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Preface

Dear Reader,

Once again Eurostat is pleased to provide you with an overview of the most recent developments in the regions of the European Union, covering as far as possible the current 27 Member States as well as EFTA countries. The themes selected represent those that we consider to have something interesting to show about the various facets of economic, social and demographic development across Europe's regions. For the first time we have included a contribution on the GDP aspect, authored in cooperation with the Regional Policy DG, our primary client for regional data.

This is a very significant moment in regional policy in that it is the first year of implementation of the new cohesion policy of the Union, which runs until 2013 and carries with it the largest ever investment the Community has made in regional development, some EUR 347 billion. These regional statistics will form part of the yardstick against which the development of the EU regions will be measured. You will



also find in this publication a chapter on urban statistics, which is the result of our cooperation with the Regional Policy DG on the Urban Audit exercise. This is an increasingly important component of the regional development policy initiative.

Meanwhile, in cooperation with our ESS partners we shall continue to progressively expand the regional information, both in terms of detail and coverage that we have available, to provide an increasingly complete picture of the complexities of regional development across the EU.

I wish you a pleasant and interesting reading.

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Introduction





Only regional statistics give the complete picture

Regional statistics are of the utmost importance for understanding economic and social trends in the European Union. The enormous Structural Funds budget of EUR 347 billion for 2007–13 highlights how much importance the EU attaches to reducing the gaps between regions in terms of their economic and social development.

Should you want to dig deeper into the way the regions of Europe are evolving in a host of very different statistical domains, this is the publication for you! The texts and statistical maps offer a wealth of information on life in the European regions. In its second chapter (on gross domestic product), this edition of the regional year-book also gives for the first time an overview of the European Union's cohesion policy, written by a specialist from the Directorate-General for Regional Policy, one of the main users of statistics at a regional level.

This year we also see the welcome reappearance of statistics on tourism and on education, two very interesting topics we are happy to address again. The chapter on labour productivity, which appeared for the first time last year, focuses this year on productivity in different business areas. And of course, when we analyse regional trends in Europe, we also cover the situation in European cities; hence the chapter on urban statistics, this time concentrating on demographic trends in cities.

The NUTS classification

All statistics at regional level within the EU are based on the nomenclature of territorial units for statistics (NUTS). The NUTS classification has been used for many decades for regional statistics, and was always the base for regional funding policy. It was only in 2003, though, that NUTS acquired a legal basis, when the NUTS regulation was adopted by the Parliament and the Council (1).

Whenever new Member States join the EU, the NUTS regulation is of course amended to include the regional classification in those countries. This was the case in 2004, when the EU took in 10 new Member States. Bulgaria and Romania became members of the European Union on 1 January 2007. Both countries have had statistical regions, similar to NUTS, since 1998. For NUTS purposes, though, they acquired new codes, and these have been valid since 1 January 2007.

The NUTS regulation provides for a review to be conducted every three years whereby the regional classification can be changed and adapted to new administrative boundaries or economic circumstances. In 2006, this exercise took place for the first time, but since the resultant changes to the NUTS classification will only be put into practice at the beginning of 2008, this edition still follows the 2003 version of NUTS. Next year's edition will thus see a number of changes to the regional classification of countries.

With this publication you will find a folding map showing all the regions corresponding to NUTS level 2 in the 27 Member States of the EU (EU-27) and the EFTA countries, and in Annex 1 you will find the full list with the codes and names of these regions.

Coverage

This regional yearbook contains statistics for all 27 Member States of the European Union, including the two new Member States, Bulgaria and Romania. This year coverage has been extended to take in the EFTA countries, so you will now also find commentaries on regional developments in Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Regions in the EFTA countries are called statistical regions and follow the same rules as the NUTS regions in the EU, except that there is no legal base. Data from the EFTA countries are still unavailable in some policy areas, but the data availability situation is improving, and next year we hope to have even better coverage. It is often interesting to compare regional data from the EFTA countries with the neighbouring Member States, for instance to compare Norway with Sweden or Switzerland with Austria. Of course there are many similarities between neighbouring regions in different countries, but sometimes the disparities can be just as interesting.

Data from the three candidate countries, Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey, have not been included in this year's edition of the regional yearbook, because we still have too little data at regional level.

