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### EDUCATION SURVEY, 2023/2024

Based on the results of the Annual Survey on Education for the school year 2023/2024, the total number of pupils and students at all educational levels reached 218.129 compared to 208.374 for the school year 2022/2023, recording an increase of 4,7%. The total number of educational institutions in 2023/2024 was 1.368 compared to 1.351 in 2022/2023. Finally, the total number of teachers in 2023/2024, was 17.298 recording an increase of 5,0% compared to 2022/2023 where teachers were 16.475.

#### **Number of Students and Educational Institutions by Level of Education**

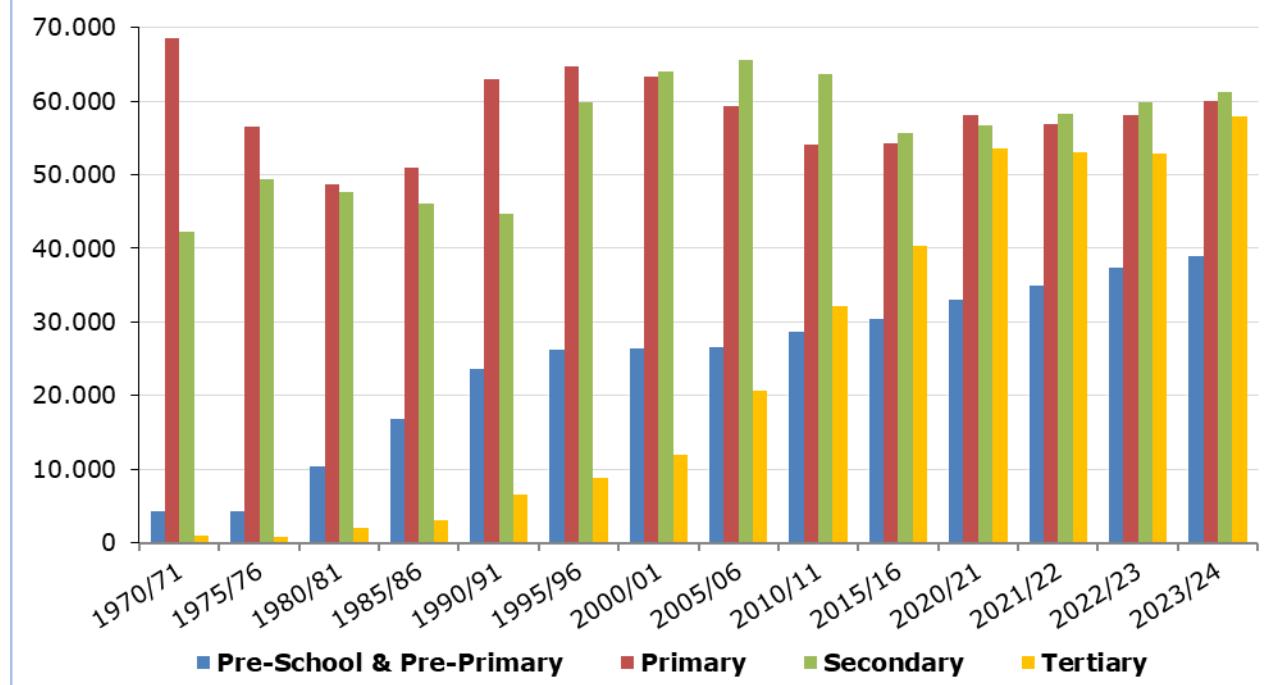
For the school year 2023/2024 in Pre-school and Pre-primary education, 778 kindergartens and day nurseries operated with 38.931 children, recording an increase (4,2%) compared to the 2022/2023 school year, where 764 kindergartens and day nurseries operated with 37.344 children.

In Primary education 361 schools operated with 60.079 pupils, showing an increase (3,3%) compared to 2022/2023, where 358 schools operated with 58.168 pupils.

In Secondary education during 2023/2024, 61.230 pupils enrolled in 170 schools, showing an increase (2,2%) compared to 2022/2023, where 171 schools operated with 59.926 pupils.

In Tertiary education, 59 educational institutions operated with a total number of 57.889 students, showing an increase (9,4%) compared to the academic year 2022/2023, were 58 educational institutions operated and 52.936 students were enrolled.

