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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the environment-related SDG indicators

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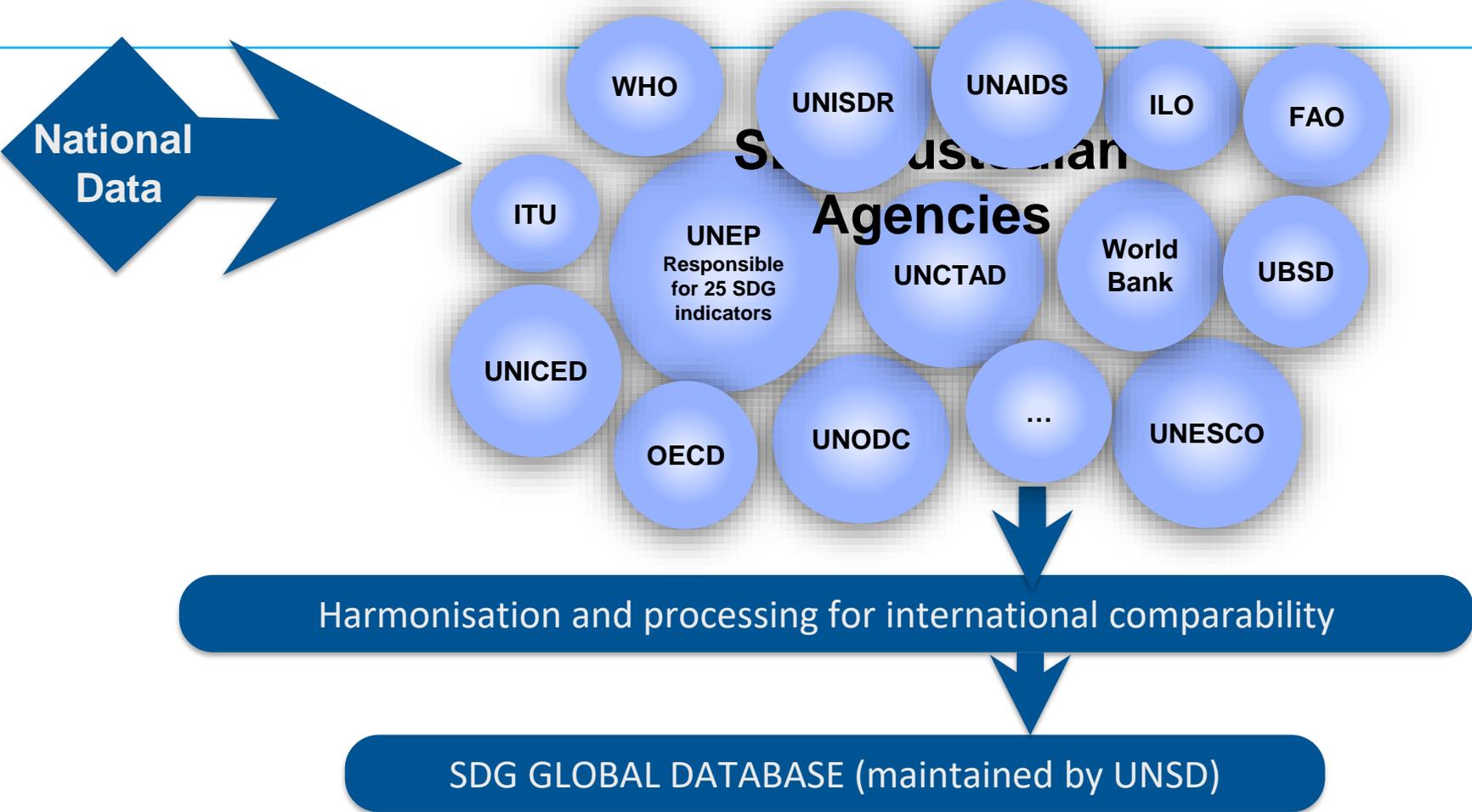
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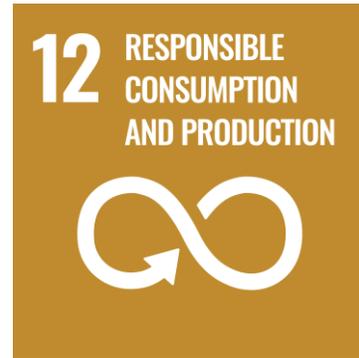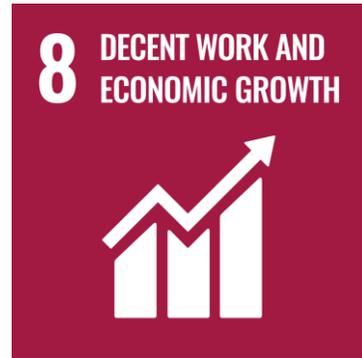# The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- In 2015, the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit adopted an international framework to guide development efforts, entitled 'Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development'

