

TIMSS & PIRLS Insights Series

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TIMSS & PIRLS Insights Publications

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- Format of publications
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- PIRLS Insights Reports
- TIMSS Insights Reports



Overview and Purpose of the Insights Series

- To present research findings and/or methods that extend beyond what can be covered in the international results
- To promote ongoing public and research engagement with current databases beyond the release of the international results
- To inform subsequent cycles of TIMSS and PIRLS with in-depth coverage of relevant topics



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Format of the Insights Publications

- Thematic reports focused on particular research topics
- May focus on methodological issues and applications or policy-relevant research topics
- May involve collaboration with researchers outside of the TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center
- No “standard” structure or length
- Undergo review by the IEA Publications and Editorial Committee
- First report for a particular cycle published at least 3 months after the release of the international results



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Country Involvement and Communication

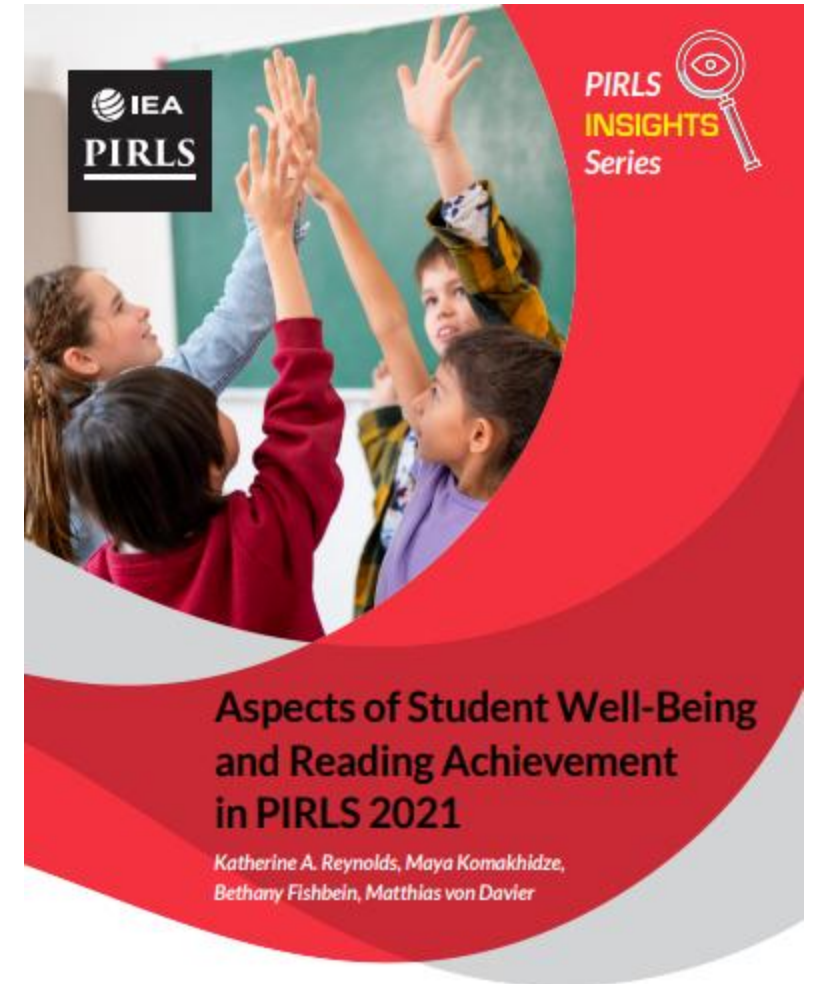
- Suggestions for topics are discussed with NRCs during NRC meetings on multiple occasions.
- TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center will share confirmed Insights report topics with NRCs at least 6 months before the Insights report is published.
- Insights reports are not developed around national reporting goals (i.e., they do not address specific national topics).

Country Involvement and Communication, continued

- NRCs will receive courtesy copies of Insights reports one week in advance of publication.
- Publications are made available on the TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center's website and promoted via social media.
- There is no expectation for countries to translate Insights reports; files can be made available for translation upon request.

