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	1990 year	2001 year	1990 year	2001 year	2002	1990 year	2002 year	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
									2002			
Afghanistan	55	8 ⁹⁹	52	36 ⁹⁶	35.8	..	..	..	43	43	44	6.8
Albania	100	100 ⁰⁰	86	103 ⁰⁰	41.5	94	100 ⁰¹	6	74	72	76	2.2
Algeria	85	93	80	108	29.0	79	91	6	71	69	72	2.8
Angola	92	89 ⁹⁷	65	78	46.2	..	..	16	47	45	48	7.0
Antigua & Barbuda	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	73	78	1.7
Argentine Republic	104	100	102	106	34.4	100	100	31	74	71	78	2.4
Armenia	99	98	112	106	48.6	100	100 ⁰¹	5	75	71	79	1.2
Azerbaijan	99	98	100	97	44.7	..	..	11	65	62	69	2.1
Bahamas	104	101	100	103	47.4	..	..	..	70	66	74	2.1
Bahrain	100	99	103	109	21.6	99	100	..	73	71	76	2.3
Bangladesh	87	102	51	110	42.5	65	71	2	62	62	63	3.0
Barbados	100	100	89	100	45.9	100	100	..	75	73	78	1.8
Belarus	100	98	104	104	48.9	100	100	10	68	63	74	1.3
Belize	98	97 ⁰⁰	113	108 ⁰⁰	24.3	101	101 ⁰⁰	..	74	73	76	3.0
Benin	49	70	41	46	48.3	44	53	6	53	51	55	5.3
Bermuda	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bhutan	..	..	..	..	40.0	..	..	..	63	62	65	5.1
Bolivia	91	99	85	96	38.0	93	98 ⁰¹	19	64	62	65	3.8
Bosnia & Herzegovina	100	100 ⁹⁶	100	100 ⁹⁶	38.2	..	100 ⁰⁰	17	74	71	77	1.3
Botswana	107	100	111	106	45.1	110	109	17	38	38	38	3.8
Brazil	94	94	131	110	35.5	103	103 ⁰⁰	9	69	65	73	2.1
Brunei	94	99	107	106	36.3	100 ⁹¹	..	..	77	74	79	2.5
Bulgaria	97	98	104	97	48.0	100	100	26	72	69	75	1.3
Burkina Faso	63	71	53	65 ⁰⁰	46.5	39	55 ⁹⁶	12	43	42	44	6.3
Burma	97	100	99	94	43.4	96	100	..	57	55	60	2.8

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	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	2002	1990 _{year}	2002 _{year}	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
									2002			
Burundi	83	79	58	73	48.6	77	97	18	42	42	42	5.8
Cambodia	81	89	43	60	51.5	81	90	7	54	53	56	3.8
Cameroon	86	86	71	82	38.2	88	96 ⁰⁰	9	48	48	49	4.6
Cape Verde	95	96	95	105	38.8	87	94	..	69	66	72	3.5
Cayman Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Central African Republic	63	67	39	41 ⁹⁶	..	60	67 ⁰⁰	7	42	42	43	4.6
Chad	45	63	20	28 ⁹⁹	44.8	65	84	6	48	47	50	6.2
Chile	98	98 ⁰⁰	108	102 ⁰⁰	34.5	100	100	13	76	73	79	2.2
China	93	100 ⁰⁰	75	109 ⁹⁷	45.2	95	99 ⁰⁰	22	71	69	72	1.9
Colombia	115	99	113	110	39.1	101	101	12	72	69	75	2.5
Comoros	73	82	65	84	42.2	78	79	..	61	60	63	4.1
Congo (Dem Rep)	74	90 ⁹⁸	48	52 ⁹⁸	43.3	..	..	..	45	45	46	6.7
Congo	88	93	70	71	43.5	95	99	9	52	50	54	6.3
Costa Rica	99	100	105	103	31.6	101	101	35	78	75	80	2.3
Cote d'Ivoire	71	74	48	54 ⁹⁹	33.6	62	74 ⁰⁰	9	45	45	46	4.6
Croatia	99	99	110	102	44.4	100	100 ⁰¹	21	74	70	78	1.5
Cuba	97	96	114	99	39.9	100	100	36	77	75	79	1.6
Cyprus	100	100 ⁰⁰	102	101 ⁰⁰	38.9	100	100 ⁰¹	..	78	76	81	1.9
Czech Republic	100	99 ⁰⁰	97	103 ⁰⁰	47.2	..	..	17	75	72	79	1.2
Djibouti	71	76	65	62	..	..	..	..	44	44	44	5.2
Dominica	95 ⁹⁸	96 ⁰⁰	118 ⁹⁸	113 ⁰⁰	..	..	..	..	77	75	79	1.9
Dominican Republic	100	101	134	124	31.4	102	102	17	67	64	70	2.6
Ecuador	99	100	102	101	28.7	99	100 ⁰¹	16	70	69	72	2.8
Egypt	85	93 ⁰⁰	81	94 ⁰⁰	31.0	72	85 ⁹⁶	2	69	67	71	3.1
El Salvador	101	96	106	101	37.3	97	98	11	70	67	73	2.9

