

THE WORLD IS ON TRACK TO MEET THE MDG WATER TARGET

The MDG target is to halve, by 2015, the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water. An analysis of the most recent estimates by the WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation (JMP) for the period 1990–2004 shows that 75 developing countries are on track to reach the target, 5 have made progress, though insufficient to reach the target, and 23 are not on track. In 41 developing countries, data were insufficient to estimate trends.

- On track:** Coverage in 2004 was less than 5 per cent below the rate it needed to be for the country to reach the MDG target, or coverage was 95 per cent or higher.
- Progress but insufficient:** Coverage in 2004 was 5 per cent to 10 per cent below the rate it needed to be for the country to reach the MDG target.
- Not on track:** Coverage in 2004 was more than 10 per cent below the rate it needed to be for the country to reach the MDG target, or the 1990–2004 trend shows unchanged or decreasing coverage.
- Insufficient data:** Data were insufficient to estimate trends.

Note: The MDG drinking-water targets in this map and in the table on pages 30–32 are expressed as the proportion of the population using improved drinking-water sources. These targets are calculated by adding half of the proportion of the population *not using* improved drinking-water sources in 1990 to the proportion of the population *using* improved sources in 1990. For countries without a 1990 baseline, MDG targets were calculated based on coverage in 1995 (where such estimates were available), on the assumption that from 1990–1995 the countries were 'on track' to reach the MDG target. 'On track', 'progress but insufficient' and 'not on track' classifications were calculated by comparing actual coverage rates in 2004 with the coverage rate the country should have had in 2004 if it was on track to reach the MDG target.

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The dotted line represents approximately the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir agreed upon by India and Pakistan. The final status of Jammu and Kashmir has not yet been agreed upon by the parties.