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The Sustainable Development Goals Report Progress Chart 2021

<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/report/2021/progress-chart-2021.pdf>

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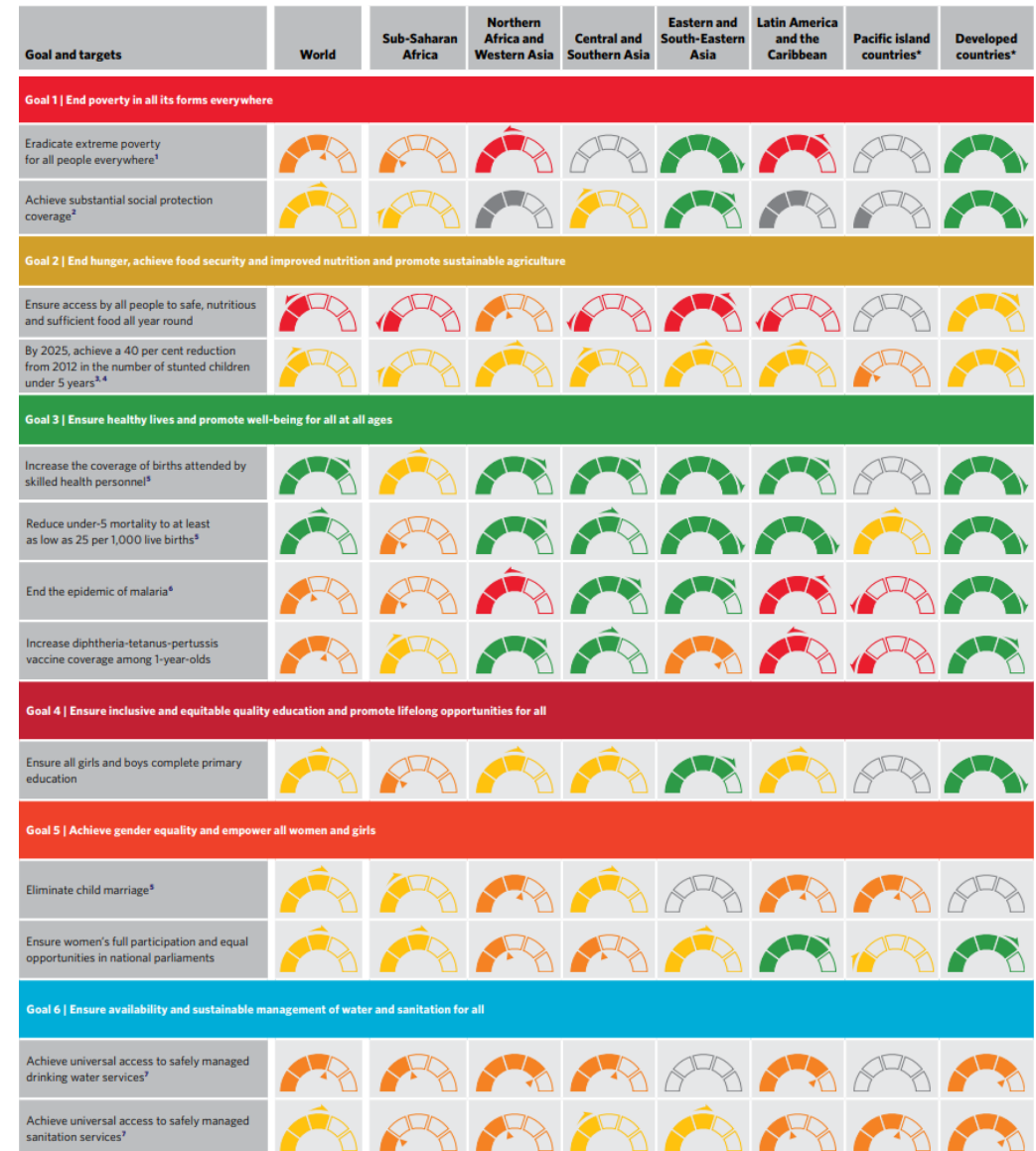
SDG Progress Chart 2021



The Sustainable Development Goals Progress Chart 2021 presents a snapshot of global and regional progress toward selected targets under the SDGs through a traffic light dashboard.



The progress chart shows that the world was already off track in realizing the ambitions and fulfilling the commitments of the 2030 Agenda, even before COVID-19.



