

Africa - Education, Africa 1990-2021

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Identification

SURVEY ID NUMBER

afr-world-edu-1990-2021-v1

TITLE

Education, Africa 1990-2021

COUNTRY

| Name | Country code |
|--------|--------------|
| Africa | afr |

STUDY TYPE

Other

ABSTRACT

The WORLD Policy Analysis Center (WORLD) is committed to improving the quantity and quality of globally comparative data available to policymakers, citizens, civil society, and researchers on laws and policies that work to support human rights, including economic opportunity, social and civic engagement, human health, development, well-being, and equity. This dataset is part of a series that assesses progress in laws across African countries that lay the foundation for equal opportunities in childhood and gender equality. Tuition-free and compulsory education policies shape whether all children, particularly girls, children with disabilities, and children from low-income families, have access to education. Women's economic opportunities are also impacted by whether their younger children have access to education. WORLD's Education, Africa 1990-2021 dataset was created to assess progress on constitutional rights, laws, and policies guaranteeing tuition-free and compulsory education from pre-primary through the completion of secondary through a systematic review of legislation governing education 51 African countries. Data on primary and secondary education covers legal rights in place from 1990 to 2019. Data on pre-primary education covers legal rights in place from 2000 to 2021.

KIND OF DATA

Legislation

UNIT OF ANALYSIS

Laws

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION

v1: Edited anonymised data for distribution as public access share-alike data

VERSION DATE

2024

Scope

NOTES

The data covers constitutional rights, laws, and policies guaranteeing tuition-free and compulsory education in pre-primary, primary, lower secondary, and upper secondary. It includes details on the structure of the educational system to determine country-specific exposure based on children's age.

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC UNIT

The data is at the country level and covers the following countries: Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of the Congo,

Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Eswatini, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
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| Conrad N. Hilton Foundation |
| William and Flora Hewlett Foundation |

Data Collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

| Start | End |
|-------|------|
| 1990 | 2021 |

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Other

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

WORLD examined constitutional and legal provisions as they set a foundation for rights and are a first step toward improving outcomes. Across countries, having laws on paper does make a difference in practice. Laws and constitutional rights lead to change by shaping public attitudes, encouraging government follow-through with inspections and implementation, and enabling court action for enforcement. Even when local enforcement is inadequate, laws may still have an impact by shaping the terms of political debate and providing levers for civil society advocates. Laws are a mechanism by which power can be democratically redistributed, changes in institutions can be created to ensure greater fairness, and a social floor guaranteeing minimum humane conditions can be established.

DATA SOURCES

In selecting data sources to analyze, WORLD's first priority is to identify sources containing full-text original legislation. To ensure the greatest level of accuracy and comparability across countries, the aim is always to read the original laws (primary sources) rather than secondary summaries or policy descriptions. Primary sources allow for more accurate coding across countries, particularly in complex legal areas. Working with primary sources also allows us to provide excerpts or links to actual legislation and constitutions for those interested in passing new laws or creating reform in their countries. Documents are reviewed in their original language or in a translation into one of the UN's official languages. Secondary sources are used when information is unclear or insufficient for particular countries. In choosing these secondary sources, those that are comparable across multiple countries are prioritized, such as global or regional sources. When using information sources that cover a limited number of countries, the aim is to ensure that the information they contain can be made consistent with other sources.

For the Protection from Child Marriage Database, legislation to construct the data was located primarily through official country websites, the Lexadin World Law Guide, the Foreign Law Guide, the International Labour Organization (ILO)'s NATLEX database, the Pacific Islands Legal Information Institute, the Asian Legal Information Institute, and JaFBase. In some cases, hard copies and electronic copies of legislation were obtained from libraries such as the Swiss Institute for Comparative Law, the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) Law Library, the Harvard Law School Library, and the Northwestern University Library. The data captures national-level legislation. In countries where minimum age of marriage laws are set at the state or provincial level coding is based on the lowest minimum age among all of their states or

provinces. Given that the scope of the full project includes 193 UN member states, and that the role and strength of case law varies substantially across countries, an analysis of case law relevant to legal provisions for the minimum age of marriage could not be included. Including case law in future analyses will be helpful to better understand the minimum age of marriage permitted by law.

