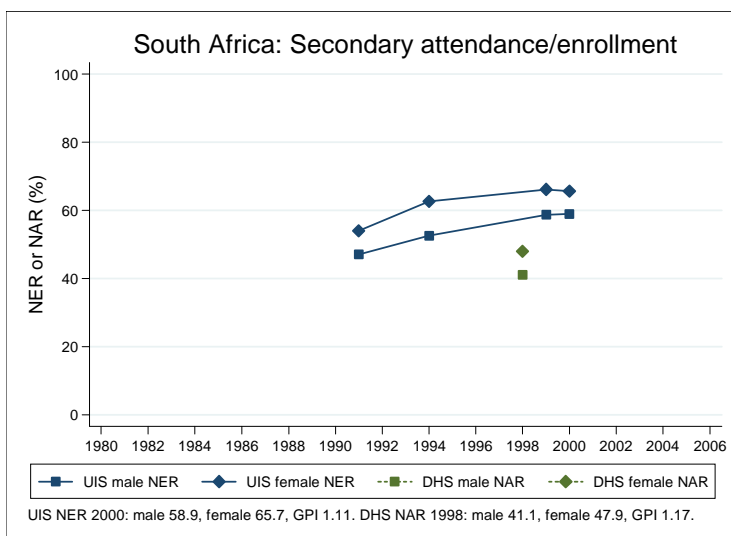
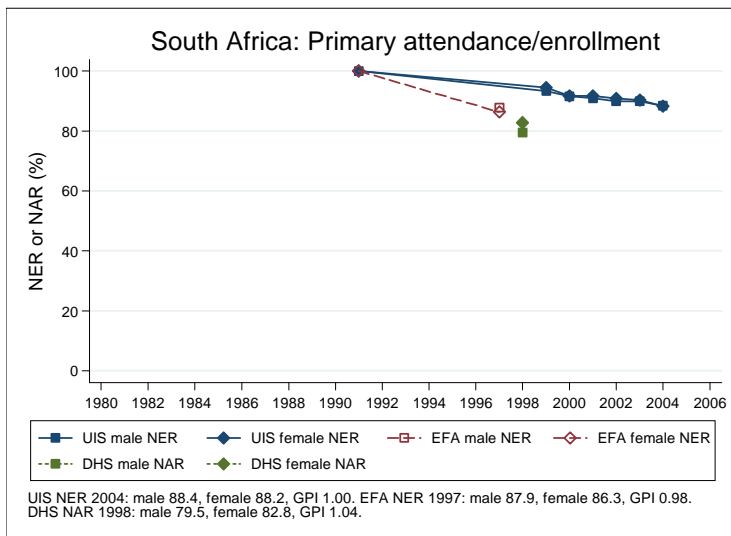
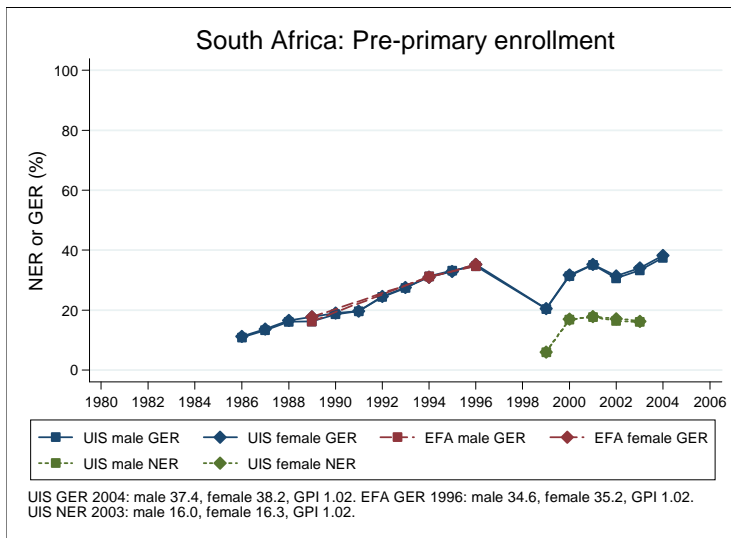
