ASIA AND THE PACIFIC
SDG PROGRESS REPORT
2022
Widening disparities amid COVID-19
The Sixth Asia and the Pacific SDG progress report
Key findings

• Progress has been insufficient and has slowed down

• At the current pace, none of the 17 SDGs will be achieved

• Good progress made on industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) and affordable and clean energy (Goal 7), yet still slow

• Region has regressed on climate action (Goal 13) and responsible consumption and production (Goal 12)

• Average progress in the region disproportionately excludes some groups, and subregions
Regional progress
Expected years to achieve the SDGs at the current pace

Overall progress so far

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Expected year to achieve the SDGs at current pace

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- 2065: [progress bar]
Progress in Asia-Pacific 2022

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- **Progress**
- **Regression**
- **Insufficient indicators**
- **Evidence strength**
Progress in Asia-Pacific expected by 2030
Sub-regional progress
Sub-regional progress comparison

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Vulnerabilities and the pandemic: Risk of widening disparities

**Women**
In Asia-Pacific, 15 to 60% of women experiencing physical and/or sexual violence at the hands of intimate partners over their lifetime.

**Children**
32 million are affected by wasting, a form of malnutrition.
Over 10% are out of school in lower secondary, with girls in rural areas and poor households being more disadvantaged.

**Refugees and migrants**
The Asia-Pacific region hosts 19% of the world’s total refugee population.
Death and disappearance of migrants increased in 2019.

**Multiple deprivations**
Some races, castes or ethnic groups may be 10 times more likely to be multidimensionally poor.
8.2% of working hours lost in 2020.

**Groups in a vulnerable situation in Asia-Pacific**

**Persons with disabilities**
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**Older persons**
Universal coverage with some form of pension has not been achieved in most countries.
Groups in a vulnerable situation in Asia-Pacific

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Unpacking the SDG data gaps

Data availability has sharply increased, but where are the gaps?
Data availability for SDG indicators

Since 2017, data availability has doubled.

The chart shows the number of indicators available for each year from 2017 to 2021. The data availability has doubled since 2017.

- 2017: 106 indicators, 63 are sufficient, 53 are insufficient, 106 are available in total.
- 2018: 96 indicators, 53 are sufficient, 43 are insufficient, 96 are available in total.
- 2019: 71 indicators, 97 are sufficient, 34 are insufficient, 71 are available in total.
- 2020: 39 indicators, 112 are sufficient, 12 are insufficient, 39 are available in total.
- 2021: 25 indicators, 123 are sufficient, 4 are insufficient, 25 are available in total.

Legend:
- No data
- Insufficient data
- Sufficient data
Data availability by Goals

Sustainable development goal

Number of indicators

- Sufficient
- Insufficient
- No Data
What are primary sources of SDG data?