When legislation was not available from these sources, analysts reviewed the most recent reports submitted by countries to the monitoring committees of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), as well as the reports detailing the committees' concluding observations. The foundation for the longitudinal data from 1995 to 2013 was built in collaboration with McGill University's Maternal and Child Health Equity (MACHEquity) team. WORLD's team updated and expanded the data to May 31, 2023.

CODING FRAMEWORKS

In this work, coding refers to the process of translating legislative, policy, or constitutional text into a set of features which can be quantitatively analyzed to provide readily understandable summaries of policy approaches across countries and transformed into data visualizations, such as maps or charts. For example, a researcher reviews many pieces of labor and social security legislation and uses them to answer questions such as: Does a country guarantee paid parental leave? Is it available to all parents, only mothers, or only fathers? How long is paid leave? What is the wage replacement rate? How long do workers need to have been employed to access paid leave?

To answer these questions consistently across countries, the WORLD team first identify the essential policy features to be captured, including intrinsic characteristics, such as coverage; important elements identified in policy research; and minimum standards recognized in global agreements, where they exist. Researchers then read legislative text from 20 to 30 countries to develop an understanding of the approaches countries take in each of these areas. A coding framework consisting of questions and close-ended responses is developed to capture the essential policy features systematically across countries based on the range of approaches identified. Research team members then test whether this coding framework accurately captures approaches on an additional ten to twenty nations.

Once a viable framework is created, feedback is sought from civil society and researchers working in these areas to ensure the questions asked will provide the critical answers needed to inform policy debates. Their feedback can lead to more scoping and test coding to determine which questions are feasible to answer with available legislation, recognizing that some important areas are not always covered by national laws and policies. For example, access to sanitation facilities and safe transportation matters deeply to girls' ability to complete their education but is rarely addressed in a meaningful way in national-level education laws and policies. In other cases, new areas of research might involve going beyond the initial legislation we planned to code, expanding the scale of the project.

Capturing the richness and variety of approaches taken by different countries is our priority throughout the coding process. At times, research teams would have already analyzed 60 to 80 countries before coming across a single country whose approach to a particular problem was different enough in important ways that it could not be adequately captured within the coding scheme. In these cases, the coding scheme was revised to add the elements necessary to capture new features of legislation and policymaking that had presented themselves. All previously coded nations were reviewed to determine whether the revised coding system would alter how they were analyzed. In other words, the new coding system, better adapted to the full variety of approaches nations around the world take, was applied to all countries in the end.

The data sources available contained systematic information on legislation and policies but not on implementation. To ensure consistent approaches across countries, reports that contained comprehensive information on policies but only limited incidental information on implementation were coded only for policies. Obtaining systematic sources of information on implementation should be a pressing priority for global organizations.

CODING PROCESS

Core to ensuring transparency and consistency is developing a codebook that details the rules and examples for coding each question. Researchers rely on this codebook to make decisions on coding policy features. The codebook is designed to be as straightforward as possible, but some questions require judgment calls. To minimize human error, we use a double-coding system where two researchers independently code legal text for each country and then meet to compare their results. When two researchers cannot reach consensus based on the existing codebook, they bring these questions to the full coding team and senior analysts. This team meets regularly to discuss any questions or concerns that arise through the coding process. We record detailed minutes of these meetings and update the codebook to reflect any determinations that impact the coding rules.

ACCURACY, ANALYSIS, AND UPDATING

Upon completion of coding, the WORLD team conducts systematic quality checks. They also carry out targeted checks of countries that appear as outliers globally or for their region or income level.

World uses the most up-to-date sources available for each of their datasets. While this approach is designed to achieve

accuracy, it is important to note that when publicly available sources have not been fully updated, the most recent amendments may not be captured in the data. Further, the process of coding legislation inevitably involves important matters of interpretation. For all datasets, the WORLD team welcome receiving feedback and copies of laws from anyone who believes the datab may not be fully up-to-date.

