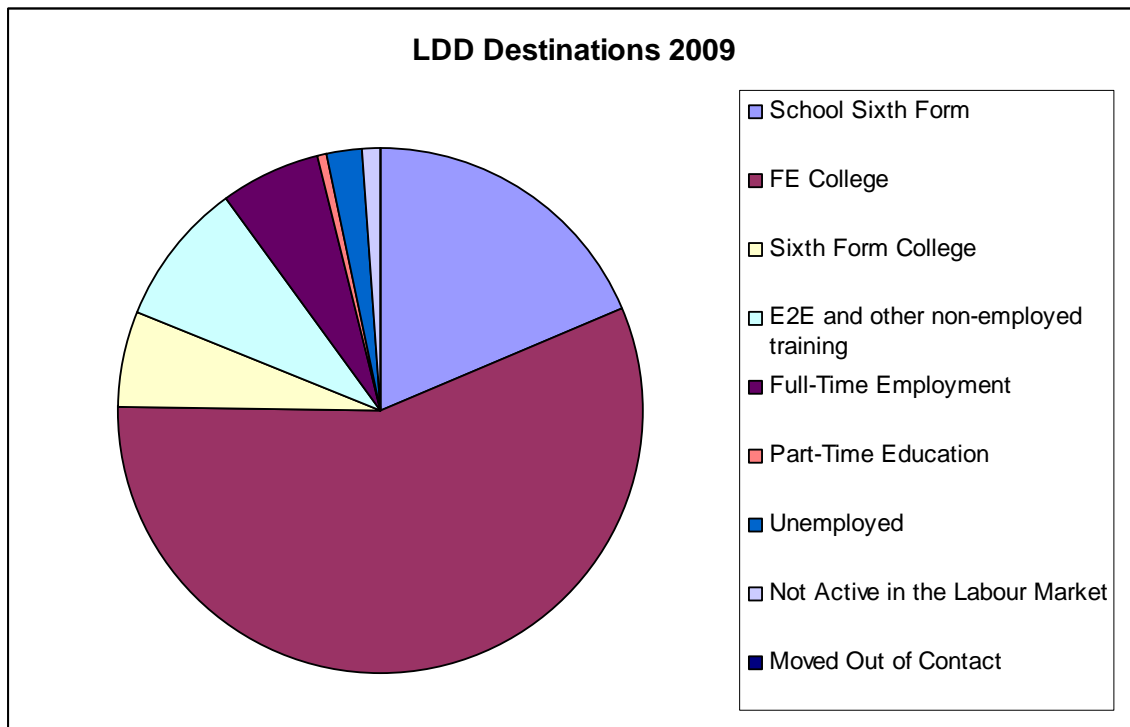
Figure 4



Looked after children are less likely to continue into post-16 education, compared to the full year 11 cohort, They are more likely to be NEET or in E2E and other non-employed training. The small numbers involved, however, make direct comparisons questionable.

# Year 11 destinations for pupils with a statement

Figure 5



The proportion of young people with a statement who have stayed in full-time education this year has shown an increase over last year. In 2008, 70.3% of this group stayed in education compared to 80.9% in 2009. Those who have entered employment and/or training have decreased from 18.7% in 2008 to 15.1% in 2009.

Unemployment (9.3% in 2008, 2.3% in 2009) amongst those who have a statement of educational need shows a decrease over last year. Unemployment is twice the percentage unemployed in the whole cohort.

## Year 11 destinations for ethnic minority pupils

Figure 6

<b>SHROPSHIRE</b>									
	<b>White</b>	<b>Mixed Race</b>	<b>Asian/Asian British</b>	<b>Black/Black British</b>	<b>Chinese</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>No Info</b>	<b>BME Total</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
School Sixth Form	588	6	8	2	0	1	51	17	656
FE College	1151	16	6	1	2	1	210	26	1387
Sixth Form College	661	15	6	2	2	0	128	25	814
E2E and other non-employed training	76	0	0	1	0	0	18	1	95
Full-Time Employment	127	0	1	0	0	0	20	1	148
Part-Time Employment	15	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	17
Voluntary Work/PT Education	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Unemployed	37	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	47
Not Active in the Labour Market	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	16
Moved Out of Contact	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
No/Refused Response	39	2	0	0	0	0	13	2	54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2712</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>3238</b>
<b>Total in FE</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2857</b>
<b>% in FE</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>94.9</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>83.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>94.4</b>	<b>88.2</b>
<b>% in E2E and other non-employed training</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<b>% in Employment</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>5.1</b>

