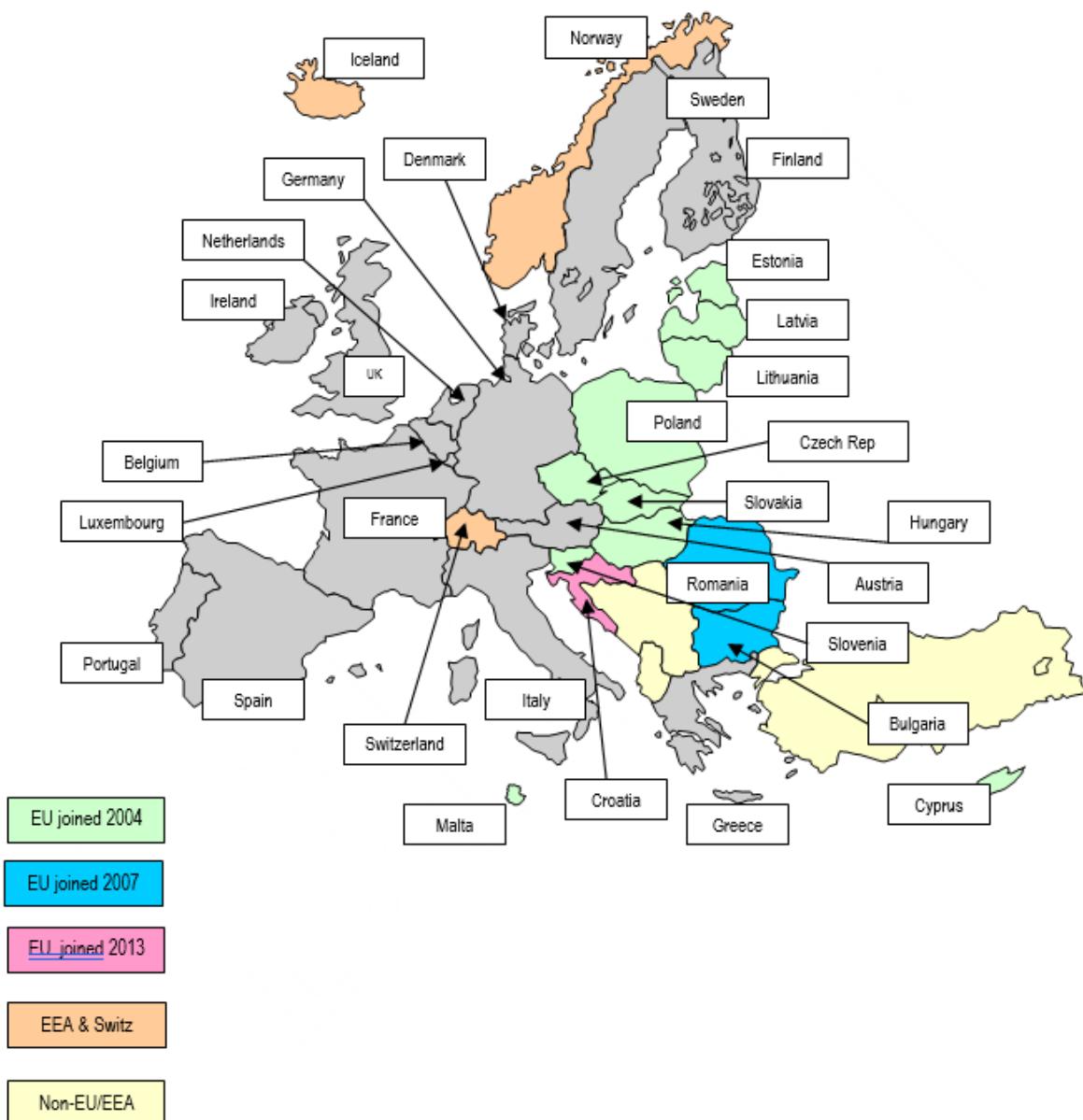


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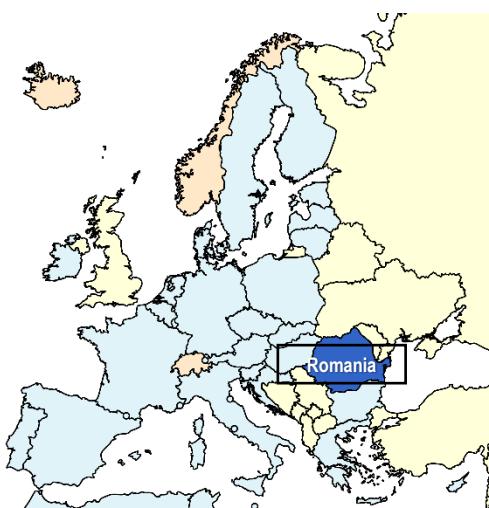
**Romania**

