

Duration of compulsory education/training and students' age-groups, 2023/2024

	Full-time education/training											Additional compulsory part-time	
	Starting age (y = years; m = months)					Leaving age (y = years; m = months)						Duration	Ending age
	3	4	5	6	7	14	15	16	17	18	19	(in years)	
BE fr			5							18		13	Not applicable
BE de			5							18		13	Not applicable
BE nl			5							18		13	Not applicable
BG			5					16				11	Not applicable
CZ			5				15					10	Not applicable
DK				6				16				10	Not applicable
DE (11 Länder)				6						18		12	Not applicable
DE (4 Länder)				6							19	13	Not applicable
EE					7			16				9	Not applicable
IE				6				16				10	Not applicable
EL		4					15					11	Not applicable
ES				6				16				10	Not applicable
FR	3									18		15	Not applicable
HR					7		15					8	Not applicable
IT				6				16				10	Not applicable
CY			4y8m				15y8m					11	Not applicable
LV			5					16				11	Not applicable
LT				6				16				10	Not applicable
LU		4						16				12	Not applicable
HU	3							16				13	Not applicable
MT			5					16				11	Not applicable
NL			5					16				11	Not applicable
AT			5				15					10	18
PL				6			15					9	18
PT				6						18		12	Not applicable
RO			5							18		13	Not applicable
SI				6			15					9	Not applicable
SK			5					16				11	Not applicable
FI				6						18		12	Not applicable
SE				6				16				10	Not applicable
AL				6			15					9	Not applicable
BA				6			15					9	Not applicable
CH		4					15					11	Not applicable
IS				6				16				10	Not applicable
LI				6			15					9	Not applicable
ME				6			15					9	Not applicable
MK			5y7m						17		19y6m	11-13	Not applicable
NO				6				16				10	Not applicable
RS			5y6m			14y6m						9	Not applicable
TR			5y9m						17y9m			12	Not applicable

Starting age: at ISCED level 0 at ISCED level 1

Explanatory notes

Starting age refers to the official age at which students start compulsory education/training.

Leaving age refers to the age at which students are expected to complete compulsory education/training.

The starting and leaving ages presented in this report are notional; early or late entry, grade retention or other interruptions to schooling are not taken into account.

Additional compulsory part-time education/training after completing full-time compulsory education/training means that until a certain age, students are required to participate in part-time school or workplace education/training.

For more information on the ISCED levels, see the International Standard Classification of Education [ISCED 2011](#).