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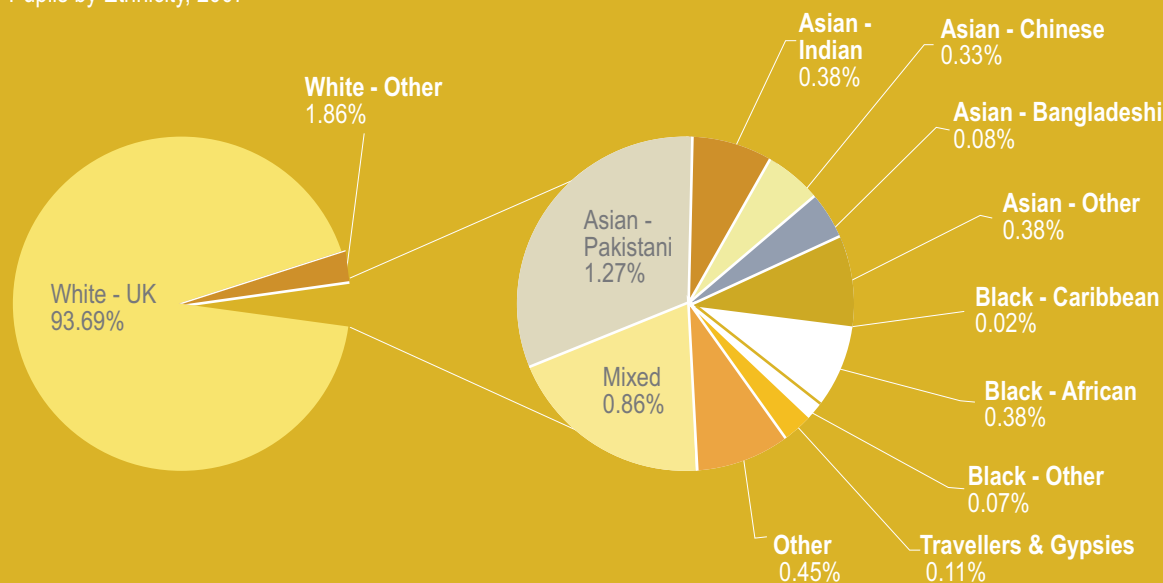
# Education

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The national data contained in this section is primarily derived from the 'Pupils in Scotland' annual census published by the Scottish Government in February 2008. These figures only include information from publicly funded schools, as data on private schools is collected by the Scottish Council for Independent Schools, who do not monitor ethnicity. Information on Glasgow is provided by Glasgow City Council.

**Pupil Numbers:** The most recent annual pupil census was published in February 2008 and contains data on pupil populations from the previous year. The census shows that 4.43% of disclosed pupils were from a BME background (an increase from 4.05% in the previous year), with pupils of Pakistani origin making up the largest percentage at 1.27%—the same proportion as in 2006—followed by Mixed (0.86%). Pupils falling into the 'Other' group made up 0.45% of the total, with Indian and Asian Other making up 0.38% of pupils each, and Black African making up 0.36%. Excluding the Pakistani and Mixed groups, these figures represent a significant change from the previous years figures, when the third largest ethnic minority group was Indian at 0.35%, followed by Chinese at 0.33%. This change is due primarily to increasing number of asylum seeker and refugee pupils in schools.

Pupils by Ethnicity, 2007 <sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Does not include grant aided special schools. Percentages of those where ethnic background is known.

Ethnicity not known or not disclosed for 2.5 per cent of pupils.

[Source: Scottish Executive Statistical Bulletin, published February 2008:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/02/25145216/18>]

The following tables are Glasgow only.

Pupil Ethnicity by National Identity, 2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	Scottish	English	Northern Irish	Welsh	British	Irish	Other	Not Known/ Not Disclosed	Total
	White UK	498,467	15,736	560	561	89,241	215	2,410	24,964
White Other	3,476	242	14	6	1,546	181	6,434	667	12,566
Mixed	3,362	244	6	14	1,538	14	414	213	5,805
Asian-Indian	757	36	3	1	753	4	781	256	2,591
Asian-Pakistani	3,107	112	1	5	4,246	5	775	1,254	9,505
Asian-Bangladeshi	137	16	-	-	197	-	121	40	511
Asian-Chinese	606	28	-	-	923	7	502	180	2,246
Asian-Other	251	44	-	-	391	-	1580	272	2,538
Black-Caribbean	26	9	-	-	18	1	57	13	124
Black-African	117	46	-	-	246	3	1691	328	2,431
Black-Other	93	19	-	-	98	5	202	53	470
Occupation Traveller	139	9	1	-	33	-	13	13	208
Gypsy Traveller	310	31	4	2	52	17	11	21	448
Other Traveller	61	10	-	1	11	-	10	12	105
Other	646	31	-	1	384	3	1229	723	3,017
Not Known/Not Disclosed	2,995	142	5	7	1,166	6	641	12,212	17,174
<b>Total</b>	<b>514,550</b>	<b>16,755</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>100,843</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>16,871</b>	<b>41,221</b>	<b>691,893</b>

(1) Does not include grant aided special schools.

