
Health Data Overview

AFGHANISTAN



Overview

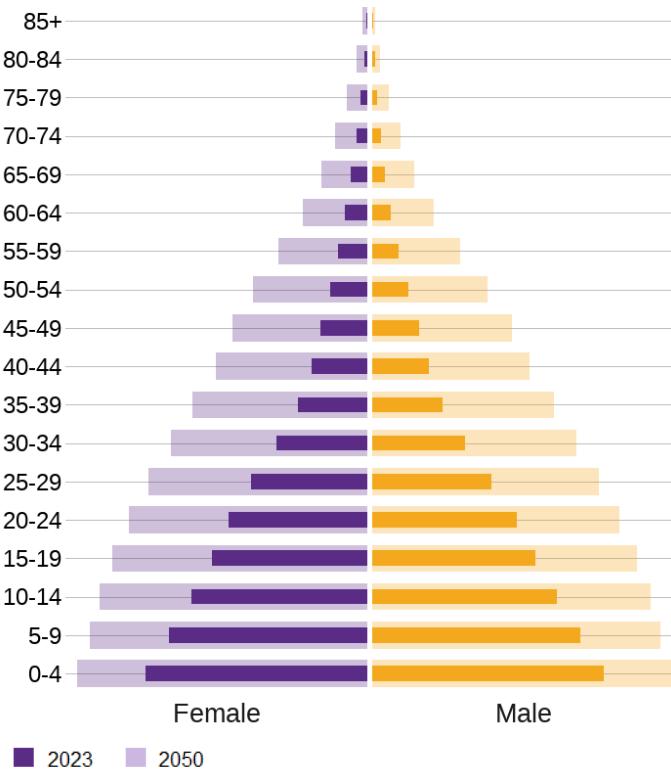


In Afghanistan, the population as of 2023 is 41 454 761 with a projected increase of 85% to 76 885 135 by 2050.

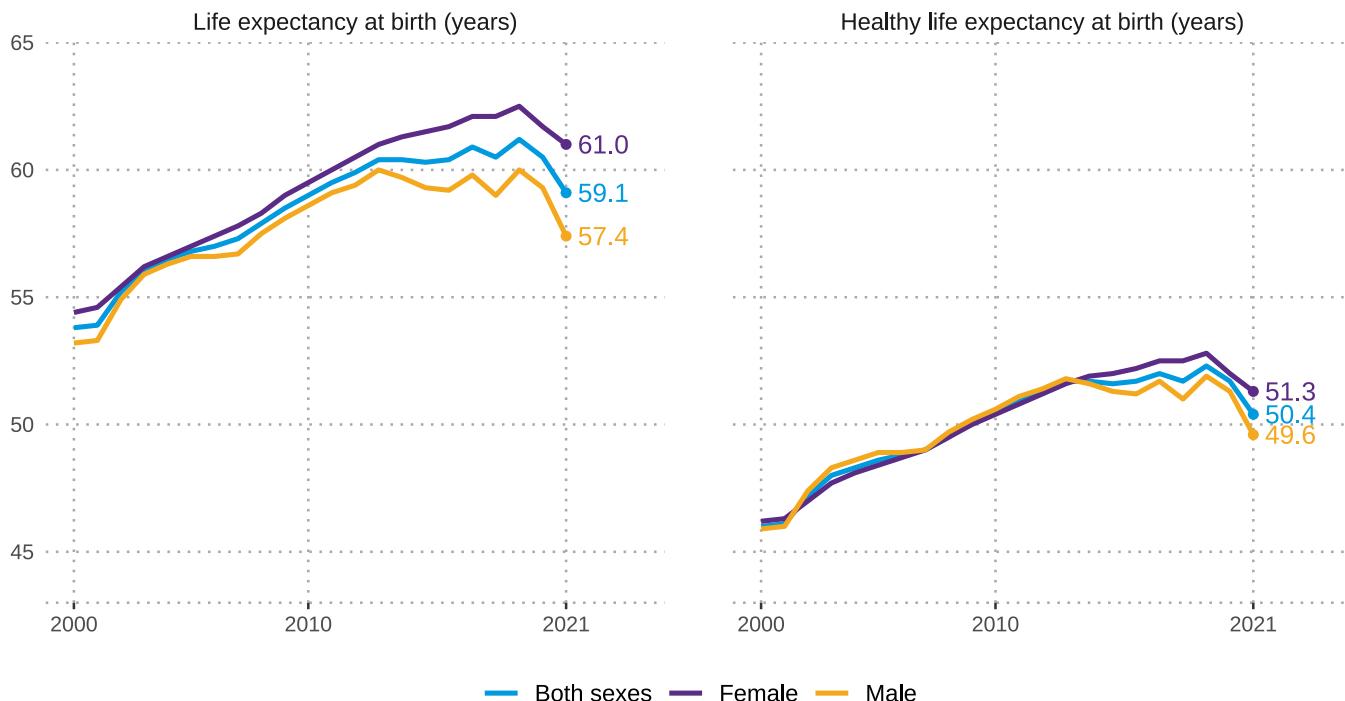
Life expectancy at birth (years) has improved by 5.3 years from 53.8 [52.8 - 54.9] years in 2000 to 59.1 [58.3 - 59.9] years in 2021.

