

Global Catholic Education Report 2020: Country Profiles

Country: **Sierra Leone**

Data: Statistical yearbooks of the Church

Table 1: Trends in the Number of Students (Thousand) and Schools, 1975-2017

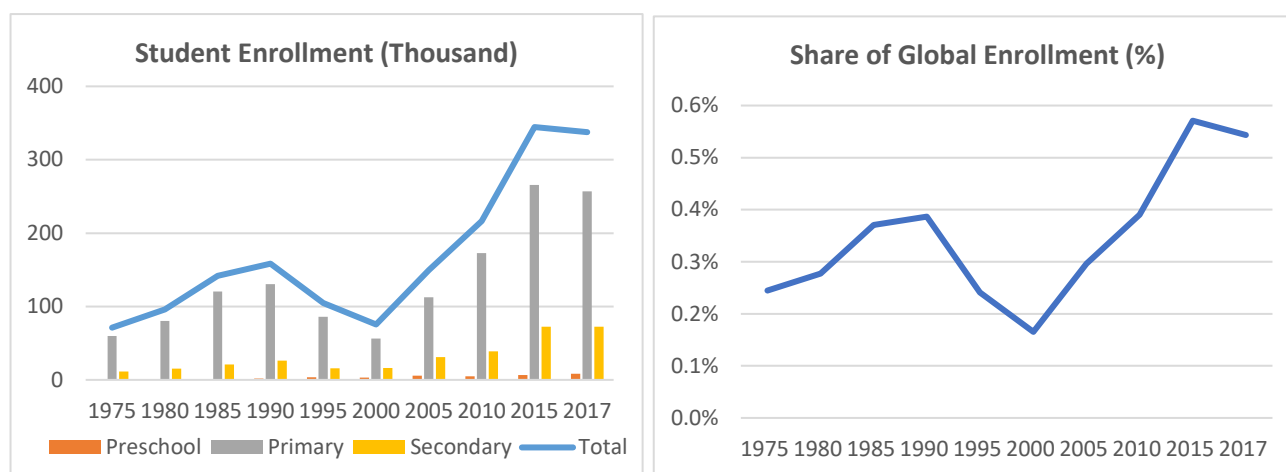
	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017
Students										
Preschool	-	0	0	2	3	3	6	5	7	8
Primary	60	80	121	130	86	56	113	173	266	257
Secondary	12	15	21	26	16	16	31	39	72	73
Total	71	96	142	158	105	76	150	216	345	338
Schools										
Preschool	-	2	2	13	19	19	35	56	58	75
Primary	422	471	485	488	381	381	218	554	626	601
Secondary	34	38	45	61	37	37	29	54	68	101
Total	456	511	532	562	577	437	282	664	752	777

Note: No data for preschools in 1975.

Table 2: Annual Growth Rates in the Number of Students and Schools, Various Periods (%)

	Students					Schools				
	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2015-17	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2015-17
Preschool	34.6%	4.8%	4.5%	8.5%	11.7%	20.6%	3.9%	11.4%	4.3%	13.7%
Primary	5.0%	-8.1%	11.9%	5.8%	-1.7%	0.4%	-2.4%	3.8%	1.2%	-2.0%
Secondary	5.4%	-4.6%	9.1%	9.2%	0.2%	4.8%	-4.9%	3.9%	9.4%	21.9%
Total	5.2%	-7.1%	11.1%	6.6%	-1.0%	1.0%	-2.5%	4.3%	2.3%	1.6%

Note: Compounded growth rates for 10 years by decade (e.g., 1980 to 1990) except last two periods



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