

BRIEFING ON SCHOOL DROP-OUT IN SPAIN

We have neither data nor means to find out an estimated number of drop-out. The reason is that the drop-out control is a competence of local authorities so that neither the National nor the Regional governments have no data about that.

The only existing data on school drop-out at a National scale in Spain are 2:

- The PISA 2015 survey: It was stated that 24,7% of the assessed 15-year-old students did not attend to school at least 1 day during the two previous weeks to the PISA test administration. These figures improved with respect to the former PSIA survey 2012, when the 15-year-olds students' drop-out was estimated at 27,7%
- The TIMSS 2015 survey: It was stated that the 3,7% of the assessed 10-year-old girls, and the 6,2% of the assessed 10-year-old boys did not attend to school at least 1 day a week during the last four months before the test administration

The field where Spain is strong in data is in early school leaving. We have National and Regional series since more than 1 decade, with detailed information for several dimensions of it:

- The estimated early school leavers in the academic course 2019-2020 is 599.709 students
- The average number of early school leavers per year in the 5 academic years previous to 2019-2020 is 655.114 students.