

World - WORLD Child Marriage Laws 2023

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Identification

SURVEY ID NUMBER
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TITLE
WORLD Child Marriage Laws 2023

ABBREVIATION OR ACRONYM
WCML 2023

COUNTRY

Name
World

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. The WORLD Child Marriage Laws 2023 dataset was created to assess progress on laws prohibiting child marriage which jeopardizes educational attainment, health, economic opportunities, and gender equality through a systematic review of legislation governing the legal minimum age of marriage across all 193 UN countries as of May 2023. The dataset covers the legal minimum age of marriage for girls and boys, as well as exceptions to minimum ages with parental consent and under religious and customary law. Public use legislative repositories are also included providing the legal documents used to code African and Non-African countries.

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

VERSION NOTES

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

Scope

NOTES

The data covers the legislated minimum age of marriage for boys and girls, including legal loopholes that allow for earlier marriage with parental consent or under religious and customary law. Data is included for all 193 UN member states

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC UNIT

The data is at the level of country and includes all 193 UN member states

Producers and sponsors

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Data Collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

Start
2023

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Other

SUPERVISION

Ethics approval was not required because all data is from publicly available legislative texts.

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, our first priority is to identify sources containing full-text original legislation. To ensure the greatest level of accuracy and comparability across countries, we always aim 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. We review documents 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, we prioritize those that are comparable across multiple countries, such as global or regional sources. When using information sources that cover a limited number of countries, we aim to ensure that the information they contain can be made consistent with other sources.

This dataset was created through a systematic review of legislation available as of May 31, 2023. The legislation 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 database captures national-level legislation. In countries where minimum age

of marriage laws are set at the state or provincial level we coded based on the lowest minimum age provisions. Given that the scope of the project includes 193 UN member states, and that the role and strength of case law varies substantially across countries, we were unable to include an analysis of case law relevant to legal provisions for the minimum age of marriage. 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.

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, we first identify the essential policy features that we want to capture, 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 we have a viable framework, we seek feedback from civil society and researchers working in these areas to ensure the questions we are asking 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 aren't 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, we conduct systematic quality checks. We also carry out targeted checks of countries that appear as outliers globally or for their region or income level.

For each of our data sets, we use the most up-to-date sources available. 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 our data sets. Further, our process of coding legislation inevitably involves important matters of interpretation. For all data sets, we welcome receiving feedback and copies of laws from anyone who believes the data sets may not be fully up-to-date

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DDI DOCUMENT VERSION

Version 1

Data Description

Data file	Cases	Variables
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Cases: 193

Variables: 85

Variables

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V1	country	country name	
V2	iso2	iso 2	
V3	iso3	iso 3	
V4	region	world bank region	
V5	wb_econ	world bank income-level	
V6	minage_fem_leg	min age of marriage for girls	
V7	minage_fem_pc	min age of marriage with parental consent for girls	
V8	minage_fem_crlaw	min age of marriage under customary & religious law for girls	
V9	minage_fem_any	min age of marriage with all exceptions considered for girls	
V10	protect_girl_13	circumstances 13-year-old girls can be married	
V11	protect_girl_15	circumstances 15-year-old girls can be married	
V12	protect_girl_17	circumstances 17-year-old girls can be married	
V13	except_crlaw	under customary & religious law exception to min age of marriage	
V14	except_pc	with parental consent exception to min age of marriage	
V15	except_preg	pregnancy exception to min age of marriage	
V16	minage_mal_leg	min age of marriage for boys	
V17	minage_mal_pc	min age of marriage with parental consent for boys	
V18	minage_mal_crlaw	min age of marriage under customary & religious law for boys	
V19	minage_mal_any	min age of marriage with all exceptions considered for boys	
V20	protect_boy_13	circumstances 13-year-old boys can be married	
V21	protect_boy_15	circumstances 15-year-old boys can be married	
V22	protect_boy_17	circumstances 17-year-old boys can be married	
V23	legal_diff_leg	gender disparity in legal min age of marriage	
V24	legal_diff_pc	gender disparity in legal min age of marriage with parental consent	
V25	minage_fem_loop	min age of marriage with loophole exceptions for girls	
V26	minage_mal_loop	min age of marriage with loophole exceptions for boys	
V27	loop_summ	quality of laws prohibiting early marriage when loophole exceptions considered	
V28	minage_par_18_f_1995	1995: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
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V30	minage_par_18_f_1997	1997: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
V31	minage_par_18_f_1998	1998: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
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V34	minage_par_18_f_2001	2001: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
V35	minage_par_18_f_2002	2002: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
V36	minage_par_18_f_2003	2003: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
V37	minage_par_18_f_2004	2004: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	
V38	minage_par_18_f_2005	2005: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	

