Zambia 2008 District Profile for Nyimba

At a glance

Grades

	1-9	10-12
Female Pupils	6,914	503
Male Pupils	8,645	713

Teachers	401	60
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Schools	70	5
Classrooms	268	45
Textbooks	24,826	545



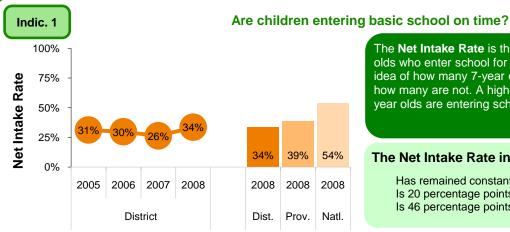
Basic School

_	Goal	Actual Value
NIR		34%
NER		77%
Survival to G9		33%

Pupil-Teacher Ratio	43
Teacher Attrition Rate	25%
% Teachers Qualified	87%
Pupil-Book Ratio	2.5

ANALYSIS

Issue #1: Progress in primary school enrolment in Nyimba



What is observed and why is it happening?

The Net Intake Rate is the percentage of seven-year olds who enter school for the first time. It gives us an idea of how many 7-year olds are entering school and how many are not. A higher NIR means more seven

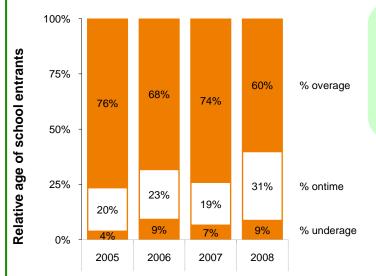
year olds are entering school on time.

The Net Intake Rate in Nyimba:

Has remained constant since 2005. Is 20 percentage points below the national value. Is 46 percentage points below the goal of 80%.

What action is required?

Indic. 2 Of all the children who enter school for the first time, how many are the correct age?



Since 2005 in Nyimba:

Overage entrants have decreased by 16 percentage points.

Properly aged entrants have increased by 11 percentage points.

Underage entrants have increased by 5 percentage points.

What is observed and why is it happening?

This graph shows the percentage of new school entrants who are on-time (age 7), overage (older than 7) and underage (younger than 7). A high percentage of overage entrants means a lower NIR, but is acceptable because it means that older children are receiving an education. Once all the older children have been cycled through school, the percentage of overage entrants should decrease and the percentage of on time entrants should increase. If underage pupils are entering in large percentages, they are taking spaces from older pupils.

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Are all basic school age children enrolled in basic school?

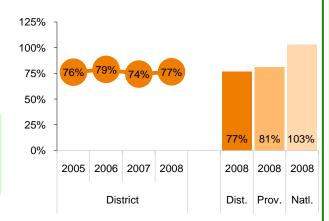
The **Basic Net Enrollment Rate** is the percentage of basic-aged (ages 7-15) children who are enrolled in basic school (grades 1-9). A higher **Basic NER** means more children are attending school at the correct age.

NER

The Net Enrollment Rate in Nyimba:

Has remained constant since 2005. Is 26 percentage points below the national average. Is 3 percentage points below the goal of 80%.

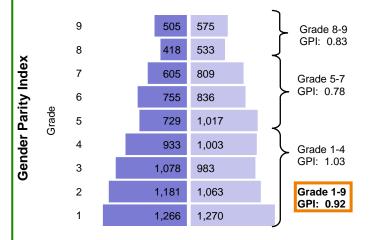
What is observed and why is it happening?



What action is required?

Indic. 4

Are girls and boys enrolled in equal numbers?



What is observed and why is it happening?

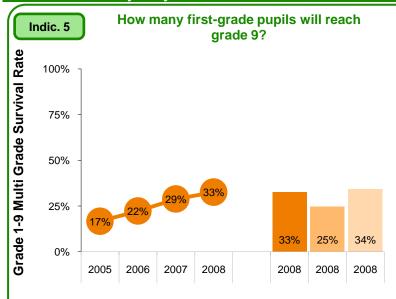
The **Gender Parity Index** is the ratio of female to male pupils. A **GPI** larger than one mean there are more females than males in school. A **GPI** smaller than one means there are less females per male in school. A **GPI** of 1 is desirable because it means there is an equal number of males and females in school.