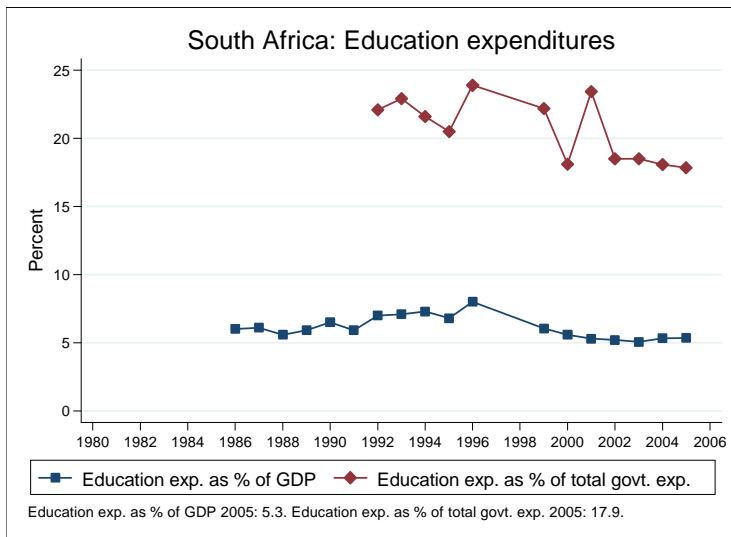
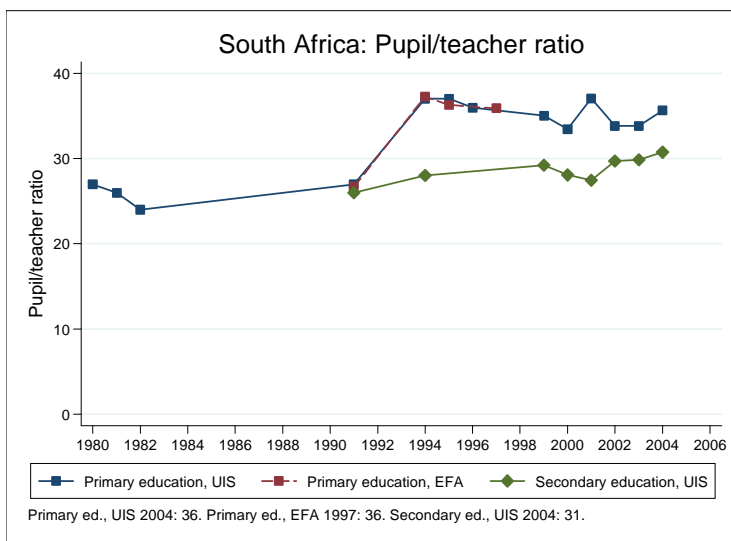
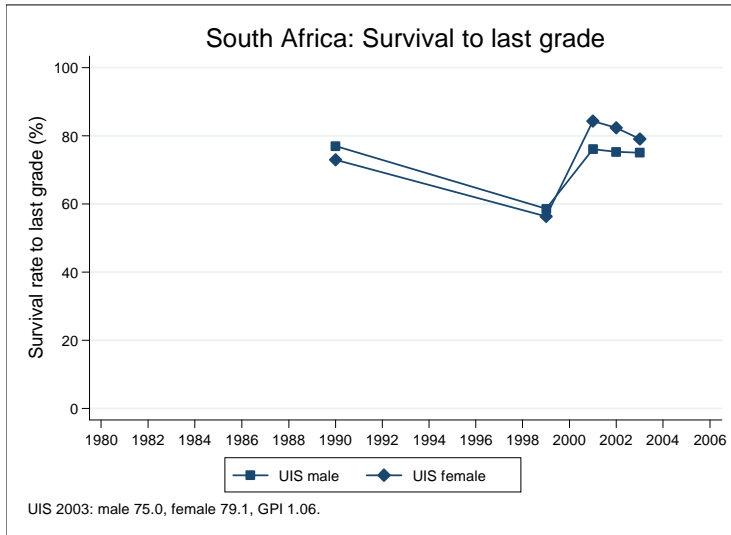


