

UNDP Human Development Reports

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Summary

Human Development Reports (HDRs) have been released most years since 1990 and have explored different themes through the human development approach. They have had an extensive influence on development debate worldwide. The reports, produced by the Human Development Report Office for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), is ensured of editorial independence by the United Nation’s General Assembly. Indeed they are seen as reports to UNDP, not of UNDP. This allows each report greater freedom to explore ideas and constructively challenge policies. The reports have also inspired national and regional analyses which, by their nature, usually address issues that are more country - or regionally - specific.

Tables In IFs

Variable	Definition	Units	Years	UsedInPreprocessor	UsedInPreprocessorFileName
GenIneqInd	Gender Inequality Index	Index	1990-2022	1	SOCIOPOL
GDI	The GDI measures gender gaps in human development achievements by accounting for disparities between women and men in three basic dimensions of human development—health, knowledge and living standards using the same component indicators as in the HDI.	Index	1990-2022	0	

Data Pulling Instructions

Process of pulling and cleaning:

First, navigate to the HDR Documentation and Downloads website and select the link for the

complete composite indices time-series with components

- This will provide data for all Human Development indices from 1990-2022
 - To locate the data for GenIneqInd, look for the column that begins with "gii_1990"
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The most recent data pull was in April of 2025. There were very minimal changes to the data set.

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