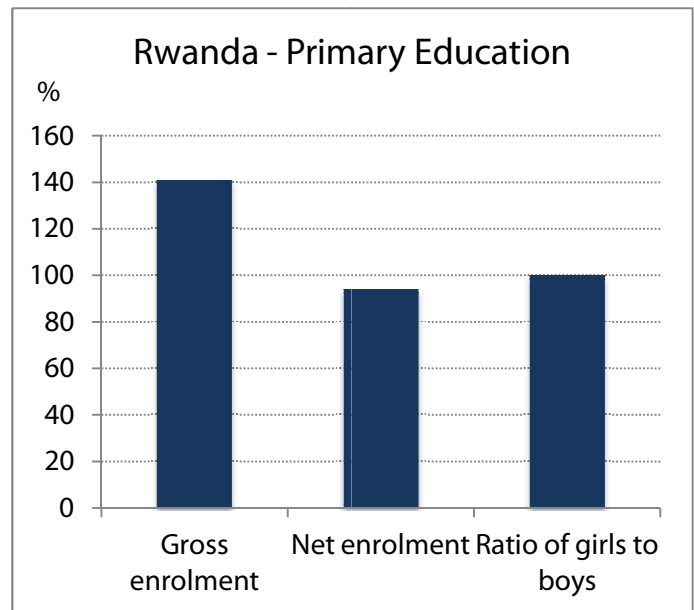




Rwanda has one of the world's highest primary education gross enrolment rates

Rwanda and two other Sub-Saharan African countries (Togo and Gabon) have the highest gross primary education enrolment rates worldwide. Since abolishing primary education fees in 2003, Rwanda has increased enrolment and gender parity as part of Rwanda's plan to foster long-term sustainable economic growth. Rwanda's gross primary enrolment is about 140%, net primary enrolment is nearly 100% and the ratio of girls to boys enrolled in primary schools is about 100%.



Rwanda is embracing technology-based initiatives as part of its vision 2020 programme. Three key projects include the Rwanda Education Commons (an online site for educators and learners to share resources and ideas), teacher professional development (to upskill teachers) and the One Laptop Per Child programme through which over 200,000 laptops were distributed to over 400 primary schools. These programmes support Rwanda's goals of becoming a middle-income country by 2020 and a knowledge-based economy in the long term.

