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## Index: key to abbreviations

### Categories of registration

Diploma Programme candidates must register in one of four categories. These are identified by one of the following letters.

- D**     **Diploma:** candidates intending to complete the requirements for the award of an IB diploma.
- R**     **Retake:** previous IB diploma candidates who are seeking to improve their results. The highest grade obtained for a subject will contribute towards the IB diploma.
- C**     **Certificate:** candidates taking one or more subjects who are not seeking the award of the IB diploma.
- A**     **Anticipated:** candidates intending to complete the requirements for one or two standard level subjects (excluding languages *ab initio* and pilot subjects) at the end of their first year of the Diploma Programme. They must complete all remaining IB diploma requirements in the corresponding examination session in the following year.

### IB regions

Schools that are authorized to offer the IB Diploma Programme are grouped by geographical region. The abbreviations used in the tables are the codes describing the following geographical regions:

IBAEM	IB Africa, Europe and the Middle East
IBAP	IB Asia-Pacific
IBLA	IB Latin America
IBNA	IB North America and the Caribbean

### Other abbreviations

HL	Higher level
SL	Standard level
EE	Extended essay
TOK	Theory of knowledge
PS	Pilot subjects
SBS	School-based syllabuses

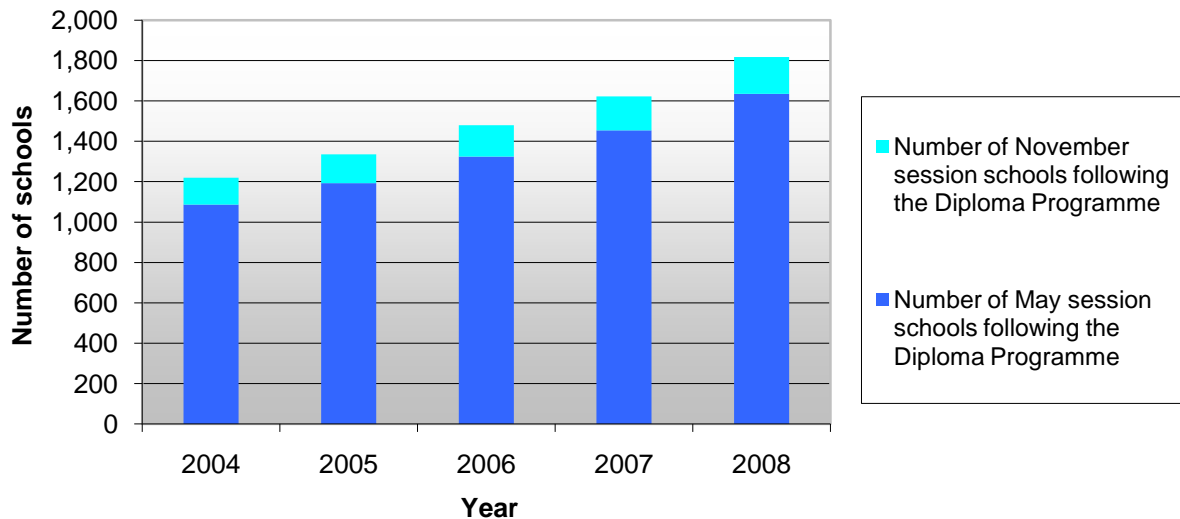
## PART A: general school statistics

### 1 Number of schools following the Diploma Programme 2004–2008

Number of schools following the Diploma Programme*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
May session schools	1,086	1,192	1,324	1,454	1,636
November session schools	134	143	156	169	181
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,817</b>

\*as of 30 November each year

**Graph 1.1** Number of schools following the Diploma Programme 2004–2008

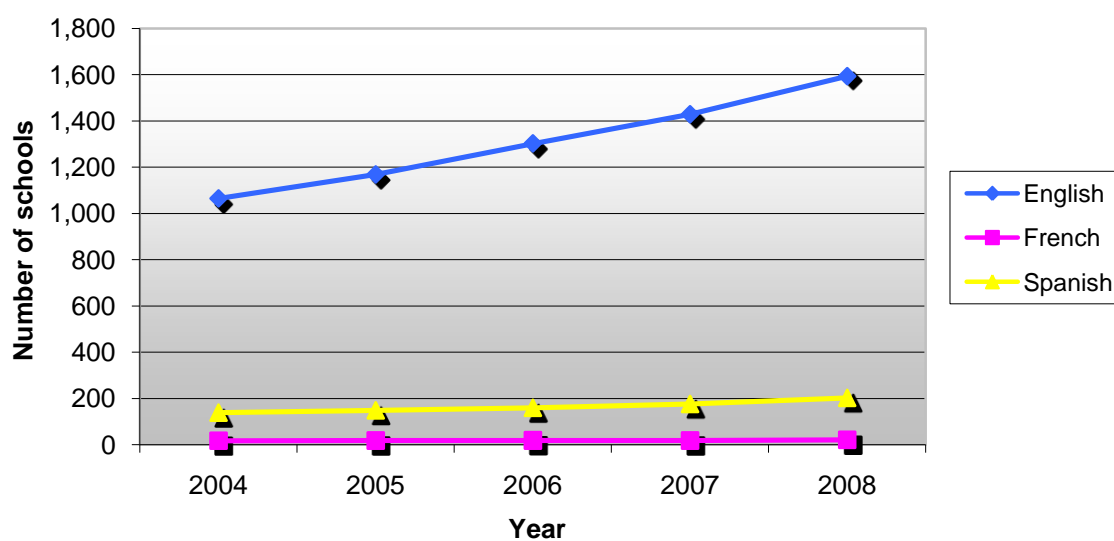


## 2 Number and percentage of schools following the Diploma Programme by working language 2004–2008

Number of schools following the Diploma Programme by working language*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
English	1,065	1,169	1,302	1,429	1,594
French	17	18	19	18	21
Spanish	138	148	159	176	202
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,817</b>

\*as of 30 November each year

**Graph 2.1** Number of schools following the Diploma Programme by working language 2004–2008



Percentage of schools following the Diploma Programme by working language*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
English	87.30%	87.57%	87.97%	88.05%	87.73%
French	1.39%	1.35%	1.28%	1.11%	1.16%
Spanish	11.31%	11.09%	10.74%	10.84%	11.11%

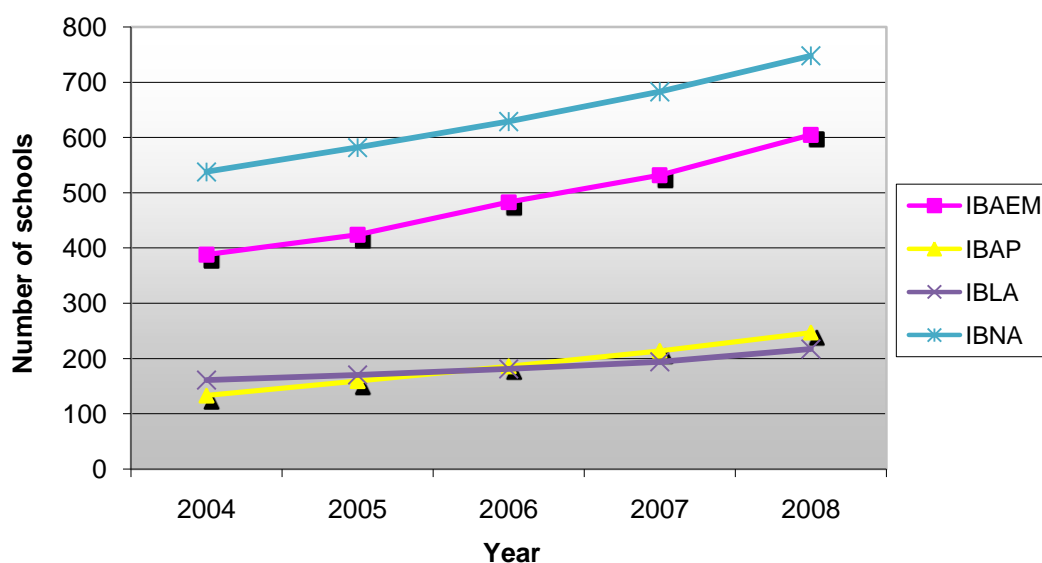
\*as of 30 November each year

### 3 Number and percentage of schools following the Diploma Programme by IB region 2004–2008

Number of schools following the Diploma Programme by IB region*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>IBAEM</b>	388	424	483	532	605
<b>IBAP</b>	133	159	186	214	247
<b>IBLA</b>	161	170	181	194	217
<b>IBNA</b>	538	582	629	683	748
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,817</b>

\*as of 30 November each year

Graph 3.1 Number of schools following the Diploma Programme by IB region 2004–2008



Percentage of schools following the Diploma Programme by IB region*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>IBAEM</b>	31.80%	31.76%	32.57%	32.78%	33.3%
<b>IBAP</b>	10.90%	11.91%	12.57%	13.19%	13.59%
<b>IBLA</b>	13.20%	12.73%	12.24%	11.95%	11.94%
<b>IBNA</b>	44.10%	43.60%	42.52%	42.08%	41.17%

\*as of 30 November each year

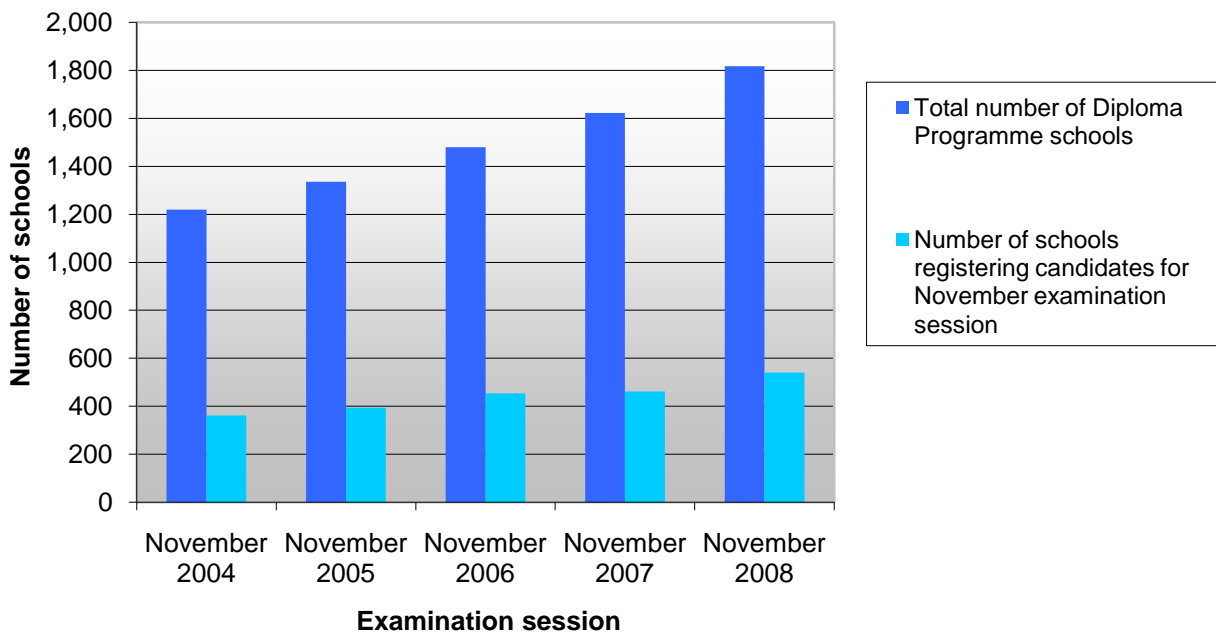


## PART B: registration statistics

### 4 Number of schools registering candidates November 2004–November 2008

	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
<b>Number of schools registering candidates</b>	361	393	453	461	540
<b>Percentage of total number of schools</b>	29.59%	29.44%	30.61%	28.40%	29.72%