DATA COLLECTORS

| Name | Abbreviation |
|------------------------------|--------------|
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Access policy

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| Name | Abbreviation | Role |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| WORLD Policy Analysis Center | WORLD | Metadata producer |

DATE OF METADATA PRODUCTION

2024-12-10

DDI DOCUMENT VERSION

Version 1

Data Description

| Data file | Cases | Variables |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1 | 1111 | 14 |
| primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1 | 1509 | 25 |

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Cases: 1111

Variables: 14

Variables

| ID | Name | Label | Question |
|-----|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|
| V1 | country | country name | |
| V2 | count1 | | |
| V3 | count2 | | |
| V4 | count3 | | |
| V5 | count4 | | |
| V6 | year | | |
| V7 | pprim_free | Tuition-free: pre-primary | |
| V8 | pprim_comp | Compulsory: pre-primary | |
| V9 | pprim_start_age | Start age: pre-primary | |
| V10 | pprim_total_yrs | Duration: pre-primary | |
| V11 | iso3 | ISO 3 | |
| V12 | region | World Bank Region | |
| V13 | wb_econ | World Bank Income-level | |
| V14 | iso2 | ISO 2 | |

Total: 14

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Cases: 1509

Variables: 25

Variables

| ID | Name | Label | Question |
|-----|------------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| V15 | country | country name | |
| V16 | count1 | | |
| V17 | count2 | | |
| V18 | count3 | | |
| V19 | count4 | | |
| V20 | year | | |
| V21 | prim_start_age | Start age: primary | |
| V22 | prim_end_age | End age: primary | |
| V23 | prim_total_yrs | Duration: primary | |
| V24 | lowsec_start_age | Start age: lower secondary | |
| V25 | lowsec_end_age | End age: lower secondary | |
| V26 | lowsec_total_yrs | Duration: lower secondary | |
| V27 | upsec_start_age | Start age: upper secondary | |
| V28 | upsec_end_age | End age: upper secondary | |
| V29 | upsec_total_yrs | Duration: upper secondary | |
| V30 | lowsec_free | Tuition-free: lower secondary | |
| V31 | upsec_free | Tuition-free: upper secondary | |
| V32 | lowsec_comp | Compulsory: lower secondary | |
| V33 | upsec_comp | Compulsory: upper secondary | |
| V34 | prim_free | Tuition-free: primary | |
| V35 | prim_comp | Compulsory: primary | |
| V36 | iso3 | ISO 3 | |
| V37 | region | World Bank Region | |
| V38 | wb_econ | World Bank Income-level | |
| V39 | iso2 | ISO 2 | |

Total: 25

COUNTRY: country name**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

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Type: Discrete Width: 32 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------|----|
| Algeria | | 22 | 2% |
| Angola | | 22 | 2% |
| Benin | | 22 | 2% |
| Botswana | | 22 | 2% |
| Burkina Faso | | 22 | 2% |
| Burundi | | 22 | 2% |
| Cameroon | | 22 | 2% |
| Cape Verde | | 22 | 2% |
| Central African Republic | | 22 | 2% |
| Chad | | 22 | 2% |
| Comoros | | 22 | 2% |
| Cote d'Ivoire | | 22 | 2% |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | | 22 | 2% |
| Djibouti | | 22 | 2% |
| Egypt | | 22 | 2% |
| Eritrea | | 22 | 2% |
| Eswatini | | 22 | 2% |
| Ethiopia | | 22 | 2% |
| Gabon | | 22 | 2% |
| Ghana | | 22 | 2% |
| Guinea | | 22 | 2% |
| Guinea-Bissau | | 22 | 2% |
| Kenya | | 22 | 2% |
| Lesotho | | 22 | 2% |
| Liberia | | 22 | 2% |
| Madagascar | | 22 | 2% |
| Malawi | | 22 | 2% |
| Mali | | 22 | 2% |
| Mauritania | | 22 | 2% |
| Mauritius | | 22 | 2% |

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| Morocco | | 22 | 2% |
| Mozambique | | 22 | 2% |
| Namibia | | 22 | 2% |
| Niger | | 22 | 2% |
| Nigeria | | 22 | 2% |
| Republic of the Congo | | 22 | 2% |
| Rwanda | | 22 | 2% |
| Sao Tome and Principe | | 22 | 2% |
| Senegal | | 22 | 2% |
| Seychelles | | 22 | 2% |
| Sierra Leone | | 22 | 2% |
| South Africa | | 22 | 2% |
| South Sudan | | 11 | 1% |
| Sudan | | 22 | 2% |
| Tanzania | | 22 | 2% |
| The Gambia | | 22 | 2% |
| Togo | | 22 | 2% |
| Tunisia | | 22 | 2% |
| Uganda | | 22 | 2% |
| Zambia | | 22 | 2% |
| Zimbabwe | | 22 | 2% |

