

TABLE 8. WOMEN

Countries and territories	Life expectancy: females as a % of males 2008	Adult literacy rate: females as a % of males 2003–2007*	Enrolment and attendance ratios: females as a % of males				Contraceptive prevalence (%) 2003–2008*	Antenatal care coverage (%) 2003–2008*		Delivery care coverage (%) 2003–2008*		Maternal mortality ratio ^a		
			Net primary school 2003–2008*		Net secondary school 2003–2008*			At least once	At least four times	Skilled attendant at birth	Institutional delivery	2005		Lifetime risk of maternal death, 1 in:
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Afghanistan	100	29x	63	60	–	33	10	16	–	14	13	1600x	1800	8
Albania	109	99	99	100	98	97	60	97	–	100	98	20	92	490
Algeria	104	79	98	99	106	112	61	89	–	95	95	120x	180	220
Andorra	–	–	99	–	107	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Angola	109	65x	–	102x	–	90x	6x	80	32x	47	46	–	1400	12
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	98	–	–	–	53x	100	–	100	–	–	–	–
Argentina	111	100	99	–	110	–	–	99	89	99	99	44	77	530
Armenia	109	100	105	99	104	102	53	93	71	100	100	15	76	980
Australia	106	–	101	–	102	–	–	100x	–	100x	–	–	4	13300
Austria	107	–	101	–	–	–	51x	100x	–	100x	–	–	4	21500
Azerbaijan	107	99	98	98	96	98	51	77	45	88	78	26	82	670
Bahamas	108	–	103	–	102	–	–	98	–	99	–	–	16	2700
Bahrain	104	96	100	100x	105	111x	62x	97x	–	98x	98x	46x	32	1300
Bangladesh	103	82	104	106	104	114	56	51	21	18	15	350	570	51
Barbados	107	–	101	–	105	–	55x	100	–	100	–	–	16	4400
Belarus	119	100	98	101	102	102	73	99	–	100	100	12	18	4800
Belgium	108	–	100	–	96	–	78x	–	–	–	–	–	8	7800
Belize	105	–	101	100	109	103	34	94	76x	95	87	85	52	560
Benin	104	53	84	87	50x	66	17	84	61	74	78	400	840	20
Bhutan	106	63	100	91	101	–	35	88	–	71	55	260x	440	55
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	107	90	101	99	98	98	61	77	58	66	68	230	290	89
Bosnia and Herzegovina	107	95x	–	101	–	100	36	99	–	100	100	3	3	29000
Botswana	100	100	103	103x	114	122x	48x	97x	–	94x	80x	330x	380	130
Brazil	111	101	102	101	111	108	81	98	89	97	98	75	–	–
Brunei Darussalam	106	96	100	–	105	–	–	100x	–	99x	–	0x	13	2900