**Graph 4.1** Number of schools registering candidates November 2004–November 2008



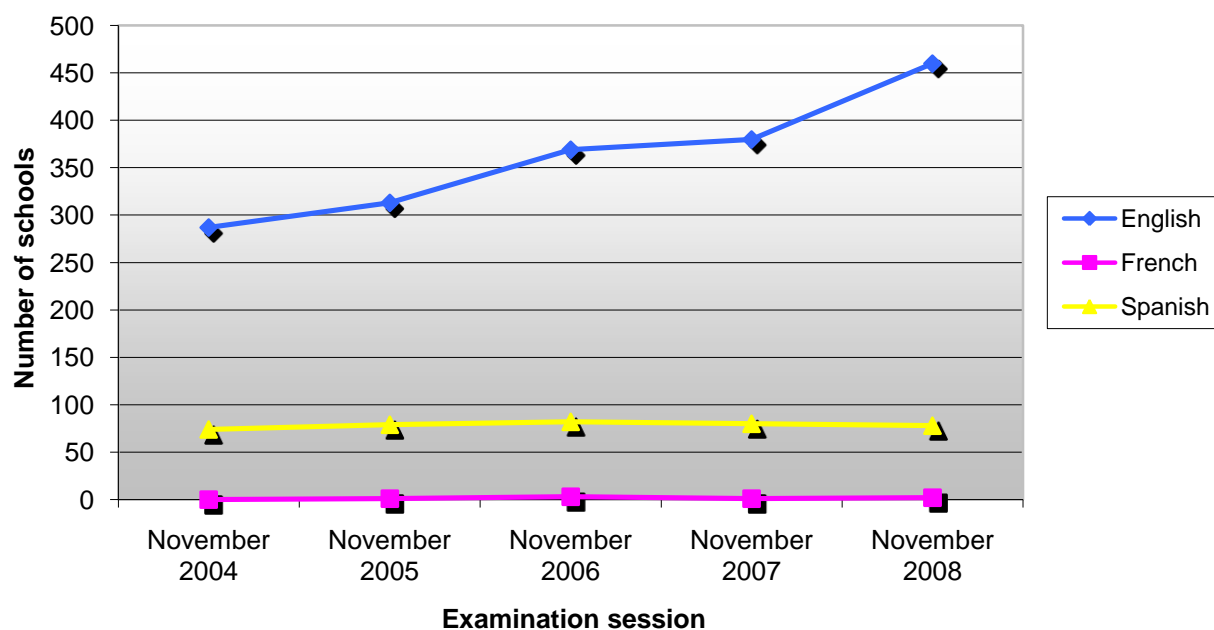
### 5 Number of November session schools registering candidates November 2004–November 2008

	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
<b>Number of November session schools registering candidates</b>	122	126	132	139	149
<b>Total number of November session schools</b>	134	143	156	170	181
<b>Percentage of all November session schools</b>	91.04%	88.11%	84.61%	81.76%	82.32%

## 6 Number of schools registering candidates by working language November 2004–November 2008

Number of schools registering candidates by working language	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
English	287	313	369	380	460
French	0	1	3	1	2
Spanish	74	79	82	80	78
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>540</b>

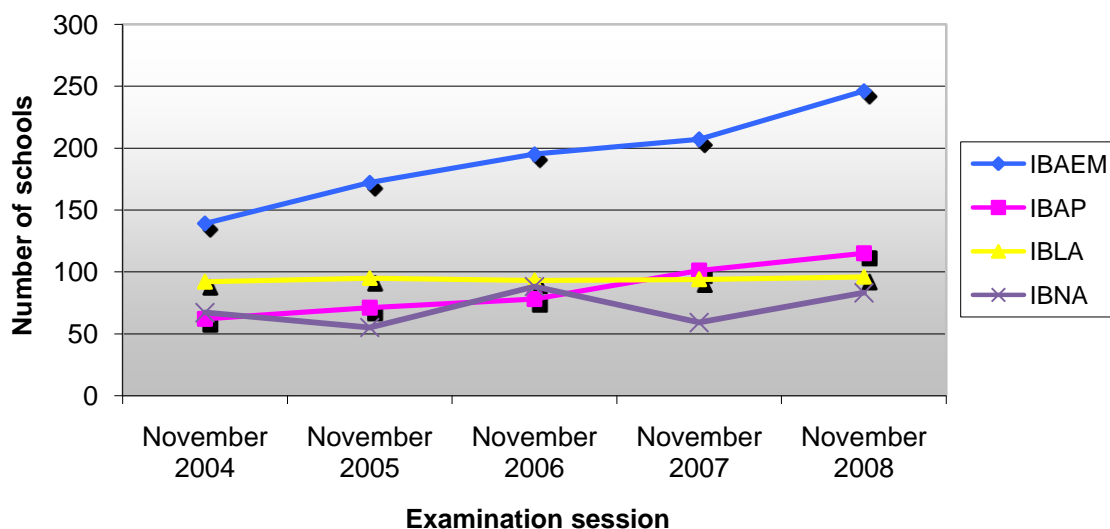
Graph 6.1 Number of schools registering candidates by working language November 2004–November 2008



## 7 Number and percentage of schools registering candidates by IB region November 2004–November 2008

Number of schools registering candidates by IB region	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
IBAEM	139	172	195	207	246
IBAP	62	71	78	101	115
IBLA	92	95	93	94	96
IBNA	67	55	88	59	83
<b>Total</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>540</b>

Graph 7.1 Number of schools registering candidates by IB region November 2004–November 2008



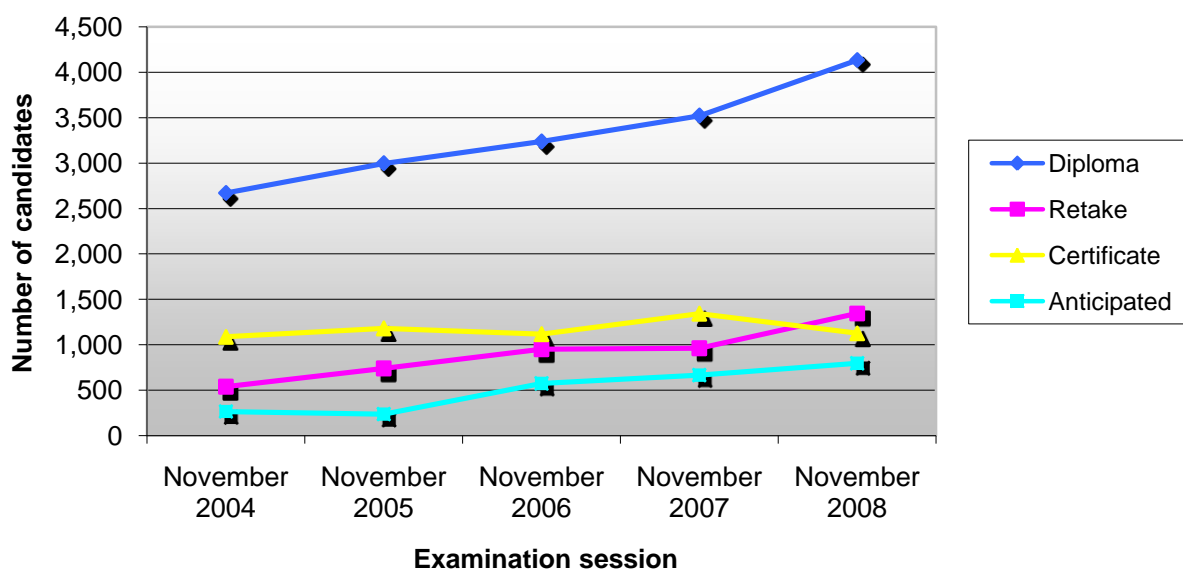
Percentage of schools registering candidates by IB region	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
IBAEM	38.61%	43.77%	42.96%	44.90%	45.56%
IBAP	17.22%	18.07%	17.18%	21.91%	21.3%
IBLA	25.56%	24.17%	20.48%	20.39%	17.77%
IBNA	18.61%	13.99%	19.38%	12.80%	15.37%

## 8 Number of candidates registered by category November 2004–November 2008

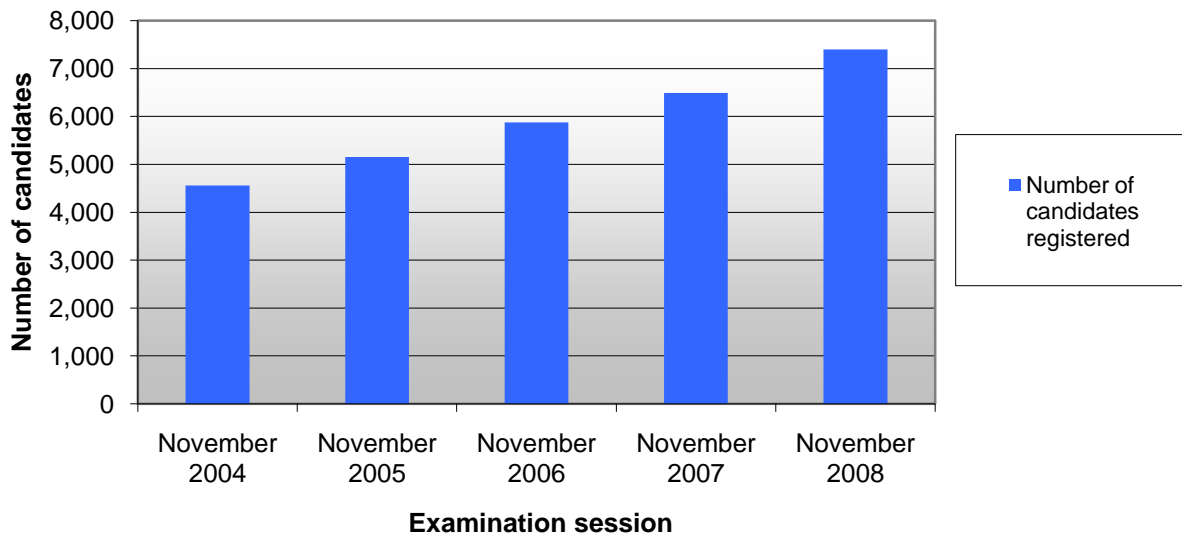
Number of candidates registered by category	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
Diploma	2,671	2,997	3,237	3,522	4,134
Retake	537	738	949	961	1,343
Certificate	1,086	1,179	1,116	1,341	*1,124
Anticipated	265	236	572	664	*795
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,559</b>	<b>5,150</b>	<b>5,874</b>	<b>6,488</b>	<b>7,396</b>

\* Please note: Anticipated candidates are allowed to change their category to certificate and this will affect these figures.