PPRIM_TOTAL_YRS: Duration: pre-primary

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1035 Invalid: 76 Minimum: -6 Maximum: 4 Mean: 2.43 Standard deviation: 0.965
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: -6 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| -6 | | 5 | 0.5% |
| 1 | | 135 | 12.2% |
| 2 | | 315 | 28.4% |
| 3 | | 540 | 48.6% |
| 4 | | 40 | 3.6% |
| Sysmiss | | 76 | |

COUNT1:**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

COUNT2:**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

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COUNT3:**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

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Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

COUNT4:**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

YEAR:**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1****Overview**

Valid: 1111 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 2000 Maximum: 2021 Mean: 2010.554 Standard deviation: 6.347
Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 2000 - 2021 Format: Numeric

PPRIM_FREE: Tuition-free: pre-primary**Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1**

Overview

Valid: 994 Invalid: 117 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 807 | 72.6% |
| 1 | Yes | 172 | 15.5% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 15 | 1.4% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 0 | 0% |
| Sysmiss | | 117 | |

PPRIM_COMP: Compulsory: pre-primary

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1052 Invalid: 59 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 985 | 88.7% |
| 1 | Yes | 67 | 6% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 0 | 0% |
| Sysmiss | | 59 | |

PPRIM_START_AGE: Start age: pre-primary

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1035 Invalid: 76 Minimum: -6 Maximum: 6 Mean: 3.626 Standard deviation: 1.043
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: -6 - 6 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| -6 | | 5 | 0.5% |
| 3 | | 531 | 47.8% |
| 4 | | 327 | 29.4% |
| 5 | | 150 | 13.5% |
| 6 | | 22 | 2% |
| Sysmiss | | 76 | |

ISO3: ISO 3

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1111 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 3 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|----------|-------|----|
| AGO | | 22 | 2% |
| BDI | | 22 | 2% |
| BEN | | 22 | 2% |
| BFA | | 22 | 2% |
| BWA | | 22 | 2% |
| CAF | | 22 | 2% |
| CIV | | 22 | 2% |
| CMR | | 22 | 2% |
| COD | | 22 | 2% |
| COG | | 22 | 2% |
| COM | | 22 | 2% |
| CPV | | 22 | 2% |
| DJI | | 22 | 2% |
| DZA | | 22 | 2% |
| EGY | | 22 | 2% |
| ERI | | 22 | 2% |
| ETH | | 22 | 2% |
| GAB | | 22 | 2% |
| GHA | | 22 | 2% |
| GIN | | 22 | 2% |

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| GMB | | 22 | 2% |
| GNB | | 22 | 2% |
| KEN | | 22 | 2% |
| LBR | | 22 | 2% |
| LSO | | 22 | 2% |
| MAR | | 22 | 2% |
| MDG | | 22 | 2% |
| MLI | | 22 | 2% |
| MOZ | | 22 | 2% |
| MRT | | 22 | 2% |
| MUS | | 22 | 2% |
| MWI | | 22 | 2% |
| NAM | | 22 | 2% |
| NER | | 22 | 2% |
| NGA | | 22 | 2% |
| RWA | | 22 | 2% |
| SDN | | 22 | 2% |
| SEN | | 22 | 2% |
| SLE | | 22 | 2% |
| SSD | | 11 | 1% |
| STP | | 22 | 2% |
| SWZ | | 22 | 2% |
| SYC | | 22 | 2% |
| TCD | | 22 | 2% |
| TGO | | 22 | 2% |
| TUN | | 22 | 2% |
| TZA | | 22 | 2% |
| UGA | | 22 | 2% |
| ZAF | | 22 | 2% |
| ZMB | | 22 | 2% |
| ZWE | | 22 | 2% |

REGION: World Bank Region

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1111 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 26 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------|-------|
| Middle East & North Africa | | 110 | 9.9% |
| Sub-Saharan Africa | | 1001 | 90.1% |

WB_ECON: World Bank Income-level

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1111 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|---------------|-------|-------|
| 1 | Low-income | 451 | 40.6% |
| 2 | Middle-income | 638 | 57.4% |
| 4 | High-income | 22 | 2% |

ISO2: ISO 2

Data file: pprim-edu-2000-2021-v1

Overview

Valid: 1111 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 2 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|----------|-------|----|
| AO | | 22 | 2% |
| BF | | 22 | 2% |
| BI | | 22 | 2% |
| BJ | | 22 | 2% |
| BW | | 22 | 2% |
| CD | | 22 | 2% |
| CF | | 22 | 2% |

