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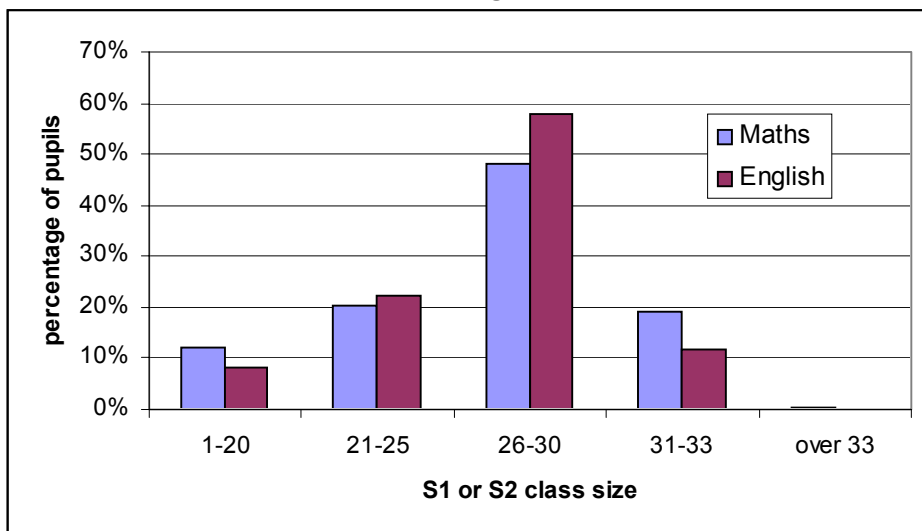
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Information on the size of S1 and S2 Maths and English classes as at September 2003 is published today by the Scottish Executive Education Department.

The main findings are :-

- The average Maths class size was 26 in S1 and 25 in S2.
- The average English class size was 26 both in S1 and in S2 classes.
- Twelve per cent of S1 and S2 pupils were taught in Maths classes of 20 or fewer. Twenty per cent were taught in classes of over thirty.
- Eight per cent of S1 and S2 pupils were taught in English classes of 20 or fewer. Twelve per cent were taught in classes of over thirty.

Chart 1: Class sizes in S1 and S2 Maths and English



NOTES TO NEWS EDITORS

1. These figures represent a snapshot of schools as at School Census week (i.e. week commencing 8th September 2003). Information was collected in a special exercise and was received from all bar four schools. Information on primary class sizes will be published as part of the school census in Spring 2004.
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Table 1: S1 Maths Classes

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	389	16	6,179	10
21-25	570	24	13,408	22
26-30	1,129	47	31,854	52
31-33	304	13	9,678	16
over 33	7	0	240	0

Table 2: S2 Maths Classes

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	533	22	8,426	14
21-25	481	20	11,248	19
26-30	949	40	26,982	44
31-33	433	18	13,850	23
over 33	5	0	171	0

Table 3: Composite Maths Classes with S1 and/or S2 pupils

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	1	25	3	3
21-25	0	0	0	0
26-30	1	25	28	30
31-33	2	50	63	67
over 33	0	0	0	0

Table 4: S1 English Classes

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	239	10	3,975	6
21-25	593	25	14,018	23
26-30	1,303	56	36,642	60
31-33	211	9	6,719	11
over 33	0	0	0	0

Table 5: S2 English Classes

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	355	15	5,816	10
21-25	559	24	13,143	22
26-30	1,208	51	34,081	56
31-33	237	10	7,538	12
over 33	0	0	0	0

Table 6: Composite English Classes with S1 and/or S2 pupils

class size	classes		pupils	
	number	%	number	%
1-20	1	33	3	5
21-25	0	0	0	0
26-30	1	33	28	45
31-33	1	33	31	50
over 33	0	0	0	0