



Presentation of the French school system

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Since when ?

- Compulsory since the Ferry laws (1881-1882)



- Home-school is possible

What age ?

- o School education : compulsory for children aged 3-16
- o Jean-Michel Blanquer: Minister of Education



The structure of the school system			
Primary (<i>école primaire</i>) 3 - 11 years old	Nursery school (<i>école maternelle</i>) 3 - 6 years old	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Petite section</i> - <i>Moyenne section</i> - <i>Grande section</i> 	cycle 1
	Elementary school (<i>école élémentaire</i>) 6 - 11 years old	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Cours préparatoire (CP)</i> - <i>Cours élémentaire 1^{re} année (CE1)</i> - <i>Cours élémentaire 2^e année (CE2)</i> - <i>Cours moyen 1^{re} année (CM1)</i> - <i>Cours moyen 2^e année (CM2)</i> 	cycle 2 cycle 3
Secondary (<i>secondaire</i>) 11 - 18 years old	Lower secondary (<i>collège</i>) 11 - 15 years old	6 ^e	
		5 ^e	
		4 ^e	
		3 ^e	
Upper secondary (<i>lycée</i>) 15 - 18 years old ^(*)	General route Technological route	Vocational route	
	<i>Seconde</i> <i>Première</i> <i>Terminale</i> <i>Baccalauréat général et technologique</i>	<i>Seconde</i> <i>Première</i> <i>Terminale</i> <i>Baccalauréat professionnel</i>	

^(*)This age range does not apply to the lycées professionnels as study can combine a two-year CAP or a three-year baccalauréat professionnel

What relationship between State and schools?

The French constitution : it is the duty of the State to « provide free, compulsory, secular education at all levels »

State schools

- Is neutral
- Free
- Secular
- Forbidden to show political and religious ideas.



Private schools

- Not free
- Not secular



What topic ?

From 3 to 16, student must acquire the Common Core of Knowledge and skills.



The seven key competences of the common core of knowledge and skills

- command of the French language
- proficiency in a modern foreign language
- key elements of mathematics, science and technology;
- proficiency in information, technology and communication
- humanist culture
- social and civic skills
- autonomy and initiative.