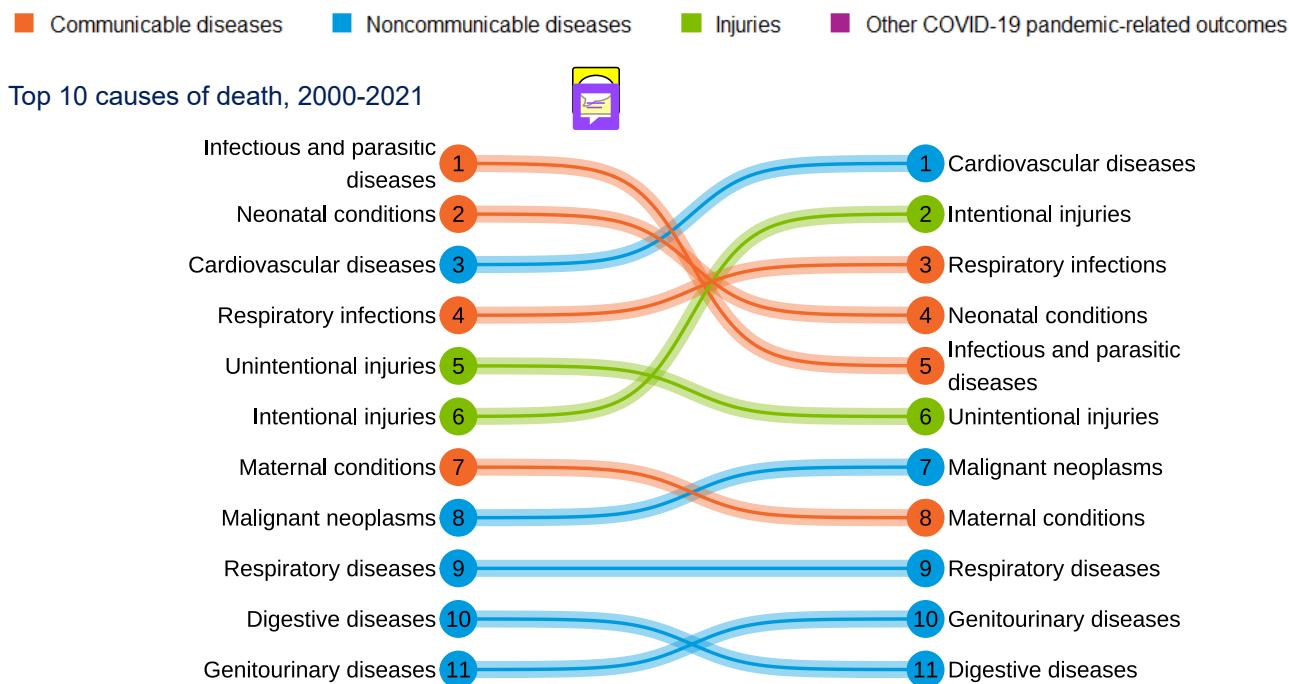
Afghanistan had 340 540 total deaths in 2021; 39% of deaths were from communicable, maternal, perinatal and nutritional conditions; 34% were from noncommunicable diseases; 23% were from injuries; and 4% were from other COVID-19 pandemic-related outcomes.

