

# WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

INDICATOR	REGION	WORLD
<b>Demographic indicators</b>		
Total population (2004)	348,728,000	6,374,050,000
Population under 18 (2004)	180,046,000	2,181,991,000
Population under 5 (2004)	60,644,000	614,399,000
<b>Survival</b>		
Life expectancy at birth (2004)	46	67
Infant mortality rate (under 1), per 1,000 live births (2004)	109	54
Under-5 mortality rate, per 1,000 live births (2004)	191	79
Under-5 mortality rate, average annual rate of reduction (1990-2004)	0.6	1.3
Maternal mortality ratio, per 100,000 live births (2000, adjusted)	900	400
<b>Health and nutrition</b>		
Percentage of infants with low birthweight (1998-2004*)	15	16
Percentage of under-5s who are moderately or severely underweight (1996-2004*)	28	26
Percentage of population using improved drinking water sources (2002)	58	83
Urban	78	95
Rural	45	72
Percentage of population using adequate sanitation facilities (2002)	35	58
Percentage of 1-year-old children immunized (2004) against:		
Tuberculosis (BCG)	67	84
Diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT3)	52	78
Polio (polio3)	57	80
Measles	55	76
Hepatitis B (hepB3)	13	49
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> (Hib3)	-	-
<b>Education</b>		
Percentage of primary school entrants reaching grade 5 (administrative data; 2000-2004*)	-	79
Net primary school attendance ratio (1996-2004*)		
Male	59	76
Female	51	72
Net secondary school attendance ratio (1996-2004*)		
Male	25	40 **
Female	21	37 **
Adult literacy rate (2000-2004*)	58	78

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<b>Economic indicators</b>		
GNI per capita (US\$, 2004)	399	6,298
Percentage of population living on less than \$1 a day (1993-2003*)	55	21
Percentage share of central government expenditure (1993-2004*) allocated to:		
Health	-	13
Education	-	5
Defence	-	11
Percentage share of household income (1993-2003*):		
Lowest 40 per cent	13	18
Highest 20 per cent	53	43
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>		
Adult prevalence rate (15-49 years, end 2003)	4.8	1.1
Estimated number of adults and children (0-49 years) living with HIV/AIDS (2003)	7,800,000	37,800,000
Estimated number of children (0-14 years) living with HIV/AIDS (2003)	650,000	2,100,000
Estimated number of children (0-17 years) orphaned by HIV/AIDS (2003)	4,200,000	-
<b>Child protection</b>		
Birth registration (1999-2004*)	41	45 **
Urban	59	62 **
Rural	35	35 **
Child marriage (1986-2004*)	45	36 **
Urban	28	22 **
Rural	56	45 **
Child labour (5-14 years, 1999-2004*)	56	18 **
Male	41	18 **
Female	41	17 **
<b>Women</b>		
Adult literacy parity rate (females as a percentage of males, 2000-2004*)	70	86
Antenatal care coverage (percentage, 1996-2004*)	66	71
Skilled attendant at delivery (percentage, 1996-2004*)	45	63
Lifetime risk of maternal death (2000)	1 in... 16	74
<b>NOTES:</b>		
* Data refer to the most recent years available during the period specified.		
** Excludes China.		