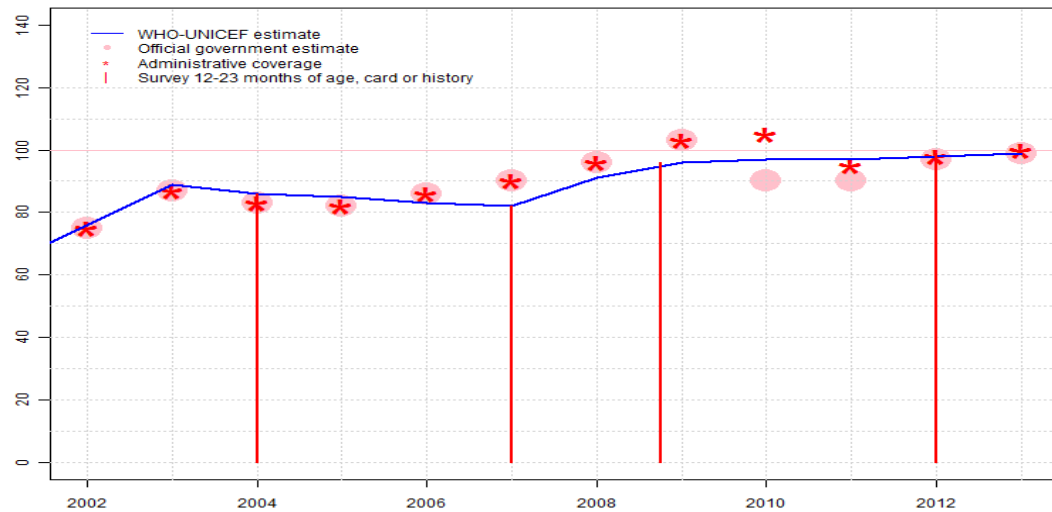


Sierra Leone - BCG

SLE - BCG



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	76	89	86	85	83	82	91	96	97	97	98	99
Estimate GoC	••	••	•	•	•	•	••	•	•	••	••	•
Official	75	87	83	82	86	90	96	103	90	90	97	99
Administrative	75	87	83	82	86	90	96	103	105	95	98	100
Survey	NA	NA	86	NA	NA	82	NA	*	NA	NA	99	NA

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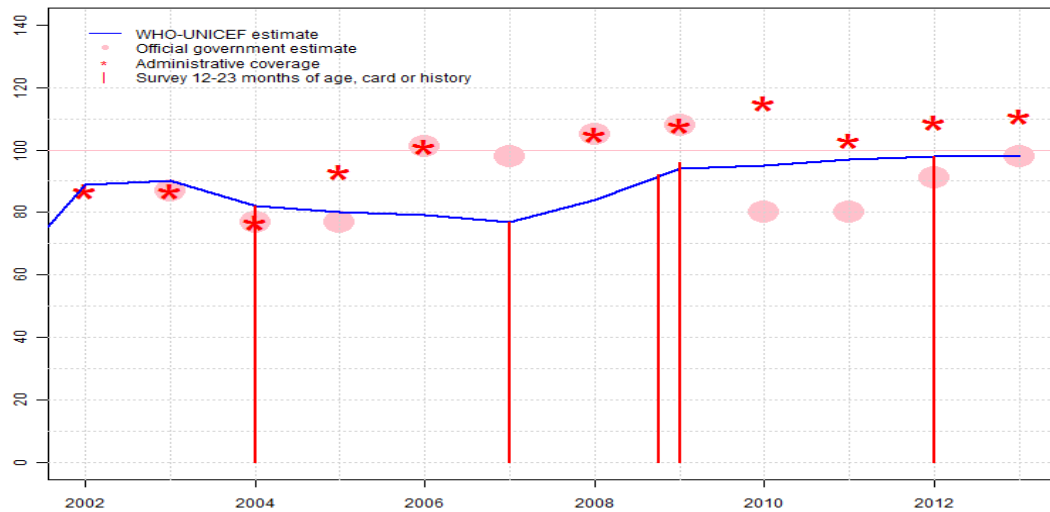
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Description:

- 2002: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. GoC=S+ D+
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- 2004: Estimate is based on survey results. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2006: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2007: Estimate is based on survey results. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. GoC=S+ D+
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Reported data excluded. 103 percent greater than 100 percent. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 97 percent changed from previous revision value of 96 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. GoC=S+ D+
- 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 99 percent based on 1 survey(s). Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 98 percent changed from previous revision value of 97 percent. GoC=S+ D+
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - DTP1

SLE - DTP1



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	89	90	82	80	79	77	84	94	95	97	98	98
Estimate GoC	••	••	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Official	NA	87	77	77	101	98	105	108	80	80	91	98
Administrative	87	87	77	93	101	NA	105	108	115	103	109	111
Survey	NA	NA	82	NA	NA	77	NA	*	NA	NA	98	NA

