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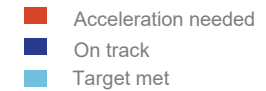
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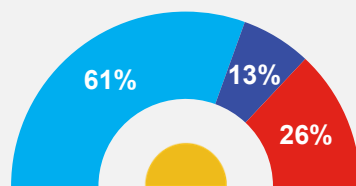
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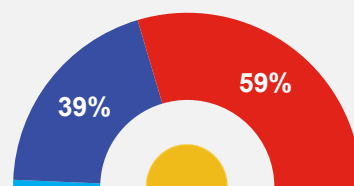
THE WORLD WAS OFF-TRACK BEFORE COVID-19



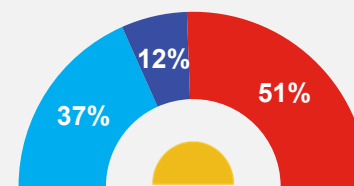
Proportion of countries assessed on progress towards selected child-related SDG targets



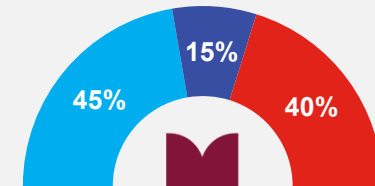
Under-5 mortality rate (SDG indicator 3.2.1)



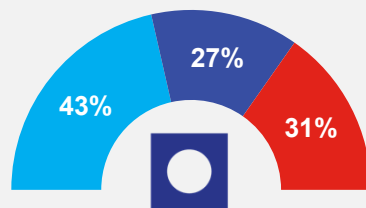
Under-5 stunting prevalence (SDG indicator 2.2.1)



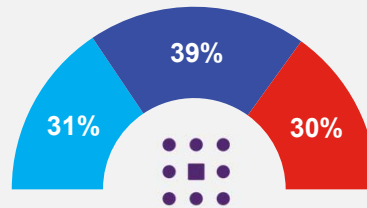
Number of new HIV infections per 1,000 uninfected population (under 5) (SDG indicator 3.3.1i)



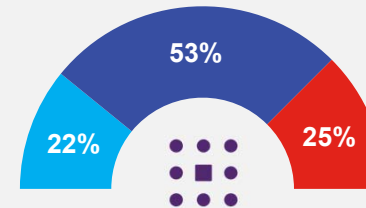
Participation rate in organized learning (SDG indicator 4.2.2)



Proportion of under-5 children whose births have been registered with a civil authority (SDG indicator 16.9.1)



Proportion of the population using basic drinking water services (SDG indicator 1.4.1.a)

