

MAIN RESULTS

There is not doubt that higher education has gained importance in the Colombian population. A sign of this is the increase of almost 9 percent points in the coverage ratio in the country between 2011 and 2015.

If we observe rates by departments in Colombia, we find that Santander is placed second with 63,2% only exceeded by Bogota the capital of the country.

Another relevant point is the lowest dropout rate presented among the five main regions of importance in the country, this characteristic joined to the coverage, makes its workforce one of the best qualified in Colombia.

In terms of offering in higher education institutions, the department counts with 33 institutes from which 2 are accredited as high quality, with a significant of enrolled students in the last five years near to 543 thousand in undergraduate studies and 94 thousand in post graduate studies.

Even though, there was a decrease in postgraduate enrolled students in 2015, the region has had an important progress in the current century in terms of higher education until reaching an offering of 680 programs in all fields of knowledge.

Source:

Ministry of National Education
Estimation of population between 17 and 21 years.

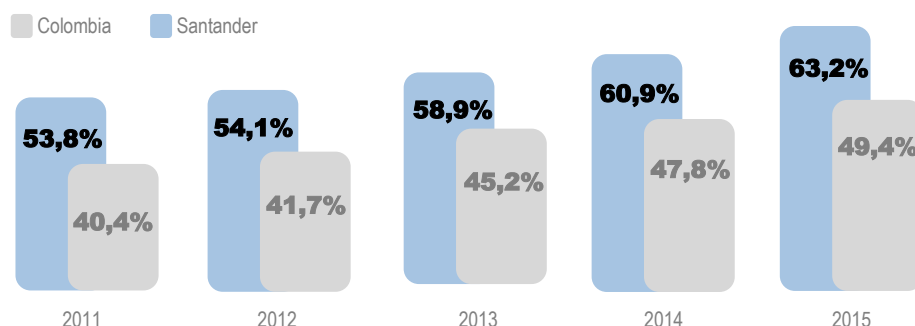
Notes:

Coverage in Higher education: Proportion of enrolled students in relation to the total population between ages of 17 and 21 years

Dropout rate: Proportion of enrolled students that during academic year abandon their studies without completing their grade.

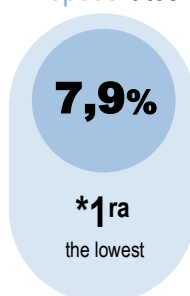
Absorption rate: Relation among students that access to a higher education institute for first time to the first course, in relation to all the population that is studying eleventh grade and the ones that completed it in previous years.

Coverage ratio in higher education

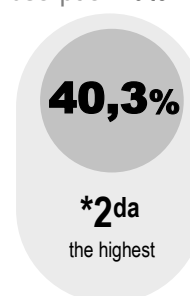


Ratio in higher education

Dropout rates

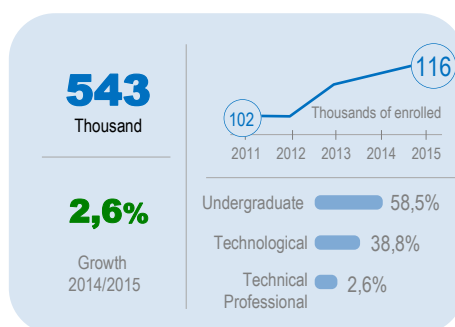


Absorption rate

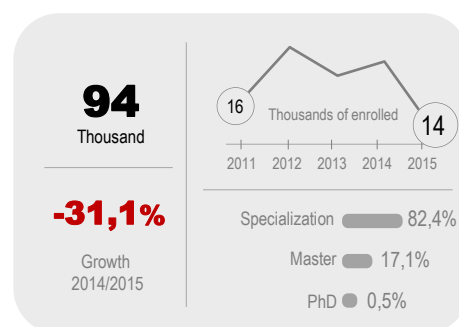


(*) Ranking among the 5 main economies of the country

Enrolled students in *undergraduate* studies 2011/2015



Enrolled students in *post graduate* studies 2011/2015



Institutions with educational offering and education programs in Santander - Año 2015