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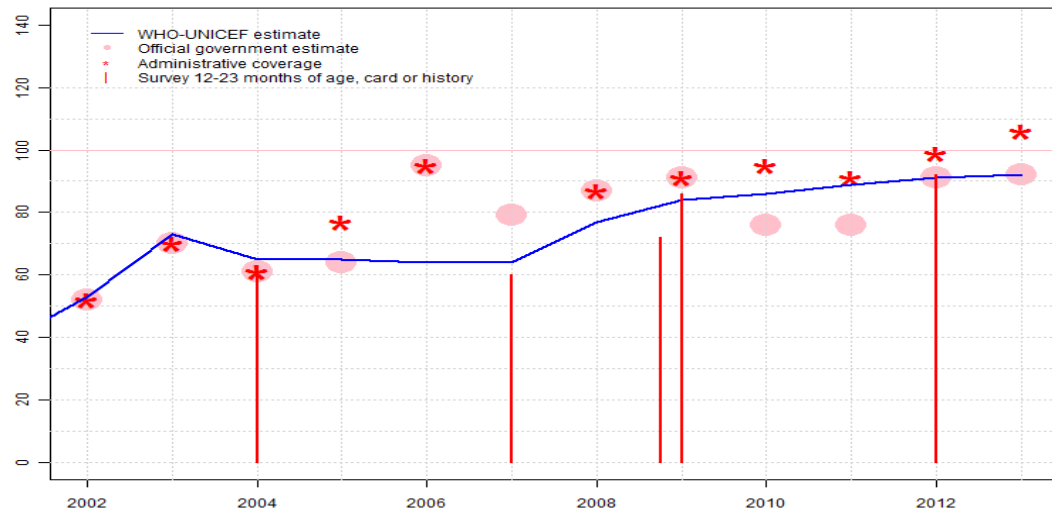
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Description:

- 2002: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. GoC=S+ D+
 2003: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. GoC=S+ D+
 2004: Estimate is based on survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
 2006: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Reported data excluded. 101 percent greater than 100 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
 2007: Survey evidence does not support reported data. Estimate based on survey results. Survey evidence of 77 percent based on 1 survey(s). Estimate challenged by: R-
 2008: Estimate based on reported data adjusted to level of 2007 survey. Reported data excluded. 105 percent greater than 100 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Reported data excluded. 108 percent greater than 100 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 95 percent changed from previous revision value of 94 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 97 percent changed from previous revision value of 94 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 98 percent based on 1 survey(s). Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 98 percent changed from previous revision value of 94 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - DTP3

SLE - DTP3



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	53	73	65	65	64	64	77	84	86	89	91	92
Estimate GoC	•	••	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Official	52	70	61	64	95	79	87	91	76	76	91	92
Administrative	52	70	61	77	95	NA	87	91	95	91	99	106
Survey	NA	NA	63	NA	NA	60	NA	*	NA	NA	92	NA

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- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2012 revision from the UN Population Division (D+), and at least one supporting survey within 2 years [S+]. While well supported, the estimate still carries a risk of being wrong.
- Estimate is supported by at least one data source; [R+], [S+], or [D+]; and no data source, [R-], [D-], or [S-], challenges the estimate.
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Description:

- 2002: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2003: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. GoC=S+ D+
- 2004: Estimate is based on survey results. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2005 card or history results of 63 percent modified for recall bias to 65 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 82 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 47 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 37 percent. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2006: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Reported data excluded. Unexplained increase from 64 percent to 95 percent with decrease 79 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2007: Survey evidence does not support reported data. Estimate based on survey results. Survey evidence of 64 percent based on 1 survey(s). Sierra Leone Demographic and Health Survey 2008 card or history results of 60 percent modified for recall bias to 64 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 77 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 55 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 46 percent. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. Estimate of 77 percent changed from previous revision value of 78 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Sierra Leone Immunization Cluster Coverage Survey 2010 card or history results of 86 percent modified for recall bias to 84 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 96 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 74 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 65 percent. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2010 card or history results of 72 percent modified for recall bias to 83 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 92 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 64 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 58 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 86 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
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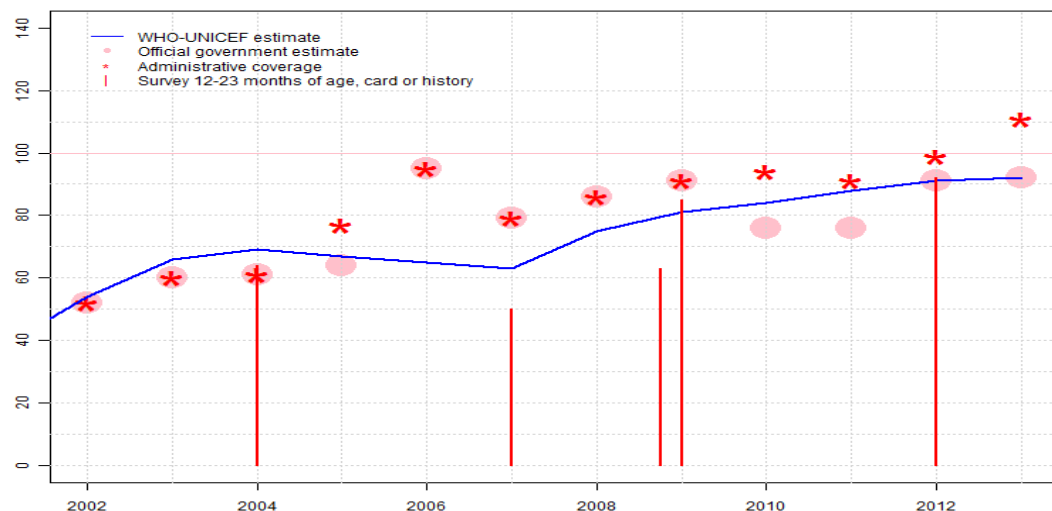
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2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 90 percent based on 1 survey(s). Report on Sierra Leone Routine Immunization Coverage Survey - 2013 card or history results of 92 percent modified for recall bias to 90 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 98 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 91 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 84 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 91 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-