Graph 8.1 Number of candidates registered by category November 2004–November 2008



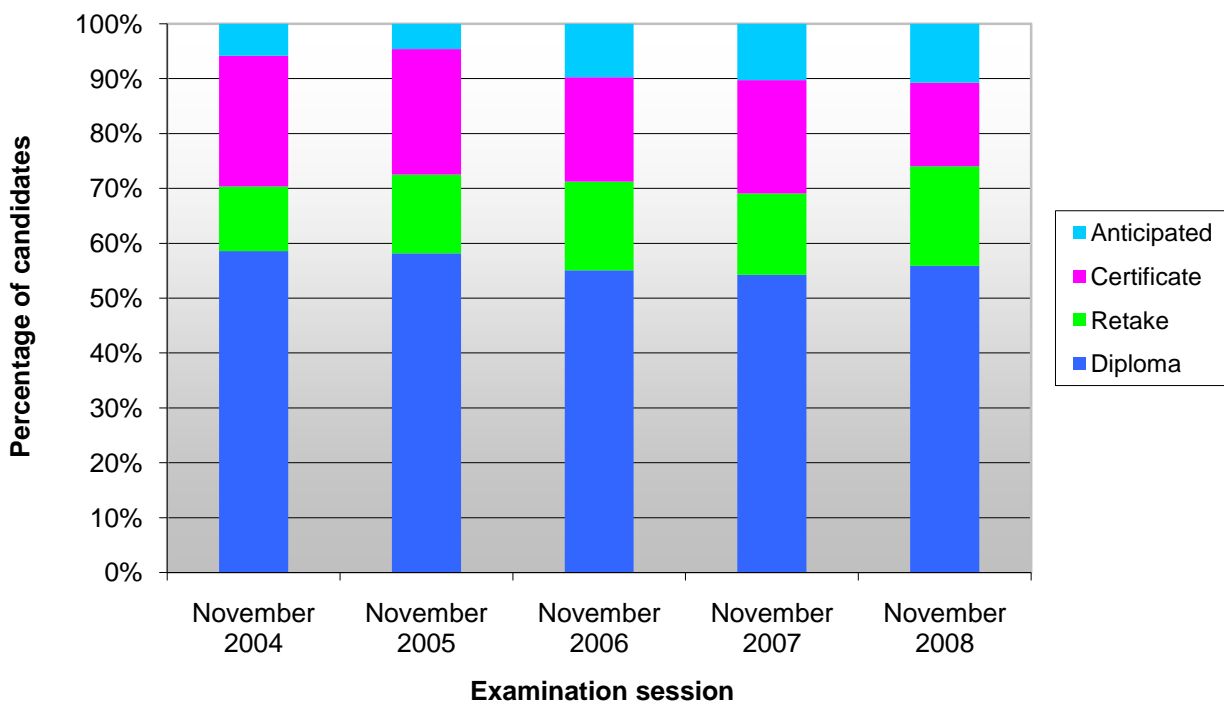
**Graph 8.2 Number of candidates registered November 2004–November 2008**



Percentage of candidates registered by category	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
Diploma	58.59%	58.19%	55.11%	54.28%	55.9%
Retake	11.78%	14.33%	16.16%	14.81%	18.16%
Certificate	23.82%	22.89%	19.00%	20.67%	*15.2%
Anticipated	5.81%	4.58%	9.74%	10.24%	10.74%

\* Please note: Anticipated candidates are allowed to change their category to certificate and this will affect these figures.

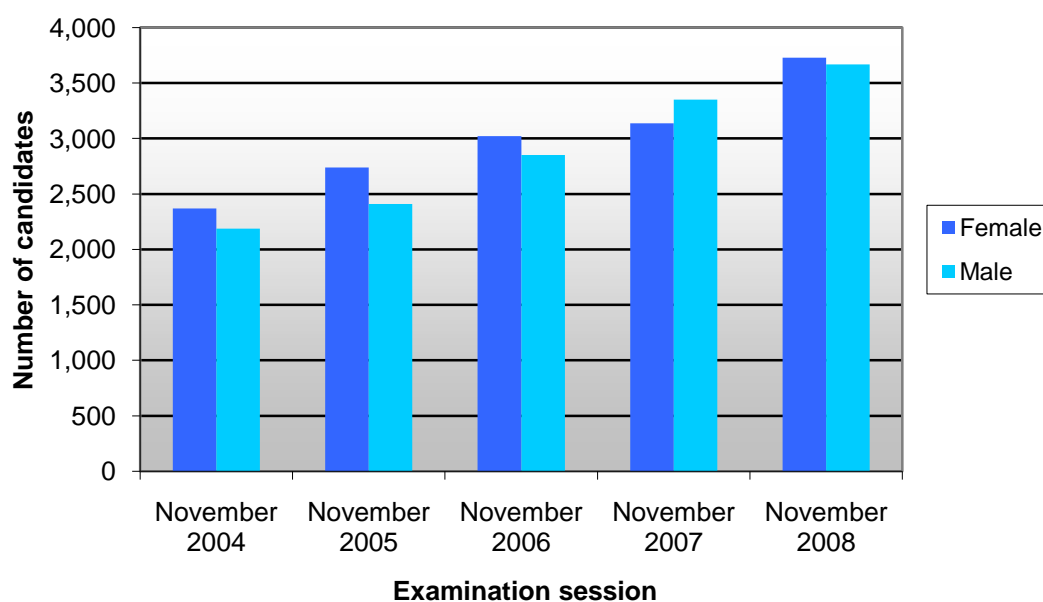
**Graph 8.3 Percentages of candidates registered November 2004–November 2008**



## 9 Number of candidates registered by gender November 2004–November 2008

Number of candidates registered by gender	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
Female	2,370	2,739	3,023	3,137	3,728
Male	2,189	2,411	2,851	3,351	3,668
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,559</b>	<b>5,150</b>	<b>5,874</b>	<b>6,488</b>	<b>7,396</b>

Graph 9.1 Number of candidates registered by gender November 2004–November 2008

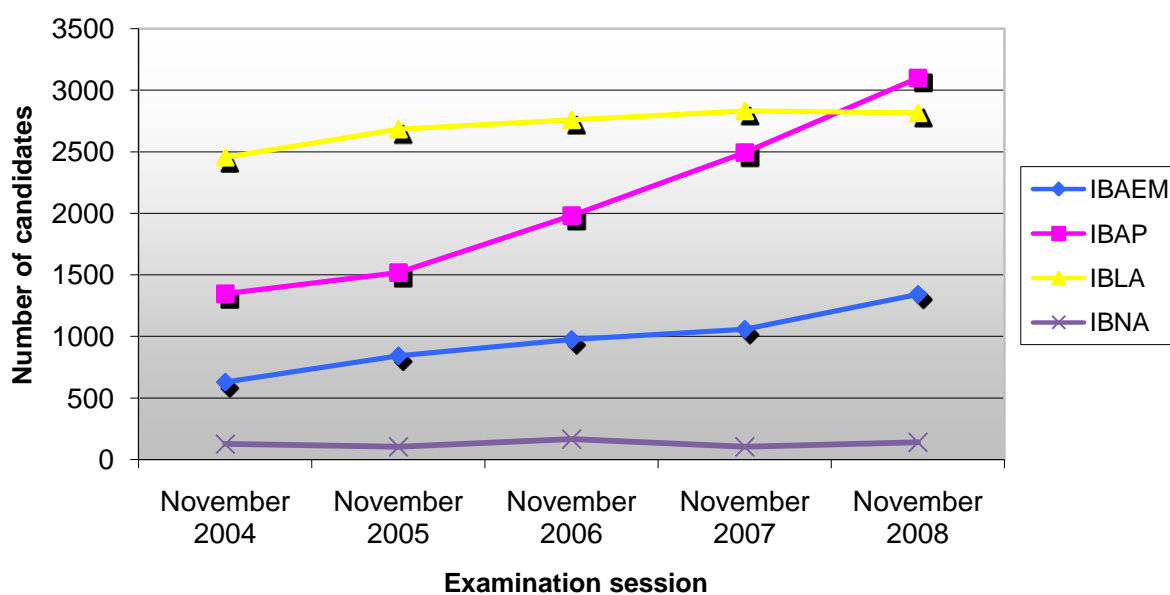


Percentage of candidates registered by gender	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
Female	51.99%	53.18%	51.46%	48.35%	50.40%
Male	48.01%	46.82%	48.54%	51.65%	49.60%

## 10 Number of candidates registered by IB region November 2004–November 2008

Number of candidates registered by IBO region	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
IBAEM	630	844	976	1,059	1,342
IBAP	1,347	1,519	1,981	2,494	3,099
IBLA	2,455	2,683	2,758	2,830	2,815
IBNA	126	104	156	105	140
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,558</b>	<b>5,150</b>	<b>5,871</b>	<b>6,488</b>	<b>7,396</b>

Graph 10.1 Number of candidates registered by IB region November 2004–November 2008

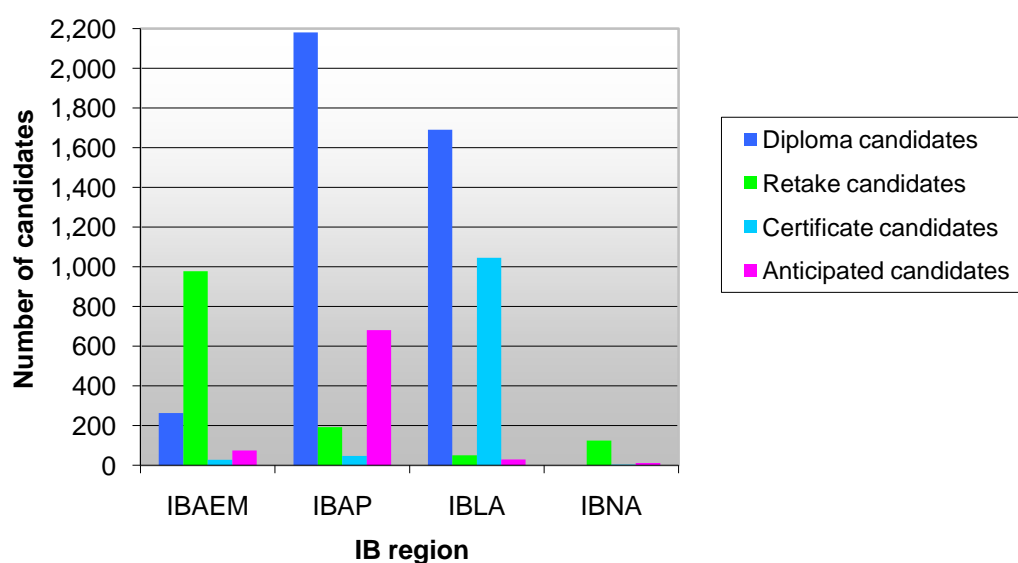


Percentage of candidates registered by IB region	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
IBAEM	13.82%	16.39%	16.62%	16.32%	18.15%
IBAP	29.56%	29.50%	33.74%	38.44%	41.9%
IBLA	53.86%	52.10%	46.98%	43.62%	38.06%
IBNA	2.76%	2.01%	2.66%	1.62%	1.89%

