

TABLE 5. EDUCATION

Countries and territories	Adult literacy rate				Number per 100 population 2001		Primary school enrolment ratio				Net primary school attendance (%) (1992-2002*)		% of primary school entrants reaching grade 5		Secondary school enrolment ratio 1997-2000* (gross)	
	1990		2000		phones	Internet users	1997-2000* (gross)		1997-2000* (net)		male	female	Admin. data 1995-1999*	Survey data 1995-2001	male	female
	male	female	male	female			male	female	male	female						
Afghanistan	40	12	51	21	0	-	29	0	42x	15x	58	14	49	-	32x	11x
Albania	-	-	-	-	15	0	107	107	98	97	-	-	82x	-	77	80
Algeria	66	39	75	51	6	1	116	107	100	97	92	90	97	95	68	73
Andorra	-	-	-	-	74x	9x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Angola	-	-	-	-	1	0	78	69	39	35	55	56	4	76	18	13
Antigua and Barbuda	90	87	80x	83x	80	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Argentina	96	96	97	97	42	10	120	120	100	100	-	-	90	-	94	100
Armenia	99	96	99	98	15	2	78	79	69	70	97	98	-	100	71	76
Australia	-	-	-	-	112	37	102	102	95	96	-	-	99x	-	160	161
Austria	-	-	-	-	129	39	104	103	90	92	-	-	96	-	101	97
Azerbaijan	99	96	99x	96x	21	0	97	99	90	93	88	88	98	99	80	80
Bahamas	94	95	95	96	60	5	92	89	86	80	-	-	78	-	85	83
Bahrain	87	75	91	83	73	20	103	103	95	97	85	84	100	99	98	105
Bangladesh	44	24	49	30	1	0	100	101	88	90	77	78	72y	86	45	47
Barbados	99	99	100	100	68	6	110	110	100	100	-	-	-	-	101	102
Belarus	100	99	100	100	30	4	109	108	100	100	-	-	72y	-	83	86
Belgium	-	-	-	-	124	31	105	105	100	100	-	-	-	-	138	153
Belize	90	88	93	93	30	7	130	126	98	100	-	-	78	-	71	77
Benin	38	16	52	24	3	0	113	78	83	57	61	47	84	92	30	14
Bhutan	51	23	61	34	3	1	82	62	58	47	-	-	90	-	7x	2x
Bolivia	87	70	92	79	16	2	117	115	97	97	93	91	83	96	81	78
Bosnia and Herzegovina	92	85	98x	89x	17	1	100	100	100	100	87	85	-	99	-	-
Botswana	66	70	75	80	27	3	108	108	83	86	82	85	87	96	90	96
Brazil	83	81	87	87	39	5	166	159	100	94	95y	95y	66	84	103	114
Brunei Darussalam	91	79	95	88	66	10	106	102	90x	91x	-	-	92	-	109	116
Bulgaria	98	96	99	98	55	7	105	102	95	93	-	-	91	-	95	93
Burkina Faso	25	8	34	14	1	0	52	37	42	29	32	22	69	81	12	8
Burundi	48	27	56	40	1	0	73	58	59	49	49	44	58	80	12	9
Cambodia	78	49	80	57	2	0	117	103	100	90	66	65	63	93	24	14
Cameroon	69	48	79	64	3	0	115	100	81x	71x	76	71	81	93	22	17
Canada	-	-	-	-	104	47	99	99	99	99	-	-	99x	-	102	103
Cape Verde	76	54	85	66	21	3	140	137	98	99	97	96	91	-	50	50
Central African Republic	47	21	60	35	1	0	89	61	64	45	47	39	24x	71	15x	6x
Chad	37	19	52	34	0	0	90	57	70	47	46	33	54	96	18	5
Chile	94	94	96	96	57	20	104	101	89	88	-	-	100	-	86	64
China	87	69	92	78	25	3	105	108	93	93	-	-	97	-	66	60
Colombia	89	88	92	92	25	3	113	112	89	88	90	90	71y	87	67	73
Comoros	61	46	63	49	1	0	92	80	60	52	31	30	77	24	23	19
Congo	77	58	88	74	6	0	101	93	99x	93x	-	-	55	-	46	38
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	61	34	73	50	0	0	49	45	33	32	55	48	64	54	24	13
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	34	16	98	93	86	83	-	-	52	-	58	63
Costa Rica	94	94	96	96	31	9	108	105	91	91	-	-	80	-	58	63
Côte d'Ivoire	51	26	60	37	6	0	92	70	73	55	62	52	91	94	30	17
Croatia	99	95	99	97	76	11	91	89	72	72	-	-	98x	-	83	86
Cuba	95	95	97	97	5	1	104	100	98	97	-	-	95	99	83	87
Cyprus	98	91	99	95	109	22	97	97	95	95	-	-	99	-	93	94
Czech Republic	-	-	-	-	106	15	105	104	90	90	-	-	100y	-	93	96
Denmark	-	-	-	-	146	43	102	102	99	99	-	-	100x	-	125	131
Djibouti	67	40	76	54	2	1	46	35	37	28	73y	62y	77	-	13	17
Dominica	-	-	-	-	40	12	93	105	89	89	-	-	86	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	80	79	84	84	26	2	126	122	92	93	92	93	75	89	53	67
Ecuador	90	85	93	90	17	3	115	115	99	100	90	90	78	-	57	58
Egypt	60	34	67	44	15	1	103	96	95	90	87	83	99y	99	88	83
El Salvador	76	69	82	76	24	2	112	107	75	88	-	-	71	-	50	50
Equatorial Guinea	86	61	93	74	5	0	126	115	76	68	60	61	16	75	43	19
Eritrea	59	35	67	45	1	0	65	54	44	38	63	59	69y	69	34	23
Estonia	100	100	100	100	81	30	105	101	98	97	-	-	99	-	91	92
Ethiopia	37	20	47	31	0	0	76	52	53	41	33	28	64	65	22	14
Fiji	92	86	95	91	21	2	111	110	99	100	-	-	92	-	64x	65x