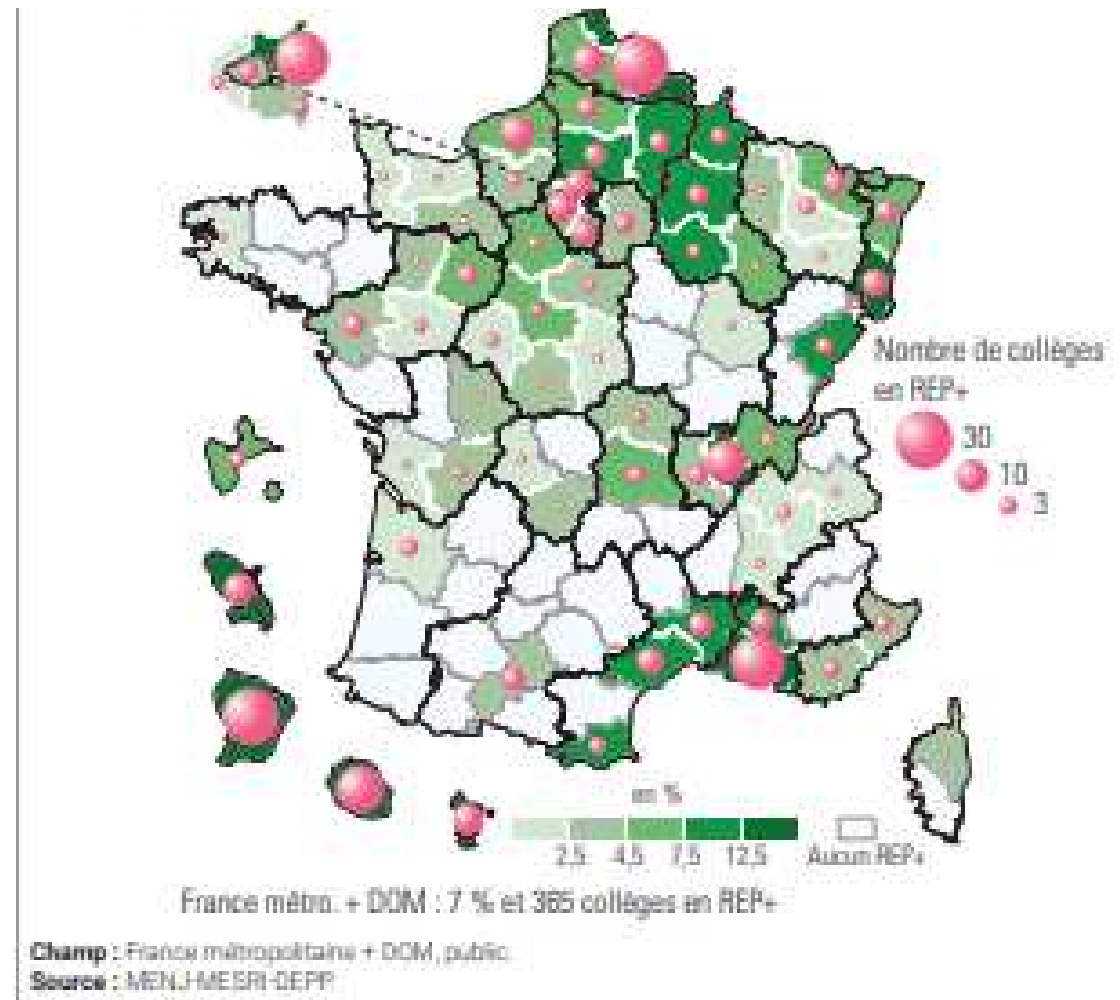
Special needs



Priority education

$\pm 20\%$ of pupils from 6 to 16 (in 2018)

Percentage of pupils from lower secondary schools targeted by priority education (in 2017)



Non-French Speaking Students



60 700 allophones nouvellement arrivés
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29 700
en écoles
élémentaires