Demographic change, 2023-2050

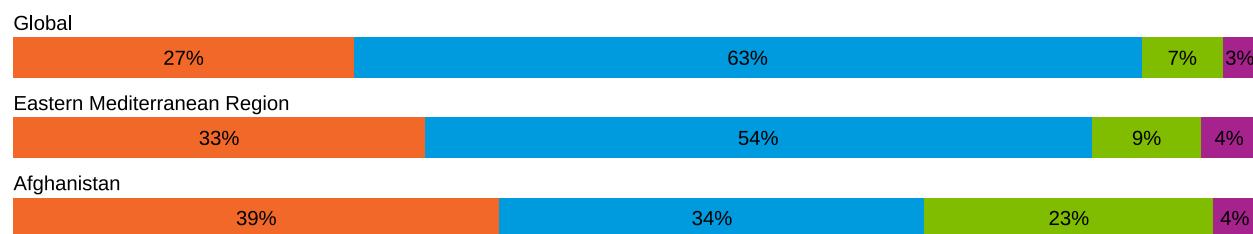


Life expectancy and healthy life expectancy by sex, 2000–2021

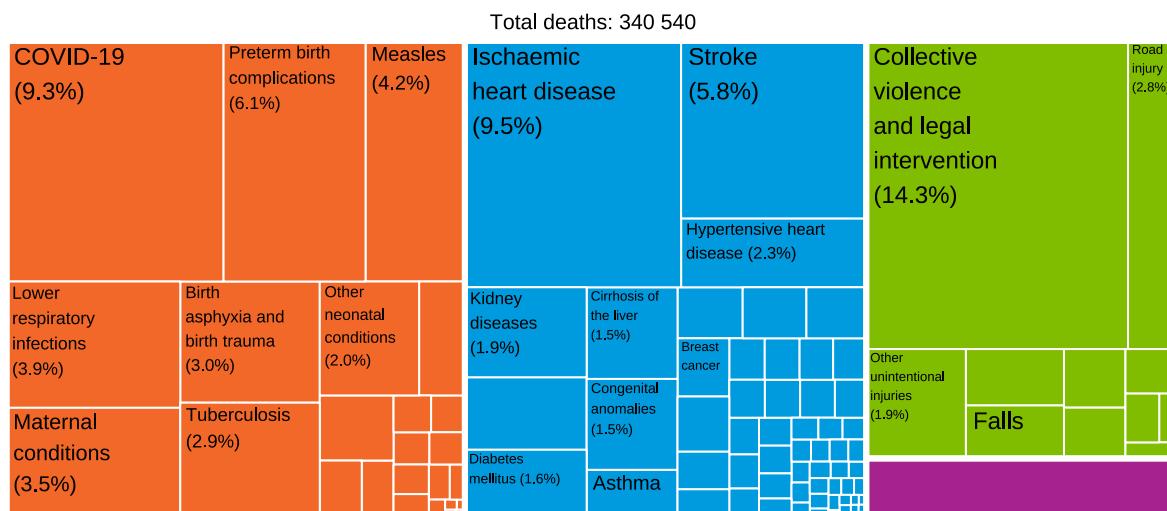




Overall causes of death, 2021

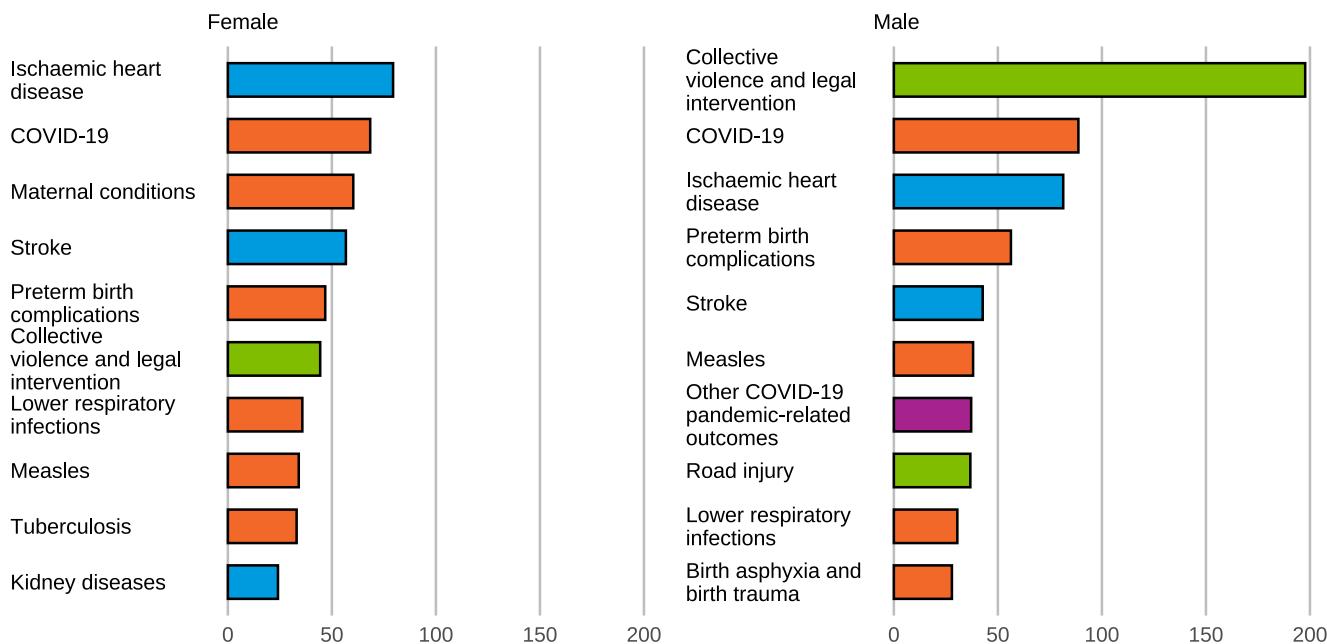


Detailed causes of death, 2021

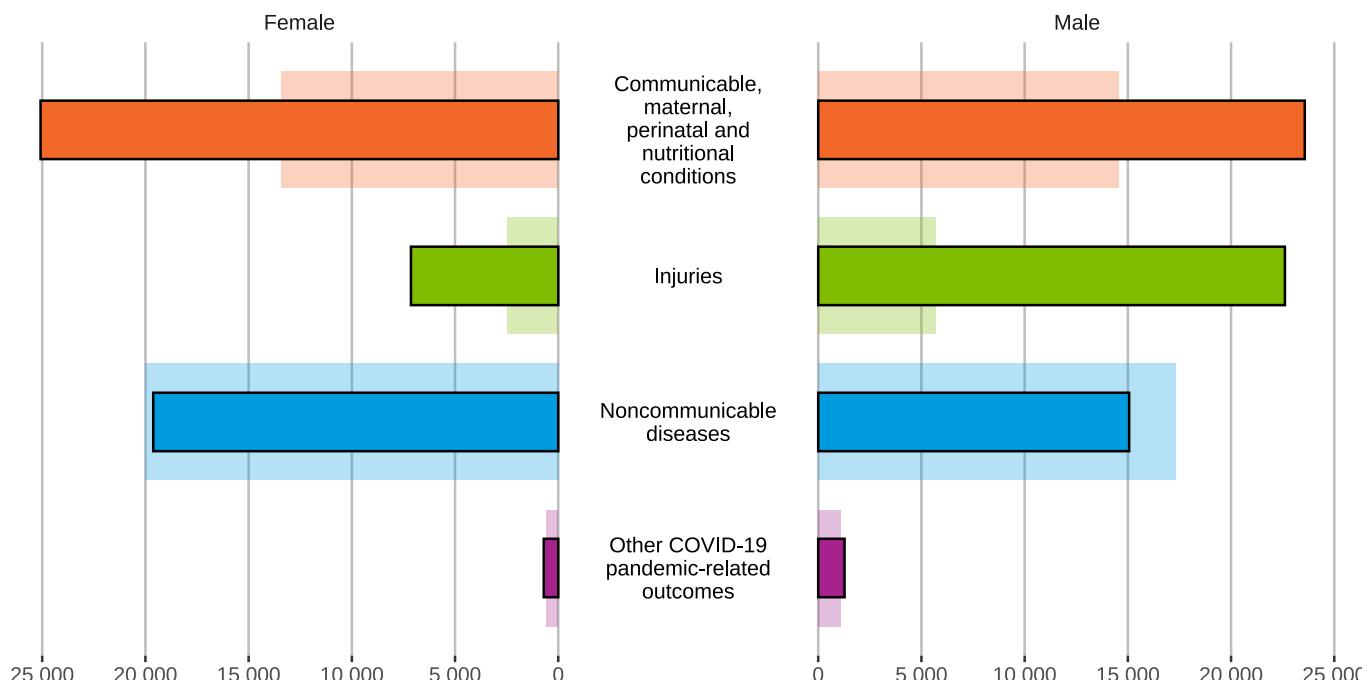


■ Communicable diseases ■ Noncommunicable diseases ■ Injuries ■ Other COVID-19 pandemic-related outcomes

Top causes of death by sex, 2021 (deaths per 100 000 population)

