TEACHER’S EDUCATION

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Regulations on teacher’s education and training

• Regulation on teacher’s education and qualification:
  – 4 years higher education in teacher’s study program,
  – Bachelor’s degree in the field and short pedagogical program
  – Master’s degree in the subject

• Regulation on teacher’s training
  36 h training once in 3 years
Number of students in teacher’s study programs

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<th>2010./2011.m.g.</th>
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<td>Valsts budžeta finansēto studentu skaits</td>
<td>2347</td>
<td>3225</td>
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## Teacher’s age

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<th>Age Group</th>
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<td>&lt; 30 gadi</td>
<td>17.88%</td>
<td>8.44%</td>
<td>7.74%</td>
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<td>30-39 gadi</td>
<td>27.12%</td>
<td>23.84%</td>
<td>21.97%</td>
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<td>40-49 gadi</td>
<td>29.26%</td>
<td>33.63%</td>
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<td>50-59 gadi</td>
<td>17.07%</td>
<td>28.02%</td>
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<td>&gt; 60 gadi</td>
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<td>8.30%</td>
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Number of students, teachers and schools in Latvia

- Statistics data indicate that since 2001 when there was rapid decrease in the number of students in general education the number of teachers has not decreased much.
• 8 higher education institutions implement teacher’s study programs

• 6961 students in 2010/2011

• 1714 students began studies in 2010/2011
• **5400 students in basic studies:**
  – 464 students in college programs (preschool teacher)

• **1900 students** - state budget

• **3500 students** - private budget
1560 students:

• additional qualification in short professional program (1 – 2 years)

• Master’s program

• Doctor’s program
Rights to teach children with special needs

• Study program “teacher of special education” (all subjects for children with special needs in basic education)
• Teacher training program (36 h) (teach integrated children in general school)
• Teacher training program (72 h) (in special school)
Special education teacher’s study programs

- 46 students - Rēzeknes Higher Education Institution
- 29 students - University of Latvia
- 27 students - Liepājas University (teacher - speech therapist)
- 28 students - RPIVA (teacher - speech therapist)
- 3 students - Rēzeknes HEI (teacher for children with impaired hearing)
Role of Teacher

• Children’s performance
• Monitoring of children’s achievement
• Choice of methods
• Support for children
• Motivation of children
• Focus on children’s strengths
• Rather teach child than subject!
Support for Young Teachers

• Training of mentors

• Support for municipalities

• System of categories for teachers