



**KidsRights  
Index**

The KidsRights Index is a joint initiative of the KidsRights Foundation and Erasmus University Rotterdam: Erasmus School of Economics and International Institute of Social Studies.



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The KidsRights Index is the first global ranking on how countries are adhering to children's rights.

**165  
COUNTRIES**

Worldwide there are still  
**168 million** child labourers

At least **57 million** children worldwide, amongst them **32 million** girls, do not go to primary school.

**1 in 6** children in the developing world is underweight due to extreme poverty.



The goal of the KidsRights Index is to stimulate compliance with children's rights worldwide.

The KidsRights Index will be published yearly

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is the global framework for children's rights.



**1989**

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

**193  
COUNTRIES**



The KidsRights Index uses existing data from two reputable sources: the *State of the World's Children Report* by UNICEF and the *Concluding Observations* UN Committee on the Rights of the Child.

The KidsRights Index

**23 indicators**  
domain Environment is unique  
**16 quantitative and  
7 qualitative indicators**

### 1. Life

- Under 5 mortality rate
- Life expectancy at birth
- Maternal mortality ratio



### 2. Health

- % of under five year olds suffering from underweight
- Immunization of 1 year old children
- % of population using improved sanitation facilities (urban and rural)
- % of population using improved drinking water sources (urban and rural)

### 3. Education

- Primary school participation
- Secondary school participation
- Primary school enrolment ratios (female as % of male)
- Secondary school enrolment ratios (female as % of male)
- Survival rate to last grade of primary (female as % of male)
- Primary school net attendance ratio (urban and rural)



### 4. Protection

- Child labour
- Adolescent birth rate
- Birth registration

### 5. Environment

- Non-discrimination
- Best interest of the child
- Respect for the views of the child/child participation
- Enabling legislation
- Best available budget
- Collection and analysis of disaggregate data
- State-civil society cooperation for child rights