## 11 Number of candidates registered by category, gender and IB region November 2008

IB region	Category	Number of candidates registered		Total number of candidates registered
		Number of female candidates	Number of male candidates	
IBAEM	Diploma	117	146	263
	Retake	456	521	977
	Certificate	7	21	28
	Anticipated	31	43	74
IBAP	Diploma	1,110	1,070	2,180
	Retake	63	129	192
	Certificate	33	14	47
	Anticipated	267	413	680
IBLA	Diploma	966	725	1691
	Retake	23	27	50
	Certificate	562	483	1045
	Anticipated	14	15	29
IBNA	Diploma	0	0	0
	Retake	73	51	124
	Certificate	1	3	4
	Anticipated	5	7	12
<b>Total</b>		<b>3728</b>	<b>3668</b>	<b>7396</b>

Graph 11.1 Number of candidates registered by category and IB region November 2008



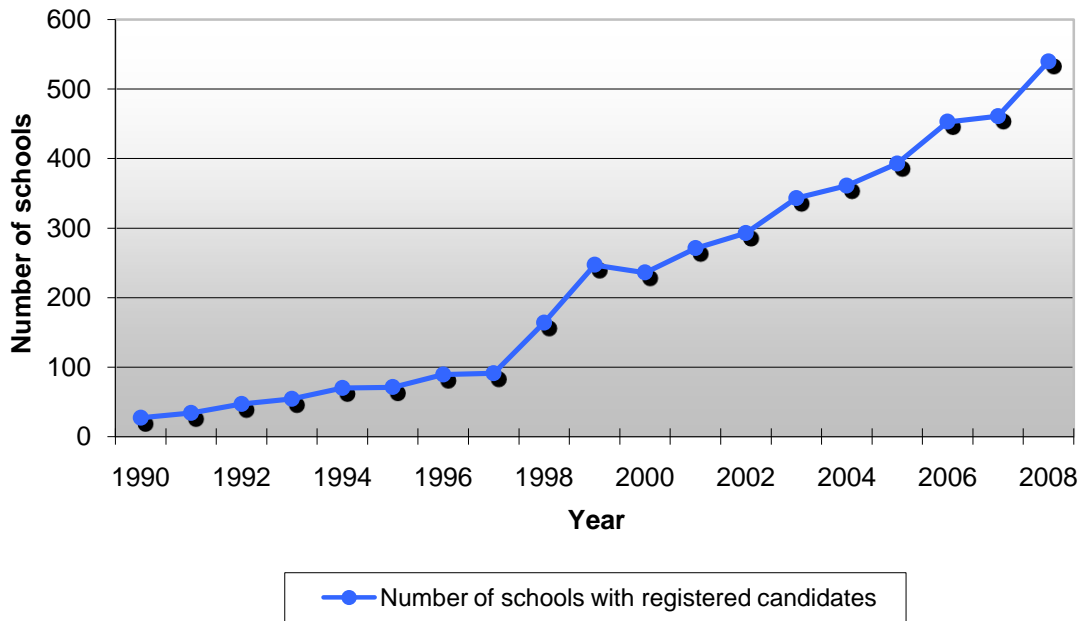


## 12 Summary of Diploma Programme examination entries: schools with registered candidates November 1990–November 2008

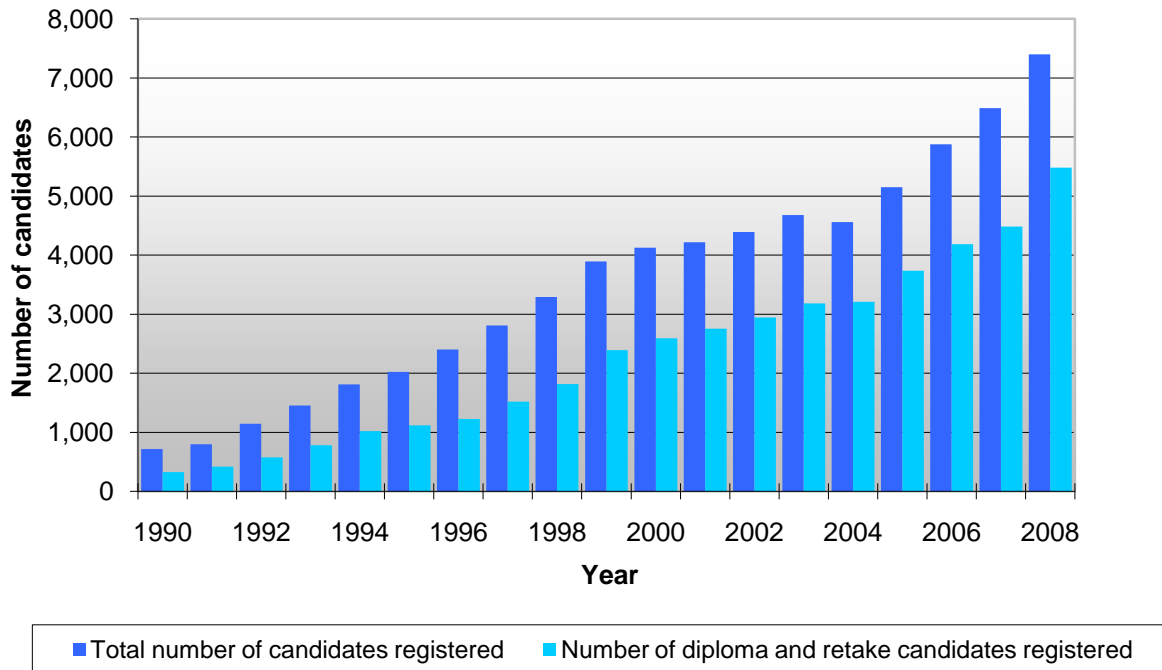
Year	Number of schools entered	Percentage increase	Number of candidates examined	Percentage increase	Average number of candidates per school	Number of diploma and retake candidates	Average number of diploma and retake candidates per school
1990	27	-	714	-	26.4	326	12.1
1991	34	26.0%	797	11.6%	23.4	416	12.2
1992	47	38.2%	1,144	43.5%	24.3	573	12.2
1993	54	14.9%	1,454	27.1%	27.0	779	14.4
1994	70	29.6%	1,812	24.6%	25.9	1,020	14.6
1995	71	1.4%	2,021	11.5%	28.5	1,114	15.7
1996	89	25.4%	2,402	18.9%	27.0	1,224	13.8
1997	91	2.2%	2,807	16.9%	30.8	1,517	16.7
1998	164	80.2%	3,290	17.2%	20.1	1,817	11.1
1999	247	50.6%	3,889	18.2%	15.7	2,389	9.7
2000	236	-4.5%	4,126	6.1%	17.5	2,590	11.0
2001	271	14.8%	4,217	2.2%	15.6	2,754	10.2
2002	293	8.1%	4,392	4.1%	15.0	2,943	10.0
2003	343	17.1%	4,677	6.5%	13.6	3,183	9.3
2004	361	5.2%	4,559	-2.5%	12.6	3,211	8.9
2005	393	8.9%	5,150	13.0%	13.1	3,735	9.5
2006	453	15.3%	5,874	14.1%	13.0	4,186	9.2
2007	461	1.77%	6,488	10.45%	14.1	4,483	9.7
2008	540	17.14%	7,396	14.0%	13.7	5,477	10.1

*Note: The six-month retake facility was introduced in 1998 and has a significant impact on the data after this point. A larger choice of subjects was made available from November 1996.*

**Graph 12.1 Summary of Diploma Programme examination entries: schools with candidates registered November 1990–November 2008**



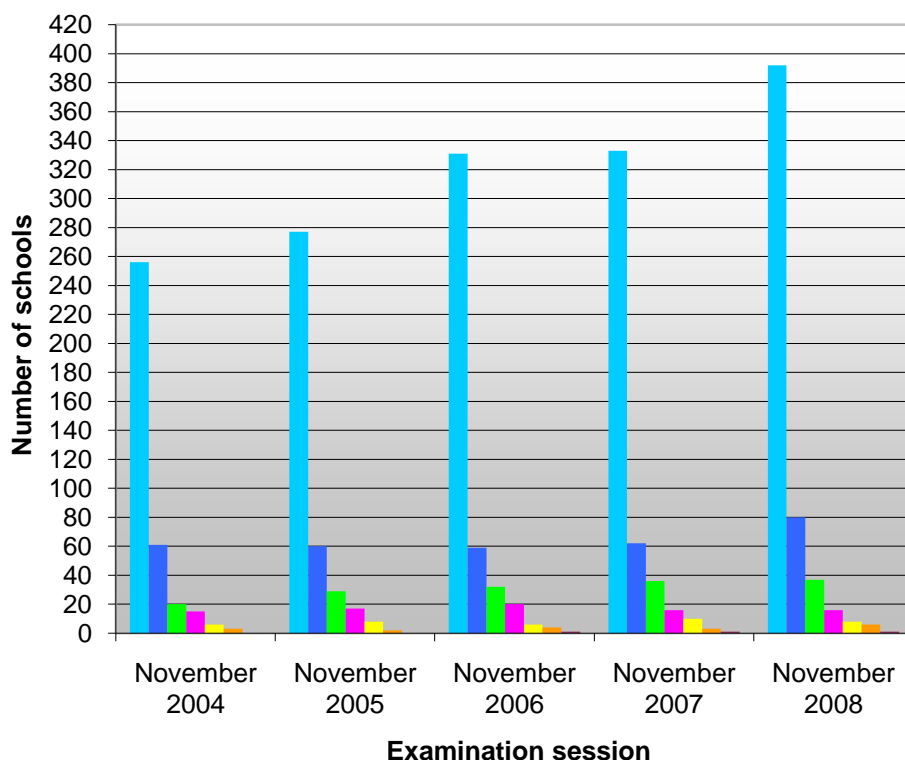
**Graph 12.2 Summary of Diploma Programme examination entries: total number of candidates registered and number of diploma and retake candidates registered November 1990–November 2008**



### 13 Number of schools that registered a particular number of candidates November 2004–November 2008

Number of schools that registered a particular number of candidates	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
1–10 candidates	256	277	331	333	392
11–30 candidates	61	60	59	62	80
31–50 candidates	20	29	32	36	37
51–80 candidates	15	17	20	16	16
81–120 candidates	6	8	6	10	8
121–200 candidates	3	2	4	3	6
Over 200 candidates	0	0	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>540</b>