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| CG | | 22 | 2% |
| CI | | 22 | 2% |
| CM | | 22 | 2% |
| CV | | 22 | 2% |
| DJ | | 22 | 2% |
| DZ | | 22 | 2% |
| EG | | 22 | 2% |
| ER | | 22 | 2% |
| ET | | 22 | 2% |
| GA | | 22 | 2% |
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| TD | | 22 | 2% |
| TG | | 22 | 2% |
| TN | | 22 | 2% |

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| TZ | | 22 | 2% |
| UG | | 22 | 2% |
| ZA | | 22 | 2% |
| ZM | | 22 | 2% |
| ZW | | 22 | 2% |

COUNTRY: country name**Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1****Overview**

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Width: 32 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------|----|
| Algeria | | 30 | 2% |
| Angola | | 30 | 2% |
| Benin | | 30 | 2% |
| Botswana | | 30 | 2% |
| Burkina Faso | | 30 | 2% |
| Burundi | | 30 | 2% |
| Cameroon | | 30 | 2% |
| Cape Verde | | 30 | 2% |
| Central African Republic | | 30 | 2% |
| Chad | | 30 | 2% |
| Comoros | | 30 | 2% |
| Cote d'Ivoire | | 30 | 2% |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | | 30 | 2% |
| Djibouti | | 30 | 2% |
| Egypt | | 30 | 2% |
| Eritrea | | 30 | 2% |
| Eswatini | | 30 | 2% |
| Ethiopia | | 30 | 2% |
| Gabon | | 30 | 2% |
| Ghana | | 30 | 2% |
| Guinea | | 30 | 2% |
| Guinea-Bissau | | 30 | 2% |
| Kenya | | 30 | 2% |
| Lesotho | | 30 | 2% |
| Liberia | | 30 | 2% |
| Madagascar | | 30 | 2% |
| Malawi | | 30 | 2% |
| Mali | | 30 | 2% |
| Mauritania | | 30 | 2% |
| Mauritius | | 30 | 2% |

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| Morocco | | 30 | 2% |
| Mozambique | | 30 | 2% |
| Namibia | | 30 | 2% |
| Niger | | 30 | 2% |
| Nigeria | | 30 | 2% |
| Republic of the Congo | | 30 | 2% |
| Rwanda | | 30 | 2% |
| Sao Tome and Principe | | 30 | 2% |
| Senegal | | 30 | 2% |
| Seychelles | | 30 | 2% |
| Sierra Leone | | 30 | 2% |
| South Africa | | 30 | 2% |
| South Sudan | | 9 | 0.6% |
| Sudan | | 30 | 2% |
| Tanzania | | 30 | 2% |
| The Gambia | | 30 | 2% |
| Togo | | 30 | 2% |
| Tunisia | | 30 | 2% |
| Uganda | | 30 | 2% |
| Zambia | | 30 | 2% |
| Zimbabwe | | 30 | 2% |

COUNT1:**Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1****Overview**

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COUNT2:**Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

COUNT3:**Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1**

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

COUNT4:

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 1 Range: - Format: character

YEAR:

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1990 Maximum: 2019 Mean: 2004.563 Standard deviation: 8.673
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 1990 - 2019 Format: Numeric

PRIM_START_AGE: Start age: primary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1488 Invalid: 21 Minimum: 5 Maximum: 8 Mean: 6.233 Standard deviation: 0.474
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 5 - 8 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 5 | | 33 | 2.2% |
| 6 | | 1076 | 71.3% |
| 7 | | 378 | 25% |
| 8 | | 1 | 0.1% |
| Sysmiss | | 21 | |

PRIM_END_AGE: End age: primary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1488 Invalid: 21 Minimum: 9 Maximum: 14 Mean: 11.377 Standard deviation: 0.854
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 9 - 14 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 9 | | 21 | 1.4% |
| 10 | | 121 | 8% |
| 11 | | 781 | 51.8% |
| 12 | | 431 | 28.6% |
| 13 | | 109 | 7.2% |
| 14 | | 25 | 1.7% |
| Sysmiss | | 21 | |

