



Data resources on SDGs and VNRs

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Connecting Media to the SDGs' Data and Stories

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SDG Report and related outputs (global and regional level data and stories)

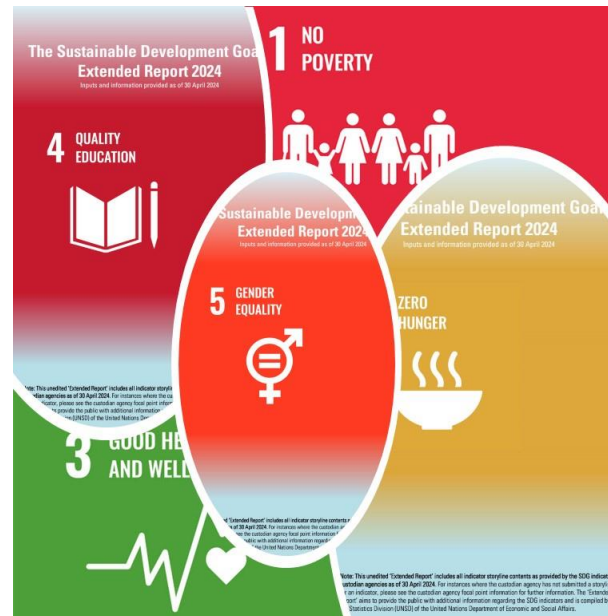
<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/report/2025/>



+ global progress chart



SDG Extended Report



Deep dive into data stories on all the indicators

Key Findings

The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2025

KEY FINDINGS

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- A decade after the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the SDGs have improved millions of lives globally. However, the pace of change remains insufficient to meet the Goals by 2030 as escalating conflicts, climate change, rising inequality, and inadequate financing are holding back further progress.
- The latest data reveal that only 35 per cent of SDG targets with available trend data are on track or show moderate progress. Nearly half are moving too slowly or making only marginal progress, while 18 per cent have regressed.
- Despite these setbacks, progress is possible if we scale up solutions and build on hard-won gains. The report highlights opportunities and examples of success and resilience that can be built upon at global and regional levels.

The SDGs at 10: Progress is real but insufficient

A challenging global context is threatening to hold back further SDG progress. Conflicts and tensions are escalating. Temperatures keep breaking records. Debt levels and servicing costs are mounting. And developing countries face a staggering SDG financing gap.

SDG successes and opportunities for acceleration

Global figures represent an average across all countries. This can hide pockets of significant progress in some areas, regions or countries. Spotlighting successes made in these areas or regions reveals a pathway to achieving the SDGs.

- Rising inequalities (SDGs 1, 10).**
 - More than 800 million people – nearly 1 in 10 – still live in extreme poverty in 2025.
 - By 2025, more than three-quarters of the global extreme poor will live in sub-Saharan Africa or in fragile and conflict-affected countries.
 - Only one in five countries is on track to halve its national poverty rate by 2030.
 - Spending on essential services was 60 per cent in advanced economies and 43 per cent in developing ones in 2023 – a persistent 20-point gap.
 - Persons with disabilities face discrimination at 28
- Reducing poverty and inequalities (SDGs 1, 10).**
 - Since 2015, about 6 in 10 countries with data have achieved higher income and consumption growth for the bottom 40 per cent of the population compared to the national average.
 - In 2024, 6.9 per cent of the employed population lived in extreme poverty, down from 8.4 per cent in 2015.
 - Social protection reached over half the global population in 2023, up from 42.8 per cent in 2015.
 - Customary and other informal tenure arrangements continue to provide a sense of tenure security. In countries with data, between 2015 and 2020, 60 per cent of the population had secure

Key Findings from the report: progress and setbacks

SDG global indicator database (country, regional and global level data)

