

TABLE 9 CHILD PROTECTION

Countries and areas	Child labour (%) ⁺ 2005–2012*			Child marriage (%) 2005–2012*		Birth registration (%) ⁺ 2005–2012*	Female genital mutilation/cutting (%) ⁺ 2002–2012*			Justification of wife beating (%) 2005–2012*		Violent discipline (%) ⁺ 2005–2012*		
	total	male	female	married by 15	married by 18		prevalence		attitudes	male	female	total	male	female
							women ^a	girls ^b	support for the practice ^c					
Afghanistan	10	11	10	15	40	37	–	–	–	–	90	74	75	74
Albania	12	14	9	0	10	99	–	–	–	36	30	75	78	71
Algeria	5 y	6 y	4 y	0	2	99	–	–	–	–	68	88	89	87
Andorra	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Angola	24 x	22 x	25 x	–	–	36 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Argentina	7 y	8 y	5 y	–	–	99 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Armenia	4	5	3	0	7	100	–	–	–	20	9	70	72	67
Australia	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Austria	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Azerbaijan	7 y	8 y	5 y	1	12	94	–	–	–	58	49	75	79	71
Bahamas	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bahrain	5 x	6 x	3 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bangladesh	13	18	8	29	65	31	–	–	–	–	33 y	–	–	–
Barbados	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Belarus	1	1	2	0	3	100 y	–	–	–	4	4	65 y	67 y	62 y
Belgium	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Belize	6	7	5	3	26	95	–	–	–	–	9	71	71	70
Benin	46	47	45	8	34	80	13	2 y	1	14	47	–	–	–
Bhutan	3	3	3	6	26	100	–	–	–	–	68	–	–	–
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	26 y	28 y	24 y	3	22	76 y	–	–	–	–	16	–	–	–
Bosnia and Herzegovina	5	7	4	0	4	100	–	–	–	6	5	55	60	50
Botswana	9 y	11 y	7 y	–	–	72	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Brazil	9 y	11 y	6 y	11	36	93 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bulgaria	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burkina Faso	39	42	36	10	52	77	76	13	9	34	44	83	84	82
Burundi	26	26	27	3	20	75	–	–	–	44	73	–	–	–
Cabo Verde	3 x,y	4 x,y	3 x,y	3	18	91	–	–	–	16 y	17	–	–	–
Cambodia	36 y	36 y	36 y	2	18	62	–	–	–	22 y	46 y	–	–	–
Cameroon	42	43	40	13	38	61	1	1 y	7	39	47	93	93	93
Canada	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Central African Republic	29	27	30	29	68	61	24	1	11	80 y	80	92	92	92
Chad	26	25	28	29	68	16	44	18 y	38	–	62	84	85	84
Chile	3 x	3 x	2 x	–	–	100 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
China	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Colombia	13 y	17 y	9 y	6	23	97	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Comoros	27 x	26 x	28 x	–	–	88 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Congo	25	24	25	7	33	91	–	–	–	–	76	–	–	–