More regional information

Under the theme 'General and regional statistics' on the Eurostat website you will find tables with statistics on both 'Regions' and the 'Urban Audit' with more detailed time series (some of them going back as far as 1970) and more

(¹) More information on the NUTS classification can be found on the Internet (http://ec.europa. eu/eurostat/ramon/nuts/ splash_regions.html).



detailed statistics than in this yearbook. You will also find a number of indicators at NUTS level 3 (such as area, demography, gross domestic product and labour market data). This is important because there are currently eight Member States (Denmark, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta and Slovenia) that do not have a NUTS level 2 classification. Next year, when the amended NUTS classification comes into use, Denmark too will have NUTS level 2 regions.

For more detailed information on the contents of the regional and urban databases please consult the Eurostat publication *European regional and urban statistics* — *Reference Guide* — 2007 *edition*, which you can download from the Eurostat website.

Previously, a CD-ROM was always attached to this publication. This tradition has now been stopped as all the information that used to be on the CD-ROM can now be found on the Eurostat website. This includes the specific data used for producing the maps in this regional yearbook, which can be found as Excel tables on the website.

Data extraction

The statistical data set out in the *Eurostat regional yearbook* 2007 were extracted during the first few months of 2007; the final closure date was 15 May 2007, so the data represent the latest available information at that time. For the very latest statistics on each subject, please consult the Eurostat website (http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat).

Education





Introduction

Education, vocational training and lifelong learning play a vital role in the economic and social strategy of the European Union. The relaunched Lisbon process, implemented by the 'Education and training 2010' programme, cannot be completed without efficient use of resources, quality improvements in the education and training systems and implementation of a coherent lifelong learning strategy at national level. Securing education and lifelong learning opportunities in every region and for every inhabitant, wherever they live, is one of the cornerstones of the national strategies to achieve this goal. Eurostat's regional statistics on enrolment in education, educational attainment and participation in lifelong learning make it possible to measure progress at regional level and monitor regions lagging behind.

Comparable regional data on enrolment in education from 1998 onwards are available from Eurostat's website, while data on educational attainment levels and participation in lifelong learning are available for the period since 1999.

The Eurostat website contains information on the total number of enrolments by level of education and sex and also by age and sex plus indicators relating enrolments in education to the total population. Data on enrolments in education are generally available for the 15 'old' Member States for the period since 1998 and for the 12 'new' Member States since 2000 or 2001. Information on the educational attainment of the population and on participation in lifelong learning is available for all the Member States and also for Norway.

A revised NUTS 2 nomenclature was recently introduced for Bulgaria. No regional education data based on this revised nomenclature are available yet. The data for Bulgaria are therefore presented only at national level in the maps in this chapter.

Participation of 4-year-olds in education

In recent years the focus has been on extending universal and equal access to education to preprimary level before compulsory education starts. The Presidency conclusions adopted at the 2002 Barcelona summit set a target of increasing participation in pre-primary education to 90 % of all children between 3 years of age and the beginning of compulsory education (benchmark for 2010).

The indicator shown here measures the percentage of 4-year-olds who are in either pre-primary

or primary school. By far the majority of 4-yearolds attend pre-primary school (non-compulsory). Only in Ireland (44.9 % in 2004) and the United Kingdom (29.9 % in 2004) are a significant proportion of 4-year-olds in compulsory primary education.

Pre-primary education is defined as the initial stage of organised instruction, designed primarily to introduce very young children to a school-like environment, that is to provide a bridge between the home and school. In this context, the boundary between education and childcare is delimited by looking at the characteristics of early childhood programmes, for example whether they are centre- or school-based, they are designed to meet the educational development needs of children from the age of 3 and the staff are qualified to provide an educational programme for this age group.

At the age of 4 most children in the European Union are therefore in pre-primary education which is generally available from at least 3 to 4 years of age in the EU Member States. On average, 85 % of 4-year-olds in the EU are in education; 80 % are in pre-primary and 5 % (in Ireland and the United Kingdom) are in primary education.

Education is largely embedded in national policy. The regulations on compulsory education and the programmes described above illustrate this fact. In some countries, such as Belgium, Spain, France and Italy, all 4-year-olds are enrolled in pre-primary education.

