



# Student Satisfaction and Engagement Survey 2022-23

## Executive Summary



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## Executive Summary 2022-2023 figures

1. The student satisfaction survey for 2022-23 was carried out over an eight-week period between 6 March and 28 April 2023.
2. In total nine out of 10 full-time students were satisfied with their college experience (92.7%) – 94.6% and 89.1% of full-time FE and HE students respectively. This is the highest overall satisfaction levels in the five-year reporting period.
3. Satisfaction rates were higher for part-time students at 95.7% for FE and 91.7% for HE.
4. Overall satisfaction levels have increased in 2022-23 (FEFT +1.9%, HEFT +3.4%, FEPT +1.8%, HEPT +2.3%) compared with 2021-22.
5. 97,686 full-time and part-time college students were surveyed, with the following improved response rates:
  - 56,816 full-time students of which 54.9% responded an increase of 12.1% from previous year.
  - 40,870 part-time students of which 26.3% responded an increase of 9.0% from previous year.



## Student Satisfaction and Engagement Survey 2022-23

  
**41,953**  
students had their say

### RESPONSE RATE BY STUDENT TYPE



#### HE STUDENTS IN COLLEGE

Full-time **48.8%**  
Part-time **22.5%**



#### FE STUDENTS IN COLLEGE

Full-time **58.9%**  
Part-time **26.9%**

### NINE OUT OF TEN

full-time students were satisfied with their college experience (92.7%)



#### HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENTS IN COLLEGE

### 'OVERALL, I AM SATISFIED WITH MY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE'

#### FULL-TIME

Strongly Agree **38.7%**  
Agree **50.4%**  
Disagree **8.5%**  
Strongly Disagree **2.3%**

Overall  
**89.1%**



#### PART-TIME

Strongly Agree **43.2%**  
Agree **48.5%**  
Disagree **6.6%**  
Strongly Disagree **1.7%**

Overall  
**91.7%**



### 'OVERALL, I AM SATISFIED WITH MY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE'

#### FULL-TIME

Strongly Agree **45.0%**  
Agree **49.6%**  
Disagree **4.2%**  
Strongly Disagree **1.3%**

Overall  
**94.6%**



#### PART-TIME

Strongly Agree **49.9%**  
Agree **45.9%**  
Disagree **3.2%**  
Strongly Disagree **1.0%**

Overall  
**95.7%**



#### FURTHER EDUCATION STUDENTS IN COLLEGE

Some sub-group percentages may vary slightly due to rounding