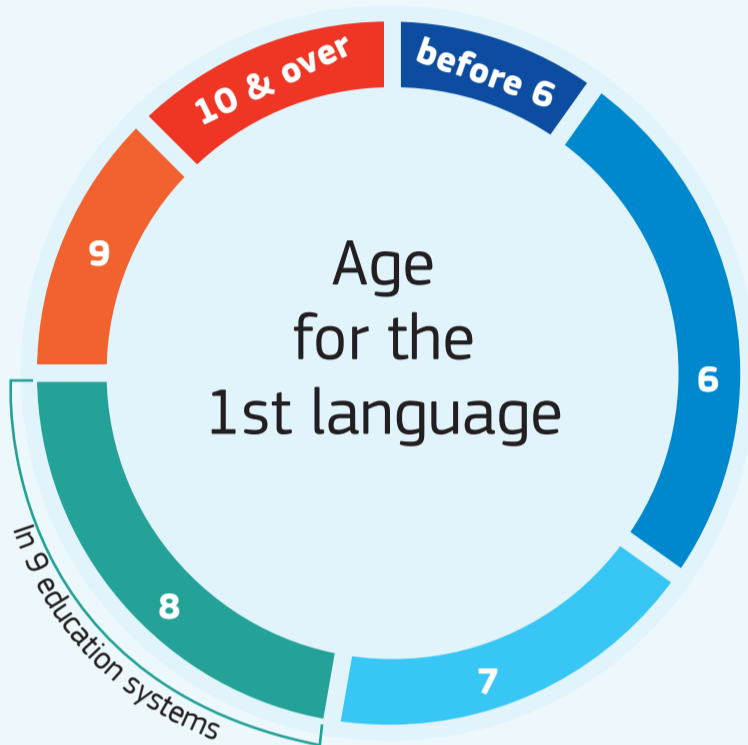




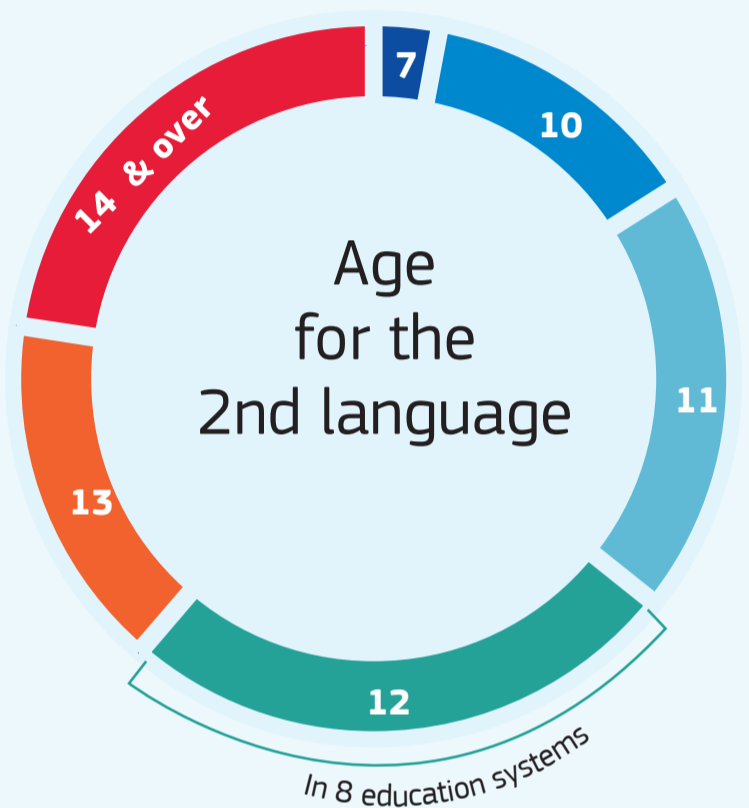
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The Barcelona European Council of 2002 invited EU countries to take action to teach children at least 2 foreign languages from a very early age

At what age must students start learning foreign languages?

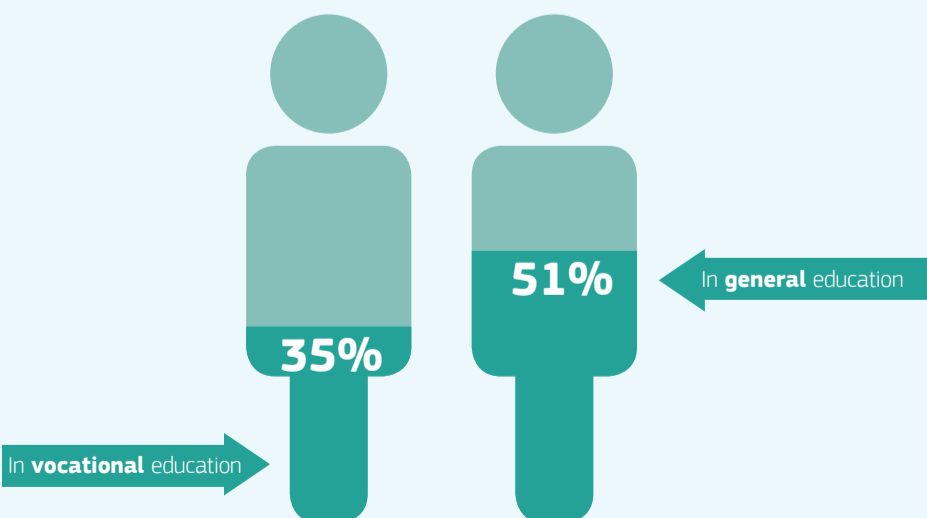


In 19 education systems, students must start learning foreign languages earlier than they did in 2003