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## Romania



In the EU since	2007
Population (2024)	19 067 576
GDP PPP per capita (2024)	31 105
Currency	Romanian Lei (RON) 5,10 RON = €1.00 (2025)
Official language	Romanian
Romania's healthcare system is based on compulsory social health insurance system covering all contributing Romanian residents as well as some exempt residents. It is funded through payroll taxation of working citizens and is administered by the Ministry of Health, responsible for national health policy. 41 counties and 1 municipality (Bucharest) provide and deliver care at a regional level. Most oral healthcare is delivered privately, with limited existence of state programs.	
Number of dentists (active)	21.601
(Active) dentist to population ratio (per 100 000 inhabitants, 2022)	113.3
8 dental specialities, as well as dental auxiliaries including dental technicians and dental chairside assistants are recognised and widely used in Romania. Continuing professional development is mandatory and administered by the CMSR.	

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## Government and healthcare in Romania

Romania is a parliamentary republic. The Parliament is composed of two chambers: the Chamber of Deputies (330 members) and the Senate (136 members). The Romanian Parliament is responsible for adopting the yearly healthcare budget, with the Ministry of Health responsible for national health policy, planning and managing of the National Health Insurance system.

The administrative system comprises 8 development regions: North-West, North-East, Centre, South-East, South, South-West, West, and Bucharest-Ilfov. Romania's health services are managed and administered at the county level, with the division of Romania into 41 counties and one municipality (Bucharest). The counties and municipality are responsible for some local healthcare functions, including providing and paying for most care.

The National Health Insurance House (CNAS, Casa Națională de Asigurări de Sănătate) oversees and manages national health insurance, and currently also streamlines services delivered by Regional Health Insurance Houses. Local health authorities are responsible for managing healthcare programs and regulations at the regional level.

The Romanian Dental Council has responsibilities delegated by the state authority in the field of authorization, control, and supervision of the dental profession.

All Romanian residents are entitled to compulsory social health insurance. Public health insurance is financed by workers through payroll tax contributions. The following groups are exempt from paying monthly social contributions, including children and young people up until 18 years old, unemployed, people with disabilities or chronic conditions.

Overall, the share of healthcare expenditure with total Gross Domestic Product (GDP) remains under the average healthcare spending in the European Union.

	Year	Source
% GDP spent on all healthcare	6.5% 2023	OECD
% of this spent by government	80% 2022	OECD
% of publicly funded dental care out of total dental care	5% 2021	OECD

Approximately 95% of dental care services in Romania are privately funded through either out-of-pocket payments or subscription to private voluntary health insurance schemes. Approximately 5% of dental care is provided through public funding, compared to the EU average of 34 %.

Additionally, informal payments in healthcare settings remain common practice in Romania.

Limited public dental care is therefore available to insured individuals by the National Health Insurance House (CNAS), within state-run clinics and hospitals. Insured services include emergency care, extractions, basic preventative care services, encompassing annual check-ups and dental hygiene. Out-of-pocket expenditure prevail for most services.

Existing state programs offer some free dental care services to children, veterans and some citizens with a diagnosed chronic illness. The National Oral Health Program, introduced in 2013, delivers free dental check-ups and preventive treatments for children up to the age of 18 for at-risk groups in rural areas.

Romania's healthcare system faces ongoing challenges related to outdated infrastructure, high out-of-pocket payments including for dental care, shortages of healthcare workforce and uneven distribution of professionals between urban and rural areas.

## Education, Training and Registration

### Undergraduate Education and Training

To enter dental school a Romanian (citizenship) student needs to be a high school graduate and present the Romania Baccalaureat certificate or proof of completion of secondary school and pass an entry examination.

It is possible for non-nationals to study dentistry in Romania in English, French, Hungarian (1 school) or Romanian. Admission is based on application file selection and on an examination, consisting of tests in human anatomy and physiology, organic chemistry/physics.

