

SDG 4 – Country Profiles

Germany

SDG Region: Northern America and Europe

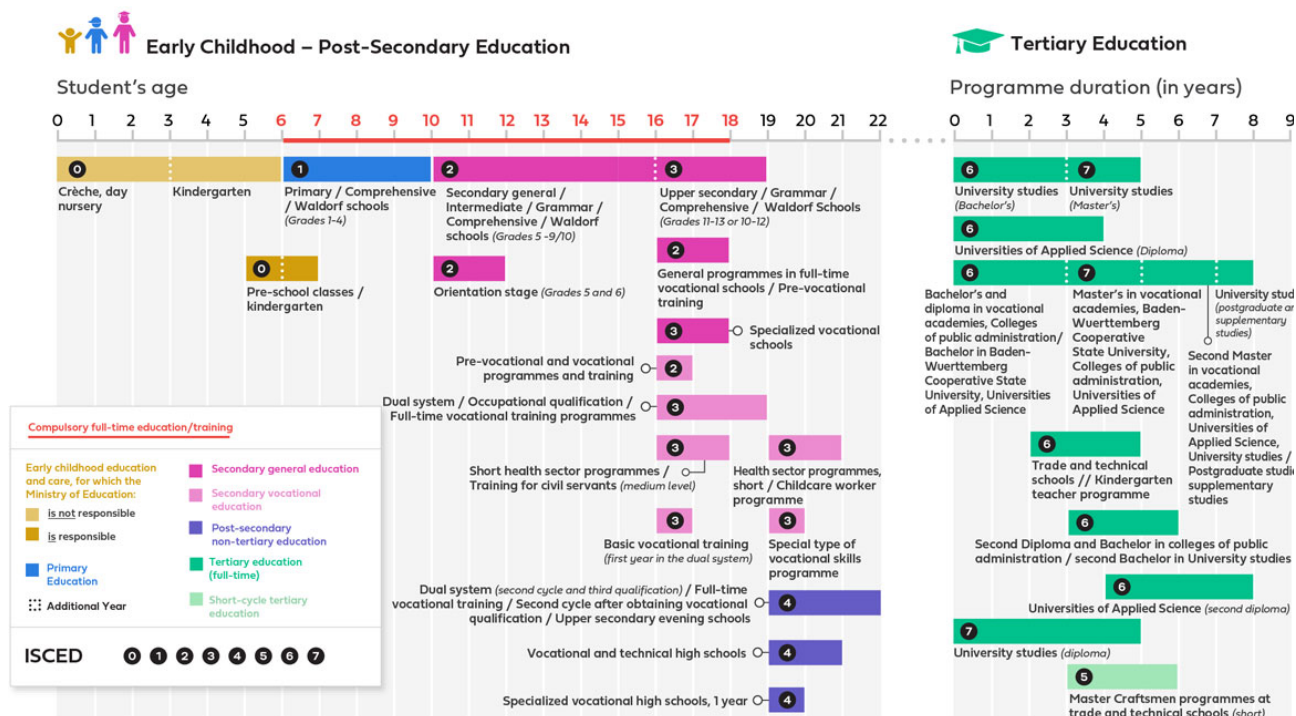
GNI per capita, PPP (2021) \$ 59680 - High income (July 2022)
 Poverty headcount ratio at \$3.65 a day (2017) 0.2 % (2011 PPP)
 Poverty headcount ratio at \$3.65 a day (2018) 0.2 % (2011 PPP)
 Population, total (2020) 83.2 millions



* Key statistics from the World Bank. Flag from flagpedia.net

International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED):






These country diagrams provide a visual image of the structure of national education systems classified according to ISCED 2011. The diagrams are based on mappings provided by Member States that have been verified internally and approved by countries.



| ISCED | Level | School age population |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 | Early Childhood Education | 4,902,812 |
| 01 | Early Childhood Educational Development Programmes | 2,495,046 |
| 02 | Pre-Primary Education | 2,407,766 |
| 1 | Primary Education | 3,074,815 |
| | One Year Before Than Official Primary Entry Age | 791,278 |
| | Last Grade Of Primary Education | 759,047 |
| 2 | Lower Secondary Education | 4,583,868 |
| 3 | Upper Secondary Education | 2,436,028 |
| 2T3 | Secondary Education | 7,019,896 |
| 4 | Post-Secondary Non-Tertiary Education | 2,595,380 |
| 5T8 | Tertiary Education | 4,493,860 |



The complete International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED) can be accessed at [ISCED website hosted by the UNESCO Institute for Statistics \(UIS\)](https://uis.unesco.org/en/isced).