ID	Name	Label	Question
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V85	minage_par_18_m_2023	2023: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)	

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COUNTRY: country name**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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Questions and instructions

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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REGION: world bank region

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
Americas		35	18.1%
East Asia & Pacific		30	15.5%
Europe & Central Asia		53	27.5%
Middle East & North Africa		19	9.8%
South Asia		8	4.1%
Sub-Saharan Africa		48	24.9%

WB_ECON: world bank income-level

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	low-income	26	13.5%
2	middle-income	106	55.2%
4	high-income	60	31.3%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_FEM_LEG: min age of marriage for girls**Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	7	3.6%
2	14 to 15 years old	1	0.5%
3	16 to 17 years old	7	3.6%
5	18 years old or older	177	92.2%
9	set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_FEM_PC: min age of marriage with parental consent for girls**Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	9	4.7%
2	14 to 15 years old	13	6.8%
3	16 to 17 years old	41	21.4%
5	18 years old or older	129	67.2%
9	set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_FEM_CRLAW: min age of marriage under customary & religious law for girls**Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	23	12.3%
2	14 to 15 years old	1	0.5%
3	16 to 17 years old	7	3.7%
5	18 years old or older	141	75.4%
9	set by religious or customary law	15	8%
Sysmiss		6	

MINAGE_FEM_ANY: min age of marriage with all exceptions considered for girls

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 188 Invalid: 5 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	47	25%
2	14 to 15 years old	10	5.3%
3	16 to 17 years old	57	30.3%
5	18 years old or older	59	31.4%
9	set by religious or customary law	15	8%
Sysmiss		5	

PROTECT_GIRL_15: circumstances 15-year-old girls can be married

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 188 Invalid: 5 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no restrictions	8	4.3%
2	can marry with parental consent and/or under religious or cu	38	20.2%
3	only permitted with court approval and/or pregnancy	27	14.4%
5	marriage legally prohibited	115	61.2%
Sysmiss		5	

PROTECT_GIRL_17: circumstances 17-year-old girls can be married

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 188 Invalid: 5 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no restrictions	15	8%
2	can marry with parental consent and/or under religious or cu	67	35.6%
3	only permitted with court approval and/or pregnancy	48	25.5%
5	marriage legally prohibited	58	30.9%
Sysmiss		5	

EXCEPT_CRLAW: under customary & religious law exception to min age of marriage

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 189 Invalid: 4 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	girls can be married under age 18 in all circumstances	15	7.9%
2	there is a religious and/or customary law exception to the m	32	16.9%
5	there is no religious or customary law exception to the mini	142	75.1%
Sysmiss		4	

EXCEPT_PC: with parental consent exception to min age of marriage

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 193 Invalid: 0 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	girls can be married under age 18 in all circumstances	15	7.8%
2	there is a parental consent exception to the minimum age of	48	24.9%
3	there is a parental consent exception with additional requir	35	18.1%
5	there is no parental consent exception to the minimum age of	95	49.2%

EXCEPT_PREG: pregnancy exception to min age of marriage

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	girls can be married under 18 in all circumstances	15	7.8%
2	there is an exception to the minimum age of marriage in case	7	3.6%
5	there is no exception to the minimum age of marriage in case	170	88.5%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_MAL_LEG: min age of marriage for boys

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	4	2.1%
2	14 to 15 years old	1	0.5%
3	16 to 17 years old	3	1.6%
5	18 years old or older	184	95.8%
9	set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_MAL_PC: min age of marriage with parental consent for boys

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	6	3.1%
2	14 to 15 years old	7	3.6%
3	16 to 17 years old	31	16.1%
5	18 years old or older	148	77.1%
9	set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_MAL_CRLAW: min age of marriage under customary & religious law for boys

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
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1	13 years old or younger	19	10.2%
2	14 to 15 years old	1	0.5%
3	16 to 17 years old	5	2.7%
5	18 years old or older	147	78.6%
9	set by religious or customary law	15	8%
Sysmiss		6	

