

## Climate change is affecting eye health equity

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There are 1.1 billion people with vision loss worldwide, and 90% of this occurs in low and middle income countries. Furthermore, women and girls make up 55% of the world's blind and vision impaired. The socio-economic and cultural factors that make women and girls in low and middle income countries more susceptible to poverty, are the same factors that put them at greater risk of vision loss and climate change related events. In fact, [climate change is having an adverse effect on eye health equity](#).

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