

Girls not at Primary School



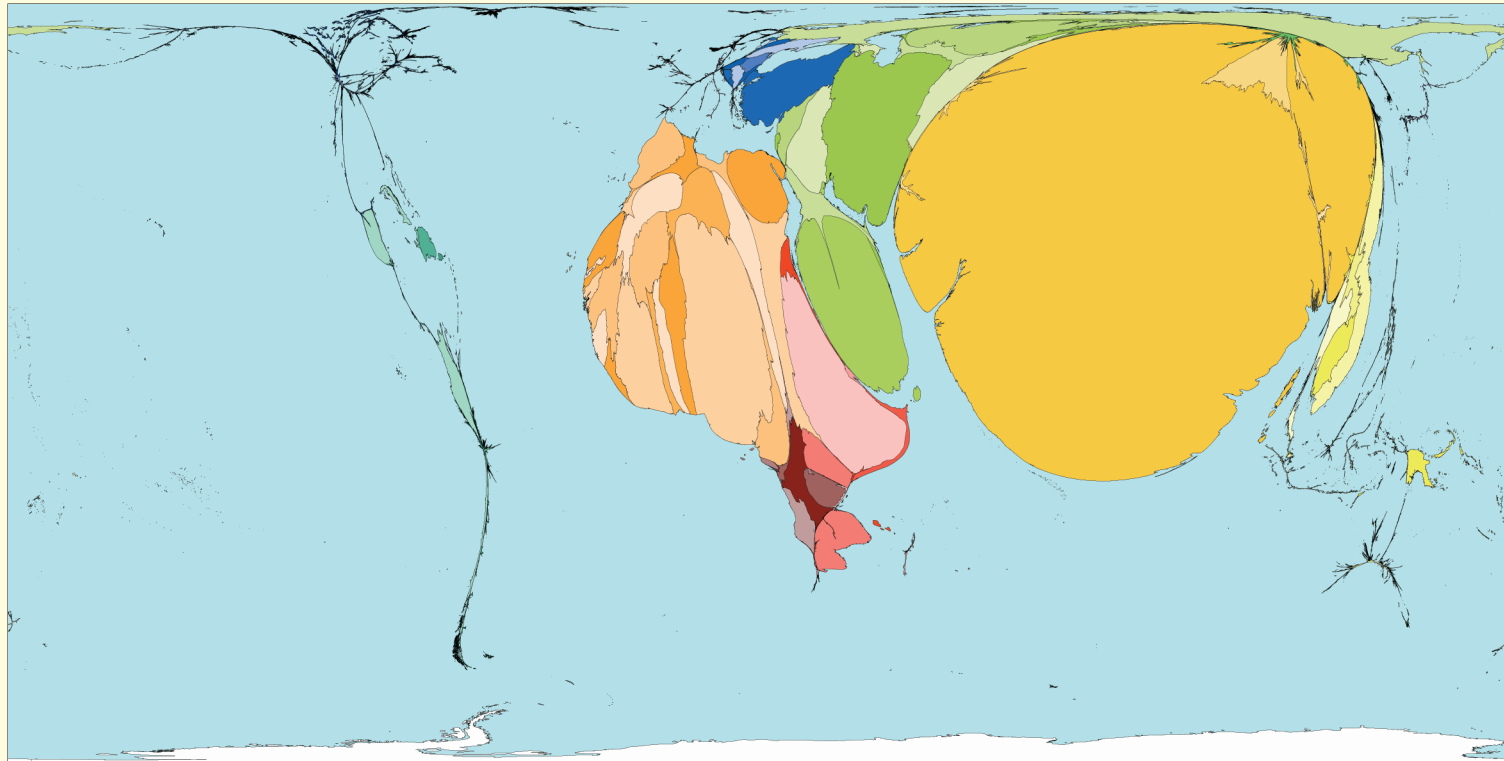
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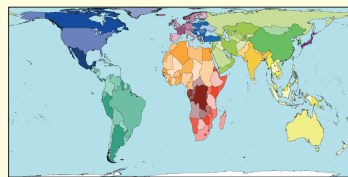
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The territory where there is the biggest absolute gap between the enrolment of girls and boys in primary education is India. In India there are about 8 million fewer girls than boys enrolled in the first five years of education, ten times the number in any other territory.

Other territories where there is a big difference in the percentages of girls and boys enrolled in primary education are: Yemen, Chad, Benin and Niger. The 2.5 million fewer girls than boys enrolled in Northern Africa are just part of the 9 million girls that could be enrolled in the first five years of education there, but are not.

Territory size is proportional the world distribution of the excess male over female enrolment in primary education.



Land area

Technical notes

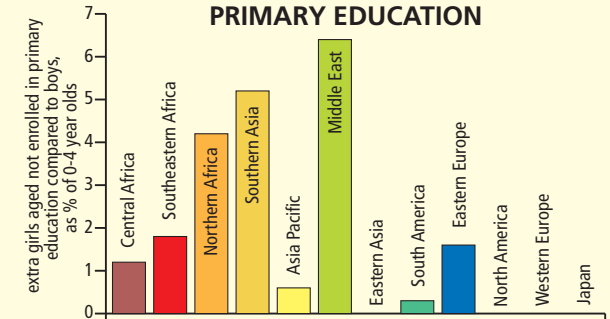
- Data are from the United Nations Development Programme's 2004 Human Development Report.
- *Estimates from regional averages not included in table. The theoretical maximum is 50%.
- *Girls equal or slightly exceed boys enrolment in 102 territories.
- See website for further information.

MOST FEMALE PRIMARY SCHOOL NON-ENROLMENT COMPARED WITH MALE

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Yemen	20	16	Mali	6
2	Benin	13	16	Burkina Faso	6
3	Chad	11	16	Niger	6
4	Cote d'Ivoire	10	19	Ethiopia	5
5	Islamic Republic of Iran	9	19	Burundi	5
5	Togo	9	19	Comoros	5
7	Guinea-Bissau	7	26	Sudan	4
7	India	7	26	Mozambique	4
7	Guinea	7	26	Lao P Dem Republic	4
7	Equatorial Guinea	7	26	Nepal	4

gap between enrolment of girls and boys in primary education, as % of all 0-4 year olds there*

GREATER FEMALE NON-ENROLMENT IN PRIMARY EDUCATION



“That’s the main fear, that tomorrow you’ll be faced with a woman who says ‘No, I don’t want to’ to her parents, her husband and so on.”

Hasna Maki, 2004