<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/dataportal>

Global database

Country profiles

SDG Analytics

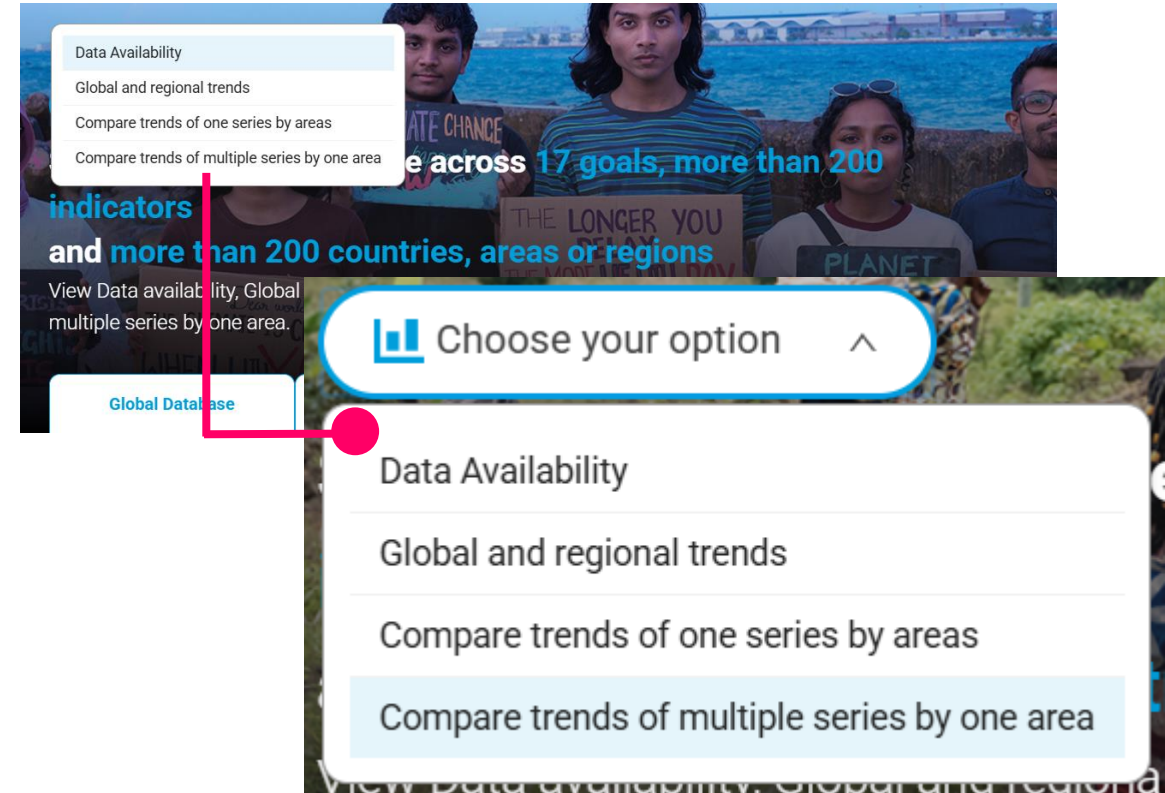


SDG Indicators

- Official list of SDG indicators
- Metadata Repository
- Tier Classification
- Data collection and Focal points

Resources

- Regional Groupings
- E-Handbook on SDG Indicators
- UNCT Toolkit



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Country profiles

- 1 No Poverty
- 2 Zero Hunger
- 3 Good Health and Well-being
- 4 Quality Education
- 5 Gender Equality
- 6 Clean Water and Sanitation
- 7 Affordable and Clean Energy
- 8 Decent Jobs and Economic Growth
- 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 10 Reduced Inequalities
- 12 Responsible Consumption and Production
- 14 Life Below Water
- 15 Life on Land
- 16 Peace and Justice Institutions
- 17 Partnerships for the Goals

100 thousand people

In 2022, the total population suffering from severe food insecurity was **100.0** thousand people.

The agriculture orientation index for government expenditures increased from **1.0** in 2001 to **1.8** in 2023.

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Decent Jobs and Economic Growth
Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

The annual growth rate of real gross domestic product (GDP) per capita declined from **2.8%** in 2000 to **2.2%** in 2023.

