

**Overview**

**Education System**

**School Entrance Age:**

Primary - age 5

**Duration of School Cycle:**

Primary - 7 years

Lower secondary - 3 years

Upper secondary - 2 years

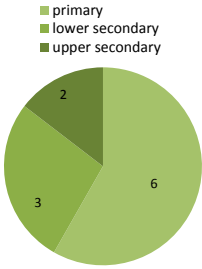
**Academic Calendar:**

Starting month - 9

Ending month - 7

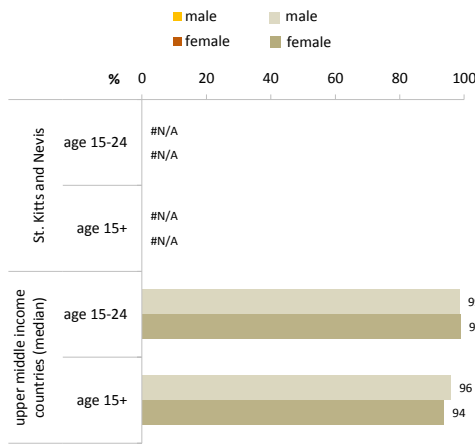
Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics, ISCED

**Number of pupils by school level (in 1000's)**



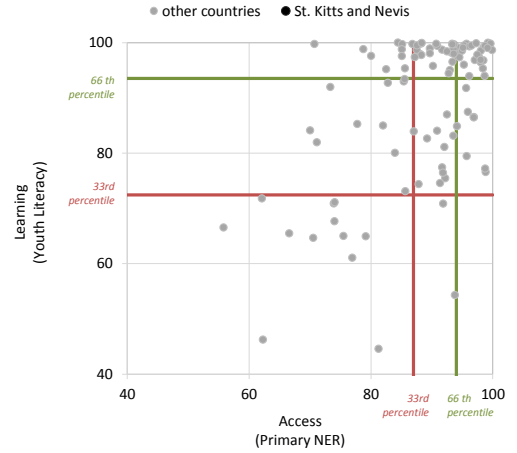
Data source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics

**Literacy rate among youth and adult population**  
(Literacy is a foundational skill needed to attain higher levels of learning)



Data source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)

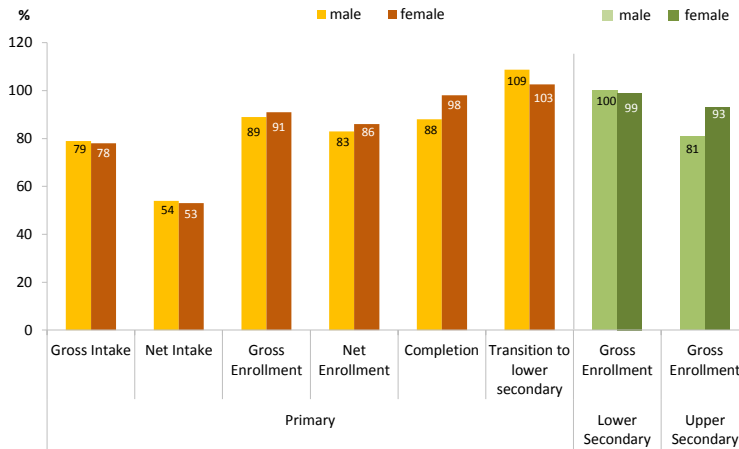
**Access vs. Learning**  
(This demonstrates where the country stands in access and learning in education in comparison to other low and middle income countries.)



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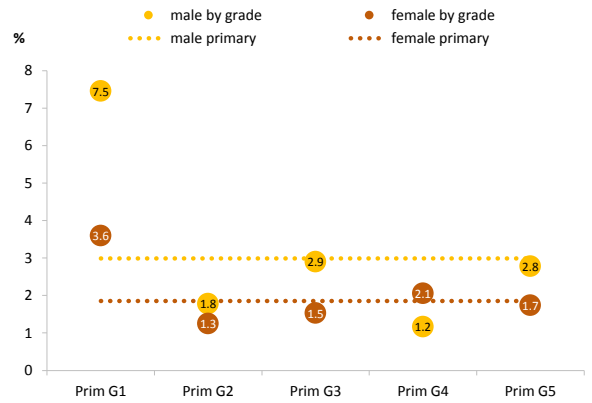
**Participation and Efficiency**

**Student intake and flow from primary to secondary schools**  
(Gross indicators include under- and over-age students and net indicators include only on-time students of official school age.)



Data source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS), EPDC calculation based on UIS data

**Student repetition by grade and level in primary school**  
(Repetition rate allows to identify specific grades in which students are more likely to repeat the same grade without progressing to the next grade. The duration of primary varies by country.)



Data source: EPDC calculation based on UIS data

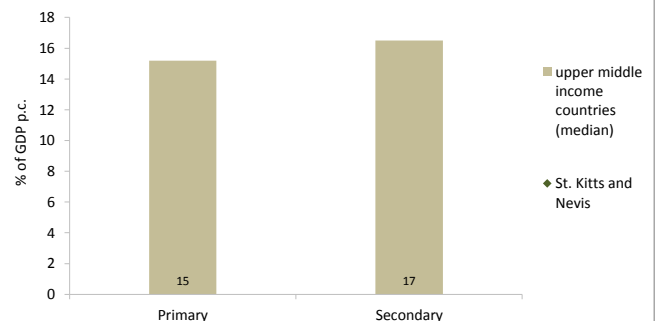
**Resources and Expenditure**

**Pupil teacher ratio (PTR) by school level**  
(PTR is a proxy learning quality and resource availability indicator.)



Data source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)

**Per pupil expenditure (PPE) by school level (% of GDP p.c.)**  
(PPE indicates a country's commitment to education and to each school level.)



