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THESE happy students from Leyland's Runshaw College were among hundreds of teenagers from the county's schools and colleges who received their A-level results today.

And once again, students in Lancashire surpassed the national averages, with dozens also achieving the new A* top grade. ● Full story - Page 7

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Council workers claim pensions while still being paid

'DOUBLE DIP' COSTS MILLIONS

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HUNDREDS of Lancashire County Council employees are claiming a County Hall pension while still being paid a salary, it was revealed today.

Findings uncovered using the Freedom of Information Act show 868 staff employed by County Hall are "double-dipping", meaning they have retired and started drawing a pension before returning to work for the authority.

The council is paying out almost £5.3m a year in salaries to these workers, who are also receiving more than £2.7m in pensions.

The practice, which is legal, has become widespread in the public sector, where workers can receive their full pension as young as 50, compared to 60 or 65 in the private sector.

But the findings, uncovered by taxpayer Tony Wise, were criticised today, with one campaign group claiming

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