SDG Analytics

Compare indicators across all goals for Bahamas

Data for at least one year since 2015, by goal and indicator (average in percent)

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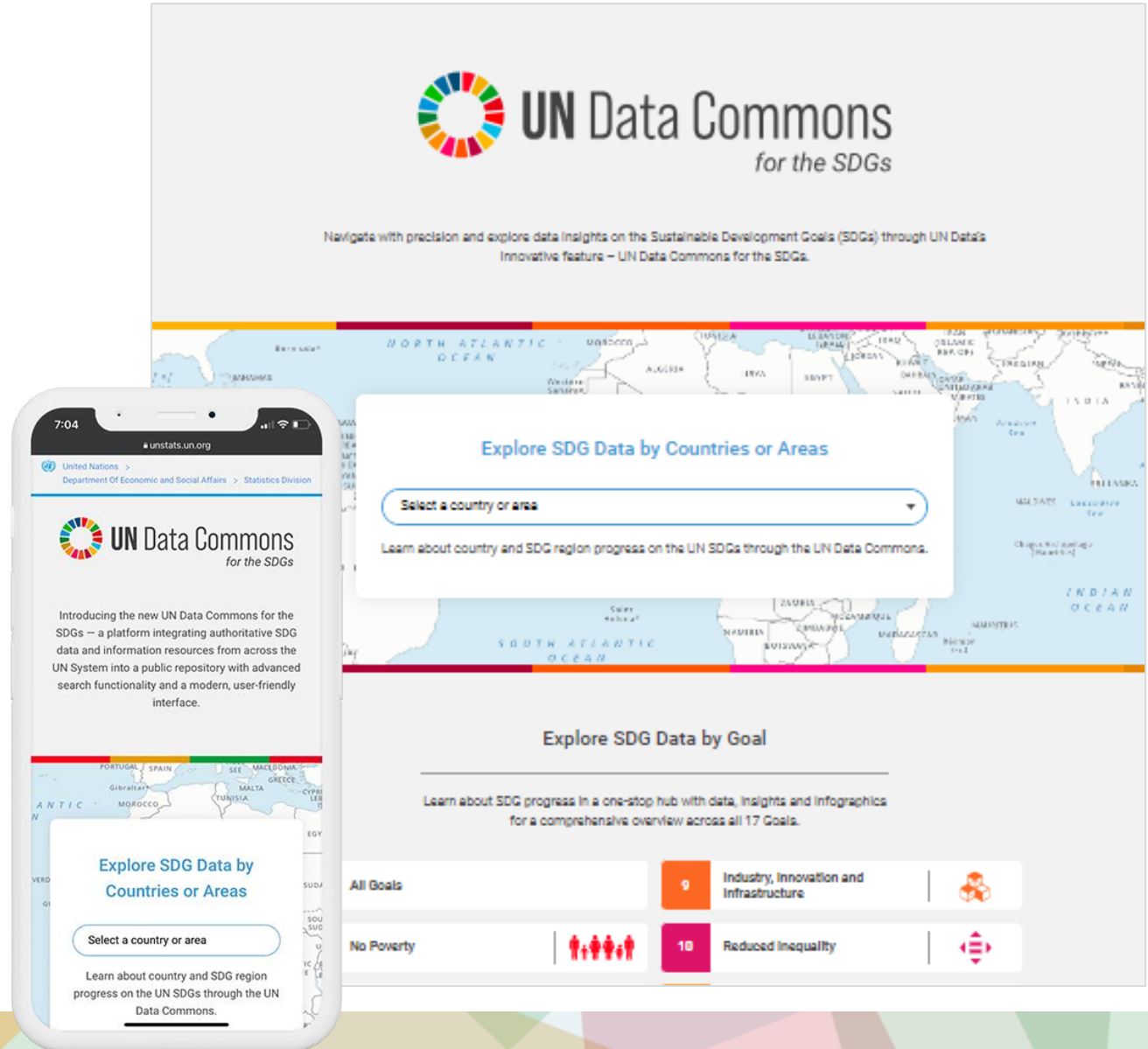
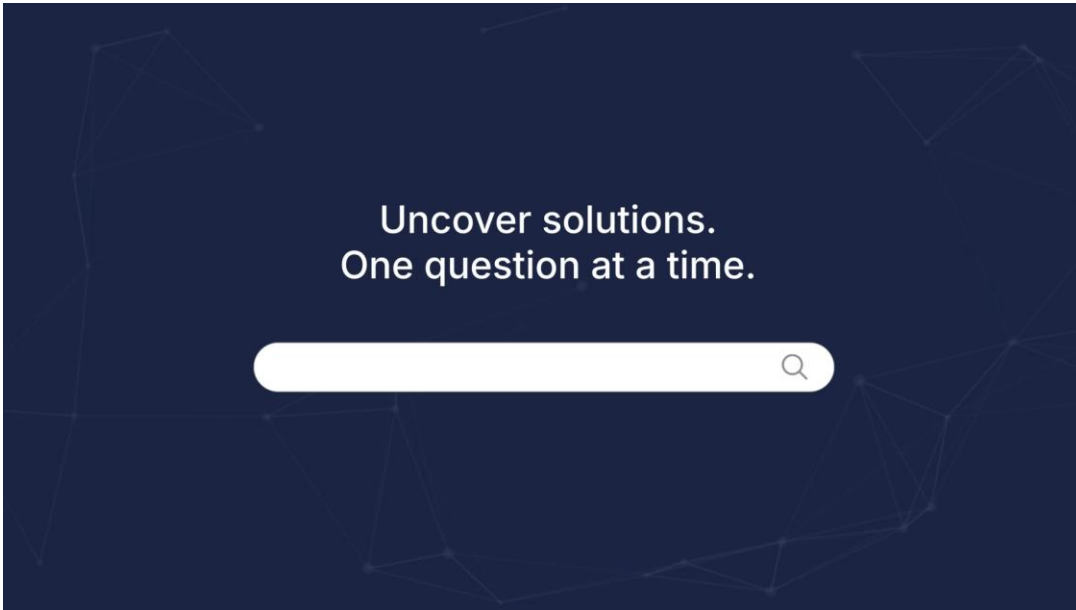
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UN Data Commons for the SDGs