Bulgaria	110	99	99	–	98	–	86x	–	–	99	100	7	11	7400
Burkina Faso	105	59	82	90	72	91	17	85	18	54	51	480x	700	22
Burundi	106	78x	97	97	–	79	9	92	–	34	29	620	1100	16
Cambodia	106	79	96	102	86	90	40	69	27	44	22	470	540	48
Cameroon	102	78x	–	94	–	93	29	82	60	63	61	670	1000	24
Canada	106	–	100x	–	–	–	75x	–	–	98x	–	–	7	11000
Cape Verde	108	88	98	100x	114	–	61	98	72	78	78	16	210	120
Central African Republic	107	52x	71	84	71	64	19	69	40x	53	51	540	980	25
Chad	105	31x	70	76	33	51	3	39	18	14	13	1100	1500	11
Chile	108	100	–	–	–	–	58	95x	–	100	100x	19	16	3200
China	105	93	100	–	–	–	85	91	–	98	92	37	45	1300
Colombia	111	100	100	102	111	111	78	94	83	96	92	73	130	290
Comoros	107	87	95	100x	101	103x	26x	75	52x	62x	43x	380	400	52
Congo	104	89	90	101	–	104	44	86	75	83	82	780	740	22
Cook Islands	–	–	103	–	110x	–	44x	–	–	98x	–	6x	–	–
Costa Rica	106	101	102	102	107	110	96	90	86	99	94	33	30	1400
Côte d'Ivoire	105	63x	80	87	57x	69	13	85	45	57	54	540	810	27
Croatia	109	98	99	–	102	–	–	–	–	100	–	10	7	10500
Cuba	105	100	100	–	102	–	77	100	–	100	100	29	45	1400
Cyprus	106	98	100	–	102	–	–	–	–	–	–	0x	10	6400
Czech Republic	108	–	103	–	–	–	69x	99x	97x	100	–	8	4	18100
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	106	–	–	–	–	–	62x	–	–	97	–	110x	370	140
Democratic Republic of the Congo	107	67x	–	95	–	77	21	85	47	74	70	550	1100	13
Denmark	106	–	101	–	103	–	–	–	–	–	–	10x	3	17800
Djibouti	105	–	82	99	66	82	23	92	7x	61	87	550x	650	35
Dominica	–	–	106	–	110	–	50x	100	–	94	–	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	108	101	101	102	122	140	73	99	95	98	98	160	150	230
Ecuador	108	98	101	–	102	–	73	84	58	99x	74	60	210	170
Egypt	105	73	96	97	94x	93	60	74	66	79	72	84x	130	230
El Salvador	114	94	101	–	105	–	73	94	78	92	84	59	170	190
Equatorial Guinea	105	86x	90	98x	–	95x	–	86x	–	65x	–	–	680	28
Eritrea	108	–	87	93x	67	92x	8x	70x	41x	28x	26x	1000x	450	44
Estonia	116	100	99	–	102	–	70x	–	–	100	–	7	25	2900
Ethiopia	105	46	92	101	65	77	15	28	12	6	5	670	720	27
Fiji	107	–	99	–	110	–	35x	–	–	99x	–	34	210	160
Finland	109	–	100	–	100	–	–	100x	–	100x	100	6x	7	8500