Ethnicity of Asylum Seekers & Refugees, 2006-2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	2006		2007	
	Asylum Seekers	Refugees	Asylum Seekers	Refugees
White UK	10	6	10	9
White Other	196	85	197	102
Mixed	8	4	9	7
Asian-Indian	9	5	16	5
Asian-Pakistani	229	35	243	51
Asian-Bangladeshi	3	2	1	3
Asian-Chinese	11	4	10	5
Asian-Other	305	146	319	156
Black-Caribbean	2	2	4	2
Black-African	515	236	526	287
Black-Other	84	30	62	39
Occupation Traveller	4	-	3	1
Gypsy Traveller	-	1	-	-
Other Traveller	2	2	2	2
Other	201	88	199	87
Not Known/Not Disclosed	60	21	54	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,640</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>775</b>

(1) Does not include grant aided special schools.



**Scotland:** Primary Pupils by Ethnicity and Stage, 2007

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7
White UK	42,249	45,125	46,774	48,853	51,166	52,288	52,622
White Other	1,409	1,281	1,438	1,141	953	970	923
Mixed	503	535	510	516	519	527	493
Asian-Indian	287	271	228	238	223	204	204
Asian-Pakistani	849	849	777	763	755	765	716
Asian-Bangladeshi	41	48	47	55	47	43	41
Asian-Chinese	157	169	196	154	174	161	168
Asian-Other	260	252	262	235	207	192	189
Black-Caribbean	12	10	9	12	11	13	6
Black-African	272	233	231	229	210	187	184
Black-Other	39	49	53	30	46	37	32
Occupation Traveller	9	9	21	31	22	17	21
Gypsy Traveller	51	45	44	48	55	40	49
Other Traveller	9	12	9	5	10	10	9
Other	477	288	193	184	179	197	170
Not Known/Not Disclosed	3,967	2,198	1,540	981	766	634	719
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,624</b>	<b>49,176</b>	<b>50,792</b>	<b>52,494</b>	<b>54,577</b>	<b>55,651</b>	<b>55,827</b>

**Scotland:** Secondary Pupils by Ethnicity and Stage, 2007

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
White UK	52,784	53,450	55,113	56,527	44,433	23,153
White Other	876	834	835	717	569	476
Mixed	455	414	413	379	318	162
Asian-Indian	184	174	156	154	153	95
Asian-Pakistani	703	738	684	691	648	386
Asian-Bangladeshi	35	36	30	31	26	24
Asian-Chinese	170	197	185	180	192	151
Asian-Other	166	175	201	190	168	154
Black-Caribbean	12	10	9	4	4	11
Black-African	180	155	159	150	119	102
Black-Other	36	33	38	32	22	19
Occupation Traveller	15	15	15	18	11	3
Gypsy Traveller	34	27	25	17	6	1
Other Traveller	7	8	7	11	6	-
Other	161	519	196	173	158	98
Not Known/Not Disclosed	964	1,043	1,159	1,104	1,108	722
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,814</b>	<b>56,771</b>	<b>58,044</b>	<b>59,247</b>	<b>46,784</b>	<b>26,800</b>

Pupils Based in Special Schools Ethnicity by National Identity, 2007<sup>(1)</sup>

	Scottish	All Other Categories	Not Known/ Not Disclosed	Total
White UK	4,282	1,052	283	5,617
White Other	73	64	7	144
Minority Ethnic Groupings	108	199	50	357
Not Known/Not Disclosed	32	31	206	269
Total	4,608	1,376	645	6,629

(1) Excludes pupils in grant-aided special schools.

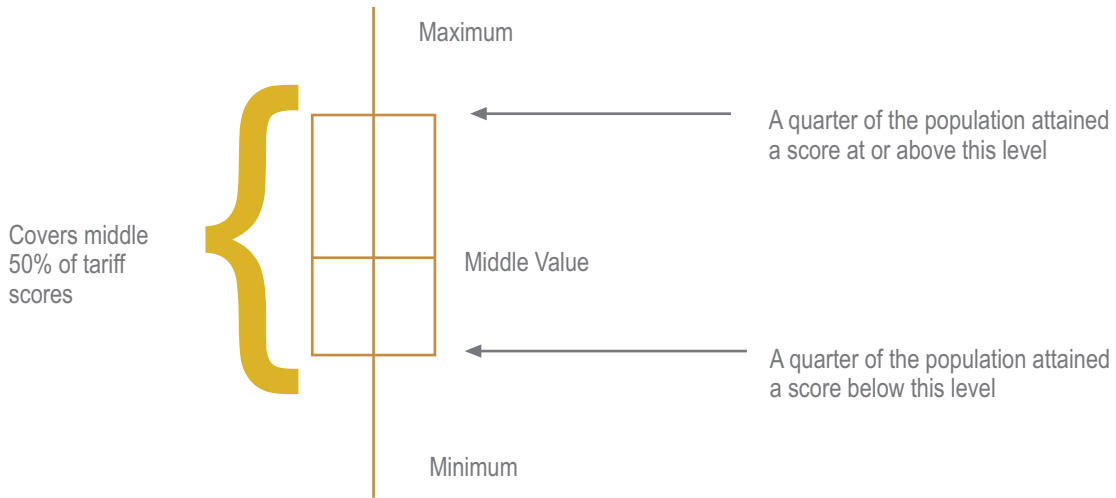
[Source: Scottish Executive Statistical Bulletin, published February 2008:  
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/02/25145216/18>]

**Attainment:** The education data shows that pupils from some BME backgrounds are performing much better at school than White groups.