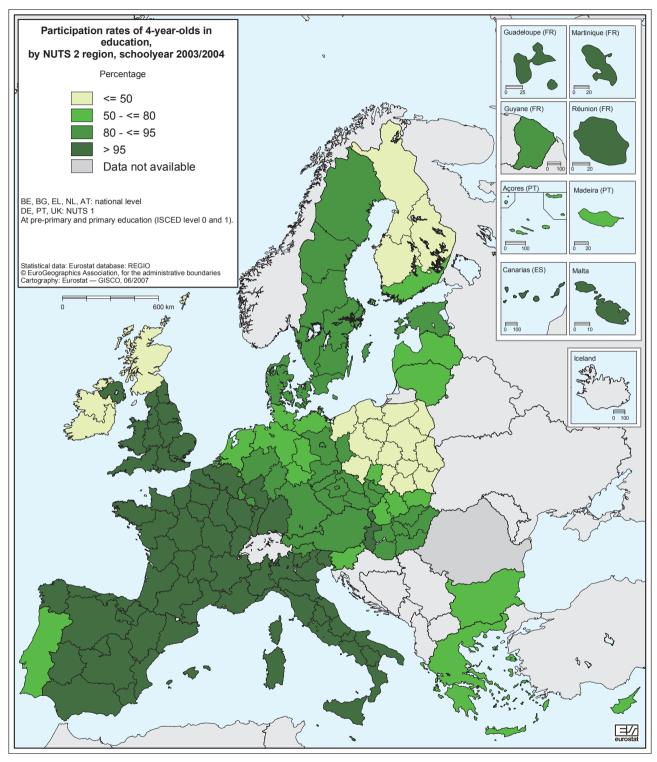
In general, there are few regional differences between the participation rates of 4-year-olds in education. Nevertheless, Map 11.1 shows certain regional variations in these rates, even if the national patterns are obvious.

The lowest participation rates are found in the Polish regions (between 17 % and 53 %), in Ireland, the rural parts of Finland and Scotland. The Baltic States, the Netherlands, Greece, Cyprus, Slovakia, Bulgaria and a number of German regions have participation rates between 55 % and 75 %. Participation of 100 % is found in the Member States where attendance is compulsory, such as Spain, France, Italy and parts of the United Kingdom.

Students in upper secondary education and post-secondary non-tertiary education

Map 11.2 shows students enrolled in upper secondary education (ISCED level 3) and post-

Map 11.1: Participation rates of 4-year-olds in education, by NUTS 2 region, schoolyear 2003/04 Percentage



secondary non-tertiary education (ISCED level 4) as a percentage of the population aged between 15 and 24 years old in the region.

Upper secondary education usually begins at the end of full-time compulsory education and typically requires nine years or more of full-time education (since the beginning of primary level) for admission. General upper secondary education includes school programmes which, upon successful completion, would normally give access to university-level programmes. Vocational upper secondary education is designed mainly to introduce students to the world of work and prepare them for further vocational or technical education programmes. Post-secondary nontertiary education (ISCED level 4) covers programmes which are beyond the boundary of upper secondary education but are not considered university level. Often they are more advanced technical and vocational programmes for teacher training or the medical professions and/or commerce and marketing programmes.

Students generally start upper secondary education at the age of 15 to 17 and finish it three or four years later. The starting/finishing ages and the age range depend on the national educational programmes. However, students can normally attend upper secondary education programmes relatively close to where they have grown up. For this indicator a broad age group has been defined to cover the relatively wide spread in ages, depending on the country.

The highest participation rates in ISCED levels 3 and 4 programmes are found in all the regions in the United Kingdom as well as in Pays de la Loire and Nord - Pas-de-Calais, around the Îlede-France region, in France.

The Belgian regions, some Swedish regions, the Praha region (Czech Republic) and rural parts of Finland also have participation rates between 50 % and 70 %. Low participation rates are found in a number of mainly rural regions of France. In general, participation rates are below 30 % in the whole of Spain and Portugal and most parts of Greece, Lithuania, Cyprus and Malta.

Students in tertiary education

Map 11.3 shows the number of students in tertiary education (ISCED levels 5 and 6) as a percentage of the population aged 20 to 24 years old in the region. As in Map 11.2, the student population is related to the population in the relevant age group in order to see the relative size of the student population at regional level. The student population covers all age groups which is why the percentages can be more than 100.

Tertiary education is normally university-level education, which requires three or more years of study (ISCED level 5A), can be more practical and employment oriented (ISCED level 5B) or can lead to an advanced research qualification (ISCED level 6, PhD-like studies). Access to tertiary-level educational programmes typically requires successful completion of ISCED level 3 and/or 4 programmes and the students entering tertiary education are normally older than for upper secondary education.