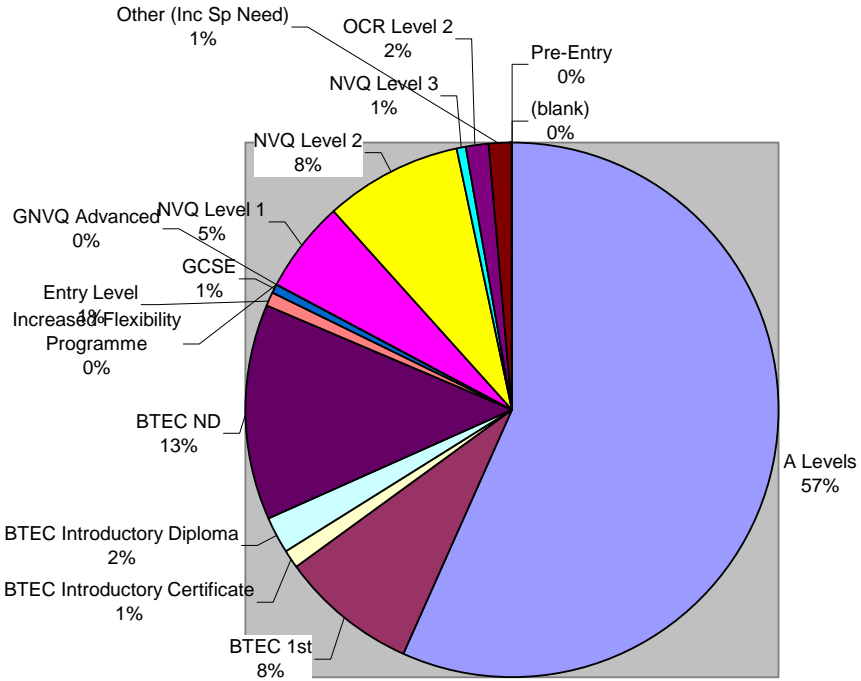
Pupils from ethnic minority backgrounds comprise 2.2% of the total year 11 group in Shropshire. The percentage of ethnic minority pupils entering post-16 education at 94.4% is nearly 6% higher than for White or White British young people. This is not evident across all BME groups. A lower percentage of young people who were Black or Black British or any other ethnicity progressed to post-16 education. It is worth noting that the numbers for some groups are very small and with such a small cohort any changes can have a significant impact in percentage terms.

BME young people are less likely to enter the labour market than White or White British. 1.4% of BME young people were seeking employment compared to 5.2% of White or White British young people.

# Year 11 further education course level analysis

Entrants to further education courses by level of course are analysed below. Other courses relate mainly to special needs courses. The percentage entering level 3 courses has increased slightly 70.9% in 2008 to 71% in 2009. There has been a decrease again in those entering level 2 courses. This year has seen an decrease in those entering level 1 courses rising from 8.2% in 2008.