- Whilst the average tariff score of S4 pupils from a White UK background is 172, this figure rises significantly for pupils from Asian backgrounds, with pupils of Chinese origin scoring an average of 215, pupils of Indian origin and mixed race pupils scoring 190, and pupils of Bangladeshi origin scoring 175.
- Pupils of Black Caribbean origin, Black African origin, and asylum seeker/refugee pupils are the least likely to perform well at school, their average scores being 114, 167 and 151 respectively. For pupils of Black Caribbean and Black African origin, this represents a drop from the previous year's figures, with pupils of Black African origin's scores dropping from an average of 169, and pupils of Black Caribbean origin's scores dropping more dramatically from their previous average of 124.
- These broad trends are repeated in the later years of schooling and in the data on the highest qualification attained by leavers. For example, pupils of Indian origin were more than seven times more likely to have left school with more than 3 SCQFs (Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework) at Level 7 than their White counterparts.
- BME female pupils also consistently achieve higher levels of attainment than BME males.
- Figures obtained from Glasgow City Council illustrate that as at national level, ethnic background has a significant impact on attainment levels at S4 regionally, with children and young people from Asian-Indian, Asian-Chinese and Mixed Race backgrounds performing best across almost all SCQF levels. Children and young people from ethnic backgrounds such as White-Other, Black-African and Asian-Other were likely to perform least well in S4 SQA results.

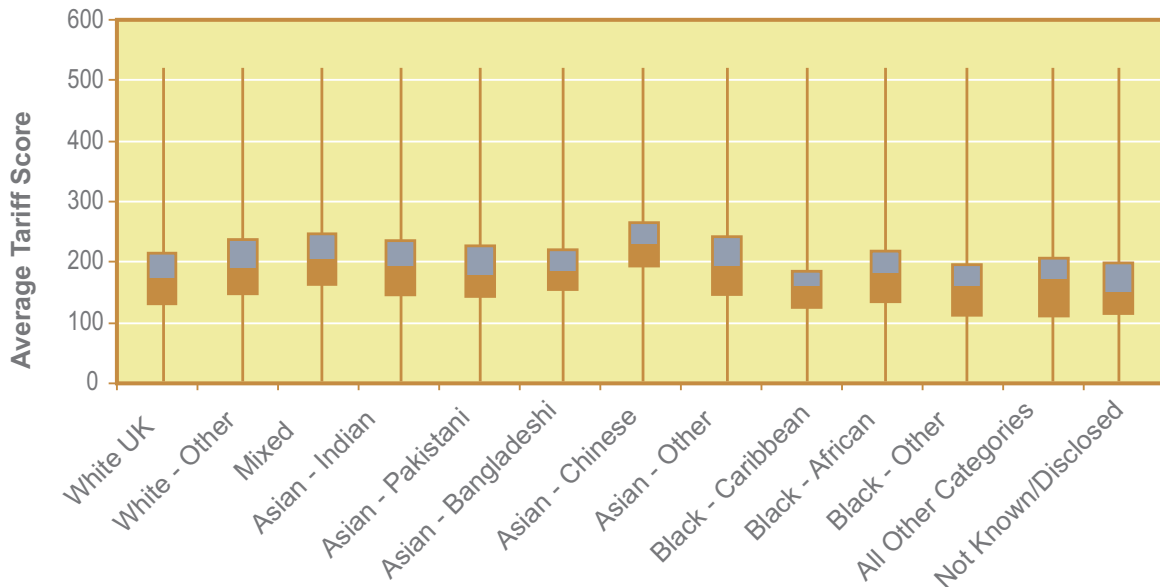


[Boxplots have been used to provide a visual summary of the range of scores attained by a group of pupils, after the tariff scores are ordered from highest to lowest. The five main points shown by a boxplot can be seen below:]

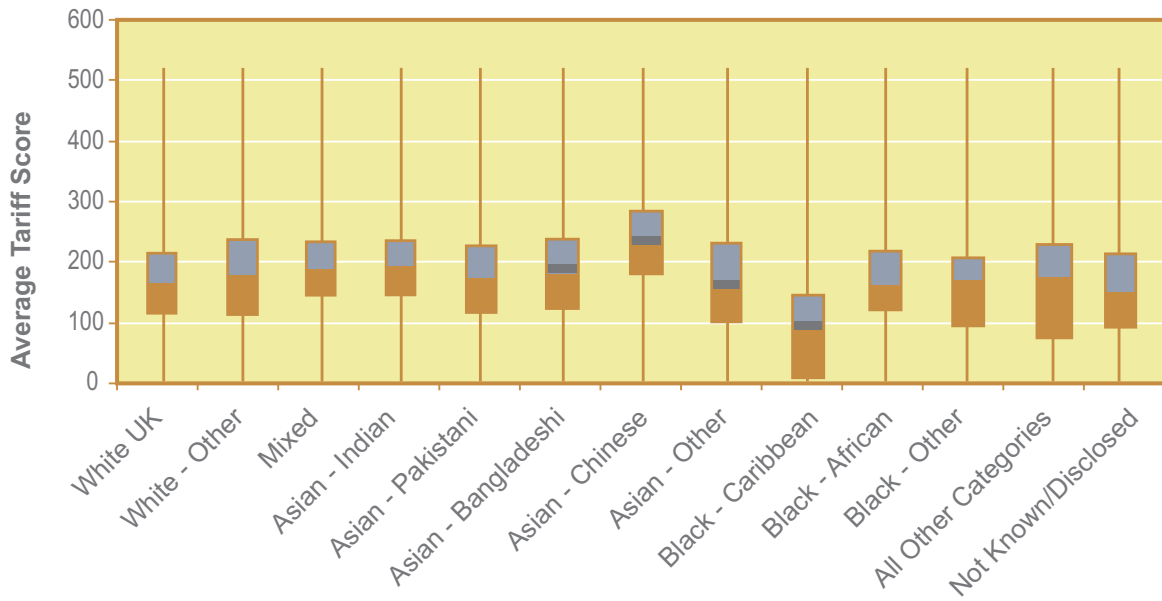


It can be seen that the box contains the middle half of the scores attained by pupils. The larger the box, the greater the spread in scores attained by the middle group of pupils. The Middle value of all scores attained is shown by the line across the box. The lines from the box show the minimum and maximum values attained by pupils.

