

Quality Statement – QQI certification statistics

At QQI, we are committed to producing high-quality, reliable, and timely statistics that support transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making in Ireland's education and training system.

Our statistical outputs are developed and maintained by a dedicated team of professionals who uphold the highest standards of integrity, accuracy, and confidentiality. The work of the unit is guided by relevant national and European legislation, including the Statistics Act 1993 and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), ensuring that all data is handled responsibly and ethically.

Our aim is to produce statistics that are useful, accurate and reliable, coherent and comparable. We will be objective in our analysis and disseminate our statistics in a clear, accessible and timely manner. We aim to be transparent in the statistical methods and techniques employed to support reproducibility.

Through our work, we abide by the following core values, based on international principles and best practice:

- Statistical Professionalism
- Independence and Integrity
- Respect for statistical confidentiality
- Excellent service to our stakeholders
- Respect to our data providers

We adhere to the principles of the [Irish Statistical System Code of Practice \(ISSCoP\)](#) [Irish Statistical System Code of Practice \(ISSCoP\)](#), which include relevance, accuracy, timeliness, accessibility, clarity, comparability, and coherence. These principles are central to our approach in delivering statistical information that is both meaningful and trustworthy.

Our work is also aligned with the core values of QQI:

- **Shared Responsibility** - We work collaboratively and inclusively to build confidence in the quality of education and training.
- **Trust and Integrity** - Our decisions and regulatory practices are grounded in fairness, transparency, and ethical conduct.
- **Evidence-Based Practice** - We rely on national and international best practices to inform our actions and policies.
- **Learning and Innovation** - We continuously improve our systems and expertise to guide, advise, and regulate effectively.
- **Insight and Impact** - We value research, analysis, and insight as drivers of meaningful and measurable outcomes.

To ensure our outputs meet the needs of users, we actively seek feedback through regular stakeholder engagement, including user group meetings and feedback on our statistical products. This feedback informs our continuous improvement efforts and helps us align our outputs with user expectations.

We publish our certification statistical releases according to a pre-announced release calendar, ensuring predictability and fairness in access to information. The Open Data Liaison Officer (ODLO) oversees the planning, quality assurance, and dissemination of QQI certification statistical outputs, ensuring consistency and compliance with best practices.

Our goal is to produce statistics that are accessible, coherent, and comparable, enabling users to draw meaningful insights and make evidence-based decisions. We are committed to continuous improvement and welcome collaboration with all stakeholders to enhance the value and impact of our statistical work related to QQI certification functions.