Data source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)

Data Table						
			<-- need improvement ----- can improve further --> below 33%    between 33th and 66th percentile    above 66%			
Indicator	Value	Year	Percentile rank relative to...			Data Source
			All Countries	Latin America & Caribbean	Low and middle income <sup>‡</sup>	
Literacy rate, 15+, Female						
Literacy rate, 15+, Male						
Literacy rate, 15-24, Female						
Literacy rate, 15-24, Male						
Gross intake rate, Primary, Female	78	2011	3	0	4	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross intake rate, Primary, Male	79	2011	2	0	3	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net intake rate, Primary, Female	53	2010	25	0	29	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net intake rate, Primary, Male	54	2010	22	0	25	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Primary, Female	91	2011	13	7	16	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Primary, Male	89	2011	7	3	9	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Lower Secondary, Female	99	2011	65	60	77	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Lower Secondary, Male	100	2011	65	60	77	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Upper Secondary, Female	93	2011	69	78	84	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Gross enrollment rate, Upper Secondary, Male	81	2011	59	78	77	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net enrollment rate, Primary, Female	86	2011	22	14	29	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net enrollment rate, Primary, Male	83	2011	16	3	20	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net enrollment rate, Secondary, Female	88	2011	72	92	90	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Net enrollment rate, Secondary, Male	84	2011	66	80	84	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Repetition rate, Primary, Female <sup>‡</sup>	2	2010	36	14	26	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Repetition rate, Primary, Male <sup>‡</sup>	3	2010	42	21	32	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Dropout rate, Primary, Female <sup>‡</sup>	-4	2010	0	0	0	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Dropout rate, Primary, Male <sup>‡</sup>	-2	2010	1	0	0	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Survival rate, to Prim G5, Female	109	2010	96	100	99	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Survival rate, to Prim G5, Male	105	2010	91	88	92	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Completion rate, Primary, Female	98	2011	59	51	66	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Completion rate, Primary, Male	88	2011	31	18	40	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Transition rate, to Secondary, Female	103	2010	94	96	97	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Transition rate, to Secondary, Male	109	2010	96	96	97	Education Policy and Data Center (EPDC)*
Pupil teacher ratio, Primary <sup>‡</sup>	13	2011	15	3	4	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Pupil teacher ratio, Lower Secondary <sup>‡</sup>	11	2011	20	7	8	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Pupil teacher ratio, Upper Secondary <sup>‡</sup>	7	2011	1	0	0	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
Public education expenditure per pupil (% of GDP per capita), Primary						
Public education expenditure per pupil (% of GDP per capita), Secondary						

<sup>‡</sup> Includes World Bank classified low and middle income countries  
<sup>\*</sup> Lower data values indicate better performance on these indicators; therefore, a lower percentile rank indicates better relative performance (green) than a higher percentile rank (red).  
<sup>\*</sup> EPDC calculation based on UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) data

Indicator Definition	Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
<b>Literacy Rate</b>	The ability to read and write with understanding a simple statement related to one's daily life. It involves a continuum of reading and writing skills, and often includes also basic arithmetic skills (numeracy).
<b>Gross Intake Ratio (GIR)</b>	Total number of new entrants in first grade of primary education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the population at the official primary school-entrance age.
<b>Net Intake Rate (NIR)</b>	New entrants in the first grade of primary education who are of the official primary school entrance age, expressed as a percentage of the population of the same age.
<b>Gross Enrollment Rate (GER)</b>	Total enrollment in a specific level of education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the official school-age population corresponding to the same level of education in a given school-year. Often higher than 100% because of repetition and overage students.
<b>Net Enrollment Rate (NER)</b>	Enrollment of the official age-group for a given level of education expressed as a percentage of the corresponding population.
<b>Repetition Rate</b>	Proportion of pupils from a cohort enrolled in a given grade at a given school-year who study in the same grade in the following school-year.
<b>Dropout Rate</b>	Proportion of pupils from a cohort enrolled in a given grade at a given year who are no longer enrolled in the following school year.
<b>Survival Rate</b>	Percentage of a cohort of pupils enrolled in the first grade level or cycle of education in a given school year who are expected to survive through certain grade regardless of repetition.
<b>Completion Rate</b>	The total number of students completing (or graduating from) the final year of primary or secondary education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the population of the official primary or secondary graduation age.
<b>Transition Rate</b>	The number of pupils admitted to the first grade of a higher level of education in a given year, expressed as a percentage of the number of pupils enrolled in the last grade of the lower level of education in the previous year.
<b>Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR)</b>	Average nationally of: Total number of pupils/Total number of teachers. Rates may vary significantly throughout the country.
<b>Public Education Expenditure per Pupil</b>	Total number of pupils/Total education budget
<b>Both</b>	Measures using "Both" in their title combine male and female rates