Current situation analysis of education in Romania

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The structure of education and initial training system aims at ensuring flexibility and openness of individual educational routes. The gross enrolment rate in university education increased from 27.7% in 2000-2001 up to 44.8% in 2005-2006. The increasing participation in university education is determinate by the development of private university education, development of the universities' networks, by setting up new universities or by developing subsidiary universities in non traditional locations, increasing enrolments, increasing interest for university education due to larger labor market absorption of highly educated people and lower unemployment risk for university graduates. For rural population and vulnerable groups, the access and participation to university education remains low due to the relatively high costs of university education and the incidence of early school leaving affecting them.