24 600
en collèges


6 400
en lycées

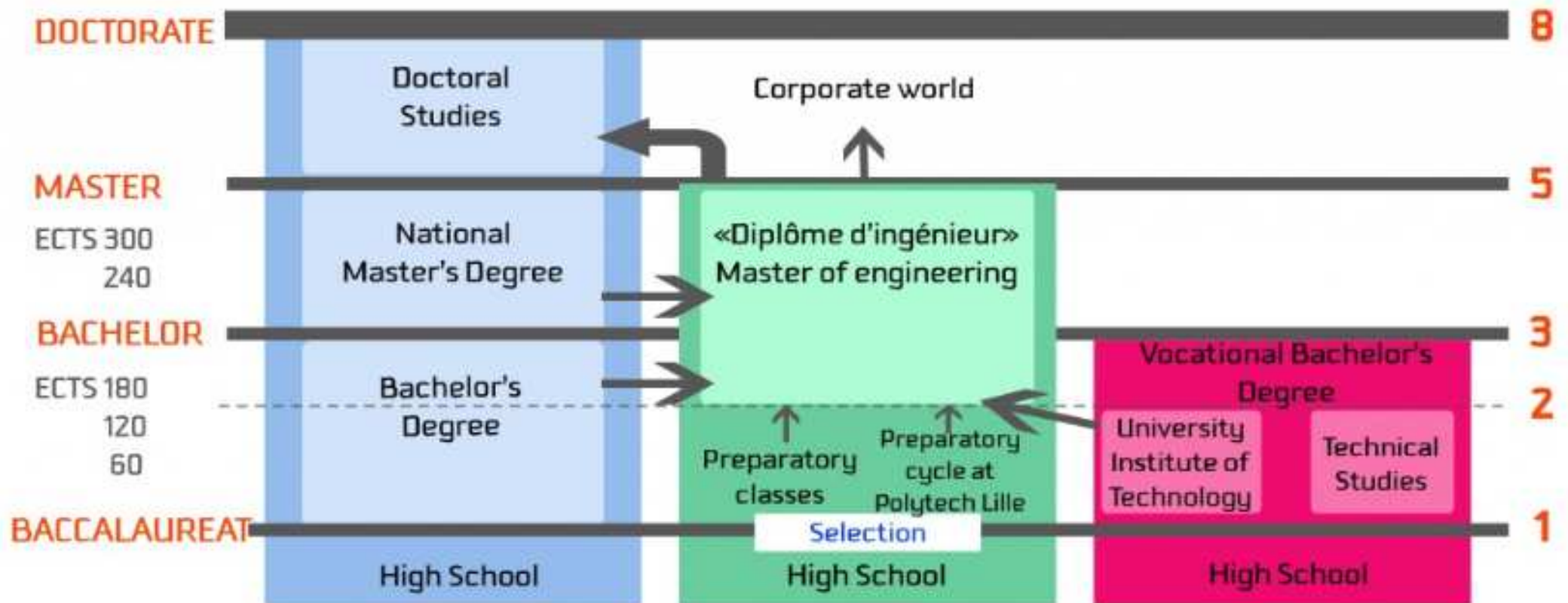


Disabled pupils



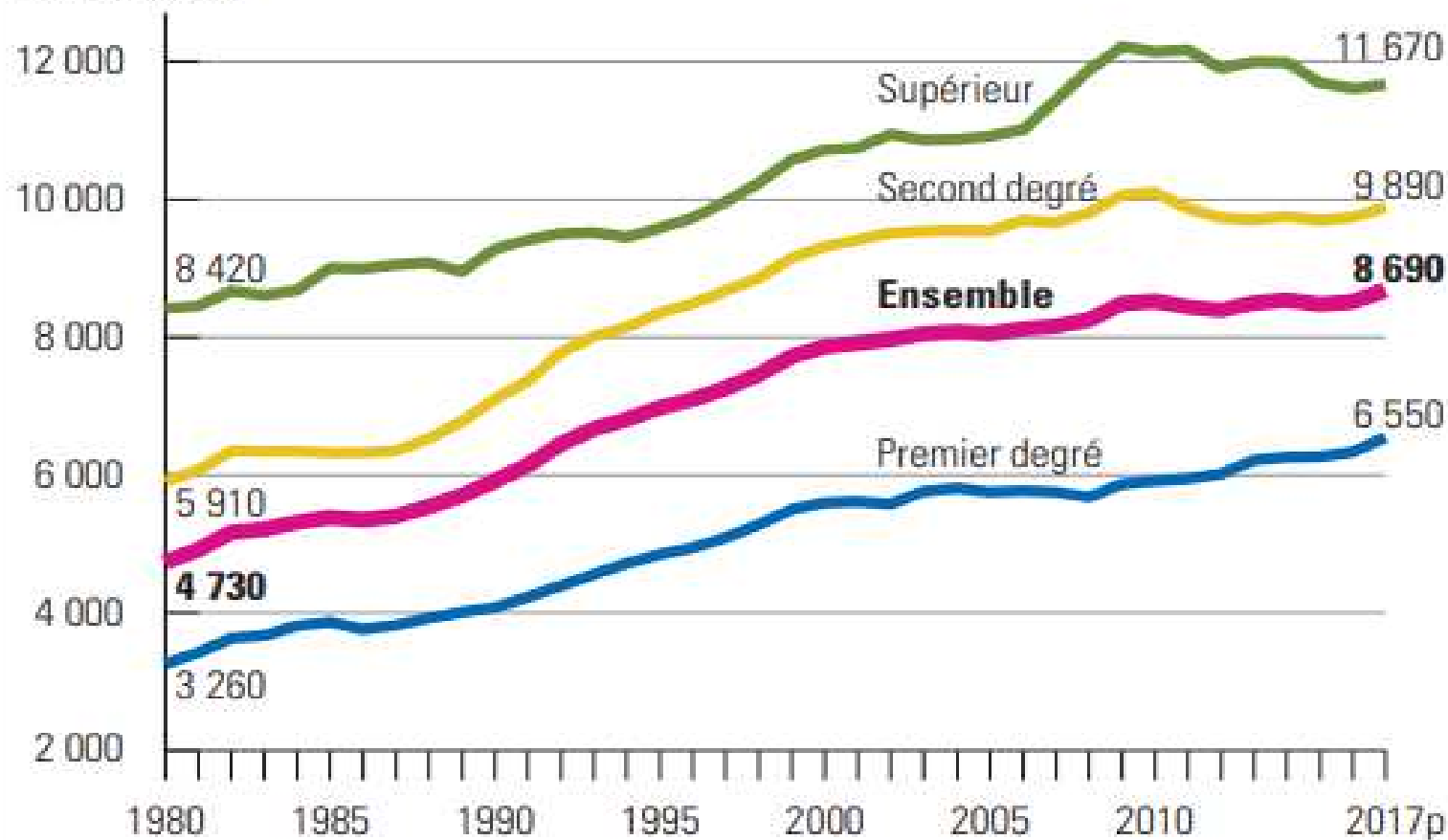
- $\pm 400\,000$ pupils in 2017-18
- 80% \rightarrow regular schools

