

SDG Goal 17

Partnerships for the goals

SDG Target 17.8

Fully operationalize the technology bank and science, technology and innovation capacity-building mechanism for least developed countries by 2017 and enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular information and communications technology

SDG Indicator 17.8.1

Proportion of individuals using the Internet

Time series

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1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: 31 March 2021
- National data: <http://sdg-indikatoren.de/en/17-8-1/>
- Definition: The time series shows the share of population being 16 to 74 years old, which used the internet in the last three months.
- Disaggregation: age group; sex

2. Comparison with global metadata

- Date of global metadata: July 2016
- Global metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-17-08-01.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the global metadata. Since no age group is defined in the global metadata, the age group used for Germany in the UN Global SDG Database is used.

3. Data description

- The data are taken from Eurostat's annual model questionnaire on ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) usage in households and by individuals. The questionnaire is part of the Microcensus, which is conducted by the Federal Statistical Office. The Microcensus is an inquiry directed to households, designed to obtain information on the labour market and related issues through a series of personal interviews with a sample of 1 %. The Microcensus is designed as a multi-topic survey, integrating many different subject fields.

4. Accessibility of source data

- Eurostat table "individuals - internet use":
<https://www.destatis.de/EN/Themes/Society-Environment/Income-Consumption-Living-Conditions/Use-Information-Technologies/Tables/use-internet-age-ikt.html>
- Average internet use by individuals by age:
<https://www.destatis.de/EN/Themes/Society-Environment/Income-Consumption-Living-Conditions/Use-Information-Technologies/Tables/use-internet-age-ikt.html>
- Individuals - internet use - Eurostat, table [isoc_ci_ifp_iu]:
https://appsso.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/nui/show.do?dataset=isoc_ci_ifp_iu&lang=en

5. Metadata on source data

- Quality report of the survey on the private use of information and communication technologies (ICT) (only available in German):
https://www.destatis.de/DE/Themen/Gesellschaft-Umwelt/Einkommen-Konsum-Lebensbedingungen/IT-Nutzung/_inhalt.html

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 3 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: %
- Calculation method:

$$\text{Population using the internet} = \frac{\text{Persons using the Internet [number]}}{\text{Total number of Persons [number]}} \cdot 100 [\%]$$