



REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

Features of Higher Education and Scientific Research

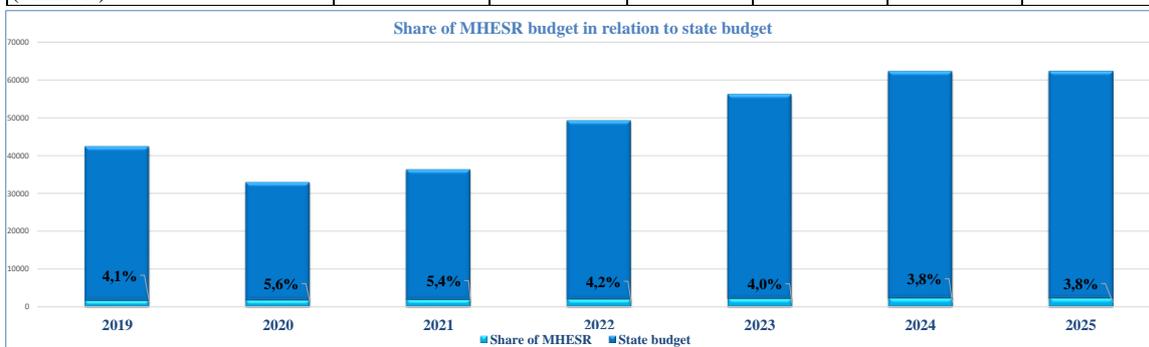
(2019/2020-2024/2025)

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I-Financial resources

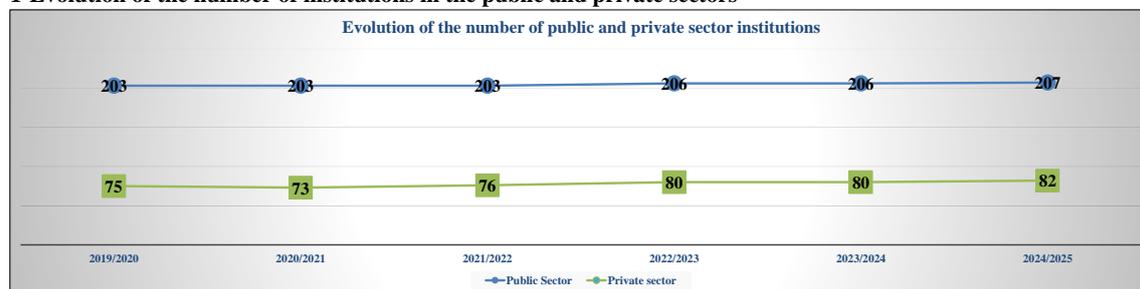
(In millions of Tunisian Dinars)

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Budget of Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research (MHESR)	1762,591	1874,268	1997	2153	2277,238	2293,393