2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - Pol3

SLE - Pol3



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	54	66	69	67	65	63	75	81	84	88	91	92
Estimate GoC	•	••	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Official	52	60	61	64	95	79	86	91	76	76	91	92
Administrative	52	60	61	77	95	79	86	91	94	91	99	111
Survey	NA	NA	64	NA	NA	50	NA	*	NA	NA	92	NA

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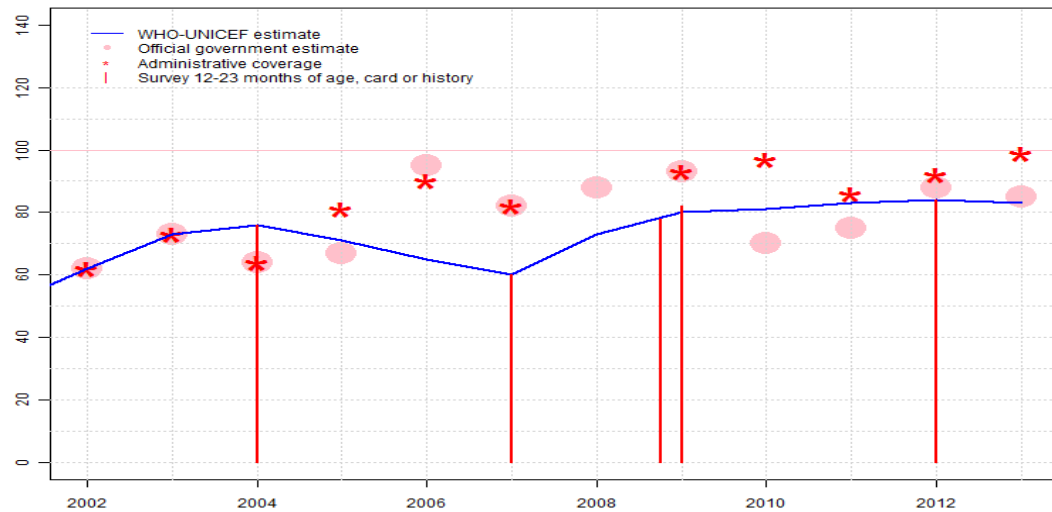
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- 2003: Reported data calibrated to 2001 and 2004 levels. GoC=S+ D+
- 2004: Estimate is based on survey results. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2005 card or history results of 64 percent modified for recall bias to 69 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 87 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 48 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 38 percent. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2006: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Reported data excluded. Unexplained increase from 64 percent to 95 percent with decrease 79 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2007: Survey evidence does not support reported data. Estimate based on survey results. Survey evidence of 63 percent based on 1 survey(s). Sierra Leone Demographic and Health Survey 2008 card or history results of 50 percent modified for recall bias to 63 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 76 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 53 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 44 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Sierra Leone Immunization Cluster Coverage Survey 2010 card or history results of 85 percent modified for recall bias to 84 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 96 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 73 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 64 percent. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2010 card or history results of 63 percent modified for recall bias to 78 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 88 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 61 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 54 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 84 percent changed from previous revision value of 81 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 88 percent changed

- from previous revision value of 81 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 90 percent based on 1 survey(s). Report on Sierra Leone Routine Immunization Coverage Survey - 2013 card or history results of 92 percent modified for recall bias to 90 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 97 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 89 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 83 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 91 percent changed from previous revision value of 81 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - MCV

