

Statistics for the SDGs - global indicators

Name of the indicator	3.2.1 Under-five mortality rate
Sustainable Development Goal	Goal 3. Good health and well-being
Target	3.2 By 2030, end preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, with all countries aiming to reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1,000 live births and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1,000 live births
Definition	Number of deaths of children aged less than 5 per 1000 children in the same age.
Unit	persons
Available dimensions	total, sex
Methodological explanations	<p>Death - permanent, irreversible cessation of functions of the essential for life organs, the consequence of which is the cessation of all functions of the whole organism.</p> <p>The source of data on death is the document of the Ministry of Health Death certificate, which is basic document for civil status acts and is in the part secondarily utilized by national statistics (Regulation of the Minister of Health, Journal of Laws 2015, item 231).</p> <p>Live birth - the complete expulsion or extraction from the mother of an infant, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, which, after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of the voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta has been separated each such a product is considered as live born.</p> <p>The coefficient is calculated on the basis of death data from the survey "Deaths. Mortality. Life Expectancy" and based on live births from the survey "Birth. Fertility".</p>
Data source	Statistics Poland
Data availability	Annual data Since 2010.
Notes	Since 2024, Statistics Poland has not collected information on the place of delivery or the timing of fetal death, which makes it impossible to determine the share of live births attended by skilled health personnel. The absence of compiled data in this field results from the amendment to the Law on Civil Status Records, in force as of 1 January 2024, which introduced changes to the source and the method of obtaining data on live births and stillbirths for official statistics.
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