

CHILDHOOD ■ Number of children in the world: 2.2 billion. ■ Number of children living in developing countries: 1.9 billion. ■ Number of children living in poverty: 1 billion – every second child. ■ The under-18 population in Sub-Saharan Africa: 340 million; in Middle East and North Africa: 153 million; in South Asia: 585 million; in East Asia and Pacific: 594 million; in Latin America and Caribbean: 197 million; and in Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CEE/CIS): 108 million. ■ SHELTER, WATER AND HEALTH CARE ■ 640 million children in developing countries live without adequate shelter: one in three. ■ 400 million children have no access to safe water: one in five. ■ 270 million children have no access to health services: one in seven. ■ EDUCATION, COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION ■ More than 121 million primary-school-age children are out of school; the majority of them are girls. ■ Number of telephones per 100 people in Sweden, 162; in Norway, 158; in South Asia, 4. ■ Number of Internet users per 100 people in Iceland, 65; in Liechtenstein, 58; in Sweden, 57; in the

#### THE FACTS

Republic of Korea and the United States, 55; in Canada, Denmark, Finland and the Netherlands, 51; and in South Asia, 2.

■ SURVIVAL ■ Total number of children

younger than five living in France, Germany, Greece and Italy: 10.6 million ■ Total number of children worldwide who died in 2003 before they were five: 10.6 million. Most of these deaths could have been prevented. ■ Daily toll of children in the world who die before safe drinking water and adequate sanitation: 3,900; those who die each year: 1.4 million. ■ Ranking of the 10 countries where children are most likely to die before their fifth birthday, in descending order: Sierra Leone, Niger, Angola, Afghanistan, Liberia, Somalia, Mali, Burkina Faso, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea-Bissau. 

IMMUNIZATION ■ Percentage of infants who receive DPT3 vaccine: 76. ■ Number of infants vaccinated each year: 100 million. 
Number of child lives that could be saved each year through routine immunization: 2.2 million. ■ MALNUTRITION ■ Percentage of infants with low birthweight: in Yemen, 32; Sudan, 31; Bangladesh, 30; India, 30; and Sweden, 4. ■ Percentage of children under five who are moderately and severely underweight: in Sub-Saharan Africa, 29; Middle East and North Africa, 14; South Asia, 46; East Asia and Pacific, 17; Latin America and Caribbean, 7; and in CEE/CIS, 6. ■ Percentage of children under five who are severely underweight: in Sub-Saharan Africa, 8; Middle East and North Africa, 2; South Asia, 16; East Asia and Pacific, 3; Latin America and Caribbean, 1; and CEE/CIS, 1. ■ LIFE EXPECTANCY ■ Life expectancy for a child born in Japan in 2003: 82 years; number of Japanese children who died before they were five years old: 5,000. ■ Life expectancy for a child born in Zambia in 2003: 33 years; number of Zambian children who by seven years in the past 30 years: from 56 to 63. ■ Increase in life expectancy in Middle East and North Africa since 1970: 16 years. ■ Number of countries in Africa where life expectancy has declined since 1970: 18. ■ HIV/AIDS ■ Percentage of 15- to 49-year-olds in Botswana who are HIV-positive: 37.3; in Swaziland, 38.8. ■ Number of children who have been orphaned by HIV/AIDS worldwide: 15 million; the number of children living in Germany: 15.2 million; the number in the United Kingdom: 13.2 million.

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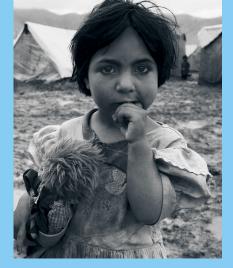
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