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		Italy		EU average		Europe 2020 target /	
Europe 2020 headline targets			2009	2012	2009	2012	Benchmark
1. Early leavers from education and training (age 18-24)			19.2%	17.6%	14.2% EU28	12.7% EU28	National target: 15-16%
2. Tertiary educational attainment (age 30-34)			19.0%	21.7%	32.1% EU28	35.7% EU28	EU target: 40% National target: 26-27%
ET 2020 Benchmarks							
Early childhood education and care (4 years old - year before start of compulsory primary)			98.2%	96.8% ¹¹	91.7%	93.2% 11	95%
4. Basic skills Low achievers (15 year-olds; Level 1 or low er in PISA study)	Reading		21.0%	:	19.6%	:	15%
	Mathematics		24.9%	:	22.2%	:	15%
	Science		20.6%	:	17.7%	:	15%
5. Learning mobility	Initial vocational training (IVET)	Students participating in Leonardo da Vinci programs as a share of vocational students at ISCED 3	0.3%	0.4% 11	0.6%	0.7% ¹¹	
	Higher Education	b. Erasmus inbound students as % of student population in host country		1.0% ¹¹		1.1% ¹¹	
		c. Inbound degree mobile students as % of student population in the host country		3.5% ¹¹		7.0% ¹¹	
6. Employment rate of graduates (age 20-34) having left education 1-3 years before reference year			60.6%	54.3%	78.3%	75.7%	82%
7. Adult participation in lifelong learning (age 25-64)			6.0%	6.6%	9.3%	9.0%	15%