PRIM_TOTAL_YRS: Duration: primary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1488 Invalid: 21 Minimum: 4 Maximum: 8 Mean: 6.144 Standard deviation: 0.656
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 4 - 8 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 4 | | 21 | 1.4% |
| 5 | | 117 | 7.8% |
| 6 | | 1025 | 67.9% |
| 7 | | 277 | 18.4% |
| 8 | | 48 | 3.2% |
| Sysmiss | | 21 | |

LOWSEC_START_AGE: Start age: lower secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1488 Invalid: 21 Minimum: 10 Maximum: 15 Mean: 12.377 Standard deviation: 0.854
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 10 - 15 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 10 | | 21 | 1.4% |
| 11 | | 121 | 8% |
| 12 | | 781 | 51.8% |
| 13 | | 431 | 28.6% |
| 14 | | 109 | 7.2% |
| 15 | | 25 | 1.7% |
| Sysmiss | | 21 | |

LOWSEC_END_AGE: End age: lower secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1458 Invalid: 51 Minimum: 13 Maximum: 999 Mean: 72.116 Standard deviation: 230.702
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 3 Range: 13 - 999 Format: Numeric

LOWSEC_TOTAL_YRS: Duration: lower secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1458 Invalid: 51 Minimum: 2 Maximum: 7 Mean: 3.487 Standard deviation: 0.914
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 2 - 7 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 2 | | 162 | 10.7% |
| 3 | | 603 | 40% |
| 4 | | 580 | 38.4% |
| 5 | | 66 | 4.4% |
| 6 | | 28 | 1.9% |
| 7 | | 19 | 1.3% |
| Sysmiss | | 51 | |

UPSEC_START_AGE: Start age: upper secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1458 Invalid: 51 Minimum: 14 Maximum: 999 Mean: 73.058 Standard deviation: 230.468
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 3 Range: 14 - 999 Format: Numeric

UPSEC_END_AGE: End age: upper secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1458 Invalid: 51 Minimum: 16 Maximum: 19 Mean: 17.594 Standard deviation: 0.736
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 16 - 19 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| 16 | | 54 | 3.6% |
| 17 | | 649 | 43% |
| 18 | | 590 | 39.1% |
| 19 | | 165 | 10.9% |
| Sysmiss | | 51 | |

UPSEC_TOTAL_YRS: Duration: upper secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1458 Invalid: 51 Minimum: 2 Maximum: 999 Mean: 60.951 Standard deviation: 233.48
 Type: Continuous Decimal: 0 Width: 3 Range: 2 - 999 Format: Numeric

LOWSEC_FREE: Tuition-free: lower secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1446 Invalid: 63 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 2
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|----------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 786 | 52.1% |
| 1 | Yes | 633 | 41.9% |

| | | | |
|---------|------------------------|----|------|
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 27 | 1.8% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 0 | 0% |
| Sysmiss | | 63 | |

UPSEC_FREE: Tuition-free: upper secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1440 Invalid: 69 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 1049 | 69.5% |
| 1 | Yes | 341 | 22.6% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 33 | 2.2% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 17 | 1.1% |
| Sysmiss | | 69 | |

LOWSEC_COMP: Compulsory: lower secondary

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1434 Invalid: 75 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 890 | 59% |
| 1 | Yes | 529 | 35.1% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 15 | 1% |
| Sysmiss | | 75 | |

UPSEC_COMP: Compulsory: upper secondary**Data file:** primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1446 Invalid: 63 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 1357 | 89.9% |
| 1 | Yes | 20 | 1.3% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 69 | 4.6% |
| Sysmiss | | 63 | |

PRIM_FREE: Tuition-free: primary**Data file:** primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1444 Invalid: 65 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 509 | 33.7% |
| 1 | Yes | 914 | 60.6% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 13 | 0.9% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 8 | 0.5% |
| Sysmiss | | 65 | |

PRIM_COMP: Compulsory: primary**Data file:** primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1**Overview**

Valid: 1440 Invalid: 69 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 3
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 3 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|---------|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0 | No | 436 | 28.9% |
| 1 | Yes | 996 | 66% |
| 2 | Broad targeted program | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | Yes, for part | 8 | 0.5% |
| Sysmiss | | 69 | |