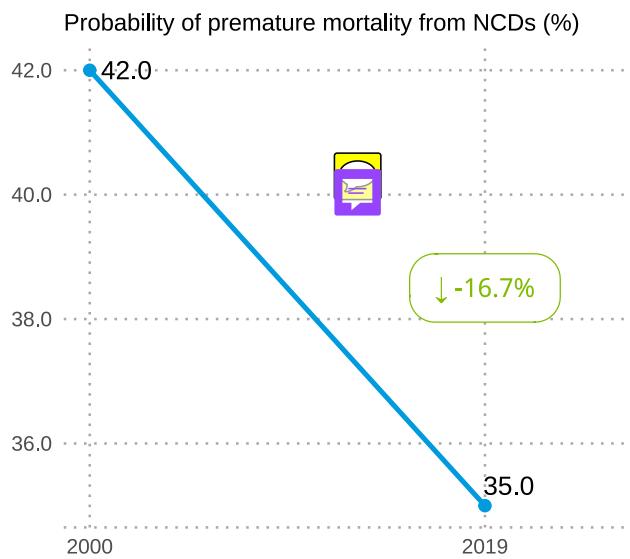
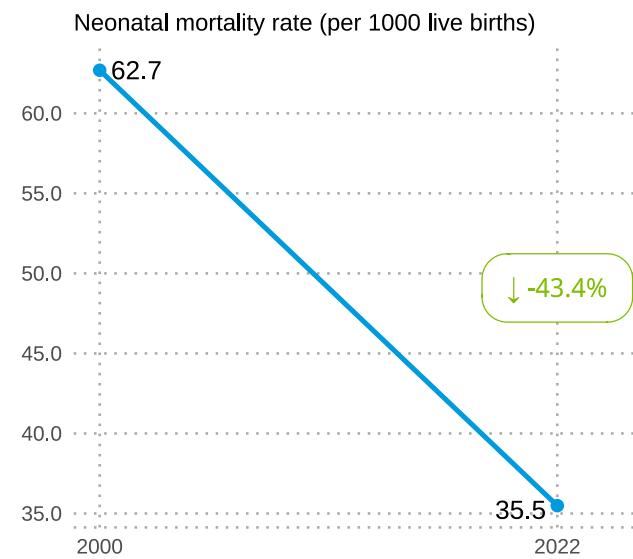
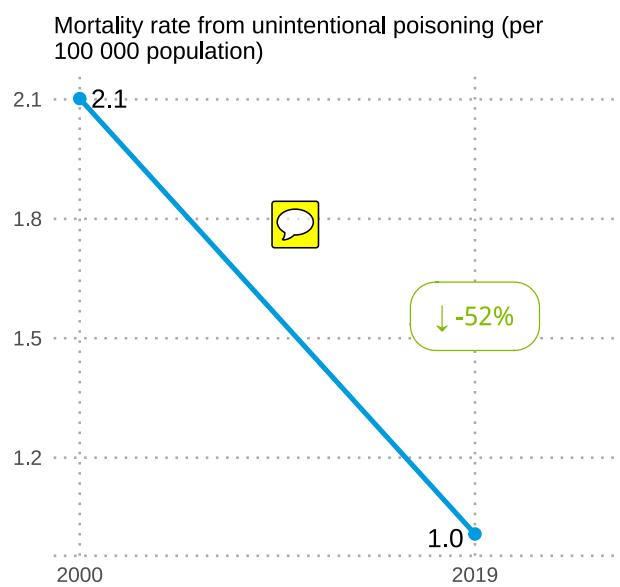
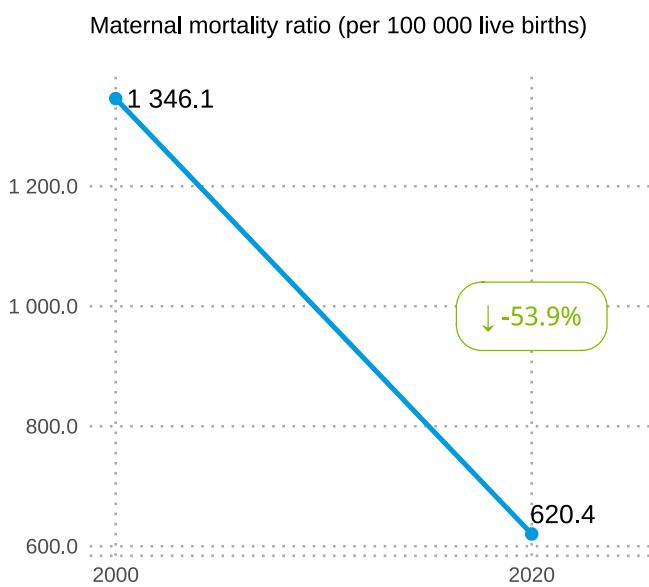
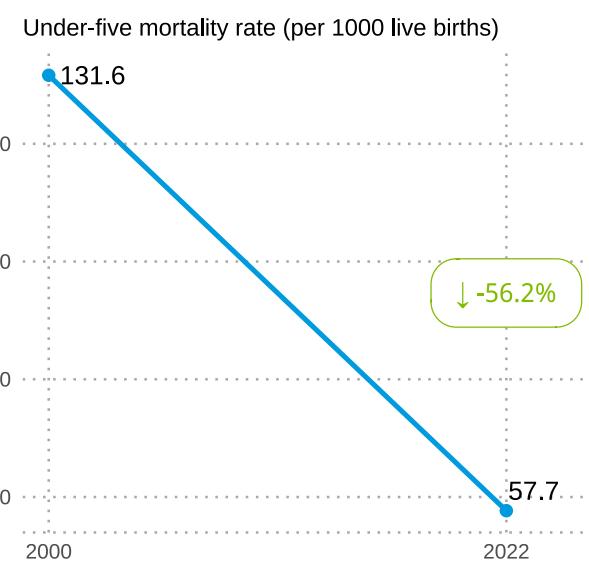
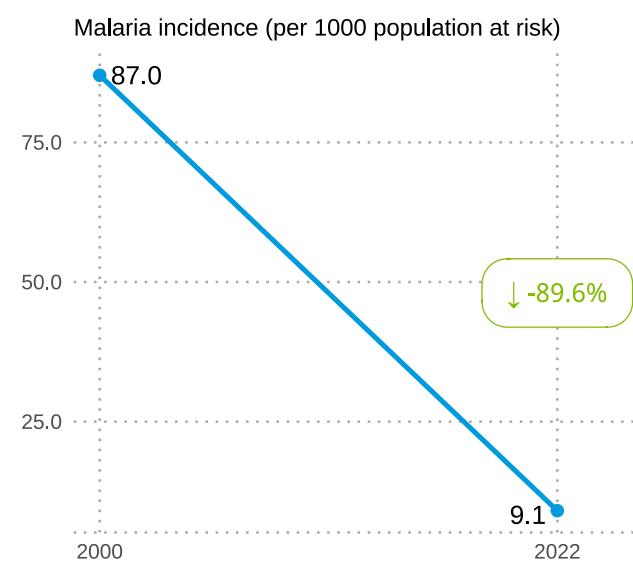