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Finland	-	-	-	-	135	43	102	101	100	100	-	-	100	-	120	133
France	-	-	-	-	118	26	106	104	100	100	-	-	99y	-	107	108
Gabon	68	45	80	62	23	1	144	143	89	87	94	93	59	91	61	58
Gambia	32	20	44	30	7	1	86	78	71	66	47	40	69	98	43	30
Georgia	100	98	100x	99x	23	1	95	96	95	95	99	100	98	-	72	74
Germany	-	-	-	-	132	37	104	104	86	88	-	-	100x	-	100	99
Ghana	70	47	80	63	2	0	84	77	60	57	74	74	66	94x	40	33
Greece	98	92	99	96	128	13	99	99	97	97	-	-	100x	-	98	99
Grenada	-	-	-	-	39	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	69	53	76	61	16	2	107	98	86	82	79	75	62y	72	39	35
Guinea	45	18	55	27	1	0	78	56	52	42	45	33	84	91	20	7
Guinea-Bissau	42	13	54	24	1	0	99	66	63	45	44	38	38	85	26	14
Guyana	98	96	99	98	18	11	122	118	99	97	86	88	91	97	80	82
Haiti	43	37	52	48	2	0	153	155	78	83	52	57	41	88	21x	20x
Holy See	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honduras	69	67	75	75	8	1	105	107	87	88	-	-	58	-	29x	37x
Hungary	99	99	100	99	87	15	103	101	91	90	-	-	98x	-	98	99
Iceland	-	-	-	-	153	60	102	102	100	100	-	-	99x	-	105	113
India	62	36	68	45	4	1	111	92	78	64	79	73	68	92	57	40
Indonesia	87	73	92	82	7	2	111	109	93	92	86	86	97	94	58	56
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	72	54	83	69	20	2	88	85	74	73	98	96	98y	-	81	75
Iraq	51	20	55	23	3	-	111	91	100	86	83	70	72x	89	47	29
Ireland	-	-	-	-	126	23	120	119	90	90	-	-	99	-	119	127
Israel	95	88	97	93	137	28	114	114	100	100	-	-	100x	-	94	93
Italy	98	97	99	98	135	27	101	101	100	100	-	-	99y	-	97	95
Jamaica	78	86	83	91	45	4	100	99	95	95	77	80	89	92	82	85
Japan	-	-	-	-	117	38	101	101	100	100	-	-	100x	-	102	103
Jordan	90	72	95	84	30	5	101	101	93	94	89y	89y	98	-	86	89
Kazakhstan	100	98	100	99	16	1	99	98	89	88	87	88	92	99	90	87
Kenya	81	61	89	76	3	2	95	93	68	69	71	73	71	88	32	29
Kiribati	-	-	-	-	5	2	127	129	-	-	-	-	95	-	-	-
Korea, Democratic																
People's Republic of	98	93	99	96	2	0	108x	101x	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-
Korea, Republic of	98	93	99	96	111	52	101	102	99	100	-	-	99	-	94	94
Kuwait	79	73	84	80	59	9	85	84	68	65	-	-	97	-	55	56
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	-	-	8	3	103	100	84	81	95y	94y	89	100	86	86
Lao People's Democratic Republic	70	43	76	53	2	0	122	104	85	78	64	59	59y	93	44	31
Latvia	100	100	100	100	59	7	101	100	92	92	-	-	96	-	90	92
Lebanon	88	73	92	80	42	8	101	97	74	74	97	96	97	95	72	79
Lesotho	65	90	73	94	4	0	112	118	75	82	62	68	75	89	30	36
Liberia	55	23	70	37	0	0	140	96	96	71	59y	53y	33	-	45	32
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	83	51	91	68	12	0	115	117	97x	96x	-	-	89x	-	88	91
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	106	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lithuania	100	99	100	100	59	7	102	101	95	94	-	-	98	-	96	95
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	170	36	101	101	96	97	-	-	99	-	92	97
Madagascar	66	50	74	60	1	0	105	101	67	68	60	63	46y	40	15	14
Malawi	69	36	75	47	1	0	139	135	97	100	69	73	49	79	41	31
Malaysia	87	74	91	83	51	27	99	99	98	99	-	-	99	-	67	74
Maldives	95	95	97	97	17	4	131	131	99	99	-	-	98	-	53	57
Mali	28	10	36	16	1	0	71	51	51	36	44	33	95	94	20	10
Malta	88	89	91	93	114	25	106	107	98	100	-	-	100	-	89	89
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	9	2	134x	133x	100x	100x	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mauritania	46	24	51	30	5	0	86	80	66	62	46	42	61	83	22	20
Mauritius	85	75	88	81	48	13	109	108	95	95	-	-	100	-	79	75
Mexico	91	84	93	89	35	4	114	113	100	100	97	97	89	-	73	77
Micronesia (Federated States of)	63	63	66	67	9	4	136	149	-	-	-	-	-	-	127	137
Moldova, Republic of	99	96	100	98	20	1	84	84	79	78	86	87	93	99	70	72
Monaco	-	-	-	-	153	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	98x	-	-	-
Mongolia	99	97	99	98	13	2	97	101	87	91	76	77	-	95	55	67
Morocco	53	25	62	36	20	1	101	88	82	74	67y	50y	80	82x	44	35

