

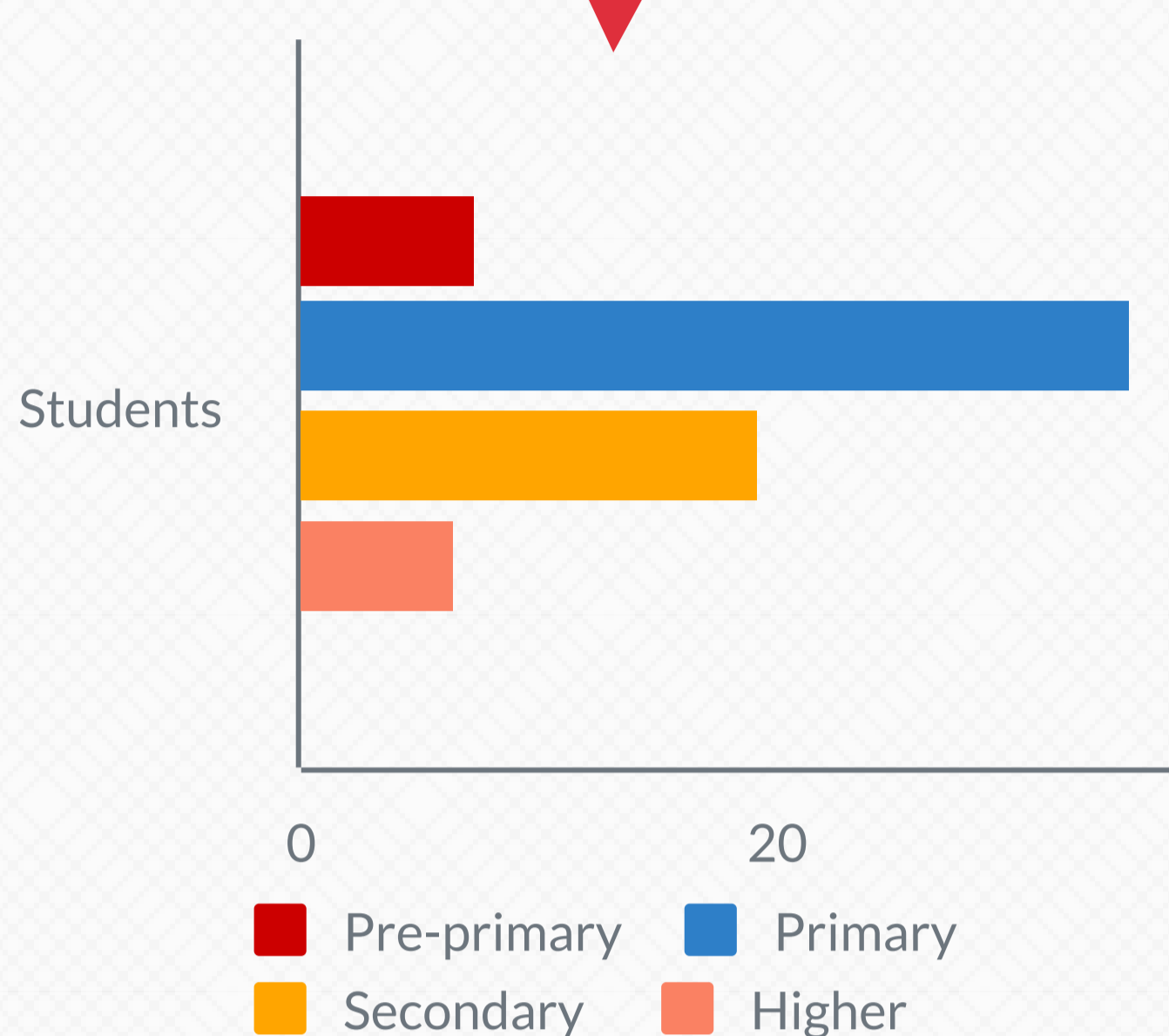
GLOBAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION REPORT 2021

Education Pluralism, Learning Poverty, and the Right to Education

Welcoming children of all faiths and contributing to education pluralism and the right to education, the Catholic Church manages one of the largest networks of schools and universities in the world, especially in low income countries at the primary level.

