

WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGION

Sources: Household surveys in 21 countries of the region (2005-2009) - Estimated population (UIS 2005-2009)

1. Schooling profile by age

10 is the average inflexion age for the WCA region

in other words, the age at which the percentage of children who have never enrolled in school is minimal

On average, in WCA region

22% of 10 years old children are out-of-school

6% of 10 years old children have enrolled but later dropped-out

72% of 10 years old children are attending school

late entry

11% of 6-12 years enter school late

over-aged students in final year of primary school

34% are at least 3 years older than the official age for their grade

over-aged students in primary school

32% are at least 3 years older than the official age for their grade

over-age adolescents

5% of primary school students are over 15 years



2. The 4 dimensions to consider

number of out-of-school children

23 174 529

8 640 977

14 322 504

3 042 500

dimensions of exclusion

DE2

children old enough to go to primary school who are not enrolled

DE3

children old enough to go to lower secondary school who are not enrolled

DE4

primary students at risk of dropping out of primary school

DE5

secondary students at risk of dropping out of secondary school

% excluded amongst age reference population



min 7% - max 70%



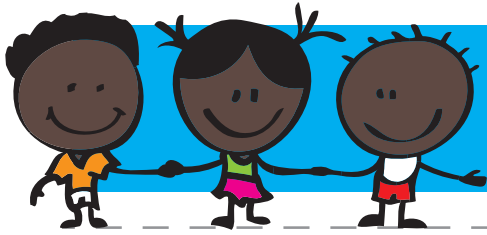
min 6% - max 73%



min 16% - max 61%



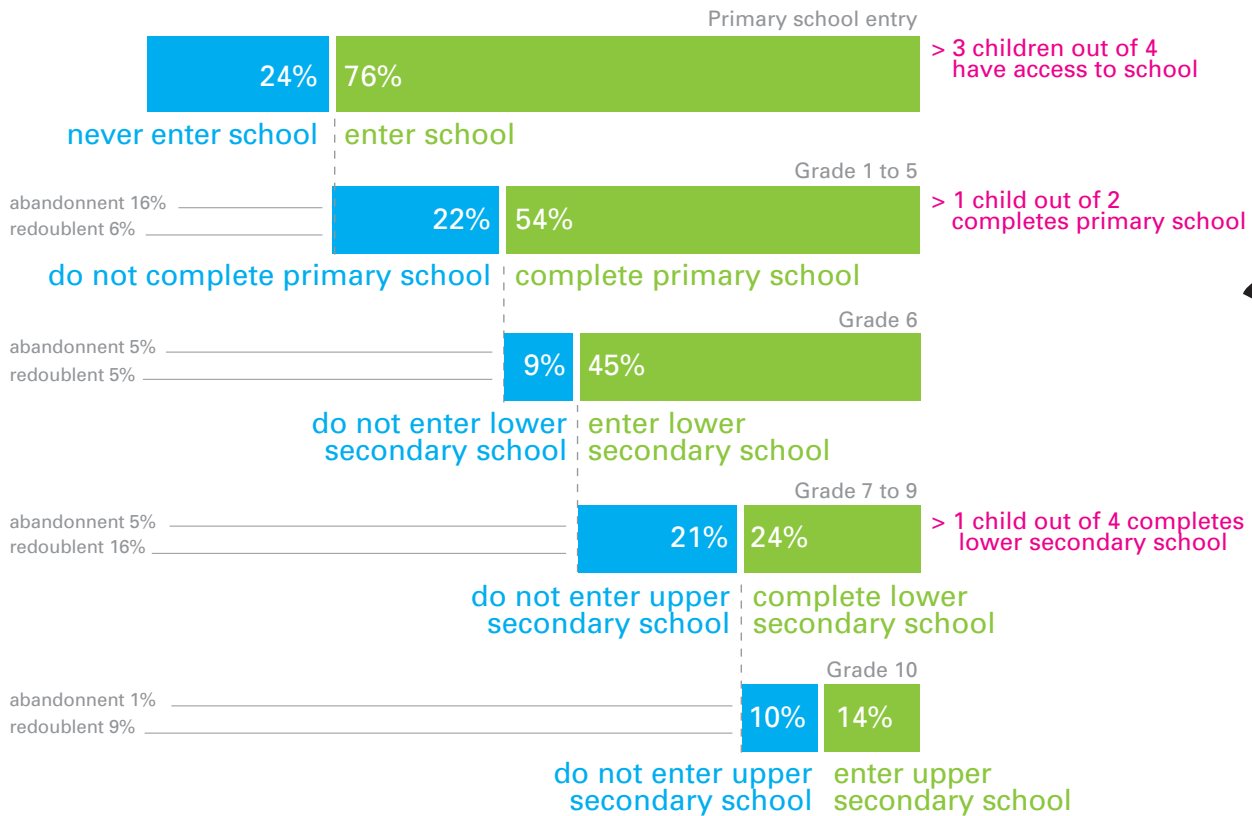
min 9% - max 63%



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3. Schooling pathways of school aged children

Reference population: 17-18 years olds



4. Main factors of school exclusion

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