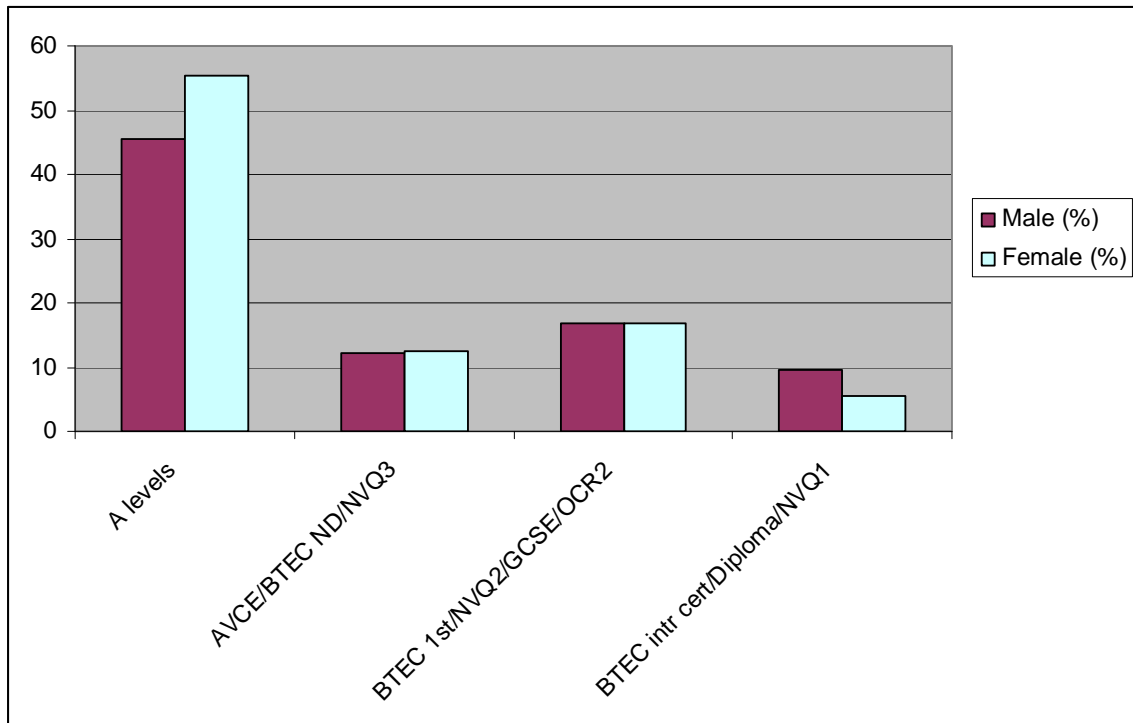
**Figure 7**



## Year 11 pupils entering further education courses as a proportion of the whole cohort

The chart below shows the percentage of all males and females in the cohort entering post-16 education by course level and type. Females are still more likely to be studying at level 3 than males. Equal numbers of females (16.9%) than males (16.89%) are studying at level 2 but more males (9.6%) than females (5.42%) are studying at level 1.