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	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	2002	1990 _{year}	2002 _{year}	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
									2002			
Equatorial Guinea	91 ⁹⁸	91	58 ⁹⁹	57	35.7	..	..	..	52	50	54	5.5
Eritrea	80 ⁹²	81	84 ⁹²	65	47.4	..	..	22	51	50	52	4.8
Estonia	97	96 ⁰⁰	109	102 ⁰⁰	48.9	100	100 ⁰⁰	19	71	65	77	1.3
Ethiopia	67	71	79	62	41.0	66	82	8	42	41	43	5.6
Fiji	100	100	104	107	31.8	100	100 ⁹⁶	..	70	68	71	2.6
French Polynesia	96	96 ⁹⁶	116	131 ⁹⁶	..	..	..	..	74	71	77	2.5
Gabon	100 ⁹⁸	99	86 ⁹⁸	86 ⁹⁹	44.8	..	..	9	53	52	54	4.1
Gambia	68	92	49	71	45.2	..	..	13	53	52	55	4.8
Georgia	100	100	97	108	46.8	..	..	7	73	69	78	1.1
Ghana	83	91	63	82	50.4	86	96	9	55	54	56	4.1
Grenada	..	95 ⁰⁰	..	48 ⁰⁰	..	..	..	..	73	70	76	3.0
Guatemala	88	92	86	93	30.1	82	86	9	66	63	69	4.3
Guinea	47	75	33	36 ⁹⁸	47.2	..	..	19	46	46	47	5.0
Guinea-Bissau	55	67 ⁹⁹	46	54 ⁹⁹	40.5	..	..	8	45	44	47	6.6
Guyana	98	97 ⁹⁹	107	101 ⁹⁹	34.4	..	..	..	62	58	67	2.3
Haiti	95	97 ⁹⁷	96	92 ⁹⁶	42.8	96	101	4	52	50	54	4.2
Honduras	105	102	125	123 ⁹⁶	32.6	103	105 ⁰¹	6	66	63	69	4.0
Hong Kong	101	103 ⁹⁶	105	107 ⁹⁶	37.2	..	..	..	80	78	83	1.0
Hungary	100	99 ⁰⁰	101	101 ⁹⁹	44.8	100	100	10	72	68	77	1.3
India	76	83 ⁰⁰	60	71 ⁰⁰	32.5	74	81 ⁰⁰	9	63	63	64	2.9
Indonesia	97	98	82	99	41.2	97	99	8	67	65	69	2.3
Iran	90	96	73	94	28.4	88	95 ⁰¹	4	69	68	70	2.0
Iraq	85	82 ⁹⁹	64	62 ⁹⁹	20.4	..	..	8	63	61	64	4.1
Israel	103	100 ⁰⁰	108	99 ⁰⁰	41.7	99	100	15	79	77	81	2.7
Jamaica	99	99	106	103	46.2	109	107	12	76	74	78	2.3

