

## SDG Goal 16 Peace, justice and strong institutions

### SDG Target 16.9 Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements

**SDG Indicator 16.9.1** Proportion of children under 5 years of age whose births have been registered with a civil authority, by age

1. Name of data series	
<b>Children under 5 years of age whose births have been registered with a civil authority</b>	
Compliant with SDG metadata: <b>yes</b>	<a href="#">SDG Metadata</a>
2. Definition of indicator	
Proportion of children under 5 years of age whose births have been registered with a civil authority.	
3. Comparison with SDG metadata (as of 03/2019)	
The time series is compliant with the UN metadata.	
4. Data description	
Registering children at birth is the first step in securing their recognition before the law, safeguarding their rights, and ensuring that any violation of these rights does not go unnoticed. Children without official identification documents may be denied health care or education. Later in life, the lack of such documentation can mean that a child may enter into marriage or the labour market, or be conscripted into the armed forces, before the legal age. In adulthood, birth certificates may be required to obtain social assistance or a job in the formal sector, to buy or prove the right to inherit property, to vote and to obtain a passport. Children's right to a name and nationality is enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) under Article 7.	
5. Calculation method	
$\text{By birth registered children} = \frac{\text{By birth registered children (number)}}{\text{Children in the population (number)}} \cdot 100$	
6. Unit of measure	%
7. Timeliness	8. Frequency
Not applicable	Annual
9. Last regular revision	10. Revised period
Not applicable	Not applicable

11. Accessibility of source data
Not applicable
12. Metadata on source data
<p>Assumption based on            Personenstandgesetz (only available in German):  <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/pstg/BJNR012210007.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/pstg/BJNR012210007.html</a></p> <p>and</p> <p>Intercensal population updates (only available in German):  <a href="https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Bevoelkerung/einfuehrung.html">https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Bevoelkerung/einfuehrung.html</a></p>
13. Related SDG data series (duplicate indicators or sub-indicators to same indicator)
17.19.2 Birth registration

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