Figure 8

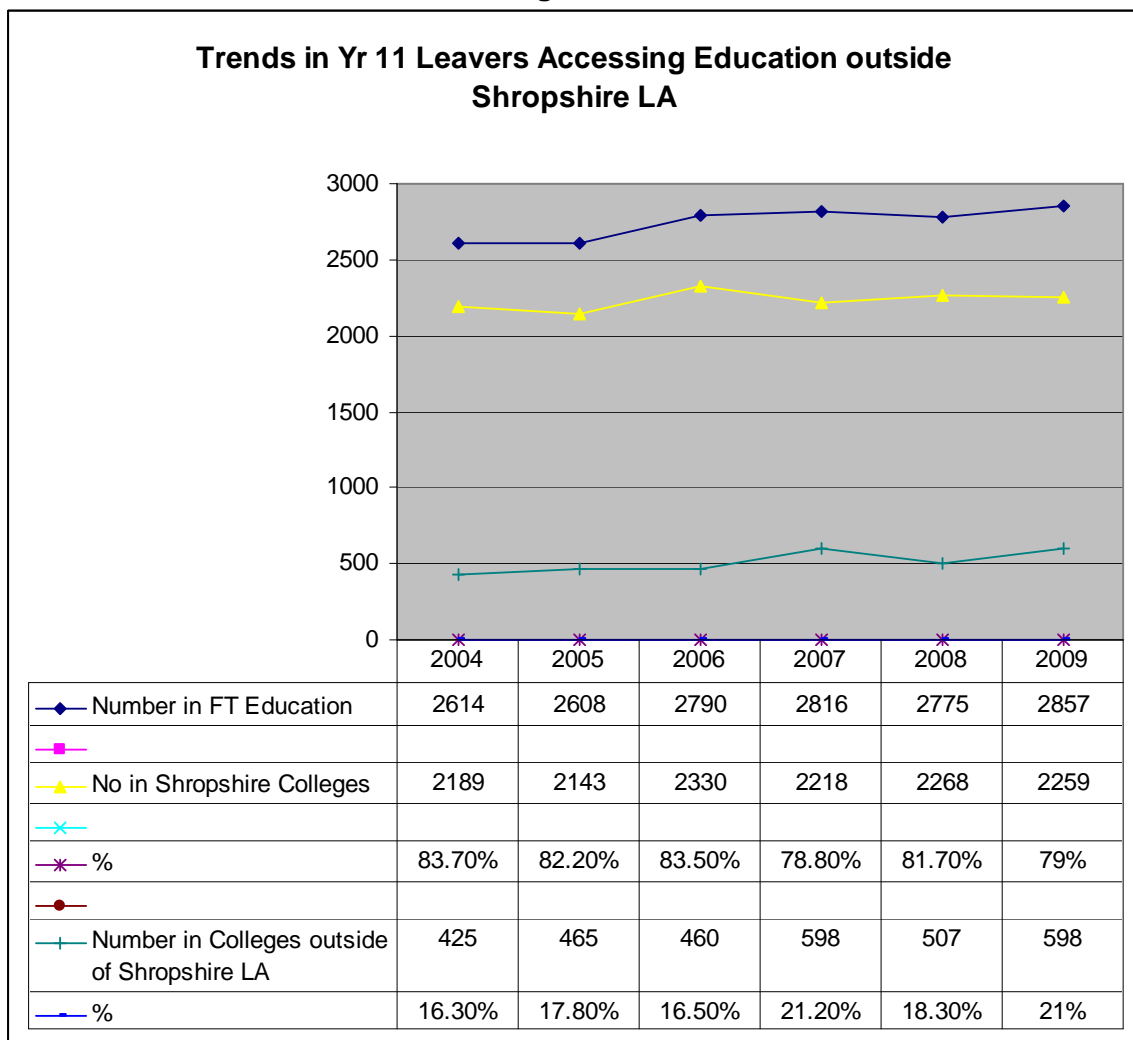


# Year 11 further education trends – where are young people accessing education?

Figure 9

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Number in FT Education	2614	2608	2790	2816	2775	2857
No in Shropshire Colleges	2189	2143	2330	2218	2268	2259
%	<b>83.7%</b>	<b>82.2%</b>	<b>83.5%</b>	<b>78.8%</b>	<b>81.7%</b>	<b>79%</b>
Number in Colleges outside of Shropshire LA	425	465	460	598	507	598
%	<b>16.3%</b>	<b>17.8%</b>	<b>16.5%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>21%</b>

