

South and West Asia

General information

2006

Total population (000)		649
Annual population growth rate (%) *	(2005)	3.4
Population 0-14 years (%)		30
Rural population (%) *	(2005)	89
Total fertility rate (births per woman) *	(2005)	2.5
Infant mortality rate (0/00) *	(2005)	65
Life expectancy at birth (years) *	(2005)	64

* World Bank World Development Indicators

HIV rate (%) in adults (15-49 years) *	(2005)	0.1
Poverty (% of pop. on less than \$2 a day) *		...
GDP per capita (PPP) US\$ *		...
GDP growth rate (%) *	(2005)	6.1
Total debt service as a % of GNI (%) *	(2005)	0.8
Children of primary school-age who are out-of-school (%)		20

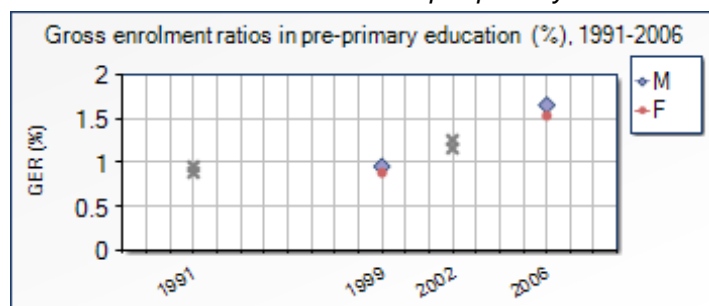
Participation in education

Percentages of children in school are represented by Gross Enrolment Ratios (GER) and Net Enrolment Rates (NER). GER is the number of pupils enrolled in a given level of education regardless of age expressed as a percentage of the population in the theoretical age group for that level of education. NER is the number of pupils in the theoretical age group who are enrolled expressed as a percentage of the same population.

Pre-primary enrolment

Pre-primary		1991	1999	2002	2006	2006 Regional average
GER(%)	MF	...	1	...	(**) 2	...
	M	...	1	...	(**) 2	...
	F	...	1	...	(**) 2	...

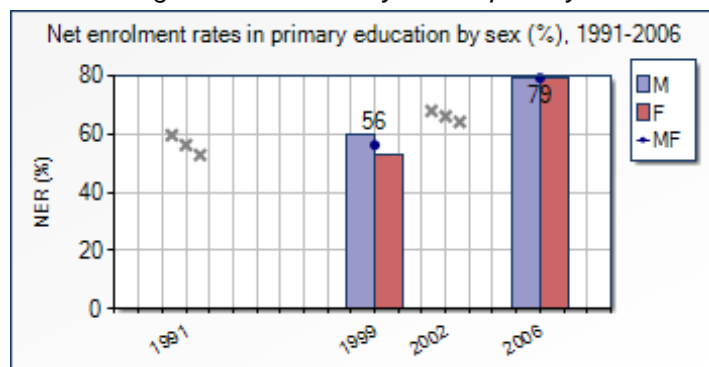
2% of children are enrolled in pre-primary school



Primary enrolment

Primary		1991	1999	2002	2006	2006 Regional average
GER(%)	MF	...	75	(**) 85	102	108
	M	...	81	(**) 88	103	111
	F	...	69	(**) 81	101	105
NER(%)	MF	...	56	...	79	86
	M	...	60	...	79	88
	F	...	53	...	79	83

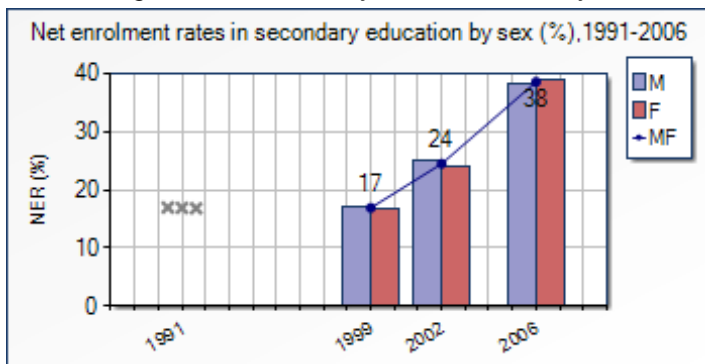
79% of girls and 79% of boys are in primary school



Secondary enrolment

Secondary		1991	1999	2002	2006	2006 Regional average
GER(%)	MF	...	37 (**)	49	49	...
	M	...	41 (**)	54	51	...
	F	...	33 (**)	45	46	...
NER(%)	MF	...	17 (**)	24 (**)	38 (**)	...
	M	...	17 (**)	25 (**)	38 (**)	...
	F	...	17 (**)	24 (**)	39 (**)	...