SLE - MCV



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	62	73	76	71	65	60	73	80	81	83	84	83
Estimate GoC	•	•	•	•	•	•	••	•	•	•	•	•
Official	62	73	64	67	95	82	88	93	70	75	88	85
Administrative	62	73	64	81	90	82	NA	93	97	86	92	99
Survey	NA	NA	76	NA	NA	60	NA	*	NA	NA	84	NA

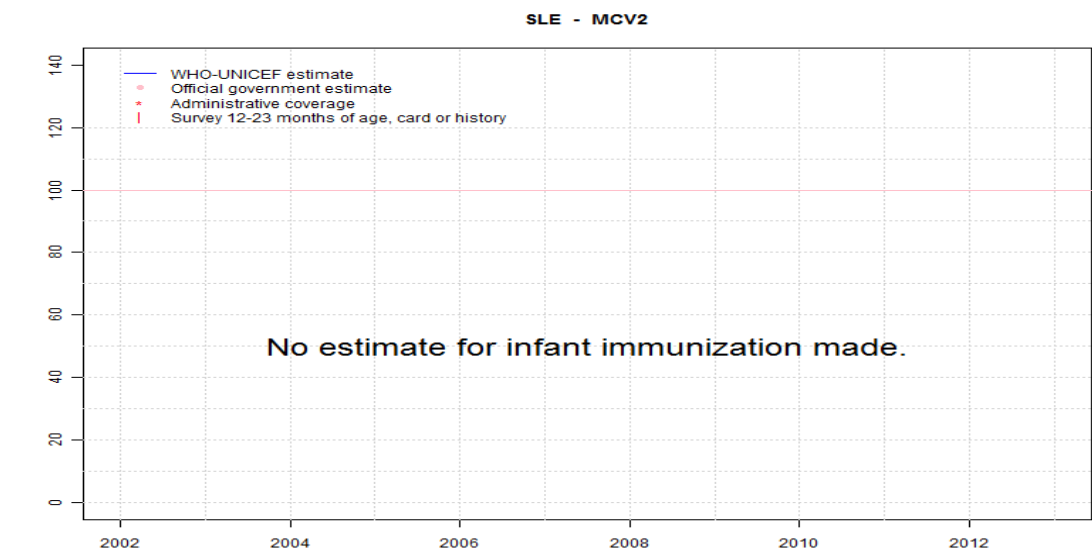
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Description:

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- 2003: Estimate is based on the reported data. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2004: Survey evidence does not support reported data. Estimate based on survey results. Survey evidence of 76 percent based on 1 survey(s). Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
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- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. GoC=S+
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
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- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 83 percent changed from previous revision value of 80 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2012: Estimate based on survey result. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 84 percent changed from previous revision value of 80 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2013: Reported data calibrated to 2012 levels. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