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	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	2002	1990 _{year}	2002 _{year}	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
									2002			
Jordan	101	100	104	102	25.6	97	100	6	72	70	74	3.5
Kazakhstan	99	99	103	98	47.1	100	100	10	62	57	67	1.8
Kenya	97	98	75	90	46.1	93	99	7	46	45	46	4.2
Kiribati	..	102 ⁹⁸	..	..	..	..	..	..	63	60	66	3.6
Korea Dem Rep (North)	..	..	..	..	43.3	..	..	20	62	61	64	2.1
Korea, Rep (South)	101	100 ⁰⁰	97	100 ⁰⁰	41.8	..	..	6	74	71	78	1.5
Kuwait	95	99	98	106	32.1	99	102	0	77	75	79	2.5
Kyrgyzstan	100	97	102	101	47.2	..	..	10	65	61	70	2.4
Laos	78	86	62	73	..	76	85	23	55	53	56	4.8
Latvia	99	99 ⁰⁰	100	102 ⁰⁰	50.5	100	100 ⁰⁰	21	70	65	76	1.2
Lebanon	96	96	107	110	30.1	..	..	2	71	69	73	2.2
Lesotho	123	102	150	126	37.0	126	119 ⁰⁰	..	38	37	39	4.3
Liberia	68	73 ⁹⁹	40	65 ⁹⁸	39.6	51	64	8	47	46	48	5.8
Libya	94	100	103	106	24.0	84	94	..	72	70	75	3.3
Lithuania	95	99 ⁰⁰	100	99 ⁰⁰	48.0	100	100 ⁰¹	11	73	68	78	1.3
Macedonia (FYR of)	98	100 ⁰⁰	99	97 ⁰⁰	42.0	..	..	..	73	71	76	1.8
Madagascar	100	96	98	96 ⁹⁸	44.7	..	..	4	56	54	57	5.2
Malawi	84	91 ⁹⁶	46	55 ⁹⁶	48.4	68	77	9	38	37	38	6.1
Malaysia	100	100	107	110	38.3	99	100 ⁰⁰	10	73	70	75	2.9
Maldives	97	99	102	107	43.5	100	100	..	69	68	71	4.0
Mali	58	75	50	53 ⁹⁸	46.1	45	52 ⁰⁰	10	41	40	42	6.4
Malta	96	100 ⁰⁰	94	97 ⁰⁰	28.3	103	102	..	78	76	81	1.8
Marshall Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mauritania	74	96	47	76	43.5	65	73	4	51	49	53	4.6
Mauritius	100	100	101	96	33.0	100	102 ⁰⁰	6	73	69	76	2.0

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	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	1990 _{year}	2001 _{year}	2002	1990 _{year}	2002 _{year}	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
									2002			
Mayotte	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	58	62	6.0
Mexico	98	99 ⁰⁰	101	105 ⁰⁰	33.8	98	100 ⁰⁰	23	74	71	77	2.4
Micronesia, Fed Sts	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	69	67	71	3.5
Moldova	100	99	109	103	48.4	100	100	13	67	63	71	1.4
Mongolia	102	103	114	120	47.1	100	101 ⁰⁰	11	66	64	67	2.4
Morocco	69	89	73	81 ⁰⁰	34.9	62	79	11	68	66	70	2.8
Mozambique	75	79	57	66	48.4	48	64	30	41	40	42	5.0
Namibia	110	101	127	114	41.0	104	104	26	42	42	41	4.8
Nepal	61	87	43	75	40.5	41	59	6	60	60	60	4.2
Netherlands Antilles	95 ⁹⁸	100	117 ⁹⁸	112	42.8	100	100	..	76	73	79	2.1
New Caledonia	97	99 ⁹⁶	110	111 ⁹⁶	..	..	..	..	74	70	78	2.5
Nicaragua	106	101	136	118	36.6	101	106 ⁰¹	21	69	67	71	3.4
Niger	56	68	41	66 ⁰⁰	44.3	37	44	1	46	46	47	7.1
Nigeria	76	80	74	82 ⁹⁶	36.7	82	95	5	45	45	46	5.1
Oman	91	98	78	98	18.9	79	98	..	74	73	76	4.0
Pakistan	48	74 ⁰⁰	50	57 ⁹⁶	29.5	49	64 ⁹⁸	22	64	63	65	4.5
Panama	96	97	107	107	35.7	99	99	10	75	73	77	2.4
Papua New Guinea	84	100	66	79	42.4	..	..	1	57	56	58	4.3
Paraguay	97	96	104	102	30.4	99	100 ⁰¹	9	71	69	73	3.8
Peru	96	99 ⁰⁰	90	95 ⁹⁸	31.9	95	98	18	70	68	72	2.6
Philippines	97	99	99	110	38.0	100	101 ⁰⁰	18	70	68	72	3.2
Poland	99	99 ⁰⁰	105	97 ⁰⁰	46.5	..	..	20	74	70	78	1.3
Qatar	93	96	110	105	16.4	105	102 ⁹⁷	..	75	75	75	2.5
Romania	100	98 ⁰⁰	99	101 ⁰⁰	44.5	100	100	11	70	66	74	1.3
Russian Federation	100	100	106	101	49.2	100	100	8	66	60	72	1.3

