

Pediatric Mortality

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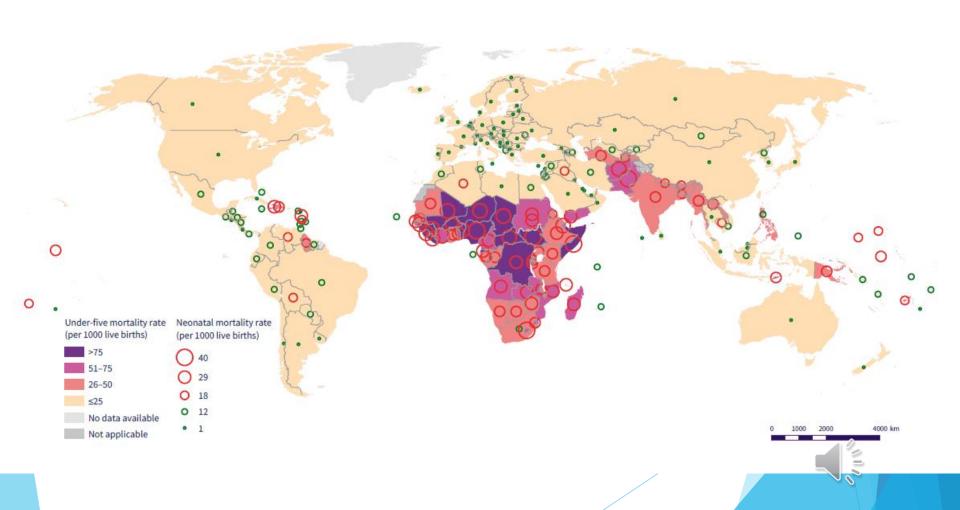
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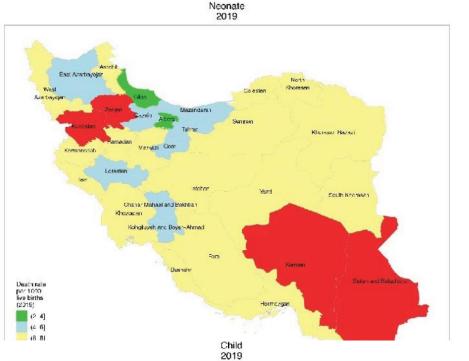
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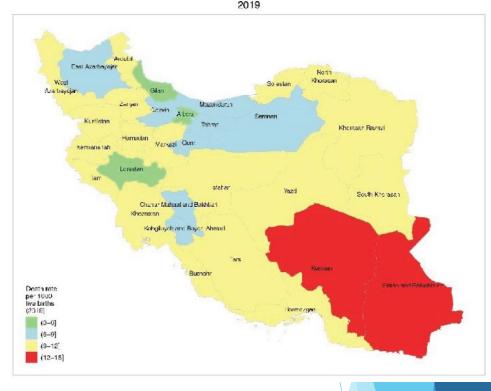


Figure 1.6 Under-five mortality rate and neonatal mortality rate, by country/area, 2021









Neonatal, Infant, and Child Mortality Rates Across Provinces of Iran in 2019. (A) Neonates; (B) Infants; (C) Children

Sepanlou SG, Rezaei Aliabadi H, Naghavi M, Malekzao LR. Neonate, Infant, and Child Mortality by Cause in Provinces of Iran: An Analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019. Arch Iran Med 2022;25:484-95.

Causes of mortality

Causes of mortality are a crucial input for health systems for identifying appropriate interventions for child survival.