Figure 10

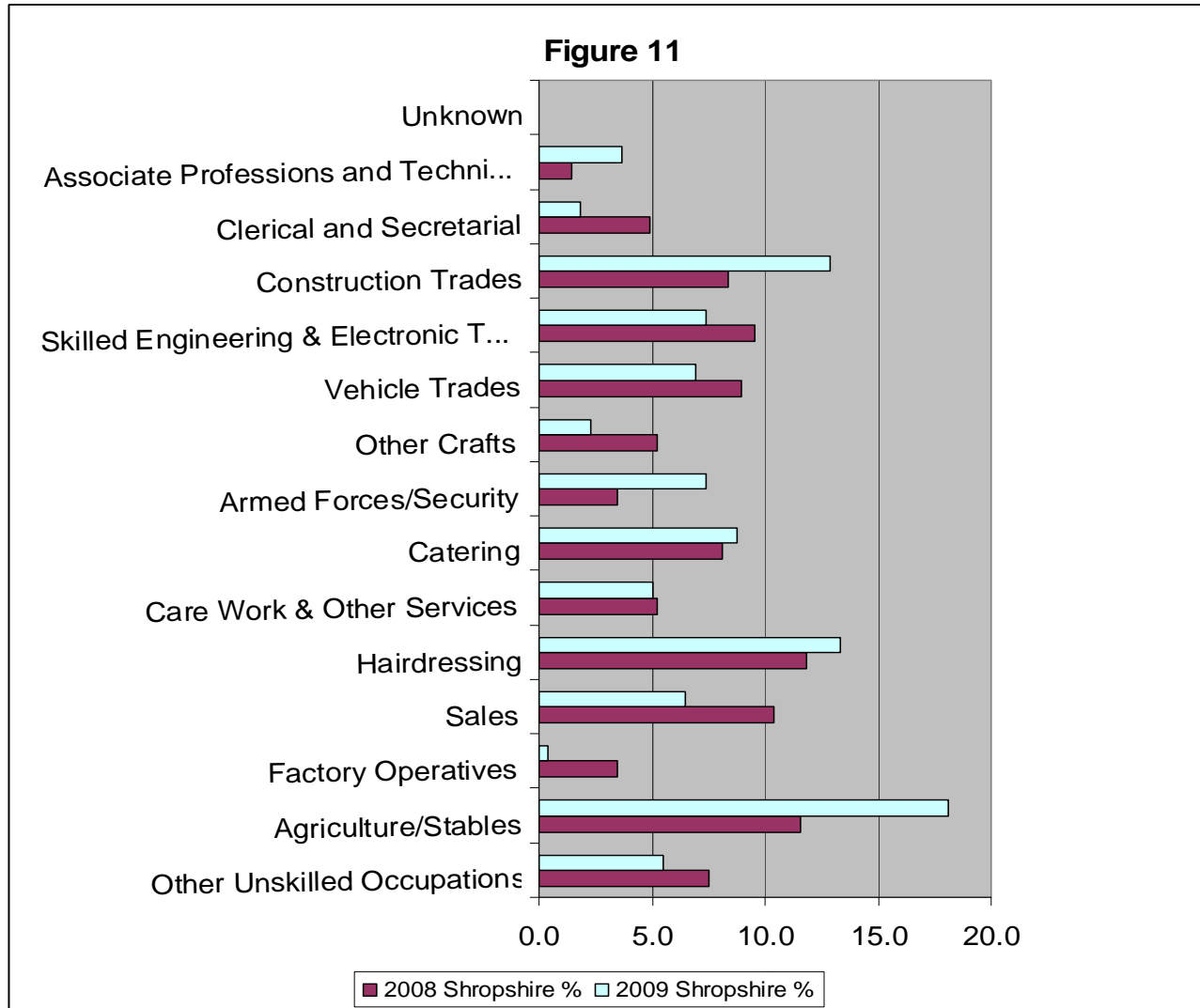


In 2009, over a fifth (21%) of young people who were in compulsory education in Shropshire schools are accessing education opportunities outside of the Shropshire Local Authority area.

Young people who are seeking education opportunities elsewhere tend to access education in the neighbouring local authorities of Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Telford and Wrekin, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Wolverhampton and across the border in Wales.

## Year 11 training and employment destinations

Entrants to work based learning (excluding E2E), full-time and part-time employment are included in the chart below.



There has been increase over last year in the percentage entering construction trades, hairdressing/beauty ,agricultural work ,associate professional wor, armed forces and catering destinations.. Work areas showing a decrease include sales, clerical and skilled engineering work. Catering and armed forces are all occupations that show an increase for the fourth year running.