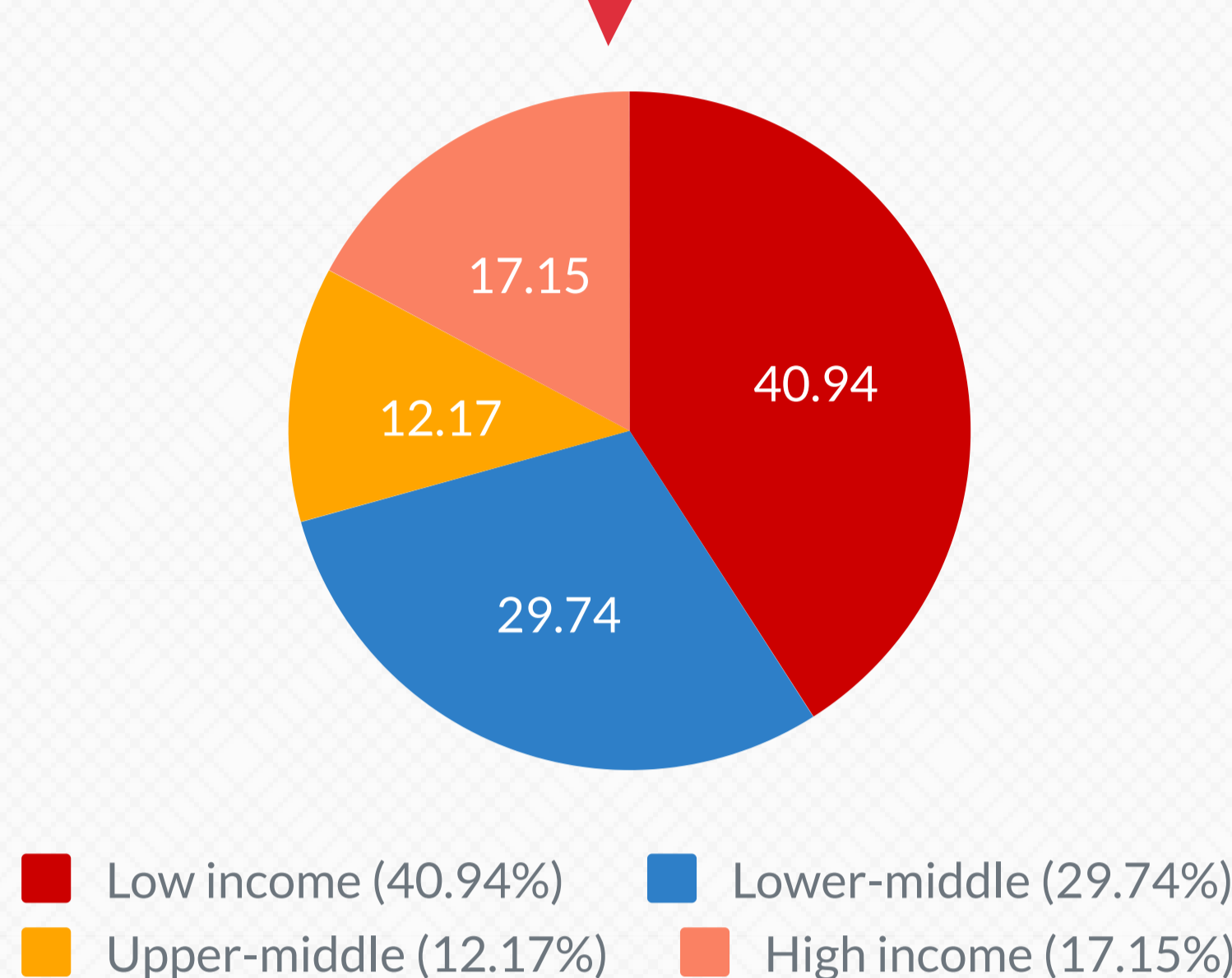


Enrollment (Million, 2018)



