

Estonian education system is based on four levels which include:

- pre-school education
- basic education
- general/secondary/ vocational education
- higher education

pre-school education age level is from 6 to 7

basic education length is 9 years, age level is from 7 to 16. At the end of basic education there are 3 final examinations

NB: school attendance in Estonia is compulsory at age range 6-16!



General/secondary/ vocational education

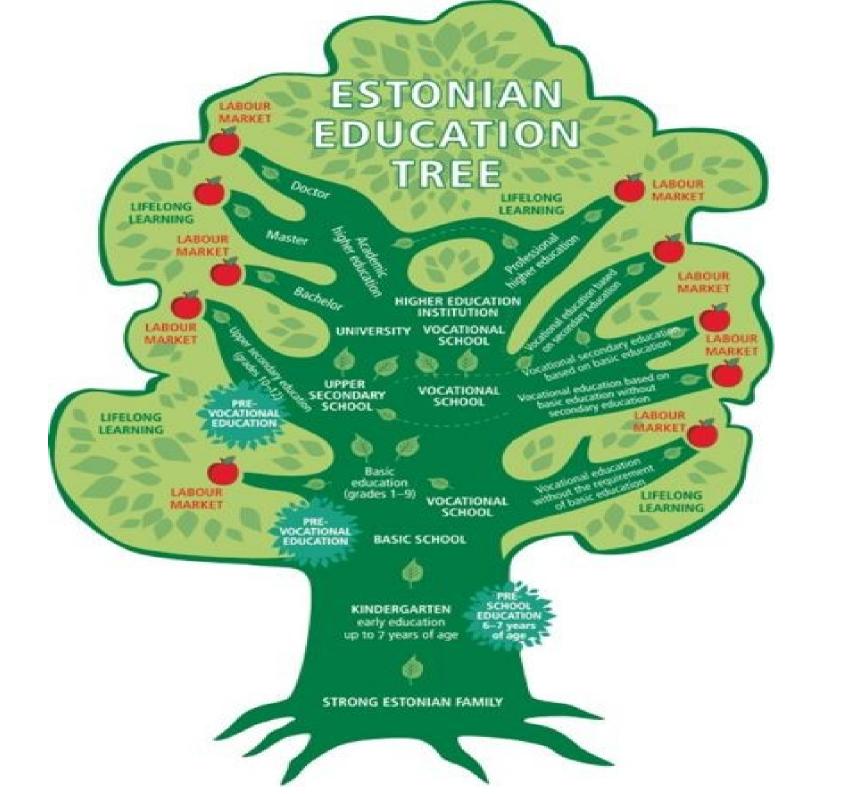
Secondary/general educational length is 3 years, age level from 16-19. Some gymnasiums provide general education, others have a specific focus. At the end of secondary education there are 5 final examinations.

Vocational education can be obtained in 3 years. It prepares students for entering the workforce.

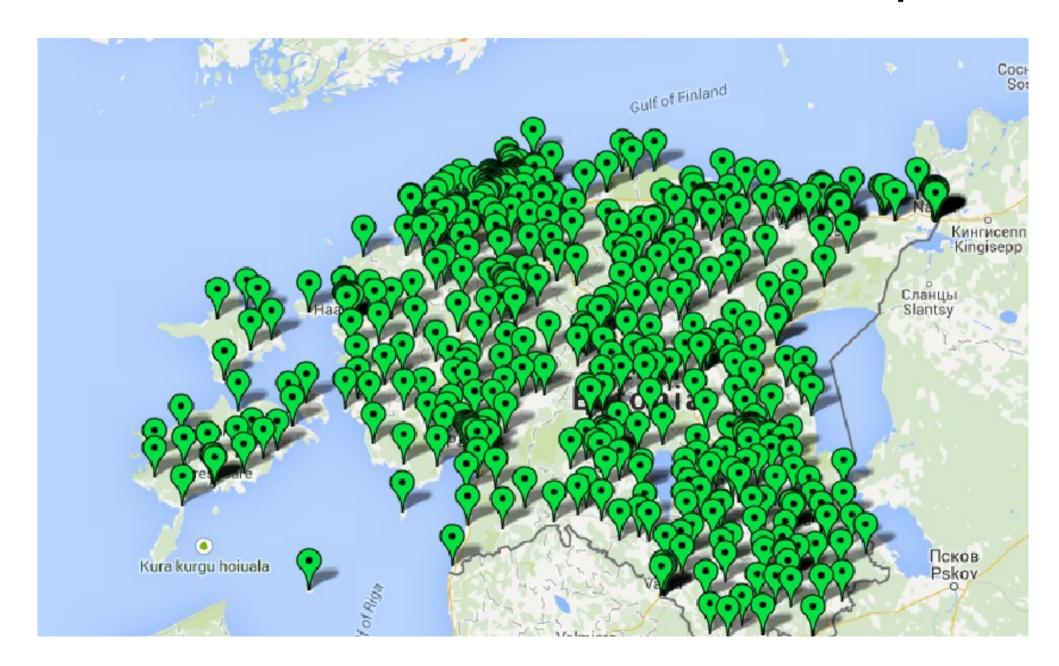
Higher education

Academic higher education in Estonia is divided into 3 levels:

- Bakalaureus level studies (duration of studies is 3 to 4 years)
- Master level studies (2 years)
- Doctoral level studies (3-4 years)



Estonian schools network map



Estonian most popular specialities

University of Tartu- faculty of law, faculty of medicine

Tallinn University- basic education teacher, psychology

Tallinn University of Technology- informatics, business

Occupations TOP 10 in 2011

- shop assistant
- sales agent
- truck driver
- assistants and cleaners in offices, hotels etc
- accountant
- general builder
- grade general education schools, parent teacher
- head of wholesale and retail trade
- secretary and assistant secretary
- warehouse officer

Estonian Defence Forces

 All men aged 18-28 have a responsibility to serve in Estonian Defence Force. Service lasts

8 or 11 months

For women it is optional



Service branches

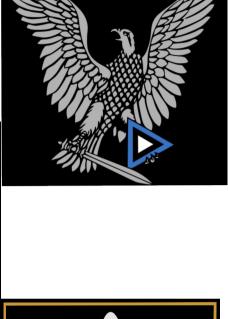
Estonian Air Force

Estonian Naval Force

Estonian Ground Force

Estonian Defence League











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