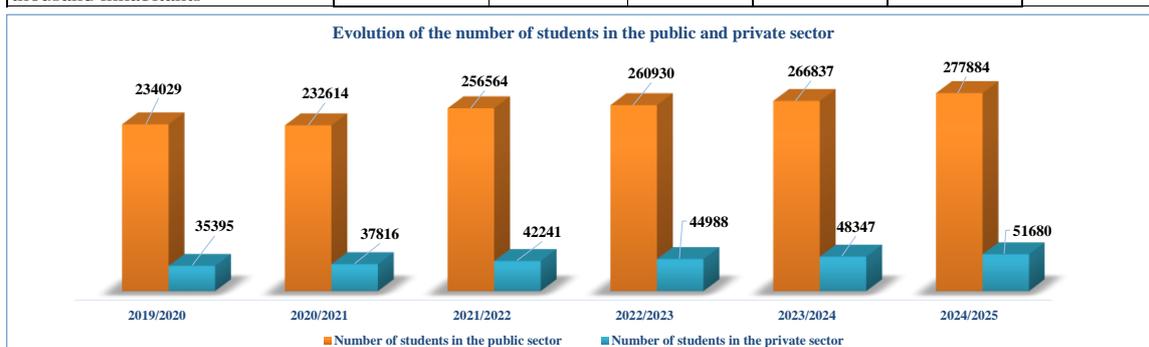
II- Institutions and students

1-Evolution of the number of institutions in the public and private sectors



2-Evolution of the number of students in the public and private sectors

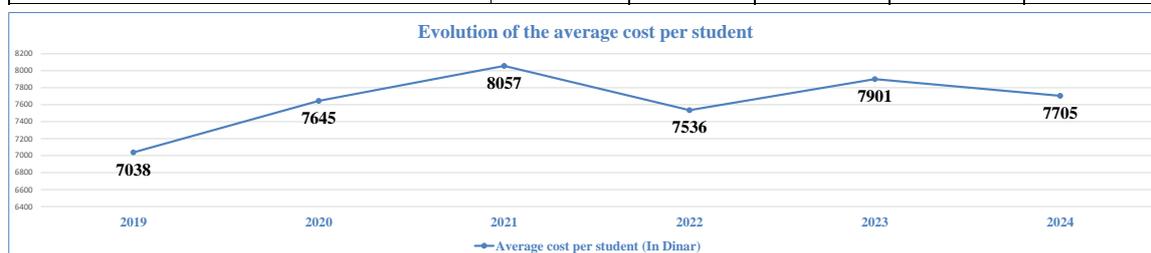
Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Total number of students enrolled (private and public sectors)	269424	270430	298805	305918	315184	324564
Proportion of students in the private sector in relation to total students	13,1%	14,0%	14,1%	14,7%	15,3%	15,9%
Number of students per 100 thousand inhabitants	2301	2310	2531	2582	2651	2711



3- Evolution of the annual average cost per student in the public sector (at current prices)

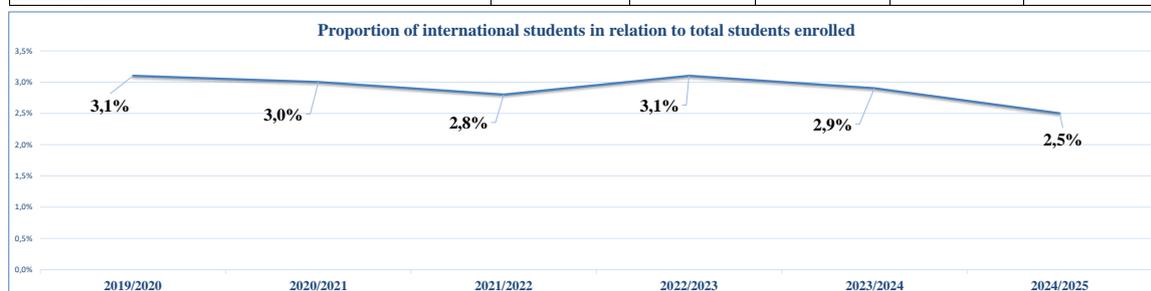
(in thousands of Tunisian Dinars)

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Total expenditures (*)	1789068	1874268	1933583	2061615	2102585



4-Evolution of the rate of international and African students in relation to total students (public and private sectors)

Academic year	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Number of international students	8234	8315	9498	9047	8062
Number of African students	7300	7193	7563	7036	6328
Proportion of sub-Saharan students to total African students	76,3%	86,2%	81,8%	78,5%	77,0%