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	1990	2001	1990	2001	2002	1990	2002	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
	year	year	year	year		year	year		2002			2002
Rwanda	98	99	75	88	48.7	86	97	49	40	39	40	5.7
Samoa (Western)	109	98	122	111	..	100	100	..	69	67	73	4.0
Sao Tome & Principe	96 ⁹⁸	94	..	84	..	..	..	..	66	63	69	4.4
Saudi Arabia	87	97	81	89	17.7	86	96	0	73	71	75	5.3
Senegal	73	91	53	67	42.6	60	72	19	52	51	54	4.9
Serbia & Montenegro	102	100 ⁰⁰	103	101 ⁰⁰	43.1	..	..	8	73	70	75	1.7
Seychelles	98 ⁹⁸	98	100 ⁹⁸	105	..	..	..	..	73	69	77	2.1
Sierra Leone	69	143 ⁰⁰	57	58 ⁹⁶	37.1	..	..	15	37	36	39	5.6
Singapore	97	98 ⁹⁶	93	98 ⁹⁶	39.2	100	100 ⁰⁰	16	..	..	..	1.4
Slovak Republic	106	99 ⁰⁰	100	101 ⁰⁰	47.7	..	100 ⁰¹	19	73	69	77	1.3
Slovenia	100	99 ⁰⁰	101	102 ⁰⁰	46.6	100	100	12	76	72	80	1.2
Solomon Islands	86	91 ⁹⁶	62	65 ⁹⁶	46.4	..	..	..	69	68	71	5.3
Somalia	52	52 ⁹⁶	53	53 ⁹⁶	43.4	..	..	..	47	46	49	7.0
South Africa	98	96	116	109	37.9	100	100	30	47	46	48	2.8
Sri Lanka	98	99	109	107 ⁹⁸	36.9	98	100	4	74	72	76	2.1
St Kitts & Nevis	..	109 ⁰⁰	..	143 ⁰⁰	..	..	..	..	71	69	74	2.1
St Lucia	98 ⁹⁸	101	129 ⁹⁸	130	..	..	..	..	74	72	76	2.1
St Vincent & Grenadines	95 ⁹⁹	96	117 ⁹⁹	120	..	..	..	..	73	70	76	2.1
Sudan	75	85	78	96	30.0	71	88	10	58	57	60	4.4
Suriname	100 ⁰⁰	98	118 ⁰⁰	139	34.2	..	..	..	70	68	73	2.4
Swaziland	95	95	96	90	37.8	101	102	3	44	44	44	4.2
Syria	90	93	73	90	27.6	73	96	12	70	68	73	3.4
Tajikistan	98	95	100	82	45.2	100	100 ⁰⁰	13	67	64	70	2.9
Tanzania	98	98	70	81 ⁰⁰	49.0	87	95	22	43	43	44	5.0
Thailand	98	96	97	95 ⁰⁰	46.2	99	100 ⁰⁰	9	69	67	72	1.8

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									2002			
Togo	65	82	34	44 ⁹⁹	40.0	60	75	7	47	49	51	4.9
Tonga	97 ⁹⁸	98	113 ⁹⁸	113	100 ⁹⁶	..	71	69	74	3.4
Trinidad & Tobago	99	99	105	105	34.9	100	100	19	72	70	75	1.8
Tunisia	89	96	79	104	32.1	81	93	12	73	71	75	2.1
Turkey	94	92	64	76	38.1	91	95 ⁰⁰	4	70	68	73	2.2
Turkmenistan	99	100 ⁹⁶	102	99 ⁹⁶	45.9	100 ⁹⁵	..	26	65	61	68	2.7
Uganda	80	96	56	59 ⁹⁶	47.6	76	86	25	43	43	44	6.0
Ukraine	100	100	105	100	48.8	100	100	5	68	63	74	1.2
United Arab Emirates	97	96	114	106	15.9	108	108	0	75	74	77	3.0
Uruguay	99	98	127	114	42.2	101	101	12	75	71	79	2.2
Uzbekistan	98	99	91	97	46.9	100	100	7	67	64	70	2.4
Vanuatu	95	99	76	103	69	67	70	4.3
Venezuela	103	98	138	116	35.4	101	101	10	74	71	77	2.7
Vietnam	94	93	94	92	48.7	99	100 ⁹⁸	27	70	67	72	1.9
West Bank & Gaza	73	71	75	4.9
Yemen	40	66	21	42 ⁰⁰	28.3	34	60	0	57	57	58	6.0
Zambia	93	94	61	62 ⁹⁶	44.6	88	95	12	37	37	37	5.1
Zimbabwe	98	97	87	89	44.5	95	97	10	39	39	39	3.7