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France	109	–	100	–	102	–	75x	99x	–	99x	–	10x	8	6900
Gabon	105	91	99x	100x	–	106x	33x	94x	63x	86x	85x	520x	520	53
Gambia	106	–	109	103	94	87	18x	98	–	57	55	730x	690	32
Georgia	110	–	97	101	101	98	47	94	75	98	96	23	66	1100
Germany	107	–	100	–	–	–	75x	–	–	–	–	8	4	19200
Ghana	103	81	97	100	91	99	24	96	78	55	57	450	560	45
Greece	106	98	100	–	101	–	–	–	–	–	–	1x	3	25900
Grenada	104	–	94	–	102	–	54	100	–	99	–	–	–	–
Guatemala	111	86	96	94x	92	103x	43x	84x	–	41x	42x	130	290	71
Guinea	107	42	87	87	57	66	9	88	50	46	39	980	910	19
Guinea-Bissau	107	72	71x	97	55x	88	10	78	–	39	36	410	1100	13
Guyana	109	–	–	100	–	110	34	81	–	83	83	160	470	90
Haiti	106	106	–	107	–	117	32	85	54	26	25	630	670	44
Holy See	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Honduras	107	102	102	104	–	123	65	92	81	67	67	110x	280	93
Hungary	112	100	99	–	100	–	77x	–	–	100	–	8	6	13300
Iceland	104	–	99	–	102	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	12700
India	105	71	96	96	–	83	56	74	37	47	39	250	450	70
Indonesia	106	93	96	98	100	103	61	93	82	79	46	230	420	97
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	104	88	110	97x	94	–	79	98	94	97	96	25	140	300
Iraq	112	76x	94	88	70	75	50	84	–	80	65	84	300	72
Ireland	106	–	101	–	106	–	–	–	–	100	100	6x	1	47600
Israel	105	–	101	–	100	–	–	–	–	–	–	5x	4	7800
Italy	108	99	99	–	101	–	60x	–	68	–	–	7x	3	26600
Jamaica	110	113	100	100	105	105	69x	91	87x	97	94	95	170	240
Japan	109	–	–	–	100	–	56x	–	–	100x	–	8x	6	11600
Jordan	105	93	102	100	103	104	57	99	94	99	99	41	62	450
Kazakhstan	121	100	100	99	99	100	51	100	70x	100	100	31	140	360
Kenya	102	90x	102	100	97	114	39	88	52	42	39	410	560	39
Kiribati	–	–	101x	–	111	–	22	88x	–	63	–	56	–	–
Kuwait	105	97	99	–	105	–	50x	95x	–	98x	98x	5x	4	9600
Kyrgyzstan	112	100	99	103	102	103	48	97	81x	98	97	100	150	240
Lao People's Democratic Republic	104	83	94	95	86	82	38	35	–	20	17	410	660	33
Latvia	115	100	103	–	–	–	48x	–	–	100	–	9	10	8500
Lebanon	106	–	99	99x	112	113x	58	96	–	98x	–	100x	150	290
Lesotho	103	123x	104	108	155	171	37	90	70	55	52	760	960	45
Liberia	105	85	93	93	89	84	11	79	66	46	37	990	1200	12
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	107	83	–	–	–	–	45x	81x	–	94x	–	77x	97	350
Liechtenstein	–	–	103	–	111	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lithuania	118	100	99	–	101	–	47x	–	–	100	–	13	11	7800
Luxembourg	107	–	101	–	105	–	–	–	–	100	–	0x	12	5000
Madagascar	106	85x	101	104	104	125	27	80	40	51	32	470	510	38
Malawi	104	82	107	101	91	98	41	92	57	54	54	810	1100	18
Malaysia	107	95	100	–	110	–	55x	79	–	98	98	30	62	560
Maldives	104	100	100	–	109	–	39	81x	91	84	–	140x	120	200
Mali	103	51	81	86	–	72	8	70	35	49	45	460	970	15
Malta	105	104	99	–	107	–	–	–	–	98x	–	–	8	8300
Marshall Islands	–	–	99	–	106	–	45	81	77	86	85	74x	–	–
Mauritania	107	76	106	105	90	82	9	75	16x	61	48	690	820	22
Mauritius	111	94	101	–	114	–	76x	–	–	98	98	22	15	3300
Mexico	107	96	99	100	99	–	71	94	–	93	86	56	60	670
Micronesia (Federated States of)	102	–	–	–	–	–	45x	–	–	88x	–	270x	–	–
Monaco	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mongolia	110	101	101	102	111	106	66	99	–	99	99	49	46	840
Montenegro	106	–	–	99	–	101	39	97	–	99	100	13	–	–
Morocco	106	63	95	97	84	93	63	68	31	63	61	230	240	150
Mozambique	103	58	93	97	91	98	16	89	53	55	58	410	520	45
Myanmar	107	92x	–	102	100	94	34	76x	22x	57x	16x	320	380	110
Namibia	103	99	106	101	121	132	55	95	70	81	81	450	210	170
Nauru	–	–	–	–	–	–	36	95	40	97	99	–	–	–
Nepal	102	62	95	95	–	83	48	44	29	19	18	280	830	31

