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## News release

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### **Most Angolans say school-age children are frequently not attending school, Afrobarometer survey shows**

More than two-thirds of Angolans report that school-age children in their community are often not in school, according to recent data from Afrobarometer.

This perception aligns with the most recent census (2014), which showed that 64% of children aged 5-11 were outside the education system.

Only a minority of citizens express satisfaction with the government's performance in addressing the educational needs of the country.

#### **Key findings**

- Seven in 10 Angolans (70%) say that school-age children in their community are "somewhat frequently" (20%) or "very frequently" (50%) not attending school (Figure 1).
  - This view is fairly consistent across key demographic groups. It is slightly less common among economically better-off citizens (65%) (Figure 2).
- Fewer than three in 10 Angolans (28%) say the government is doing "fairly well" or "very well" in addressing the country's educational needs (Figure 3).

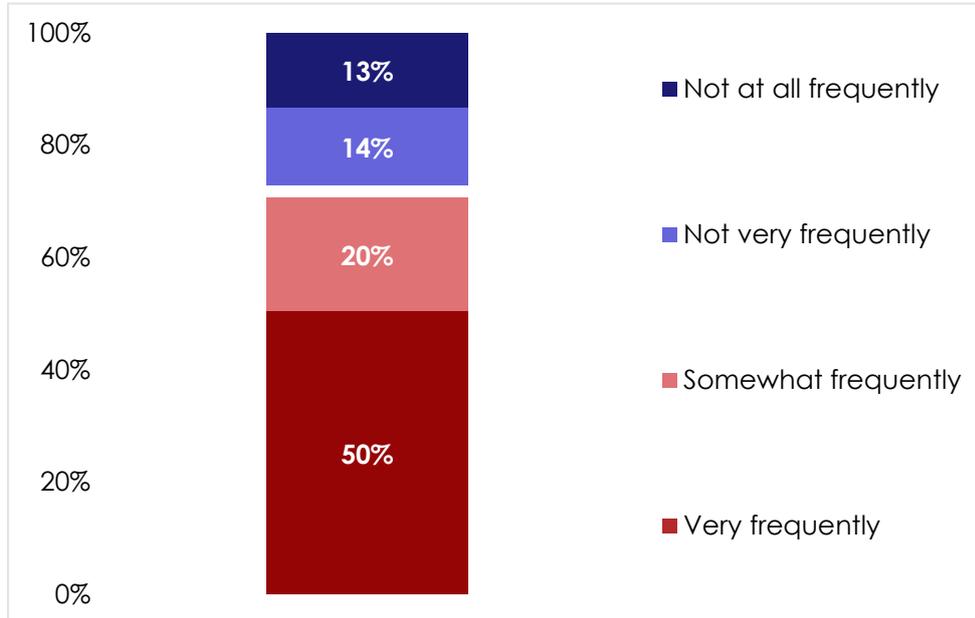
#### **Afrobarometer**

Afrobarometer is a pan-African, non-partisan survey research network that provides reliable data on African experiences and evaluations of democracy, governance, and quality of life. Eight survey rounds in up to 39 countries have been completed since 1999. Round 9 surveys (2021/2022) are currently underway. Afrobarometer's national partners conduct face-to-face interviews in the language of the respondent's choice.

The Afrobarometer team in Angola, led by Ovilongwa – Estudos de Opinião Pública, interviewed a nationally representative sample of 1,200 adult Angolans between 9 February and 8 March 2022. A sample of this size yields country-level results with a margin of error of +/-3 percentage points at a 95% confidence level. A previous survey was conducted in Angola in 2019.