<https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/undatacommons/sdgs>

- Dashboard of 3000+ SDG statistical variables
- Natural language search
- SDG progress by goal, country, area, and search





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Quality Education

- Progress towards Goal 4 has been slow since 2015, with only 58 per cent of students worldwide achieving a minimum proficiency in reading by 2019. Recent assessments reveal a significant decline in math and reading scores in many countries, highlighting a set of factors beyond the COVID-19 pandemic's impact on global education.
- Many countries face challenges such as inadequate education infrastructure, teacher shortages, and insufficient teacher training. While technology has expanded educational opportunities, it has also widened inequalities, leaving millions of people, especially in marginalized and low-income communities, without access to education.
- To meet national 2030 education targets, which have been scaled back compared to the original Goal 4 targets, countries must annually enroll 1.4 million children in early childhood education, admit a new child to school every 2 seconds until 2030, and triple annual progress in primary completion rates.

National level SDG data portals and good practices

<https://unstats.un.org/wiki/spaces/sdgGoodPractices/overview>

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Welcome to the Good Practices and Resources on Sustainable Development Goals Monitoring website

As part of its regular work program and to follow up on the decisions of the United Nations Statistical Commission, the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on SDG Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) has focused its work on the implementation of the SDG indicator framework by compiling and sharing resources, experiences, and good practices on SDG monitoring. The IAEG-SDGs and the Statistics Division of UN DESA (UNSD) have developed a questionnaire to gather good practices from national statistical offices and regional and international organizations in the following areas: SDG data disaggregation; national SDG platforms, dashboards, SDG portals and other progress assessment tools; communication of SDG data; and bridging data gaps for the SDG indicators.