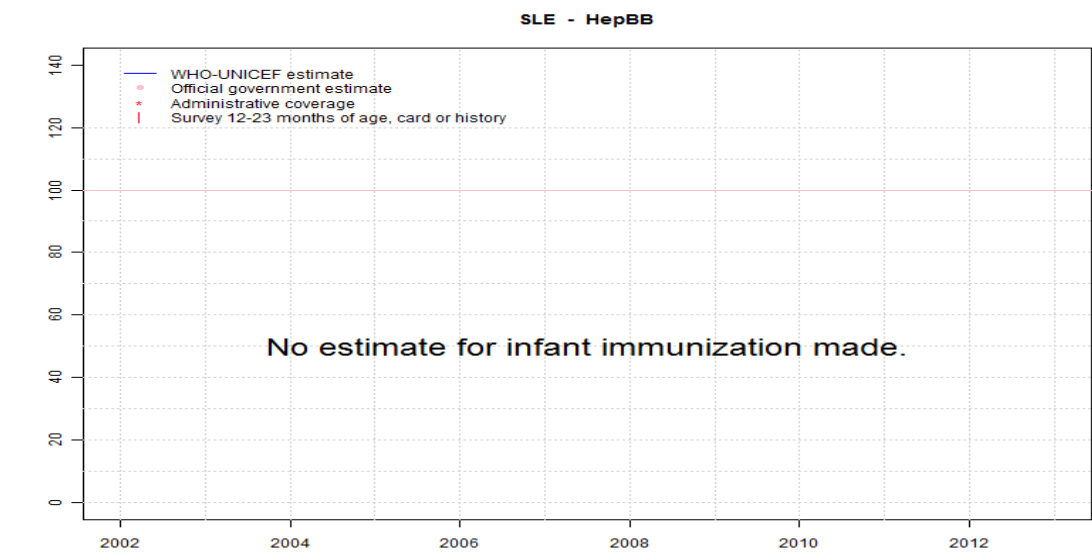


	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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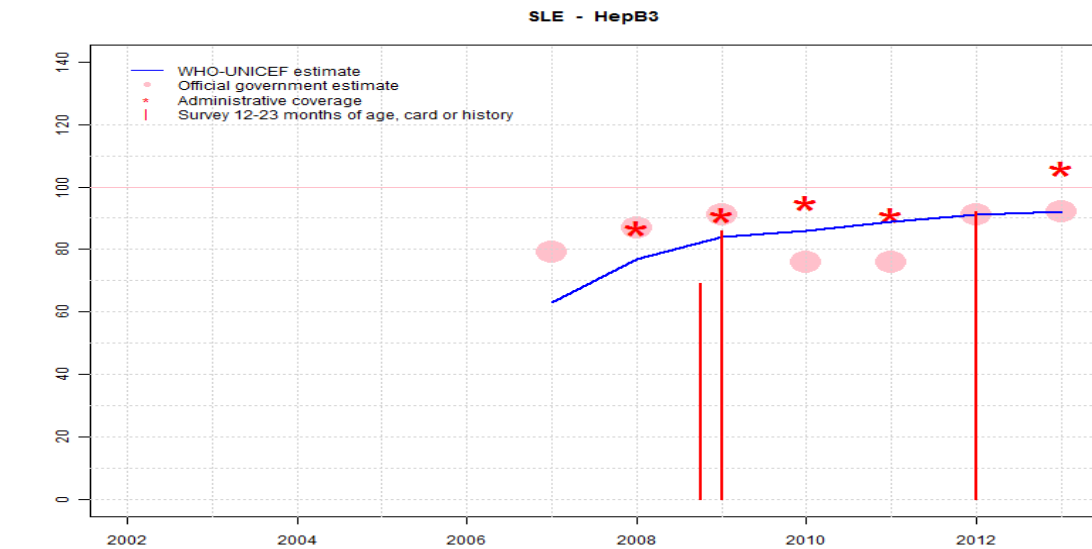
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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Sierra Leone - HepB3



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	63	77	84	86	89	91	92
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	•	•	•	•	•	••	•
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	79	87	91	76	76	91	92
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	87	91	95	91	NA	106
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*	NA	NA	92	NA

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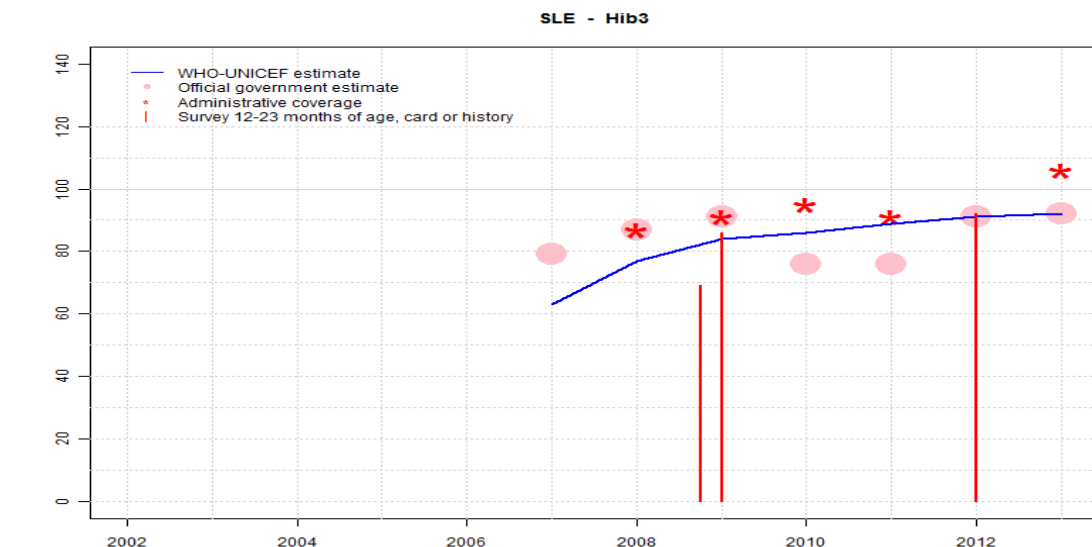
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Description:

- 2007: Estimate follows DTP3 coverage levels. HepB vaccine introduced in 2007. Vaccine presentation is DTP-HepB-Hib. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. Estimate of 77 percent changed from previous revision value of 78 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Sierra Leone Immunization Cluster Coverage Survey 2010 card or history results of 86 percent modified for recall bias to 84 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 96 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 74 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 65 percent. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2010 card or history results of 69 percent modified for recall bias to 80 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 86 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 60 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 56 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 86 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 89 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 90 percent based on 1 survey(s). Report on Sierra Leone Routine Immunization Coverage Survey - 2013 card or history results of 92 percent modified for recall bias to 90 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 98 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 91 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 84 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 91 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. GoC=R+ S+
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - Hib3