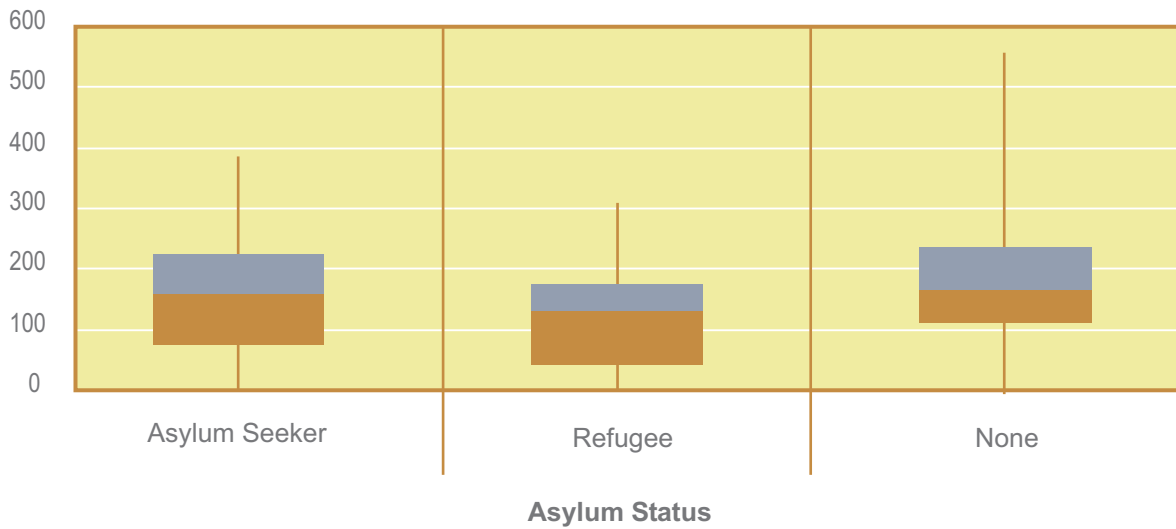
Average Tariff Score of S4 Pupils, by Ethnic Background: 2005/06, Scotland



Average Tariff Score of S4 Pupils, by Ethnic Background: 2006/07, Scotland



Average Tariff Score of S4 pupils by Asylum Status, 2006/07, Scotland



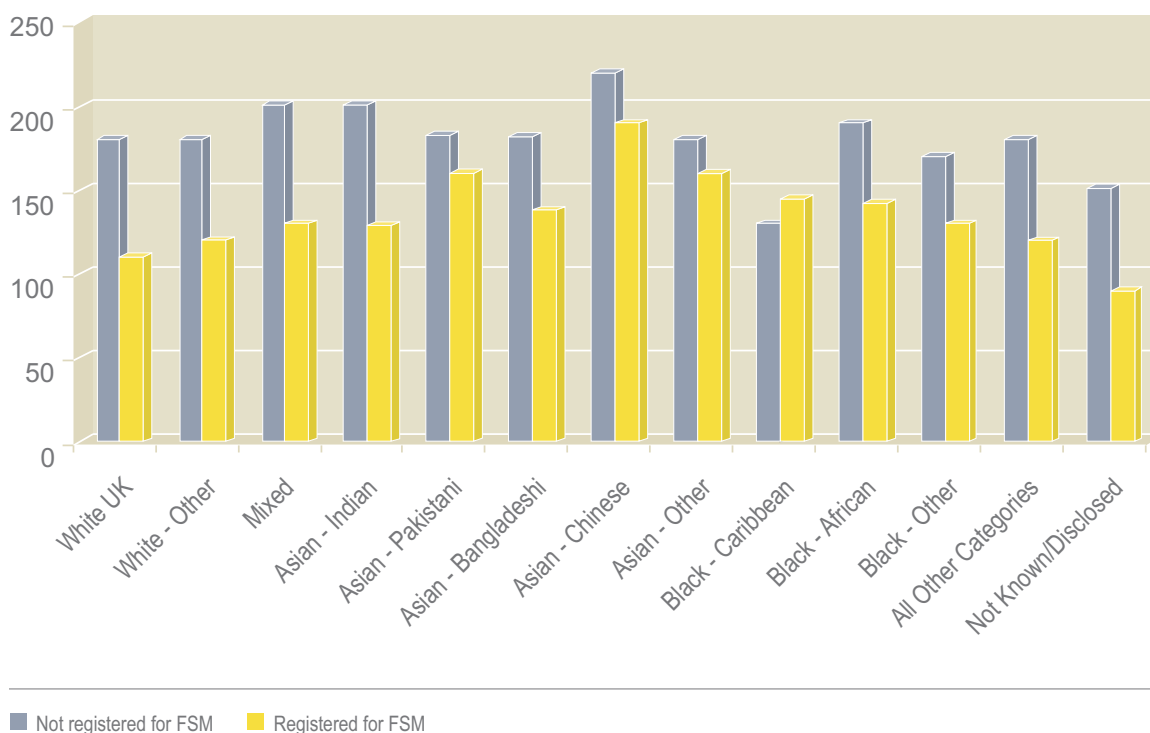
NB: Averages Calculated from Small Numbers may be Misleading.