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Mozambique	49	18	60	29	1	0	104	79	59	50	53y	47y	58y	55	15	9
Myanmar	87	74	89	81	1	0	89	89	84	83	68	68	65y	94	40	38
Namibia	77	72	83	81	12	2	112	113	79	85	77	78	92	95	58	66
Nauru	-	-	-	-	29	-	80	82	80	82	-	-	-	-	52	56
Nepal	47	14	59	24	1	0	128	108	77	67	79	66	71y	92	58	43
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	139	49	109	106	100	100	-	-	96x	-	126	122
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	108	46	100	100	99	99	-	-	97	-	109	116
Nicaragua	61	61	64	64	6	1	103	104	80	81	75	80	48	87	50	58
Niger	18	5	24	9	0	0	42	29	36	24	36	25	74	89	8	5
Nigeria	59	38	72	56	1	0	75x	65x	38x	33x	58	54	80x	95	33x	28x
Niue	77	76	80	83	75	31	99	98	99	98	-	-	-	-	93	103
Norway	-	-	-	-	155	46	101	102	100	100	-	-	100x	-	113	116
Occupied Palestinian Territory	-	-	-	-	18	2	107	109	96	98	91	92	98	99	80	86
Oman	67	38	80	62	21	5	74	71	65	65	-	-	96	-	69	68
Pakistan	49	20	57	28	3	0	93	54	83	48	62	51	50	91	29	19
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	113	109	100	100	-	-	-	-	83	86
Panama	90	88	93	91	29	4	113	110	100	100	-	-	92	-	67	71
Papua New Guinea	64	48	71	57	1	1	88	80	88	80	32y	31y	60	-	24	18
Paraguay	92	88	94	92	26	1	113	110	92	93	81x	84x	76	90x	59	61
Peru	92	79	95	85	14	8	128	127	100	100	93	93	88	97	83	78
Philippines	92	91	95	95	19	3	113	113	92	93	80	83	69	89	74	81
Poland	100	100	100	100	55	10	100	99	98	98	-	-	99	-	103	100
Portugal	91	84	95	90	120	28	122	120	100	100	-	-	97	-	111	117
Qatar	92	92	94	94	57	7	105	105	95	96	-	-	88	-	86	92
Romania	99	96	99	97	36	4	100	98	93	93	-	-	96	-	82	83
Russian Federation	100	99	100	99	30	3	108x	107x	93x	93x	-	-	-	-	80	86
Rwanda	63	44	74	60	1	0	119	118	97	98	67	67	39	78	12	12
Saint Kitts and Nevis	-	-	-	-	54	8	101	94	92	86	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saint Lucia	-	-	-	-	33	8	115	109	100	100	-	-	95x	-	77	100
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	-	-	-	-	29	5	99	83	90	78	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	99	97	99	98	7	2	105	101	98	95	-	-	83	-	73	79
San Marino	-	-	-	-	135	51	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	-	-	4	6	-	-	-	-	67	69	-	71	-	-
Saudi Arabia	76	50	83	67	26	1	69	66	60	56	-	-	94	-	71	64
Senegal	38	19	47	28	6	1	79	70	66	60	51	44	72	93	21	14
Serbia and Montenegro	97x	88x	99x	97x	42	6	65	67	50	51	98y	96y	100x	94	59	62
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	80	11	101	101	100	100	-	-	99y	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	40	14	51	23	1	0	106	80	68	63	43	39	-	94	29	24
Singapore	94	83	96	88	120	41	95x	93x	93x	92x	-	-	100x	-	70x	77x
Slovakia	100	100	100	100	69	13	103	103	89	90	-	-	97x	-	87	88
Slovenia	100	100	100	100	114	30	101	100	94	93	-	-	98x	-	97	100
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-	2	0	104x	90x	-	-	-	-	81	-	21x	14x
Somalia	-	-	-	-	0x	0	18x	9x	13x	7x	12	10	-	79	10x	6x
South Africa	82	80	86	85	35	6	115	108	90	88	86	84	65	99	83	91
Spain	98	95	99	97	117	18	105	105	100	100	-	-	98x	-	113	119
Sri Lanka	93	85	94	89	8	1	107	104	97	97	-	-	97	-	70	75
Sudan	60	32	69	46	2	0	59	51	51	42	54	51	87	73	22	36
Suriname	94	89	96	93	37	3	127	127	94	90	88	91	99x	84	80	94
Swaziland	74	70	81	79	9	1	128	121	92	94	71	71	84	94	60	60
Sweden	-	-	-	-	153	52	109	111	100	100	-	-	97	-	132	167
Switzerland	-	-	-	-	146	31	108	107	99	99	-	-	100	-	103	96
Syrian Arab Republic	82	48	88	60	12	0	113	105	99	94	-	-	92	-	46	41
Tajikistan	99	97	100	99	4	0	108	100	100	99	79	81	-	94	86	71
Tanzania, United Republic of	76	51	84	67	2	0	63	63	46	48	47	51	82	96	6	5
Thailand	95	90	97	94	22	6	97	93	87	84	-	-	97	-	84	80
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	96	91	97	94	37	3	99	99	92	92	-	-	95	-	85	83
Timor-Leste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	75	-	-	-	-
Togo	61	29	72	43	4	3	138	110	100	83	67	59	74	88	54	24
Tonga	-	-	-	-	11	3	114	112	92	90	-	-	92	-	97	103