French higher education system



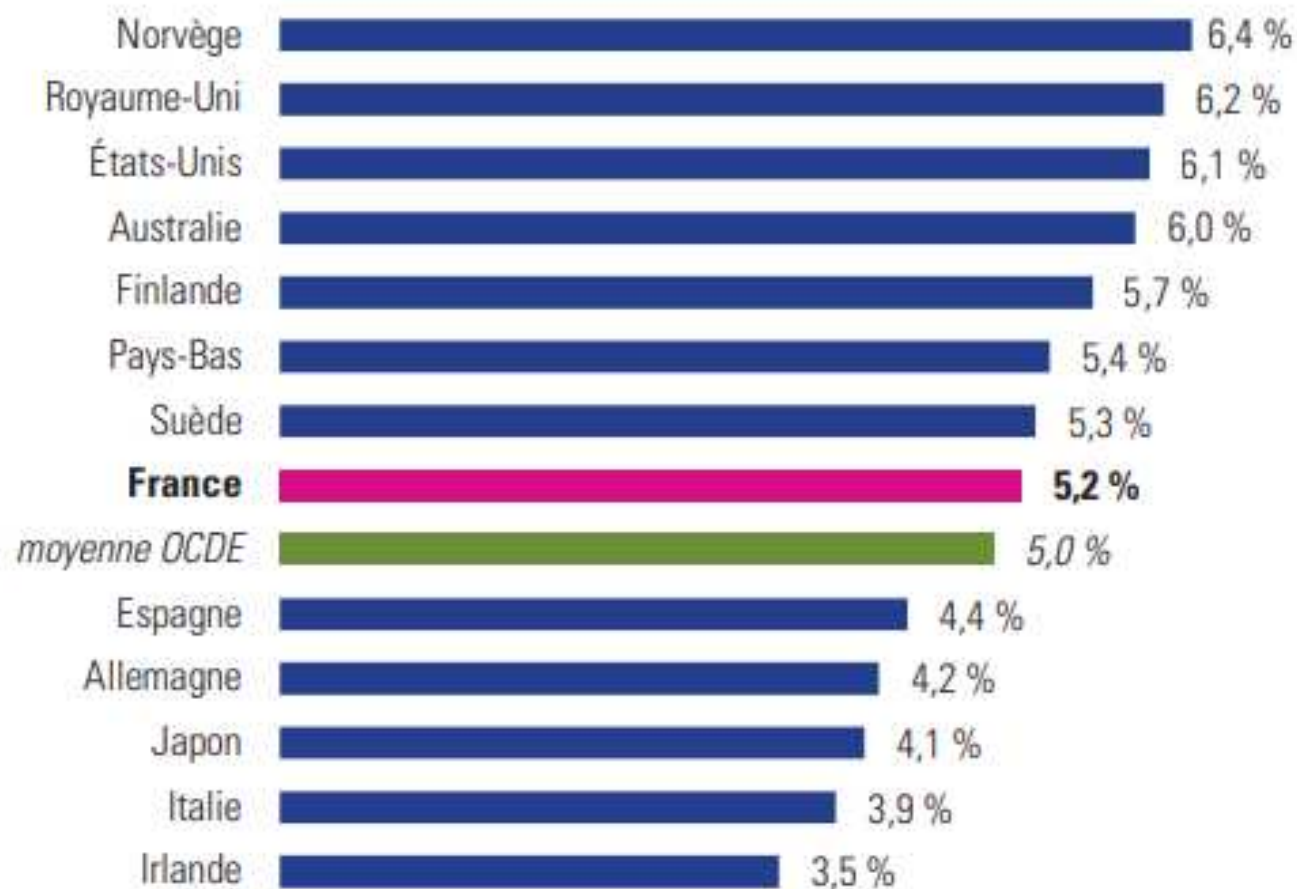
How much ?