Disability adjusted life-years (DALYs) by sex, 2021 (DALYs per 100 000 population)



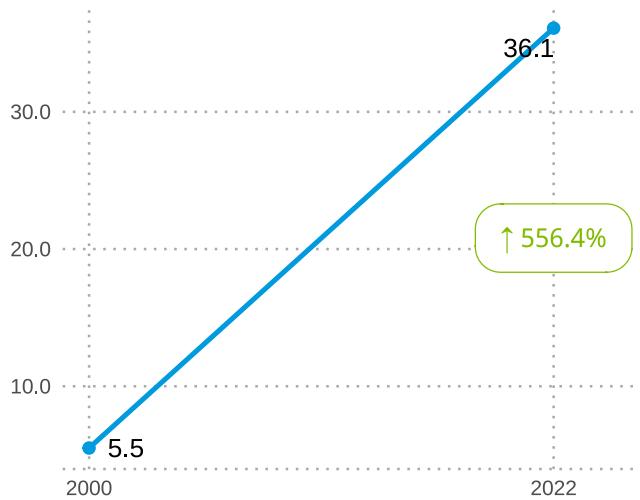
Eastern Mediterranean Region are the lightly shaded bars.

Health Statistics: Health Status (selected indicators)

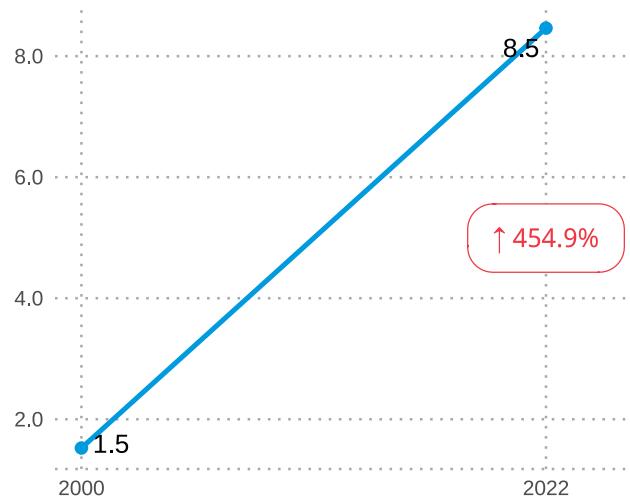


Health Statistics: Risk Factors (selected indicators)

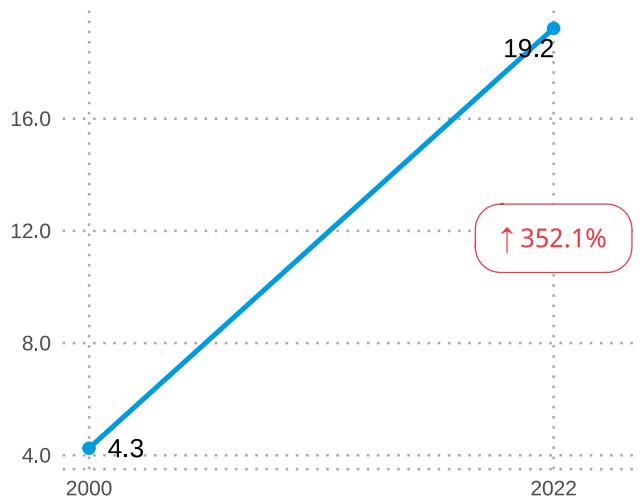
Proportion of population with primary reliance on clean fuels (%)



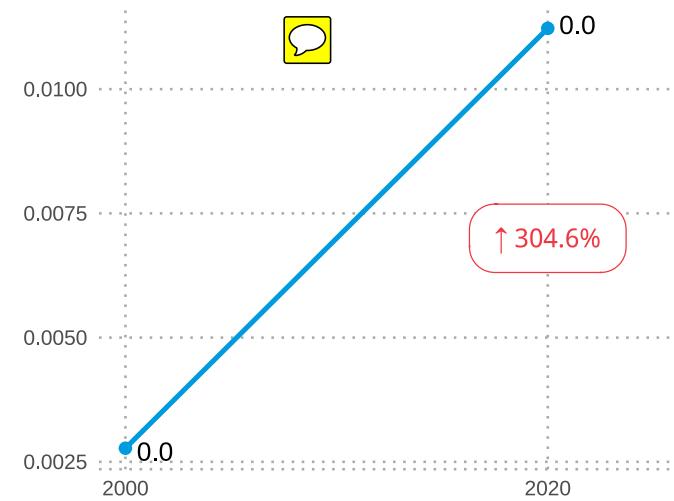
Prevalence of obesity among children and adolescents aged 5 to 19 years (%)



Age-standardized prevalence of obesity among adults (18+ years) (%)



Total alcohol per capita (>= 15 years of age) consumption (litres of pure alcohol)



Proportion of population using safely managed drinking-water services (%)



Prevalence of wasting in children under 5 (%)

