

# UNICEF Report: The State of the World's Children 2016 – A fair chance for every child

Every child has the right to health, education and protection, and every society has a stake in expanding children's opportunities in life. Yet, around the world, millions of children are denied a fair chance for no reason other than the country, gender or circumstances into which they are born. *The State of the World's Children 2016* argues that progress for the most disadvantaged children is not only a moral, but also a strategic imperative. Stakeholders have a clear choice to make: invest in accelerated progress for the children being left behind, or face the consequences of a far more divided world by 2030. At the start of a new development agenda, the report concludes with a set of recommendations to help chart the course towards a more equitable world.

The report is available here:  
[http://www.unicef.org/publications/files/UNICEF\\_SOWC\\_2016.pdf](http://www.unicef.org/publications/files/UNICEF_SOWC_2016.pdf)