

This data was compiled from Education Reports and statistical yearbooks. The exact sources are as follows:

<b>Country &amp; Year</b>	<b>Source</b>
Ghana 1902	Government of the Gold Coast, 1903. Report on the Education Department for the year 1902. Waterlow and Sons Limited, London.
Ghana 1925	Government of the Gold Coast, 1926. Report on the Education Department for the period April, 1925 - March 1926. Government Printer, Accra. Gold Coast, 1926. Blue Book for the year 1925. Government Printer, Accra.
Ghana 1938	Gold Coast Colony, 1939. Report on the Education Department for the year 1938/39. Government Printer, Accra.
Togo 1902	Germany. Kolonialamt, 1903. Jahresbericht über die Entwicklung der deutschen Schutzgebiete in Afrika und der Südsee im Jahre 1902/03. Ernst Siegfried Mittler und Sohn, Berlin.
Togo 1925	Gouvernement Français, 1926. Rapport Annuel du gouvernement français sur l'administration sous mandat des territoires du Togo pour L'année 1925. Imprimerie Générale Lahure, Paris.
Togo 1938	Gouvernement Français, 1939. Rapport Annuel du gouvernement français sur l'administration sous mandat des territoires du Togo pour L'année 1938. Imprimerie Générale Lahure, Paris.

The data is in Excel and Stata format. Variable names and explanations can be found below.

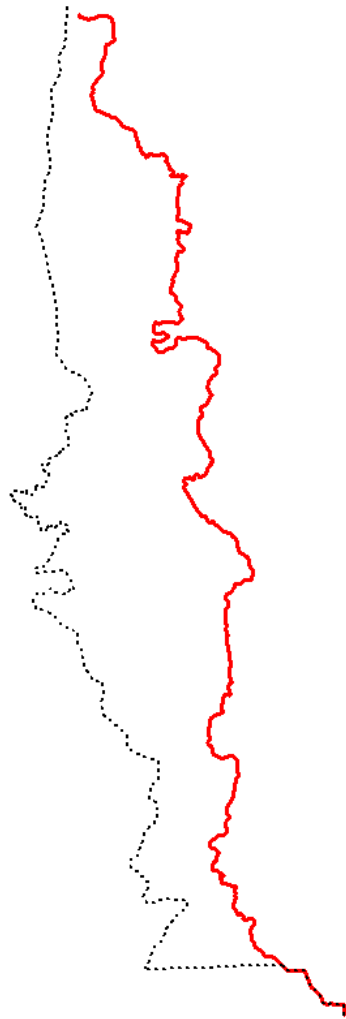
Variable	Definition
Country	Country in their respective borders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gold Coast</li> <li>- French Togo</li> <li>- German Togo</li> </ul>
year	Year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1902</li> <li>- 1925</li> <li>- 1938</li> </ul>
School name	Name of school as in the original source. Normally, this is the same as the place name. Ignore.
Number of schools	Number of schools in the locality.  <b>Note:</b> Some observations refer to district, not locality, see variable <level>
Character	b: boys school g: girls school m: mixed (girls and boys) i: infants (school age: 6-9 yrs. This is the "lower primary school")  Mission station: School information not available, location of mission station instead, see notes below.
Boys	Number of boys enrolled
Girls	Number of girls enrolled
Total	Total number of school children enrolled
Province	Region as in the original source.  Note: Names and geographic regions changed over time.
Body	Body that runs the school. This can be the government or missions. In case of missions, the body is given as in the original source.
gov_dummy	Dummy for government school
Place	Name of location in the original source, e.g. for German Togo place names are in German.
full_name_nd	Full name of locality as in GeoNet data base (freely accessible at <a href="http://earth-info.nga.mil/gns/html/namefiles.htm">http://earth-info.nga.mil/gns/html/namefiles.htm</a> )
ufi	Unique place identifier as in GeoNet data base  Missing ufi means that geographic coordinates are either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- missing OR</li> <li>- geographic coordinates were taken from a source other than GeoNet</li> </ul> => For missing coordinates, see missing values in lon/lat.
lat	Latitude (decimal degrees)

lon	Longitude (decimal degrees)
Level	Aggregate of information: - district - locality
Ger_Togo	Dummy for German Togoland Territory.  Note: Schools of 1925 and 1938 are also coded 1, if they are located in the territory of former German Togoland. For actual country, use variable <country>
Fr_Togo	Dummy for French Togoland Territory.  Note: Schools of 1902 are also coded 1, if they are located in the territory of the French mandated part of Togoland. For actual country, use variable <country>
Br_Togo	Dummy for British Togoland Territory.
Br_GC_pre1914	Dummy for Gold Coast Territory boundaries pre 1914.
dist_GerTogo	Distance to German Togoland Border (in km). See map below for borders used.
dist_FrTogo	Distance to French Togoland Border (in km).

Notes:

1. Assisted schools only for Ghana.
2. Schools of the Ewe Mission (former Bremen Mission) were **NOT** on the assisted list in 1925 Ghana. For the 49 schools of the Ewe mission I used instead the location of the 52 Ewe mission stations taken from the Gold Coast Blue Books 1925.
3. For Bremen Mission (**NordDeutsche MissionsGesellschaft**) in 1902 German Togo, the information on school location is not available. I used the location of missions instead. This is because the Bremen Mission was very active in the territory of what later became British Togoland. Hence omission of those places would result in misrepresentation of schools. There should be a strong correlation, but it is not necessarily the case that each mission station had a mission schools. Overall, the Bremen Mission had 31 mission stations, but 34 schools.
4. For the catholic and evangelic mission in 1925 French Togo, the source only gives summary statistics by district, not locality. Hence, the observations **DO NOT** refer to the place, but to the district. To avoid a drop out, I entered the geographic coordinate of the district capital even though the schools may NOT be located in the district capital. See number of schools. For Wesleyan Mission (Methodist), the statistics are given by locality.  
Variable <Level> identifies the aggregation.

Black line=German Togoland Border  
Red line=French Togoland Border



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