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| Name of the indicator | 3.8.1 Universal health coverage (UHC) service coverage index |
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| Sustainable Development Goal | Goal 3. Good health and well-being |
| Target | 3.8 Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all |
| Definition | Coverage of essential health services defined as the average coverage of essential services based on selected interventions that include reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health, infectious diseases, non-communicable diseases and service capacity and access, among the general and the most disadvantaged population. |
| Unit | [0 – 100] |
| Available dimensions | |
| Methodological explanations | The indicator is reported on a unitless scale of 0 to 100, which is computed as the geometric mean of 14 tracer indicators of health service coverage. The indicators are organized by four categories of service coverage: I. Reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health 1. Family planning: Percentage of women of reproductive age (15-49 years) who are married or in-union who have their need for family planning satisfied with modern methods. |
| | Pregnancy and delivery care: Percentage of women aged 15-49 years with a live birth in a given time period who received antenatal care four or more times. Child immunization: Percentage of infants receiving three doses of diphtheriatetanus-pertussis containing vaccine. Child treatment: Percentage of children under 5 years of age with suspected pneumonia (cough and difficult breathing NOT due to a problem in the chest and a blocked nose) in the two weeks preceding the survey taken to an appropriate health facility or provider. |
| | II. Infectious diseases |
| | 5. Tuberculosis: Percentage of incident TB cases that are detected and successfully treated. 6. HIV/AIDS: Percentage of people living with HIV currently receiving antiretroviral therapy. 7. Malaria: Percentage of population in malaria-endemic areas who slept under an insecticide-treated net the previous night [only for countries with high malaria burden]. 8. Water and sanitation: Percentage of households using at least basic sanitation facilities. |
| | III. Noncommunicable diseases |
| | 9. Hypertension: Age-standardized prevalence of non-raised blood pressure among adults aged 18 years and older, aged-standarized. 10. Diabetes: Age-standardized mean fasting plasma glucose (mmol/L) for adults aged 18 years and older. 11. Tobacco: Age-standardized prevalence of adults >=15 years not smoking tobacco in last 30 days. |
| | IV. Service capacity and access |
| | 12. Hospital access: Hospital beds per capita, relative to a maximum threshold of 18 |





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| | per 10,000 population. 13. Health workforce: Health professionals (physicians, psychiatrists, and surgeons) per capita, relative to maximum thresholds for each cadre. 14. Health security: International Health Regulations (IHR) core capacity index, which is the average of attributes of 13 core capacities that have been attained. |
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| Data source | World Health Organization |
| Data availability | Data available every few years, since 2010 (subject to data availability) |
| Notes | 'Estimated data, calculated by WHO.' |

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