1. Schooling profile by age

10 is the average inflexion age for the WCA region

_in other words, the age at which the percentage of children who have never enrolled in school is minimal_

On average, in WCA region

22% of 10 years old children are out-of-school

6% of 10 years old children have enrolled but later dropped-out

72% of 10 years old children are attending school

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2. The 4 dimensions to consider

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### 3. Schooling pathways of school aged children

**Reference population: 17-18 years olds**

#### Primary school entry

- Never enter school: 16%
- Enter school: 84%
- > 3 children out of 4 have access to school

#### Grade 1 to 5

- Do not complete primary school: 22%
- Complete primary school: 54%
- > 1 child out of 2 completes primary school

#### Grade 6

- Do not enter lower secondary school: 9%
- Enter lower secondary school: 91%
- > 1 child out of 4 completes lower secondary school

#### Grade 7 to 9

- Do not enter upper secondary school: 21%
- Complete upper secondary school: 79%
- > 1 child out of 4 completes upper secondary school

### 4. Main factors of school exclusion

**Reference population: 17-18 years olds**

- Boys: 9% never enrolled, 22% enrolled but later dropped out
- Girls: 19% never enrolled, 34% enrolled but later dropped out
- Urban: 5% never enrolled, 16% enrolled but later dropped out
- Rural: 20% never enrolled, 36% enrolled but later dropped out
- richest households: 5% never enrolled, 17% enrolled but later dropped out
- poorest households: 20% never enrolled, 38% enrolled but later dropped out

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