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	63	77	84	86	89	91	92
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	•	•	•	•	•	••	•
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	79	87	91	76	76	91	92
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	87	91	95	91	NA	106
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*	NA	NA	92	NA

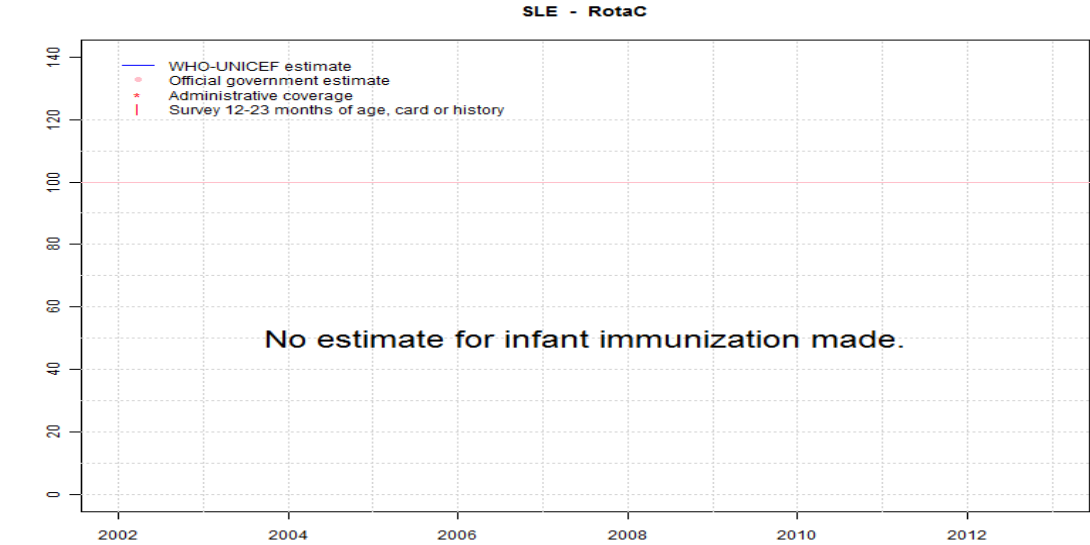
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- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2012 revision from the UN Population Division (D+), and at least one supporting survey within 2 years [S+]. While well supported, the estimate still carries a risk of being wrong.
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- There are no directly supporting data; or data from at least one source; [R-], [D-], [S-]; challenge the estimate.

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Description:

- 2007: Estimate follows DTP3 coverage levels. Hib vaccine introduced in 2007. Vaccine presentation is DTP-HepB-Hib. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2008: Reported data calibrated to 2007 and 2009 levels. Estimate of 77 percent changed from previous revision value of 78 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Sierra Leone Immunization Cluster Coverage Survey 2010 card or history results of 86 percent modified for recall bias to 84 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 96 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 74 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 65 percent. Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2010 card or history results of 69 percent modified for recall bias to 80 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 86 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 60 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 56 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 86 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 89 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 90 percent based on 1 survey(s). Report on Sierra Leone Routine Immunization Coverage Survey - 2013 card or history results of 92 percent modified for recall bias to 90 percent based on 1st dose card or history coverage of 98 percent, 1st dose card only coverage of 91 percent and 3d dose card only coverage of 84 percent. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 91 percent changed from previous revision value of 84 percent. GoC=R+ S+
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-



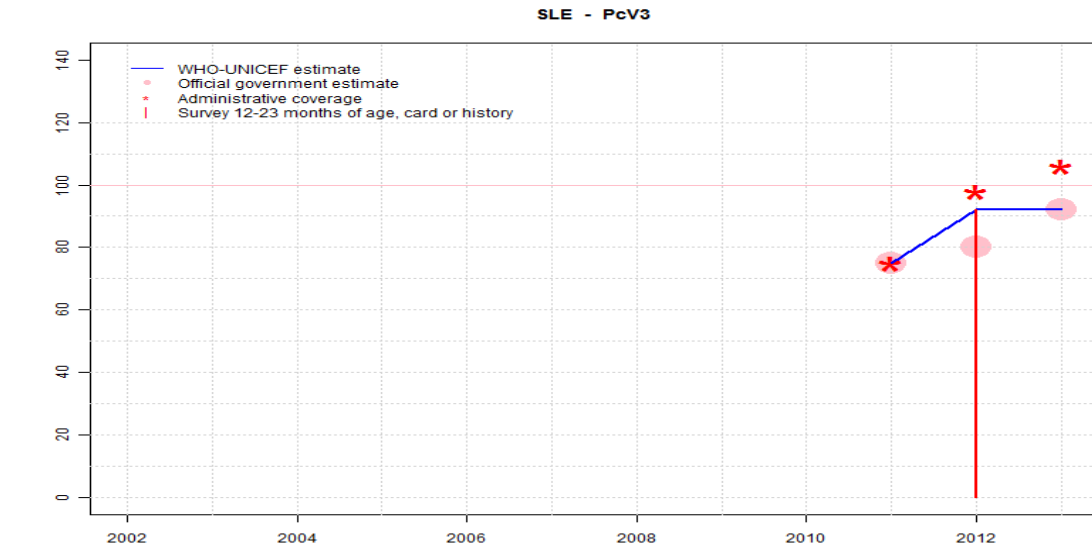
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2012 revision from the UN Population Division (D+), and at least one supporting survey within 2 years [S+]. While well supported, the estimate still carries a risk of being wrong.
- Estimate is supported by at least one data source; [R+], [S+], or [D+]; and no data source, [R-], [D-], or [S-], challenges the estimate.
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Sierra Leone - PcV3



