IDAC Guidelines on child-specific indicators

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Mission and Objectives of the IDAC

**MISSION**: to improve data and statistics on migrant and displaced children in support of evidence-based policymaking and programming that can protect and empower them.

Formally signed in November 2023

1. Strengthen national data systems and capacities to protect migrant and displaced children
2. Establish and promote collaborative and innovative methods for child-specific data
3. Improve data visibility, availability, accessibility and usability
Organizational Structure and Membership

Secretariat
- UNICEF (chair)
- Eurostat
- IOM
- OECD
- UNHCR

Advisory Board
- Statistics Norway
- South Africa Statistics
- Statistics Sweden
- Statistics Netherlands
- African Union
- Department of Statistics in Jordan
- UN Statistics Division
- UN Population Division
- UNESCAP

Latin America (5): Chile, Colombia, El Salvador, Mexico, Peru
Asia (2): Nepal, Thailand
Sub-Saharan Africa (4): Cameroon, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda
MENA (4): Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco
Europe (10): Greece, Iceland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

25 countries
15 ORGs
13 INGOs

Mixed Migration Centre, Migration Policy Institute, Save the Children, IDMC, IMPACT-REACH, EU – KCMD, Aid Data, JIPS, Australian National University, ISDC, Northwestern University, Georgetown University, University of Bristol, WorldPop

IDAC: Quick Facts (since 2020)

In just three years, IDAC has...

- ORGANIZED 13 Events and webinars on improving data for children on the move
- PUBLISHED 15 Reports, briefs, blog posts, newsletters and data updates
- SPOTLIGHTED 14 CHILDREN AT Global and regional forums, calling attention to children’s needs in the migration and displacement agenda
Indicators for Children on the Move

Challenges

- Poor availability of stock/flow and data for child-specific indicators
- Unbalanced data between regions
- Poor disaggregation by migratory status
- Poor disaggregation by age and sex
IDAC Guidelines on Child-Specific Indicators

Objectives:

✓ Recommend stock and flow statistics for children
✓ Recommend child-specific indicators for Health, Nutrition, Education, Child Protection and Poverty
✓ Discuss crucial disaggregation dimensions
✓ Provide examples on good practices and experiences
Selection process and thematic areas

1) Be **relevant** to children on the move
2) To **represent** the multidimensional aspects of wellbeing of children on the move
3) Based on **existing indicator frameworks**
4) Good **potential** for quality data

- Health and nutrition
- Education
- Child protection
- Poverty
Indicator frameworks relevant to children on the move

- Sustainable Development Goals
- Expert Group on Migration Statistics (EGMS)
- UN Migration on Network, GCM indicators
- EGRISS: IRIS, IRRS and IROSS
- OECD Indicators of Immigrant Indicators
Recommended Core statistics

**Stock**
- International migrant children
  - UN EGMS
- Refugee Children
  - EGRISS
- Internally displaced children
  - EGRISS
- Asylum seeker children
  - EGRISS
- Stateless children in the context of migration or disp.
  - EGRISS

**Flow**
- Annual number of immigrant children
  - UN EGMS
- Annual number of emigrant children
  - UN EGMS
- Forcibly displaced children
  - EGRISS
- Asylum-seeking children who received a decision
  - EGRISS
- Unaccompanied or separated children
Priority indicators

Health and nutrition
- SDG 2.2.2 Wasting
- SDG 3.7.2 Adolescent birth rate
- SDG 3.8.1 Essential health services coverage

Education
- SDG 4.1.1 Reading and math proficiency
- SDG 4.1.2 Completion rate
- SDG 4.1.6 Youth NEET

Child protection
- SDG 16.9.1 Birth registration
- UNICEF SP 3.a.7, UNNM Sustainable solution

Poverty
- SDG 1.2.1 Under national poverty line
- SDG 1.2.2 Multidimensional poverty
Additional indicators

Health and nutrition

- **WHO**
  - Antenatal care coverage (ANC4)
- **SDG 3.4.2**
  - Suicide
- **WHO**
  - Obesity
- **SDG 3.7.1**
  - Family planning access
- **SDG 3.1.2**
  - Skilled Birth Attendance
- **SDG 3.7.1**
  - Vaccination coverage
- **SDG 3.3.1**
  - Under-five mortality rate
- **UNICEF SP 3.a.5.a**
  - Psychosocial services
- **WHO, UNICEF**
  - Exclusive breastfeeding
- **UNICEF SP 3.a.5.a**
  - Food insecurity (CFIES)

Education

- **SDG 4.1.4**
  - Out-of-school rate
- **SDG 4.2.1**
  - Early Child Development

Child protection

- **SDG 5.3.1**
  - Underage marriage
- **SDG 5.7.1**
  - Child labour
- **SDG 16.2.1**
  - Discrimination
- **SDG 16.2.2**
  - Physical punishment
- **SDG 16.2.3**
  - Human trafficking
- **SDG 16.2.3**
  - Sexual violence
- **UN EGMS**
  - Detention

Poverty

- **SDG 1.1.1**
  - Under international poverty line
- **SDG 1.3.1**
  - Social protection
- **SDG 3.4.2**
  - Suicide
- **SDG 3.5.1**
  - Under-five mortality rate
- **SDG 3.b.1**
  - Vaccination coverage
- **SDG 4.2.1**
  - Early Child Development
- **SDG 4.1.4**
  - Out-of-school rate
- **SDG 5.3.1**
  - Underage marriage
- **SDG 5.7.1**
  - Child labour
- **SDG 16.2.1**
  - Discrimination
- **SDG 16.2.2**
  - Physical punishment
- **SDG 16.2.3**
  - Human trafficking
- **SDG 16.2.3**
  - Sexual violence
- **UN EGMS**
  - Detention
IDAC indicators include:

- 25 - SDG indicators
- 6 - EGRISS (IRIS, IRRS)
- 4 - UN EGMS
- 3 - WHO
- 3 - UNICEF Strategic Plan

Included 12 indicators that IDAC proposes.

Including:
- Children who were provided with a sustainable solution
- Average duration in detention due to irregular migration
Surveys focused on children on the move: the case of Italy

The Migration Profile of Serbia, a collaborative product for the benefit of children on the move
A collaborative effort

IDAC Secretariat

Members countries

Other organizations
Next steps

- Finalizing the document in 2024.
- Integrate it into formal processes, such as the UN Statistical Commission, GCM, etc.
- Develop specific guidelines on how to collect data for the chosen indicators.
- Dissemination and sharing with countries and partners for implementation.
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https://data.unicef.org/resources/international-data-alliance-for-children-on-the-move/