Three year average tariff score of S4 pupils, by ethnic background and registration for free school meals: 2004/05-2006/07 (Scotland)

Ethnic Background	Not registered for free school meals		Registered for free school meals		Total	
	Number of Pupils	Average Tariff Score	Number of Pupils	Average Tariff Score	Number of Pupils	Average Tariff Score
All Pupils	155,872	181	25,823	111	181,695	171
White - UK	144,733	182	23,357	110	168,090	172
White - Other	1,686	183	295	120	1,981	173
Mixed	786	199	133	138	919	190
Asian - Indian	403	198	61	136	464	190
Asian - Pakistani	1,428	178	452	155	1,880	172
Asian - Bangladeshi	86	179	9	132	95	175
Asian - Chinese	521	217	34	186	555	215
Asian - Other	267	182	105	153	372	174
Black - Caribbean	25	108	109	143	334	167
Black - African	225	178	95	141	296	170
Black - Other	59	169	46	129	105	151
All Other Categories	423	169	207	112	630	150
Not Known/Not Disclosed	5,230	150	1,007	89	6,237	140

Three year average tariff score of S4 pupils, by ethnic background and registration for free school meals:2003/04-2005/06 (Scotland)



Highest Qualifications Attained by Leavers, by Ethnicity of Pupil: 2005/06, Scotland (percent)

Ethnic Background		White - UK	White - Other	Mixed	Asian - Indian	Asian - Chinese	Asian - Pakistani	All Other Categories	Not Known/Not Disclosed
Number of Leavers	56,149	53,052	711	315	159	200	579	504	2,629
No NQ Qualifications @ Level 3 or better	3.9	1.2	0.8	1.3	-	1.0	1.2	1.4	3.2
1-2 @ SCQF Level 3	1.3	1.2	0.8	1.3	-	1.0	1.2	1.4	3.2
3-4 @ SCQF Level 3	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.3	-	0.5	0.2	-	0.9
5+ @ SCQF Level 3	0.4	0.3	0.1	-	-	-	0.3	0.2	0.6
1-2 @ SCQF Level 4	6.4	6.3	7.0	3.5	5.0	0.5	6.2	6.2	8.3
3-4 @ SCQF Level 4	6.8	6.8	6.3	3.2	3.8	1.5	5.5	5.0	9.3
5+ @ SCQF Level 4	8.2	8.4	6.9	5.1	6.9	2.5	5.4	5.0	8.3
1-2 @ SCQF Level 5	15.1	15.2	14.3	10.2	10.7	8.0	15.9	14.5	15.7
3-4 @ SCQF Level 5	7.7	7.8	6.5	7.3	9.4	2.0	7.9	6.3	7.2
5+ @ SCQF Level 5	6.4	6.5	5.5	6.3	3.8	2.5	5.5	3.0	5.4
1-2 @ SCQF Level 6	12.7	12.7	13.6	14.6	13.2	16.5	16.2	18.5	10.6
3-4 @ SCQF Level 6	9.1	9.0	9.4	13.7	15.1	16.5	11.9	9.1	7.2
5+ @ SCQF Level 6	8.7	8.9	8.2	13.0	8.2	15.0	8.3	8.5	4.6
1-2 @ SCQF Level 7	11.4	11.5	13.5	16.5	13.2	26.0	10.2	12.1	6.8
3+ @ SCQF Level 7	1.3	1.3	1.8	2.2	8.2	7.5	2.1	2.8	0.8

[Source: Scottish Executive National Statistics, published March 21<sup>st</sup> 2007; SQA Attainment and School Leaver Qualifications 2006/07, <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/03/14134538/0>]



Attainment by Ethnicity, Glasgow

<b>S4</b>		5 + L3 or Above (%)	5 + L4 or Above (%)	5 + L5 or Above (%)	English Maths at L3 or Above (%)
<b>Ethnic Background</b>	Asian - Bangladeshi	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Asian - Chinese	91.3	73.9	34.8	87.0
	Asian - Indian	97.4	86.8	23.7	92.1
	Asian - Other	71.0	53.6	15.9	69.6
	Asian - Pakistani	89.4	67.3	24.1	88.4
	Black - African	83.7	53.1	12.2	81.6
	Black - Caribbean	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Black - Other	80.0	53.3	20.0	86.7
	Mixed Race	94.7	73.7	42.1	89.5
	White - Other	72.4	62.1	27.6	69.0
	White - UK	83.2	63.4	20.8	83.0
Glasgow		<b>86.0</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>86.0</b>