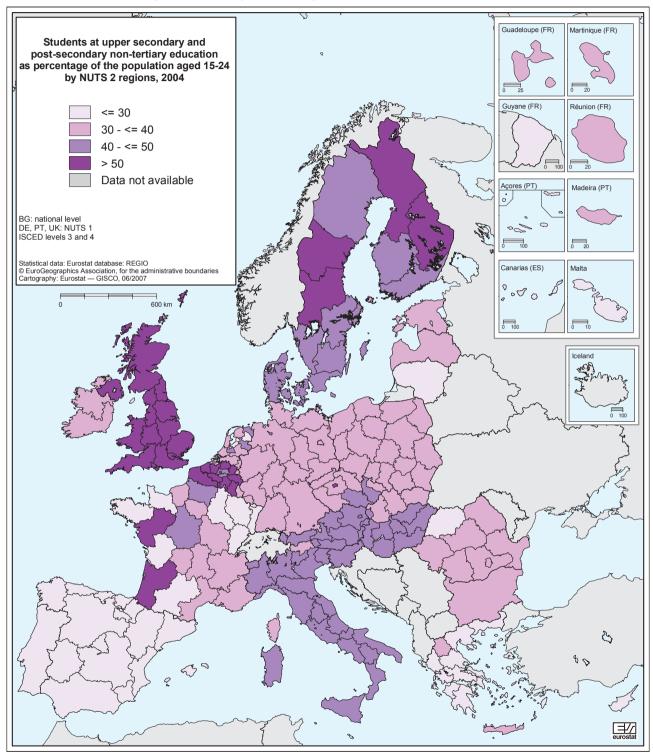
This indicator is based on data on where the students are studying, not on where they come from or live. Regions with universities and other tertiary education institutions, often big cities, therefore tend to have high percentages, as students often travel or move to them for higher education. This is in contrast to younger pupils and students in lower levels of education who usually attend a school close to where they live. Therefore, the first thing which this indicator shows is not uneven participation in higher education but, instead, uneven distribution of higher education institutions across regions.

On average, 56 % of the population aged 20 to 24 years in the European Union are in tertiary education, with Malta lowest on 26 % and Finland highest with more than 90 %. However, many students at tertiary level originating in Malta (and also in Cyprus) go abroad to study. They are not included here, which is one of the main reasons why the figures for Malta and Cyprus are relatively low.

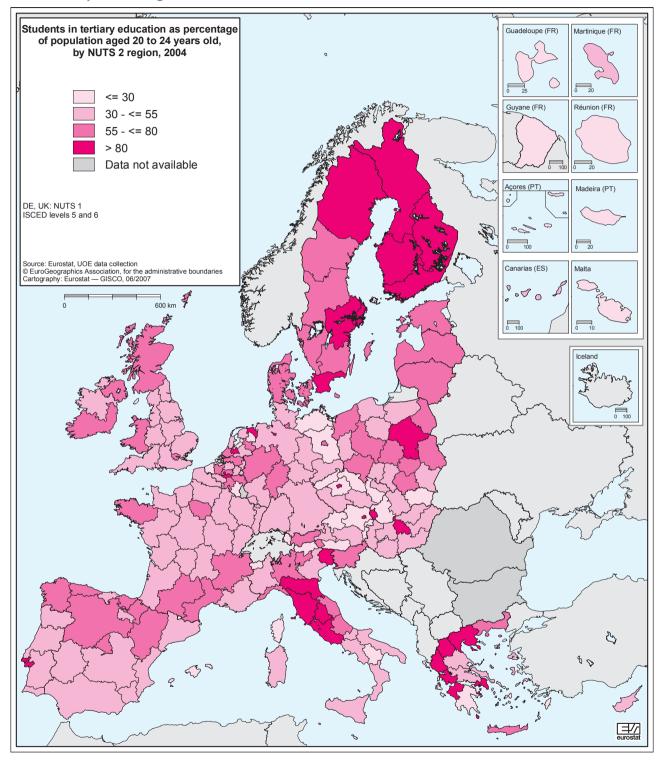
In the regions with the highest percentages students in tertiary education outnumber the population of 20- to 24-year-olds. In regions such as Praha, Wien, Brussels, Brabant Wallonia (south of Brussels), Bratislava, Dytiki Ellada (Greece), Mazowieckie, including the capital Warsaw (Poland) and Övre Norrland (Sweden), the figures are more than 100 %, signifying a large student population among the younger cohorts. Many of these regions are around capital cities, although Övre Norrland is in fact the thinly populated northern part of Sweden.

