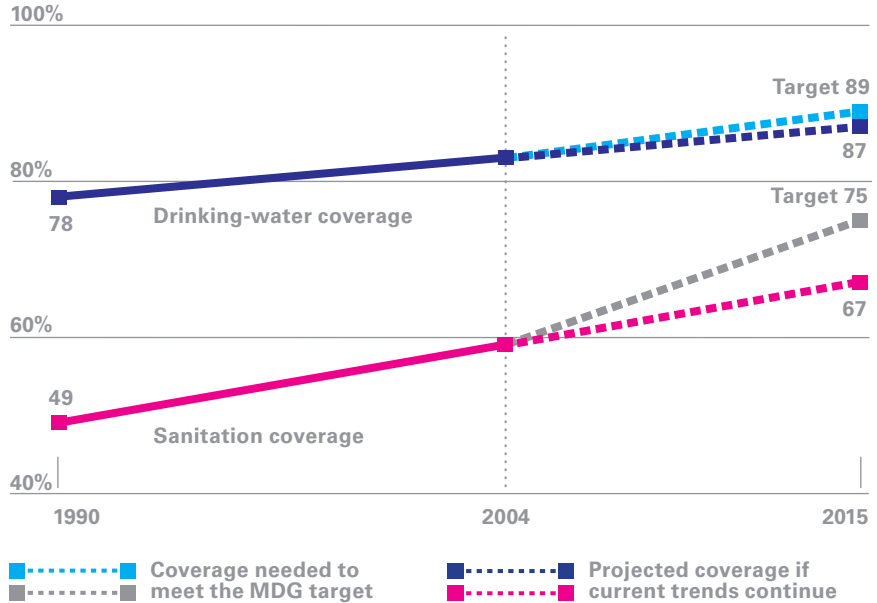


Global trends towards the MDG water and sanitation targets

With 83 per cent coverage of improved drinking-water sources in 2004, the world is on track to meet the MDG target of halving the proportion of people without access to safe drinking water by 2015. But to meet the sanitation target, it will have to double the rate of improvement since 1990.



The solid lines show coverage levels in 1990 and 2004.