In 2019,

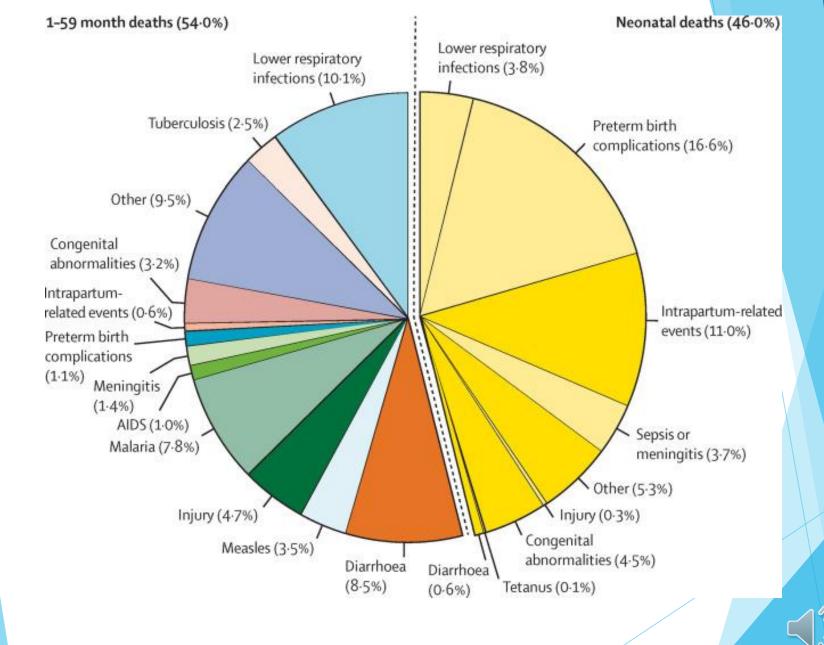
- There were 5⋅30 million deaths among children younger than 5 years, primarily due to
 - ▶ Preterm Birth Complications (17·7%),
 - ► Lower Respiratory Infections (13.9%),
 - ► Intrapartum-related Events (11.6%), and
 - Diarrhoea (9·1%),
 - with 49.2% due to Infectious Causes.



Causes of mortality

In 2019,

- Vaccine-preventable deaths, such as for lower respiratory infections, meningitis, and measles, constituted 21⋅7% (20⋅4-25⋅6) of under-5 deaths, and many other causes, such as diarrhoea, were preventable with low-cost interventions.
- Under-5 mortality has declined substantially since 2000, primarily because of a decrease in mortality due to lower respiratory infections, diarrhoea, preterm birth complications, intrapartum-related events, malaria, and measles.
- There is considerable variation in the extent and trends in cause-specific mortality across regions and for different strata of all-cause under-5 mortality.



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Pneumonia



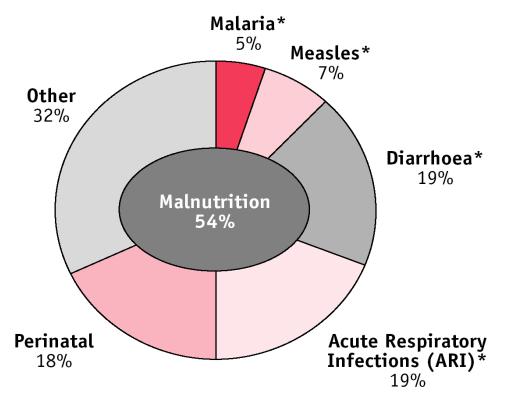
Diarrhea

Measles & malaria

3/4 episodes of childhood illness are caused by one of these five conditions.



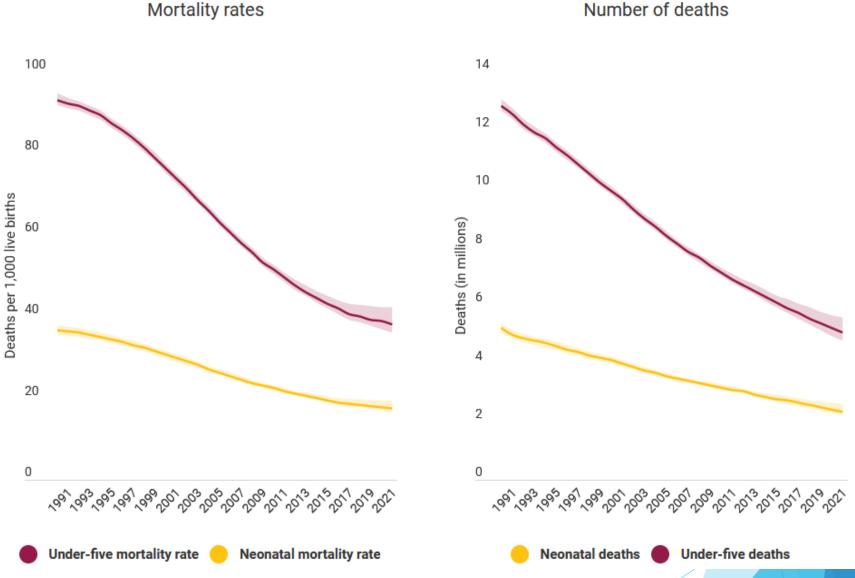
Distribution of 11.6 million deaths among children less than 5 years old in all developing countries, 1995