Dental schools are structured as Dental Faculties within Universities of Medicine and Pharmacy. There are currently 14 different dental schools located across Romania, including 10 public schools and 4 private schools.

Year of data	2024
Number of schools <sup>1</sup>	14
Student intake	2.180
Number of graduates a year	2.045
Gender balance (% of female students)	75%
Duration of studies	6

Publicly funded schools include Bucharest, Cluj-Napoca, Iași, Timișoara, Târgu-Mureș, Craiova, Constanța, Sibiu, Oradea, Galați.

Four privately funded schools also offer dental undergraduate programs in Romanian and English. These are located in the city of București, Iași, Arad and Targu Mures.

All dental schools in Romania offer programs for non-Romanian and international students. A wide choice of courses is available for non-Romanian speaking students, including courses taught in English, French and Hungarian.

Students can have access to competitive state-funded programs, covering the fees of dental universities. However, access for funding is based on performance and ranking national exams. Tuition fees for Romanian-taught programs can however vary from 2 000 to 4 000€ a year.

For non-Romanian students, following dental programs taught in English, French or Romanian, tuition fees can range up to 10 000€ a year in public universities.

Fees for English-taught undergraduate dental courses can range up to 12 000€ a year in private universities.

Every state funded faculty also has the right to manage a limited number of private places for students each year for both budgeted and fee-paying students.

Quality of training is monitored and accredited by the National Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ARACIS), and overseen by the Ministry of Education.

### Registration

Upon qualification, the graduates received the title of Doctor of Dental Medicine (*Diploma de licență în Medicina Dentară*).

The Romanian Dental Council (CMSR, *Colegiul Medicilor Stomatologi din România*) is responsible for the regulation of dental care, including the registration and the provision of licences to dentists. All dental practitioners must register under the CMSR.

Cost of registration (for Romanian graduates)	80€
Cost of registration (for international graduates)	300€ to 380€
Yearly membership fee (to the CMSR)	190€

### Vocational Training (VT)

Vocational training after graduating and before practising is not mandatory in Romania.

### Language requirements

It is mandatory to know the Romanian language, to be registered with the CMSR. EU citizens must follow some study of Romanian language, followed by a written and oral evaluation test. For those who did not graduate in Romania, passing a language exam is compulsory. Alternatively, applicants may request an occasional practice permit valid for up to three months, with a maximum of two such permits allowed per year.

### Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Continuing education is compulsory for all dentists and is regulated by the CMSR. Every dentist must undergo 200 hours of continuing education in every 5-year period. If they do not achieve this the Romanian Dental Council (CMSR) has the legal obligation to end the right of the dentist to practise. Digital education platforms have significantly developed since the Covid-19 pandemic with access to remote learning.

### Specialist Training Requirements

For entering specialist training, dentists must have only their licensing diploma, as there is no vocational training and also take a mandatory national exam that is organized by the Ministry of Health.

Education of dental specialists is defined and regulated by the Ministry of Health. 7 dental specialities and 1 medical-dental speciality are recognised in Romania:

- Dento-alveolar surgery – 3 years
- Orthodontics – 3 years
- Endodontics – 3 years
- Pedodontics – 3 years
- Periodontology – 3 years
- Prosthodontics – 3 years
- General Dentistry – 3 years
- Oral and maxillofacial surgery – 5 years

## Workforce

### Dentists

Year of data	2023
Total Registered	24 714
In active practice	21.601
Dentist to population ratio*	113.3
Percentage female	70%
Foreign-trained dentists	NA
*active dentists only, per 100 000 inhabitants	

#### Movement of dentists across borders

There is an important movement of dental students to Romania, due to existing attractive English-taught and high-quality training programmes for international students as well as lower costs of living.

There is also an important movement of EU and Romanian graduates migrating to other EU countries to practice.

### Specialists

Seven dental specialities are recognised and widely used in Romania, as well as oral-maxillofacial surgery as a medical speciality. Specialists practice in private and public services, as well as hospitals.

Year of data	2022
Oral Surgeons	580
Orthodontists	670
Endodontists	580
Periodontists	640
Paediatric dentists	290
Prosthodontists	840
Oral medicine specialists	1 250
OMFS	430

Upon obtaining the postgraduate certification, specialists are required to register with the Romanian Dental Council (CMSR). Patients have direct access to dental specialists without needing prior referral from a general practitioner.