The Gender Parity Index in Nyimba:

Is within 0.08 of the national goal of 1 for grades 1-9.

Is highest in grades 1-4, with 1.03 girls per boy. Is lowest in grades 5-7, with 0.78 girls per boy.

ISSUE #2: Efficiency in Nyimba



What is observed and why is it happening?

as reported by school head-masters. Headmasters may

not always know the exact reason.

The Grade 1-9 Multi Grade Survival Rate is the percentage of pupils enrolled in grade 1 during the current school year who are expected to reach grade 9, no matter how many years It is estimated using data from a single year. A higher survival rate means more pupils are expected to reach grade 9 and less drop out.

The Grade 1-9 Multi Grade Survival Rate in Nyimba:

Has increased by 16 percentage points since 2005

Is 2 percentage points below the national average.

Is 47 percentage points below the goal of 80%.



Are some Grade 1 students less likely than others to reach higher grades of Basic School?



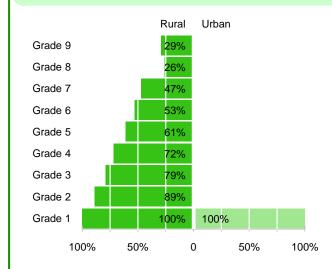
These pyramids compare the multi-grade survival rates for a grade 1 pupil from different education situations. When one group has a lower survival rate to a particular grade, pupils from that group are less likely to reach that grade.

In Nyimba, students are less likely to stay in school through grade 9 if they are female or if they attend a urban or community school.

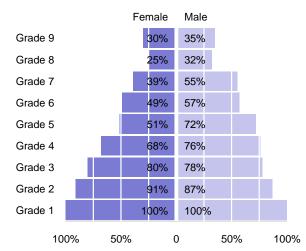
29% of rural school entrants will reach grade 9 as compared with 0% of urban entrants.

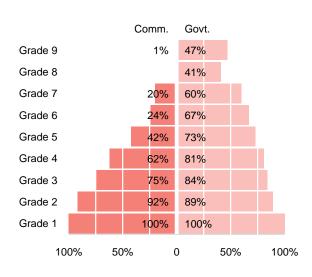
30% of female school entrants will reach grade 9 as compared with 35% of male entrants.

1% of community school entrants will reach grade 9 as compared with 47% of government school entrants.

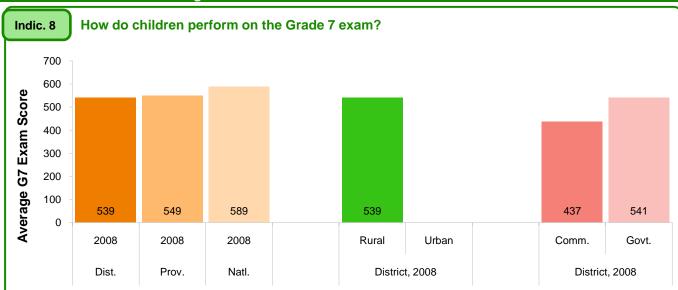


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ISSUE #3: Are children learning?



The **Grade 7 Exam** is designed to measure individual students' learning levels at the end of grade 7. Exams are a common measure of learning, though critics argue that students with a high knowledge level could perform poorly if they are not good at taking tests.

Exam scores are tabulated according to wher the test is taken rather than where a pupil attends school. For example, if a community school pupil travels to a government school to take the exam, then their score is recorded as a government school score. Because of this, the Urb./Rur and Comm./Govt. scores in the graph may not reflect learning levels properly.

Not all grade 7 pupils sit for the exam, which means that exam scores may not be representative of the learning level of all grade 7 pupils. If high achieving pupils take the exam and low achieving pupils avoid it, then the average scores represent the learning level of high achievers more than that of low achievers.

The average Grade 7 exam score in Nyimba:

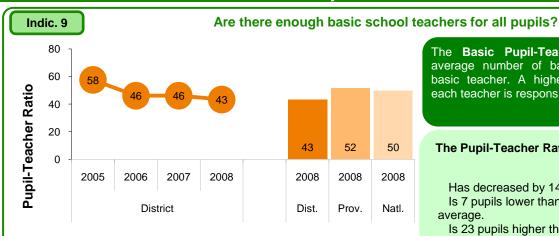
Is 49 points lower than the national average.

