



The second release from the 2011 Census (11<sup>th</sup> December 2012) by the Office for National Statistics shows:

- 16.7% of Oxfordshire's population lack any qualification, down from 18.6% in 2001 and below the average for England (22.5%)
- Except for Cherwell, the proportion of Oxfordshire's population with a qualification is higher than the national and South East averages.
- The percentage of people in Oxfordshire with a level 4 or higher qualification has risen to 35.7% - similar to the national increase.
- The number of students in Oxfordshire has increased by 23% since 2001, which is less than the increases since 2001 for England and the South East.

### What are level 4 qualifications?

Level 4 qualifications include Degrees (for example BA, BSc), Higher Degrees (for example MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, Foundation degree (NI), Professional qualifications (for example teaching, nursing, accountancy)