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Trinidad and Tobago	98	96	99	98	44	9	101	99	93	92	94	95	100	100	78	84
Tunisia	72	47	81	61	15	4	120	115	100	99	95y	93y	93	-	76	80
Turkey	89	66	93	77	58	6	105	96	93	82	73	69	99	98	67	48
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	8	0	-	-	-	-	86	84	-	-	-	-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-	7	10	106	101	100	100	-	-	96	-	83	73
Uganda	69	44	78	57	1	0	143	129	100	100	87	87	45	89	21	16
Ukraine	100	99	100	100	26	1	79	77	72	71	-	-	98x	-	111	99
United Arab Emirates	71	71	75	79	96	31	99	99	86	87	-	-	98	-	71	80
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	136	33	99	99	99	99	-	-	-	-	144	169
United States	-	-	-	-	112	50	101	101	94	96	-	-	99x	-	95	96
Uruguay	96	97	97	98	44	12	110	109	90	91	-	-	91	-	92	105
Uzbekistan	100	98	100	99	7	1	100	100	87	89	78	78	-	89	99x	87x
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	4	3	113	121	92	100	-	-	100	-	31	26
Venezuela	90	88	93	92	37	5	103	101	87	89	82	83	91	96	54	65
Viet Nam	94	87	95	91	5	1	109	102	98	92	87	86	89y	94	70	64
Yemen	55	13	68	25	3	0	97	61	84	49	70y	41y	74	-	69	25
Zambia	79	59	85	72	2	0	80	76	66	65	67	67	81	85	26	21
Zimbabwe	87	75	93	85	5	1	97	93	80	80	84	86	73	94	47	42