SDG Monitoring and Trends

This country profile presents the data available to monitor SDG 4 global indicators. Data points for Germany are available for indicators 4.4, 4.a, 4.1, 4.3, 4.2, 4.5, Education 2030 FFA, 4.7, 1.a, and 4.6. The trends are calculated here as the difference between the mean annual growth rate before and after 2015, whenever at least three data points are available in each period. An up green arrow , indicates that there was a positive change from the first period to the second. A down red arrow , indicates if the change was negative. Differences of +/- 5% between the two periods are considered stable and marked with a right orange arrow . For out-of-school rates, a squared red arrow  points down when the situation is worsening (when rates go up) and a green squared arrow  points up when the situation is improving (when rates go down). The gray area and line in the miniplot show the average for Northern America and Europe (SDG) in the period.



SDG **Target 1.a - By 2030, ensure significant mobilization of resources from a variety of sources, including through enhanced development cooperation, in order to provide adequate and predictable means for developing countries, in particular least developed countries, to implement programmes and policies to end poverty in all its dimensions**

1.a.2 Proportion of total government spending on essential services - education

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Percentage of Government Expenditure | 9.1 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 8.8 | - |   |



SDG **FFA - Education 2030 Framework for Action**

Government expenditure on education as a percentage of GDP



| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Percentage of GDP | 5.1 | 5 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 4.5 | - |   |

SDG **Target 4.1 - By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes**







4.1.1 Proportion of children and young people achieving at least a minimum proficiency level in mathematics, both sexes

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Primary | - | 80.7 | - | - | - | 76.7 | - | - | - | 74.6 | - | - | - |  - |
| Lower Secondary | - | - | 82.3 | - | - | 82.8 | - | - | 78.9 | - | - | - | - |  - |





4.1.1 Proportion of children and young people achieving at least a minimum proficiency level in reading, both sexes

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Primary | - | 97.6 | - | - | - | - | 94.5 | - | - | - | - | - | - |  - |
| Lower Secondary | - | - | 85.5 | - | - | 83.8 | - | - | 79.3 | - | - | - | - |  - |

4.1.2 - Completion rate, both sexes (%)

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-----------------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Primary | 100.0 | 98.1 | 98.3 | 98.4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - |   |
| Lower Secondary | 94.0 | 96.2 | 96.6 | 96.9 | 93.9 | 92.6 | 93.2 | 93.2 | 93 | 92.7 | 93.6 | 92.2 | - |   |
| Upper Secondary | 79.6 | 80.2 | 77.6 | 79.0 | 79.3 | 78.8 | 79.8 | 80.0 | 79 | 79.7 | 81.3 | 78.4 | - |   |

4.1.4 - Out-of-school rate


| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Primary - Admin. Data | 2.4 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 2.1 | - | - |  |
| Lower Secondary - Admin. Data | 2.6 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.2 | - | - |  |
| Upper Secondary - Admin. Data | 8.1 | 5.8 | 10.6 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 11.4 | 12.1 | 11.5 | 13.9 | 14.8 | 16.7 | - | - |  |
| Upper Secondary - Survey | 4.7 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 7.5 | 8.6 | - |  |

SDG Target 4.2 - By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education

4.2.1 - Proportion of children aged 24-59 months who are developmentally on track in health, learning and psychosocial well-being, both sexes (%)

There is no data for this indicator

4.2.2 - Adjusted net enrolment rate, one year before the official primary entry age, both sexes (%)



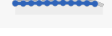
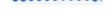
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| One Year Before Primary | 96.8 | 96.1 | 95.5 | 98.7 | 99.6 | 98 | 99.7 | 98.8 | 98.8 | 97 | 98.3 | - | - |  |

