

Gallup International End of Year Survey 2024

RESULTS DISSEMINATION DOCUMENT

GLOBAL OPINION ON CHILDREN AND DEMOGRAPHY

QUESTIONS (12 OF EOY 2024)

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INTRODUCTION

Questions covered in this edition:

- Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

SECTION 1: SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS

Survey Demographics for Current Report

Sample Size and number of countries covered:

Happiness question N=44,783 in 44 countries



Religious Profile of Global Sample



Christian: 48%
Muslim: 21%
Hindu: 2%
All other religions: 6%
No religion: 17%

Education Profile of Global Sample



Low: 13%
Medium: 44%
High: 41%

Gender Profile of Global Sample



Females: 51% Males: 49%

Employment Profile of Global Sample



Working full: 48%
Working Part-time: 10%
Unemployed: 7%
Student: 6%
Housewife: 11%
Retired/Disabled: 15%
Others: 1%

Age Profile of Global Sample



Under 34 years: 34% 35-54 years: 37% 55+ years: 29%

Low: No education/only basic education / Completed primary

Medium: Completed secondary school

High: Completed High level education (University) / Completed Higher level of education (Masters, PHD, etc.)

SECTION 2: PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

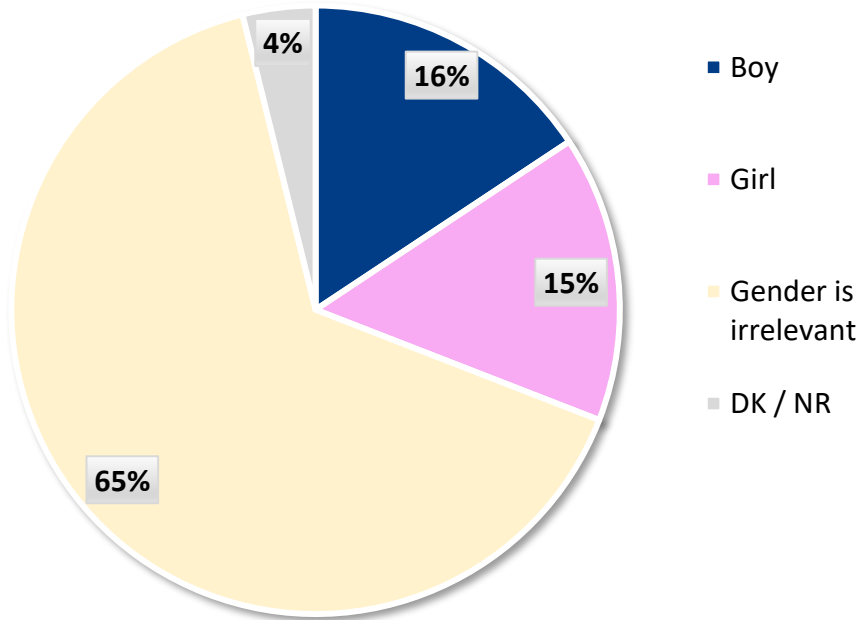
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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN

2.1 GLOBAL PICTURE

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

2024



TOP 5 BOY CHILD NATIONS

	Boy %
India	39%
Philippines	35%
Ecuador	24%
China	24%
United Kingdom	21%



TOP 5 GIRL CHILD NATIONS

	Girl %
Republic of Korea	28%
Japan	26%
Spain	26%
Philippines	26%
Bangladesh	24%



TOP 5 GENDER NEUTRAL NATIONS

	Gender is irrelevant %
Mexico	84%
Georgia	82%
Denmark	81%
Sweden	81%
Armenia	78%



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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN
2.2 NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?
(Countries presented in alphabetical order)

Serial #		Boy	Girl	Gender is Irrelevant	DK / NR
	Global average	16%	15%	65%	4%
1	Argentina	17%	14%	62%	8%
2	Armenia	11%	9%	78%	1%
3	Austria	10%	15%	73%	2%
4	Azerbaijan	17%	20%	56%	8%
5	Bangladesh	6%	24%	68%	3%
6	Bosnia and Herzegovina	9%	14%	75%	2%
7	Bulgaria	21%	14%	61%	5%
8	China	24%	20%	55%	1%
9	Colombia	19%	19%	61%	1%
10	Denmark	5%	9%	81%	4%
11	Ecuador	24%	14%	55%	6%
12	Estonia	11%	11%	75%	3%
13	Finland	8%	11%	76%	5%
14	Georgia	8%	8%	82%	1%
15	Germany	16%	17%	65%	2%
16	India	39%	11%	41%	9%
17	Indonesia	17%	9%	65%	9%
18	Iran	13%	9%	77%	0%
19	Iraq	21%	17%	62%	
20	Italy	16%	20%	59%	6%
21	Japan	14%	26%	47%	13%