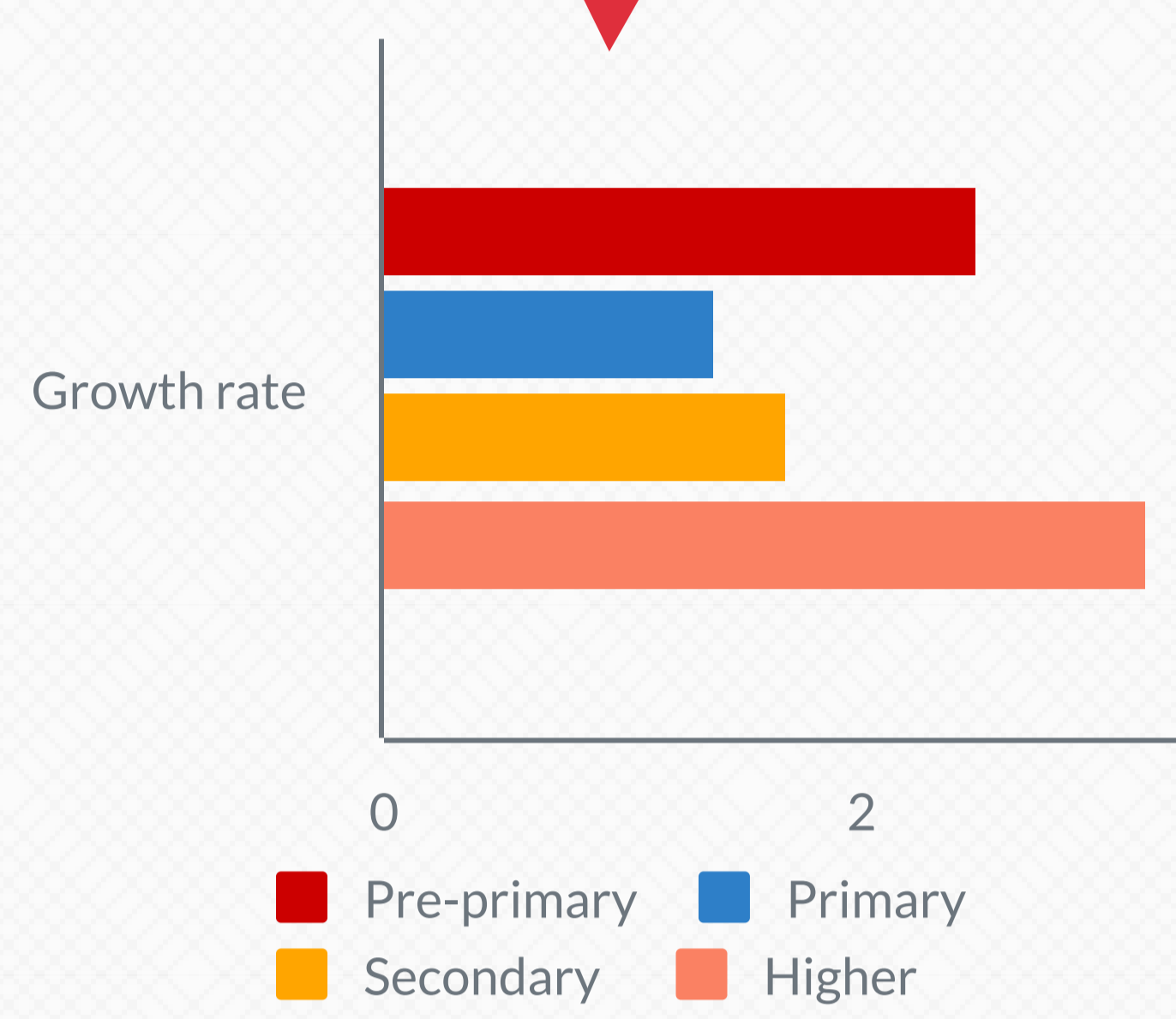
In 2018, Catholic schools and universities served 68 million students, with the largest group in primary schools.