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Netherlands	105	–	99	–	101	–	79x	–	–	100x	–	7x	6	10200
New Zealand	105	–	100	–	103x	–	75x	95x	–	100x	–	15x	9	5900
Nicaragua	109	102	100	108x	116	132x	72	90	78	74	74	87	170	150
Niger	103	37	74	70	63	65	11	46	15	33	17	650	1800	7
Nigeria	102	80	86	88	–	87	15	58	47	39	35	–	1100	18
Niue	–	–	–	–	105x	–	23x	–	–	100	–	–	–	–
Norway	106	–	101	–	101	–	–	–	–	–	–	6x	7	7700
Occupied Palestinian Territory	104	92	100	101x	106	–	50	99	–	99	97	–	–	–
Oman	104	87	103	–	101	–	32x	100x	86	99	99	23	64	420
Pakistan	101	59	78	88	76	83	30	61	28	39	34	280	320	74
Palau	–	–	96x	–	–	–	17x	–	–	100x	–	0x	–	–
Panama	107	99	99	–	111	–	–	72x	–	92	92	60	130	270
Papua New Guinea	107	86	–	–	–	–	32	79	55	53	52	730x	470	55
Paraguay	106	99	101	100	106	99	79	96	91	82	85	120	150	170
Peru	108	90	102	101	100	100	71	91	87	71	72	190x	240	140
Philippines	106	101	102	102	121	127	51	91	70	62	44	160	230	140
Poland	112	99	101	–	102	–	49x	–	–	100	–	3	8	10600
Portugal	109	97	99	–	110	–	–	–	–	100x	–	8x	11	6400
Qatar	103	100	100	–	98	–	43x	–	–	99x	98x	10x	12	2700
Republic of Korea	109	–	93x	–	94	–	81x	–	–	100x	–	20	14	6100
Republic of Moldova	112	99	98	102	103	103	68	98	89	100	99	16	22	3700
Romania	110	99	100	–	98	–	70	94	76	98	98	15	24	3200
Russian Federation	121	100	100	–	–	–	–	–	–	100	–	22	28	2700
Rwanda	107	84x	103	103	–	88	36	96	13	52	45	750	1300	16
Saint Kitts and Nevis	–	–	106	–	99	–	54	100	–	100	–	–	–	–
Saint Lucia	105	–	99	–	122	–	47x	99	–	98	–	–	–	–
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	106	–	94	–	124	–	48	95	–	100	–	–	–	–
Samoa	109	99	102	–	114	–	43x	–	–	100x	–	29x	–	–
San Marino	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sao Tome and Principe	106	89	99	101	111	105	30	97	–	81	78	150	–	–
Saudi Arabia	106	89	–	–	–	–	32x	90x	–	91x	91x	–	18	1400
Senegal	106	61	100	102	76	78	12	87	40	52	62	400	980	21
Serbia	107	–	100	100	–	108	41	98	–	99	99	13	–	–
Seychelles	–	101x	101	–	106	–	–	–	–	–	–	57	–	–
Sierra Leone	105	54	–	101	71	79	8	81	–	43	25	860	2100	8
Singapore	106	94	–	–	–	–	62x	–	–	100x	–	6x	14	6200
Slovakia	111	–	101	–	–	–	74x	–	–	100	–	4	6	13800
Slovenia	110	100	100	–	101	–	74x	98x	–	100	–	17	6	14200
Solomon Islands	103	–	99	–	87	–	27	74	65	70	85	140x	220	100
Somalia	106	–	–	83	–	49	15	26	6	33	9	1000	1400	12
South Africa	106	98	100	104x	108	117x	60	92	56	91	89	170	400	110
Spain	108	98	99	–	103	–	81x	–	–	–	–	6x	4	16400
Sri Lanka	111	96	100	–	–	–	68	99	–	99	98	44	58	850
Sudan	105	73x	83x	93	–	133	8	64	–	49	19	1100	450	53
Suriname	111	95	102	100	138	121	46	90	–	90	88	150x	72	530
Swaziland	97	97x	101	103	121	132	51	85	79	69	74	590	390	120
Sweden	105	–	100	–	100	–	–	–	–	–	–	5x	3	17400
Switzerland	106	–	99	–	95	–	82x	–	–	–	–	5x	5	13800
Syrian Arab Republic	105	85	95x	100	97	101	58	84	–	93	70	65x	130	210
Tajikistan	108	100	96	98	86	83	37	89	49	88	73	97	170	160
Thailand	110	97	100	100	112	109	77	98	–	97	97	12	110	500
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	107	97	100	96	98	99	–	94	–	99	99	4	10	6500
Timor-Leste	103	–	96	98	–	–	20	61	30	18	10	–	380	35
Togo	106	56x	88	93	48x	70	17	84	46x	62	63	480x	510	38
Tonga	108	100	97	–	125	–	23x	–	–	95x	–	140	–	–
Trinidad and Tobago	111	99	100	100	104	107	43	96	–	98	97	45x	45	1400
Tunisia	106	80	101	98x	110	–	60	96	68	95	89x	69x	100	500
Turkey	107	84	96	96	86	83	73	92	54	91	90	29	44	880
Turkmenistan	113	100	–	100	–	100	48	99	83x	100	98	14x	130	290
Tuvalu	–	–	–	–	–	–	31	97	–	98	93	–	–	–
Uganda	102	80	–	99	91	94	24	94	47	42	41	440	550	25

