



Children's Worlds: The International Survey of Children's Well-Being

Background

- Children's Worlds is a world-wide research survey on children's subjective well-being.
- The study aims to collect solid and representative data on children's lives and daily activities, their time use, and in particular on their own perception of their well-being.
- The survey focuses on positive aspect of children's lives and see children as the best expert of their lives.
- By determining the degree of children's well-being in as many countries as possible, we hope to raise awareness to children's wellbeing and their life situations and to influence government policies and services.

The Survey Phases

Phase	Details
Planning 2009	A group of researchers collaborated to develop a questionnaire, with the support of UNICEFF
First pilot 2010	* The questionnaire was tested (twice) in 6 countries (Brazil, England, Germany, Honduras, Israel and Spain.) * 10,000 children
First wave (extended pilot) 2011-2012	* 14 countries * 33,000 children ages 8, 10 & 12 * Using convenience sample
Second wave 2013-2104	* 18 countries * 60,000 children aged ages 8, 10 & 12 * Using representative samples
Third wave 2016-2019	* 43 countries take part in the third wave! * representative samples will be obtained

Children's Worlds participants per country

First Wave		
Algeria	1,450	
Brazil	2,298	
Canada	383	
Chile	2,558	
England	1,141	
Israel	2,973	
Nepal	253	
Romania	3,296	
Rwanda	295	
South Africa	1,002	
South Korea	7,973	
Spain	5,727	
Uganda	2,035	
USA	1,799	
Total	33,183	

Second wave					
Algeria	3,676	Nepal	2,953		
Colombia	2,816	Norway	2,864		
Estonia	3,118	Poland	3,157		
Ethiopia	2,877	Romania	4,104		
Finland	2,842	South Africa	3,188		
Germany	3,009	South Korea	7,467		
Israel	2,800	Spain	3,756		
Italy	3,701	Turkey	3,024		
Malta	2,584	UK	3,298		
Total 61,234					

Total no. of children 94,417 from 25 countries

The third wave

• Data collection using representative samples of children from 43 countries:

Albania	Indonesia	Romania
Algeria (West)	Ireland (Cork)	Russia (Tyumen region)
Argentina (Buenos Aires)	Israel	South Africa
Azerbaijan	Italy (Liguria Region)	South Korea
Bangladesh	Ivory Coast	Serbia
Belgium (Flanders)	Kyrgyzstan	Spain (Catalonia)
Chile	Malaysia	Sri Lanka
England	Malta	Switzerland
Estonia	Mexico	Taiwan
Finland	Namibia	Turkey (Istanbul)
France	Nepal	Vietnam (North Vietnam)
Germany	Norway	USA (California, Kentucky, Maryland, South Dakota, Ohio)
Greece (Epirus)	Peru	Wales
Hong Kong	Poland	
India (Kolkata)	Portugal	

The third wave world map