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	1990	2001	1990	2001	2002	1990	2002	2003	Total	Male	Female	2002
	year	year	year	year		year	year		2002			2002
East Asia & Pacific	94	99 ⁰⁰	79	109 ⁹⁷	44.5	96	99 ⁰⁰	..	69	68	71	2.1
Europe & Central Asia	99	98	101	96	46.3	100	99 ⁰⁰	..	69	64	73	1.6
Latin America & Caribbean	98	96	112	109	35.2	100	101 ⁰⁰	..	71	68	74	2.5
Middle East & North Africa	84	92	74	91 ⁰⁰	28.6	79	89 ⁰¹	..	69	67	70	3.1
South Asia	75	86 ⁰⁰	60	74 ⁰⁰	33.6	73	80 ⁰⁰	..	63	62	64	3.2
Sub-Saharan Africa	82	85	77	83 ⁹⁶	42.0	89 ⁰⁰	91	..	46	45	47	5.1
Low & middle income	88	94 ⁰⁰	81	88 ⁹⁶	40.2	89	93 ⁰⁰	..	65	63	66	2.8
Low income	80	87 ⁰⁰	65	79 ⁰⁰	37.7	77	85 ⁰⁰	..	59	58	60	3.5
Low income (excl China & India)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Middle income	94	98 ⁰⁰	90	97 ⁹⁶	42.2	95	99 ⁰⁰	..	70	68	72	2.1
Lower middle income	93	98 ⁰⁰	88	96 ⁹⁶	42.8	95	99 ⁰⁰	..	69	67	72	2.1
Upper middle income	99	99 ⁰⁰	104	104 ⁰⁰	37.0	..	100 ⁰⁰	..	73	70	77	2.4
LDCs	80	92	56	87 ⁰⁰	42.4	67	81	..	51	50	52	4.8
Developed Countries	100	100 ⁰⁰	102	103 ⁰⁰	43.4	..	..	..	78	75	81	1.7
World	90	95 ⁰⁰	87	92 ⁹⁶	40.7	90	93 ⁰⁰	..	67	65	69	2.6

2. The gross primary enrolment rate for girls as a percentage of that for boys. 100 would equate to absolute equality in enrolment patterns, less than 100 implying that fewer girls than boys are able to enrol. Data produced by UNESCO and calculated from male and female data in the World Bank WDI Online.

3. The gross secondary enrolment rate for girls as a percentage of that for boys. 100 would equate to absolute equality in enrolment patterns, less than 100 implying that fewer girls than boys are able to enrol. Data produced by UNESCO and calculated from male and female data in the World Bank WDI Online.

4. Females as a percentage of the total labour force. Data produced by ILO and obtained from the World Bank WDI Online.

5. The female youth literacy rate as a percentage of the male literacy rate. A figure of 100 indicates absolute equality in youth literacy, less than 100 implies that girls are less able than boys to read. Data produced by UNESCO and calculated from male and female data in the World Bank WDI Online.

6. Data refer to the situation of women in the lower or single house of the national parliaments at January of the year indicated. Data produced by the UN and obtained from the World Bank's 2004 World Development Indicators book.

7. The life expectancy of a newborn infant if patterns of mortality at the time of its birth stay the same throughout its life. Data obtained from the World Bank WDI Online.

8. The number of children born to a woman if she lives to the end of her childbearing years and bears children at current age-specific fertility rates. Data obtained from the World Bank WDI Online.