**Figure 1: Number of Pupils/Students by Level of Education**



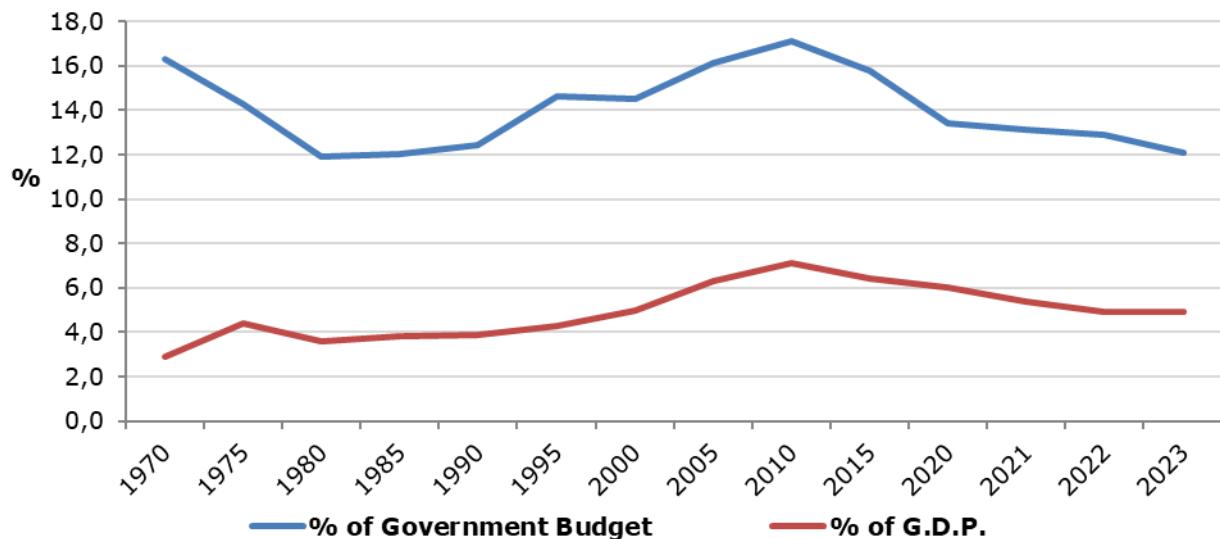
Additionally, in 2023/2024, 11 Special Schools operated with 575 pupils and 213 teachers, while in 2022/2023 the same number of schools operated with 551 pupils and 211 teachers.

#### **Financial Statistics of Education**

Public expenditure in all levels of education, amounted to €1.599,2 million in 2023, accounting to 12,1% of the Government Budget and 4,9% of the Gross Domestic Product.

The corresponding figures for the financial year 2022 amounted to €1.445,9 million, accounting to 12,9% of the Government Budget and 4,9% of the Gross Domestic Product.

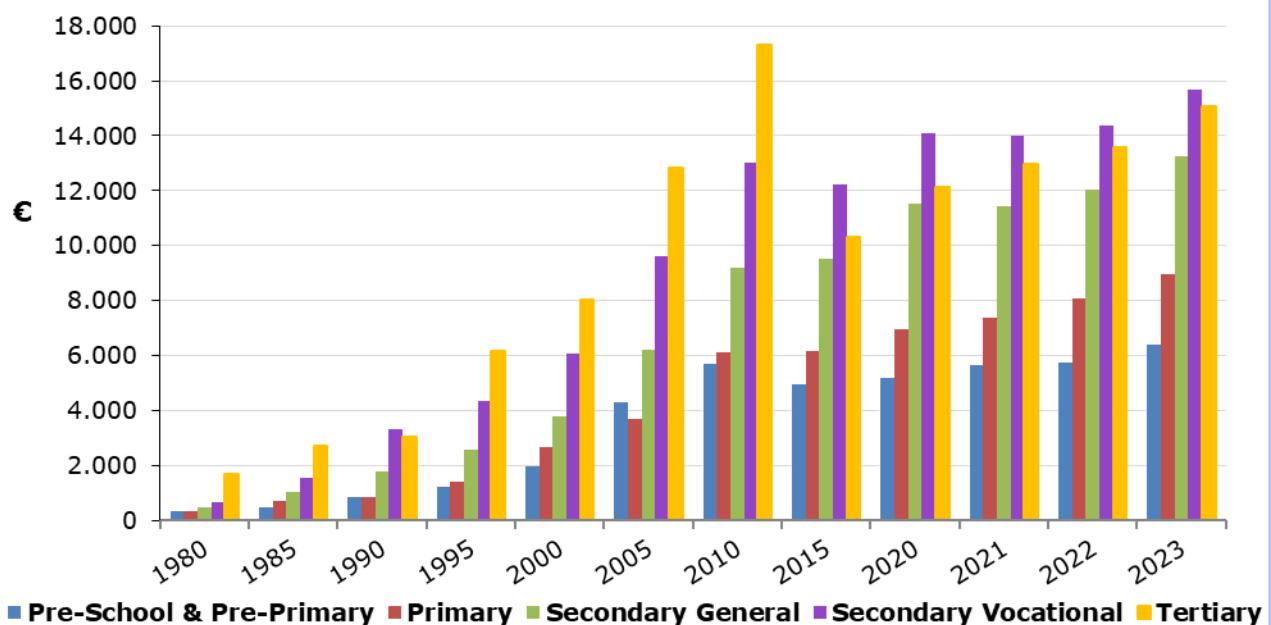
**Figure 2: Public Expenditure on Education as a % of the Government Budget and the G.D.P.**