Education statistics: South Africa

UNICEF, Division of Policy and Practice, Statistics and Monitoring Section, www.childinfo.org, May 2008





Administrative data: UNESCO Institute for Statistics

South Africa

Population (1,000)	Total	Male	Female
Preschool age, 2006	1027	517	510
Primary school age, 2006	7116	3578	3538
Secondary school age, 2006	4886	2451	2434
Total population, all ages, 2007	48577	23885	24692
Official school age (years)	Entrance age	Graduation age	Duration
Preschool, 2005	6	6	1
Primary school, 2005	7	13	7
Secondary school, 2005	14	18	5
Compulsory education, 2005	7	15	9
Net enrolment ratio (%)	Total	Male	Female
Preschool NER, 2003	16.2	16.0	16.3
Primary school NER, 2004	88.3	88.4	88.2
Secondary school NER, 2000	62.3	58.9	65.7
Gross enrolment ratio (%)	Total	Male	Female
Preschool GER, 2004	37.8	37.4	38.2
Primary school GER, 2004	105.5	107.7	103.4
Secondary school GER, 2004	94.7	91.5	97.9
Entrance and transition (%)	Total	Male	Female
Primary net intake rate, 2004	52.1	52.7	51.4
Primary gross intake rate, 2004	115.2	118.2	112.2
Primary entrants with ECCE			
Transition rate primary-secondary, 2003	89.7	88.5	90.9
Repetition and completion	Total	Male	Female
Primary repetition rate (%), 2004	8.0	8.4	7.5
Secondary repetition rate (%), 2004	14.2	14.6	13.7
Survival rate to grade 5 (%), 2003	82.4	81.6	83.4
Survival rate to last primary grade (%), 2003	77.0	75.0	79.1
Primary completion rate (%), 2004	100.2	100.4	100.0
School life expectancy (years), 2004	12.1	12.1	12.1
Teaching staff	Pupil/teacher ratio	% trained teachers	% female teachers
Preschool, 2004	33.8		78.4
Primary school, 2004	35.6	78.7	76.1
Secondary school, 2004	30.8		51.8
Public expenditure per student as % of GDP per capita			
Primary school, 2005	14.3		
Secondary school, 2005	17.6		
Total public expenditure on education			
As % of GDP, 2005	5.3		
As % of total government expenditure, 2005	17.9		

Data sources:

Population: United Nations Population Division, *World Population Prospects: The 2006 Revision*, March 2007.

Education: UNESCO Institute for Statistics, Data Centre, <http://stats.uis.unesco.org/unesco/ReportFolders/ReportFolders.aspx>, January 2008.

Survey data: South Africa 1998 DHS

South Africa

Net attendance rate (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Primary school NAR	81.2	79.5	82.8	84.5	78.5	84.8	75.1
Secondary school NAR	44.4	41.1	47.9	51.7	37.3	64.3	26.5
Gross attendance rate (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Primary school GAR	113.5	116.2	110.9	114.3	112.8	105.2	112.8
Secondary school GAR	80.3	77.1	83.6	89.1	71.8	88.0	53.5
Primary age in school (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Primary school	80.6	79.1	82.1	83.8	78.0	84.2	74.5
Secondary school	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5
Preschool	9.0	9.6	8.4	7.8	10.0	7.9	10.4
Non-formal education							
Secondary age in school (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Secondary school	44.3	41.1	47.7	51.4	37.3	63.9	26.5
Higher education	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.0
Primary school	46.8	50.1	43.2	40.0	53.3	27.0	62.0
Preschool	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Non-formal education							
Entrance and transition (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Primary net intake rate							
Primary gross intake rate							
Primary entrants with ECCE							
Transition rate prim.-sec.							
Repetition and completion (%)	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Richest	Poorest
Primary repetition rate							
Primary dropout rate							
Secondary repetition rate							
Secondary dropout rate							
Survival rate to grade 5*	97.6	96.7	98.6	98.9	96.2	99.8	92.7
Survival rate to last prim. grade							

