

The EU school fruit, vegetables and milk scheme Latest developments

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Implementation in school year 2018/2019

Member States sent their monitoring report(s) by 31 January 2020

- Not yet published in [Europa website](#) as some inconsistencies and gaps



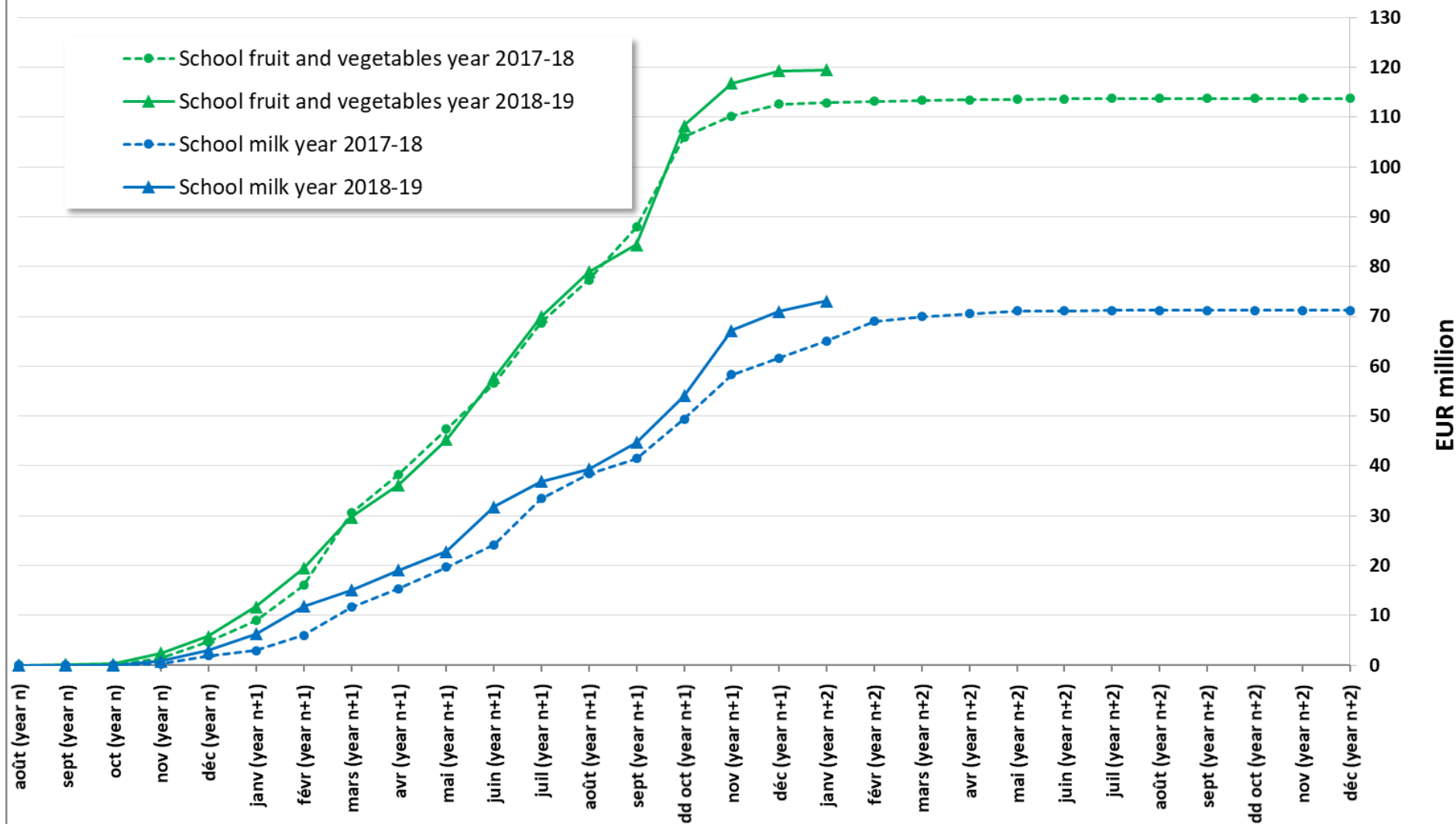
- More **countries** (EL, which had not participated in 2017/2018, joined)

- **Better budget execution**



- EU expenditure for school milk = EUR 71 million (EUR 62 million in 2017/2018)
- EU average \Rightarrow performance varies across countries, with some raising concerns!

