

SDG Goal 16 Peace, justice and strong institutions

SDG Target 16.2 Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and

ensure equal access to justice for all

SDG Indicator 16.2.1 Proportion of children aged 1-17 years who experienced any physical

punishment and/or psychological aggression by caregivers in the past month

1. Name of data series	
Children at acute risk of harm with signs of physical or psychological abuse	
Compliant with SDG metadata: no	SDG Metadata

2. Definition of indicator

The indicator measures the proportion of children aged 1-17 years who were at acute risk of harm with signs of physical or psychological abuse in the previous 12 months.

3. Comparison with SDG metadata (as of 03/2019)

The indicator measures the number of interventions due to acute physical and/or psychological aggression against children during the reporting year and not in the last month, as defined in the SDG metadata description. Also data does not explicitly capture if the violator was the caregiver.

4. Data description

Data stems from the statistics of child and youth welfare. The statistics gather data from the youth welfare offices about the incidences of acute risk of harm of the child (complete survey). Acute risk of harm of a child is defined in § 8a passage 1, Code of Social Law VIII. It is the case when the situation for a child/adolescent is such that a considerable damage of the physical or psychological health of the individual has occurred or is to be expected to happen with a high certainty and the caregiver does not or cannot prevent this damage to happen.

The assessment is done in cooperation by employees of the youth welfare offices in situ with qualified experts. The statistics include all cases of acute risk of harm reported in the country and distinguishes between neglect, physical, psychological and/or sexual abuse. For the SDG indicator it is possible to focus on physical and/or psychological abuse. Data are available for 1-year-age-groups up to 18.

5. Calculation method

Children (1-17 yrs. old) at acute risk of harm with signs of physical or psychological abuse

Children (1-17 yrs. old) at acute risk of harm with signs of physical or psychological abuse (number)

Children (1-17 yrs. old) in the population (number)

Children (1-17 yrs. old) in the population (number)

7. Timeliness	8. Frequency
t + 9 months	Annual
9. Last regular revision	10. Revised period
Not applicable	Not applicable



11. Accessibility of source data

Statistics of child and youth welfare (only available in German):

https://www.destatis.de/DE/Themen/Gesellschaft-Umwelt/Soziales/Kinderhilfe-Jugendhilfe/_inhalt.html#sprg234636

and

Current population; GENESIS - 12411-0040 (only available in German):

https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online/data?operation=table&code=12411-0040&levelindex=0&levelid=1578301105915

12. Metadata on source data

Statistics of child and youth welfare (only available in German):

https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Soziales/schutzauftrag-kindeswohlgefaehrdung.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=3

13. Related SDG data series (duplicate indicators or sub-indicators to same indicator)

Not applicable

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