

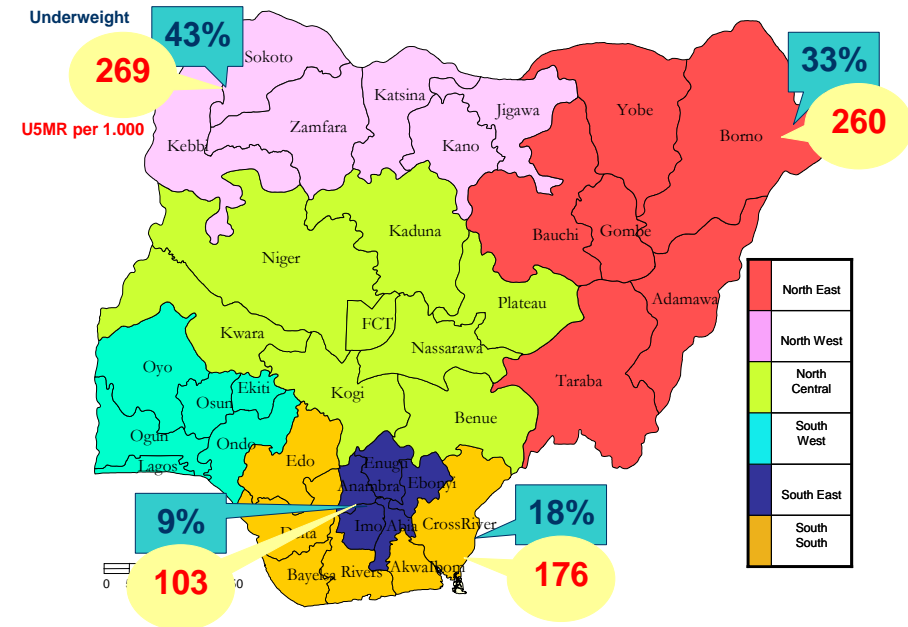
MOTHER, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH AND MORTALITY IN NIGERIA - GENERAL FACTS

- Every 10 minutes, one woman dies on account of pregnancy or childbirth in Nigeria, giving a total of **53,000** per year
 - This means about **800** women die in every **100,000** live births
- Nigeria's newborn death rate (neonatal mortality) – **528 per day** – is one of the highest in the world. More than a quarter of the estimated **1 million** children who die under the age of 5 years annually in Nigeria die during the first 28 days of life (neonatal period).
 - **About 9 out of ten of newborn deaths are preventable.**
- About **5.3 million** children are born yearly in Nigeria, that is about **11,000** everyday
 - **1 million** of these children die before the age of **5 years**

KEY ISSUES FOR NORTHERN STATES

1. The North East Zone has the **highest maternal mortality rate** of 1,549/100,000 live births, compared to 165/100,000 live births in the South West Zone —an almost 10-fold difference.
2. The **highest death rate of infants within the first 28 days** (neonatal mortality) of life is in the North East and North West regions of the country
3. The **highest death rate of under five children** (Under 5 Mortality Rate) is in the North East and North West regions of the country.

Child Malnutrition and Mortality in Nigeria



Under 5 Mortality per 1,000

- North West zone 269 children
- North East zone 260 children
- South West zone 176 children
- South East zone 103 children

Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) per 100,000

- North East 1549 women
- North West 1026 women
- South East 286 women
- South West 165 women

CALL TO ACTION

Governor: Support IMNCH implementation by:

- proving adequate fund for MNCH,
- improving access to health care delivery,
- ensuring quality health services are available, functioning and affordable for families in the state,
- providing safe water and adequate sanitation
- maintaining low duty rates on ITNs/LLINs and other commodities for IMNCH
- Registering all babies,
- Educating the girl-child

Commissioner of Health: Support IMNCH by:

- instituting a State Health Team with capacity to plan implement and supervise a State Health Plan of Action
- ensuring that health facilities are available, appropriately equipped, functioning and are affordable for families in the state,
- providing skilled healthcare workers and distributing them equitably especially to the rural areas.
- facilitating a two-way referral system
- motivating health workers in rural and hard to reach areas
- providing safe water and supporting communities to improve sanitation in the state.

LGA Chairman: Support IMNCH implementation by:

- instituting an LGA Health Team with capacity to plan, implement and supervise a LGA Health Plan of Action
- providing functioning, affordable health facilities in rural and hard to reach communities to improve the physical and financial access,
- facilitating easy evacuation of emergency cases to hospitals where they can be promptly treated.
- ensuring that newborns and children are registered and appropriately immunized,
- providing safe water and ensuring adequate sanitation in communities
- ensuring education of girls who are future mothers.
- providing skilled healthcare workers and distributing them equitably especially to the hard to reach areas.

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Mother, New born and Child Health and Mortality Status

Northern States in Nigeria