## Year 12 Destinations – Where are they now, 1 year on?

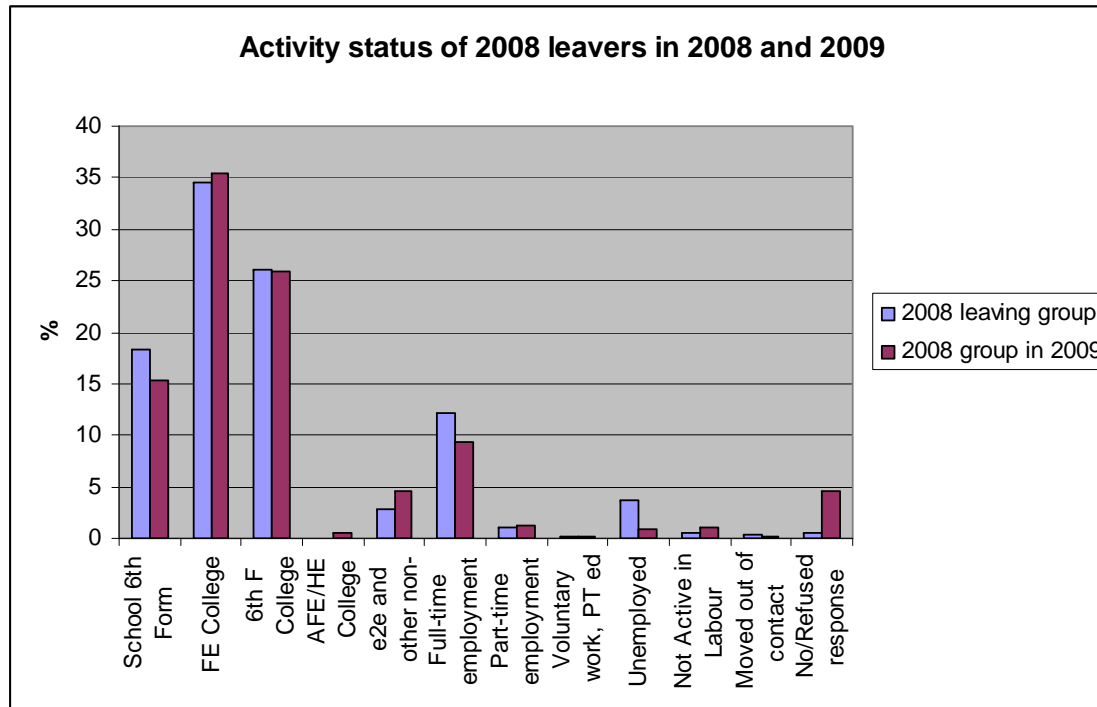
The activity as at 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009 for all those who completed year 11 in 2008 is given below.

	<b>2007 leaving group</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2007 group in 2008</b>	<b>%</b>
School Sixth Form	639	<b>18.1</b>	546	<b>15.5</b>
FE College	1234	<b>34.9</b>	1104	<b>31.2</b>
Sixth Form College	943	<b>26.7</b>	876	<b>24.8</b>
AFE/HE College	-	-	3	<b>0.1</b>
E2E and other non- employed training	172	<b>4.9</b>	194	<b>5.5</b>
Full-Time Employment	325	<b>9.2</b>	503	<b>14.2</b>
Part-Time Employment	48	<b>1.4</b>	55	<b>1.6</b>
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	4	<b>0.1</b>	7	<b>0.2</b>
Unemployed	107	<b>3.0</b>	106	<b>3.0</b>
Not Active in the Labour Market	17	<b>0.5</b>	34	<b>1.0</b>
Moved out of contact	28	<b>0.8</b>	73	<b>2.1</b>
No/Refused Response	18	<b>0.5</b>	30	<b>0.8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3535</b>		<b>3531</b>	

**Figure 12**

<b>2008 leaving group</b>	<b>2008 group in 2009</b>
<b>18.3</b>	<b>15.3</b>
<b>34.5</b>	<b>35.5</b>
<b>26.0</b>	<b>25.9</b>
	<b>0.59</b>
<b>2.9</b>	<b>4.56</b>
<b>12.1</b>	<b>9.42</b>
<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.26</b>
<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.18</b>
<b>3.7</b>	<b>0.81</b>
<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.09</b>
<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.15</b>
<b>0.5</b>	<b>4.53</b>

- The proportion of young people continuing into a second year in post-16 education is always less than those who started a first year. There was a drop of 2.1% in those continuing onto a second year in 2009 compared to a drop of 8.2% the previous year. As a result, 76.7% of the 2008 leaving group have remained in education for a second year compared to 71.5% of the 2007 leaving group.
- In 2008, 13.1% of year 11 leavers went into employment (full or part-time). A year later, 10.68% are in employment.
- The percentage of young people from the 2008 leaving group who were in non-employed training by November 2009 has increased from the previous year. This continues the trend of the previous leaving group.
- Unemployment at November 2009 at 0.81% is less than November 2008.