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Sub-Saharan Africa	60	40	69	53	4	1	89	78	63	58	58	54	65	82	29	23
Middle East and North Africa	66	39	74	52	15	2	95	86	83	75	82	74	93	-	68	62
South Asia	59	34	66	42	4	1	107	87	80	65	76	69	66	91	53	39
East Asia and Pacific	88	72	93	81	23	4	106	106	93	92	-	-	94	-	65	61
Latin America and Caribbean	87	83	90	88	32	5	126	123	96	94	91	91	77	87	82	87
CEE/CIS and Baltic States	98	94	99	96	33	3	99	95	88	84	79	76	-	96	81	78
Industrialized countries	-	-	-	-	117	37	102	102	96	97	-	-	-	-	105	108
Developing countries	76	59	81	67	16	3	105	96	84	77	74	70	79	89	59	52
Least developed countries	54	32	62	42	1	0	87	76	67	61	58	53	66	79	30	25
World	81	69	84	74	32	8	104	96	85	79	74	70	80	89	65	59

Countries in each region are listed on page 136.

DEFINITIONS OF THE INDICATORS

Adult literacy rate – Percentage of persons aged 15 and over who can read and write.

Gross primary or secondary school enrolment ratio – The number of children enrolled in a level (primary or secondary), regardless of age, divided by the population of the age group that officially corresponds to the same level.

Net primary school enrolment ratio – The number of children enrolled in primary school who belong to the age group that officially corresponds to primary schooling, divided by the total population of the same age group.

Net primary school attendance – Percentage of children in the age group that officially corresponds to primary schooling who attend primary school. These data come from national household surveys.

Primary school entrants reaching grade five – Percentage of the children entering the first grade of primary school who eventually reach grade five.

MAIN DATA SOURCES

Adult literacy – UNESCO Institute for Statistics, including the Education for All 2000 Assessment.

Phone and Internet use – International Telecommunications Union, Yearbook of Statistics 1992-2001.

Primary and secondary school enrolment – UNESCO Institute for Statistics, including the Education for All 2000 Assessment.

Net primary school attendance – Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) and Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS).

Reaching grade five – Admin. data: UNESCO Institute for Statistics, including the Education for All 2000 Assessment. Survey data: DHS and MICS.

NOTES - Data not available.

x Indicates data that 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.

y Indicates data that differ from the standard definition or refer to only part of a country, but 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.