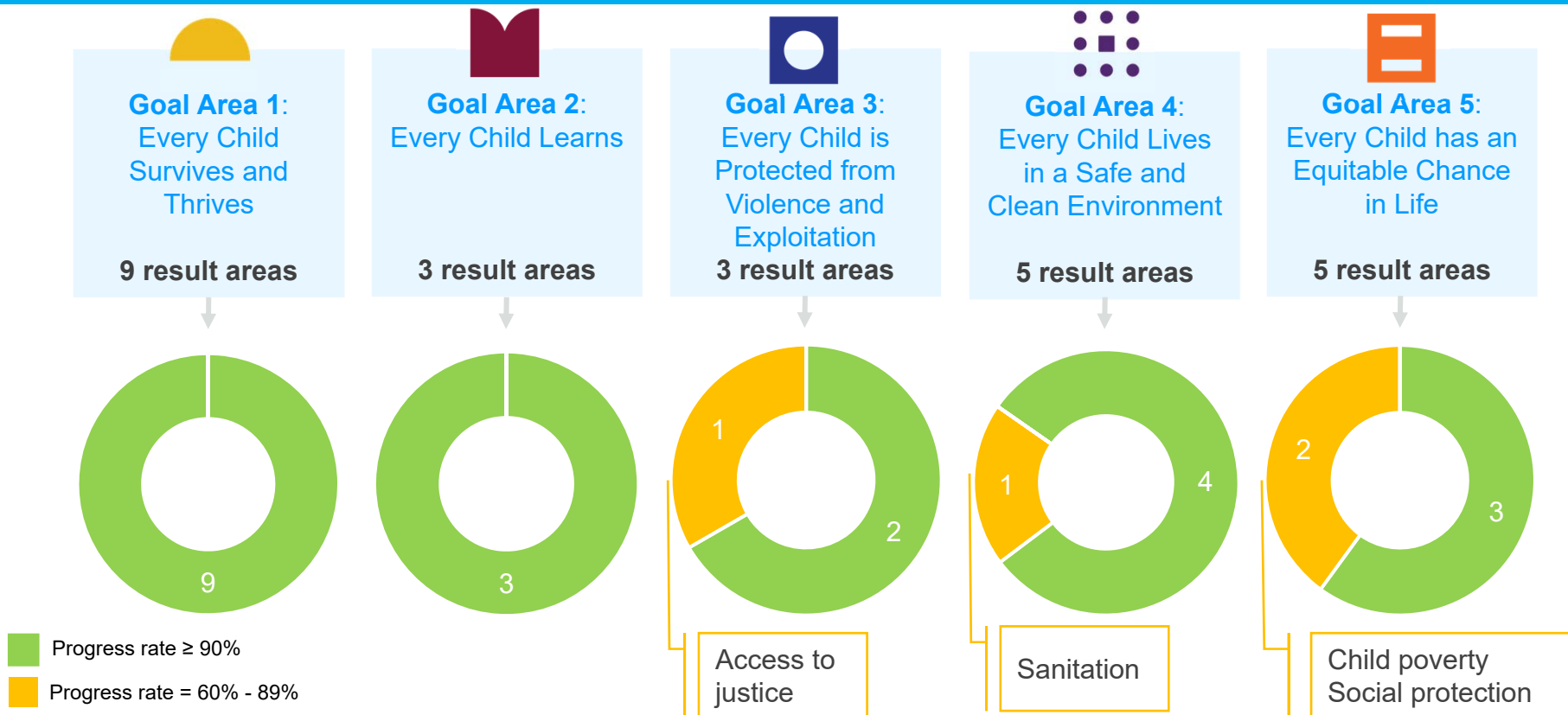


Proportion of the population using basic sanitation services (SDG indicator 1.4.1.b)

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OVERVIEW OF UNICEF PERFORMANCE IN 2019



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KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019



Immunization

41.3 million children in humanitarian situations were vaccinated against measles



Education access

Over 17 million out-of-school children participated in education



Humanitarian-development-peace nexus

57 countries had child-sensitive risk management plans



Gender equality

5.7 million adolescent girls received prevention and care interventions on child marriage



Violence

125 countries were supported to improve data on violence against children



Water

18.3 million additional people had access to safe drinking water



Equitable and inclusive programming

Over 51 million children received cash grants



United Nations working together

53% of country sought efficiency gains through **common business operations**

CROSS-CUTTING RESULTS

Humanitarian action

- Responded to **281** humanitarian situations in **96 countries**
- **39.1 million** people with access to water supplies
- **7.4 million** children with education
- **3.7 million** with psychosocial support
- **8.5 million** children with cash assistance

Gender

- **Improved performance on UN-SWAP** benchmarks
- Gender-based violence integrated in **71%** of 2020 HAC appeals
- Menstrual health and hygiene services to **1 million** women and girls in emergency situations
- Programming on positive gender norms and socialization in **120 countries**



COMMON CHAPTER RESULTS

- 48 million with **better access to basic services**
- 28 countries strengthened policies with emphasis on **disaster risk reduction**
- 118 countries conducted **Beijing+25** review
- 9 countries integrated **gender statistics** in national strategy for statistics
- Nearly 3 million **displaced people** in 13 countries benefited from **durable solutions**
- **Spotlight Initiative** in 5 countries in Latin America and in 8 countries in Africa

REVENUE, EXPENSES AND RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

Goal Area	Total expenses
Every child survives and thrives	\$2 153 M
Every child learns	\$1 183 M
Every child is protected from violence and exploitation	\$708 M
Every child lives in a safe and clean environment	\$1 109 M
Every child has an equitable chance in life	\$497 M
TOTAL	\$5 650 M

Direct programme assistance by
Goal Area, 2019

Total revenue decreased by 4% in 2019, to \$6,412 million

Regular resources decreased by 24%, to \$1,381 million (22% of total revenue)

**Total humanitarian expense was at \$2,961 million
52% of the total 2019 expense**

Public-sector revenue = \$4,745 million

Private-sector revenue = \$1,461 million

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Decade of Action to achieve SDGs for children in COVID-19 era

Accelerate results for children

Reduce multiples deprivations across two decades of life

- Maternal and neonatal health and immunization
- Stunting and wasting
- Addressing the learning crisis
- Reducing violence against children and scaling up birth registration
- Ending open defecation and improving basic sanitation
- Climate action
- Mental health



Bend the curve towards the SDGs for children



- ▼ Public Health Emergencies/ COVID-19 pandemic
- ▼ Economic downturn
- ▼ Climate change and environmental degradation
- ▼ Situations of fragility and conflict

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Midterm review of the Strategic Plan:

STRATEGIES FOR ACCELERATION

- ▶ Accelerate programmatic efforts in primary healthcare systems and food systems in selected countries.
- ▶ Sharpen the focus on prevention in early childhood for stunting, wasting and overweight.
- ▶ Accelerate early childhood education, ensure children aged 5 are ready for school, children aged 10 are ready to succeed at school.
- ▶ Scale up parenting programmes and prevention by changing norms and stereotypes around gender roles and marriage age, strengthen the social service workforce
- ▶ Increase focus on WASH systems strengthening, community health systems, market-based approaches and innovative financing.