- The SDG framework has a total of 17 goals, 169 targets and 251 indicators — 92 of which are environment related

- The global indicator framework was adopted by the General Assembly on 6 July 2017 (*A/RES/71/313*)

- The Inter-agency and Expert Group on SDG Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) regularly reviews methodological developments and issues related to the indicators and their metadata, as well as other SDG-related aspects

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Reporting on SDG indicators

National Data →

SDG Custodian Agencies:
- WHO
- UNISDR
- UNAIDS
- ILO
- FAO
- ITU
- UNEP — Responsible for 25 SDG indicators
- UNCTAD
- World Bank
- UBSD
- UNICED
- OECD
- UNODC
- ...
- UNESCO

Harmonisation and processing for international comparability

SDG GLOBAL DATABASE (maintained by UNSD)

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SDG indicators under UNEP custodianship

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION	14 LIFE BELOW WATER	15 LIFE ON LAND	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS
6.3.2	8.4.1	12.1.1	14.1.1a	15.1.2	17.7.1
6.5.1	8.4.2	12.2.1	14.1.1b	15.4.1	17.14.1
6.6.1		12.2.2	14.2.1	15.9.1a	
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* For indicators highlighted in blue, UNEP shares a custodian role with other UN entities

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Communication channels

Of the SDG and Environment Statistics Unit of UNEP
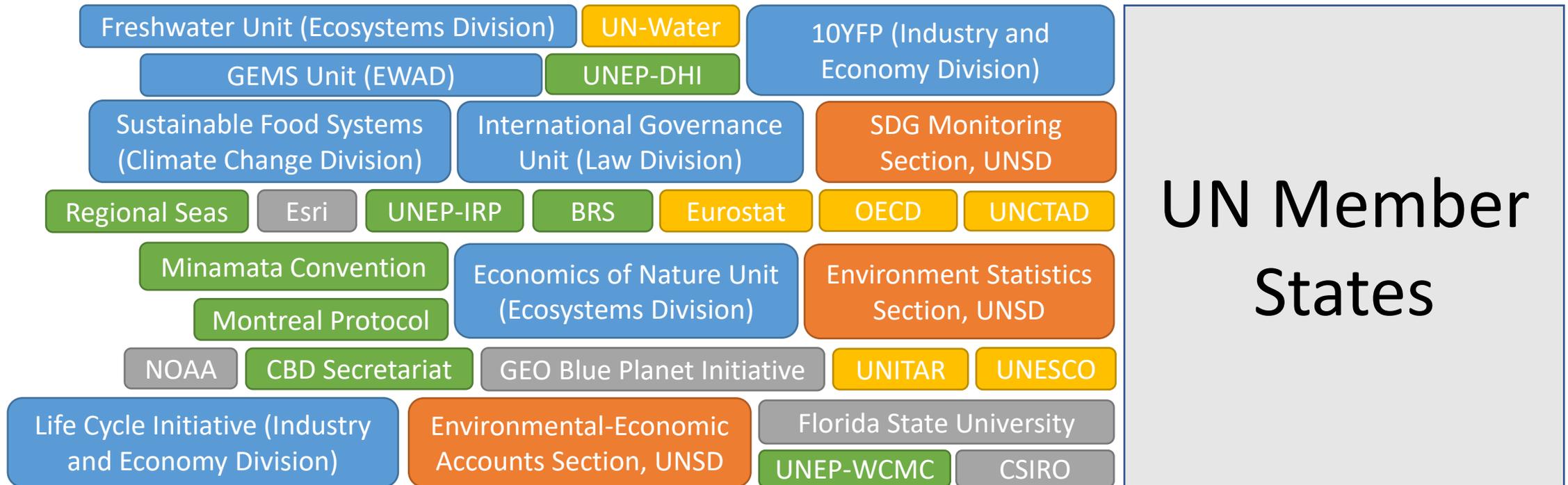
How we collect the data and statistics for SDGs?