**Graph 13.1** Number of schools that registered a particular number of candidates November 2004–November 2008

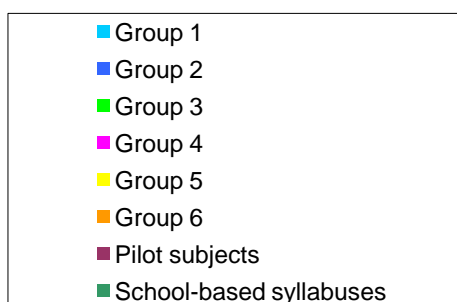
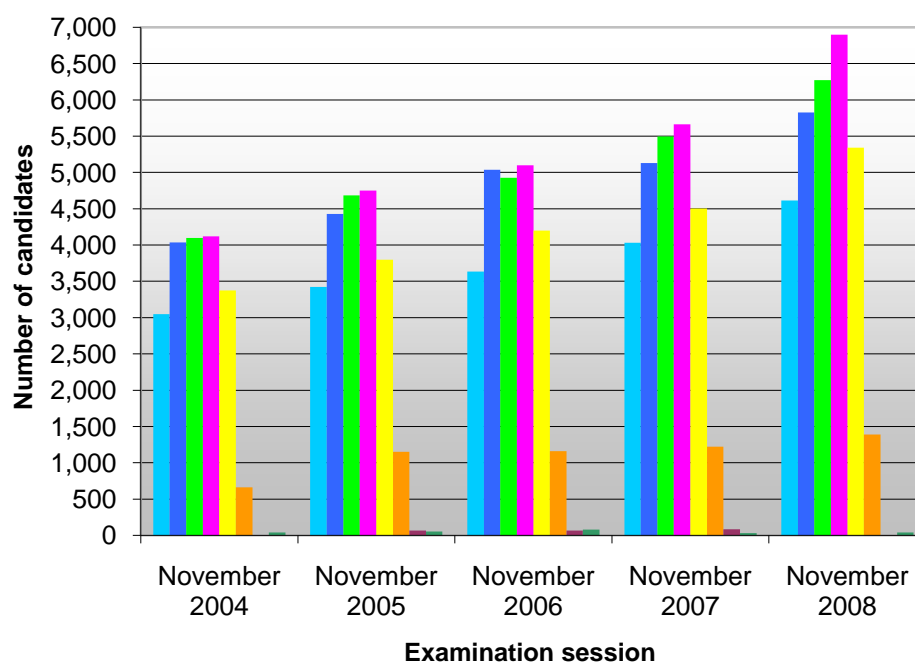


## 14 Subject registration summary November 2008

Subject group	Subject registrations					Number of subjects		
	English	French	Spanish	German	Total	Higher level	Standard level	Total
Group 1	-	-	-	-	4,612	10	13	23
Group 2	-	-	-	-	5,827	14	23	37
Group 3	4,947		1,286	40	6,273	9	11	20
Group 4	5,648		1,209	41	6,898	4	6	10
Group 5	3,858		1,483		5,341	2	3	5
Group 6	851		540		1,391	4	6	10
PS	2				2	1	1	2
SBS	41				41		3	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15,347</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,518</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>30,385</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>110</b>

## 15 Subject group registrations November 2004–November 2008

Graph 15.1 Number of candidates registered for subject groups November 2004–November 2008



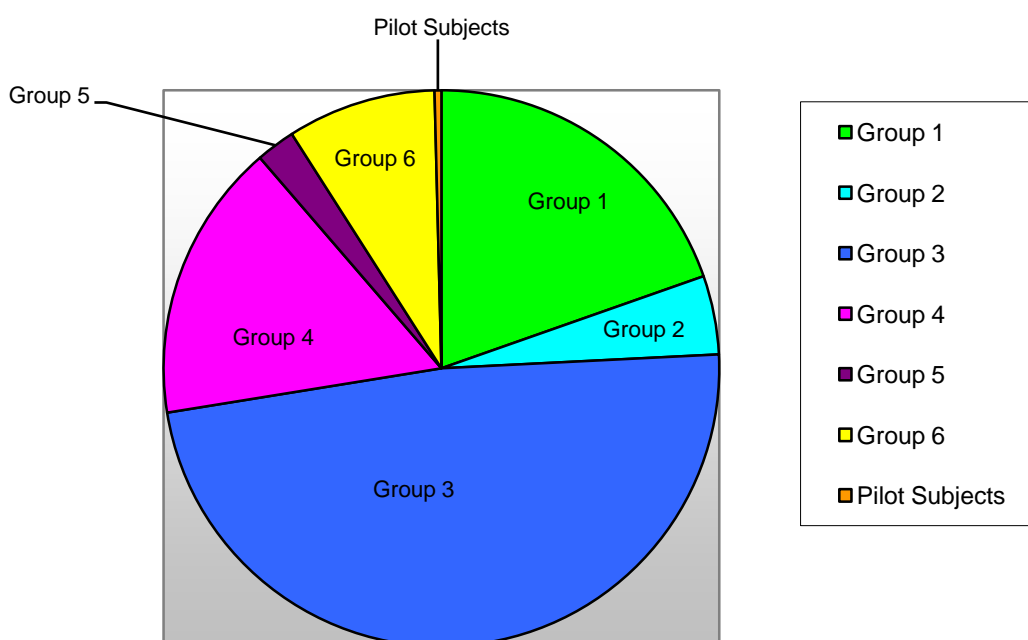
## 16 Additional Diploma Programme requirements: extended essay and theory of knowledge November 2004–November 2008

Number of candidates registered for extended essay and theory of knowledge	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
Extended essay	2,799	3,093	3,353	3,646	4,301
Theory of knowledge	2,720	3,045	3,321	3,595	4,223

## 17 Subject registration summary: extended essay by subject group November 2008

Number of EE candidates registered for a particular subject group	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Pilot subjects	Total
	844	197	2,075	698	98	372	17	4,301
Percentage of EE candidates registered for a particular subject group	19.62%	4.58%	48.24%	16.23%	2.28%	8.65%	0.4%	100.00%

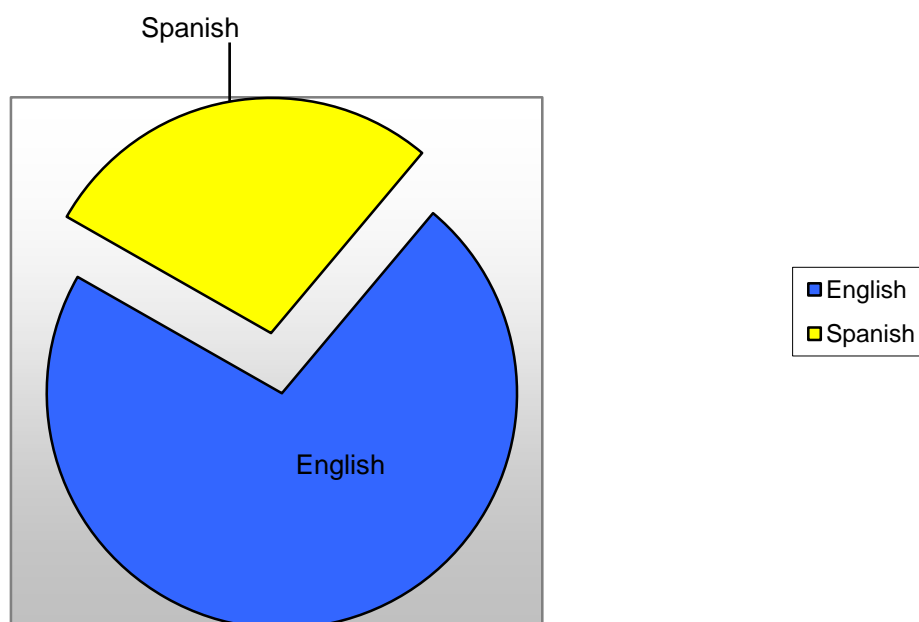
Graph 17.1 Subject registration summary: extended essay by subject group November 2008



## 18 Subject registration summary: theory of knowledge by language November 2008

Theory of knowledge registration by language	English	French	Spanish	German	Total
Number of candidates registered	3,046	-	1,177	-	4,223
Percentage of candidates registered	72.13%	-	27.87%	-	

Graph 18.1 Subject registration summary: theory of knowledge by language November 2008



## 19 Nationalities of candidates registered November 2008

Country name	Number of candidates	Country name	Number of candidates
AFGANISTAN	6	HONG KONG SPEC. ADMIN REGION	15
ALBANIA	1	CHINA	7
ALGERIA	2	HUNGARY	1
ANGOLA	2	ICELAND	137
ARGENTINA	999	INDIA	52
ARMENIA	1	INDONESIA	5
AUSTRALIA	1,295	IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF	4
AUSTRIA	6	IRAQ	10
BAHAMAS	1	IRELAND	6
BANGLADESH	2	ISRAEL	45
BELGIUM	6	ITALY	1
BENIN	1	JAMAICA	27
BERMUDA	2	JAPAN	1
BOLIVIA	1	JORDAN	3
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	10	KAZAKHSTAN	77
BOTSWANA	5	KENYA	2
BRAZIL	127	KOREA, DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF	45
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	2	KOREA, REPUBLIC OF	6
BULGARIA	3	LATVIA	4
CAMBODIA	1	LEBANON	14
CAMEROON	3	LESOTHO	4
CANADA	47	LITHUANIA	1
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	1	LUXEMBORG	3
CHILE	614	MACEDONIA, THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF	2
CHINA	185	MALAWI	129
COLOMBIA	28	MALAYSIA	1
COSTA RICA	66	MALDIVES	1
CROATIA	6	MALTA	68
CYPRUS	6	MAURITIUS	8
CZECH REPUBLIC	9	MEXICO	1
DENMARK	13	MOROCCO	6
ECUADOR	260	MOZAMBIQUE	2
EGYPT	16	MYANMAR	5
ERITREA	1	NAMIBIA	3
ESTONIA	2	NEPAL	49
ETHIOPIA	3	NETHERLANDS	1
FIJI	13	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	177
FINLAND	52	NEW ZEALAND	7
FRANCE	35	NICARAGUA	2
GEORGIA	2	NIGERIA	35
GERMANY	184	NORWAY	1
GHANA	4	OMAN	4
GREECE	31	PAKISTAN	23
GUATEMALA	68	PARAGUAY	413
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Country name	Number of candidates	Country name	Number of candidates
PHILIPPINES	11	SWITZERLAND	22
POLAND	46	SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC	1
PORTUGAL	10	TAIWAN	10
PUERTO RICO	1	TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF	44
ROMANIA	3	THAILAND	13
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	22	TUNISIA	1
RWANDA	20	TURKEY	17
SAUDI ARABIA	3	UGANDA	7
SERBIA	5	UKRAINE	5
SINGAPORE	766	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	1
SLOVAKIA	4	UNITED KINGDOM	336
SLOVENIA	1	UNITED STATES	187
SOMALIA	1	URUGUAY	100
SOUTH AFRICA	38	UZBEKISTAN	1
SPAIN	28	VENEZUELA	7
SRI LANKA	8	VIETNAM	15
SUDAN	2	ZAMBIA	8
SURINAME	1	ZIMBABWE	29
SWAZILAND	24	<b>OTHER</b>	<b>3</b>
SWEDEN	62		