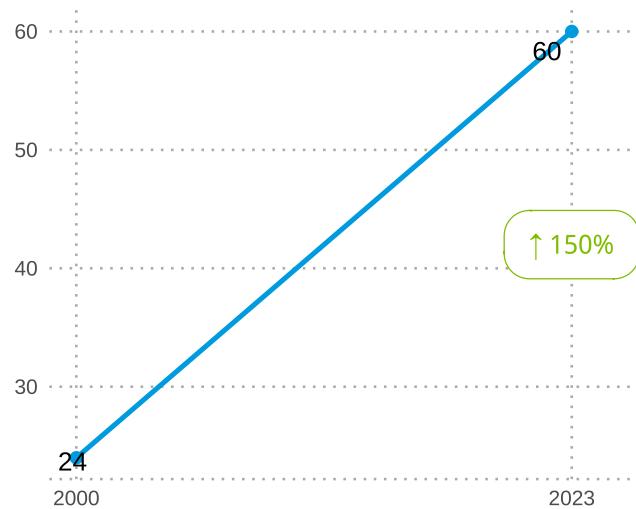


Health Statistics: Service Coverage

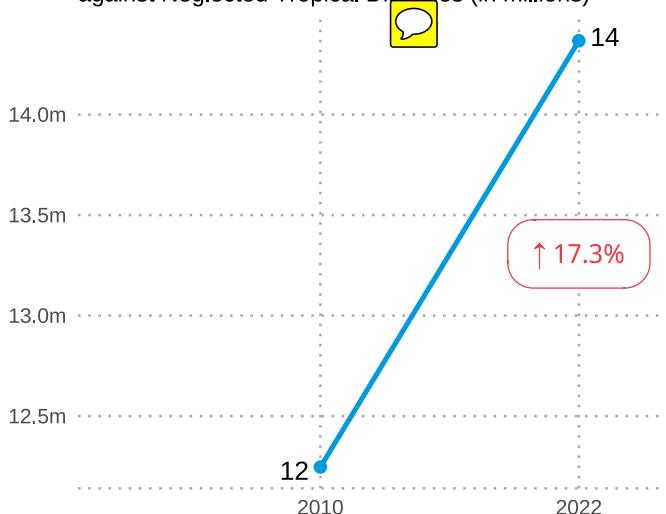
Proportion of births attended by skilled health personnel (%)



Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP3) immunization coverage among 1 year olds (%)

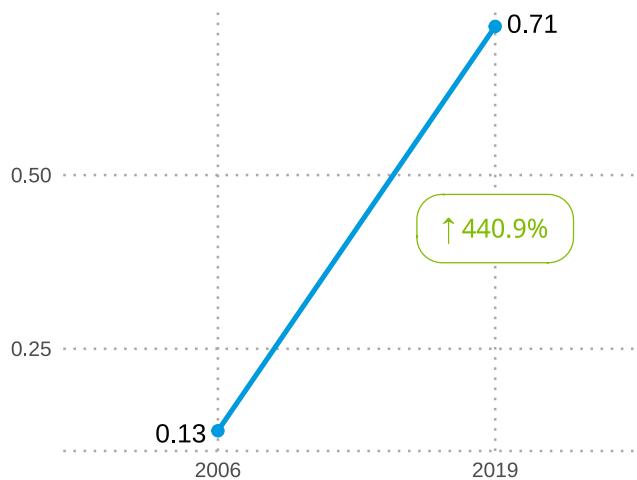


Reported number of people requiring interventions against Neglected Tropical Diseases (in millions)



Health Statistics: Health Systems

Density of dentistry personnel (per 10 000 population)



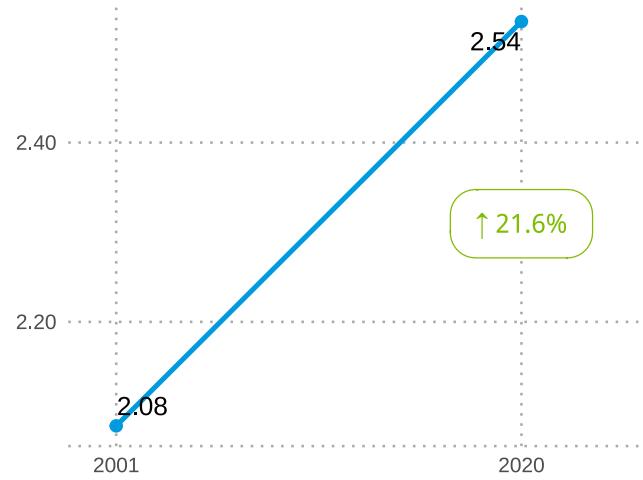
Domestic general government health expenditure (GGHE-D) as percentage of general government expenditure (GGE) (%)



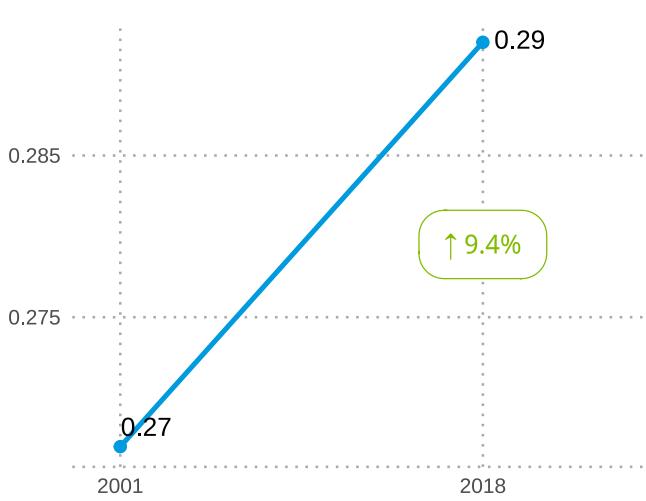
Density of nursing and midwifery personnel (per 10 000 population)



