UNICEF and the MDGs
Child Survival and Development


- Africa: 2.6 million (19%)
- Asia: 2.1 million (8%)
- Other: 1.5 million (8%)

Number of <5 deaths (in millions)

- 1970: 10.4 million
- 1980: 7.6 million
- 1990: 6.7 million
- 2000: 5 million
- 2008: 3.7 million

2015 MDG Target

- Africa: 0.5 million
- Asia: 2.2 million
- Other: 1.4 million

52%
Causes of Child Mortality

- Neonatal 41%
- Diarrhoea 14%
- Pneumonia 14%
- Malaria 8%
- Injuries 3%
- HIV 2%
- Measles 1%
- Other 17%

Globally, more than one third of under-five deaths are attributable to undernutrition.

In 2010, 7.6 million under five deaths worldwide – Highest concentration in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia

Number of under-five deaths, by region, 2010 (thousands)

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Asia, 3,186 (42% of total deaths)

Africa, 3,803 (50% of total deaths)
Key Results

Under-five mortality rates declined in all regions 1990 - 2010

*Trends in the under-five mortality rate (per 1,000 live birth), by region, 1990 and 2010*

Per 1,000 live births
An estimated 5 million [4.3 million – 5.9 million] young people aged 15–24 were living with HIV in 2009, a 12 per cent reduction since 2001.
Number of women receiving antiretrovirals to prevent new HIV infections among children by region, 2004-10

Source: UNAIDS Data Tables, 2011
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- World on track to meet the goal on access to safe water

- 780 million do not use an improved source of drinking-water

- 2.6 Billion do not use improved sanitation

- 88% of global diarrhoeal deaths attributable to unsafe water, inadequate sanitation, & poor hygiene

- Handwashing with soap can reduce diarrhoea by 44%
Basic Education

- There were still at least 67 million out-of-school children in 2009.
- Girls represent 53% of this total.
- More than 28 million children of primary school-age children out of school – 42 per cent of the world total – live in conflict affected countries.
- Additionally the poorest, disabled, marginalised by language, ethnic origins, caste and class.

Source: UNESCO 1999 & 2009
Child Protection

• Lack of birth registration often puts children beyond the reach of the protection and services to which they have a right: More than 250 million children under the age of 5 do not have their births registered.


• Child marriage frequently leads to withdrawal from school, impedes gender equality, and often leads to early pregnancy and health risks for mothers and babies: 67 million young women were first married or in union by age 18 in the developing world.
• FGM/C impedes gender equality and health outcomes: More than 70 million girls (15-59 years) across 27 countries in Africa and one country in the Middle East have undergone FGM/C

• Child labour prevents and curtails access to education: 150 million children (5-14 years) are engaged in child labour worldwide

• Children affected by armed conflict are more likely to suffer from poverty, undernutrition, poor health and lack of education: over 1 billion children live in countries/territories affected by armed conflict. Thousands of children continue to be recruited and used by armed forces and groups in 16 countries.
Moving Forward . . .

• Prioritizing evidence
  – Operational research
  – Enhanced monitoring and evaluation
  – Increased knowledge sharing

• Fostering a culture of innovation
  – New products like vaccines and school kits
  – Also, new processes like innovative financing
  – New technologies – mobiles, social media