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	total	male	female	married by 15	married by 18		prevalence		attitudes	male	female	total	male	female
							women ^a	girls ^b	support for the practice ^c					
Cook Islands	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Costa Rica	5 x	6 x	3 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Côte d'Ivoire	26	25	28	10	33	65	38	10	14	42	48	91	91	91
Croatia	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cuba	–	–	–	9	40	100 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cyprus	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Czech Republic	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	–	–	–	–	–	100	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Democratic Republic of the Congo	15	13	17	9	39	28	–	–	–	–	76	92	92	91
Denmark	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Djibouti	8	8	8	2	5	92	93	49 y	37	–	–	72	73	71
Dominica	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	13	18	8	12	41	82	–	–	–	–	4	67	69	65
Ecuador	8	7	8	4 x	22 x	90	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Egypt	9 y	14 y	4 y	2	17	99 y	91	17	54	–	39 y	91	92	90
El Salvador	10 y	–	–	5	25	99	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Equatorial Guinea	28 x	28 x	28 x	–	–	37 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Eritrea	–	–	–	20 x	47 x	–	89	63 y	49	–	71 x	–	–	–
Estonia	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ethiopia	27	31	24	16	41	7	74	24	31	45	68	–	–	–
Fiji	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	72 y	–	–
Finland	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
France	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gabon	13	15	12	6	22	90	–	–	–	40	50	–	–	–
Gambia	19	21	18	7	36	53	76	56	64	–	75	90	90	91
Georgia	18	20	17	1	14	99	–	–	–	–	7	67	70	63
Germany	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ghana	34	34	34	5	21	63	4	1	2	26 y	44	94	94	94
Greece	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Grenada	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guatemala	26 y	35 y	16 y	7	30	97	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guinea	40 y	40 y	40 y	20	63	43	96	57 y	69	–	86	–	–	–
Guinea-Bissau	38	40	36	7	22	24	50	39 y	34	–	40 y	82	82	81
Guyana	16	17	16	6	23	88	–	–	–	19	16	76	79	74
Haiti	24	25	24	3	18	80	–	–	–	15	17	86	87	85
Holy See	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Honduras	16 x	16 x	15 x	8	34	94	–	–	–	10	12	–	–	–
Hungary	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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							women ^a	girls ^b	support for the practice ^c					
Iceland	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
India	12	12	12	18	47	41	–	–	–	51	54	–	–	–
Indonesia	7 y	8 y	6 y	3	17	67	–	–	–	17 y	35	–	–	–
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	11 y	13 y	10 y	3	17	99 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Iraq	5	5	4	5	24	99	8	3 y	5	–	51	79	81	77
Ireland	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Israel	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Italy	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jamaica	6	7	5	1	9	98	–	–	–	22 y	3 y	89	90	87
Japan	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jordan	2 y	3 y	0 y	1	10	99	–	–	–	–	90 y	–	–	–
Kazakhstan	2	2	2	0	6	100	–	–	–	17	12	49	54	45
Kenya	26 x	27 x	25 x	6	26	60	27	8 y	10	44	53	–	–	–
Kiribati	–	–	–	3	20	94	–	–	–	60	76	81 y	–	–
Kuwait	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kyrgyzstan	4	4	3	1	10	96	–	–	–	–	38	54 y	58 y	49 y
Lao People's Democratic Republic	10 y	9 y	11 y	9	35	75	–	–	–	49	58	76	77	74
Latvia	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lebanon	2	3	1	1	6	100	–	–	–	–	10 y	82	82	82
Lesotho	23 x	25 x	21 x	2	19	45	–	–	–	48	37	–	–	–
Liberia	21	21	21	11	38	4 y	66	–	45	30	59	94	94	94
Libya	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Liechtenstein	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lithuania	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Madagascar	28 y	29 y	27 y	14	48	80	–	–	–	30	32	–	–	–
Malawi	26	25	26	12	50	–	–	–	–	13	13	–	–	–
Malaysia	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Maldives	–	–	–	0	4	93	–	–	–	14 y	31 y	–	–	–
Mali	21	22	21	15	55	81	89	74 y	73	–	87	–	–	–
Malta	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Marshall Islands	–	–	–	6	26	96	–	–	–	58	56	–	–	–
Mauritania	15	14	15	14	34	59	69	54	41	–	38	87	87	87
Mauritius	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mexico	6 y	7 y	5 y	5	23	93 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Micronesia (Federated States of)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Monaco	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mongolia	10	10	11	0	5	99	–	–	–	9 y	10	46	48	43