**Total number of nationalities: 128 (126 are above, and 2 other nationalities are from dual nationality candidates whose second nationality is not in the above)**

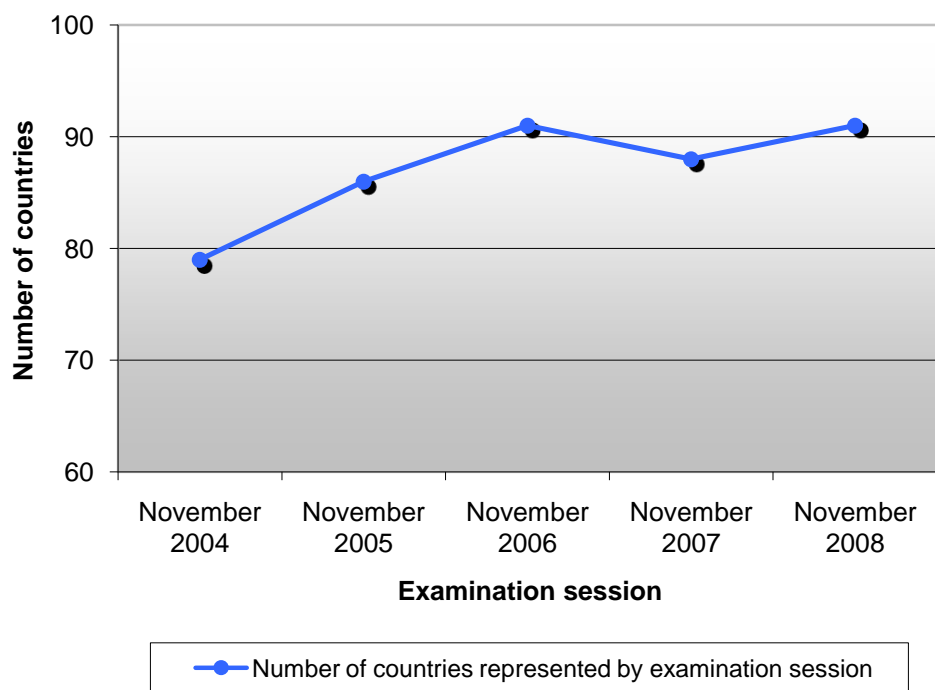
**Candidates with dual nationality (Second nationality is not included in the above): 834**



## 20 Number of countries represented by examination session November 2004–November 2008

Number of countries represented by examination session	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
	79	86	91	88	91

Graph 20.1 Number of countries represented by examination session November 2004–November 2008



## 21 Number of candidates registered by country November 2008

Country name	Number of candidates registered	Country name	Number of candidates registered
ARGENTINA	1,047	MALAYSIA	48
AUSTRALIA	1,690	MALTA	2
AUSTRIA	4	MAURITIUS	83
AZERBAIJAN	1	MEXICO	3
BELGIUM	13	MOROCCO	2
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	11	MOZAMBIQUE	4
BOTSWANA	18	NAMIBIA	5
BRAZIL	119	NETHERLANDS	54
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	4	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	1
CANADA	22	NEW ZEALAND	192
CHILE	623	NICARAGUA	8
CHINA	13	NORWAY	29
COLOMBIA	21	PAKISTAN	2
COSTA RICA	81	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	9
CROATIA	7	PARAGUAY	28
CYPRUS	5	PERU	435
CZECH REPUBLIC	9	PHILIPPINES	14
DENMARK	6	POLAND	46
ECUADOR	271	PORTUGAL	7
EGYPT	17	QATAR	3
FIJI	30	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	8
FINLAND	54	RWANDA	21
FRANCE	15	SERBIA	2
GERMANY	74	SINGAPORE	913
GHANA	5	SLOVAKIA	3
GREECE	34	SOUTH AFRICA	2
GUATEMALA	69	SPAIN	25
HONG KONG	25	SRI LANKA	4
HUNGARY	7	SWAZILAND	89
ICELAND	1	SWEDEN	63
INDIA	105	SWITZERLAND	65
INDONESIA	12	TAIWAN	3
IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF	6	TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF	44
IRELAND	5	THAILAND	16
ISLE OF MAN	2	TOGO	1
ITALY	22	TUNISIA	1
JAPAN	19	TURKEY	18
JORDAN	2	UGANDA	4
KENYA	69	UKRAINE	3
LATVIA	5	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	19
LEBANON	6	UNITED KINGDOM	280
LESOTHO	14	UNITED STATES	117
LITUANIA	2	URUGUAY	108
LUXEMBORG	2	VENEZUELA	2
MACEDONIA, FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF	5	ZAMBIA	7
		ZIMBABWE	31

## PART C: results statistics

### 22 Analysis of examination results by subject and level November 2008

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 1</b>										
AFRICANS A1	HL	1				100				4
AFRICANS A1	SL	2					50	50		5.5
CHINESE A1	HL	60					32	52	17	5.85
CHINESE A1	SL	109			1	2	9	61	27	6.11
ENGLISH A1	HL	1,441			2	17	43	30	7	5.23
ENGLISH A1	SL	977			2	19	44	29	6	5.18
FRENCH A1	HL	8				25	50	13	13	5.13
FRENCH A1	SL	44			11	23	32	30	5	4.93
GERMAN A1	HL	13				31	46	8	15	5.08
GERMAN A1	SL	14				36	14	21	29	5.43
INDONESIAN A1	HL	3						67	33	6.33
INDONESIAN A1	SL	3					33	33	33	6
JAPANESE A1	HL	20					10	40	50	6.4
JAPANESE A1	SL	3							100	7
KOREAN A1	HL	10						10	0	6.9
KOREAN A1	SL	6						17	83	6.83
PORTUGUESE A1	HL	52			8	25	46	15	6	4.87
PORTUGUESE A1	SL	13			8	31	38	23		4.77
SISWATI A1	SL	7							100	7
SPANISH A1	HL	1,286			5	34	42	18	2	4.78
SPANISH A1	SL	352		1	5	30	41	20	3	4.84
TEXT AND PERFORMANCE*	SL	10			50	40	10			3.6
<b>GROUP 1 TOTAL</b>		<b>4,434</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5.09</b>

\*Trans-disciplinary subject groups 1 and 6

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 2</b>										
ENGLISH A2	HL	893				19	56	22	2	5.05
ENGLISH A2	SL	170			14	22	34	24	6	4.86
ENGLISH B	HL	1,235			1	13	45	34	6	5.30
ENGLISH B	SL	364				9	27	49	15	5.69
FRENCH A2	HL	22			5	27	18	41	9	5.23
FRENCH A2	SL	19				21	37	32	11	5.32
FRENCH <i>AB INITIO</i>	HL	194		2	7	19	26	36	11	5.18
FRENCH B	HL	154		1	5	16	27	36	15	5.39
FRENCH B	SL	559		1	6	15	29	32	18	5.38
GERMAN A2	HL	29				17	48	28	7	5.24
GERMAN A2	SL	23			13	35	30	22		4.61
GERMAN B	HL	94			1	20	27	30	22	5.52
GERMAN B	SL	140			2	14	34	32	18	5.49
INDONESIAN <i>AB INITIO</i>	SL	34				29	38	24	9	5.12
INDONESIAN B	HL	12						42	58	6.58

INDONESIAN B	SL	38			3	18	32	21	26	5.50
ITALIAN B	HL	28			7	25	54	11	4	4.79
ITALIAN B	SL	29			3	38	45	14		4.69
JAPANESE <i>AB INITIO</i>	SL	52			2	17	25	42	13	5.48
JAPANESE B	SL	69			7	22	32	28	12	5.14
LATIN	HL	1							100	7
LATIN	SL	12			42	33	17	8		3.92
MALAY B	SL	37					8	24	68	6.59
MANDARIN <i>AB INITIO</i>	SL	60	2	5	13	17	32	32		5.67
MANDARIN B	HL	29					17	83		6.83
MANDARIN B	SL	540		1	4	9	16	70		6.49
PORTUGUESE A2	HL	27					19	59	22	6.04
PORTUGUESE A2	SL	15					60	33	7	5.47
PORTUGUESE B	SL	40			5	45	40	10		5.55
SPANISH A2	HL	72			1	26	65	7		5.78
SPANISH A2	SL	19				11	79	11		6
SPANISH <i>AB INITIO</i>	SL	423		5	17	31	30	16		5.32
SPANISH B	HL	30			3	27	37	33		6
SPANISH B	SL	33		6	24	15	21	33		5.52
SWAHILI B	HL	11				27	73			5.73
SWAHILI B	SL	20			15	30	45	10		5.50
TAMIL B	SL	32				6	25	69		6.63
<b>GROUP 2 TOTAL</b>		<b>5,559</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5.44</b>

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 3</b>										
BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT	HL	541		3	11	32	30	18	5	4.64
BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT	SL	359		6	21	23	21	19	10	4.55
ECOSYSTEMS & SOCIETIES**	SL	39			8	23	31	33	5	5.05
ECONOMICS	HL	994		3	12	18	23	22	22	5.17
ECONOMICS	SL	542		2	9	14	22	25	28	5.41
GEOGRAPHY	HL	383		1	10	19	30	25	15	5.11
GEOGRAPHY	SL	198	1	5	25	22	22	14	12	4.47
HISTORY	HL	1,232		1	6	20	31	26	17	5.24
HISTORY	SL	633		3	13	28	31	20	6	4.69
ISLAMIC HISTORY	HL	16				6	19	56	19	5.88
ITGS*	HL	151		3	7	21	30	23	16	5.10
ITGS*	SL	90	2	3	7	21	34	29	3	4.82
PHILOSOPHY	HL	94		1		18	41	33	6	5.24
PHILOSOPHY	SL	33			3	15	33	42	6	5.33
PSYCHOLOGY	HL	279		2	3	10	28	38	19	5.53
PSYCHOLOGY	SL	173	1	2	5	20	34	27	11	5.09
SOCIAL & CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	HL	92		5	16	41	21	15	1	4.27
SOCIAL & CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	SL	52			13	37	37	10	4	4.54
<b>GROUP 3 TOTAL</b>		<b>5,901</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5.03</b>

