

EDUCATION POLICY AND DATA CENTER

EDUCATION DATA & DATA/POLICY ANALYSIS

ONE-STOP SHOP - EPDC has combined available education and related data (some of which are not available on-line) in a single database to enable users easier access to information and to customize policy analysis. This represents a major saving of time and effort by reducing the need to search multiple sources that often produce irrelevant data. The education data are taken from more than 70 sources. The EPDC database contains administrative and survey data at both the national and sub-national levels. The data are arranged by gender, school level, urban-rural, age, and household characteristics. Special features enable the data to be customized according to users' requirements.

TOOLS – Policy analysis is enhanced by the availability of on-line charts, graphs, maps, and user-defined tables.

COUNTRY EDUCATION PROFILE – Profiles, covering 70 countries, present key education indicators. These are available in easy-to-read formats and reproducible graphs, charts, and maps. An example of the "specialized" services available from EPDC is the new initiative the Center has with the Education Ministry in Kenya to develop profiles at the provincial and district level. EPDC supported the 2006 EFA Global Monitoring Report through a series of country profiles on early childhood education.

RAPID EDUCATION ASSESSMENT CALCULATOR - This easy-to-use tool provides a detailed overview of the use and generation of human capacity education system in developing countries. It includes indexes based on 56 indicators that rank a specific developing country against another, or relative to regional averages. The Calculator also provides 10 year comparisons for a particular country to help gauge progress and opportunities for change.

EDUCATION PROJECTIONS – The projections provide expected education trends and outcomes from specified investments (e.g., in early childhood or primary education) that better inform decisions on planning, budgeting, and policy dialogue

HUMAN CAPITAL PROJECTIONS – This tool identifies the demographic characteristics of a country as well as its educational attainment 20-years in the future.

POLICY ANALYSIS - Papers and policy briefs focus on key education policy issues, such as trends in access, quality, and performance and the challenges of dealing with under-served populations.

RESPONSE OF REQUESTS - EPDC responds to inquiries and provides support on the use and analysis of data and indicators for policy making.

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