Relatively few regions have tertiary-level student populations below 30 % of the 20 to 24 years old age group and those that do are spread out among many Member States. Many of them have features which easily explain the low percentages, such as being in the rural parts of a country or being islands: départements d'outremer (France), Madeira and Açores (Portugal),

Map 11.2: Students at upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education as percentage of the population aged 15 to 24, by NUTS 2 regions, 2004



Map 11.3: Students in tertiary education as percentage of population aged 20 to 24 years old, by NUTS 2 regions, 2004



Canarias (Spain), Corse (France) or the Åland Islands (Finland). Most of these regions have little, if any, tertiary-education infrastructure, and the younger generations have to move away in order to obtain higher education.

Tertiary educational attainment

The proportion of the population aged 25 to 64 years who have completed university or university-like (tertiary-level) education is shown in Map 11.4. The pattern in this map is similar to the pattern in Map 11.3. In most countries the highest proportions of tertiary-level attainment are found in the same regions as the students in tertiary education, that is where the tertiary education institutions are located. These are often also the public administrative centres which employ persons with a high level of education. The demographic profile of a region also has some influence on the educational attainment levels, as younger generations tend to have higher educational attainment levels than older generations.

Only 17 regions in the EU have a proportion of persons with higher education above 35 %; these include capitals such as Brussels, London, Paris, Helsinki, Stockholm, Madrid and Amsterdam; Oslo (Norway) also falls into this category.

In general, the relative concentration of persons with tertiary education is high around Paris, Île-de-France (France) and in Madrid and the northern parts of Spain. On the other hand, in EU Member States such as Ireland, Sweden, Finland, the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany educational attainment levels are generally high across the whole country.

The regions with the lowest percentages of people with higher education are largely concentrated in the rural parts of six countries, namely the Czech Republic, Portugal, Romania, Italy and, to a lesser extent, Slovakia and Greece. They also include islands such as Sardegna and Sicilia (Italy), Açores and Madeira (Portugal) and Malta.

Participation in lifelong learning

Lifelong learning means participation in any kind of education or training — formal, informal or

non-formal; at the workplace, in the formal education system or elsewhere — during the four weeks preceding the survey. The data are collected via the labour force survey but cover all education or vocational training, whether or not relevant to the current or future employment. Continuous refreshing of the skills of the labour force via participation in lifelong learning and training schemes has repeatedly been underlined in EU policies following up the Lisbon objectives.

Most formal education systems are regulated at national level and governed by national policies. As Map 11.5 shows, participation in lifelong learning is largely nationally profiled. In fact, this is the education indicator showing the smallest regional variation compared with the others discussed earlier in this chapter.

Participation in lifelong learning is high in every region of Finland, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands (except one region) and also in Norway. At national level, Denmark and Slovenia also have relatively high participation rates.

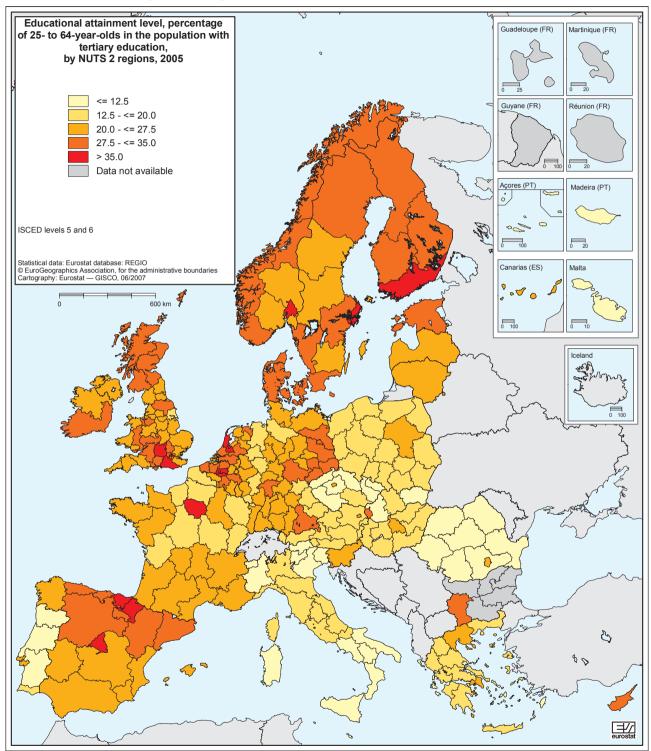
Within countries, the highest participation rates in lifelong learning are often found around the capitals, although the spread seems to be determined nationally rather than at regional level. For example, Spain, France and Italy generally have from above-average to below-average participation rates, with the regions around the capital having higher participation rates. These are usually also the regions with the highest levels of educational attainment (see previous section).