Attainment by Ethnicity, Glasgow

<b>S4</b>		1 + L6 or Above (%)	3 + L6 or Above (%)	5 + L6 or Above (%)
<b>Ethnic Background</b>	Asian - Bangladeshi	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Asian - Chinese	61.9	52.4	9.5
	Asian - Indian	41.0	20.5	10.3
	Asian - Other	43.8	25.0	12.5
	Asian - Pakistani	34.6	19.3	6.6
	Black - African	38.7	16.1	3.2
	Black - Caribbean	5 Pupils	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Black - Other	30.0	10.0	0.0
	Mixed Race	33.3	33.3	16.7
	White - Other	44.0	25.0	11.9
	White - UK	29.8	14.9	5.6
Glasgow		<b>28.0</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>

S4		3 + L6 or Above (%)	5 + L6 or Above (%)
Ethnic Background	Asian - Bangladeshi	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Asian - Chinese	62.5	9.5
	Asian - Indian	37.5	10.3
	Asian - Other	33.3	12.5
	Asian - Pakistani	41.1	6.6
	Black - African	23.8	3.2
	Black - Caribbean	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Black - Other	5 Pupils	5 Pupils
	Mixed Race	26.7	13.3
	White - Other	53.1	37.5
	White - UK	43.8	27.9
Glasgow		18.0	11.0

[Source: Education and Social Work Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee Report, Education Services, Glasgow City Council 2007]

**Attendance:** Attendance rates varied across the different ethnic groups, from 96% among pupils of Asian Chinese origin to 77% among pupils of Gypsy traveller origin. The average attendance rate for White pupils is 93%.



## Percentage Attendance and Absence by Ethnic Background

	Number of Pupils	Attendance	Authorised Absence	Unauthorised Absence	Absence due to temporary exclusion
White - UK	654,850	93	6	1	0.1
White - Other	8,870	93	6	1	0.1
Mixed	5,190	94	5	1	0.1
Asian - Indian	2,220	92	6	1	-
Asian - Pakistani	8,740	91	7	1	0.1
Asian - Bangladeshi	490	91	7	2	-
Asian - Chinese	2,270	96	3	1	-
Asian - Other	1,900	93	6	1	-
Black - Caribbean	100	92	5	2	0.3
Black - African	1,820	95	4	1	0.1
Black - Other	510	90	8	2	0.1
Occupational Traveller	170	88	10	1	0.1
Gypsy Traveller	410	77	15	8	0.1
Other Traveller	80	80	16	5	0.1
Other	2,240	92	6	2	0.1
Not Known/Not Disclosed	7,050	92	6	2	0.2

(1) Local authorities may mark traveller children as authorised absent, even when they are on extended leave, in order to keep a place for them on the school roll

(2) Including S6. This information will be affected by differing reporting practices across local authorities.

[Source: Scottish Executive National Statistics, published 5th December, 2006]

**Exclusions:** Across Scotland, pupils from BME groups generally had an exclusion rate considerably lower than White-UK pupils, but with rates varying widely across the different ethnic groups. Pupils of Black Caribbean origin had the highest rate of exclusions at 126 exclusions (involving 70 pupils) per 1,000 pupils, which is consistent with the previous years figures, where pupils of Black Caribbean origin also had the highest rate of exclusions at 162 exclusions (involving 71 pupils) per 1,000 pupils. Pupils of Asian-Chinese origin had the lowest rate of exclusions with 5 exclusions (involving 5 pupils) per 1,000 pupils, which, again, is consistent with the previous years figures: 6 exclusions (involving 5 pupils) per 1,000 pupils. Pupils from mixed, all Asian, Black African, Gypsy and Other Traveller origin had a lower than average rate of exclusion, with pupils of Indian, Bangladeshi and Chinese origin being significantly lower than average, while, as well as pupils of Black Caribbean origin, pupils from Black Other and Occupational Traveller backgrounds, and those for whom ethnicity was not known or declared had a higher than average rate of exclusions.

## Exclusions by Ethnicity

	Total Exclusions	of Which Removals	Pupils Excluded	Total Pupil Numbers <sup>(1)</sup>	No. of <sup>(2)</sup> Exclusions	No. of Pupils Excluded
<b>Total</b>	44,794	248	22,769	701,341	60	32
White - UK	41,131	125	20,853	643,723	61	31
White - Other	307	1	170	10,349	32	18
<b>Mixed</b>	222	2	112	5440	38	20
Asian - Indian	51	-	34	2,358	18	13
Asian - Pakistani	425	2	252	9,098	44	27
Asian - Bangladeshi	10	-	6	514	12	8
Asian - Chinese	14	-	11	2,266	5	5
Asian - Other	62	-	41	2,197	24	16
Black - Caribbean	10	-	7	110	126	70
Black - African	93	1	63	2,090	45	30
Black - Other	17	-	14	462	56	38
Occupational Traveller	16	-	9	207	73	37
Gypsy Traveller	24	-	15	428	48	30
Other Traveller	3	-	2	91	36	30
<b>Other</b>	107	1	69	2,283	52	32
Not Known/Not disclosed	1,561	1	745	19,725	77	38
Data not available	741	115	366			

(1) Pupil number as at September 2006

(2) Exclusion rates per 1,000 pupils calculated using an average for 2005/06 and 2006/07. Exclusions where data could not be matched to census ethnicity information were not included in the calculation of the overall rate.

[Statistics on exclusions from Scottish schools in the academic year 2006/07

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/01/28122247/0>]

**Free School Meals:** Pupils from some ethnic minority backgrounds are nearly three times more likely to be registered for free school meals than their White peers. Whilst the figure stands at 13% for White British pupils, 48% of pupils of Gypsy/ Traveller origin, 37% of pupils of Other Traveller origin, 26% of pupils of Black (Other) origin and 23% of pupils of Black African origin are registered for free school meals. Registration for free school meals could be an indicator of poverty.



