

SDG Goal 3	Good health and well-being
SDG 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
SDG Indicator 3.2.1	Under-5 mortality rate
Time series	Child mortality

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: 23 May 2023
- National data: <http://sdg-indicators.de/3-2-1/>
- Definition: The time series measures the probability of a child born in a specific year or period dying before reaching the age of 5 years, expressed per 1,000 live births.
- Disaggregation: age group

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: March 2025
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-03-02-01.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the UN metadata.

3. Data description

- The data is derived from the death statistics or the causes of death statistics and data on registered live births from birth statistics. All of the mentioned statistics were conducted by the Federal Statistical Office and are based on administrative data (e. g. official death certificates).

4. Access to data source

- Deaths – GENESIS online 12613-0003:
<https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=12613-0003&bypass=true&language=EN>
- Live births – GENESIS online 12612-0001:
<https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=12612-0001&bypass=true&language=en>

5. Metadata on source data

- Quality Report – Causes of Death Statistics (only available in German):
<https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Gesundheit/todesursachen.pdf>
- Quality Report – Birth Statistics (only available in German):
<https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Bevoelkerung/geburten.pdf>

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 9 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Per 1,000 live births
- Calculation:

$$\text{Child mortality rate}_i = \frac{\text{Deaths of children aged } i \text{ [number]}}{\text{Registered live births [number]}} \cdot 1,000$$

$i \in \{0 \text{ to under 1 year}; 0 \text{ to under 4 year s}\}$