

**Table 2: B&L (1996) and NSD vs. OECD (EAG), Educational attainment of the adult population**

	No school	PRIMARY		SEC. I	SEC II	SECONDARY TOTAL		ISCED 5	UNIVERSITY			app/enr sec II	YEARS OF SCHOOLING (avge = 100)		
source =	B&L	B&L	OECD	OECD	OECD	B&L	OECD	OECD	B&L	OECD	OECD	OECD	NSD	B&L	OECD
Australia	2.4	26.6	11.6	30.0	25.0	48.4	55.0	21.0	<b>22.6</b>	<b>10.0</b>	31.0	0.28	<b>84.2</b>	116.7	105.5
Austria	2.3	42.5		35.0	60.0	<b>46.9</b>	<b>95.0</b>	0.0	8.4	5.0	5.0	0.37	97.0	<b>85.8</b>	107.6
Belgium	1.4	48.4	31.6	30.0	20.0	37.0	50.0	10.0	13.1	7.0	17.0		92.8	100.9	91.8
Canada	1.0	15.7	13.0	14.0	41.0	62.0	55.0	15.0	21.4	15.0	30.0		111.0	119.2	110.6
Denmark	0.0	38.7		43.0	40.0	<b>41.6</b>	<b>83.0</b>	7.0	19.6	10.0	17.0	0.19	101.3	<b>129.3</b>	108.6
Finland	0.0	49.4		42.0	40.0	<b>35.3</b>	<b>82.0</b>	8.0	15.4	10.0	18.0	0.03	108.7	112.9	109.0
France	1.2	57.6	22.8	26.0	33.0	<b>28.4</b>	<b>59.0</b>	7.0	12.8	7.0	14.0	0.10	94.3	<b>79.3</b>	94.3
W. Germany	2.6	64.9		22.0	61.0	<b>22.0</b>	<b>83.0</b>	7.0	10.4	10.0	17.0	0.59	<b>94.0</b>	101.8	114.6
Ireland	4.2	40.4	32.8	25.0	23.0	43.6	48.0	7.0	11.7	7.0	14.0		<b>139.4</b>	94.0	87.6
Italy	15.3	44.1	28.7	30.0	20.0	31.7	50.0	0.0	8.9	6.0	6.0		<b>88.1</b>	71.0	75.1
Japan	0.0	34.3		30.0	48.0	<b>44.5</b>	<b>78.0</b>	8.0	21.2	13.0	21.0		<b>121.8</b>	106.1	112.5
Netherlands	4.0	34.4	15.0	26.0	36.0	45.5	62.0	13.0	<b>16.1</b>	<b>6.0</b>	19.0	0.22	93.4	98.7	99.8
New Zealand	0.0	36.8	33.0	10.0	25.0	24.1	35.0	22.0	<b>39.1</b>	<b>9.0</b>	31.0		98.0	<b>128.9</b>	100.4
Norway	2.6	49.8		35.0	42.0	<b>32.2</b>	<b>77.0</b>	10.0	15.4	11.0	21.0		105.1	<b>91.4</b>	109.5
Portugal	24.4	58.7	64.6	4.0	2.0	11.4	6.0	2.0	5.5	4.0	6.0		63.5	<b>41.6</b>	52.1
Spain	4.5	64.4	62.5	13.0	10.0	21.3	23.0	0.0	9.8	9.0	9.0		79.3	72.1	73.0
Sweden	2.4	35.4		33.0	44.0	<b>43.9</b>	<b>77.0</b>	11.0	18.4	12.0	23.0		109.2	109.3	113.0
Switzerland	6.3	28.5		20.0	50.0	52.3	70.0	15.0	12.9	9.0	24.0	0.68	<b>77.1</b>	102.3	109.4
UK	3.6	43.9		35.0	48.0	<b>38.5</b>	<b>83.0</b>	6.0	13.9	9.0	15.0		113.2	100.3	108.0
US	1.2	9.1	6.8	10.0	46.0	44.4	56.0	12.0	<b>45.2</b>	<b>23.0</b>	35.0		128.7	138.4	117.6
Average	4.0	41.2				<b>37.8</b>	<b>61.4</b>		17.1	9.6	18.7		9.0	8.7	10.4

- Notes: Attainment is measured by the fraction of the adult population which has started (but not necessarily completed) each educational level.

- Dates and population groups vary as follows: Barro and Lee: 1990 and population aged 25 and over; NSD: 1987 and population aged 15-64; OECD: 1989 and population aged 25-64.

- The OECD includes apprenticeships programmes as part of secondary (2nd cycle) studies. Level 5 of the international standard classification for education, ISCED 5, includes relatively short post-secondary programmes which do not lead to a university degree. These are generally advanced vocational programmes. University programmes are included in levels 6 and 7 of ISCED. In some countries which do not report data at the ISCED5 level, these programmes are counted either at the university level or as part of secondary-level vocational programmes.