Is 539 points higher in rural schools than in urban schools.

Is 103 points shorter in community schools than in government schools.

What is observed and why is it happening?

Issue #4: How are school resources distributed in Nyimba?



The Basic Pupil-Teacher Ratio is the average number of basic pupils to each basic teacher. A higher PTR means that each teacher is responsible for more pupils.

The Pupil-Teacher Ratio in Nyimba:

Has decreased by 14 pupils since 2005. Is 7 pupils lower than the national average.

Is 23 pupils higher than the national goal

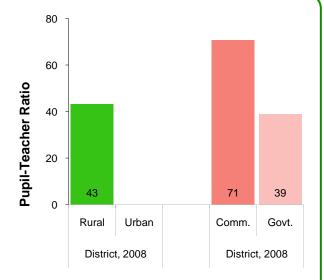
What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?

Indic. 10

How are basic school teachers distributed by school type?

What is observed and why is it happening?



What action is required?

Basic Pupil-Teacher Ratio by School Type:

PTR in rural schools is 43 pupils higher than PTR in urban schools.

PTR in community schools is 32 pupils higher than PTR in government schools.

Indic. 11

In which basic schools are pupil-teacher ratios the largest?

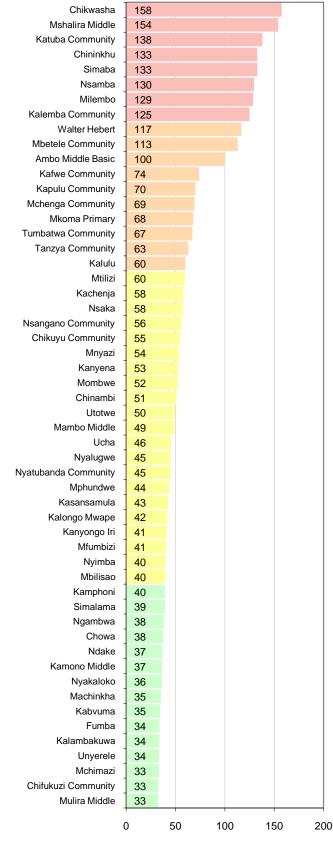
This page lists the 50 basic schools with the highest G1-G9 **pupil-teacher ratios**. The schools with the highest ratios are listed first and have the greatest need for assistance. In a school with a PTR of 60 or less, learning is possible. In a school with a PTR of more than 60, learning is difficult. In a school with a PTR of 120 or more, learning is nearly impossible. Schools with high PTR's may be in need of additional classrooms and other resources as well as teachers.

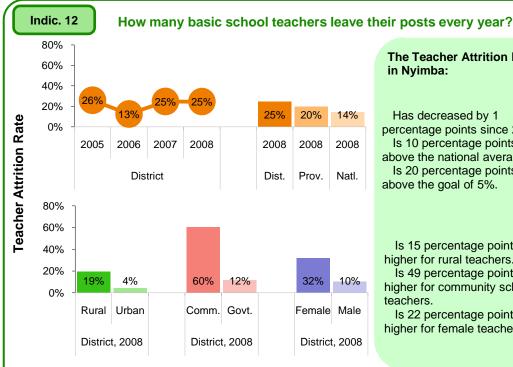
Schools with the highest Grade 1-9 PTR's

PTR <

<= 39	40-59	60-119	>= 120	Total
30	22	11	8	71

What is observed and why is it happening?





The Teacher Attrition Rate in Nyimba:

Has decreased by 1 percentage points since 2005. Is 10 percentage points above the national average. Is 20 percentage points above the goal of 5%.

Is 15 percentage points higher for rural teachers. Is 49 percentage points higher for community school teachers.

Is 22 percentage points higher for female teachers.

Teacher Attrition Rate is the percentage of teachers reported to have left their position in the past year. **Teachers** may have left for another teaching post, or left teaching altogether.

lower Teacher Attrition Rate means that less teachers have left their positions each year.

