

**Performance Improvement Team
Children & Young People's Directorate**

RELIGIOUS STUDIES EXAMINATION RESULTS FOR 2009

Purpose

To consider the 2009 Religious Education examination results for Herefordshire.

Report

Results for the 2009 GCSE and GCE A Level examinations for Religious Studies (subject to final validation) are summarised in Appendix A together with comparative data from 2008.

GCSE Religious Studies

1. Results from the 2009 full GCSE were 76.5% A* - C (**Boys = 66.9%, Girls = 83.7%**) which was above the national average of 72% and above the 2008 results of 65% (**Boys= 57.5%, Girls=71.4%**).
2. Results from the short course were 55.2% A* - C (**Boys = 50.4%, Girls = 60.3%**) which is above the national average of 51.4% and below the 2008 results of 57.1% (**Boys = 48.2%, Girls = 65.1%**).
3. 387 pupils (**166 Boys, 221 Girls**), 20.1% of all pupils at the end of KS4 in Herefordshire maintained schools in 2009, entered for the full GCSE, a slight decrease from the 412 pupils, 20.5% of all pupils (**181 Boys, 231 Girls**) in 2008
4. A further 897 pupils (**466 Boys, 431 Girls**), 43.6% of the county's end of KS4 cohort, took the Short Course. This was an increase on 2008 : 773 pupils (**369 Boys, 404 Girls**) 38.5%.
5. Total entries of 1291 (**639 Boys, 652 Girls**) represented 67.4% of the cohort, an increase from the proportion in 2008 which was 1193 (**554 Boys, 639 Girls**) representing 59.1% of the cohort.

GCE A and AS Level Religious Studies

6. 70 pupils (**25 Boys, 45 Girls**) took A level in 2009, which is 1 less than in 2008 when there were 71 (**23 Boys, 48 Girls**)
7. The numbers taking AS level increased from 23 (**9 Boys, 14 Girls**) in 2008 to 43 (**23 Boys, 20 Girls**) in 2009.
8. 7 pupils (**7 Boys, 0 Girls**) took Entry Level Qualifications in 2009 slightly less than the 8 (**4 Boys, 4 Girls**) students in 2008.

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Appendix A

GCSE 2009 Results for Religious Studies

Religious Studies					
Full Course					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	Number A* to G	% A* to G
ALL	387	296	76.5%	386	99.7%
Boys	166	111	66.9%	165	99.4%
Girls	221	185	83.7%	221	100.0%

Religious Studies					
Short Course					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	Number A* to G	% A* to G
ALL	897	495	55.2%	886	98.8%
Boys	466	235	50.4%	460	98.7%
Girls	431	260	60.3%	426	98.8%

Religious Studies					
ELQ Band C					
	Entered	No. Grds 1-3	% Grade 1	% Grade 2	% Grade 3
ALL	7	7	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%
Boys	7	7	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%
Girls	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

GCE A' Level 2009

Religious Studies					
A Level					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	No. A* to E	% A* to E
ALL	12	10	83.3%	12	100.0%
Boys	3	3	100.0%	3	100.0%
Girls	9	7	77.8%	9	100.0%

AS Level					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	No. A* to E	% A* to E
ALL	7	4	57.1%	7	100.0%
Boys	1	0	0.0%	1	100.0%
Girls	6	4	66.7%	6	100.0%

Results from Hereford Sixthform College:

A2 Level

Subject	% A-B	% A-C
Theology	82.8%	100.0%

AS Level

Subject	% A-B	% A-C
Theology	50.0%	69.4%

GCSE 2008 Results for Religious Studies

Religious Studies					
Full Course					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	Number A* to G	% A* to G
ALL	412	268	65.0%	409	99.3%
Boys	181	104	57.5%	180	99.4%
Girls	231	165	71.4%	229	99.1%

Religious Studies					
Short Course					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	Number A* to G	% A* to G
ALL	773	441	57.1%	733	94.8%
Boys	369	178	48.2%	344	93.2%
Girls	404	263	65.1%	389	96.3%

Religious Studies					
ELQ Band C					
	Entered	No. Grds 1-3	% Grade 1	% Grade 2	% Grade 3
ALL	8	8	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%
Boys	4	4	25.0%	75.0%	0.0%
Girls	4	4	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%

GCE A' Level 2008

Religious Studies					
A Level					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	No. A* to E	% A* to E
ALL	9	8	88.9%	8	88.9%
Boys	4	4	100.0%	4	100.0%
Girls	5	4	80.0%	4	80.0%

AS Level					
	Entered	Number A* to C	% A* to C	No. A* to E	% A* to E
ALL	3	1	33.3%	3	100.0%
Boys	3	1	33.3%	3	100.0%
Girls	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

Results from Hereford Sixthform College:

A2 Level

Subject	% A-B	% A-C
Theology	71.4%	87.5%

AS Level

Subject	% A-B	% A-C
Theology	58.5%	80.5%