On the other hand, EU Member States on the fringes of the continent, such as Greece, Romania, Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and Portugal, generally have low participation rates in lifelong learning.

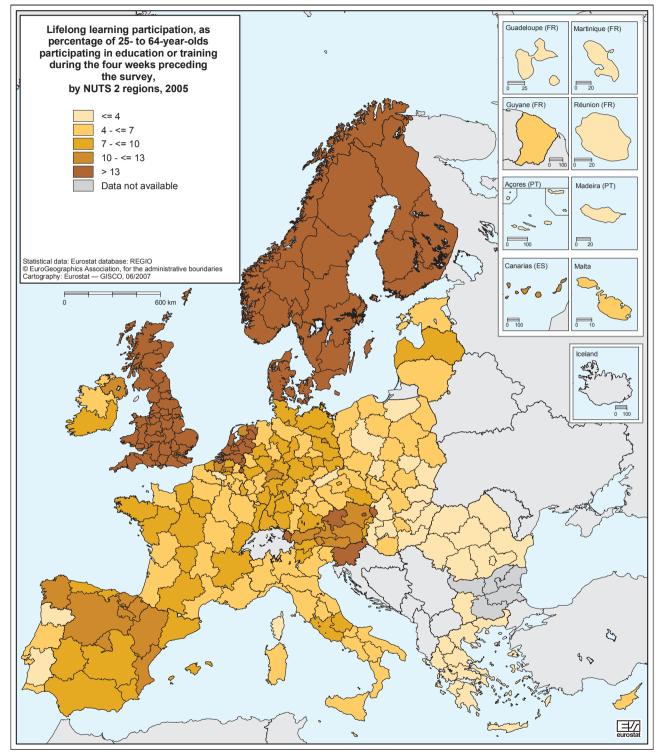
Conclusion

The examples given above are intended merely to highlight a few of the many possible ways of analysing education and lifelong learning in the regions of the EU and do not constitute a detailed analysis. We hope, however, that they will encourage readers to probe deeper into all the data on education freely available on the Eurostat website and to make many further interesting discoveries.

Map 11.4: Educational attainment level, percentage of 25- to 64-year-olds in the population with tertiary education, by NUTS 2 regions, 2005



Map 11.5: Lifelong learning participation, as percentage of 25- to 64-year-olds participating in education or training during the four weeks preceding the survey, by NUTS 2 regions, 2005





Methodological notes

The maps are presented at NUTS 2 level, except the educational enrolment indicators for Germany and the United Kingdom, where data are available at NUTS 1 level only. In Belgium, Greece, the Netherlands, Austria and Portugal no data on enrolments by age are available at regional level. The participation rates for 4-year-olds in education include only the national figure for these countries.

As the structure of education systems varies widely from one country to another, a framework for collecting and reporting data on educational programmes with a similar level of content is a prerequisite for international comparability. The ISCED international classification of education provides the basis for collecting data on education. ISCED97, the latest version, draws a distinction between seven levels of education, from ISCED 0, pre-primary education, to ISCED 6, secondstage tertiary education leading to an advanced research qualification (PhD). A full description of ISCED97 is available on the Unesco Institute of Statistics website (http://www.uis.unesco.org/ ev.php?ID=3813 201&ID2=DO TOPIC).

Qualitative information about school systems in the EU Member States is organised and disseminated by Eurydice (www.eurydice.org), for example on compulsory school attendance ages and numerous issues relating to organisation of school life in the Member States (decision-making, curricula, school hours, etc.).

The statistics on enrolments in education include enrolments in all regular education programmes and in all adult education with content similar to regular education programmes or leading to qualifications similar to the corresponding regular programmes. All special education is included. Apprenticeship programmes are included except those which are entirely work-based and which are not supervised by any formal education authority.

The statistics on educational attainment and on participation in lifelong learning are based on the EU labour force survey (LFS), which is a quarterly sample survey. The indicators refer to the spring 2005 LFS. The educational attainment level reported is based on ISCED97. Participation in lifelong learning includes participation in all kinds of education and training during the four weeks prior to the survey.