From countries through questionnaires

From MEAs and global assessments

Provide global estimates and verify results with countries

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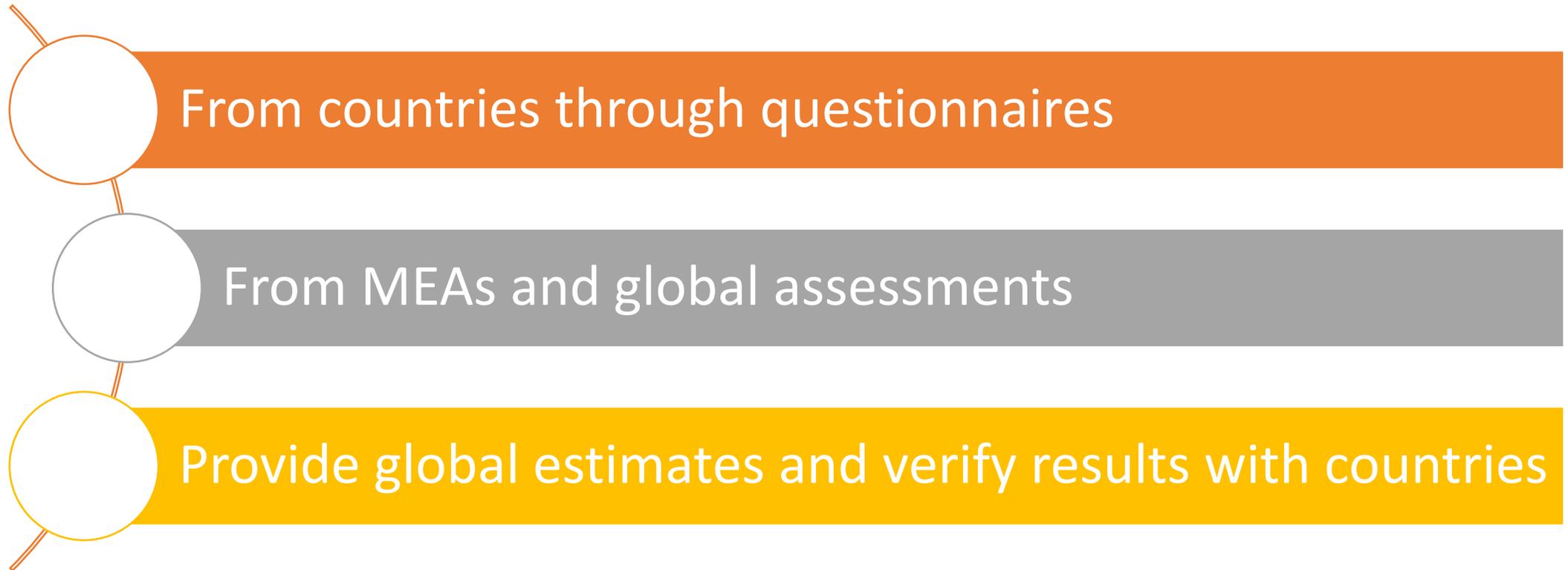
UNEP SDG Data Collection Calendar

2024 – 2030

The UNEP SDG Data Collection Calendar contains:

- Data collection timeline 2024 – 2030 for all SDG indicators under UNEP custodianship

- Start and End date of data collection

- Information about the data collection tool

- Available here

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SDG Data Collection Frequency

