

**Progress towards reaching the MDG target needs to accelerate.** The prevalence of underweight in children under five has decreased since 1990 in the developing world, but the rate of reduction needs to accelerate if undernutrition is to be reduced by half by 2015. The solid lines show the regional proportions of underweight children in 1990 and 2004. The dotted lines show progress that will need to be made in order to reach the target.

Indicator: Percentage of children under five who are underweight (moderate and severe).

Source: UNICEF trend analysis is based on data for a subset of 73 countries with data available for the period 1990–2004. CEE/CIS is not shown in the chart because data were insufficient to measure progress.

- █ South Asia
- █ Eastern/Southern Africa
- █ West/Central Africa
- █ Middle East/North Africa
- █ East Asia/Pacific
- █ Latin America/Caribbean