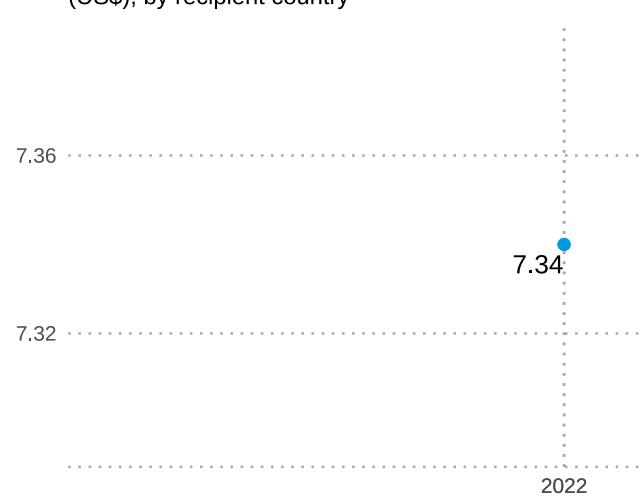
Density of physicians (per 10 000 population)



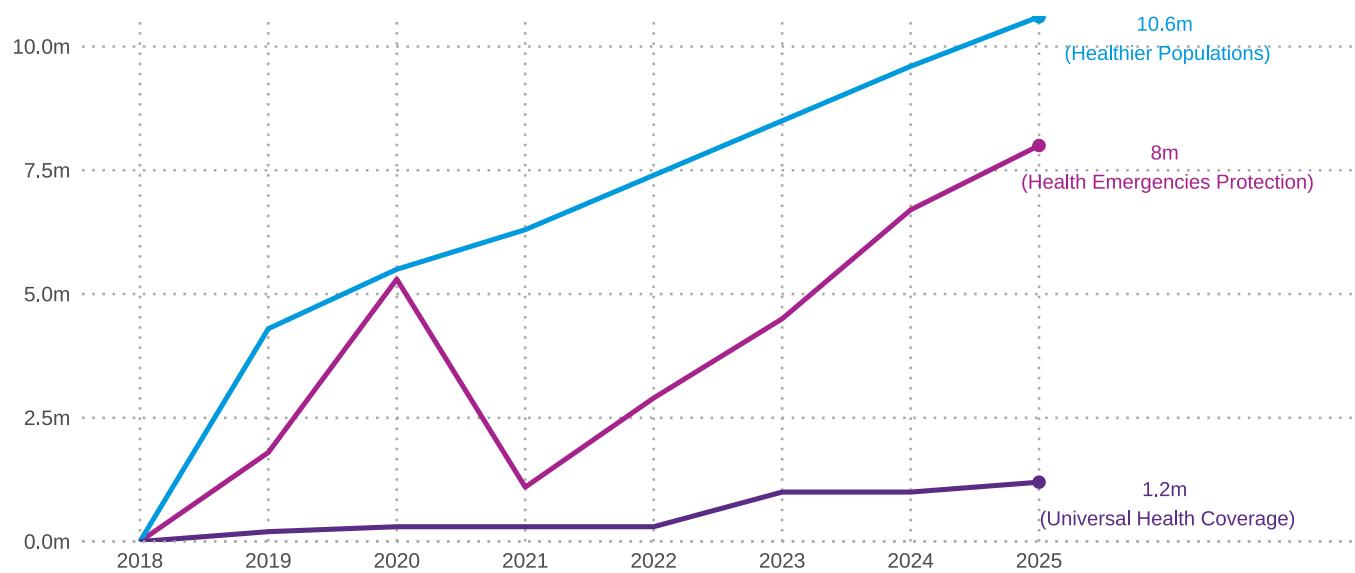
Density of pharmaceutical personnel (per 10 000 population)



Total net official development assistance to medical research and basic health per capita (US\$), by recipient country

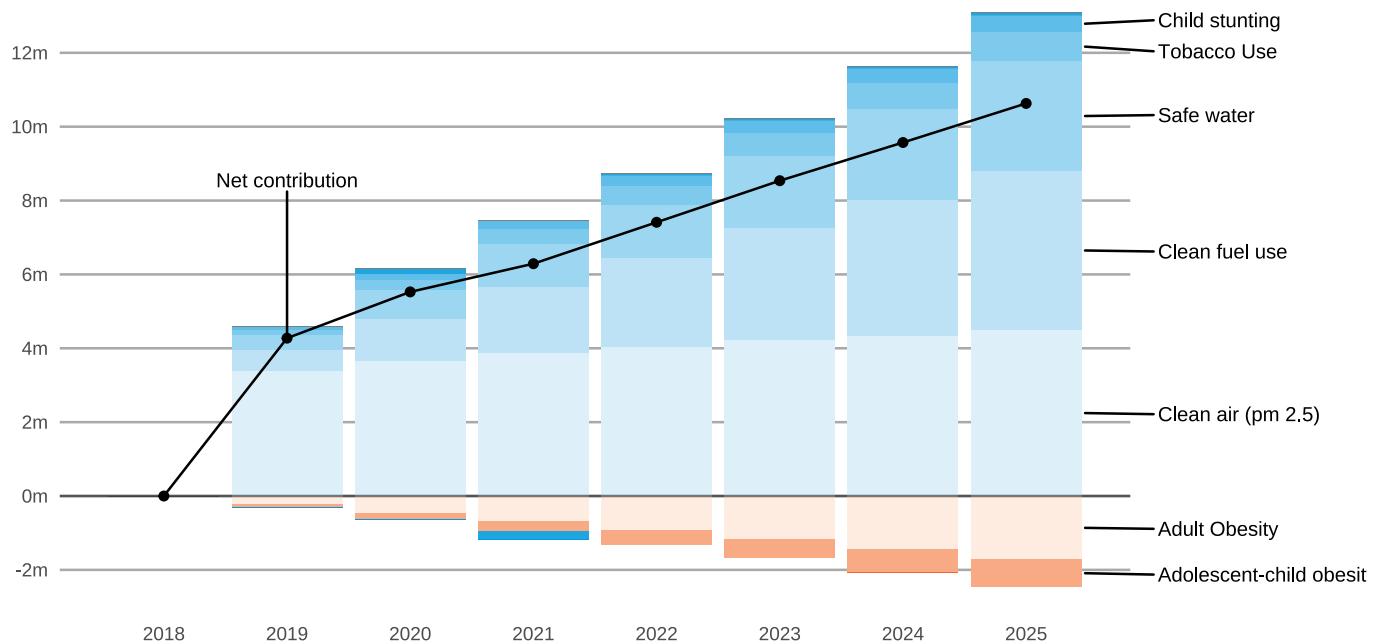


Triple Billions - Number of people affected (millions)



