



COUNTRY AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Capital - **Santiago**

Population (n) - **20,086,377**

Literacy: youth total (15-24 years) - **99%**

Government expenditure on education - **4.0%**

Official entrance age to each school level (years)

Primary – **6** | Secondary – **12**

Duration by educational level (years)

Primary – **6** | Secondary – **6**

Duration of compulsory education (years) - **12**

School-age population by level of education (n)

Primary – **1,468,645** | Secondary – **1,448,419**

World Bank income category - **High income**



NATIONAL AND OFFICIAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

	Primary education	Secondary education
Yes, for all school years	☒	☒
Yes, for some of the school years	☐	☐
Only at a subnational level	☐	☐
No	☐	☐

Decree 433 (2012); Physical Education and Health Study Program 1st Year Basic (2012), 2nd Year Basic (2012), 3rd Year Basic (2012), 4th Year Basic (2012), 5th Year Basic (2012), 6th Year Basic (2012), 7th Year Basic (2012), 8th Year Basic (2012), 1st Year of High School (2016), 2nd Year of High School (2016), 3rd and 4th Years of High School (2021), Exercise and Sports Science (2021), Body Expression and Dance (2021); Decree 369 (2015); Decree 193 (2019)

NATIONAL POLICY REQUIRING MANDATORY PHYSICAL EDUCATION

	Primary education	Secondary education
Yes, for all school years	☒	☐
Yes, for some of the school years	☐	☒
Only at a subnational level	☐	☐
No	☐	☐

Decree 433 (2012); Decree 369 (2015); Decree 193 (2019)

NATIONAL POLICY REQUIRING MINIMUM PHYSICAL EDUCATION TIME*

	Primary education	Secondary education
Yes, for all school years	☒	☐
Yes, for some of the school years	☐	☒
Only at a subnational level	☐	☐
No	☐	☐

Primary education

Grades 1 to 4: 152 pedagogical hours**/year, 4 pedagogical hours**/week
Grades 5 and 6: 76 pedagogical hours**/year, 2 pedagogical hours**/week
** 1 pedagogical hour = 45 minutes

Secondary education

Grades 7 to 10: 76 hours/year, 2 hours/week (regardless of school regime)

Decree 2960 (2012); Decree 1264 (2016); Current Study Plans (2023)

* The minimum and mandatory time is clearly stated in the policies.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION SURVEILLANCE

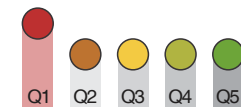
National surveillance system to evaluate **YES**
Physical Education policy implementation

Decree 48 (2021); Decree 106 (2024)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SCHOOL-BASED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY INTERVENTION RESEARCH



Position in the ranking (n=56)



Low → High

Research articles quintiles (Q)



0.15%

Contribution to research worldwide



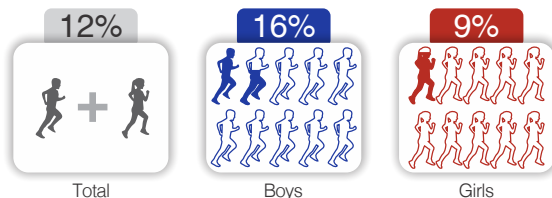
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For a description of the indicators and data sources visit:
www.globalphysicaleducationobservatory.com/country-cards

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION

Physical activity prevalence estimates for adolescents



Guthold et al. The Lancet Child & Adolescent Health (2020)



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