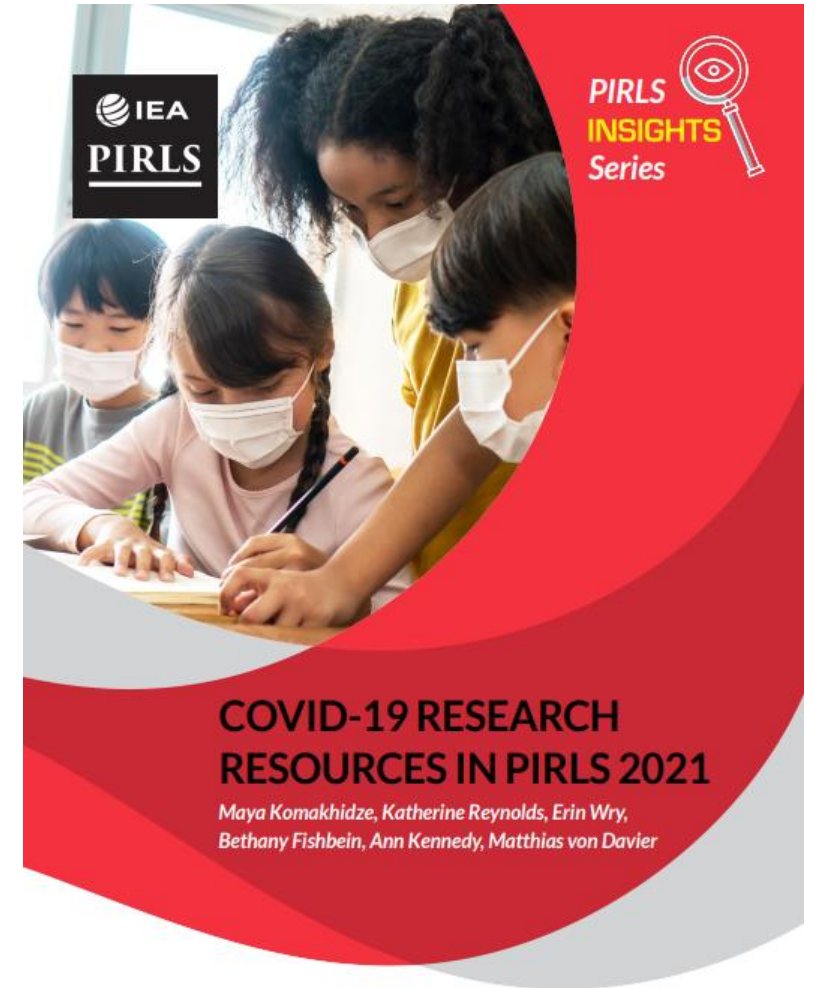
PIRLS 2021 Insights Reports

- *Aspects of Student Well-Being and Reading Achievement in PIRLS 2021*
- Released in January 2024
- Provides an overview of variables related to student well-being measured in the PIRLS 2021 context questionnaires and their relationship to achievement



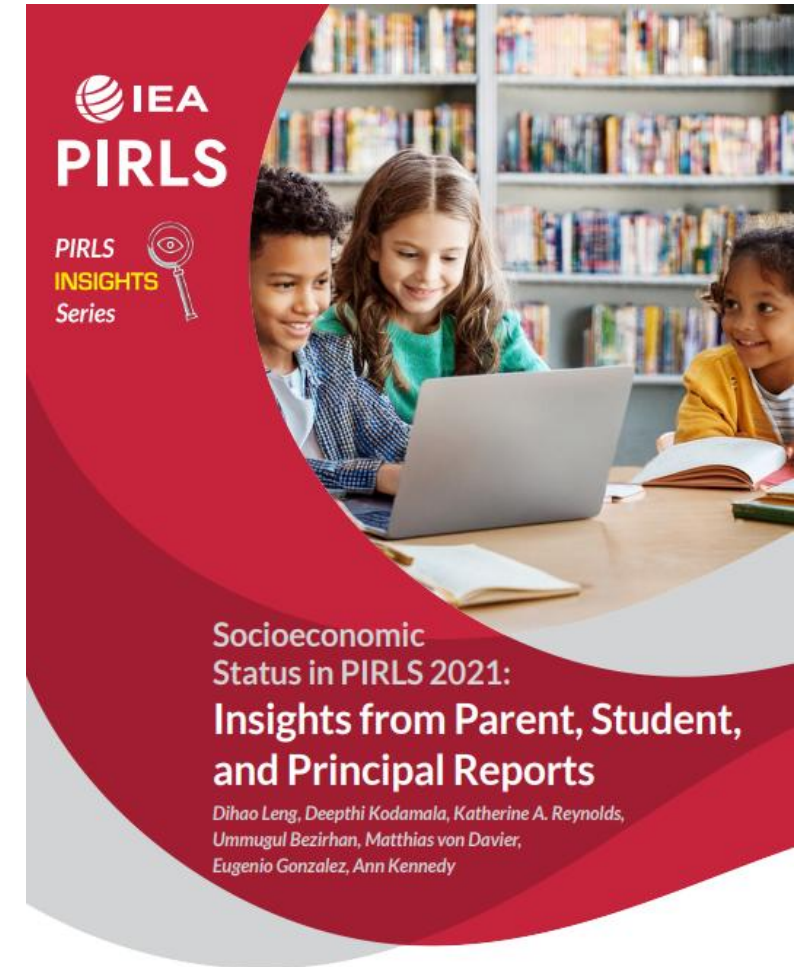
PIRLS 2021 Insights Reports

- *COVID-19 Research Resources in PIRLS 2021*
- Released in May 2024
- Provides an overview of information related to COVID-19 available in PIRLS 2021 Context Questionnaires and *Encyclopedia*



PIRLS 2021 Insights Reports

- *Socioeconomic Status in PIRLS 2021: Insights from Parent, Student, and Principal Reports*
- Released in March 2025
- Examines alignment of SES indicators from parents and principals; explores variance in home SES explain by principal and student variables