**Figure13**

## Year 13 destinations – Where are they now, 2 years on?

The activity as at 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009 for all those who completed year 11 in 2007 is given below.

Figure 14

	2006 leaving group in 2008		2007 leaving group in 2009	
	Number	%	Number	%
School Sixth Form	87	2.5	82	2.78
FE College	768	21.8	469	15.9
Sixth Form College	173	4.9	98	3.32
HE	812	23.0	702	23.8
Gap Year	102	2.9	156	5.3
E2E and other non-employed training	106	3.0	153	5.19
Full-Time Employment	1060	30.0	890	30
Part-Time Employment	92	2.6	117	3.9
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	13	0.4	29	0.8
Unemployed	120	3.4	107	3.62
Not Active in the Labour Market	45	1.3	73	2.43
Moved out of contact	107	3.0	35	1.18
No/Refused Response	45	1.3	30	1.01
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3530</b>		<b>2943</b> <b>(cohort)</b>	

### Key findings:

- There is some difference in activity status 2 years on for both the 2007 and 2006 leaving group.
- A greater percentage of young people from the 2007 leaving group went into HE/Gap Year as the 2006 leaving group (29% compared to 25.9%)
- More people from the 2006 leaving group are in FE two years after completing compulsory education than the 2007 leaving group (29.2% compared to 22%)
- The percentage of young people unemployed is slightly more for the 2007 leaving group (3.6% compared to 3.4%).

- There are equal percentages of young people in the 2006 and 2007 leaving groups who are in full-time employment. more are in E2E and other non-employed training.

## Year 13 destinations – destinations for those who have completed a two year course in post-16 education

*Below is an analysis of the 2006 leaving group who completed a two year course in education; either A Levels or Vocational Courses (AVCE, NVQ Level 3 or a BTEC ND) and it shows what they were doing at the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008.*

**Figure 15**

	2007 leaving group who have completed 2 years of post-16 education A LEVELS		2007 leaving group who have completed 2 years of post-16 education VOCATIONAL COURSES	
	Number	%	Number	%
HE	679	45.2	66	13.7
Gap Year	150	10	9	1.8
Continuing in education	242	16.1	12	2.5
Full-Time/Part-Time Employment	165	11	91	18.9
E2E and other non-employed training	15	1	5	1
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	9	0.6	4	0.83
Unemployed	11	0.73	4	0.83
Not Active in the Labour Market	1	0.06	2	0.41
Moved out of contact	6	0.4	1	0.2
No/Refused Response	39	2.5	21	4.38
<b>TOTAL doing qualifications</b>	<b>1500</b>		<b>479</b>	

### Key findings:

- A larger number of young people who did a two year course of A Levels went directly into HE compared to those who did a two year vocational course. Both of these figures have declined from the previous year.
- Young people who completed a two year course of A Levels are more likely to enter HE/Gap Year than those who took vocational courses at college.
- Young people who did a two year vocational course are more likely to enter the labour market compared to those who did A Levels.

## Destinations by forum area

Figure 16

NORTH EAST FORUM					
2008			2009		
	Number	%		Number	%
Continuing in education	413	76.2	Continuing in education	431	83
E2E and other non-employed training	22	4.1	E2E and other non-employed training	23	4.4
Full-Time Employment	65	12.0	Full-Time Employment	33	6.35
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	1	0.2	Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	1	0.2
Part-Time Employment	6	1.1	Part-Time Employment	2	0.4
Unemployed	22	4.1	Unemployed	8	1.5
Not Active	1	0.2	Not Active	0	0
Moved out of contact	11	2.0	Moved out of contact	0	0
No/Refused Response	1	0.2	No/Refused Response	1	0.2
<b>Total =</b>	<b>542</b>		<b>Total=</b>	<b>519</b>	

**Key findings:**

- The percentage continuing in education has increased by 6.8% from the previous year
- Unemployment has decreased to 1.5% from 4.1% the previous year
- Those entering full-time employment has virtually halved in 2009.