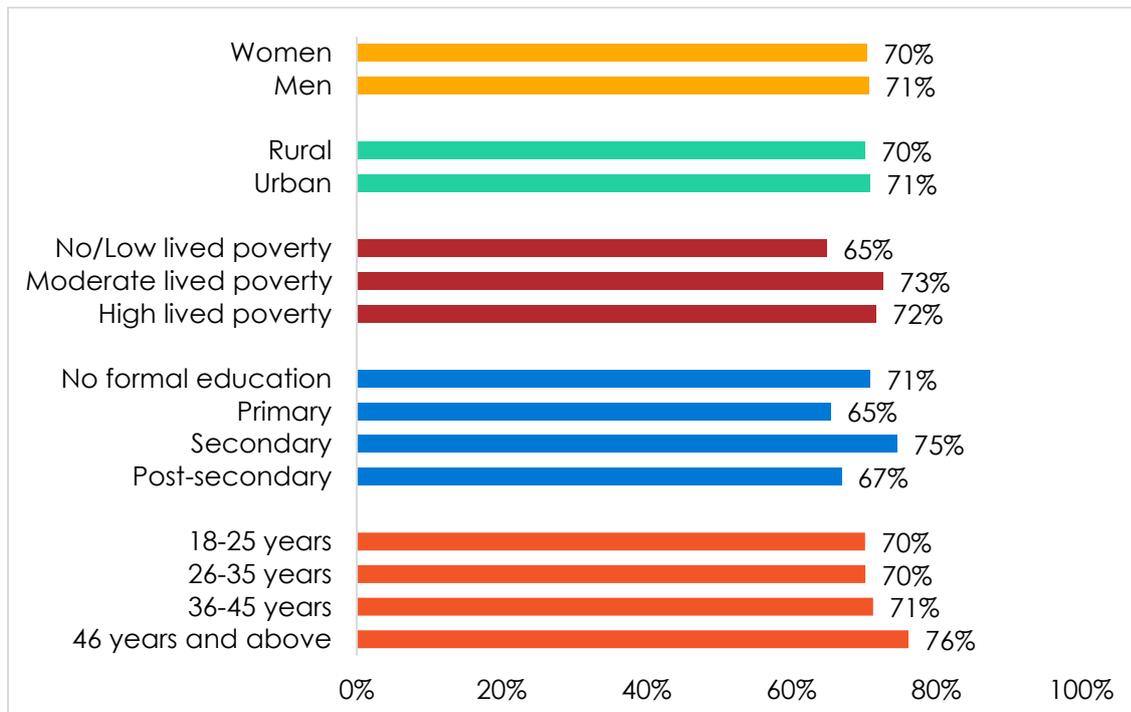
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**Figure 1: How often are school-age children not in school? | Angola | 2022**



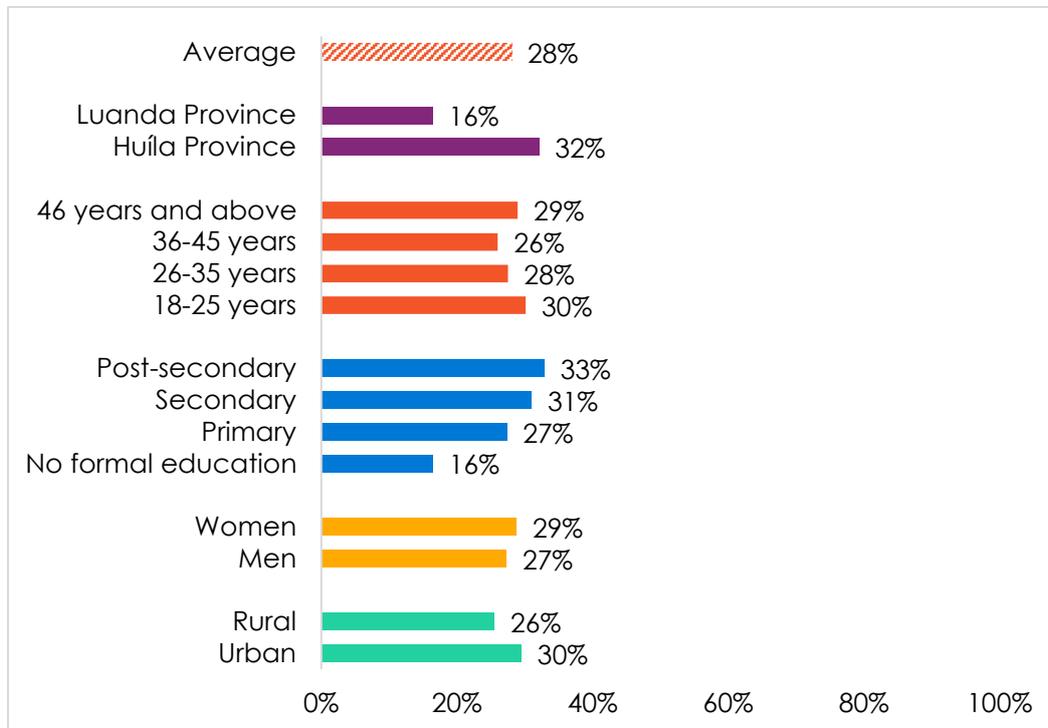
**Respondents were asked:** How frequently do you think the following things occur in your community or neighbourhood: Children who should be in school are not in school?

**Figure 2: Children who should be in school are not in school | by socio-demographic group | Angola | 2022**



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**Figure 3: Government performance in addressing educational needs | by socio-demographic group | Angola | 2022**



**Respondents were asked:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Addressing educational needs? (% who say "fairly well" or "very well")

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