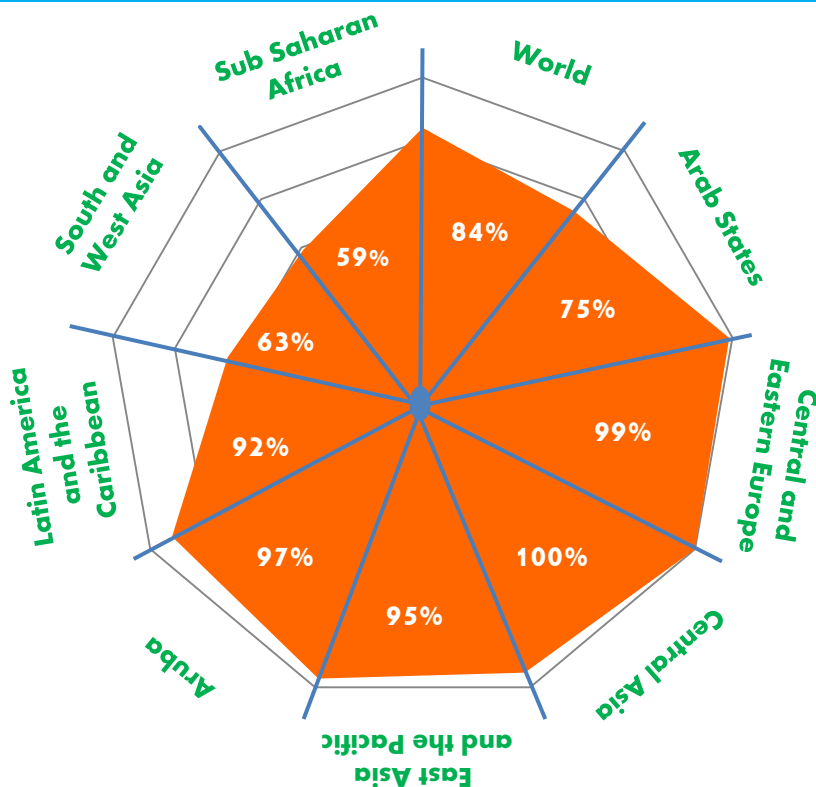




'Literacy is one of the key elements needed to promote sustainable development, as it empowers people so that they can make the right decisions in the areas of **economic growth, social development and environmental integration**. Literacy is a basis for lifelong learning and plays a crucial foundational role in the creation of sustainable, prosperous and peaceful societies.' - UNESCO -

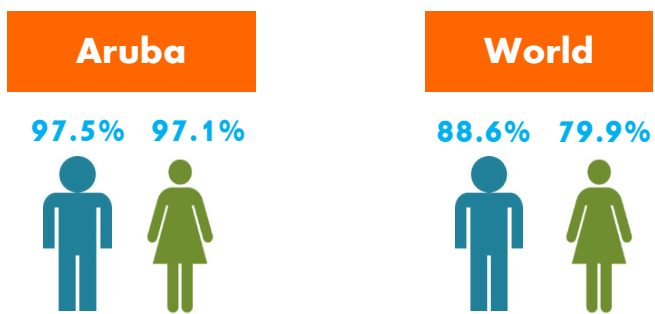
Literacy on Aruba What do the data tell us?

- **97%** of the population of Aruba can read and write
- The Literacy rate of Aruba is relatively high compared to the literacy rate in other regions of the world



Literacy and gender

- In Aruba there is **NO** gender gap with regards to literacy
- Worldwide, the literacy rate is in the disadvantage of women



Literacy and Age

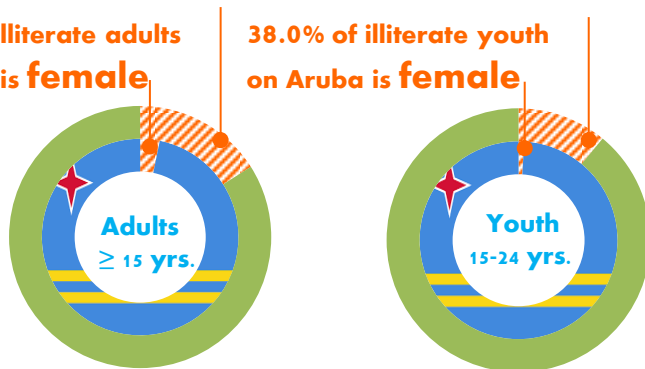
- Both the Adult and the Youth Literacy rate on Aruba are relatively high compared to world literacy rates

63.8% of illiterate adults in the world is **female**

61.3% of illiterate youth in the world is **female**

55.1% of illiterate adults on Aruba is **female**

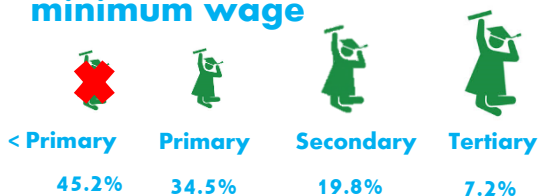
38.0% of illiterate youth on Aruba is **female**



- % of the world population that is literate
- % of the population of Aruba that is literate

Educational attainment and income

- The higher the level of education attained, the smaller the proportion of persons with an income of employment equal to or less than minimum wage



Source: Central Bureau of Statistics, 2010 Aruba Census
UNESCO Institute for Statistics, September 2013