* Approximately 70% of all childhood deaths are associated with one or more of these 5 conditions.

Based on data taken from *The Global Burden of Disease 1996*, edited by Murray CJL and Lopez AD, and *Epidemiologic evidence for a potentiating effect of malnutrition on child mortality*, Pelletier DL, Frongillo EA and Habicht JP, *AMJ Public Health* 1993;83:1130–1133.



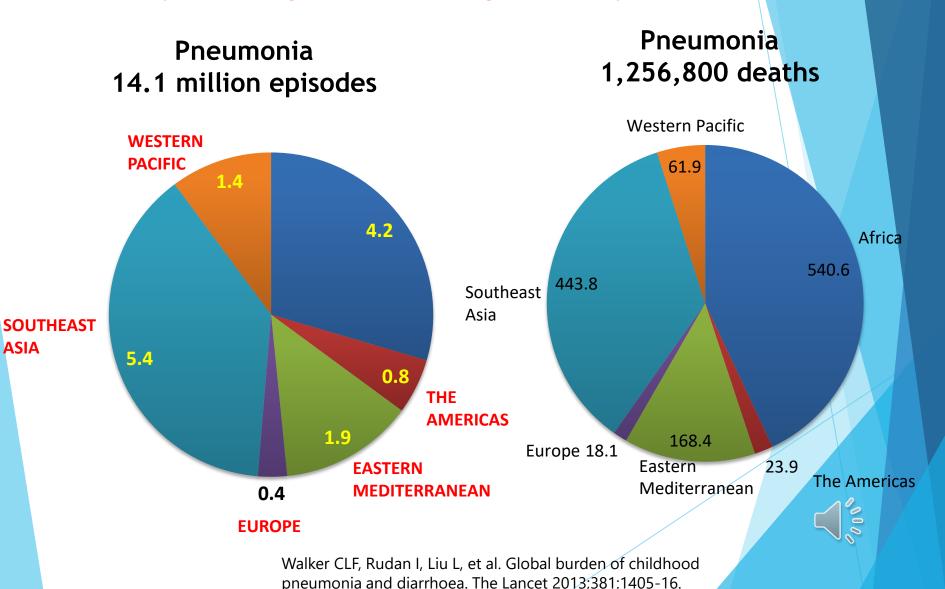


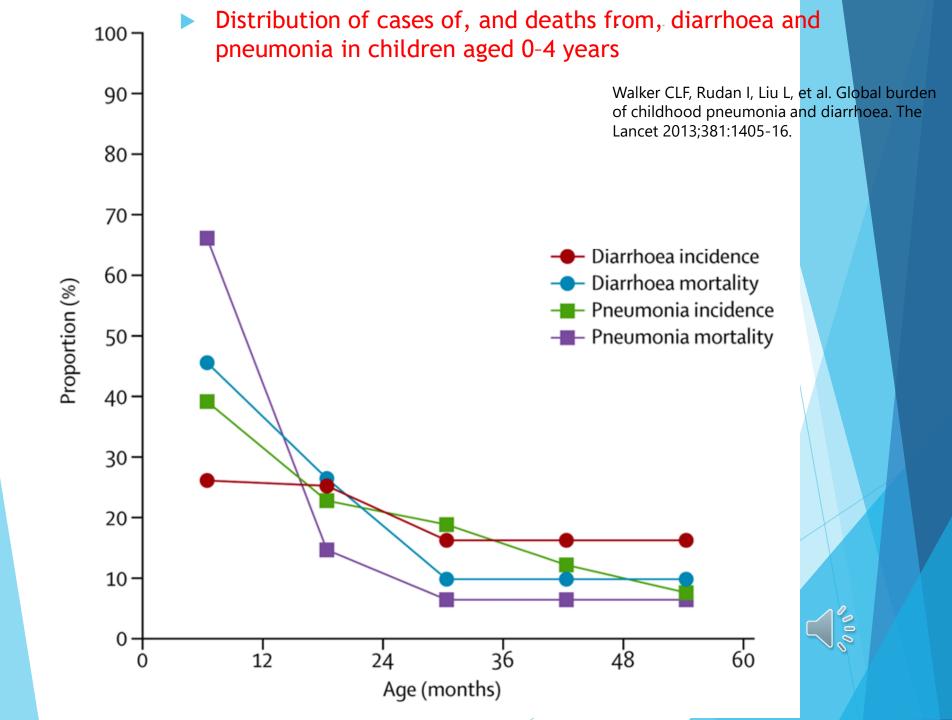
Both the under-five mortality rate and the number of under-five deaths have fallen by more than half since 1990

Global mortality rates and number of deaths by age, 1990-2021

Source: United Nations Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (UN IGME), 2023.

Regional burden of severe pneumonia episodes & mortality among children aged 0-4 years in 2010





Pneumonia and the risk of long-term sequelae

