



Press Release

Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

On the occasion of the world children Day **39.2 million of children are under 18 years in 2020**

Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) issued on 19 /11/2020 a press release on the occasion of world children Day, which is celebrated on November 20 every year and which is approved by the United Nations General Assembly on the Declaration on the Rights of the Child in 1959, given the importance of childhood in human life and the need for paying attention to it. Egypt CAPMAS has issued a press release to shed light on the most important indicators of children in Egypt and the world:

The most important statistical indicators:

Children in the world

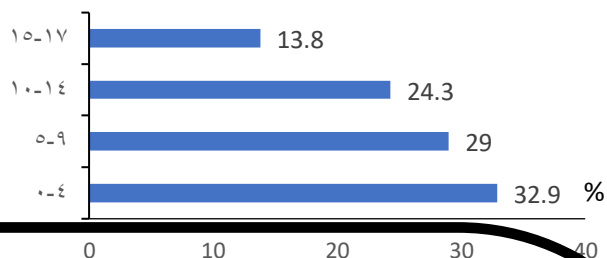
- Covid-19 health pandemic has caused economic imbalances in the labor market, this crisis pushed millions of children into labor market, as there are about 152 million children in labor market in the age group (5-17 years), of whom 73 million children work in hazardous work.
- 48% of those children work in hazardous work are in the age group (5-11 years), while 28% are in the age group (12-14 years) and 24% are in the age group (15-17 years).
- 71% of child labor is in agricultural field (hunting and working in forests, grazing livestock, and aquaculture, 17% in service sector, 12% in industrial sector, including mining.

The most important statistical indicators for children in Egypt:

Number of children under 18 years old according to EGYPT CAPMAS estimates of in 2020:

- Number of Egyptian children (under 18 years) is 39.2 million (number of male children is 20.3 million children, 51.7%) and number of female children is 18.9 million (48.3%), in July 2020.
- While percentage of children in the age group (0-4 years) 31.9%, and percentage of children in the age group (15-17 years) 13.5% of the total children.

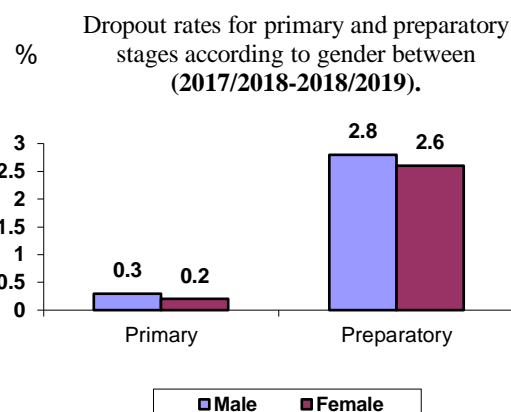
Percentage distribution of children according to age groups in 2020



Education indicators

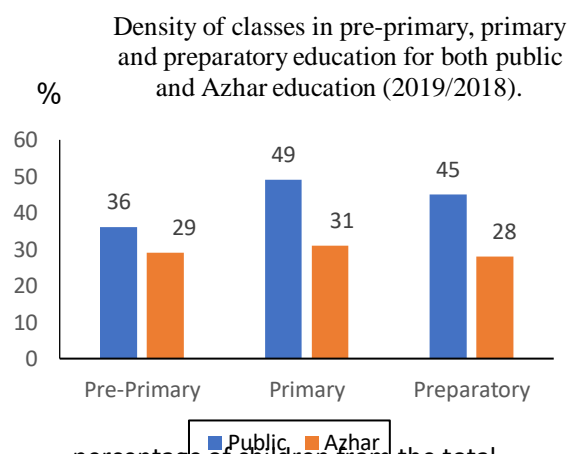
Dropout from education by gender between (2017 / 2018-2018 / 2019)

- Dropout rate was 0.3% of total primary enrollment (0.3% for males and 0.2% for females).
- While the dropout rate in the preparatory recorded 2.7% of the total enrollment in this stage (2.8% males, 2.6% for females) for the two academic years (2017/2018-2018/2019).