4.2.2 - Adjusted net attendance rate, one year before the official primary entry age, both sexes (%)

There is no data for this indicator

SDG Target 4.3 - By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university

4.3.1 - Participation rate of youth and adults in formal and non-formal education and training in the previous 12 months, both sexes (%)

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Population ages 15-24 | 70.8 | 70.2 | 72.1 | 73.6 | 74.2 | 75.1 | 74.0 | 73.7 | 74.4 | 74.3 | 73.1 | - | - |  |
| Population ages 55-64 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 2.7 | - | - |  |
| Population ages 15-64 | 18.5 | 18.2 | 18.7 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 19.2 | 18.9 | 18.8 | 18.6 | 17.7 | - | - |  |
| Population ages 25-64 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 9.0 | - | - |  |

SDG Target 4.4 - By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship

4.4.1 Proportion of youth and adults with information and communications technology (ICT) skills, by type of skill

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Programming Language | - | - | - | - | 11.6 | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.0 | - | 5.4 | - | - | - |  |
| Copy Paste | - | - | - | - | 76.4 | 68.3 | 61.6 | 62.5 | - | 64.1 | - | - | - |  |
| Create File | - | - | - | - | 34.0 | 39.0 | 36.3 | 36.7 | - | 37.0 | - | - | - |  |
| Mathematica Formula | - | - | - | - | 48.0 | 38.1 | 33.1 | 35.0 | - | 35.4 | - | - | - |  |

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|---------------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|---|---|---|--|---|
| Transfer File | - | - | - | - | 65.3 | 60.3 | 55.6 | 57.3 | - | 59.2 | - | - | - | | - |
| Install Software | - | - | - | - | - | 60.3 | 58.0 | 56.9 | - | 62.7 | - | - | - | | - |
| Duplicate File | - | - | - | - | 73.6 | 62.0 | 56.0 | 56.0 | - | 57.3 | - | - | - | | - |
| Attach File | - | - | - | - | - | - | 75.6 | 75.8 | 77.1 | 78.8 | - | - | - | | - |
| Connect to Internet | - | - | - | - | 49.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | - |

SDG Target 4.5 - By 2030, eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations

4.5.1 - Upper Secondary Adjusted Gender Parity Index

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Upper Secondary | 1.1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | - | | |

Gender gap in upper secondary completion rate

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---|---|
| Upper Secondary | 5 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 3.3 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 7.2 | 6.7 | - | — | - |

SDG Target 4.6 - By 2030, ensure that all youth and a substantial proportion of adults, both men and women, achieve literacy and numeracy

4.6.1 - Proportion of population achieving at least a fixed level of proficiency in functional literacy skills, both sexes (%)

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| - | - | - | 82.2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | - |

4.6.1 - Proportion of population achieving at least a fixed level of proficiency in functional numeracy skills, both sexes (%)

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| - | - | - | 81.3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | - |

SDG Target 4.7 - By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and nonviolence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development

4.7.1 - Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development are mainstreamed in student assessment

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|---|
| In Student Assessments | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.9 | - | - | | - |

4.7.1 - Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development are mainstreamed in teacher education

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|--|---|
| In Teacher Education | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.9 | - | - | | - |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|--|---|

4.7.1 - Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development are mainstreamed in curricula

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | | |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---|--|---|
| In Curricula | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.9 | - | - | | - |

4.7.1 - Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development are mainstreamed in national education policies

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---|--|---|
| In National Education Policies | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | | - |

SDG Target 4.a - Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all

4.a.1 - Proportion of schools with access to basic services

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|--|---|
| Single-sex basic sanitation facilities - Primary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic drinking water - Primary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Computers for pedagogical purposes - Primary | - | - | - | - | - | 78.1 | - | - | - | 73.5 | - | - | - | | - |
| Electricity - Primary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic handwashing facilities - Primary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Electricity - Lower Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Single-sex basic sanitation facilities - Lower Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic drinking water - Lower Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic handwashing facilities - Lower Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Electricity - Upper Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic drinking water - Upper Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Single-sex basic sanitation facilities - Upper Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Basic handwashing facilities - Upper Secondary | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100 | 100 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | - | | → |
| Computers for pedagogical purposes - Secondary | - | - | - | - | - | 98.2 | - | - | 98.9 | - | - | - | - | | - |
| Internet for pedagogical purposes - Secondary | - | - | - | - | - | 97.1 | - | - | 98.0 | - | - | - | - | | - |

