Fig. 31  Percentage of people qualified to enter higher education of the age-specific population, by types of qualification (1980-2018)

1) Until 2005, the percentage of people qualified to enter higher education is related to the average 18 to under 21 age group. As of 2010, the percentage of people qualified to enter higher education is related to the population of the specific years of birth. Quotas are calculated for single years of birth, and afterwards they are added up. Until 2013, population data are based on past censuses. As of 2014, population data are based on 2011 Census. From 2010 to 2013, data are adjusted considering the double Abitur graduation classes. Rounding differences are possible.

2) As of 2013, excluding academic part of entrance qualification for universities of applied sciences (as of 2012, in Saxony-Anhalt).

3) Including subject-restricted higher education entrance qualification.

4) Until 1990: former West Germany including Berlin-West.

Source: Federal Statistical Office, Fachserie 11 Reihe 4.3 and 4.3.1

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