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Year: 2024

SDG	Indicator	Frequency (Years)	Start Date	End Date	Tool	Tool Name
12.1.1	Number of countries developing, adopting or implementing policy instruments aimed at supporting the shift to sustainable consumption and production	Annually	2024, Qrt. 1	2024, Qrt. 2	Survey	TBC
12.3.1(b)	Food waste index	2 years	2024, Qrt. 3	2024, Qrt. 4	Survey	UNSD/UNEP Questionnaire on Environment Statistics
12.4.2	(a) Hazardous waste generated per capita; (b) National recycling rate, tons of material	2 years	2024, Qrt. 3	2024, Qrt. 4	Survey	UNSD/UNEP Questionnaire on Environment Statistics

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SDG Global Database

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

SDG Global Database gives access to data:

- on more than 210 SDG indicators

- for countries across the globe

- by indicator, country, region or time period

National Scorecard

- The **National Scorecard** is a tool developed by UNEP to showcase the progress of countries in realizing the 92 environment-related SDG indicators.

- Users can select any country and navigate by goal or indicator levels.

- Data are presented in form of tables and charts to facilitate the visualization of the progress made.

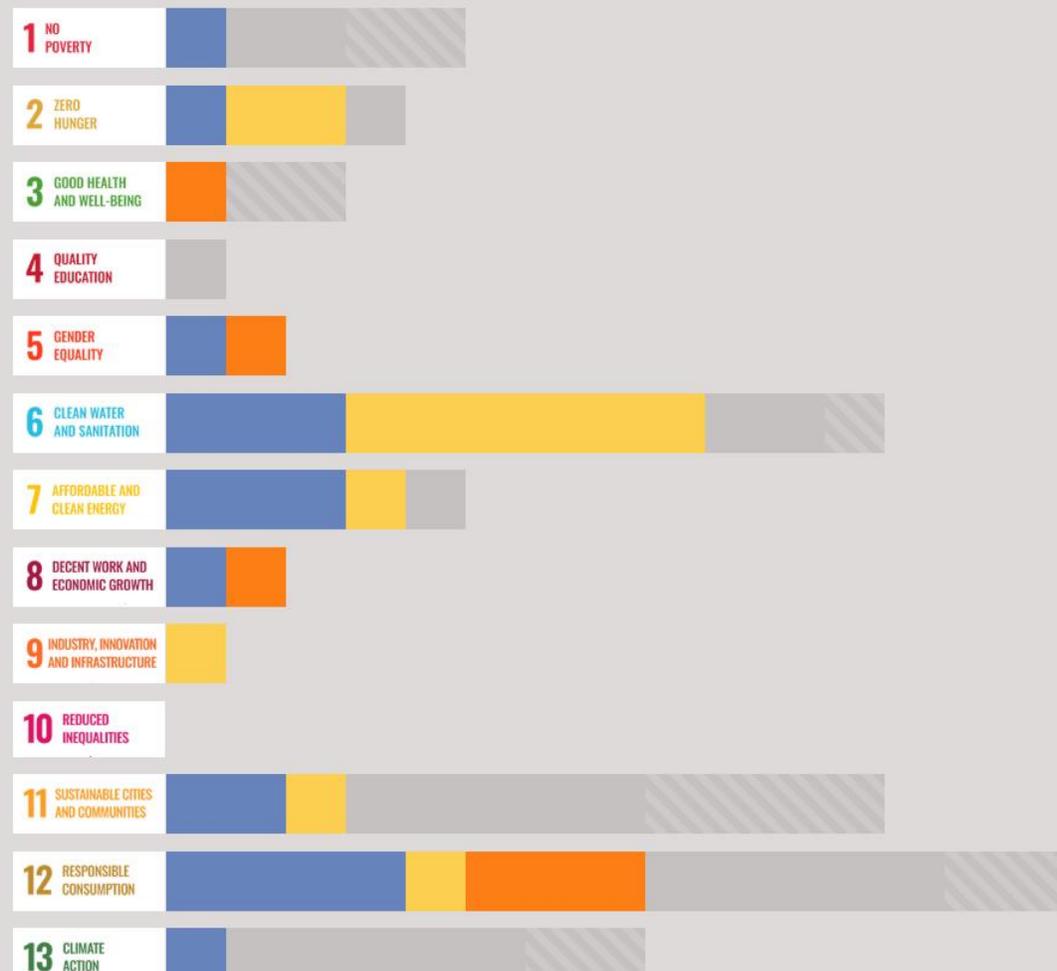- The Scorecards are automatically updated once new data are published.