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Montenegro	10	12	8	0	5	99	–	–	–	–	11	63	64	61
Morocco	8	9	8	3 x	16 x	94 y	–	–	–	–	64 x	91	92	90
Mozambique	22	21	24	14	48	48	–	–	–	20	23	–	–	–
Myanmar	–	–	–	–	–	72	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Namibia	–	–	–	2	9	78 y	–	–	–	41	35	–	–	–
Nauru	–	–	–	2	27	83	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nepal	34 y	30 y	38 y	10	41	42	–	–	–	22	23	–	–	–
Netherlands	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
New Zealand	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nicaragua	15 x	18 x	11 x	10	41	85	–	–	–	–	14	–	–	–
Niger	43	43	43	36	75	32	2	1 y	3	–	70	–	–	–
Nigeria	25	24	25	20	39	42	27	14	21	–	46	91	91	90
Niue	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Norway	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Oman	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pakistan	–	–	–	7	24	27	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Palau	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Panama	6 y	8 y	3 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea	–	–	–	2	21	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Paraguay	15 x	17 x	12 x	–	18 x	76 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Peru	34 y	31 y	36 y	3	19	96 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Philippines	–	–	–	2	14	90	–	–	–	–	14	–	–	–
Poland	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Portugal	3 x,y	4 x,y	3 x,y	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Qatar	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Republic of Korea	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Republic of Moldova	16	20	12	1	19	100	–	–	–	22 y	21	–	–	–
Romania	1 x	1 x	1 x	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Russian Federation	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Rwanda	29	27	30	1	8	63	–	–	–	25	56	–	–	–
Saint Kitts and Nevis	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Saint Lucia	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Samoa	–	–	–	–	–	48	–	–	–	46	61	–	–	–
San Marino	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sao Tome and Principe	8	8	7	5	34	75	–	–	–	22	20	–	–	–
Saudi Arabia	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Senegal	17	18	16	12	33	75	26	18	17	25	60	–	–	–
Serbia	4	5	4	1	5	99	–	–	–	7 y	3	67	70	64

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Seychelles	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sierra Leone	26	27	25	18	44	78	88	13	66	–	73	82	81	82
Singapore	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Slovakia	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Slovenia	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Solomon Islands	–	–	–	3	22	–	–	–	–	65	69	72 y	–	–
Somalia	49	45	54	8	45	3	98	46 y	65	–	76 y	–	–	–
South Africa	–	–	–	1 x	6 x	95 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
South Sudan	–	–	–	9	52	35	–	–	–	–	79	–	–	–
Spain	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sri Lanka	–	–	–	2	12	97	–	–	–	–	53 y	–	–	–
State of Palestine	6	7	4	2	21	99	–	–	–	–	–	93	94	92
Sudan	–	–	–	7	33	59	88	37	42	–	47	–	–	–
Suriname	4	4	4	5	19	99	–	–	–	–	13	86	87	85
Swaziland	7	8	7	1	7	50	–	–	–	23 y	28	89	90	88
Sweden	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Switzerland	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Syrian Arab Republic	4	5	3	3	13	96	–	–	–	–	–	89	90	88
Tajikistan	10	9	11	1	13	88	–	–	–	–	74 y	78	80	75
Thailand	8	8	8	3	20	100	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	13	12	13	1	7	100	–	–	–	–	15	69	71	67
Timor-Leste	4 x	4 x	4 x	3	19	55	–	–	–	81	86	–	–	–
Togo	28	28	29	6	25	78	4	0	2	–	43	93	94	93
Tonga	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Trinidad and Tobago	1	1	1	2	8	97	–	–	–	–	8	77	78	77
Tunisia	2	3	2	0	2	99	–	–	–	–	30	93	94	92
Turkey	3 y	3 y	2 y	3	14	94	–	–	–	–	25	–	–	–
Turkmenistan	–	–	–	1	7	96	–	–	–	–	38 y	–	–	–
Tuvalu	–	–	–	0	10	50	–	–	–	73	70	–	–	–
Uganda	25 y	27 y	24 y	10	40	30	1	1	9	44	58	–	–	–
Ukraine	7	8	7	0	10	100	–	–	–	11	4	70	76	65
United Arab Emirates	–	–	–	–	–	100 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
United Kingdom	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
United Republic of Tanzania	21 y	23 y	19 y	7	37	16	15	3 y	6	38	54	–	–	–
United States	–	–	–	–	–	100 v	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uruguay	8 y	8 y	8 y	–	–	100 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uzbekistan	–	–	–	0	7	100	–	–	–	59 x,y	70 x	–	–	–
Vanuatu	–	–	–	9	27	43	–	–	–	–	60 y	78 y	–	–

