

WORLD STATS – WOMEN & GIRLS



KEY

Green = General Poverty

Pink = Pregnancy, Health & Abusive Practices

Yellow = Education

Blue = Income, Labor & Occupation

USAID¹

- Across developing countries, women make up 43% of the agricultural labor force.
- One in 5 girls in developing countries who enroll in primary school never complete their education.
- Women comprise only 18.9% of the world's legislators.
- Globally, 1 in 7 girls is married before she turns 15.
- Globally, 1 in 3 women will experience gender-based violence in their lifetime.
- Each year, more than 287,000 women — 99% of which live in developing countries — die from pregnancy- and childbirth-related complications.

UNITED NATIONS²

- Every week, approximately 7,000 adolescent girls and young women from the ages of 15 and 24 become newly infected with HIV.
- Women in sub-Saharan Africa collectively spend roughly 40 billion hours a year collecting water.
- Research indicates that when more income is put into the hands of women, child nutrition, health, and education all improve.

UNICEF³

- Around the world, approximately 129 million girls are out of school.
- In countries affected by conflict, girls are more than twice as likely to be out of school than girls living in non-affected countries.
- Every year, roughly 12 million girls are married before they turn 18.
- Globally, an estimated 15% of young women give birth before they turn 18.
- Despite evidence of declines, around 1 in 3 girls from the ages of 15 and 19 have undergone female genital mutilation or circumcision in countries where it is practiced.

THE WORLD BANK⁴

- Globally, more than 736 million people live on less than \$1.90 per day.
- Four of 5 people living below the poverty line live in rural areas.
- Women and children represent the majority of the poor in most regions.
- More than half of the world's extremely poor live in sub-Saharan Africa.

¹U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). (2022). Retrieved from <https://www.usaid.gov/>

²UNAIDS. (2022, February 3). Retrieved from <https://www.unaids.org/en>

³UNICEF. (2022, January 31). Retrieved from <https://www.unicef.org/>

⁴World Bank. (2022). Retrieved from <https://www.worldbank.org/en/home>