MINAGE_MAL_ANY: min age of marriage with all exceptions considered for boys

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 188 Invalid: 5 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	46	24.5%
2	14 to 15 years old	7	3.7%
3	16 to 17 years old	55	29.3%
5	18 years old or older	65	34.6%
9	set by religious or customary law	15	8%
Sysmiss		5	

PROTECT_BOY_13: circumstances 13-year-old boys can be married

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no restrictions	4	2.1%
2	can marry with parental consent and/or under religious or cu	32	17.1%
3	only permitted with court approval and/or pregnancy	25	13.4%
5	marriage legally prohibited	126	67.4%

Sysmiss		6	
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PROTECT_BOY_15: circumstances 15-year-old boys can be married

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no restrictions	5	2.7%
2	can marry with parental consent and/or under religious or cu	35	18.7%
3	only permitted with court approval and/or pregnancy	28	15%
5	marriage legally prohibited	119	63.6%
Sysmiss		6	

PROTECT_BOY_17: circumstances 17-year-old boys can be married

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 5 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no restrictions	8	4.3%
2	can marry with parental consent and/or under religious or cu	63	33.7%
3	only permitted with court approval and/or pregnancy	52	27.8%
5	marriage legally prohibited	64	34.2%
Sysmiss		6	

LEGAL_DIFF_LEG: gender disparity in legal min age of marriage

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no specific minimum age for girls	6	3.1%
2	girls can be married 3 years younger than boys	3	1.6%
3	girls can be married 1 to 2 years younger than boys	10	5.2%
5	no difference in minimum age	173	90.1%
9	unknown minimum age set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

LEGAL_DIFF_PC: gender disparity in legal min age of marriage with parental consent

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 192 Invalid: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 5
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	no specific minimum age for girls	6	3.1%
2	girls can be married 3 years younger than boys	10	5.2%
3	girls can be married 1 to 2 years younger than boys	22	11.5%
5	no difference in minimum age	154	80.2%
9	unknown minimum age set by religious or customary law	0	0%
Sysmiss		1	

MINAGE_FEM_LOOP: min age of marriage with loophole exceptions for girls

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	26	13.9%
2	14 to 15 years old	6	3.2%
3	16 to 17 years old	36	19.3%
5	18 years old or older	106	56.7%
9	set by religious or customary law	13	7%
Sysmiss		6	

MINAGE_MAL_LOOP: min age of marriage with loophole exceptions for boys

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	13 years old or younger	22	11.8%
2	14 to 15 years old	4	2.1%
3	16 to 17 years old	31	16.6%
5	18 years old or older	116	62%
9	set by religious or customary law	14	7.5%
Sysmiss		6	

LOOP_SUMM: quality of laws prohibiting early marriage when loophole exceptions considered

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 187 Invalid: 6 Minimum: 1 Maximum: 9
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
1	girls can be married at age 13 or younger	26	13.9%
2	gender inequality in age, and girls can be married at ages 1	12	6.4%
3	gender inequality in age, or girls can be married at ages 14	35	18.7%
5	gender parity, and cannot be married until 18 years old or o	101	54%
9	unknown minimum age set by religious and customary law	13	7%
Sysmiss		6	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_1995: 1995: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 114 Invalid: 79 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	92	80.7%
1	yes	22	19.3%
Sysmiss		79	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_1996: 1996: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 114 Invalid: 79 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	90	78.9%
1	yes	24	21.1%
Sysmiss		79	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_1997: 1997: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 115 Invalid: 78 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	89	77.4%
1	yes	26	22.6%
Sysmiss		78	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_1998: 1998: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	89	76.1%
1	yes	28	23.9%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_1999: 1999: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	88	75.2%
1	yes	29	24.8%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2000: 2000: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	87	74.4%
1	yes	30	25.6%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2001: 2001: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	83	70.9%
1	yes	34	29.1%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2002: 2002: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 118 Invalid: 75 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	84	71.2%
1	yes	34	28.8%
Sysmiss		75	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2003: 2003: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 119 Invalid: 74 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	83	69.7%
1	yes	36	30.3%
Sysmiss		74	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2004: 2004: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 120 Invalid: 73 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	81	67.5%