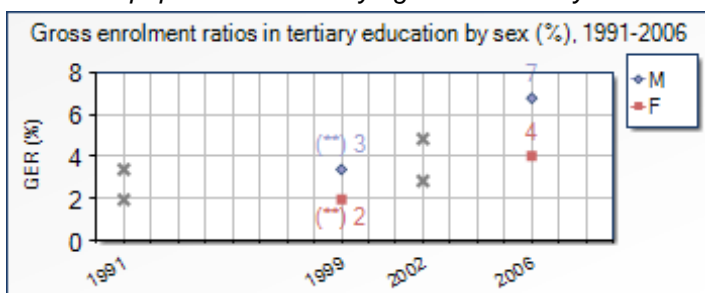
39% of girls and 38% of boys are in secondary school



Tertiary enrolment

Tertiary		1991	1999	2002	2006	2006 Regional average
GER(%)	MF	...	3 (**)	...	6	11
	M	...	3 (**)	...	7	12
	F	...	2 (**)	...	4	9

6% of the population of tertiary age are in tertiary education

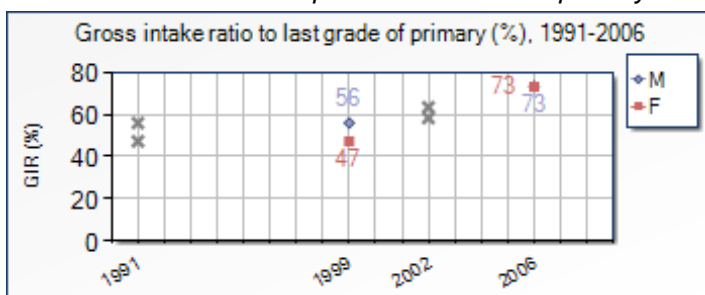


Progression and completion in education

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School life expectancy ISCED 1-6 (years)	(**)	10.3
Percentage of repeaters, primary (%)		7
Survival rate to grade 5 (%)	(2005)	93
Gross intake rate to last grade of primary (%)		73
Primary to secondary transition rate (%)	(2005)	93

73% of children complete a full course of primary

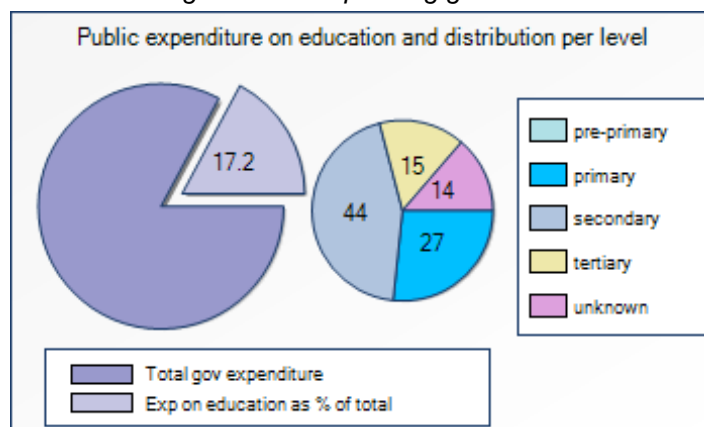


Resources for education

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Pupil / teacher ratio (primary)		29
Public expenditure on education :		
as % of GDP	(2005)	7.0
as % of total government expenditure	(2005)	17.2
Distribution of public expenditure per level (%) - 2005 :		
pre-primary		-
primary		27
secondary		44
tertiary		15
unknown		14

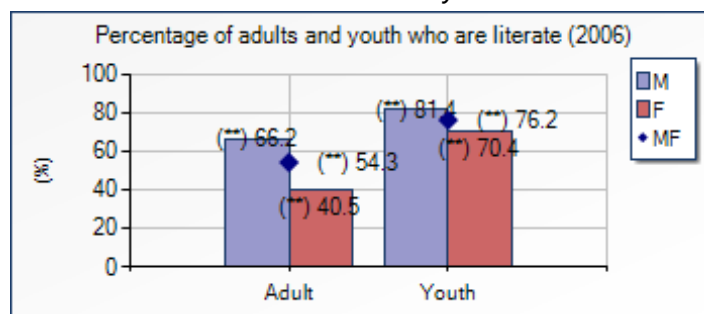
17.2% of government spending goes to education



Literacy rates

Literacy rates		1990	2006	2006 Regional average
Adult (15+) %	MF	...	(**) 54.3	64.3
	M	...	(**) 66.2	74.6
	F	...	(**) 40.5	53.5
Youth (15-24) %	MF	...	(**) 76.2	79.9
	M	...	(**) 81.4	84.5
	F	...	(**) 70.4	75.0

54.3% of adults and 76.2% of youth are literate



Symbols used :

-	Magnitude nil or negligible value
...	Data not available
.	Category not applicable
x	Charts symbol: Data not available

Footnotes:

All the education statistics, with the exception of the literacy data, refer to the year 2006 unless otherwise noted. For more information on rates of out-of-school children, or other indicators see the online education glossary.

** UIS estimation