The specialist dental private sector has also strongly grown in Romania.

### Auxiliaries

Only dental technicians and dental chairside assistants are recognised in Romania.

Year of data	2022
Technicians	4120
Chairside assistants	12 400

#### Dental Technicians (tehnician dentar)

Dental technicians are trained in dental technician colleges, within dental faculties of universities. The training lasts 3 years, completed by a final examination and the obtention of a diploma.

Dental technicians are required to register within the Order of Dental Technicians in Romania (*Ordinul Tehnicienilor Dentari din România*).

Dental technicians normally work in separate dental laboratories and deliver work based on invoices from the dentist for completion of prosthetic work. They are responsible for carrying out the creation of crowns, bridges, dentures and implants. Technicians are prohibited from carrying out procedures with the patient.

A small number of technicians are employed by dentists and are paid as a percentage of total cost of treatment for the delivered prosthetics work.

#### Dental Chairside Assistants (asistent dentar)

Dental assistants train in secondary medical schools, with 3 years of study, including vocational training, the completion of a final examination and the obtention of a certificate of completion of the vocational training program.

Chairside assistants are required to register within the Order of General Nurses, Midwives and Medical Assistants of Romania (*Ordinul Asistenților Medicali Generaliști, Moașelor și Asistenților Medicali din România*)

Dental chairside assistants' duties are to assist dentists, maintain records, carry out office work, sterilisation and infection control duties. Dental assistants are a paid a salary and work under supervision of a dentist.

## Other Useful Information

### Main national associations

National dental association and information centre	
<b>Romanian Society of Stomatology (Founded 1923)</b>  Ionel Perlea street, 10, Sector 1 010209 Bucharest Romania Tel.: +40 722 625 110 Fax: +40 21 312 1357 E-mail: <a href="mailto:srspres@gmail.com">rspres@gmail.com</a> Website: <a href="https://dent4all.ro/">https://dent4all.ro/</a>	<b>Romanian Dental Association of Private Practitioners (Founded 1990)</b>  3, Voronet street, Bl.D4, Sc. 1, Ap. 1 (Floor 1) Sector 3 031551 Bucharest Romania Tel: +40 722 365 753 Fax: +40 21 327 4119 E-mail: <a href="mailto:amsppr.office@dental.ro">amsppr.office@dental.ro</a> Website: <a href="http://www.dental.ro">www.dental.ro</a>
<b>Romanian Association of Endodontology (Founded 2001)</b>  Bdul T. Vladimirescu nr. 55, Sector 5, 050883 Bucharest Romania  Tel.: +40 744 377 011 E-mail: <a href="mailto:asociatiaromanadeendodontie@gmail.com">asociatiaromanadeendodontie@gmail.com</a> Website: <a href="https://endo4all.ro/">https://endo4all.ro/</a>	<b>Romanian Association for Excellence in Orthodontists (Founded 2001)</b>  Str. Anastase Panu nr.52 700019 Iasi and Șoseaua Nicolina nr 3, Iași, 700019 Romania Tel: +40 744 642 616 +40 745 255 885 E-mail: <a href="mailto:areoto@gmail.com">areoto@gmail.com</a> Website: <a href="https://areo2000.ro/">https://areo2000.ro/</a>

### Competent and legal authority

Romanian Dental Council (CMSR, Colegiul Medicilor Stomatologi din România)
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Main Professional Journal	
“Viața Stomatologică” (Dental Life) - AMSPPR (Asociația Medicilor Stomatologi cu practică privată din România)	Revista Română de Stomatologie (Romanian Journal of Stomatology)
Tel: +40 21-327.41.19 Fax: +40 21-323.99.69 E-mail: <a href="mailto:amsppr@dental.ro">amsppr@dental.ro</a> Website: <a href="http://www.dental.ro">www.dental.ro</a>	Website <a href="https://rjs.com.ro/">https://rjs.com.ro/</a> Email: <a href="mailto:srspres@gmail.com">rspres@gmail.com</a> Tel: +40722625110

<b>Revista Română de Medicină Dentară (Romanian Journal of Dental Medicine)</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:redactorsef@rjd.ro">redactorsef@rjd.ro</a>	<b>Romanian Journal of Medical and Dental Education</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:janacondurache@yahoo.com">janacondurache@yahoo.com</a> Website <a href="https://journal.adre.ro/?utm_source=chatgpt.com">https://journal.adre.ro/?utm_source=chatgpt.com</a>
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## Dental Schools:

