

Table 1. Effort required to achieve universal primary education by 2015

	Projected primary school-age population 2015 (in millions)	Enrolment increase required between 1997-2015				Ratio of future effort to past effort
		Annual average growth rate (%)	Annual absolute increase (in millions)	Total absolute increase (in millions)	% enrolment increase	
WORLD	670.7	1.1	8.7	156.1	21.0	1.1
DEVELOPED REGIONS	55.0	–	–	–	–	–
TRANSITION COUNTRIES	20.7	–	–	–	–	–
DEVELOPING REGIONS	595.0	1.3	8.7	156.1	26.9	1.1
Sub-Saharan Africa	147.1	5.2	4.9	88.1	149.3	2.9
Arab States	54.6	3.1	1.3	22.9	72.2	1.9
Latin America and Caribbean	75.8	0.4	0.3	4.9	6.9	0.2
East Asia and Oceania	157.7	–	–	–	–	–
South Asia	164.8	1.6	2.3	40.7	32.8	1.2
LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES	135.1	5.0	4.4	79.3	142.0	2.4

Note: Due to the double counting of some countries which appear in more than one region, the sum of regions may not match totals.