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The School Year in Europe: Recommended compulsory instruction time and holidays

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This tool illustrates the diversity of school year that students may experience across Europe in primary and general lower secondary education both in terms of recommended compulsory instruction time and holiday rhythm.

Effective learning depends on many factors, but undoubtedly, the instruction time available to students plays a key role in their learning process. Alongside the quality of instruction and the time available for learning after school, an increase in the amount of instruction time allocated to a particular subject can help heighten students' interest in that area and positively affect their performance. This effect is even more pronounced when the increased instruction time is accompanied by other support measures and directed at disadvantaged students.

The school year is also marked by holiday periods. Examining the frequency and duration of breaks, as well as the length of summer holidays, helps in understanding how these factors relate to each other.

The data provide information on European countries, members of the [Eurydice network](#) and covers primary and lower secondary general education in public schools.



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