SDG Progress Chart 2021 Overview

➤ Two types of information are presented

i. A level assessment based on the latest available data using a **gauge meter**



Target met or
almost met



Close to target



Moderate
distance to target



Far from target



Very far from
target

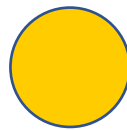


insufficient data

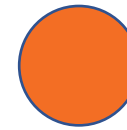
ii. A trend assessment using **stoplight colours**



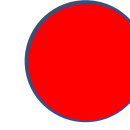
Substantial progress/
On track



Fair progress
but acceleration
needed



Limited or no
progress



Deterioration

Baseline year and latest available data used in the Progress Chart

- **Baseline year:** 2015 is used for the trend assessment for most indicators. If there are no sufficient empirical data around that time, a baseline year of around 2010 is used.
- **The latest available data** for most indicators are from 2019 to 2020; for a few indicators, the data go back to 2017.
- The assessment is based on the most up-to-date data available. However, the full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is not yet known. Some of the devastating impacts of the pandemics can be found in ***The SDG Report 2021*** (<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/report/2021/>)

General overview of the process



Assessments based on the **standard methodology** developed and agreed by the Task Team on Progress Chart last year.

Due to the nature of the indicators, some agencies applied different methodology

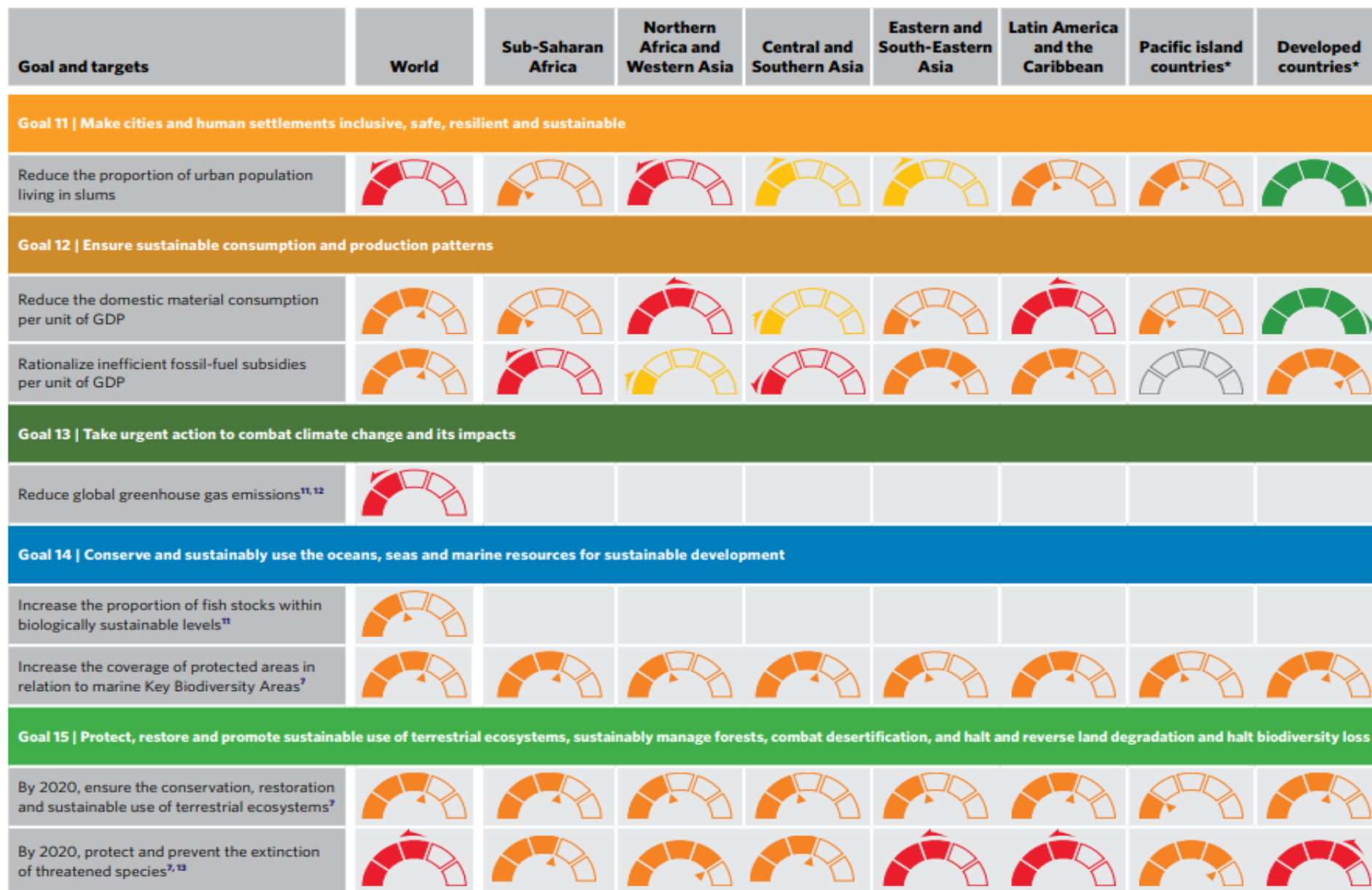
The methodology and assessment results were reviewed and agreed by agencies

35 indicators selected under **17 Goals** to present the progress made in SDGs

The technical note details methodologies applied in the progress chart

The technical note needs to be updated to reflect the year range and calculation method

The world was already off track on SDGs before the pandemic





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Thank You!

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