

■ Table 2.6.11 1 / 3

**BAföG – number of recipients; expenditure, by amounts and types of aid**

|                                                                   | 2000             | 2005             | 2010             | 2013             | 2014             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Recipients (Number)<sup>1</sup></b>                            | <b>559,313</b>   | <b>828,331</b>   | <b>916,295</b>   | <b>958,743</b>   | <b>924,770</b>   |
| Pupils <sup>1</sup>                                               | 210,498          | 321,421          | 323,808          | 292,815          | 278,194          |
| Students                                                          | 348,799          | 506,880          | 592,430          | 665,928          | 646,576          |
| Fully funded                                                      | 185,374          | 393,252          | 447,787          | 445,630          | 429,006          |
| Partly funded                                                     | 373,939          | 435,079          | 468,507          | 513,113          | 495,764          |
| Average monthly number <sup>2</sup>                               | 359,369          | 544,068          | 584,850          | 619,620          | 596,380          |
| <b>Financial amount, total (1,000 €)</b>                          | <b>1,274,794</b> | <b>2,280,477</b> | <b>2,873,065</b> | <b>3,240,623</b> | <b>3,142,077</b> |
| <b>Type of funding (in %)</b>                                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Interest-free loan                                                | 35.0             | 33.5             | 34.1             | 35.2             | 35.2             |
| Grant                                                             | 65.0             | 66.5             | 65.9             | 64.8             | 64.8             |
| Average amount of financial aid per capita (€/month) <sup>3</sup> | 296              | 349              | 409              | 436              | 439              |

■ Table 2.6.11 2 / 3

**BAföG – number of recipients; expenditure, by amounts and types of aid**

|                                                                   | 2015             | 2016             | 2017             | 2018             | 2019             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Recipients (Number)<sup>1</sup></b>                            | <b>870,455</b>   | <b>822,933</b>   | <b>782,038</b>   | <b>726,732</b>   | <b>680,157</b>   |
| Pupils <sup>1</sup>                                               | 259,078          | 239,366          | 225,465          | 209,057          | 190,844          |
| Students                                                          | 611,377          | 583,567          | 556,573          | 517,675          | 489,313          |
| Fully funded                                                      | 399,867          | 394,397          | 383,818          | 363,169          | 346,641          |
| Partly funded                                                     | 470,588          | 428,536          | 398,220          | 363,563          | 333,516          |
| Average monthly number <sup>2</sup>                               | 562,170          | 524,775          | 502,677          | 467,809          | 434,540          |
| <b>Financial amount, total (1,000 €)</b>                          | <b>2,971,644</b> | <b>2,869,785</b> | <b>2,939,538</b> | <b>2,706,916</b> | <b>2,622,936</b> |
| <b>Type of funding (in %)</b>                                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Interest-free loan                                                | 35.1             | 35.3             | 35.8             | 35.7             | 36.1             |
| Grant                                                             | 64.9             | 64.7             | 64.2             | 64.3             | 63.9             |
| Average amount of financial aid per capita (€/month) <sup>3</sup> | 441              | 456              | 487              | 482              | 503              |

■ Table 2.6.11 3 / 3

**BAföG – number of recipients; expenditure, by amounts and types of aid**

|                                                                   | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Recipients (Number)<sup>1</sup></b>                            | <b>639,069</b>   | <b>623,003</b>   | <b>630,220</b>   | <b>635,590</b>   | <b>612,783</b>   |
| Pupils <sup>1</sup>                                               | 173,526          | 155,408          | 140,873          | 134,165          | 128,969          |
| Students                                                          | 465,543          | 467,595          | 489,347          | 501,425          | 483,814          |
| Fully funded                                                      | 328,468          | 311,310          | 352,320          | 348,427          | 335,247          |
| Partly funded                                                     | 310,601          | 311,693          | 277,900          | 287,163          | 277,536          |
| Average monthly number <sup>2</sup>                               | 429,121          | 429,161          | 418,585          | 441,461          | 403,596          |
| <b>Financial amount, total (1,000 €)</b>                          | <b>2,863,137</b> | <b>2,895,076</b> | <b>2,975,322</b> | <b>3,389,079</b> | <b>3,073,564</b> |
| <b>Type of funding (in %)</b>                                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Interest-free loan                                                | 38.0             | 39.2             | 40.5             | 41.5             | 41.1             |
| Grant                                                             | 62.0             | 60.8             | 59.5             | 58.5             | 58.9             |
| Average amount of financial aid per capita (€/month) <sup>3</sup> | 556              | 562              | 592              | 640              | 635              |

1 Until 2010, the recipients of distant learning institutions are included in total only, since 2013 they are classified as belonging to the group of pupils.

2 Arithmetic mean of a year's twelve average monthly numbers.

3 With regard to the average monthly number.

Last update: August 1, 2025

Source: Federal Statistical Office (GENESIS-Online database - 21411 Assistance pursuant to the Fed. Training Ass. Act, Fachserie 11 Reihe 7)

This work is licensed under a Data licence Germany attribution 2.0.

<https://www.govdata.de/dl-de/by-2-0>