5-Evolution of the number of students per university in the public sector

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
University of Ezzitouna	2 555	1 692	2 307	2 403	2 375	2 344
University of Tunis	15 347	16159	19040	18 360	17 953	17 976
University of Tunis el manar	28 795	30102	29057	28 841	28 294	28 362
University of Carthage	29 547	29489	32458	33 044	33 366	34 806
University of Manouba	16 312	16275	17772	17 772	17 385	17 612
University of Jendouba	10 782	10456	11325	11 846	12 953	13 593
University of Sousse	25 759	26324	28957	29 075	29 489	30 560
University of Monastir	19 193	18846	21343	20 901	20 909	20 304
University of Kairouan	8 130	7835	9862	10 696	11 150	11 925
University of Sfax	29 572	29000	32861	33 805	33 852	35 041
University of Gabes	13 347	12878	14612	15 228	16 485	16 837
University of Gafsa	7 474	7093	7819	8 352	9 294	9 248
Directorate General for Technology Studies (DGET)	26 258	25278	28076	29 340	31 956	32 999
Virtual University	958	1187	1075	1267	1 376	1 277
Total	234 029	232 614	256 564	260 930	266 837	272 884

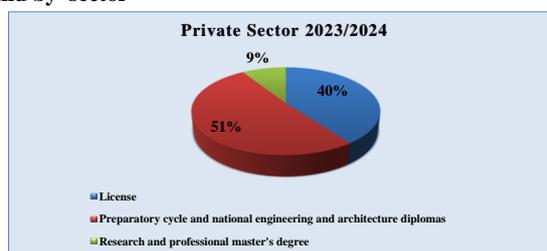
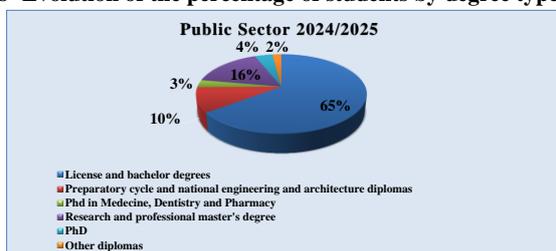
6- Evolution of the number of students by field in the public sector

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Field of study						
Education	8145	7036	7 366	7 984	9 146	8 483
Letters and arts	34564	33388	38849	39 819	40 876	42 172
Social sciences, trade and law	72047	71042	79442	81 526	82 018	85 394
Sciences	43209	44926	51928	53 069	56 472	57 414
Engineering, processing and production industries	44424	44174	48392	46 662	46 559	48 076
Agriculture	3508	3374	2953	3 207	3 044	2 966
Health and social protection	19604	20112	19381	20 214	20 485	20 581
Services	8528	8562	8253	8 449	8 237	7 798
Total	234 029	232 614	256 564	260 930	266 837	272 884

7- Evolution of the number of students by field in the private sector

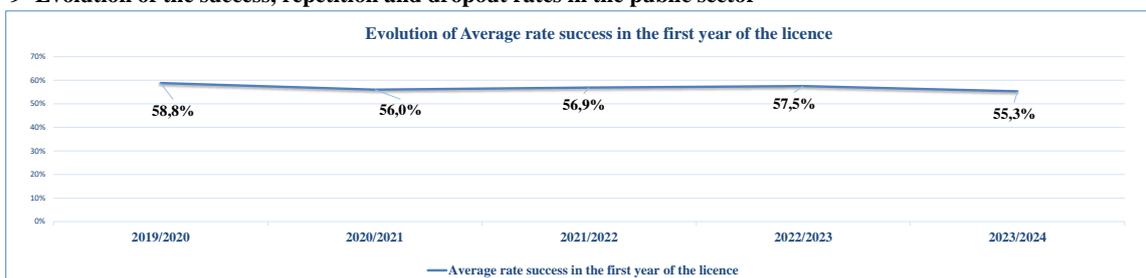
Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Field of study						
Education						
Letters and arts	673	677	717	629	631	592
Social sciences, trade and law	9513	10 173	10331	10110	9685	9541
Sciences	6927	8 307	12972	13171	18872	21685
Engineering, processing and production industries	11916	12 090	10995	13671	11215	11224
Agriculture						
Health and social protection	6353	6 515	7163	7328	7881	8572
Services	13	54	63	79	63	66
Total	35 395	37 816	42 241	44 988	48 347	51 680

8- Evolution of the percentage of students by degree type and by sector



(* Other diplomas: Accounting review, doctorate in veterinary medicine, certificate of further studies, national diploma of urban planning, aggregation certificate, specialty diploma.