What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?

Indic. 13

The **Teacher Qualification Rate** is the percentage of teachers who are known to have a teaching degree, diploma, or certificate. If a teacher's qualification is unknown, they are counted as unqualified.

A higher **Teacher Qualification Rate** means more teachers are qualified to teach.

Are basic school teachers qualified to teach?

The Teacher Qualification Rate in Nyimba:

Has increased by 8 percentage points since 2005. Is similar to the national average.

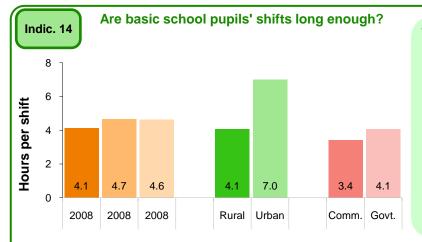
Is 7 percentage points avove the goal of 80%.

Is 12 percenage points lower for rural teachers.

Is 81 percentage points lower for community school teachers. Is 6 percentage points higher female teachers.



What is observed and why is it happening?



The average shift duration in Nyimba:

Is 0.51 hours shorter than the national average.

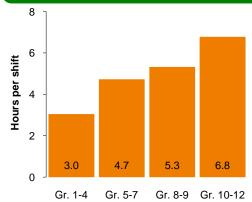
Is 0.12 hours longer than the goal of 4 hours.

Is 2.92 hours shorter in rural schools than in urban schools.

Is 0.65 hours shorter in community schools than in government schools.

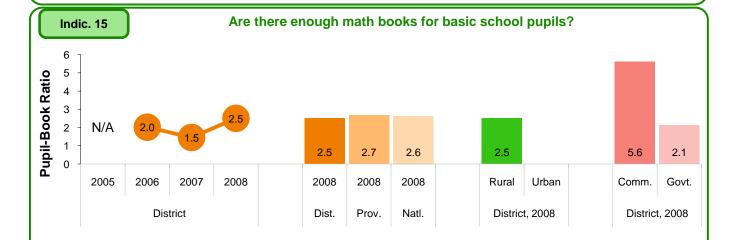
Is 0.95 hours shorter than the goal of 4 hours in grades 1-4.

Shift duration is the average number of hours out of a school day that a pupil attends school. Higher values mean pupils spend more time learning. 4-6 hours per day is recommended by the Ministry of Education. Shift duration is lower when schools use multiple shifting.



What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?



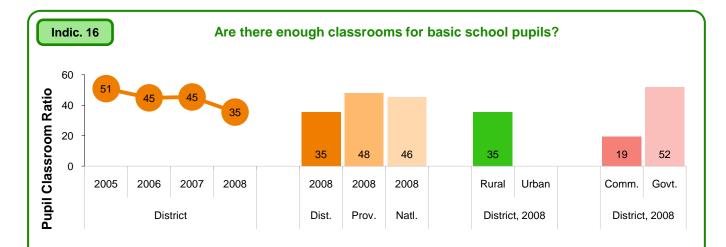
The **Basic Pupil-Book Ratio** is the number of primary pupils for each book. A higher **Basic PBR** means more pupils share each book. This graph uses the PBR for Math books as an indication of the PBR across all subjects. Other subjects are equally important and BPR's for these subjects are available in Ed*Assist.

What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?

The pupil book ratio in Nyimba:

- Is 0.1 pupils lower than the national average.
- Is 1.5 pupils higher than the goal of 1.
- Is 2.5 pupils higher in rural schools.
- is 3 pupils higher in community schools.



What is observed and why is it happening?

The Basic Pupil Classroom Ratio is the average number of basic pupils for each classroom. A higher Pupil Classroom Ratio means a larger number of pupils in each classroom. In schools that practice multiple shifting, the pupil-classroom ratio is not the same as the pupil class ratio.

What action is required?

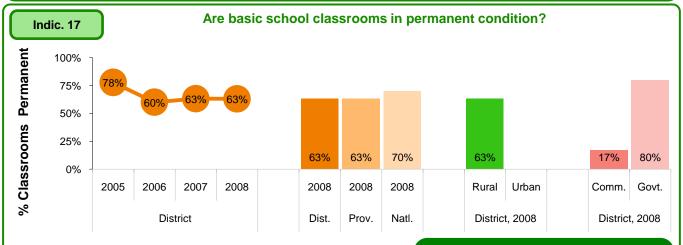
The number of pupils sharing each classroom in Nyimba:

Is 10 pupils below the national average.

