

Figure 1.6**Global progress in reducing child mortality is insufficient to reach MDG 4***

Average annual rate of reduction (AARR) in the under-five mortality rate (U5MR) observed for 1990–2006 and required during 2007–2015 in order to reach MDG 4

	U5MR		AARR		Progress towards the MDG target
	No. of deaths per 1,000 live births 1990	2006	Observed % 1990–2006	Required % 2007–2015	
Sub-Saharan Africa	187	160	1.0	10.5	Insufficient progress
Eastern and Southern Africa	165	131	1.4	9.6	Insufficient progress
West and Central Africa	208	186	0.7	11.0	No progress
Middle East and North Africa	79	46	3.4	6.2	Insufficient progress
South Asia	123	83	2.5	7.8	Insufficient progress
East Asia and Pacific	55	29	4.0	5.1	On track
Latin America and Caribbean	55	27	4.4	4.3	On track
CEE/CIS	53	27	4.2	4.7	On track
Industrialized countries/territories	10	6	3.2	6.6	On track
Developing countries/territories	103	79	1.7	9.3	Insufficient progress
World	93	72	1.6	9.4	Insufficient progress

*Progress towards MDG 4, with countries classified according to the following thresholds:

On track – U5MR is less than 40, or U5MR is 40 or more and the average annual rate of reduction (AARR) in under-five mortality rate observed from 1990 to 2006 is 4.0 per cent or more.

Insufficient progress – U5MR is 40 or more and AARR observed for the 1990–2006 period is between 1.0 per cent and 3.9 per cent.

No progress – U5MR is 40 or more and AARR observed for 1990–2006 is less than 1.0 per cent.

Source: UNICEF estimates based on the work of the Interagency Child Mortality Estimation Group.