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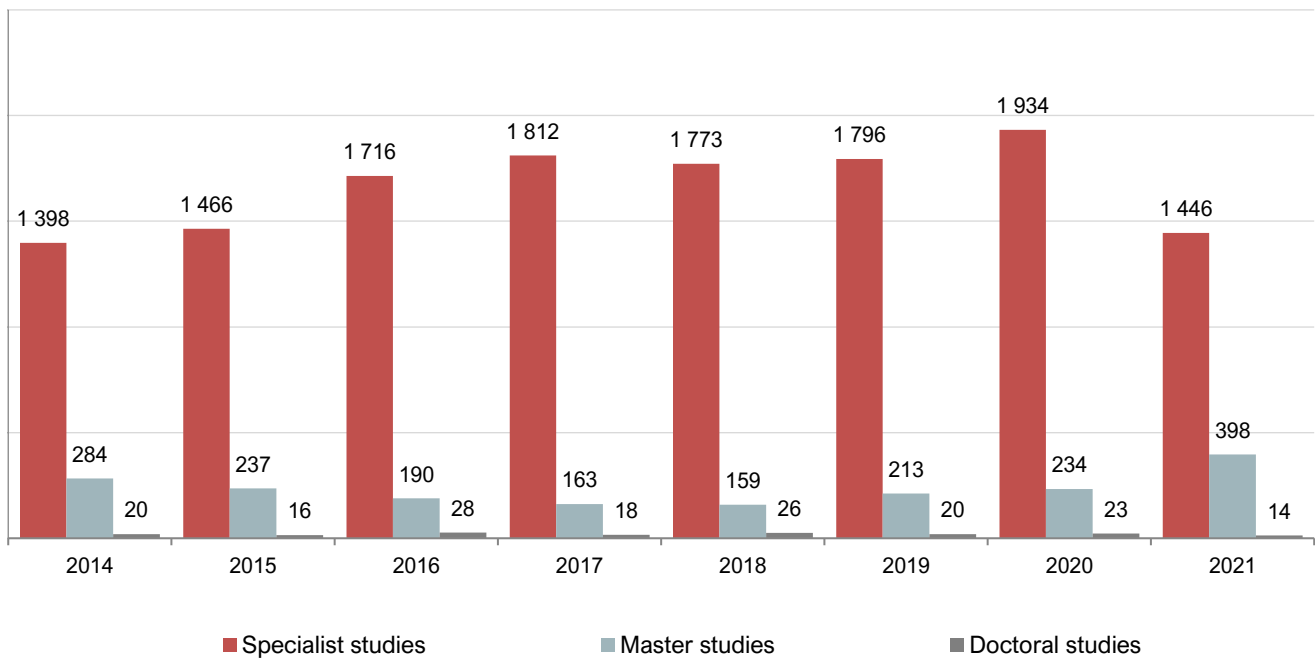
# Specialists, masters and doctors of science

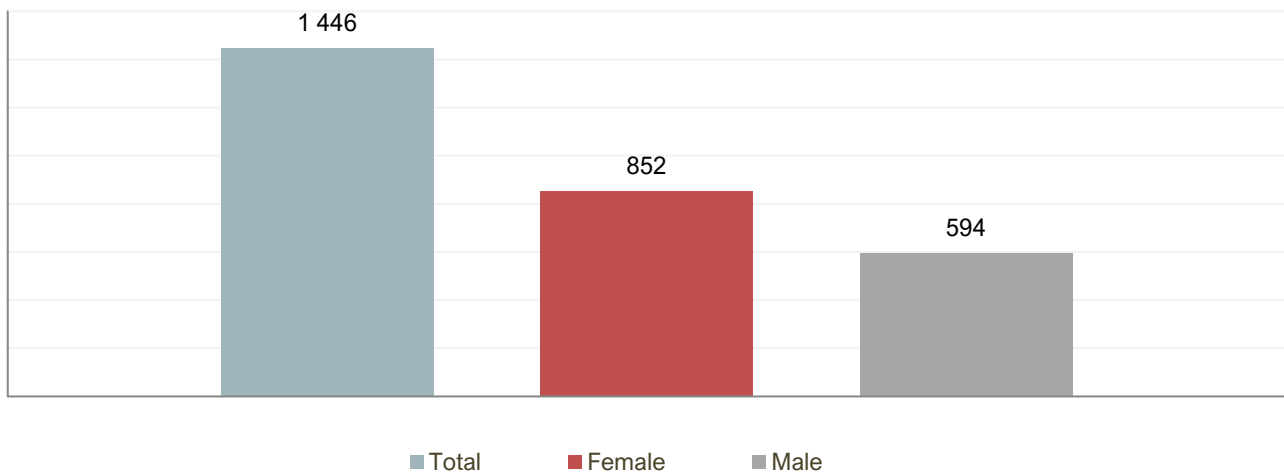
**2021**

In 2021 there were 1 858 students who finished postgraduate and doctoral studies.