Serial #		Boy	Girl	Gender is Irrelevant	DK / NR
22	Kazakhstan	21%	12%	66%	2%
23	Kenya	18%	14%	66%	1%
24	Republic of Korea	15%	28%	56%	1%
25	Kosovo	15%	16%	66%	3%
26	Latvia	10%	12%	72%	6%
27	Lithuania	12%	12%	69%	7%
28	Malaysia	21%	17%	58%	4%
29	Mexico	8%	7%	84%	2%
30	Norway	8%	15%	75%	2%
31	Pakistan	7%	23%	68%	3%
32	Peru	21%	13%	64%	2%
33	Philippines	35%	26%	37%	2%
34	Poland	13%	14%	66%	7%
35	Portugal	21%	16%	61%	2%
36	Russian Federation	15%	13%	69%	3%
37	Saudi Arabia	18%	12%	67%	3%
38	Serbia	10%	13%	64%	14%
39	Spain	20%	26%	51%	3%
40	Sweden	7%	10%	81%	1%
41	Switzerland	16%	16%	64%	4%
42	Ukraine	13%	14%	70%	3%
43	United Kingdom	21%	17%	59%	3%
44	United States	20%	13%	62%	5%



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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN

2.3 REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

(REGIONAL BREAKDOWN DATA – BOY FIGURES ONLY)