1	yes	39	32.5%
Sysmiss		73	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2005: 2005: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 121 Invalid: 72 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	78	64.5%
1	yes	43	35.5%
Sysmiss		72	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2006: 2006: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	78	64.5%
1	yes	43	35.5%
Sysmiss		72	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2007: 2007: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	75	61.5%
1	yes	47	38.5%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2008: 2008: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	72	59%
1	yes	50	41%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2009: 2009: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	70	57.4%
1	yes	52	42.6%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2010: 2010: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	70	57.4%
1	yes	52	42.6%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2011: 2011: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 123 Invalid: 70 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	68	55.3%
1	yes	55	44.7%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2012: 2012: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	65	52.8%
1	yes	58	47.2%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2013: 2013: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	64	52%
1	yes	59	48%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2014: 2014: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 123 Invalid: 70 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	63	51.2%
1	yes	60	48.8%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2015: 2015: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 123 Invalid: 70 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	61	49.6%
1	yes	62	50.4%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2016: 2016: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	61	49.6%
1	yes	62	50.4%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2017: 2017: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

Valid: 123 Invalid: 70 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	57	46.3%
1	yes	66	53.7%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2018: 2018: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	57	46.3%
1	yes	66	53.7%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2019: 2019: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 123 Invalid: 70 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	50	40.7%
1	yes	73	59.3%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2020: 2020: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	50	40.7%
1	yes	73	59.3%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2021: 2021: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	47	38.2%
1	yes	76	61.8%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2022: 2022: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	43	35.2%

1	yes	79	64.8%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_F_2023: 2023: min age of marriage for girls with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	43	35.2%
1	yes	79	64.8%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_1995: 1995: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 114 Invalid: 79 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	50	43.9%
1	yes	64	56.1%
Sysmiss		79	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_1996: 1996: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 114 Invalid: 79 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	50	43.9%
1	yes	64	56.1%
Sysmiss		79	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_1997: 1997: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

OverviewValid: 115 Invalid: 78 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric**Questions and instructions**

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	49	42.6%
1	yes	66	57.4%
Sysmiss		78	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_1998: 1998: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

OverviewValid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric**Questions and instructions**

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	50	42.7%
1	yes	67	57.3%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_1999: 1999: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	48	41%
1	yes	69	59%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2000: 2000: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	48	41%
1	yes	69	59%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2001: 2001: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 117 Invalid: 76 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	44	37.6%
1	yes	73	62.4%
Sysmiss		76	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2002: 2002: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 118 Invalid: 75 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	46	39%
1	yes	72	61%
Sysmiss		75	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2003: 2003: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 119 Invalid: 74 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	46	38.7%
1	yes	73	61.3%
Sysmiss		74	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2004: 2004: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	46	38.3%
1	yes	74	61.7%
Sysmiss		73	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2005: 2005: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	43	35.5%
1	yes	78	64.5%
Sysmiss		72	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2006: 2006: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	42	34.7%
1	yes	79	65.3%
Sysmiss		72	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2007: 2007: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

Valid: 122 Invalid: 71 Minimum: 0 Maximum: 1
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	41	33.6%
1	yes	81	66.4%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2008: 2008: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	41	33.6%
1	yes	81	66.4%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2009: 2009: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	41	33.6%
1	yes	81	66.4%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2010: 2010: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	41	33.6%
1	yes	81	66.4%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2011: 2011: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	41	33.3%

1	yes	82	66.7%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2012: 2012: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	39	31.7%
1	yes	84	68.3%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2013: 2013: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cml-2023-v1

Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	40	32.5%
1	yes	83	67.5%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2014: 2014: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	39	31.7%
1	yes	84	68.3%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2015: 2015: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	37	30.1%
1	yes	86	69.9%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2016: 2016: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

Data file: world-cmi-2023-v1

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 1 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	37	30.1%
1	yes	86	69.9%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2017: 2017: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	33	26.8%
1	yes	90	73.2%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2018: 2018: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	33	26.8%
1	yes	90	73.2%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2019: 2019: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	30	24.4%
1	yes	93	75.6%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2020: 2020: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	30	24.4%
1	yes	93	75.6%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2021: 2021: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	29	23.6%
1	yes	94	76.4%
Sysmiss		70	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2022: 2022: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	27	22.1%
1	yes	95	77.9%
Sysmiss		71	

MINAGE_PAR_18_M_2023: 2023: min age of marriage for boys with parental consent at least 18 (y/n)**Data file: world-cml-2023-v1****Overview**

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category	Cases	
0	no	27	22.1%
1	yes	95	77.9%
Sysmiss		71	

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