



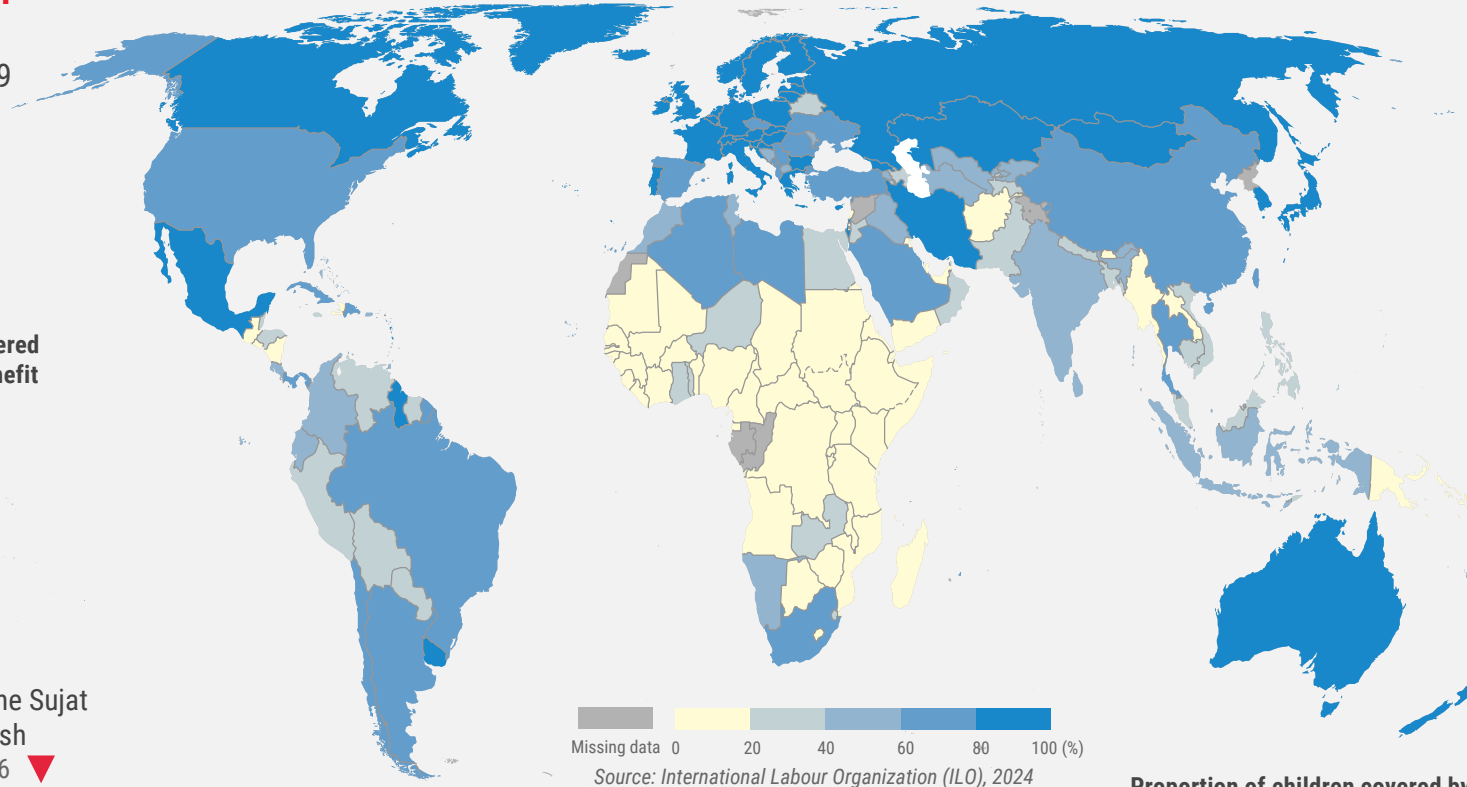
END POVERTY IN ALL ITS FORMS EVERYWHERE



Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable

Proportion of population covered by social protection floors/systems

Proportion of population covered by at least one social protection benefit 2018-2023 (Percentage)

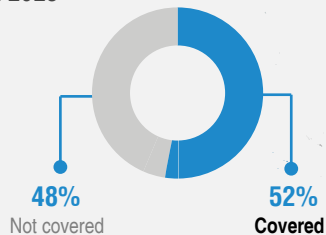


◀ The disparity in the proportion of the population benefiting is approximately doubled between developed regions including Europe, Northern America, Australia and New Zealand at **89%** and developing regions at **46%**.

In world's vulnerable population, below **30%** of children and vulnerable people remain uncovered by social protection.

While the criticality of **social protection systems** was stressed during the COVID-19 pandemic, coverage and expenditures on social protection programmes remain low covering a half of global population.

Global proportion of population covered by at least one social protection benefit in 2023



Daily life of residents living in the Sujat Nagar slum in Dhaka, Bangladesh
World Bank - Dominic Chavez, 2016 ▼



In 2023, **28.2%** of children globally received cash benefits, up from 22.1% in 2015, leaving **1.4 billion without coverage**. Significant regional variations were evident, and despite a near doubling of coverage from 4.5% in 2015 to **8.7%** in 2023, **low-income countries** were still **far from universal coverage**. Coverage rose in lower-middle income and upper-middle income countries to **23.5%** and **27.8%**, respectively, while high-income countries neared universal coverage, increasing from 76.8% to **80.5%**. ▶

Proportion of children covered by social protection cash benefit by country income level