The Statistics Division has prepared this website to compile all inputs received from the questionnaire, showcasing good practices and providing links to resources, information or other materials provided by

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Data availability

Non-traditional data

Data disagg/LNOB

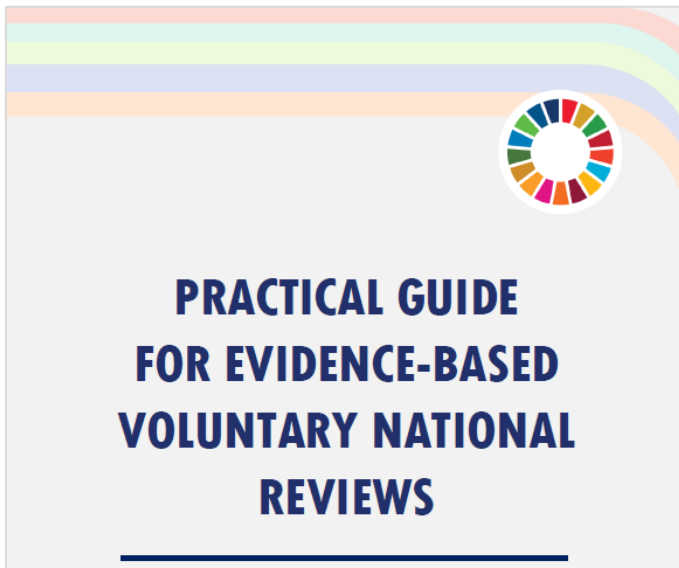
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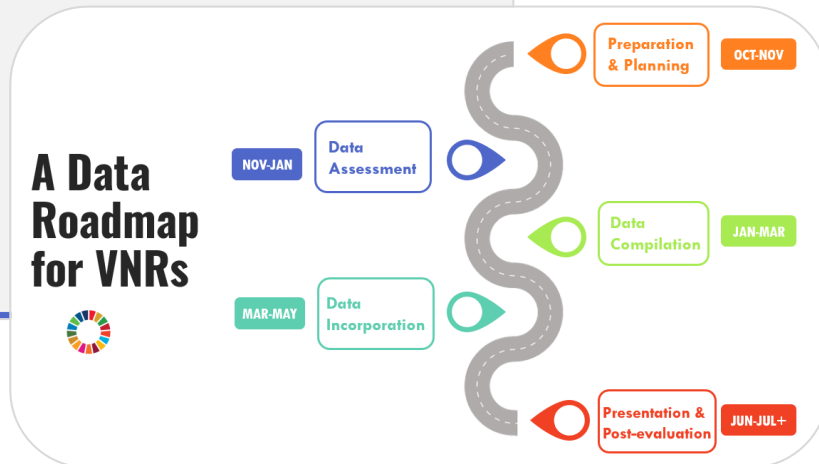
<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/data4vnrs/>



Upcoming:

Updated version

E-learning course



- **The Guide:** Complementary resource for countries on how to use data and statistics on SDGs to support evidence-based VNRs.
- **Approach:** Roadmap approach with good practice examples, outlining key stages in the national VNR process for enhancing data.
- **Looking ahead:** VNR process can also help to identify strengths and weaknesses of statistical systems and statistical capacity building opportunities.

Data storytelling/data visualization

<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/data-storytelling/>



PRACTICAL GUIDE TO DATA STORYTELLING

in Voluntary National Reviews
and SDG Reporting

United Nations Statistics Division
October 2022

Practical guide that supports clear, compelling data storytelling in VNRs and SDG reporting, with good practice examples and a focus on context and narrative.

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The banner features a photograph of five women standing in front of large, colorful 3D blocks representing the SDGs. The blocks are labeled with numbers and goals: '1 NO POVERTY', '2 ZERO HUNGER', '3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING', '4 QUALITY EDUCATION', and '5 GENDER EQUALITY'. The women are dressed in professional attire, including a white dress, a batik-patterned hijab, a red dress, and a purple dress. The background is a vibrant purple and blue gradient.