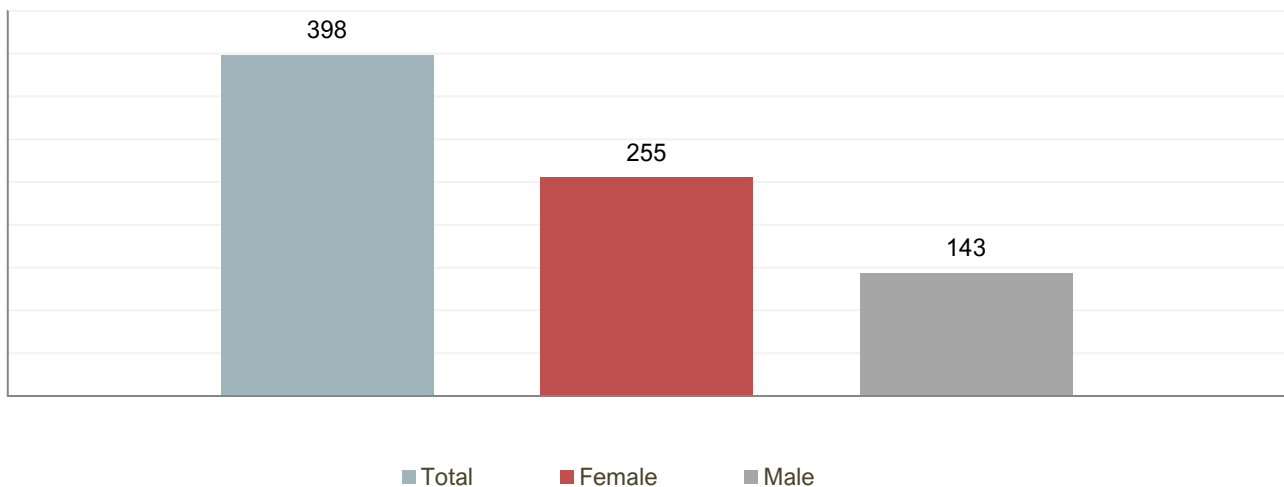
Postgraduate studies were finished by 1 844 students, of which: specialist studies 1 446 (78.4%), and master studies 398 (21.6%).

**Graph 1. Specialists, masters and doctors of science, 2014 - 2021**



**Graph 2. Specialists, by total and sex, 2021**

From the total number of students who finished specialist studies, 992 or 68.6% were in public higher education institutions, while 454 or 31.4% finished private higher education institutions. The specialist studies, during 2021, were completed 58.9% (852) of female students and 41.1% (594) of male students.

**Graph 3. Masters, by total and sex, 2021**

From the total number of students who finished master studies, 263 or 66.1% were in public higher education institutions, while 135 or 33.9% finished private higher education institutions. Master studies were finished by 64.1% (255) female and 35.9% (143) male students.

Doctor of science degree in 2021 were obtained by 14 persons. Of this number of doctor of science, the female are 64.3% (9) and male 35.7% (5).

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The data in this release are a result of regular annual statistical survey.

Data on students who have completed postgraduate studies are collected through individual statistical questionnaires "Statistical paper for magistrates of science and specialists" (SV-80), data on doctors of science are collected through individual statistical questionnaires "Statistical paper for doctors of science" (SV-70), except for the University of Montenegro where the data for 2021 is taken from the Centre information system based on the signed Agreement on Cooperation.

Statistical activity includes all higher education institutions, both public and private. The data on students enrolled at postgraduate (specialist studies and master studies) and doctoral studies refer to academic year.

Pursuant to the Law on Higher Education, there are three levels of higher education: undergraduate studies (basic studies), postgraduate studies, and doctoral studies.

Postgraduate studies may be organised as: specialist studies and master studies.

Postgraduate specialist studies runs for one study year, i.e. two semesters.

Postgraduate master studies usually runs two study years, four semesters after basic, i.e. a year after specialist studies.

Doctoral studies are realised in duration of three study years, i.e. six semesters.

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*More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Higher Education](#)*