## Scotland: All Sectors

Pupil Ethnicity and Registration for Free School Meals, 2004-2007<sup>(1)</sup>

	2004	2005	2006	Female	2007 Male	Total	registered for free school meals	% registered for free school meals
White - UK	662,856	656,059	644,649	311,835	320,319	632,154	84,787	13
White - Other	8,022	8,926	10,357	6,137	6,429	12,566	1,204	10
Mixed	4,814	5,208	5,458	2,834	2,971	5,805	908	16
Asian - Indian	2,163	2,223	2,388	1,236	1,355	2,591	148	6
Asian - Pakistani	8,680	8,753	9,129	4,642	4,863	9,505	1,269	13
Asian - Bangladeshi	473	499	515	251	260	511	46	9
Asian - Chinese	2,200	2,276	2,275	1,109	1,137	2,246	95	4
Asian - Other	1,531	1,906	2,199	1,289	1,249	2,538	417	16
Black - Caribbean	105	105	110	62	62	124	16	13
Black - African	1,529	1,834	2,090	1,190	1,241	2,431	551	23
Black - Other	490	508	464	201	269	470	120	26
Occupational Traveller	176	176	207	104	104	208	40	19
Gypsy Traveller	349	418	428	231	217	448	216	48
Other Traveller	56	76	91	45	60	105	39	37
Other	2,500	2,250	2,284	1,463	1,554	3,017	471	16
Not Known/Not disclosed	27,066	21,663	19,747	8,223	8,951	17,174	2,996	17
Total	723,010	712,880	702,391	340,852	351,041	691,893	93,323	13

(1) Data does not include grant aided special schools. Meals data greatly affected by apparent under-recording in Glasgow.

[Source: Pupils in Scotland Census 2007: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/02/25145216/20>]

**Teaching staff:** for information on teaching staff, please see the chapter on employment.

### Further and Higher Education:

- Information from the Scottish Funding Council indicates that 4.5% of students in Further Education who received an award in 2005/06 are from a BME background. The largest group is defined as 'Other' at 1.5%, with the second largest identified group being Pakistani at 0.9%, followed by Black African at 0.7% and Indian at 0.5%.
- An analysis of further education awards for the year 2005-06 reveals that Culture, Language and Literature was the most popular subject with Non-White students, although the caveat to this information is that a proportionally high number of students studying this subject identify themselves in the 'other' category, which could include as wide a range of groupings as Mixed Race, Arab, Traveller, other Asian and Latin American people.

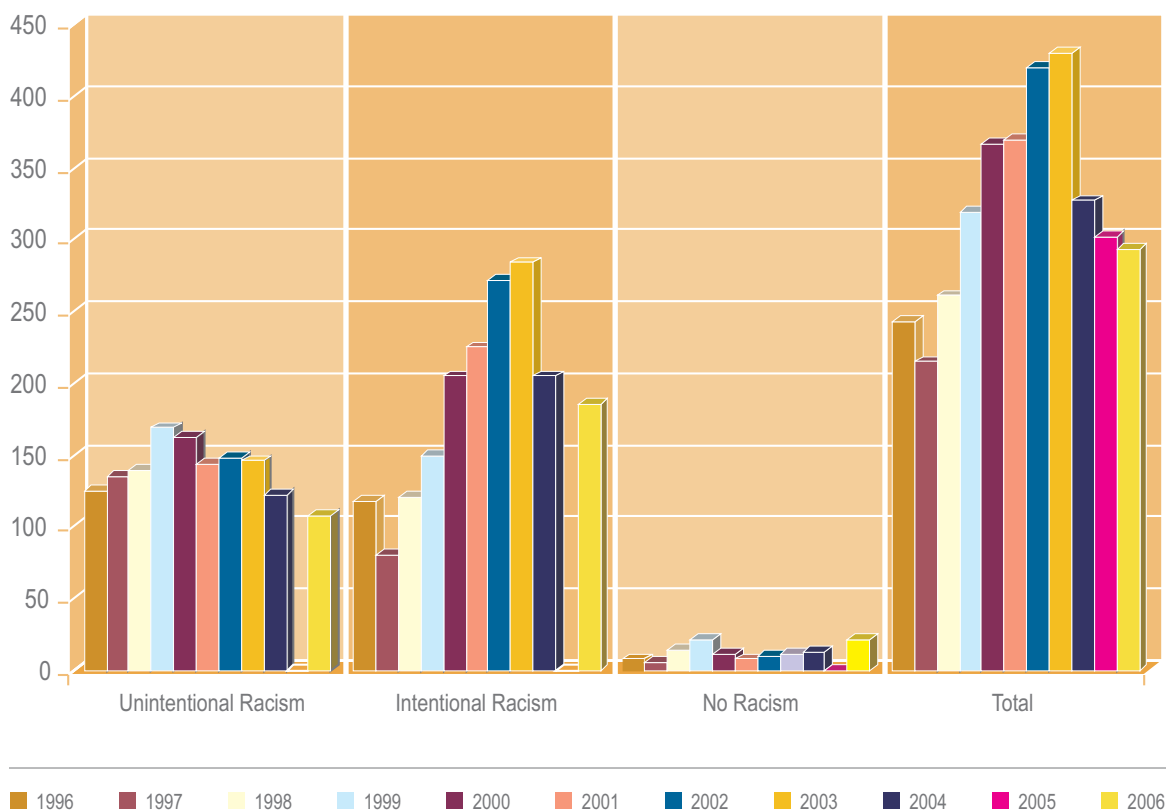
- With inclusion of the 'other' category into the study choices of BME students, the most awards were given out in the following subjects:
  - Culture, Language and Literature (5360 students)
  - Information Technology (2958 students)
  - Family Care (1661 students)
  - Business Administration (1643 students)
  - Health/Medical (1598 students)
- Proportionally speaking, the number of BME school leavers continuing on to further or higher education in the academic year 2006/2007 stood at 39% for Further Education (FE) and 32% for Higher Education (HE). This is compared with 26% and 22% respectively for the population as a whole.
- However, drop-out rates amongst BME students in FE and HE across the UK are at 15-20%, compared to just 3-4% in the rest of the population.
- In Higher Education in Scotland, students of Indian origin form the highest percentage of students from an ethnic minority background (1.7%) while students of Black Caribbean origin comprise the lowest percentage with only 0.08% students.

