

THE STATE OF THE WORLD'S CHILDREN 2013

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES MUST HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITIES AS ALL OTHER CHILDREN.

Canada was amongst the first signatories of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. UNICEF encourages Canada to fully implement the Convention at home and use its influence to ensure it is implemented around the world.



CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ARE LOSING OUT.

In many countries children with disabilities face institutionalization, abandonment or neglect, rooted in negative assumptions and spread by ignorance.

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ARE OFTEN INVISIBLE.

No one knows how many children are living with disabilities. This must change to better understand what types of services children require and to ensure that no child is left behind.

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ARE:

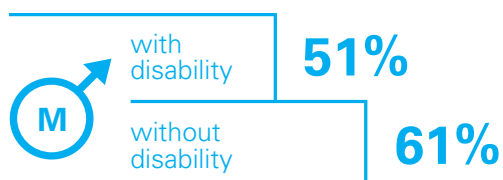
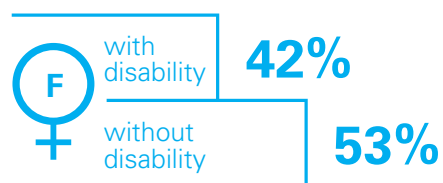
- MORE LIKELY TO LIVE IN POVERTY
- LESS LIKELY TO BE IN SCHOOL
- MORE LIKELY TO BE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE
- LESS LIKELY TO ACCESS HEALTHCARE

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND OPTIONAL PROTOCOL: SIGNATURES AND RATIFICATIONS

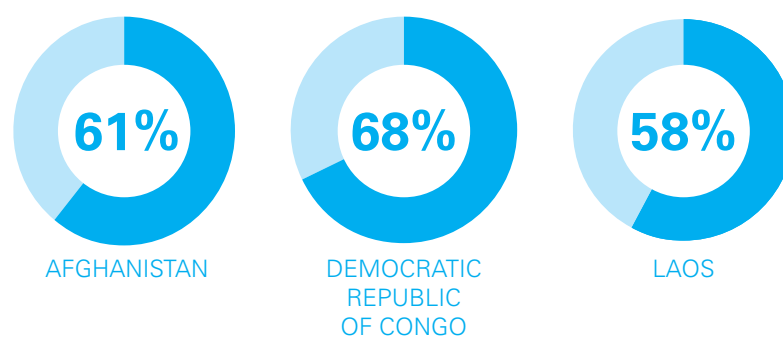


*Includes the European Union. Source: UN Enable; United Nations Treaty Collection.

ESTIMATED RATES OF PRIMARY SCHOOL COMPLETION.



CHILDREN MORE LIKELY TO DIE OR BE DISABLED FROM LANDMINES AND OTHER EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.



% child casualties in the most heavily affected countries

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE.

