

Statistics for the SDGs - global indicators



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| Name of the indicator | 5.3.1 Number of concluded marriages in which the woman on her wedding day was below 18 years |
| Sustainable Development Goal | Goal 5. Gender equality |
| Target | 5.3 Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation |
| Definition | The number of concluded marriages in which the woman on her wedding day was 16 or 17 years of age. |
| Unit | persons |
| Available dimensions | total, age |
| Methodological explanations | <p>The provisions governing marriage in Poland were included in the Act of February 25, 1964 - the Family and Guardianship Code (Journal of Laws of 2012, item 788).</p> <p>A marriage is concluded when a man and woman, both present at the same time, make a declaration of marriage before the Head of a Public Registry Office. A marriage is also concluded when a man and woman entering into a marriage, subject to the internal regulations of a church or other denominational association, in the presence of a priest, at the same time state their will to get married subject to Polish law. The Head of the Public Registry Office will afterwards draw up a marriage certificate.</p> <p>According to art. 10 1 of the Family and Guardianship Code, marriage cannot be concluded by a person who has not reached 18 years of age. However, for important reasons, the Court of guardians may authorize the marriage a woman who is over sixteen, and of the circumstances appears that the marriage will be in accordance with the best interests of the established families.</p> |
| Data source | Statistics Poland |
| Data availability | Annual data since 2010 |
| Notes | |

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