Is 15 pupils above the goal of 20.

35 pupils worse in rural schools than in urban schools.

33 pupils better in community schools than in government schools.



What is observed and why is it happening?

The Percentage of Classrooms in Permanent Condition is the percentage of classrooms that are reported to be permanent rather than temporary or incomplete.

What action is required?

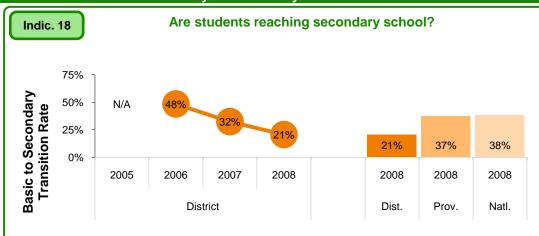
The Percentage of classrooms in permanent condition in Nyimba:

Is similar to the national average Is 37 percentage points below the goal of

100% 63 percentage points higher for rural

schools.
63 percentage points lower for community

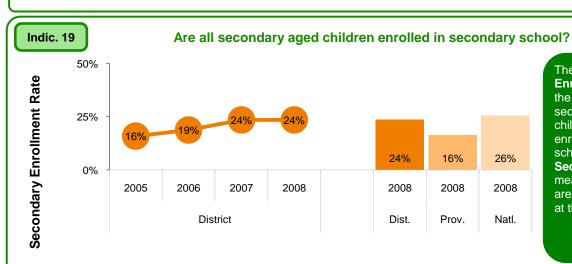
Issue #5: Overview of secondary schools in Nyimba



The **Basic** to Secondary Transition Rate is the percentage of students in the last grade of basic school (grade 9) who reach the first grade of secondary (grade 10). A higher means more rate pupils being promoted to secondary.

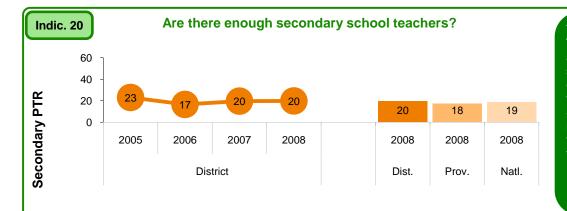
What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?



The Secondary Net Enrollment Rate is the percentage of secondary-aged children who are enrolled in secondary school. A higher Secondary NER means more children are attending school at the correct age.

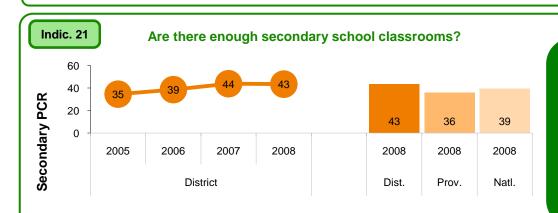
What is observed and why is it happening?



The Secondary Pupil Teacher Ratio is the average number of secondary pupils for each secondary teacher. A higher Secondary PTR means that each teacher is responsible for more pupils.

What is observed and why is it happening?

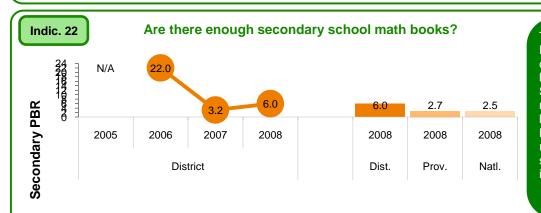
What action is required?



The Secondary Pupil Classroom Ratio is the average number of secondary pupils for each classroom. A higher Pupil Classroom Ratio means a larger number of pupils in each classroom.

What is observed and why is it happening?

What action is required?



The Secondary Pupil-Book Ratio is the number of primary pupils for each book. A higher Secondary BPR means more pupils share each book. This graph gives the BPR for Math books, but ratios for the other subjects are equally important.

What is observed and why is it happening?