

Regional Backgrounder

Caucasus and Central Asia

The proportion of undernourished people in the total population has decreased from 14 per cent in 1990–1992 to 7 per cent in 2014–2016. The region also reached the target of halving the proportion of undernourished children, with the proportion of underweight children under age five declining from 9 to 4 from 1990 to 2015.

The region was close to achieving universal primary education. Yet, in 2015, in Caucasus and Central Asia, 97.4 per cent of pupils who started primary school completed the last grade, bringing this region closer to achieving the universal primary