<b>Public Universities</b>	
<b>Iași</b> <b>University of Medicine and Pharmacy Grigore T. Popa – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> Grigore T. Popa University of Medicine and Pharmacy Iasi Str. Universitatii, nr. 16 700115, Iasi Romania  Tel (Secretariat): +40 232-301-618 +40.232.301.635  Email: <a href="mailto:medden_decanat@mail.umfiasi.ro">medden_decanat@mail.umfiasi.ro</a> Website: <a href="https://umfiasi.ro/en/academic/facultati/Dental-medicine/">https://umfiasi.ro/en/academic/facultati/Dental-medicine/</a>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 350 Language of teaching: Romanian, English, French	<b>Timișoara</b> <b>Victor Babes University of Medicine and Pharmacy – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> Square Eftimie Murgu, No. 2 300041, Timișoara Romania  Tel: +40 256- 204400 +40 256- 204250 Fax: +40 256- 490626 Email: <a href="mailto:stoma@umft.ro">stoma@umft.ro</a> Website: <a href="https://www.umft.ro/ro/facultati/fmd_facultatea-de-medicina-dentara/">https://www.umft.ro/ro/facultati/fmd_facultatea-de-medicina-dentara/</a>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 225 Language of teaching: Romanian, English
<b>Târgu Mureș</b> <b>University of Medicine and Pharmacy – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> Str. Gheorghe Marinescu, nr. 38 Târgu Mureș, 540142 Romania  Tel: +40 265 215 551 +40 265 208 940 Fax: +40 265 210 407 Email : <a href="mailto:decanat.dentara@umfst.ro">decanat.dentara@umfst.ro</a> Website: <a href="https://umfst.ro/facultatea-de-medicina-dentara/oferta-educationala/studii-de-licenta/medicina-dentara/">https://umfst.ro/facultatea-de-medicina-dentara/oferta-educationala/studii-de-licenta/medicina-dentara/</a>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 140 Language of teaching: Romanian, Hungarian and English	<b>Cluj-Napoca</b> <b>Iuliu Hațieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> Gh. Marinescu st. no. 23 400337 Cluj-Napoca Romania  Tel: +40-374-834-115 +40-374-834-105 Fax: +40-264-597-257 Email : Secretary of the Faculty: <a href="mailto:decanat_stoma@umfcluj.ro">decanat_stoma@umfcluj.ro</a> Head of administrative service, Mihai Gudea: <a href="mailto:mgudea@umfcluj.ro">mgudea@umfcluj.ro</a> Website: <a href="https://umfcluj.ro/en/dental-medicine/">https://umfcluj.ro/en/dental-medicine/</a>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 225 Language of teaching: Romanian, English, French
<b>Constanța</b> <b>Ovidius University – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> str. Ilarie Voronca nr.7 Constanța Romania Tel: + 40 241-545697 Fax: +40 241-545697 Email: <a href="mailto:departamentfmdct@yahoo.com">departamentfmdct@yahoo.com</a> Website: <a href="https://md.univ-ovidius.ro/">https://md.univ-ovidius.ro/</a>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 98 Language of teaching: Romanian, English	<b>Craiova</b> <b>University of Medicine and Pharmacy – Faculty of Dental Medicine</b> Petru Rareș Street, no. 2 code 200349 Craiova Romania Tel: +40 351 443 508 +40 351 443 502 Tel dental Dean : +40 351 443 508 Fax: +40 251 593 077 Email: <a href="mailto:dentistry@umfcv.ro">dentistry@umfcv.ro</a> <a href="mailto:student.dentistry@umfcv.ro">student.dentistry@umfcv.ro</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.umfcv.ro/ro/educatie/facultati/medicina-dentara/">https://www.umfcv.ro/ro/educatie/facultati/medicina-dentara/</a>

	<u>dentara</u>  Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 140 Language of teaching: Romanian, English
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Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 422 Language of teaching: Romanian, English	Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 70 Language of teaching: Romanian, English
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Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 50 Language of teaching: Romanian	Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 90 Language of teaching: Romanian
<b>Private Universities</b>	
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Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 100	Number of available places for the 2025–2026 academic year: 72 Language of teaching: Romanian

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