Annex

European Union: NUTS 2 regions

| Belgium | DE13 Freiburg | Estonia |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| BE10 Région de Bruxelles-Capitale/ | DE14 Tübingen | EE00 Eesti |
| Brussels Hoofdstedelijk Gewest | DE21 Oberbayern | |
| BE21 Prov. Antwerpen | DE22 Niederbayern | Ireland |
| BE22 Prov. Limburg (B) | DE23 Oberpfalz | IFO1 Daviday Midley day d Mastern |
| BE23 Prov. Oost-Vlaanderen | DE24 Oberfranken | IE01 Border, Midland and Western |
| BE24 Prov. Vlaams-Brabant | DE25 Mittelfranken | IE02 Southern and Eastern |
| BE25 Prov. West-Vlaanderen | DE26 Unterfranken | Grand |
| BE31 Prov. Brabant Wallon | DE27 Schwaben | Greece |
| BE32 Prov. Hainaut | DE30 Berlin | GR11 Anatoliki Makedonia,Thraki |
| BE33 Prov. Liège | DE41 Brandenburg — Nordost | GR12 Kentriki Makedonia |
| BE34 Prov. Luxembourg (B) | DE42 Brandenburg — Südwest | GR13 Dytiki Makedonia |
| BE35 Prov. Namur | DE50 Bremen | GR14 Thessalia |
| | DE60 Hamburg | GR21 Ipeiros |
| Bulgaria | DE71 Darmstadt | GR22 Ionia Nisia |
| BG31 Severozapaden | DE72 Gießen | GR23 Dytiki Ellada |
| BG32 Severen tsentralen | DE73 Kassel | GR24 Sterea Ellada |
| BG33 Severoiztochen | DE80 Mecklenburg-Vorpommern | GR25 Peloponnisos |
| BG34 Yugoiztochen | DE91 Braunschweig | GR30 Attiki |
| BG41 Yugozapaden | DE92 Hannover | GR41 Voreio Aigaio |
| BG42 Yuzhen tsentralen | DE93 Lüneburg | GR42 Notio Aigaio |
| | DE94 Weser-Ems | GR43 Kriti |
| Czech Republic | DEA1 Düsseldorf | |
| CZ01 Praha | DEA2 Köln | Spain |
| CZ02 Střední Čechy | DEA3 Münster | ES11 Galicia |
| CZ03 Jihozápad | DEA4 Detmold | ES12 Principado de Asturias |
| CZ04 Severozápad | DEA5 Arnsberg | ES13 Cantabria |
| CZ05 Severovýchod | DEB1 Koblenz | ES21 País Vasco |
| CZ06 Jihovýchod | DEB2 Trier | ES22 Comunidad Foral de Navarra |
| CZ07 Střední Morava | DEB3 Rheinhessen-Pfalz | ES23 La Rioja |
| CZ08 Moravskoslezsko | DEC0 Saarland | ES24 Aragón |
| | DED1 Chemnitz | ES30 Comunidad de Madrid |
| Denmark | DED2 Dresden | ES41 Castilla y León |
| | DED3 Leipzig | ES42 Castilla-La Mancha |
| DK00 Danmark | DEE1 Dessau | ES43 Extremadura |
| Commons | DEE2 Halle | ES51 Cataluña |
| Germany | DEE3 Magdeburg | ES52 Comunidad Valenciana |
| DE11 Stuttgart | DEF0 Schleswig-Holstein | ES53 Illes Balears |
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DEG0 Thüringen