Density of classes in pre-primary, primary and preparatory education for both public (Government) and Azhar education (2018-2019):

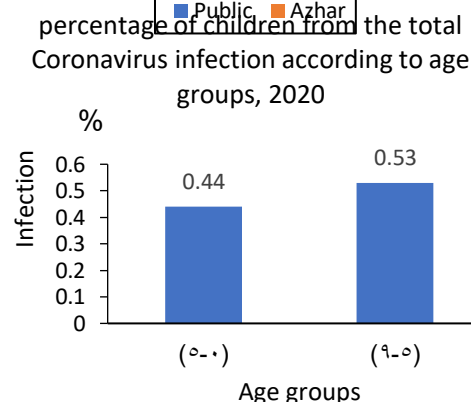
- Class density of pre-primary education was 36 students in government schools, compared to 29 students in Al-Azhar schools.
- While class density was 49 students / class in primary education in government schools, compared to 31 students / class in Al-Azhar education.
- As for preparatory education, class density reached 45 students / class in government schools, and 28 students / class in Al-Azhar schools.



Health indicators:

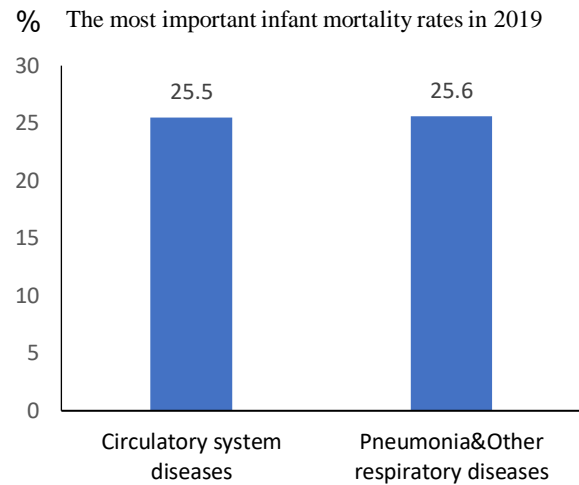
Health: Coronavirus infection among children less than 5 years old 00.44%

- Ministry of Health and Population announced that the percentage of children infected with Coronavirus in Egypt, in the age group of less than 5 years, reached 0.44%,
- Percentage of children from 5 to 9 years 0.53%, of the total number of infections. in Egypt.



Child mortality (according to births and deaths statistics in 2019):

- Infant mortality rate for children less than one year was 15.7 children per 1000 live births in 2019, compared to 15.4 children in 2018.
- Children under-five mortality rate was 20.4 per 1,000 live births in 2019, compared to 20 per 1,000 live births in 2018.
- 25.5% of infant mortality is caused to Circulatory system diseases while deaths from pneumonia and other respiratory diseases are 25.6% in 2019.



Social welfare of children (according to Ministry of Social Solidarity data in 2019):

- Number of kindergartens belonging to public and public business sectors reached 28 with a capacity of 3303 children in 2019.
- 14687 homes belonging to Ministry of Social Solidarity, 1321482 children are enrolled in 2018.
- Number of kindergartens for children deprived of family care reached 33 home, 599 enrolled children in 2018.

State efforts to protect and care for child rights:

Based on the utmost importance of childhood stage in human life and the need to take care of it socially, healthy and educationally, as a base for future men and women who will bear on their shoulders social and development responsibility for the sake of nation's elevation. the state pays special attention to the stage, by setting a special article on children in the constitution, which is article no. (80).

- **In the field of education:**

- **Preparing the national education strategy 2014-2030**

- That education be available in high quality for all without discrimination.
 - Girls education initiative in Egypt (community education and the second chance).
 - Expanding technical education, especially for females.

- **Some initiatives in the fields of general and psychological health of child and his health of child and his economic support:**

- President of republic's initiative for early detection and treatment of weakness and hearing loss for newborns, September 2019 till the present time.
 - Psychological rehabilitation initiative of children with art in three association in North Sinai through agreements aimed at achieving a safe family and holding scientific conferences to combat domestic violence.
 - Granting a pension for children under the age of (18 years) and the value is determined according to the number of children in addition to a monthly scholarship for each child benefiting from such pension on condition of average attending basic education, a maximum of 200 EGP per month for a period of (8) month from October to May of each academic year according to terms and conditions adopted by Ministry of solidarity.

Data sources:

Local sources:

- Egyptian Constitution 2014.
- Population estimates for CAPMAS 2020.
- Vital Statistics Bulletin of Births and Deaths 2019.
- Data of Ministry of Social Solidarity 2020.
- Ministry of Education 2019.

International sources:

- International Labour Organization (ILO)2020.
- <https://www.un.org/ar/observances/World-Day-Against-Child-Labour>
- https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_713925/lang--en/index.htm
- www.moss.gov.eg

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