Highlights from UNICEF's gender statistics portfolio: data collection, analysis & dissemination

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Data collection: MICS

UNICEF's flagship household survey programme

Developed in the early 1990s to generate World Summit for Children Indicators in 1995

Now a continuous household survey programme and a major data source for SDGs

MICS6 (2017-2022) yielded 177 prevalence, attitudinal & behavioral indicators, with disaggregation by sex and other key characteristics

MICS7: New developments

- The 7th round of MICS officially began in March 2023, will run until 2026

- Structural changes to questionnaires and expanded content, both to reduce respondent and survey team burdens and to respond to emerging issues/new indicators

- New architecture comprises:
  - base questionnaires- short questionnaires with topics applicable in all settings
  - complementary modules – topics of high relevance to select countries

MICS7 new complementary modules w/ strong gender relevance

- Violence against women
- Decision-making on reproductive health
- Adolescent/youth mental health
- Not in employment, education, training (NEET)
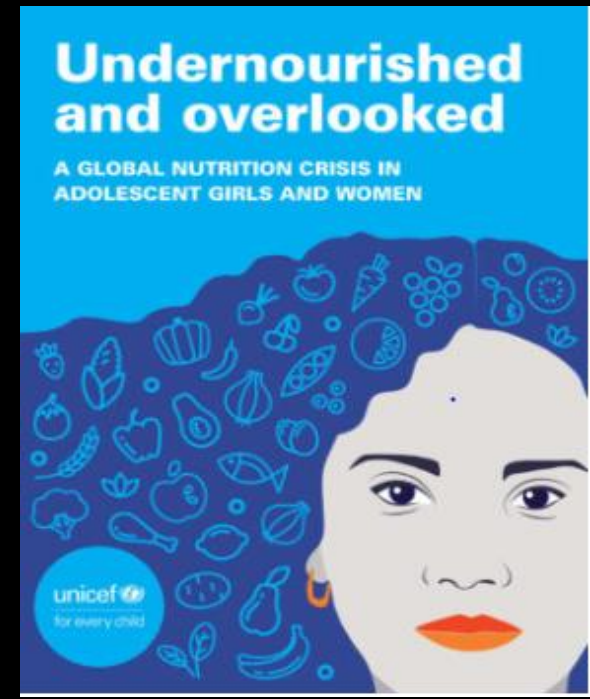- ICT/social media use
- Children's time use

Data analysis

2023 UNICEF report highlights:

- Progress on household drinking water, sanitation and hygiene 2000-2022: Special focus on gender (WHO/UNICEF JMP)

- Bridging the digital divide: Challenges and an urgent call for action for equitable skills development

- Is an end to child marriage within reach? Latest trends and future prospects

- Undernourished and overlooked: A global nutrition crisis in adolescent girls and women

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Undernourished and overlooked

A GLOBAL NUTRITION CRISIS IN ADOLESCENT GIRLS AND WOMEN

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Data dissemination

- Development of country profiles featuring a set of key indicators across a range of dimensions to monitor the status and well-being of adolescent girls

Thank you!

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For more information:
https://data.unicef.org/topic/gender/overview/