Kenya

Region: Sub-Saharan Africa **Capital:** Nairobi **Latitude:** -1.27975 **Longitude:** 36.8126

Select SDG Goals Below

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 WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**	**9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**	**10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES**	**11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**	**12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION**
13 CLIMATE ACTION	**14 LIFE BELOW WATER**	**15 LIFE ON LAND**	**16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS**	**17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS**	**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

COUNTRY SUMMARY: Kenya | **PERIOD:** 2025

Mouse over goals below to view indicator details

- **1** NO POVERTY
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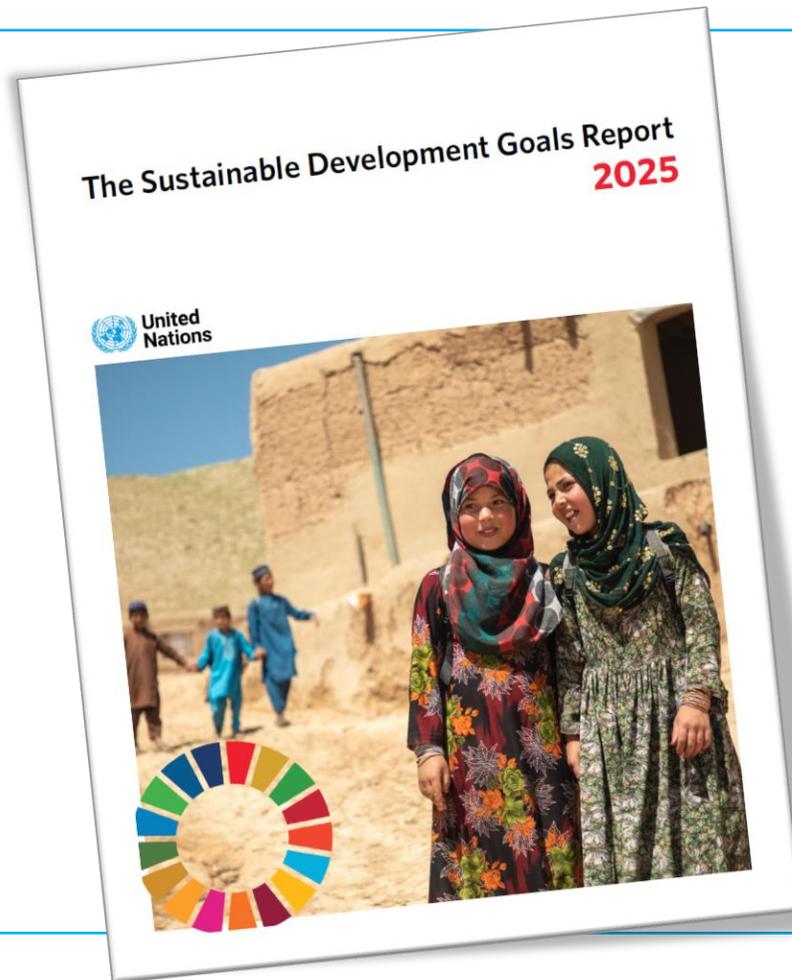- **13** CLIMATE ACTION

Measuring Progress report

The report informs on the 92 environment-related SDG indicators, analyzes the progress made in achieving the SDGs targets and identifies data gaps.

- 2019: first report: here
- 2021: second report: here
- 2023: third report: here
- 2025: special edition on disaggregation: *forthcoming*

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SDG Global Reporting

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

The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2025

United Nations

The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2025

- Is prepared by UN DESA, in collaboration with the entire UN Statistical System, consisting of more than 50 international and regional agencies, based on data from over 200 countries and territories
- Is the only UN official report that monitors global progress on all SDGs

"With just five years to reach the Sustainable Development Goals, we need to shift into overdrive."

António Guterres
Secretary-General, United Nations

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