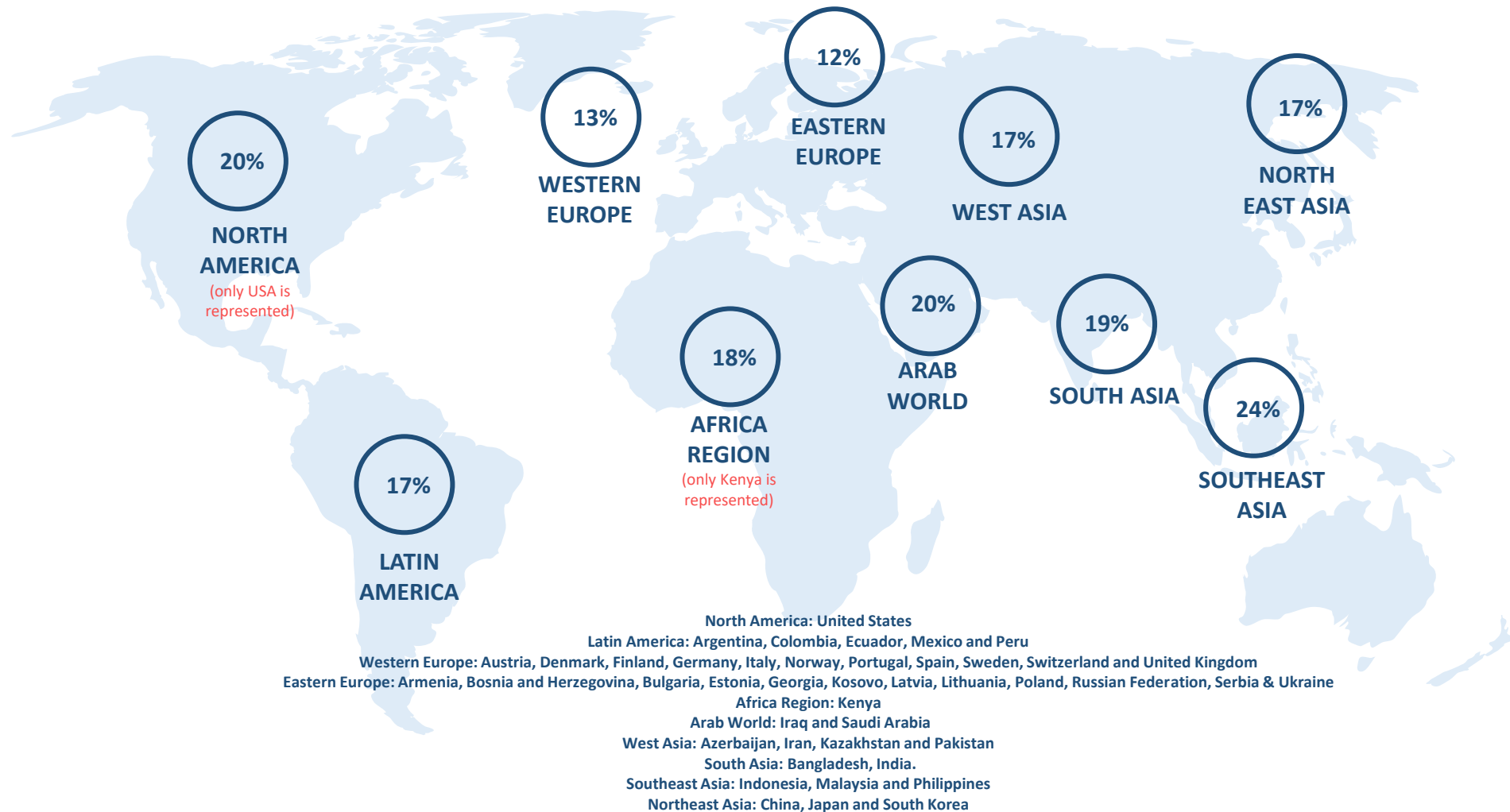




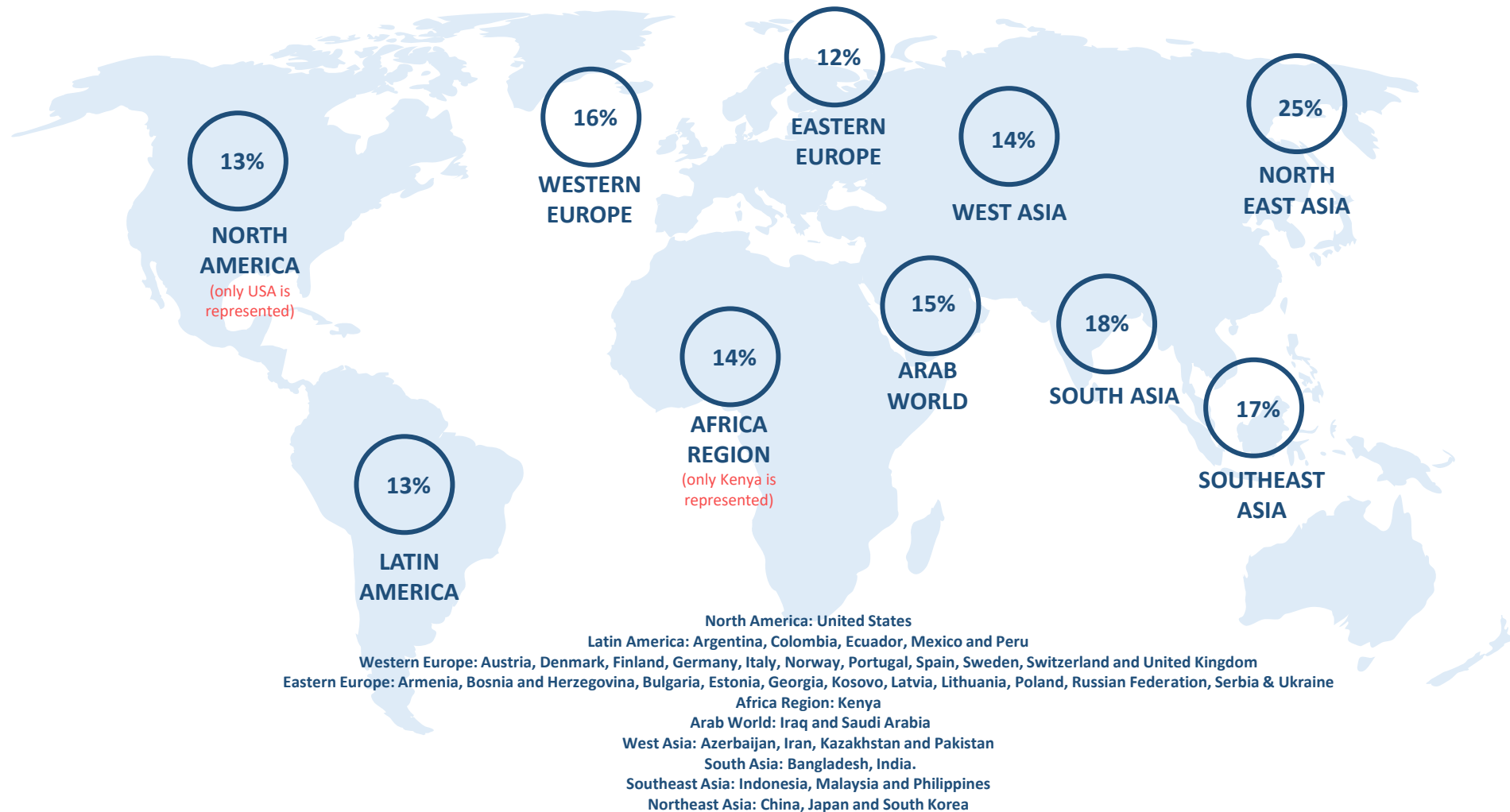
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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN

2.3 REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

(REGIONAL BREAKDOWN DATA – GIRL FIGURES ONLY)



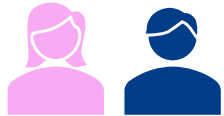


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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN

2.3 REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

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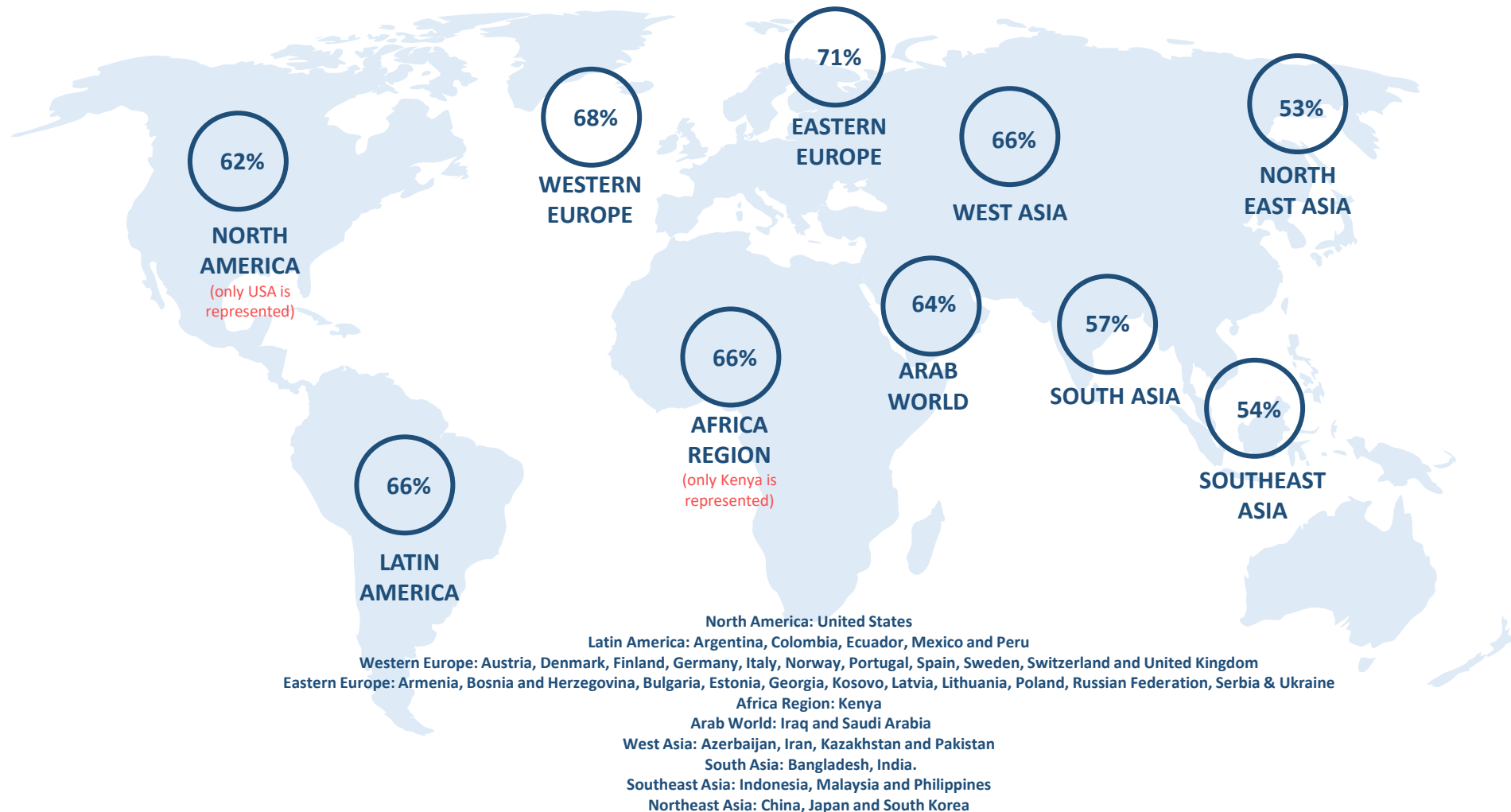


