

BEST ESTIMATES PROVINCIAL FACT SHEET 5

BAMYAN

When compared with indicators from all 32 provinces in Afghanistan from which similar data is available

Bamyan ranks 27th overall.

It ranks amongst the worst five provinces for under-5 mortality rates, and amongst the worst 15 for maternal mortality ratios and overall primary school attendance. It also ranks amongst the worst 20 provinces for girls' primary school attendance.

When compared to the mean of the world's Least Developed Countries

Bamyan is 54 per cent worse off.



Key indicators

Children

Under-18 population	209,000
Under-5 population	68,000
Annual number of births	16,985
Under-5 mortality rate	270
Deaths of under-5's per year	4,586

Women

Women of child-bearing age	75,000
Maternal mortality ratio	1,900
Maternal deaths per year	323

Education

Net primary school attendance	45.7%
Net primary school girls' attendance	31%
Primary school age children out of school	39,000
Female literacy rate	6%
Number of illiterate women	79,000

Child health and nutrition

Polio vaccination coverage	29.5%
DPT vaccination coverage	2.9%
Measles vaccination coverage	67.1%
Households consuming iodised salt	3.7%
Children 1-4 years with at least one form of disability	7.2%

Maternal health

Births attended by skilled birth attendant	7.6%
Births delivered at home	98%
Expectant mothers receiving ante-natal care	6.9%

Water and sanitation

Population using safe water source	7.7%
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Threats to childhood

Women 20-24 married before age of 18	65.9%
Children 5-15 years involved in child labour	39.5%
Children under-5 with births registered	340

Based on the indicators above, amongst others,

it is recommended that in addition to continuing the successes made in the province, investment is also prioritised in Bamyan to:

- ◆ Support the needs of children with disabilities, to enable them to play an active role in society;
- ◆ Increase birth registration, to protect children from the risks of trafficking, forced labour and ensure timely health care and education;
- ◆ Increase access to clean water and sanitation, especially in schools and health clinics, to protect the health of children and mothers.