\*ITGS = Information Technology in a global society

\*\* Trans-disciplinary subject groups 3 and 4

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 4</b>										
BIOLOGY	HL	1,142		9	19	23	19	18	12	4.53
BIOLOGY	SL	1,383		8	27	29	20	13	2	4.08
CHEMISTRY	HL	1,132		6	15	15	17	18	28	5.09
CHEMISTRY	SL	918	2	10	14	19	17	24	14	4.67
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	HL	65			3	31	35	26	5	4.98
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	SL	20			15	5	25	50	5	5.25
ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS	SL	220		5	14	29	21	20	10	4.64
PHYSICS	HL	734		6	16	21	13	17	26	4.98
PHYSICS	SL	785	1	6	18	22	17	15	21	4.76
<b>GROUP 4 TOTAL</b>		<b>6,399</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4.64</b>

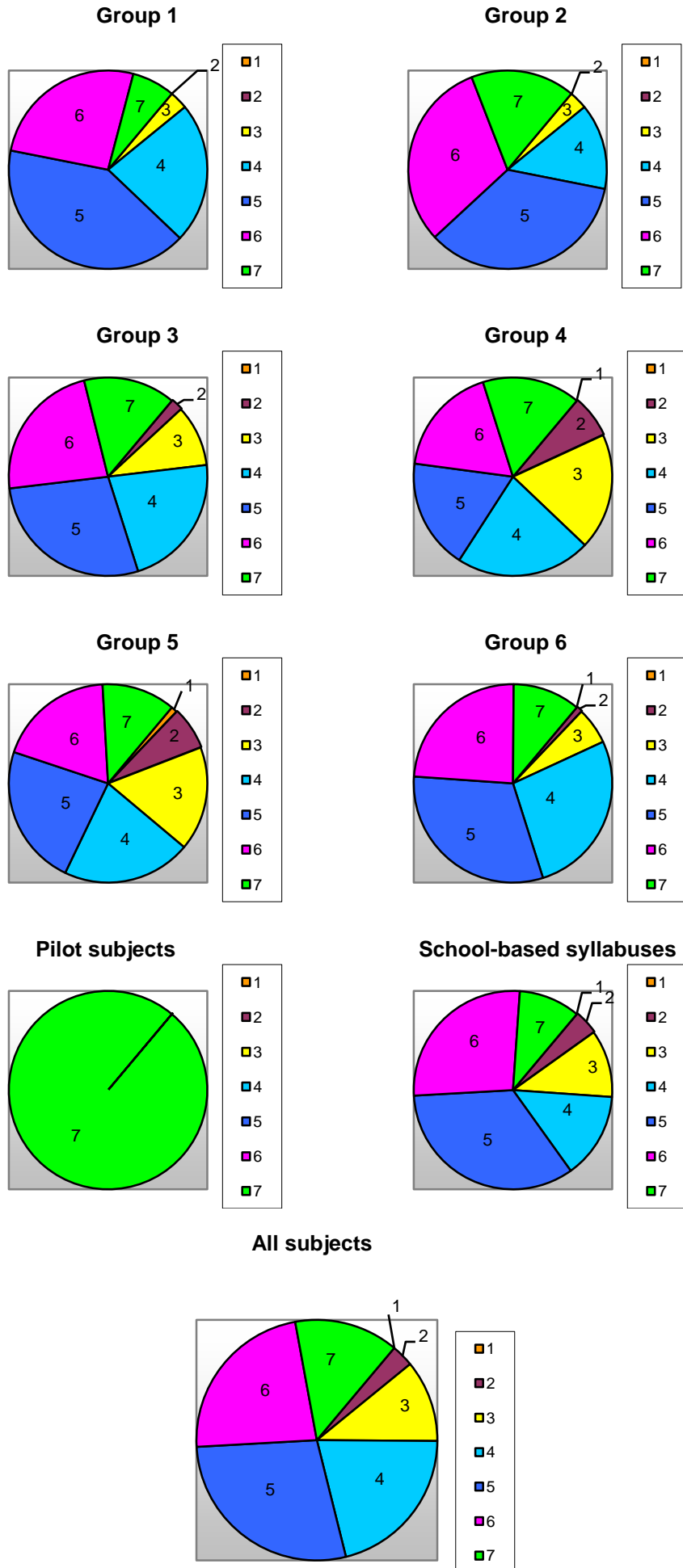
Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 5</b>										
COMPUTER SCIENCE	HL	23			30	13	17	13	26	4.91
COMPUTER SCIENCE	SL	25		16	8	40	12	16	8	4.28
MATHEMATICAL STUDIES	SL	1,544		3	16	28	29	17	7	4.63
MATHEMATICS	HL	943		7	17	15	20	25	15	4.81
MATHEMATICS	SL	2,381	2	10	18	19	20	18	14	4.54
<b>GROUP 5 TOTAL</b>		<b>4,916</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4.62</b>

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>GROUP 6</b>										
FILM	HL	29			7	28	38	17	10	4.97
MUSIC	HL	153			3	17	29	41	10	5.37
MUSIC	SL	39			15	23	28	10	23	5.03
THEATRE ARTS	HL	151			10	21	38	21	10	5.0
THEATRE ARTS	SL	29		10	28	24	17	21		4.1
VISUAL ARTS	HL	640		1	4	26	28	26	15	5.2
VISUAL ARTS	SL	277		2	5	39	34	17	3	4.69
<b>GROUP 6 TOTAL</b>		<b>1,328</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5.06</b>

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>PILOT SUBJECTS</b>										
DANCE	HL	1							100	7
DANCE	SL	1							100	7
<b>PS TOTAL</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>7</b>

Subject	Level	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grades							Mean grade
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
<b>SCHOOL-BASED SYLLABUSES</b>										
ANCIENT HISTORY	SL	3					33	33	33	6
ART HISTORY	SL	11					45	55		5.55
CHILE & THE PACIFIC BASIN	SL	14				36	57		7	4.49
CLASSICAL GREEK AND ROMAN STUDIES	SL	15					13	73	13	6
HISTORICAL & CONTEMPORARY BRAZILIAN STUDIES	SL	31		10	29	19	29	3	10	4.16
PEACE & CONFLICT STUDIES	SL	5					40	40	20	5.8
<b>SBS TOTAL</b>										
		<b>79</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5.06</b>
<b>ALL SUBJECTS TOTAL</b>										
		<b>28,657</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4.97</b>

Graph 22.1 Grade distribution by subject group November 2008



## 23 Diploma and retake candidates (D+R): distribution of points totals November 2008

Total Points	Diploma awarded		Diploma not awarded		Cumulative
	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates	
0					0.00%
1					0.00%
2			1	0.02%	0.02%
3			1	0.02%	0.04%
4			1	0.02%	0.06%
5					0.06%
6			3	0.06%	0.12%
7			2	0.04%	0.15%
8			3	0.06%	0.21%
9			2	0.04%	0.25%
10			2	0.04%	0.29%
11			6	0.12%	0.40%
12			3	0.06%	0.46%
13			10	0.19%	0.65%
14			9	0.17%	0.83%
15			12	0.23%	1.06%
16			18	0.35%	1.40%
17			16	0.31%	1.71%
18			25	0.48%	2.19%
19			44	0.85%	3.03%
20			67	1.29%	4.32%
21			116	2.23%	6.55%
22			149	2.86%	9.41%
23			266	5.11%	14.52%
24	176	3.38%	109	2.09%	20.00%
25	179	3.44%	76	1.46%	24.89%
26	218	4.18%	66	1.27%	30.35%
27	222	4.27%	43	0.83%	35.44%
28	298	5.73%	5	0.10%	41.26%
29	290	5.57%	2	0.04%	46.87%
30	294	5.65%			52.52%
31	255	4.90%	2	0.04%	57.45%
32	253	4.86%			62.31%
33	216	4.15%			66.46%
34	214	4.12%			70.57%
35	207	3.98%			74.55%
36	192	3.69%			78.24%
37	186	3.57%	1	0.02%	81.83%
38	150	2.88%			84.71%
39	177	3.40%	1	0.02%	88.13%
40	163	3.13%	1	0.02%	91.28%
41	137	2.63%			93.91%
42	109	2.09%			96.00%
43	103	1.98%			97.98%
44	67	1.28%			99.27%
45	38	0.73%			100.00%
	<b>4144</b>	<b>79.6%</b>	<b>1062</b>	<b>20.4%</b>	<b>5206</b>