ISO3: ISO 3

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Width: 3 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|----------|-------|----|
| AGO | | 30 | 2% |
| BDI | | 30 | 2% |
| BEN | | 30 | 2% |
| BFA | | 30 | 2% |
| BWA | | 30 | 2% |
| CAF | | 30 | 2% |
| CIV | | 30 | 2% |
| CMR | | 30 | 2% |
| COD | | 30 | 2% |
| COG | | 30 | 2% |
| COM | | 30 | 2% |
| CPV | | 30 | 2% |
| DJI | | 30 | 2% |
| DZA | | 30 | 2% |
| EGY | | 30 | 2% |
| ERI | | 30 | 2% |
| ETH | | 30 | 2% |
| GAB | | 30 | 2% |

| | | | |
|-----|--|----|------|
| GHA | | 30 | 2% |
| GIN | | 30 | 2% |
| GMB | | 30 | 2% |
| GNB | | 30 | 2% |
| KEN | | 30 | 2% |
| LBR | | 30 | 2% |
| LSO | | 30 | 2% |
| MAR | | 30 | 2% |
| MDG | | 30 | 2% |
| MLI | | 30 | 2% |
| MOZ | | 30 | 2% |
| MRT | | 30 | 2% |
| MUS | | 30 | 2% |
| MWI | | 30 | 2% |
| NAM | | 30 | 2% |
| NER | | 30 | 2% |
| NGA | | 30 | 2% |
| RWA | | 30 | 2% |
| SDN | | 30 | 2% |
| SEN | | 30 | 2% |
| SLE | | 30 | 2% |
| SSD | | 9 | 0.6% |
| STP | | 30 | 2% |
| SWZ | | 30 | 2% |
| SYC | | 30 | 2% |
| TCD | | 30 | 2% |
| TGO | | 30 | 2% |
| TUN | | 30 | 2% |
| TZA | | 30 | 2% |
| UGA | | 30 | 2% |
| ZAF | | 30 | 2% |
| ZMB | | 30 | 2% |
| ZWE | | 30 | 2% |

REGION: World Bank Region

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Width: 26 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------|-------|
| Middle East & North Africa | | 150 | 9.9% |
| Sub-Saharan Africa | | 1359 | 90.1% |

WB_ECON: World Bank Income-level

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 4
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 4 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|---------------|-------|-------|
| 1 | Low-income | 609 | 40.4% |
| 2 | Middle-income | 870 | 57.7% |
| 4 | High-income | 30 | 2% |

ISO2: ISO 2

Data file: primsec-edu-1990-2019-v1

Overview

Valid: 1509 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Width: 2 Range: - Format: character

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

| Value | Category | Cases | |
|-------|----------|-------|----|
| AO | | 30 | 2% |
| BF | | 30 | 2% |
| BI | | 30 | 2% |
| BJ | | 30 | 2% |
| BW | | 30 | 2% |
| CD | | 30 | 2% |

| | | | |
|----|--|----|------|
| CF | | 30 | 2% |
| CG | | 30 | 2% |
| CI | | 30 | 2% |
| CM | | 30 | 2% |
| CV | | 30 | 2% |
| DJ | | 30 | 2% |
| DZ | | 30 | 2% |
| EG | | 30 | 2% |
| ER | | 30 | 2% |
| ET | | 30 | 2% |
| GA | | 30 | 2% |
| GH | | 30 | 2% |
| GM | | 30 | 2% |
| GN | | 30 | 2% |
| GW | | 30 | 2% |
| KE | | 30 | 2% |
| KM | | 30 | 2% |
| LR | | 30 | 2% |
| LS | | 30 | 2% |
| MA | | 30 | 2% |
| MG | | 30 | 2% |
| ML | | 30 | 2% |
| MR | | 30 | 2% |
| MU | | 30 | 2% |
| MW | | 30 | 2% |
| MZ | | 30 | 2% |
| NA | | 30 | 2% |
| NE | | 30 | 2% |
| NG | | 30 | 2% |
| RW | | 30 | 2% |
| SC | | 30 | 2% |
| SD | | 30 | 2% |
| SL | | 30 | 2% |
| SN | | 30 | 2% |
| SS | | 9 | 0.6% |
| ST | | 30 | 2% |
| SZ | | 30 | 2% |
| TD | | 30 | 2% |
| TG | | 30 | 2% |

| | | | |
|----|--|----|----|
| TN | | 30 | 2% |
| TZ | | 30 | 2% |
| UG | | 30 | 2% |
| ZA | | 30 | 2% |
| ZM | | 30 | 2% |
| ZW | | 30 | 2% |

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