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Ukraine	118	100	100	102	101	102	67	99	75	99	99	24	18	5200
United Arab Emirates	103	98	99	–	102	–	28x	97x	–	99x	99x	3x	37	1000
United Kingdom	106	–	101	–	104	–	84x	–	–	99x	–	7x	8	8200
United Republic of Tanzania	103	83	99	106	90	108	26	76	62	43	47	580	950	24
United States	106	–	102	–	102	–	76x	–	–	99x	–	8x	11	4800
Uruguay	110	101	100	–	–	–	–	97	–	100x	–	18	20	2100
Uzbekistan	110	98x	–	100	–	98	65	99	79x	100	97	28	24	1400
Vanuatu	106	95	99	101	87	–	38	84	–	74	80	150	–	–
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	108	99x	100	102x	114	147x	77x	94x	–	95	95	61	57	610
Viet Nam	105	93x	94x	100	–	102	76	91	29x	88	64	160	150	280
Yemen	105	53	76	86	53	56	28	47	11x	36	24	370	430	39
Zambia	102	78x	101	100	87	93	41	94	60	47	48	590	830	27
Zimbabwe	101	94	101	102	96	93	60	94	71	69	68	560	880	43

SUMMARY INDICATORS

Africa [‡]	104	76	94	96	90	90	30	72	45	50	45	–	820	26
Sub-Saharan Africa [‡]	104	77	93	96	88	87	23	71	44	46	42	–	900	22
Eastern and Southern Africa	104	78	98	101	91	92	32	72	42	41	39	–	760	29
West and Central Africa	104	75	86	91	–	83	16	71	45	50	47	–	1100	17
Middle East and North Africa	105	80	96	95	92	94	56	78	–	76	65	–	210	140
Asia [‡]	105	85	96	96**	–	90**	67	78	41**	63	54	–	350	110
South Asia	104	71	94	95	–	85	53	68	34	42	35	–	500	59
East Asia and Pacific	105	94	99	99**	104**	105**	77	91	74**	91	78	–	150	350
Latin America and Caribbean	109	99	100	101	107	108	75	94	84	91	88	–	130	280
CEE/CIS	114	97	98	98	95	96	64	95	–	97	93	–	46	1300
Industrialized countries [§]	107	–	101	–	102	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	8	8000
Developing countries [§]	105	86	96	96**	98**	91**	61	78	47**	63	56	–	450	76
Least developed countries [§]	104	71	94	97	88	91	30	64	35	38	33	–	870	24
World	106	87	97	96**	99**	92**	61	78	47**	64	56	–	400	92

§ Includes territories within each country category or regional group. Countries and territories in each country category or regional group are listed on page 44.

DEFINITIONS OF THE INDICATORS

- Life expectancy** – Number of years newborn children would live if subject to the mortality risks prevailing for the cross section of population at the time of their birth.
- Adult literacy rate** – Number of literate persons aged 15 and above, expressed as a percentage of the total population in that age group.
- Enrolment and attendance ratios: females as a % of males** – Girls' net enrolment and attendance ratios divided by those of boys, as a percentage.
- Primary or secondary school net enrolment ratio** – Number of children enrolled in primary or secondary school who are of official primary or secondary school age, expressed as a percentage of the total number of children of official primary or secondary school age.
- Primary school net attendance ratio** – Number of children attending primary or secondary school who are of official primary school age, expressed as a percentage of the total number of children of official primary school age.
- Secondary school net attendance ratio** – Number of children attending secondary or tertiary school who are of official secondary school age, expressed as a percentage of the total number of children of official secondary school age.
- Contraceptive prevalence** – Percentage of women in union aged 15–49 currently using contraception.
- Antenatal care coverage** – Percentage of women 15–49 years old attended at least once during pregnancy by skilled health personnel (doctors, nurses or midwives) and the percentage attended by any provider at least four times.
- Skilled attendant at birth** – Percentage of births attended by skilled health personnel (doctors, nurses or midwives).
- Institutional delivery** – Proportion of women 15–49 years old who gave birth during the two years preceding the survey and delivered in a health facility.
- Maternal mortality ratio** – Annual number of deaths of women from pregnancy-related causes per 100,000 live births. The 'reported' column shows country-reported figures that are not adjusted for under-reporting and misclassification.
- Lifetime risk of maternal death** – Lifetime risk of maternal death takes into account both the probability of becoming pregnant and the probability of dying as a result of that pregnancy accumulated across a woman's reproductive years.

MAIN DATA SOURCES

- Life expectancy** – United Nations Population Division.
- Adult literacy** – UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS).
- Primary and secondary school enrolment** – UIS.
- Primary and secondary school attendance** – Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) and Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS).
- Contraceptive prevalence** – DHS, MICS, United Nations Population Division and UNICEF.
- Antenatal care coverage** – DHS, MICS and other national household surveys.
- Skilled attendant at birth** – DHS, MICS, WHO and UNICEF.
- Institutional delivery** – DHS, MICS, WHO and UNICEF.
- Maternal mortality** – WHO and UNICEF.
- Lifetime risk** – WHO and UNICEF.

† The maternal mortality data in the column headed 'reported' are those reported by national authorities. Periodically, UNICEF, WHO, UNFPA and the World Bank evaluate these data and make adjustments to account for the well-documented problems of under-reporting and misclassification of maternal deaths and to develop estimates for countries with no data. The column with 'adjusted' estimates for the year 2005 reflects the most recent of these reviews.

NOTES

- Data not available.
- x Data refer to years or periods other than those specified in the column heading, differ from the standard definition or refer to only part of a country. Such data are not included in the calculation of regional and global averages.
- y Data refer to years or periods other than those specified in the column heading, differ from the standard definition or refer to only part of a country. Such data are included in the calculation of regional and global averages.
- * Data refer to the most recent year available during the period specified in the column heading.
- ** Excludes China.
- # For a complete list of countries and territories in the regions and subregions, see page 44.