



SLOVAKIA



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# Education and Training Monitor 2019

## Highlights

- Slovakia is improving early childhood education and care, which is particularly positive for children from deprived families.
- Slovakia is taking a more strategic approach to lifelong learning, upskilling and reskilling.
- The early school leaving rate has continued increasing since 2010, approaching 14% in Eastern Slovakia.
- Investment in education and training is insufficient, and this is reflected in teachers' still low salaries despite recent increases.

## Key indicators

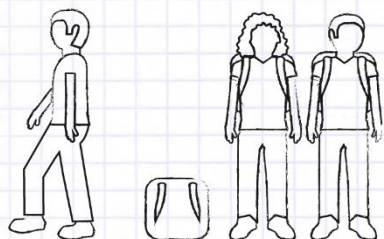
	Slovakia		EU average		
	2009	2018	2009	2018	
<b>Education and training 2020 benchmarks</b>					
Early leavers from education and training (age 18-24)	4.9%	8.6%	14.2%	10.6%	
Tertiary educational attainment (age 30-34)	17.6%	37.7%	32.3%	40.7%	
Early childhood education and care (from age 4 to starting age of compulsory primary education) <sup>1</sup>	77.4%	78.2%	90.8%	95.4%	
Proportion of 15 year-olds underachieving in: <sup>2</sup>	Reading	22.2%	32.1%	19.5%	19.7%
	Maths	21.0%	27.7%	22.3%	22.2%
	Science	19.3%	30.7%	17.7%	20.6%
Employment rate of recent graduates by educational attainment (age 20-34 having left education 1-3 years before reference year)	ISCED 3-8 (total)	74.4%	83.4%	78.3%	81.6%
Adult participation in learning (age 25-64)	ISCED 0-8 (total)	3.1%	4.0%	9.5%	11.1%
Learning mobility <sup>1</sup>	Degree-mobile graduates	:	13.0%	:	3.6%
	Credit-mobile graduates	:	0.0%	:	8.0%

Notes: 1 = latest data 2017; 2 = latest data 2015.

## Early leavers from education and training (age 18-24)

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**Slovakia 8.6%**



Men



Women

**EU 10.6%**

Source: Eurostat (EU-LFS, 2018)  
Data extracted in 08/2019  
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## Tertiary education attainment (age 30-34)

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**Slovakia 37.7%**



31.1%



Men

44.6%



Women

**EU 40.7%**

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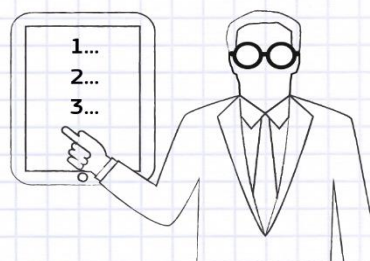
## Supporting teachers' professional development

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Teachers say they need training in:

1. Teaching special needs students
2. ICT skills for teaching
3. Teaching in a multicultural or multilingual setting



Source: OECD (TALIS, 2019)  
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