En euros 2017



Average government spending per pupils (from 3 to doctorate)

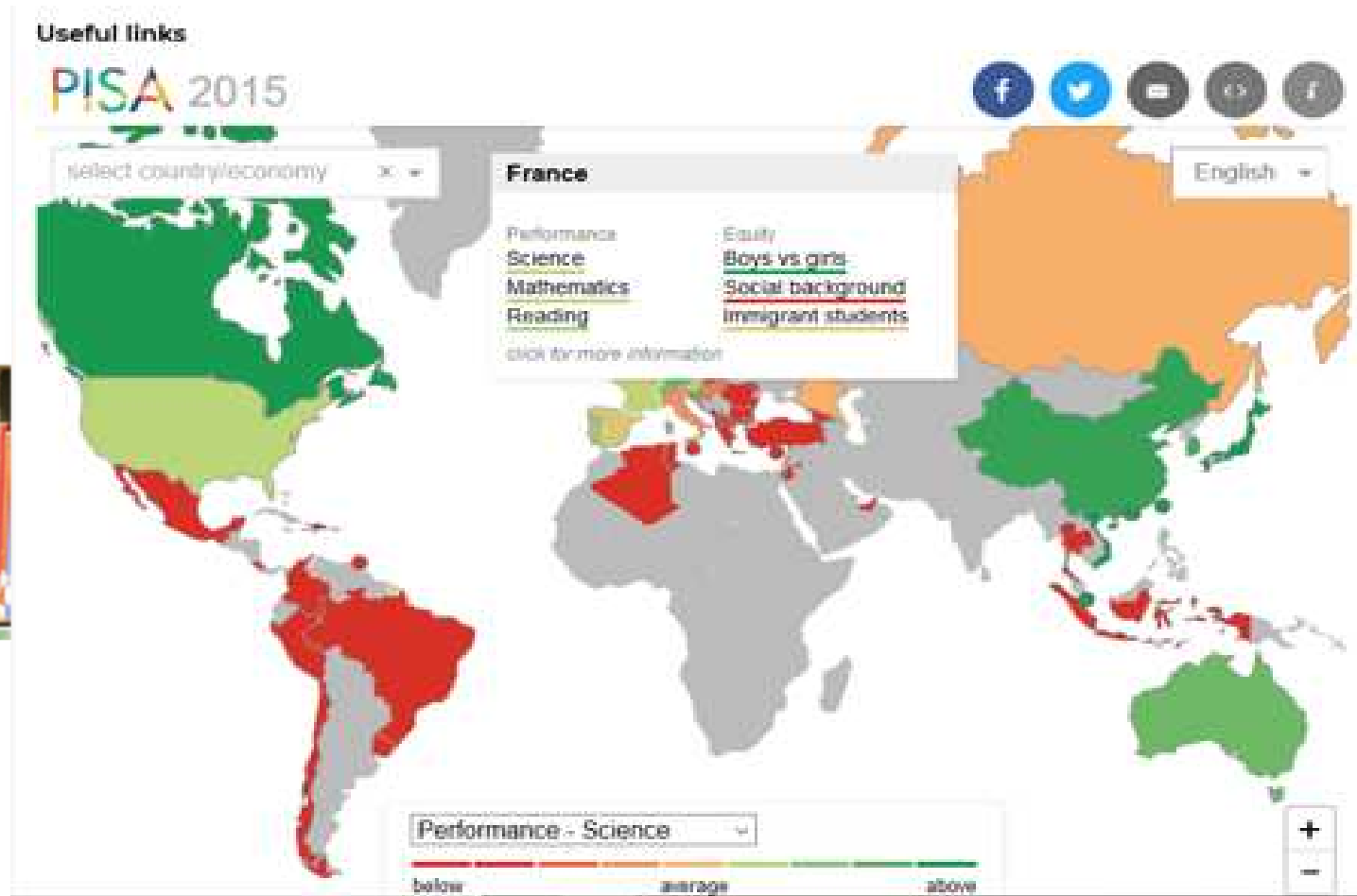
Total expenditure on educational institutions as a percentage of GDP (2015)

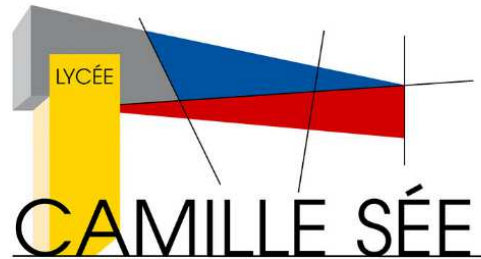


Inequalities ?



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Thank you for listening !

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