9 -Evolution of the success, repetition and dropout rates in the public sector



AR: average rate

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Average success rate (*)	73,4%	75,0%	74,3%	74,1%	74,5%
Average rate of repeaters (*)	24,1%	23,2%	23,3%	23,5%	22,9%
Dropout rate (*)	2,5%	1,8%	2,4%	2,4%	2,6%
Number of dropouts (*)	5238	4798	5400	5720	4575

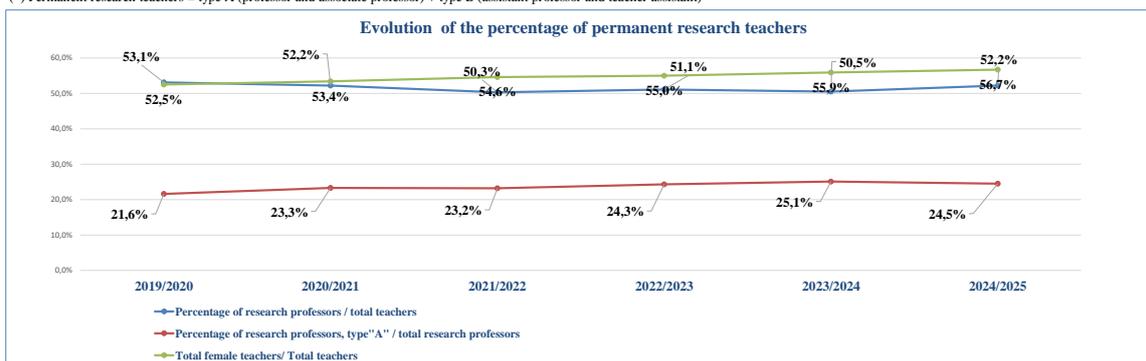
(*) Regardless of the results of students enrolled in master's, doctoral, aggregation and accounting review

III-Faculty staff in the public sector

1- Permanent teachers and permanent research teachers

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Number of full-time teachers	22086	23017	23498	23525	23545	23669
Number of permanent research teachers (*)	11728	12022	11829	12021	11885	12415
Number of permanent research teachers (type "A")	2536	2807	2745	2924	2987	3037

(*) Permanent research teachers = type A (professor and associate professor) + type B (assistant professor and teacher assistant)



2-Average number of students per teacher

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Total regular students	229914	228670	253219	257511	262408	268298
General supervision number	10,4	9,9	10,8	10,9	11,1	11,3
Number of students' supervisions by a permanent research teacher	19,6	19,0	21,4	21,4	22,1	21,6

IV-Graduates of higher education from the public and private sectors

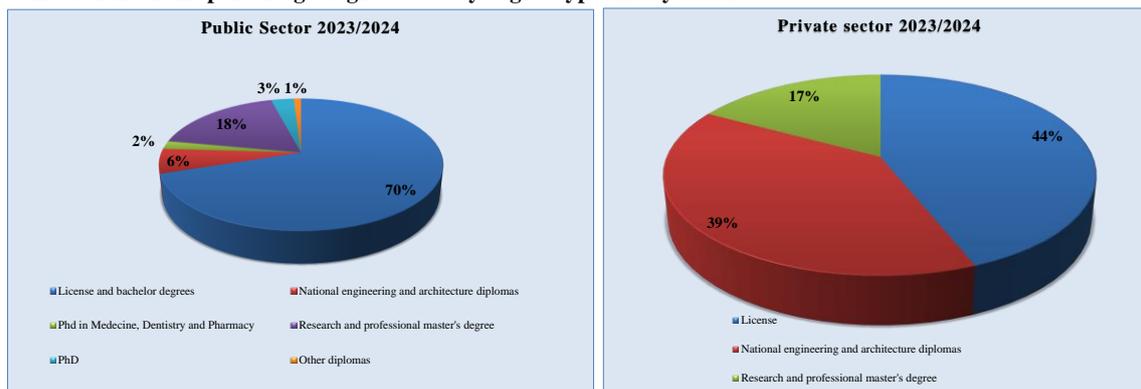
1- Evolution of the number of graduates in the public sector