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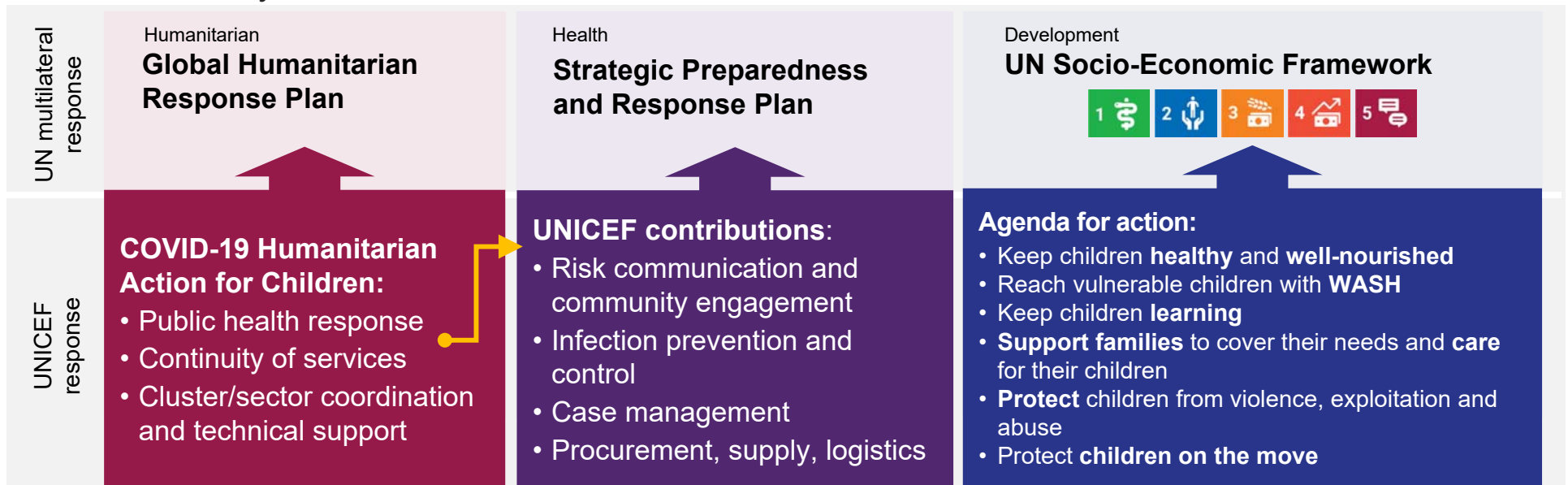
- ▶ Enhanced development-humanitarian-peace programming
- ▶ Transformative approach to gender
- ▶ Improved, disaggregated and instant data
- ▶ Intellectual leadership
- ▶ New innovation strategy
- ▶ Increased joint work with UNDS
- ▶ Shared value partnerships with businesses
- ▶ Enhanced organizational culture
- ▶ Simplification and modernization of priority business processes

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IMPLICATIONS OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC: REIMAGINING A WORLD FIT FOR EVERY CHILD

- World already off-track to meet child-related SDGs, **acceleration** is imperative to protect past gains and make investments for a more inclusive and sustainable future.
- Need to build back better in basic services, systems, economies, climate action, and connectivity.



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Midterm review of the Strategic Plan:

REVISED RESULTS FRAMEWORK

- ▶ The proposed revisions to the results framework aim to:
 - Reflect increased ambitions and need for acceleration.
 - Reflect growing importance of organizational culture in response to recent reviews.
 - More effectively monitor Theory of Change underpinning the Strategic Plan with additional indicators.
 - Facilitate and improve data collection and reporting.
 - Reflect more recent data or stricter guidance on UNICEF contribution to results.
- ▶ Proposed revisions to 19 indicators and addition of 10 new indicators (including 4 new indicators for new enabler on organizational culture).
- ▶ Proposed revision of milestones and targets for 42 indicators, most reflecting the drive for accelerated progress for child-related SDG targets.

LOOKING FORWARD

- ▶ Vulnerable children and Agenda 2030 at the center of COVID-19 response.
- ▶ Partnerships to protect threatened gains: acceleration based on disruption (digitization, hand-washing, social protection).
- ▶ More effective, agile, equitable and accountable humanitarian action : learning from COVID-19 and build back better through broader response effort.
- ▶ UN multilateral response to safeguard and accelerate development progress: making UN reform work for children through international cooperation, and investment in resilient structures and systems.
- ▶ Advocacy both ‘for’ *and* ‘with’ children and young people, leveraging our experience to advance their agenda and secure their rights.



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