

# Uganda - Uganda Junior Technical Certificate

**Uganda Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board - Government**

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# Overview

## Identification

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### Summary

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#### ABSTRACT

The Uganda Junior Technical Certificate (UJTC) has been administered annually since 1971 to grade 11 (ISCED 2) students in vocational education programmes in public and private schools. It was administered by the Uganda National Examinations Board until 2011. Since 2011, the Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board (UBTEB) took over the administration of the UJTC.

The UJTC is a high-stake and mandatory examination that certifies completion of lower secondary vocational education programmes. It is a requirement for students wishing to pursue an upper secondary education (ISCED 3).

The UJTC is administered face-to-face. It comprises a written component, delivered through paper-pencil tests, an oral component, and practical applications. All test-takers are presented with the same cognitive booklets or tests, which are aligned with the national curriculum.

The UJTC serves the following purposes:

- student certification for completion of lower secondary vocational education programmes
- student selection to higher education programmes or admission into specific courses or tracks
- school or educator accountability
- sub-national level monitoring of learning outcomes
- monitoring education quality levels
- planning education policy reforms

The UJTC accommodates students with special needs, by providing the following arrangements:

- Hearing impairment: additional time, support staff, sign language interpreters
- Visual impairment: test materials with large font
- Language impairment: additional time and support staff
- Emotional disturbance: additional time and support staff

#### KIND OF DATA

Census (all students at the given grades or ages)

#### UNITS OF ANALYSIS

Results are reported at the student, school, sub-national and national levels. Data are disaggregated by sex, geographic location (urban and rural), major cities and type of school (public and private).

Results are published in reports, which are available in print and online. Results are broadcasted on the radio and the television, and published in the media.

## Scope

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**NOTES**

Description of test items: Test items consist of multiple choice questions with three or more response options, open-ended questions requiring short constructed responses, essay writing and individual projects.

Description of stimuli: Test stimuli consist of continuous and mixed texts. As well, some stimuli are presented in audio format.

Reporting metrics: Student performance is reported by average score.

**Coverage****GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE**

National

**UNIVERSE**

Students enrolled in grade 11 (ISCED 2) in vocational education programmes in public and private schools.

**Producers and Sponsors****PRIMARY INVESTIGATOR(S)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Uganda Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board	Government

**OTHER PRODUCER(S)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Role</b>
Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board	Government	Test development and administration; data processing and dissemination; programme development
Ministry of Education and Sports	Government	Financial support through ministerial budget
Teachers Unions	N/A	Data dissemination
Parents Associations	N/A	Data dissemination
Households	N/A	Financial contribution through examination fees paid by candidates

**Metadata Production****METADATA PRODUCED BY**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Role</b>
Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board	UBTEB	Government	Data collection
UNESCO Institute for Statistics	UIS	United Nations	Questionnaire design, metadata collection, review and publication

**DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION**

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## Data Collection

### Data Collection Dates

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<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Cycle</b>
2013	2013	Every year

### Data Collection Mode

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Face-to-face [f2f]

## Data Processing

### **Data Editing**

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Test booklets are scored and verified manually. The data editing process is performed in local examination centres and at headquarters.

### **Other Processing**

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Data entry is performed manually and by scanning score sheets. The data capture operations are performed at headquarters.

## Data Access

### Access Authority

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Uganda National Business and Technical Examinations Board (Government), [info@ubteb.go.ug](mailto:info@ubteb.go.ug), [www.ubteb.go.ug](http://www.ubteb.go.ug)

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### Access Conditions

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Access to the data is offered with charge for private users.

To access the data, please send a request to the Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board.  
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### Citation Requirements

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