- The risk of at least one long-term major sequela from pneumonia is 5.5% (95% CI: 2.8-8.3) in non-severe pneumonia and 13.6% (95% CI: 6.2-21.1) in hospitalized severe pneumonia
- Sequelae include: <u>reduction in lung volume</u> and <u>bronchiectasis</u> (0.9% of severe cases)
- The risk of sequelae is higher <u>among</u> <u>children < 2 years</u> of age (13.4%, 95% CI: 4.5-22.3)



Vaccine-preventable causes of pneumonia severe morbidity and mortality

- Streptococcus pneumoniae is the most common vaccine-preventable pathogen and accounts for 18.3% of severe episodes (2.6 million) and 32.7% of deaths (411,000)
- Haemophilus influenzae type B accounts for 4.1% of severe episodes (574,000) and 15.7% of deaths (197,000)
- Influenza virus led to 982,000 episodes (7%) and 137,000 deaths (10.9%)



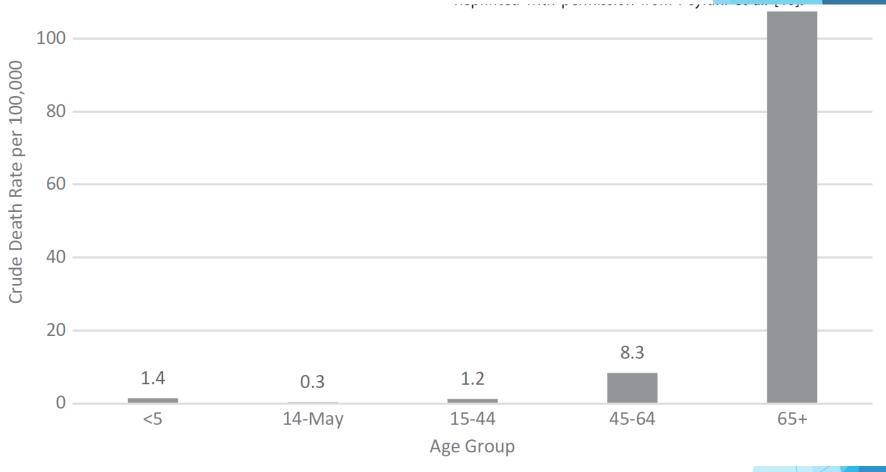


Figure 1. Pneumonia and influenza death rates by age group: 2013.

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