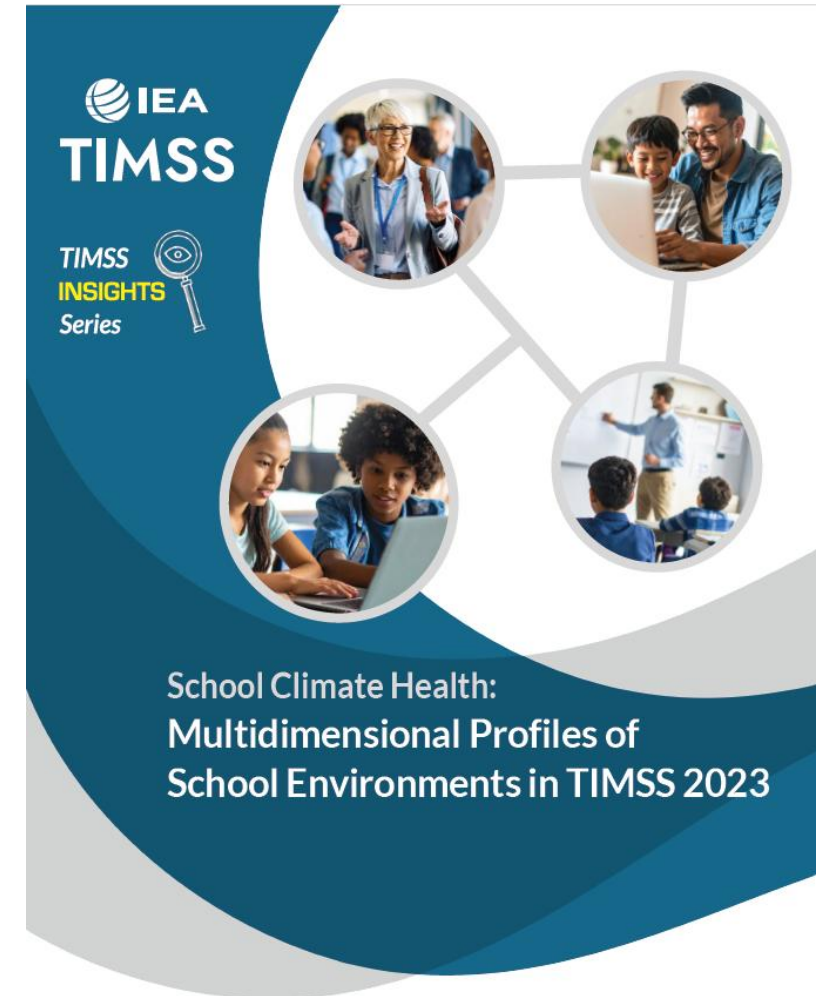
TIMSS 2023 Insights Reports

- *Environmental Awareness in TIMSS 2023: Patterns in Achievement, Behaviors, and Contexts*
- Released in June 2025
- Explores relationships between environmental knowledge and contextual variables of interest, as well as patterns in environmental attitudes and behaviors



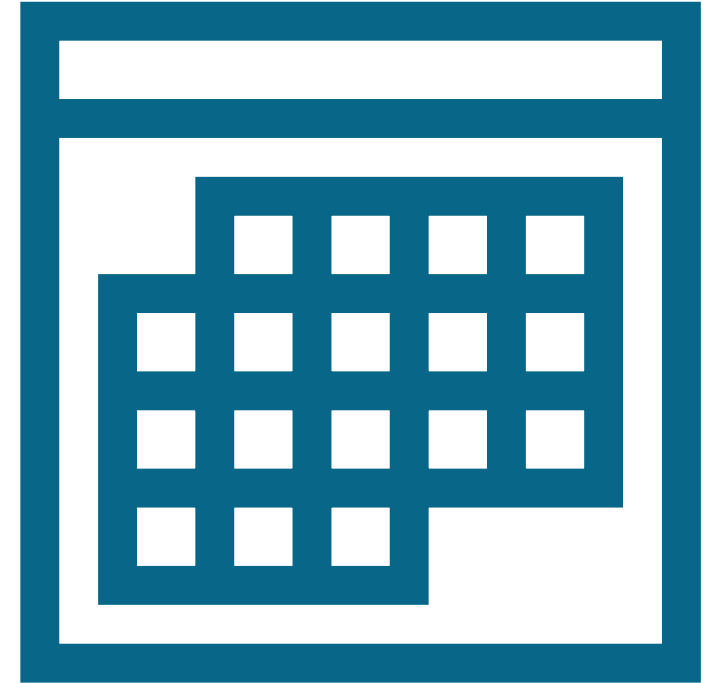
TIMSS 2023 Insights Reports

- *School Climate Health: Multidimensional Profiles of School Environments in TIMSS 2023*
- Scheduled for release in October 2025
- Introduces a novel framework of school climate health, capturing the complex, system-level dynamics of school environments and their influence on both academic outcomes and socioemotional well-being



Future Insights Reports

- TIMSS 2023: Curriculum Alignment (scheduled release April 7, 2026)
- TIMSS 2023 Longitudinal: topic TBD (scheduled release in 2026)



Thank You!

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