



Metadata Compilation for the Global SDG Indicators

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Purpose:

- To provide information on the definitions, rationale, concepts and sources of the data for the global SDG indicators
- To promote international comparable data
- To provide a reference point and guidance for countries

Level of details:

- The amount of information will vary by indicator and reflect the level of methodology development. Limited information may be available for some of the less well-established indicators.
- With further development on the indicators, improved information will become available.
- The metadata can change over time as concepts, definitions and methodologies change.

SDG Indicator Metadata Database

Example: MDG Metadata Database

Select Series

Tree View Flat View

- [-] Goal 1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
 - [-] Target 1.A: Halve, between 1990 and 2015, the proportion of people whose income is less than one dollar a day
 - [M] Population below \$1.25 (PPP) per day, percentage
 - [✓] Population below national poverty line, total, percentage
 - [✓] Population below national poverty line, urban, percentage
 - [✓] Population below national poverty line, rural, percentage
 - [✓] Purchasing power parities (PPP) conversion factor, local currency unit to international dollar
 - [M] Poverty gap ratio at \$1.25 a day (PPP), percentage
 - [M] Poorest quintile's share in national income or consumption, percentage
 - [+] Target 1.B: Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all, including women and young people
 - [+] Target 1.C: Halve, between 1990 and 2015, the proportion of people who suffer from hunger
- [+] Goal 2. Achieve universal primary education
- [-] Goal 3. Promote gender equality and empower women
 - [+] Target 3.A: Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005, and in all levels of education no later than 2015

Standardized Metadata Template

- 1. Goals and Targets addressed**
- 2. Definition and method of computation**
- 3. Rational and interpretation**
- 4. Disaggregation**
- 5. Sources and data collection**
- 6. Comments and limitations**

Standardized Metadata Template (Continued)

- 7. Current data availability / indicator tier**
- 8. Responsible entities**
- 9. Data collection and data release calendar**
- 10. Treatment of missing values**
- 11. Sources of differences between global and national figures**
- 12. Regional and global estimates & data collection for global monitoring**
- 13. References**