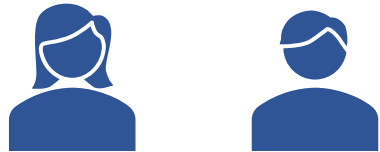


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PERCEPTIONS ABOUT CHILDREN
2.4 GLOBAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

(DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN DATA – BOY FIGURES ONLY)

1. GENDER



Females: 12%

Males: 20%



2. EDUCATION

Low

Medium

High

17%

15%

16%



3. AGE

Under 34

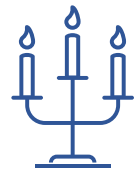
35 - 54

55+

19%

16%

11%



4. RELIGION

Christian

Muslim

Hindu

All other
Religions

No Religion

16%

17%

36%

17%

13%



5. AVERAGE NATIONAL INCOME

Lower-Middle Income
Economies (\$1,086 to
\$4,255)

Upper-Middle-Income
Economies (\$4,256 to
\$13,205)

High-Income
Economies (\$13,205 or
more)

19%

16%

14%



6. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Working full
(include self-
employed)

Working Part-
time

Unemployed

Student

Housewife

Retired/Disabled

Others

17%

19%

20%

18%

12%

10%

18%

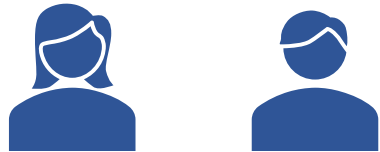
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2.4 GLOBAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

(DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN DATA – GIRLS FIGURES ONLY)



1. GENDER



Females: 19%

Males: 12%



2. EDUCATION

Low

Medium

High

14%

15%

16%



3. AGE

Under 34

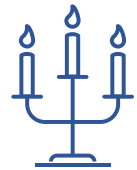
35 - 54

55+

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13%



4. RELIGION

Christian

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No Religion

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18%

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16%

14%

16%



6. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

15%

16%

16%

18%

19%

11%

12%

Working full
(include self-
employed)

Working Part-
time

Unemployed

Student

Housewife

Retired/Disabled

Others

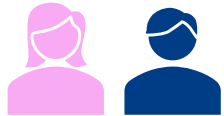


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2.4 GLOBAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Suppose you could have only one child. Would you prefer that it be a boy or a girl or is gender irrelevant?

(DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN DATA – GENDER IS IRRELEVANT FIGURES ONLY)

1. GENDER



Females: 66%

Males: 64%



2. EDUCATION

Low

Medium

High

65%

66%

65%



3. AGE

Under 34

35 - 54

55+

59%

65%

72%



4. RELIGION

Christian

Muslim

Hindu

All other
Religions

No Religion

67%

65%

44%

60%

65%



5. AVERAGE NATIONAL INCOME

Lower-Middle Income
Economies (\$1,086 to
\$4,255)

Upper-Middle-Income
Economies (\$4,256 to
\$13,205)

High-Income
Economies (\$13,205 or
more)

61%

66%

66%



6. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

65%

60%

59%

59%

67%

74%

68%

Working full
(include self-
employed)

Working Part-
time

Unemployed

Student

Housewife

Retired/Disabled

Others



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