[Sources: Careers Scotland statistics; NUS Black Students' Handbook 2007]

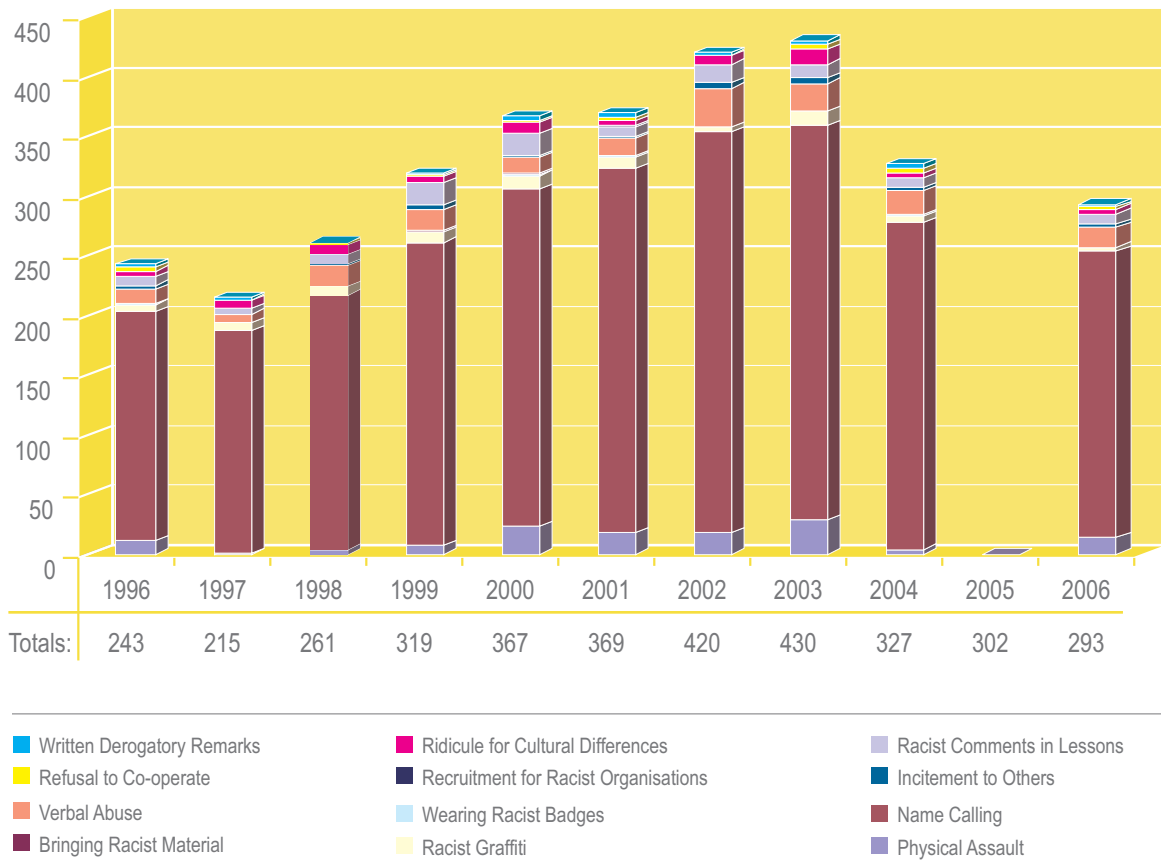


**Racial Incidents in Schools: Glasgow:** In 2006 there were 293 racial incidents reported in Glasgow schools. This presents a downward trend from the previous two years. The majority of reported incidents fall within the intentional racism category (63%), where the perpetrators clearly understood they were undertaking a racist action. Name calling continues to account for the vast majority of incidents recorded (82%).

Racial Incidents in Glasgow Schools



Racial Incidents in Glasgow Schools: Type of Incident



NB: No statistics available from 2005

[Source: Racial Harassment: Education and Social Work Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee Report, Education Services, information provided by Glasgow City Council 2007]

**School Leaver Destinations:** Information on Glasgow school leaver destinations collated by Careers Scotland shows that BME school leavers are much less likely to go straight into employment than their White peers. Whilst 24% of White school leavers enter employment, this figure stands at only 7% for BME students. Conversely, BME students are 10% and 13% more likely to enter Higher Education and Further Education respectively than their White peers.