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Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	8 x	9 x	6 x	–	–	81 y	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Viet Nam	7	7	7	1	9	95	–	–	–	–	36	74	76	71
Yemen	23	21	24	12	32	17 y	17	15	41 x,y	–	–	95	95	95
Zambia	41 y	42 y	40 y	9	42	14	–	–	–	49	62	–	–	–
Zimbabwe	–	–	–	4	31	49	–	–	–	34	40	–	–	–

SUMMARY INDICATORS[†]

Sub-Saharan Africa	27	27	26	13	39	44	40	17	22	–	54	–	–	–
Eastern and Southern Africa	27	28	25	10	38	38	44	15	21	38	54	–	–	–
West and Central Africa	26	26	27	16	41	47	32	16	21	–	56	90	91	90
Middle East and North Africa	9	11	7	3	18	87	–	–	–	–	–	89	90	88
South Asia	12	13	12	18	46	39	–	–	–	50	52	–	–	–
East Asia and Pacific	8 **	9 **	8 **	2 **	16 **	–	–	–	–	–	31 **	–	–	–
Latin America and Caribbean	11	13	9	7	29	92	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
CEE/CIS	5	5	4	1	10	98	–	–	–	–	20	–	–	–
Least developed countries	23	25	22	15	45	38	–	–	–	–	52	–	–	–
World	15 **	16 **	14 **	11 **	34 **	65 **	–	–	–	–	46 **	–	–	–

[†] For a complete list of countries and areas in the regions, subregions and country categories, see page 26.

DEFINITIONS OF THE INDICATORS

Child labour – Percentage of children 5–14 years old involved in child labour at the time of the survey. A child is considered to be involved in child labour under the following conditions: (a) children 5–11 years old who, during the reference week, did at least one hour of economic activity or at least 28 hours of household chores, or (b) children 12–14 years old who, during the reference week, did at least 14 hours of economic activity or at least 28 hours of household chores.

Child marriage – Percentage of women 20–24 years old who were first married or in union before they were 15 years old and percentage of women 20–24 years old who were first married or in union before they were 18 years old.

Birth registration – Percentage of children less than 5 years old who were registered at the time of the survey. The numerator of this indicator includes children whose birth certificate was seen by the interviewer or whose mother or caretaker says the birth has been registered.

Female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) – (a) **Women**: percentage of women 15–49 years old who have undergone FGM/C; (b) **girls**: percentage of girls 0–14 years old who have undergone FGM/C (as reported by their mothers); (c) **support for the practice**: percentage of women 15–49 years old who have heard about FGM/C and think the practice should continue.

Justification of wife beating – Percentage of women and men 15–49 years old who consider a husband to be justified in hitting or beating his wife for at least one of the specified reasons, i.e., if his wife burns the food, argues with him, goes out without telling him, neglects the children or refuses sexual relations.

Violent discipline – Percentage of children 2–14 years old who experience any violent discipline (psychological aggression and/or physical punishment).

MAIN DATA SOURCES

Child labour – Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS), Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) and other national surveys.

Child marriage – MICS, DHS and other national surveys.

Birth registration – MICS, DHS, other national household surveys, censuses and vital registration systems.

Female genital mutilation/cutting – MICS, DHS and other national surveys.

Justification of wife beating – MICS, DHS and other national surveys.

Violent discipline – MICS, DHS and other national surveys.

NOTES

– Data not available.

v Estimates of 100% were assumed given that civil registration systems in these countries are complete and all vital events (including births) are registered. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Statistics Division, *Population and Vital Statistics Report*, Series A, Vol. 65, New York, 2013.

x Data refer to years or periods other than those specified in the column heading. Such data are not included in the calculation of regional and global averages.

y Data differ from the standard definition or refer to only part of a country. If they fall within the noted reference period, such data are included in the calculation of regional and global averages.

[†] A more detailed explanation of the methodology and the changes in calculating these estimates can be found in the General Note on the Data, page 22.

* Data refer to the most recent year available during the period specified in the column heading.

** Excludes China.