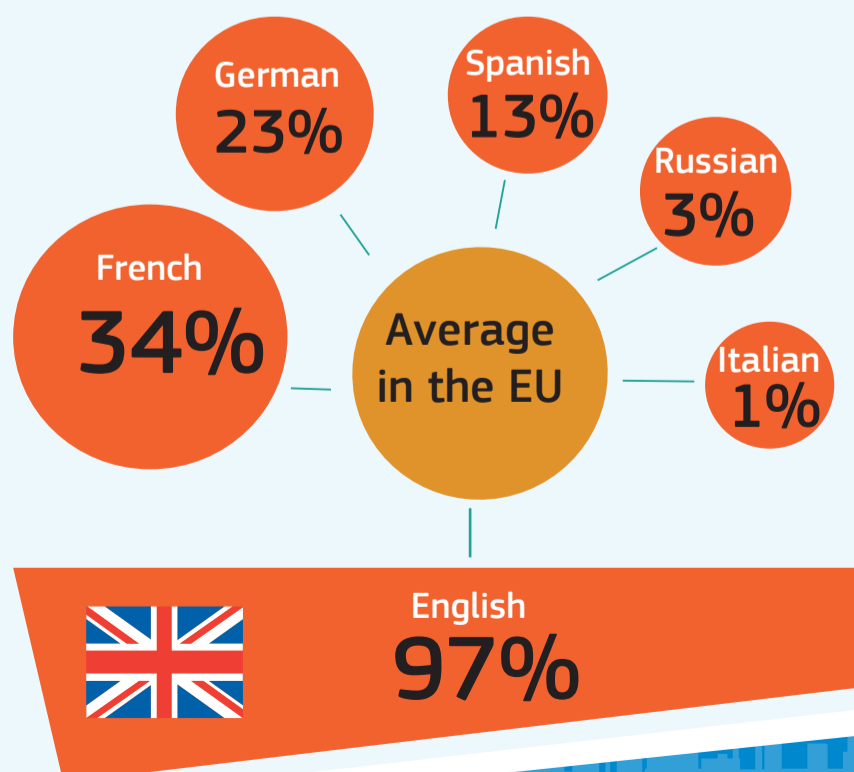


In 11 education systems, learning a 2nd foreign language is not compulsory

Vocational education students have less opportunity to learn 2 foreign languages



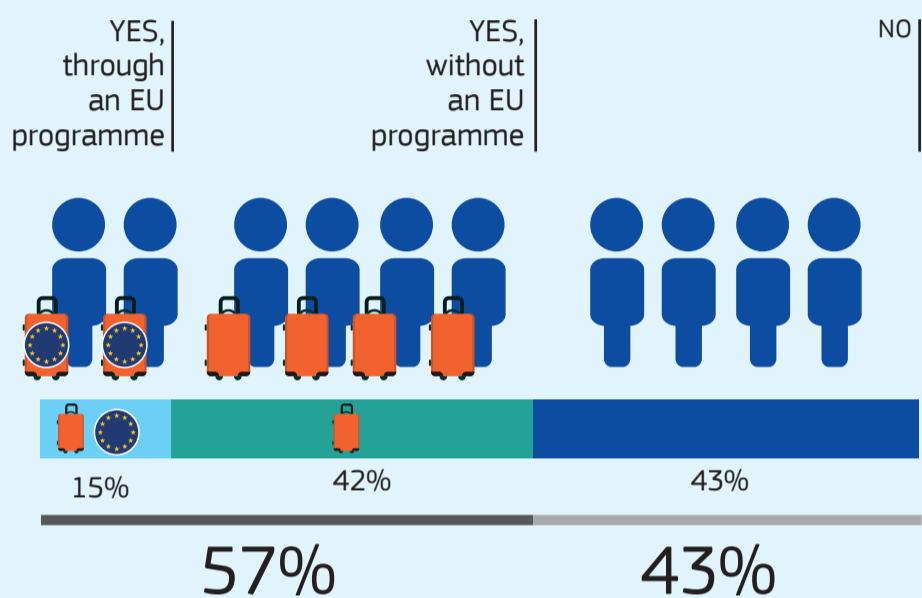
Most learnt languages in lower secondary education





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Do foreign language teachers travel abroad for professional reasons?



Did you know?

5-10% of the primary curriculum is dedicated to foreign language learning in the EU



In the EU, about 60 regional/minority languages have official status

In 11 education systems, primary level teachers teach foreign languages alongside the other curriculum subjects

Expected minimum CEFR level of attainment at the end of general upper secondary education

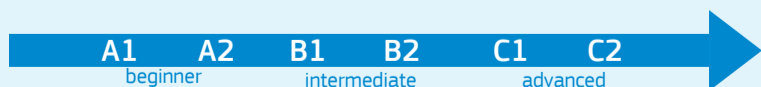
1st foreign language



Education systems that expect...

- B2 level
- B1 level
- A2 level

2nd foreign language



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