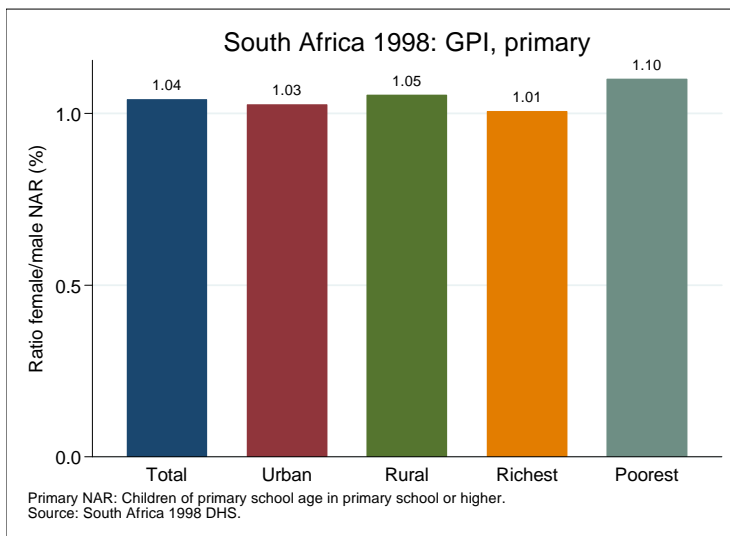
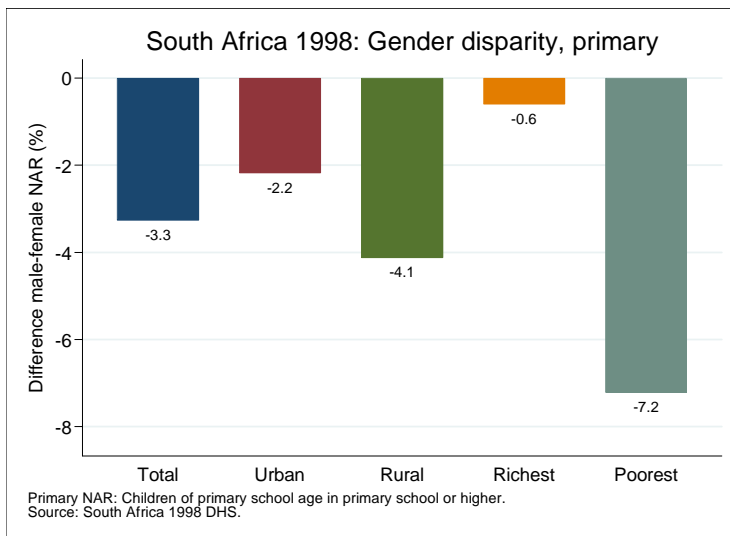
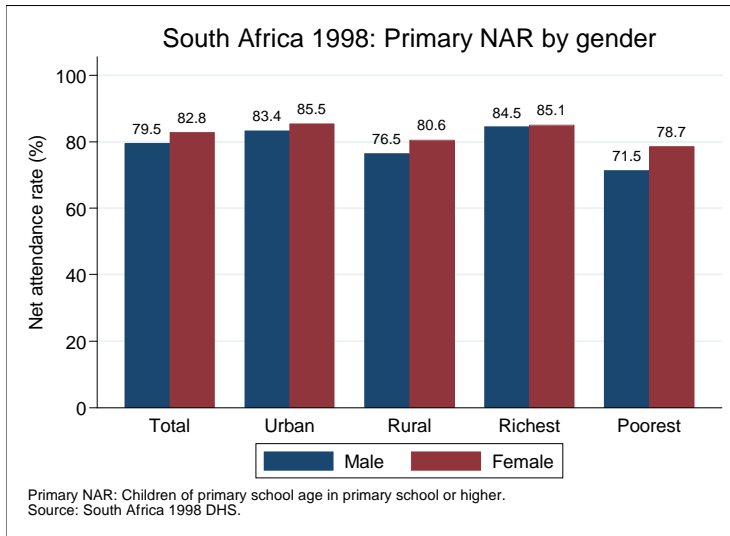
Primary school NAR: children of primary school age in primary school or higher.

Secondary school NAR: children of secondary school age in secondary school or higher.