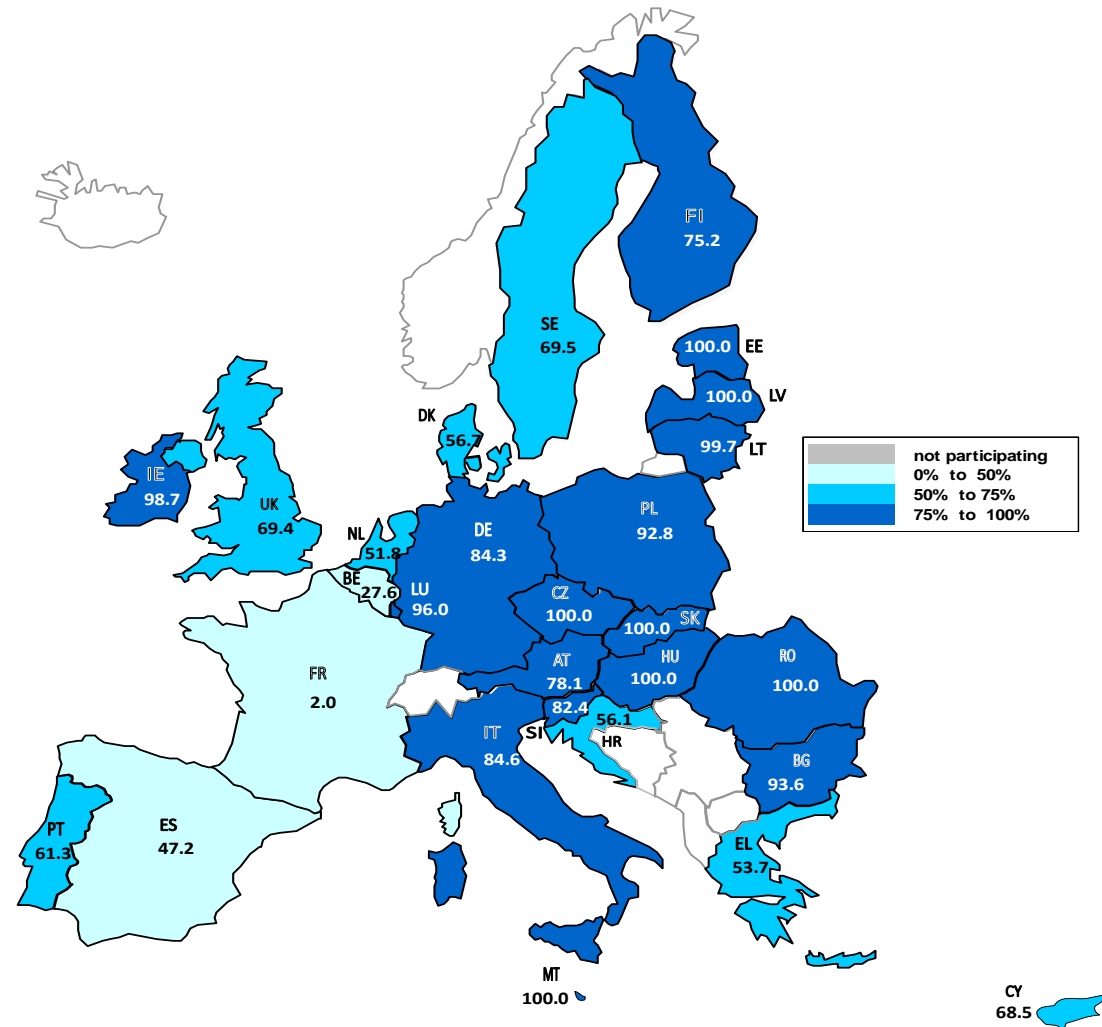
EU school scheme : expenditure for school years 2017/18 and 2018/19 (EU-28 - EUR million)



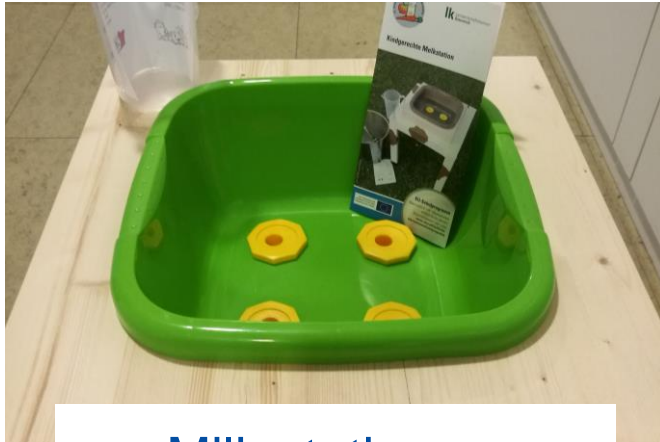
EU school scheme: expenditure for school year 2018/2019

(August 2018 to December 2019 - % of EU budget)

School milk



Some examples of implementation



Milk station as
teaching material for
children in **Austria**



produced in a
workshop employing
disabled persons



children learn and have fun
(yes, also painting the wooden station!)

Some examples of implementation



Greek children construct a food pyramid to learn about healthy eating and lifestyle





Why not an App to play?
Look at the **Czech Republic**



School in nature in **Slovenia**
to visit a beekeeper

EU budget for next school year (2020/2021)

Up to EUR 150 million for fruit/vegetables and 100 million for milk per school year

- Member States' requests by 31/1/2020 ⇒ **EUR 104.9 million for milk**
⇒ transfer from fruit/vegetables by FR (EUR 4.4 million) and SE (EUR 0.5 million) 
- Withdrawal agreement with **UK** ⇒ transition period until 31/12/2020 = EU law continues to apply: **participation school scheme in 2020** and payments to applicants until 15/10/2020 (2020 budget) 
- UK requested less for milk ⇒ EUR 4.9 million to 19 countries requesting more (BG, CZ, DK, DE, EE, IE, HR, IT, LV, LT, LU, HU, MT, AT, PL, RO, SI, SK, SE) based on children aged 6-10 and budget execution in 2018/2019.

EU budget for next school year (2020/2021)



- Member States requested EUR 145 million for fruit and vegetables
- Commission decision with EU budget by country

Vote by Committee: 11 March

Commission's approval (end March)

Publication in Official Journal

At the same time adjustment of EU budget for ongoing school year (**2019/2020**)
⇒ **EUR 103.7 million for milk** instead of EUR 104.9 million: transfer to fruit and vegetables by DE, ES, LU, NL and AT.

And 2019/2020 school year ?



In **DK** changes to the strategy:
only drinking milk



In **DE** changes to some regional
strategies: no longer chocolate milk





Next?

- Commission decision on EU budget in Official Journal, end of March
- Country monitoring reports for 2018/2019 + summary in EU school scheme [webpage](#) + selected results (children, schools, quantities) in DG AGRI [data portal](#), March/April
- Amendment to delegated and implementing act on evaluation: for stakeholders' feedback in April

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Thank you



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