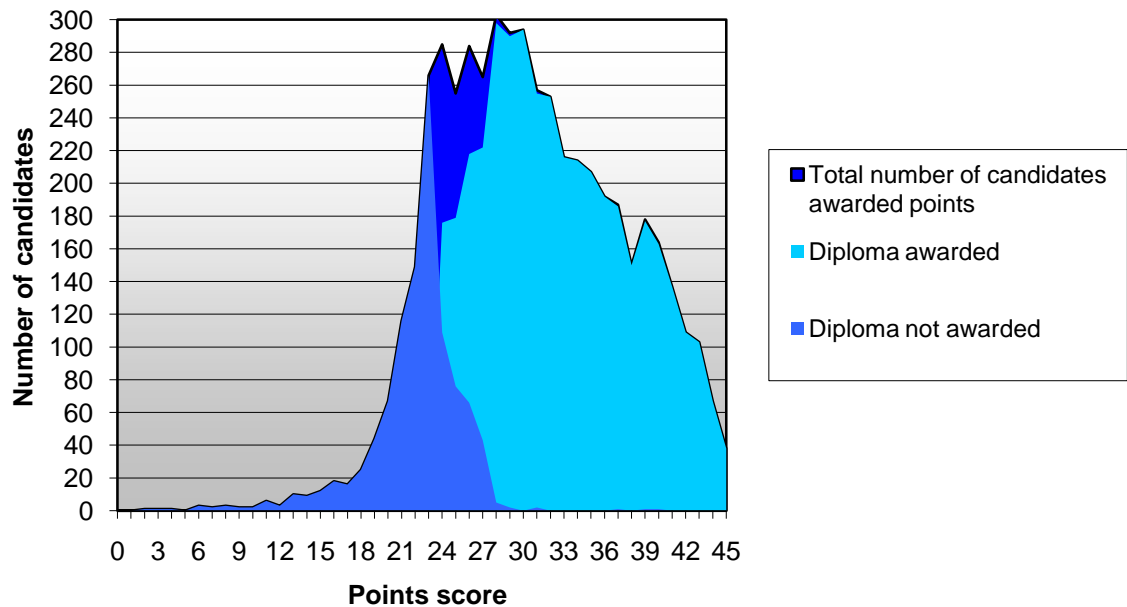


## 24 Retake candidates only (R): distribution of points totals November 2008

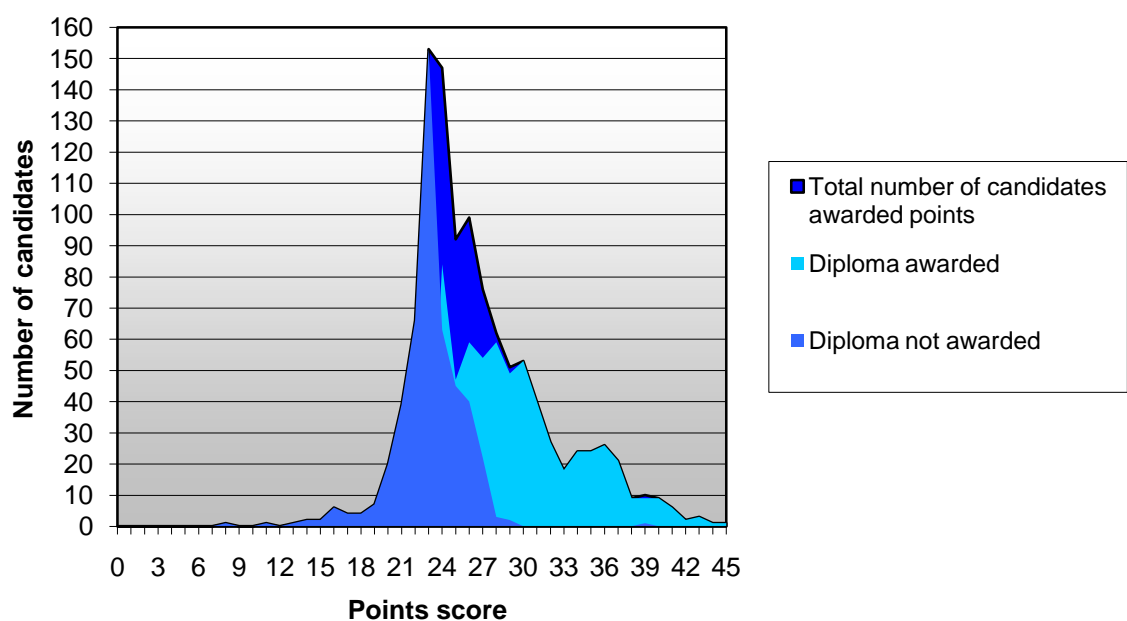
Total Points	Diploma awarded		Diploma not awarded		Cumulative
	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates	Number of candidates	Percentage of candidates	
0					0.00%
1					0.00%
2					0.00%
3					0.00%
4					0.00%
5					0.00%
6					0.00%
7					0.00%
8			1	0.09%	0.09%
9					0.09%
10					0.09%
11			1	0.09%	0.18%
12					0.18%
13			1	0.09%	0.27%
14			2	0.18%	0.45%
15			2	0.18%	0.63%
16			6	0.54%	1.17%
17			4	0.36%	1.54%
18			4	0.36%	1.90%
19			7	0.63%	2.53%
20			20	1.81%	4.34%
21			39	3.52%	7.86%
22			66	5.96%	13.82%
23			153	13.82%	27.64%
24	84	7.58%	63	5.69%	40.92%
25	47	4.25%	45	4.07%	49.23%
26	59	5.33%	40	3.61%	58.18%
27	54	4.88%	22	1.99%	65.04%
28	59	5.33%	3	0.27%	70.64%
29	49	4.43%	2	0.18%	75.25%
30	53	4.79%			80.04%
31	40	3.62%			83.65%
32	27	2.44%			86.09%
33	18	1.62%			87.71%
34	24	2.16%			89.88%
35	24	2.16%			92.05%
36	26	2.35%			94.40%
37	21	1.89%			96.30%
38	9	0.81%			97.11%
39	9	0.81%	1	0.09%	98.01%
40	9	0.81%			98.83%
41	6	0.54%			99.37%
42	2	0.18%			99.55%
43	3	0.27%			99.82%
44	1	0.09%			99.91%
45	1	0.09%			100.00%
	<b>625</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>1107</b>

## 25 Diploma score distribution: diploma and retake candidates (D+R) and retake candidates only (R) November 2008

**Graph 25.1** Number of diploma and retake candidates with diplomas awarded and diplomas not awarded per points score November 2008



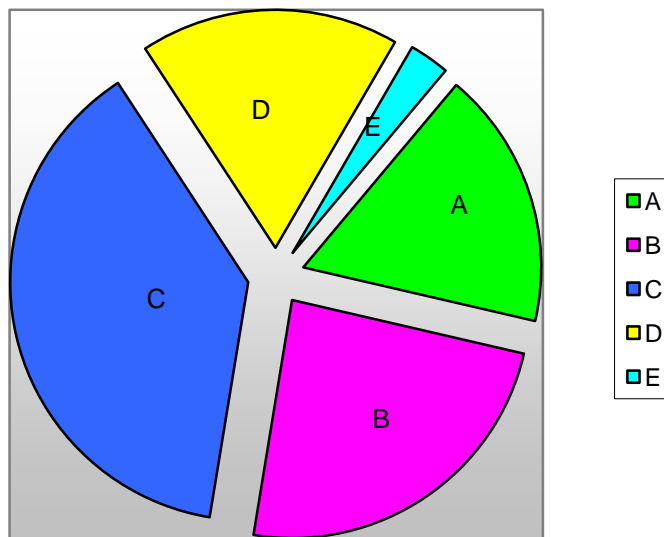
**Graph 25.2** Number of retake candidates only with diplomas awarded and diplomas not awarded per points score November 2008



## 26 Extended essay results November 2008

EE grade awarded per subject group	A	B	C	D	E	Total of candidates awarded grade	Total of all registered candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grade
Group 1	168	276	303	61	6	814	819	99.39%
Group 2	38	39	59	46	10	192	192	100.00%
Group 3	278	417	825	400	70	1,990	2,004	99.30%
Group 4	63	126	285	159	32	665	669	99.40%
Group 5	11	12	31	32	5	91	91	100.00%
Group 6	73	110	122	51	5	361	361	100.00%
PS	2	4	9	2	0	17	17	100.00%
SBS	5	3	2	1	0	11	11	100.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>128</b>			
<b>Percentage of candidates awarded a particular grade</b>	<b>15.41%</b>	<b>23.83%</b>	<b>39.51%</b>	<b>18.16%</b>	<b>3.09%</b>	<b>4,141</b>	<b>4,164</b>	<b>99.45%</b>

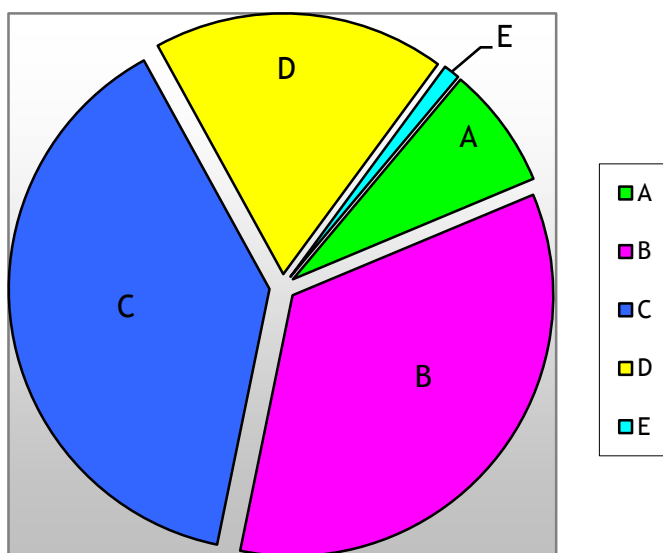
Graph 26.1 Percentage of grades awarded: extended essay November 2008



## 27 Theory of knowledge results November 2008

TOK grade awarded	A	B	C	D	E	Total of candidates awarded grade	Total of all registered candidates	Percentage of candidates awarded grade
Number of candidates awarded grade	314	1,428	1,605	749	42	4,138	4,222	98.01%
Percentage of candidates awarded grade	7.59%	34.52%	38.78%	18.10%	1.01%			

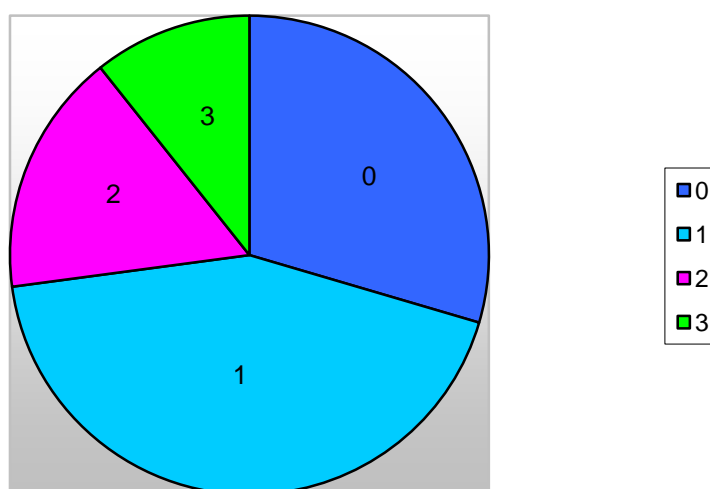
Graph 27.1 Percentage of grades awarded: theory of knowledge November 2008



## 28 Distribution of additional points November 2004–November 2008

Additional points		0	1	2	3	Total	Mean points
November 2004	Number of candidates awarded	839	1,261	588	383	3,071	1.17
	Percentage of candidates awarded	27.32%	41.06%	19.15%	12.47%	100.00%	
November 2005	Number of candidates awarded	1,032	1,574	578	385	3,569	1.09
	Percentage of candidates awarded	28.92%	44.10%	16.20%	10.79%	100.00%	
November 2006	Number of candidates awarded	1,209	1,707	652	445	4,013	1.08
	Percentage of candidates awarded	30.13%	42.54%	16.25%	11.09%	100.00%	
November 2007	Number of candidates awarded	1,252	1,918	762	468	4,400	1.10
	Percentage of candidates awarded	28.45%	43.59%	17.32%	10.64%	100.00%	
November 2008	Number of candidates awarded	1,535	2,252	853	555	5,195	1.08
	Percentage of candidates awarded	29.55%	43.34%	16.42%	10.69%	100.00%	

Graph 28.1 Distribution of additional points November 2008



## 29 Mean points score worldwide November 2004–November 2008

Mean score per examination session	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
	30.29	30.11	30.05	30.73	30.58

## 30 Mean grade worldwide November 2004–November 2008

Mean grade per examination session	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
	4.87	4.87	4.89	4.95	4.97

## 31 Pass rate worldwide November 2004–November 2008

Pass rate per examination session	November 2004	November 2005	November 2006	November 2007	November 2008
	80.84%	81.03%	81.36%	81.29%	79.54%

## 32 Number of diplomas and bilingual diplomas awarded November 2004–November 2008

Examination session	Number of bilingual diplomas awarded	Number of all diplomas awarded (includes bilingual diplomas)	Percentage of bilingual diplomas in all diplomas awarded
November 2004	1,170	2,494	46.91%
November 2005	1,353	2,914	46.43%
November 2006	1,561	3,260	47.88%
November 2007	1,476	3,511	42.04%
November 2008	1,686	4,145	40.68%

## 33 Number of diplomas awarded by IB region November 2008

Number of bilingual diplomas awarded	IBAEM	IBAP	IBLA	IBNA	Total
	369	257	1,057	3	1,686
Number of all diplomas awarded (includes bilingual diplomas)	677	2,106	1,331	31	4,145