

WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

INDICATOR	REGION	WORLD
Demographic indicators		
Total population (2007)	388,292,000	6,655,406,000
Population under 18 (2007)	197,113,000	2,213,456,000
Population under 5 (2007)	66,328,000	629,106,000
Survival		
Life expectancy at birth (2007)	50	68
Neonatal mortality rate (under 28 days), per 1,000 live births (2004)	45	28
Infant mortality rate (under 1), per 1,000 live births (2007)	97	47
Under-5 mortality rate, per 1,000 live births (2007)	169	68
Under-5 mortality rate, average annual rate of reduction (1990–2007)	1.2	1.8
Maternal mortality ratio, per 100,000 live births (2005, adjusted)	1,100	400
Health and nutrition		
Percentage of infants with low birthweight (2000–2007*)	15	14
Percentage of under-5s who are moderately or severely underweight ¹ (2000–2007*)	24	23
Percentage of population using improved drinking-water sources (2006)	56	87
Urban	77	96
Rural	41	78
Percentage of population using improved sanitation facilities (2006)	27	62
Percentage of 1-year-old children immunized (2007) against:		
Tuberculosis (BCG)	80	89
Diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT3)	69	81
Polio (polio3)	71	82
Measles	69	82
Hepatitis B (hepB3)	58	65
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib3)	16	26
Percentage of under-5s with suspected pneumonia taken to an appropriate health-care provider (2000–2007*)	37	57 **
Education		
Survival rate to the last grade of primary school (administrative data; 2000–2007*)	62	76 **
Net primary school attendance ratio (2000–2007*)		
Male	63	80 **
Female	56	77 **
Net secondary school attendance ratio (2000–2007*)		
Male	31	48 **
Female	26	44 **
Adult literacy rate (2000–2007*)	60	81

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Economic indicators		
GNI per capita (US\$, 2007)	698	7,952
Percentage of population living on less than \$1.25 a day (2005)	53	–
Percentage share of central government expenditure (1997–2006*) allocated to:		
Defence	–	11
Health	–	14
Education	–	6
Percentage share of household income (1995–2005*):		
Lowest 40 per cent	16	19
Highest 20 per cent	48	42
HIV/AIDS		
Adult prevalence rate (15–49 years, 2007)	2.6	0.8
Estimated number of people (all ages) living with HIV (2007)	5,600,000	33,000,000
Estimated number of children (0–14 years) living with HIV (2007)	480,000	2,000,000
Estimated number of children (0–17 years) orphaned by AIDS (2007)	3,000,000	15,000,000
Child protection		
Birth registration (2000–2007*)	41	–
Urban	57	–
Rural	35	–
Child marriage (1998–2007*)	44	–
Urban	28	–
Rural	55	–
Child labour (5–14 years, 1999–2007*)	35 n	–
Male	34 n	–
Female	35 n	–
Women		
Adult literacy parity rate (females as a percentage of males, 2000–2007*)	72	88
Antenatal care coverage (percentage, 2000–2007*)		
At least once	71	77
At least four times	44	47 **
Skilled attendant at birth (percentage, 2000–2007*)	49	62
Lifetime risk of maternal death (2005)	1 in: 17	92

NOTES:

* Data refer to the most recent year available during the period specified.

** Excludes China.

– Data not available.

† Data based on new 'WHO Child Growth Standards'.

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