The cost per student for public education, in 2023 measured, in terms of current public expenditure, €6.413 for Pre-School and Pre-Primary, €8.975 for Primary, €13.232 for Secondary General, €15.692 for Secondary Vocational and €15.084 for Tertiary education.

The corresponding current public expenditure per pupil, for public education, in 2022, was €5.770 for Pre-School and Pre-Primary, €8.082 for Primary, €12.026 for Secondary General, €14.361 for Secondary Vocational and €13.591 for Tertiary education.

**Figure 3: Current Public Expenditure by Pupil/Student and by Level of Education**



**Table 1**

School Year	Pupils/Students by Level of Education			
	Pre-School & Pre-Primary	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary
2023/24	38.931	60.079	61.230	57.889
2022/23	37.344	58.168	59.926	52.936
2021/22	34.980	56.853	58.212	52.996
2020/21	32.958	58.093	56.714	53.508
2019/20	33.329	58.779	55.922	53.192
2018/19	33.108	58.060	55.499	50.211
2017/18	32.522	56.699	54.966	47.169
2015/16	30.471	54.292	55.711	40.347
2010/11	28.582	54.083	63.764	32.118
2005/06	26.557	59.401	65.660	20.587
2000/01	26.455	63.387	64.023	11.934
1995/96	26.254	64.660	59.845	8.874
1990/91	23.694	62.962	44.614	6.554
1985/86	16.810	50.990	46.159	3.134
1980/81	10.397	48.701	47.599	1.940
1975/76	4.229	56.554	49.373	602
1970/71	4.325	69.160	42.245	698

**Table 2**

School Year	Educational Institutions by Level of Education			
	Pre-School & Pre-Primary	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary
2023/24	778	361	170	59
2022/23	764	358	171	58
2021/22	728	360	167	58
2020/21	734	360	168	55
2019/20	743	361	168	57
2018/19	745	361	164	57
2017/18	745	362	165	55
2015/16	726	362	167	48
2010/11	680	368	166	43
2005/06	682	365	158	36
2000/01	642	367	134	32
1995/96	647	381	123	33
1990/91	572	383	108	27
1985/86	423	380	103	16
1980/81	259	443	91	13
1975/76	96	400	80	6
1970/71	109	565	83	5

## **METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Coverage of Annual Survey on Education**

The Annual Survey on Education collects annually detailed data on pupils/students, graduates, staff and funding for all levels of education. It covers all educational institutions, public and private, in the Government controlled areas.

### **Reference period**

The reference period for the data of Pre-School and Pre-Primary, Primary, Secondary and Special education is October 2023. The reference period for Tertiary education is the academic year 2023/2024. For the financial statistics of education, the reference period is the calendar year 2023.

### **Sources of Data**

The data collection is carried out via questionnaires sent to all educational institutions and completed by them following the written instructions. Additionally, administrative sources are used, mainly for the compilation of the economic statistics on education.

### **Definitions**

**Public expenditure on education as % of Gross Domestic Product (G.D.P.):** The total public expenditure on education is compiled according to the definitions and methodology of the European Statistical Service (EUROSTAT). The public expenditure on education as a % of GDP is calculated by dividing the total public expenditure on education, by the amount of the GDP and multiplying by 100.

### ***For further information:***

Statistical Service (CYSTAT) Website, subtheme [Education](#)

[CYSTAT-DB](#) (Database)

[Predefined Tables](#) (Excel)

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**The Predefined Tables in Excel format include data up to the school year 2018/2019. Data from the school year 2019/2020 onwards, are available only in the CYSTAT-DB Online Database.**

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