Figure 17

SOUTH FORUM					
2008			2009		
	Number	%		Number	%
Continuing in education	405	78.6	Continuing in education	447	88.7
E2E and other non-employed training	49	9.5	E2E and other non-employed training	26	5.1
Full-Time Employment	31	6.0	Full-Time Employment	52	3.4
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	5	1.0	Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	0	0
Part-Time Employment	8	1.6	Part-Time Employment	3	0.6
Unemployed	12	2.3	Unemployed	0	0
Not Active	1	0.2	Not Active	2	0.4
Moved out of contact	1	0.2	Moved out of contact	0	0
No/Refused Response	3	0.6	No/Refused Response	3	0.6
<b>Total =</b>	<b>515</b>		<b>Total =</b>	<b>504</b>	

**Key findings:**

- The percentage continuing in education has increased, by over 10% in the last year.
- The percentage entering E2E and other non-employed training has decreased, this year by 4.4%
- Unemployment has decreased
- Those entering full-time employment has decreased again, this year by 2.6%

Figure 18

SOUTH EAST FORUM					
2008			2009		
	Number	%		Number	%
Continuing in education	578	82.7	Continuing in education	630	90.4
E2E and other non-employed training	23	3.3	E2E and other non-employed training	8	1.1
Full-Time Employment	51	7.3	Full-Time Employment	24	4.9
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	3	0.4	Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	1	0.1
Part-Time Employment	7	1.0	Part-Time Employment	1	0.1
Unemployed	21	3.0	Unemployed	7	1.0
Not Active	3	0.4	Not Active	2	0.2
Moved out of contact	8	1.1	Moved out of contact	0	0
No/Refused Response	5	0.7	No/Refused Response	10	1.4
<b>Total =</b>	<b>699</b>		<b>Total =</b>	<b>697</b>	

**Key findings:**

- The percentage continuing in education has increased by 7.7% from the previous year
- Unemployment has dropped from what it was for the 2007 leaving group
- The percentage entering E2E and other non-employed training has decreased by 2.2%, while the percentage entering full-time employment has decreased by 2.4%.

Figure 19

NORTH WEST FORUM					
2008			2009		
	Number	%		Number	%
Continuing in education	532	83.9	Continuing in education	500	86
E2E and other non-employed training	30	4.7	E2E and other non-employed training	29	5
Full-Time Employment	31	4.9	Full-Time Employment	26	4.5
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	2	0.3	Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	2	0.3
Part-Time Employment	1	0.2	Part-Time Employment	3	0.5
Unemployed	22	3.5	Unemployed	8	1.4
Not Active	4	0.6	Not Active	4	0.7
Moved out of contact	7	1.1	Moved out of contact	0	0
No/Refused Response	5	0.8	No/Refused Response	4	0.6
<b>Total =</b>	<b>634</b>		<b>Total =</b>	<b>581</b>	

**Key findings:**

- The percentage continuing in education has increased again this year by 2.1%
- Those entering full-time employment and has decreased by 0.4%
- Those entering E2E and other non-employed training has increased by 0.3% in 2009
- Unemployment has decreased slightly by 2.1%

Figure 20

CENTRAL FORUM					
2008			2009		
	Number	%		Number	%
Continuing in education	847	83.4	Continuing in education	827	91
E2E and other non-employed training	53	5.2	E2E and other non-employed training	21	2.3
Full-Time Employment	50	4.9	Full-Time Employment	28	3.1
Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	3	0.3	Voluntary Work/PT Education and PDO	2	0.2
Part-Time Employment	13	1.3	Part-Time Employment	7	0.8
Unemployed	33	3.3	Unemployed	12	1.3
Not Active	5	0.5	Not Active	2	0.2
Moved out of contact	9	0.9	Moved out of contact	7	0.8
No/Refused Response	2	0.2	No/Refused Response	0	0
<b>Total =</b>	<b>1015</b>		<b>Total =</b>	<b>906</b>	

**Key findings:**

- The percentage continuing in education has increased again from 83.4% in 2008 to 91% (a rise of 7.6%)
- Unemployment fell again this year from 3.3% in 2008 to 1.3% in 2008
- The percentage entering full-time employment has fallen by 1.8% and the percentage entering E2E and other non-employed training has also fallen by 2.9%.