Academic year \ Field of study	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Education	2748	2505	3135	1790	2975
Letters and arts	7137	6631	8456	7364	8460
Social sciences, trade and law	15029	16978	17916	16724	18861
Sciences	10020	10067	11327	11690	13726
Engineering, processing and production industries	9100	8741	9018	8134	9358
Agriculture	721	698	641	612	584
Health and social protection	3359	3689	3324	3465	3494
Services	2005	2100	1853	1801	1785
Total	50119	51409	55670	51580	59243

2-Evolution of the number of graduates in the private sector

Academic year \ Field of study	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Education					
Letters and arts	220	199	195	166	208
Social sciences, trade and law	2874	3243	3352	3036	3223
Sciences	1715	2261	3105	3337	3999
Engineering, processing and production industries	1982	1881	1970	1744	1780
Agriculture					
Health and social protection	1998	2005	2585	2039	2577
Services	5		31	22	10
Total	8794	9589	11238	10344	11797

3- Evolution of the percentage of graduates by degree type and by sector



(*) Other diplomas: Accounting review, doctorate in veterinary medicine, certificate of further studies, national diploma of urban and planning, aggregation and specialty

4 -Gender parity index by degree type: students and graduates*

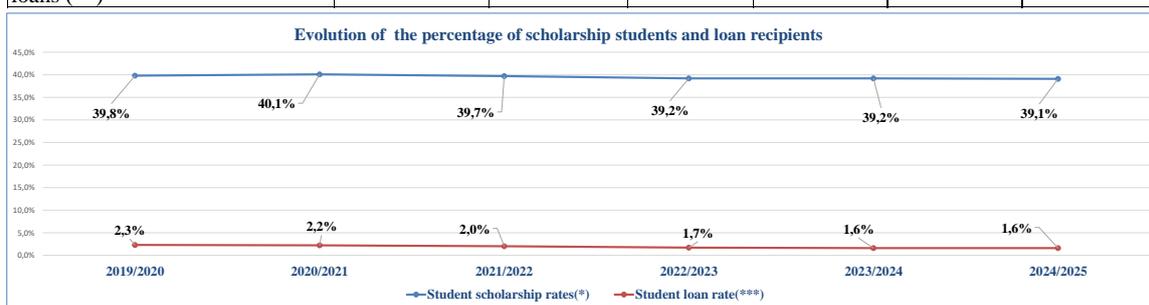
(*) Parity Index: Female / Men's graduate

Degree type	2021/2022		2022/2023		2023/2024	
	Students	Graduates	Students	Graduates	Students	Graduates
License and Bachelor	1,9	2,4	2,0	2,4	2,0	2,6
Preparatory cycle and national engineering degree	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,4	1,3	1,3
PhD in Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy	2,4	2,3	2,4	2,7	2,4	2,7
Masters (professional and research)	2,6	2,9	2,6	2,8	2,8	2,7
Phd	1,5	1,6	1,6	1,7	1,9	1,2
Other diplomas	2,3	2,1	2,2	1,6	2,5	1,1
Overall average	1,9	2,3	2,0	2,3	2,0	2,4

V-Student Affairs Department in the Public Sector

1-Scholarships and loans

Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Number of scholarship students	91418	91799	100471	101025	102759	105029
Total regular students	229914	228670	253219	257511	262408	268298
Number of students receiving loans (**)	3121	2955	2993	2738	2629	2432

