

Table 397. Percent of population enrolled in secondary and postsecondary institutions, by age group and country: 1985, 1990, and 1999

Country	Secondary schools, 16 years old ¹	Secondary schools, 17 years old ¹	Postsecondary institutions								
			18 to 21 years old			22 to 25 years old			26 to 29 years old		
	1999	1999	1985	1990	1999	1985	1990	1999	1985	1990	1999
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Australia	92.0	78.2	—	—	30.7	—	—	15.0	—	—	8.0
Austria	91.9	75.9	—	—	15.1	—	—	20.3	—	—	11.8
Belgium ²	95.0	92.7	24.5	—	41.7	7.2	—	14.7	1.5	—	3.0
Canada	93.4	75.1	—	—	27.3	—	—	17.9	—	—	6.7
Czech Republic	99.8	83.3	—	—	17.1	—	—	11.5	—	—	4.2
Denmark	92.8	81.6	7.4	7.4	8.3	16.3	17.9	26.6	8.2	9.3	14.8
Finland	93.6	95.8	9.3	13.6	22.8	17.3	20.7	35.1	7.9	10.2	18.3
France	95.3	88.8	19.3	24.6	35.4	10.0	11.8	20.5	4.3	3.9	5.1
Germany ³	96.7	91.7	8.8	8.5	11.1	—	15.9	18.7	8.9	10.3	10.8
Greece	92.3	65.5	—	—	54.1	—	—	7.2	—	—	2.2
Hungary	92.8	87.0	—	—	19.7	—	—	13.7	—	—	5.2
Iceland	89.7	76.7	—	—	7.3	—	—	21.3	—	—	9.2
Ireland	91.5	72.0	—	20.5	32.7	—	—	11.5	—	—	2.9
Italy	78.7	73.3	—	—	22.1	—	—	20.5	—	—	7.0
Japan	95.1	93.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Korea, Republic of	97.7	92.9	—	—	51.4	—	—	26.2	—	—	5.8
Mexico	43.0	32.0	—	—	12.4	—	—	7.6	—	—	1.0
Netherlands	107.3	91.0	14.4	17.9	26.3	11.9	13.4	19.9	5.7	4.7	4.9
New Zealand	89.4	71.3	—	20.7	29.2	—	14.8	14.4	—	—	7.6
Norway	94.2	92.7	8.6	13.5	19.2	13.9	17.4	28.0	6.2	7.5	11.7
Poland	89.7	88.9	—	—	21.2	—	—	20.5	—	—	5.3
Portugal	82.7	80.3	5.9	—	24.7	5.4	—	17.5	2.3	—	6.5
Spain	85.4	74.7	15.0	21.3	32.1	10.7	13.5	23.5	4.0	4.5	7.7
Sweden	96.8	96.6	7.8	8.7	15.7	11.3	11.4	24.6	6.5	6.1	12.5
Switzerland	90.5	84.1	5.7	6.4	9.7	10.6	12.1	17.1	5.2	6.4	9.1
Turkey	37.2	21.9	—	7.3	13.6	—	4.3	9.0	—	2.2	4.5
United Kingdom	84.5	71.1	15.0	16.1	29.3	7.4	10.6	12.0	—	—	6.4
United States ⁴	88.5	81.0	33.2	35.6	35.9	14.6	17.3	18.5	8.2	8.6	10.9

—Not available.

¹ Includes full-time and part-time enrollment.

² Data for Flemish Belgium only.

³ Data for 1985 are for the former West Germany.

⁴ Postsecondary includes higher education only.

NOTE: Some increases in enrollment rates may be due to more complete reporting by countries. Differences in reference dates between enrollment and population data can result in enrollment rates that exceed 100 percent.

SOURCE: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, *Education at a Glance*, various years; and unpublished data. (This table was prepared August 2001.)