Primary Enrollment Shares (% , 2018)



7 in 10 children in primary Catholic schools globally live in low and lower-middle income countries.

Enrollment Growth (% , 1975-2018)



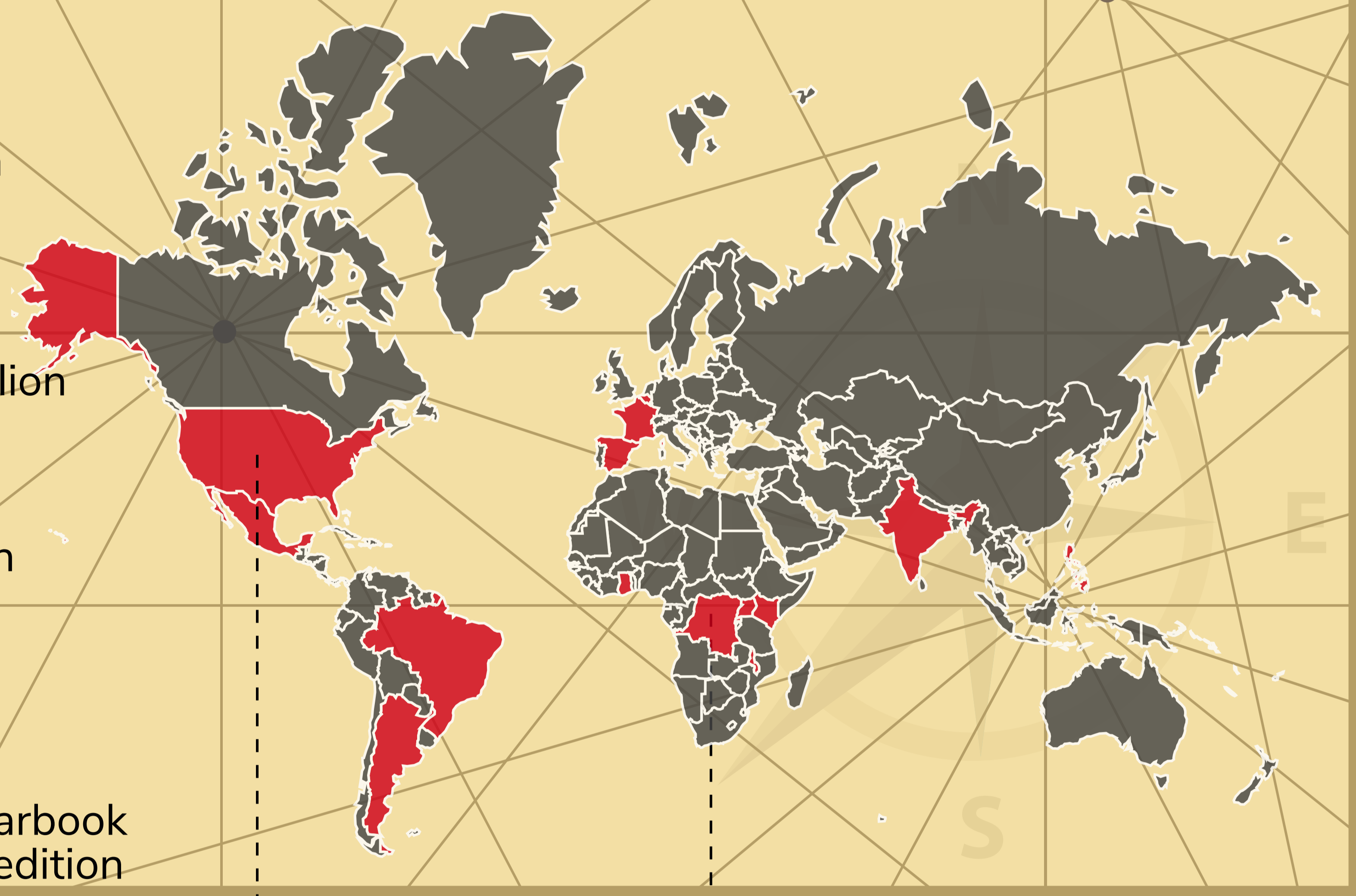
Over 40+ years, growth in enrollment has been highest at the higher education level and for pre-primary education.