SDG Target 4.b - By 2020, substantially expand globally the number of scholarships available to developing countries, in particular least developed countries, small island developing States and African countries, for enrolment in higher education, including vocational training and information and communications technology, technical, engineering and scientific programmes, in developed countries and other developing countries

4.b.1 - Volume of official development assistance flows for scholarships by sector and type of study, constant US\$ (millions)

There is no data for this indicator

SDG Target 4.c - By 2030, substantially increase the supply of qualified teachers, including through international cooperation for teacher training in developing countries, especially least developed countries and small island developing States

4.c.1 - Proportion of teachers with the minimum required qualifications, both sexes (%)

There is no data for this indicator

National benchmarks for Germany

| Indicator | Baseline | Value 2025 | Value 2030 | Progress relative to benchmark | Progress relative to historical trends |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Target 4.1 | | | | | |
| 4.1.1 - Mathematics in Grades 2/3 | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.1 - Reading in Grades 2/3 | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.1 - Mathematics at the end of primary | 76.7 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.1 - Reading at the end of primary | 94.5 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.1 - Mathematics at the end of lower secondary | 82.8 | 85.0 | 85.0 | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.1 - Reading at the end of lower secondary | 83.8 | 85.0 | 85.0 | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.2 - Completion rate in primary | 100.0 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.2 - Completion rate in lower secondary | 92.3 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.2 - Completion rate in upper secondary | 80.1 | 91.0 | 91.0 | ▨ | ▨ |
| 4.1.4 - Out-of-school rate in primary | 1.9 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.4 - Out-of-school rate in lower secondary | 4.7 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.1.4 - Out-of-school rate in upper secondary | 11.4 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| Target 4.2 | | | | | |
| 4.2.2 - Participation rate one year before primary | 98.0 | 98.3 | 98.3 | ■ | ■ |
| Target 4.c | | | | | |
| 4.c.1 - Percentage of teachers with the minimum required qualifications - pre-primary | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.c.1 - Percentage of teachers with the minimum required qualifications - primary | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.c.1 - Percentage of teachers with the minimum required qualifications - lower secondary | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| 4.c.1 - Percentage of teachers with the minimum required qualifications - upper secondary | - | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| Target on Equity | | | | | |
| Gender gap in upper secondary completion rate | 2.8 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| Target on Finance¹ | | | | | |
| 1.a.2 Proportion of total government spending on essential services (education) | 11.0 | - | - | ■ | ■ |
| FFA - Education expenditure as share of GDP | 4.9 | - | - | ■ | ■ |

¹ The Incheon Declaration and Framework for Action for the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 4, paragraph 105, encourages countries to set nationally appropriate spending targets for education (i) allocating at least 4% to 6% of gross domestic product (GDP) to education; and/or (ii) allocating at least 15% to 20% of public expenditure to education.

Legend for benchmark trends:

Country classification of progress relative to national SDG 4 benchmarks

| Category | Description |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fast progress | >75% probability that 2025 national benchmark will be achieved given the latest value (including countries which have already achieved the benchmark or are close to 100%) |
| Average progress | 25-75% probability that 2025 national benchmark will be achieved given the latest value |
| Slow progress | <25% probability that 2025 national benchmarks will be achieved given the latest value |
| No progress | Negative progress |
| No benchmark | |
| No data for trend | |
| No data | |

Country classification of progress relative to feasible benchmarks

| Category | Description |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fast progress | >75% probability that 2025 feasible benchmark will be achieved given the latest value (including countries which have already achieved the benchmark or are close to 100%) |
| Average progress | 25-75% probability that 2025 feasible benchmark will be achieved given the latest value |
| Slow progress | <25% probability that 2025 feasible benchmarks will be achieved given the latest value |
| No progress | Negative progress |
| No data for trend | |
| No data | |

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