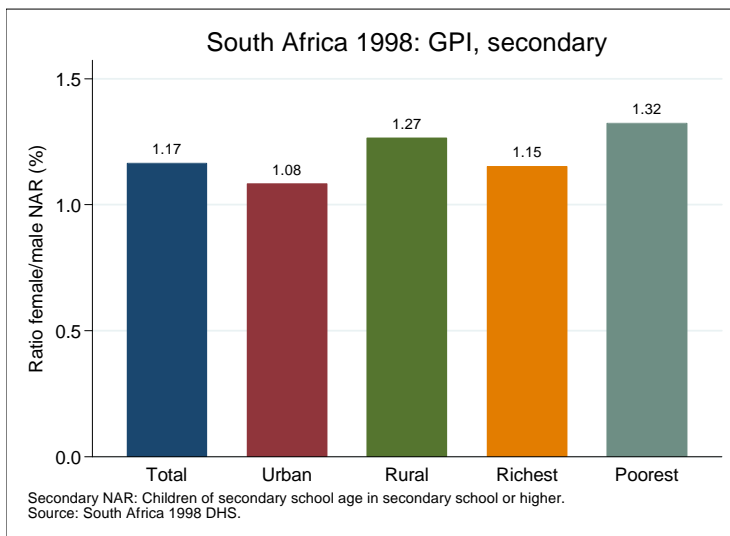
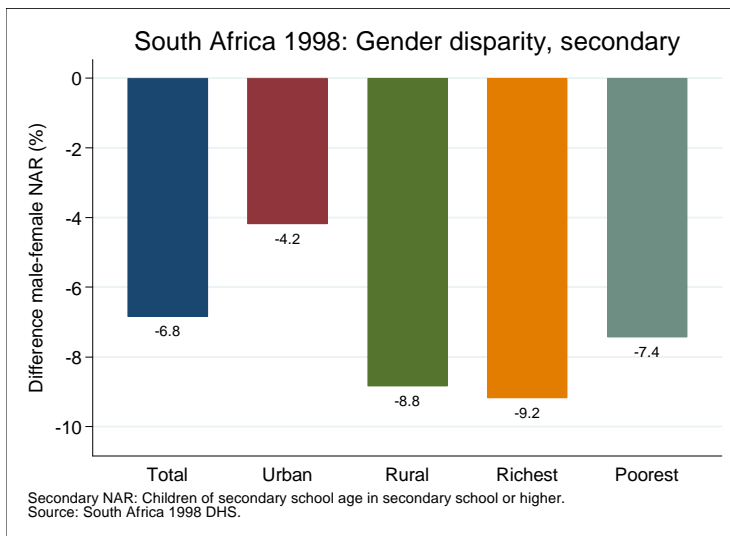
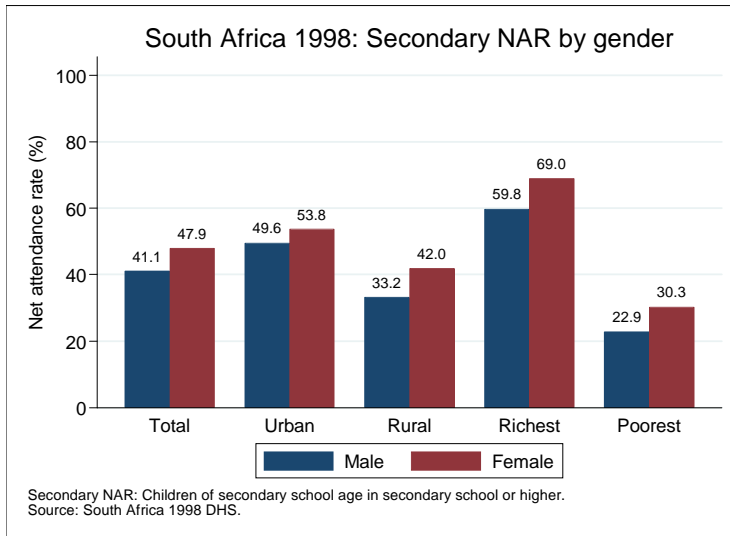
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* Percent of schooled 15- to 17-year-olds with 4 or more years of education.

Gender disparity in primary school (survey data)



Gender disparity in secondary school (survey data)



Projections to 2015