Top 15 Countries for K12 Enrollment

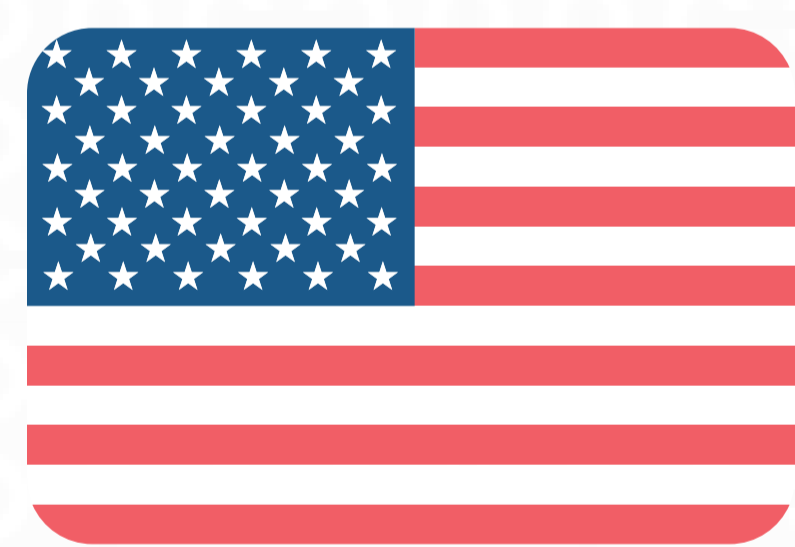
Enrollment in 2018:

- India 9.1 million
- DR Congo 6.0 million
- Uganda 5.5 million
- Kenya 4.0 million
- Malawi 2.5 million
- France 2.2 million
- United States 2.0 million
- Rwanda 1.7 million
- Spain 1.4 million
- Argentina 1.4 million
- Philippines 1.3 million
- Belgium 1.2 million
- Mexico 1.1 million
- Ghana 1.0 million
- Brazil 1.0 million

Source: Statistical yearbook of the Church, 2020 edition



COVID-19 Crisis



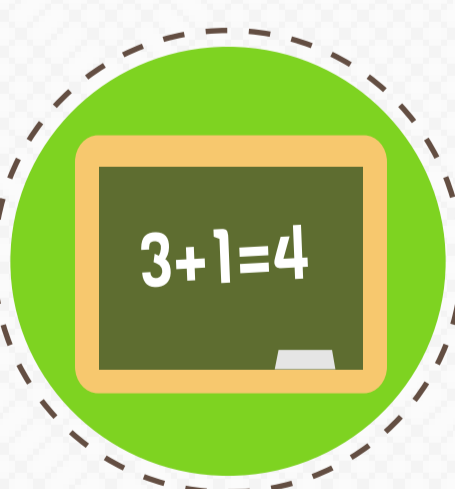
In the United States, the COVID-19 crisis has led to the largest drop in Catholic schools enrollment in almost 50 years.



In many low income countries such as the DRC, access to distance learning is limited by low digital connectivity rates.

Selected Statistics from the Report

More than \$100 Billion (PPP)
Annual budget savings generated by Catholic schools and universities for governments in 38 countries.



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From 1975 to 2018, global enrollment in Catholic higher education has quadrupled.

13.7%
Share of all primary school students in low income countries who are in (public and private) Catholic schools.



0.681
Normalized index of education pluralism globally for primary education, out of a maximum value of 1.

Academic quality & values
Academic quality and an emphasis on moral values are key reasons why many parents choose Catholic schools.



Learning poverty
Among all 10 years old children in low and middle income countries, 53% could not understand a simple text before the COVID-19 crisis.

Source: Global Catholic Education Report 2021
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