## IEEE UK and Ireland Membership Development Report April 2022

Membership numbers show the usual saw-tooth shape over the year. The drop off always happens at the end of February, when the arrears (members who have not renewed) are no longer counted in. Figure 1 shows the membership numbers for the Section. The end of the previous membership year shows that we ended lower than in the past and this reduction continues forwards. The drop in February is like the ones before 2021, and that would indicate that we may go back to pre-COVID numbers, although the March numbers are still not as high as what we had in 2018/2019. On the global level, signs of growth are there, so hopefully this will also apply to our section.

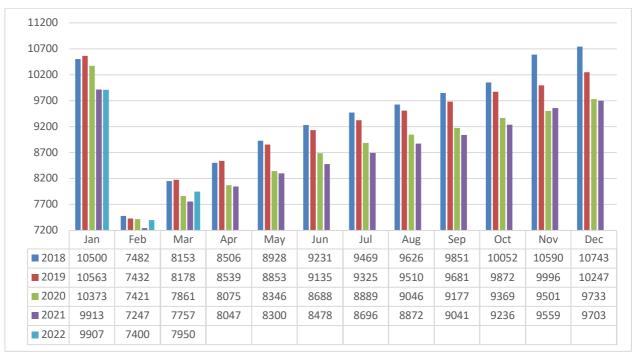


Figure 1. Membership numbers on a monthly basis for the last 5 years

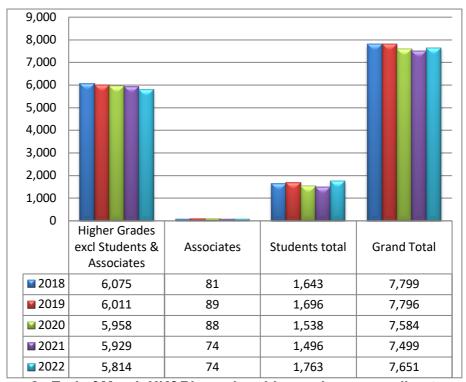


Figure 2. End of March UK&RI membership numbers according to grade

Looking at the different types of members (Figure 2), then the majority is still in the higher grades, student numbers have been increasing, which is also in line with the global trend. And so, it will be important to keep them on as members after they graduated.

The Membership Development team's request to expand the website to become more interactive for its members remains open and seeing some progress towards this request would be much appreciated.

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