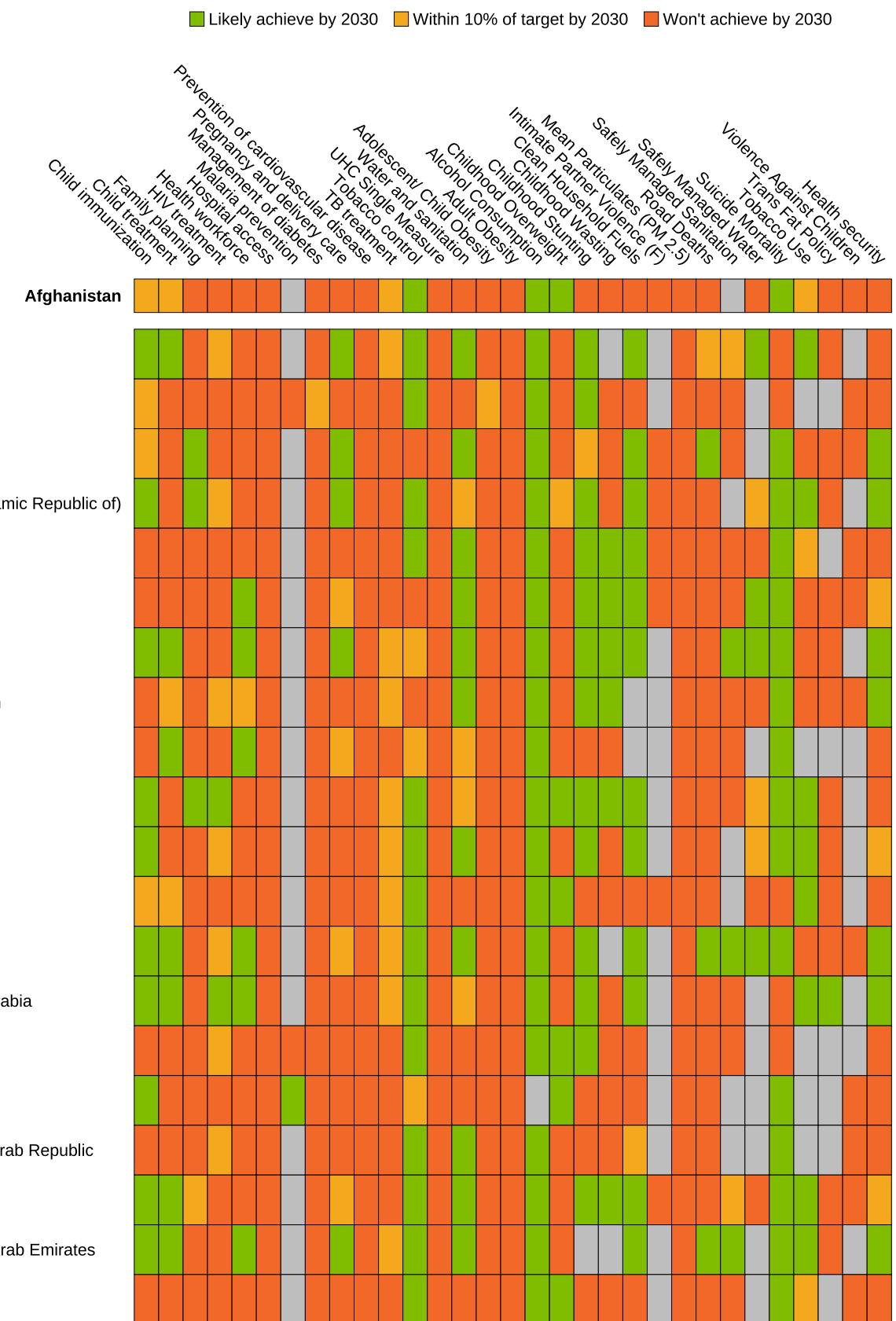
In Afghanistan, by 2025 the number of additional people projected to be: enjoying better health and wellbeing is 10.6 million; covered by essential services and not experiencing financial hardship is 1.2 million; and protected from health emergencies is 8 million.

Healthier Populations - individual indicator contributions (millions)



Other indicators below 1% of the total absolute contribution in 2025: Child violence, Child development, Sanitation service, Sanitation service - rural, Sanitation service - urban, Partner violence, Trans-fat policy, Child wasting, Safe water - rural, Safe water - urban, Alcohol consumption, Suicide mortality, Road deaths, Child overweight.

Eastern Mediterranean Region: Triple Billions indicator progress – likelihood of achieving by 2030



Further Resources

[WHO Global country page](#)

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Data Sources



Population data	UNDESA population division, World Population Prospects 2022 Extracted: May 2024
Current Health Expenditure (CHE) as % of GDP	World Health Organization, Global Health Expenditure database Extracted: August 2024
Life expectancy and Healthy life expectancy (HALE)	World Health Organization, Global Health Estimates Extracted: August 2024
Causes of death	World Health Organization, Global Health Estimates Extracted: August 2024
Disease Burden	World Health Organization, Global Health Estimates, Burden of Disease Extracted: August 2024
Triple Billion	World Health Organization, Global Progress Dashboard, Triple Billion targets

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<https://data.who.int/countries/004>

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