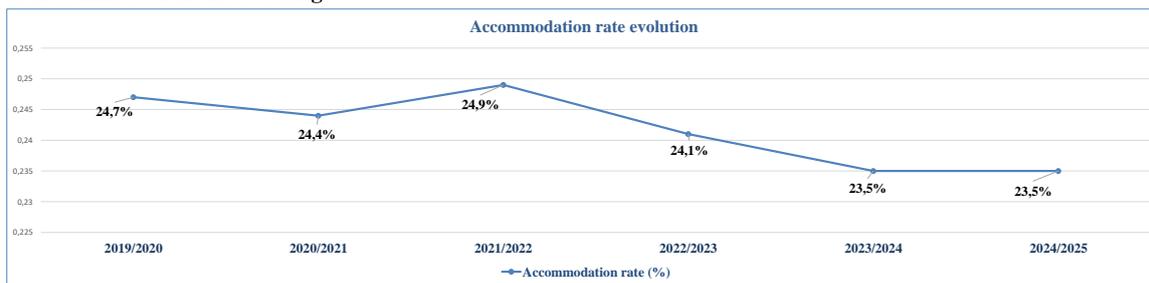


(*)Number of scholarship students/Number of regular students

(**) Loans granted by social security funds and offices of university services

(***) Students receiving loans / Number of regular and non-grant students

2-Accommodation and catering



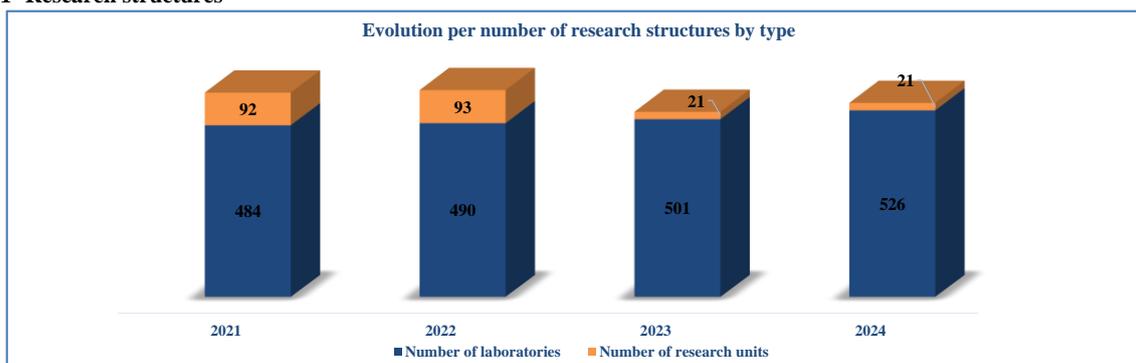
Academic year	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Number of university hostels *	108*	105*	121*	120*	120*	130*
Number of university restaurants **	79	78	82	81	82	81

(*) including subcontracted university hostels

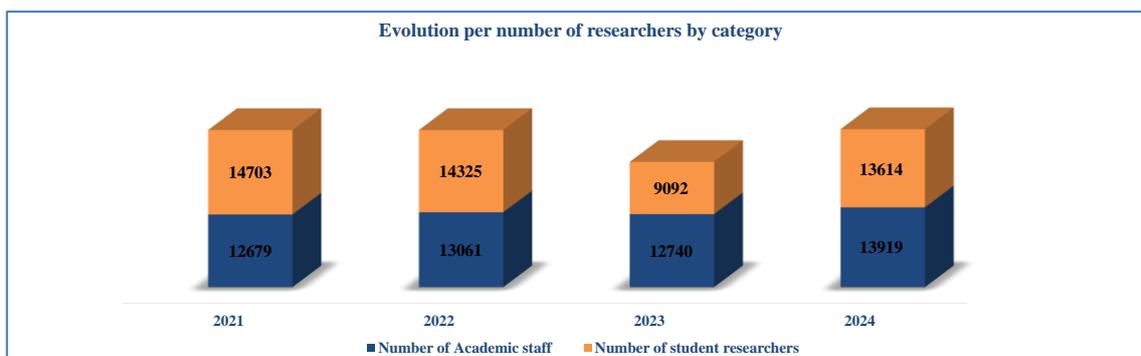
(**) including restaurants in university cities

VI- Scientific research

1- Research structures



2- Researchers by category



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