DE12 Karlsruhe

ES61 Andalucía



ES62 Región de Murcia ITE1 Toscana NL22 Gelderland NL23 Flevoland ES63 Ciudad Autónoma de Ceuta ITE2 Umbria ES64 Ciudad Autónoma de Melilla ITE3 Marche NL31 Utrecht ES70 Canarias ITE4 Lazio NL32 Noord-Holland ITF1 Abruzzo NL33 Zuid-Holland ITF2 Molise **France** NL34 Zeeland ITF3 Campania NL41 Noord-Brabant FR10 Île-de-France ITF4 Puglia NL42 Limburg (NL) FR21 Champagne-Ardenne ITF5 Basilicata FR22 Picardie ITF6 Calabria **Austria** FR23 Haute-Normandie ITG1 Sicilia FR24 Centre AT11 Burgenland ITG2 Sardegna FR25 Basse-Normandie AT12 Niederösterreich FR26 Bourgogne AT13 Wien **Cyprus** FR30 Nord - Pas-de-Calais AT21 Kärnten FR41 Lorraine CY00 Kypros/Kıbrıs AT22 Steiermark FR42 Alsace AT31 Oberösterreich FR43 Franche-Comté Latvia AT32 Salzburg FR51 Pays de la Loire AT33 Tirol LV00 Latvija FR52 Bretagne AT34 Vorarlberg FR53 Poitou-Charentes Lithuania FR61 Aquitaine **Poland** LT00 Lietuva FR62 Midi-Pyrénées PL11 Łódzkie FR63 Limousin PL12 Mazowieckie Luxembourg FR71 Rhône-Alpes PL21 Małopolskie FR72 Auvergne LU00 Luxembourg (Grand-Duché) PL22 Śląskie FR81 Languedoc-Roussillon PL31 Lubelskie FR82 Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur **Hungary** PL32 Podkarpackie FR83 Corse HU10 Közép-Magyarország PL33 Świętokrzyskie FR91 Guadeloupe HU21 Közép-Dunántúl PL34 Podlaskie FR92 Martinique HU22 Nyugat-Dunántúl PL41 Wielkopolskie FR93 Guyane HU23 Dél-Dunántúl PL42 Zachodniopomorskie FR94 Réunion HU31 Észak-Magyarország PL43 Lubuskie HU32 Észak-Alföld PL51 Dolnośląskie Italy HU33 Dél-Alföld PL52 Opolskie ITC1 Piemonte PL61 Kujawsko-Pomorskie ITC2 Valle d'Aosta/Vallée d'Aoste Malta PL62 Warmińsko-Mazurskie ITC3 Liquria PL63 Pomorskie MT00 Malta ITC4 Lombardia ITD1 Provincia Autonoma Bolzano/ **Netherlands Portugal** Rozen PT11 Norte ITD2 Provincia Autonoma Trento NL11 Groningen ITD3 Veneto NL12 Friesland PT15 Algarve ITD4 Friuli-Venezia Giulia NL13 Drenthe PT16 Centro (P)

ITD5 Emilia-Romagna

NL21 Overijssel

PT17 Lisboa



PT18 Alentejo FI1A Pohjois-Suomi UKF2 Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire FI20 Åland PT20 Região Autónoma dos **Açores** UKF3 Lincolnshire PT30 Região Autónoma da Madeira UKG1 Herefordshire, Worcestershire **Sweden** and Warwickshire SE01 Stockholm **UKG2** Shropshire and Staffordshire Romania SE02 Östra Mellansverige **UKG3 West Midlands** RO11 Nord-Vest SE04 Sydsverige **UKH1** East Anglia RO12 Centru SE06 Norra Mellansverige UKH2 Bedfordshire and RO21 Nord-Est SE07 Mellersta Norrland Hertfordshire RO22 Sud-Est SE08 Övre Norrland **UKH3** Essex RO31 Sud — Muntenia UKI1 Inner London SE09 Småland med öarna RO32 București — Ilfov SEOA Västsverige UKI2 Outer London **RO41 Sud-Vest Oltenia** UKJ1 Berkshire, Buckinghamshire RO42 Vest and Oxfordshire **United Kingdom** UKJ2 Surrey, East and West Sussex UKC1 Tees Valley and Durham Slovenia UKJ3 Hampshire and Isle of Wight UKC2 Northumberland and Tyne UKJ4 Kent SI00 Slovenija and Wear UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and UKD1 Cumbria North Somerset Slovakia **UKD2** Cheshire **UKK2** Dorset and Somerset **UKD3** Greater Manchester SK01 Bratislavský kraj UKK3 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly **UKD4** Lancashire SK02 Západné Slovensko UKK4 Devon UKD5 Merseyside SK03 Stredné Slovensko UKL1 West Wales and the Valleys UKE1 East Riding and North SK04 Východné Slovensko **UKL2 East Wales** Lincolnshire **UKM1 North Eastern Scotland UKE2** North Yorkshire **Finland UKM2 Eastern Scotland UKE3 South Yorkshire** FI13 Itä-Suomi **UKM3 South Western Scotland UKE4** West Yorkshire **UKM4** Highlands and Islands FI18 Etelä-Suomi UKF1 Derbyshire and

Nottinghamshire

FI19 Länsi-Suomi

UKNO Northern Ireland



EFTA countries: Statistical regions at level 2

Iceland

IS Ísland

Liechtenstein

LI Liechtenstein

Norway

NO01 Oslo og Akershus

NO02 Hedmark og Oppland

NO03 Sør-Østlandet

NO04 Agder og Rogaland

NO05 Vestlandet

NO06 Trøndelag

NO07 Nord-Norge

Switzerland

CH01 Région lémanique

CH02 Espace Mittelland

CH03 Nordwestschweiz

CH04 Zürich

CH05 Ostschweiz

CH06 Zentralschweiz

CH07 Ticino