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	75	92	92
Estimate GoC	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	•	•	•
Official	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	75	80	92
Administrative	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	75	98	106
Survey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	92	NA

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- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2012 revision from the UN Population Division (D+), and at least one supporting survey within 2 years [S+]. While well supported, the estimate still carries a risk of being wrong.
- Estimate is supported by at least one data source; [R+], [S+], or [D+]; and no data source, [R-], [D-], or [S-], challenges the estimate.
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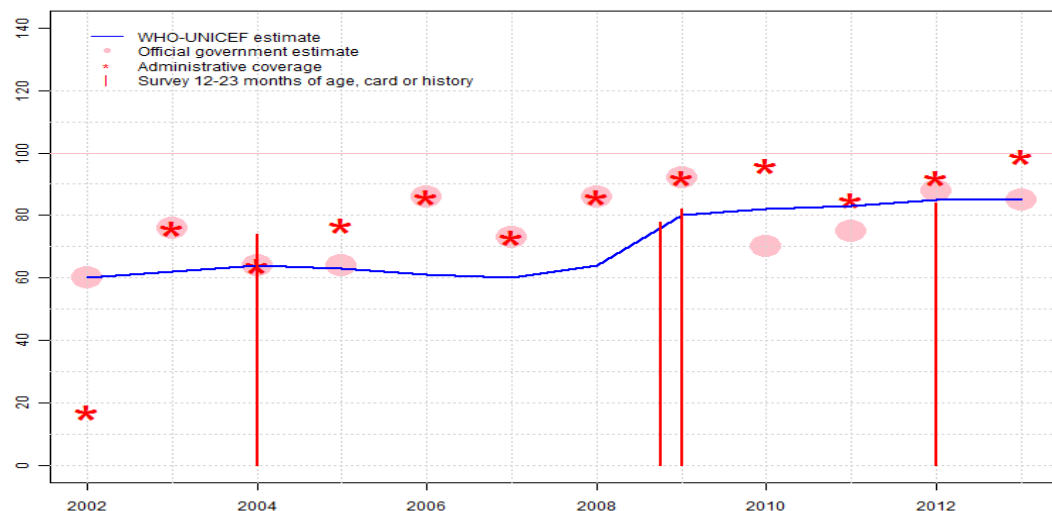
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Description:

- 2011: Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine introduced 2011. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: R-
- 2012: Estimate based on extrapolation from data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 92 percent based on 1 survey(s). Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 92 percent changed from previous revision value of 83 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

Sierra Leone - YFV

SLE - YFV



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Estimate	60	62	64	63	61	60	64	80	82	83	85	85
Estimate GoC	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Official	60	76	64	64	86	73	86	92	70	75	88	85
Administrative	17	76	64	77	86	73	86	92	96	85	92	99
Survey	NA	NA	74	NA	NA	NA	NA	*	NA	NA	84	NA

The WHO and UNICEF estimates of national immunization coverage (wuenic) are based on data and information that are of varying, and, in some instances, unknown quality. Beginning with the 2011 revision we describe the grade of confidence (GoC) we have in these estimates. As there is no underlying probability model upon which the estimates are based, we are unable to present classical measures of uncertainty, e.g., confidence intervals. Moreover, we have chosen not to make subjective estimates of plausibility/certainty ranges around the coverage. The GoC reflects the degree of empirical support upon which the estimates are based. It is not a judgment of the quality of data reported by national authorities.

- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2012 revision from the UN Population Division (D+), and at least one supporting survey within 2 years [S+]. While well supported, the estimate still carries a risk of being wrong.
- Estimate is supported by at least one data source; [R+], [S+], or [D+]; and no data source, [R-], [D-], or [S-], challenges the estimate.
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Description:

- 2002: Estimate based on reported data. YFV introduced in 2002 Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2003: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government. Reported data excluded. Unexplained increase from 60 percent to 76 percent with decrease 64 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2004: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 74 percent based on 1 survey(s). Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2005: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2006: Estimate based on interpolation between 2004 and 2007 levels. Fluctuating and inconsistent data suggest poor reporting. Reported data excluded. Unexplained increase from 64 percent to 86 percent with decrease 73 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2007: Estimate follows MCV coverage levels. Reported data excluded. Decline in reported coverage from 86 percent to 73 percent with increase to 86 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2008: Estimate based on reported data adjusted to MCV level of 2007 survey. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2009: Estimate is based on survey results, consistent with other antigens. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
- 2010: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 82 percent changed from previous revision value of 80 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2011: Reported data calibrated to 2009 and 2012 levels. Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Estimate of 83 percent changed from previous revision value of 80 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2012: Estimate based on interpolation between data reported by national government supported by survey. Survey evidence of 84 percent based on 1 survey(s). Reported data excluded. Nationally reported data ignore most recent survey in the downward adjustment of administrative coverage levels. Official estimates were based on targets from cMYP. Estimate of 85 percent changed from previous revision value of 80 percent. Estimate challenged by: D-
- 2013: Estimate based on coverage reported by national government. Official estimate based on 2013 survey results. Estimate challenged by: D-

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Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	Card or History	99	12-23 m	4282	93
BCG	Card or Scar	92	12-23 m	-	93
DTP1	Card	91	12-23 m	-	93
DTP1	Card or History	98	12-23 m	4282	93
DTP3	Card	84	12-23 m	-	93
DTP3	Card or History	92	12-23 m	4282	93
HepB1	Card	91	12-23 m	-	93
HepB1	Card or History	98	12-23 m	4282	93
HepB3	Card	84	12-23 m	-	93
HepB3	Card or History	92	12-23 m	4282	93
Hib1	Card	91	12-23 m	-	93
Hib1	Card or History	98	12-23 m	4282	93
Hib3	Card	84	12-23 m	-	93
Hib3	Card or History	92	12-23 m	4282	93
MCV	Card	74	12-23 m	-	93
MCV	Card or History	84	12-23 m	4282	93
PcV3	Card	83	12-23 m	-	93
PcV3	Card or History	92	12-23 m	4282	93
Pol1	Card	89	12-23 m	-	93
Pol1	Card or History	97	12-23 m	4282	93
Pol3	Card	83	12-23 m	-	93
Pol3	Card or History	92	12-23 m	4282	93
YFV	Card	74	12-23 m	-	93
YFV	Card or History	84	12-23 m	4282	93

2009 Sierra Leone Immunization Cluster Coverage Survey 2010

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	Card	78	12-23 m	-	78
BCG	Card or History	96	12-23 m	4011	78
DTP1	Card	74	12-23 m	-	78
DTP1	Card or History	96	12-23 m	4011	78
DTP3	Card	65	12-23 m	-	78
DTP3	Card or History	86	12-23 m	4011	78

HepB1	Card	74	12-23 m	-	78
HepB1	Card or History	96	12-23 m	4011	78
HepB3	Card	65	12-23 m	-	78
HepB3	Card or History	86	12-23 m	4011	78
Hib1	Card	74	12-23 m	-	78
Hib1	Card or History	96	12-23 m	4011	78
Hib3	Card	65	12-23 m	-	78
Hib3	Card or History	86	12-23 m	4011	78
MCV	Card	57	12-23 m	-	78
MCV	Card or History	78	12-23 m	4011	78
Pol1	Card	73	12-23 m	-	78
Pol1	Card or History	96	12-23 m	4011	78
Pol3	Card	64	12-23 m	-	78
Pol3	Card or History	85	12-23 m	4011	78
YFV	Card	57	12-23 m	-	78
YFV	Card or History	78	12-23 m	4011	78

2009 Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2010

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	C or H <12 months	95	12-23 m	1502	68
BCG	Card	67	12-23 m	1502	68
BCG	Card or History	96	12-23 m	1502	68
BCG	History	29	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP1	C or H <12 months	89	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP1	Card	64	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP1	Card or History	92	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP1	History	28	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP3	C or H <12 months	67	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP3	Card	58	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP3	Card or History	72	12-23 m	1502	68
DTP3	History	13	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB1	C or H <12 months	83	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB1	Card	60	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB1	Card or History	86	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB1	History	26	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB3	C or H <12 months	64	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB3	Card	56	12-23 m	1502	68
HepB3	Card or History	69	12-23 m	1502	68

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HepB3	History	13	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib1	C or H <12 months	83	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib1	Card	60	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib1	Card or History	86	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib1	History	26	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib3	C or H <12 months	64	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib3	Card	56	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib3	Card or History	69	12-23 m	1502	68
Hib3	History	13	12-23 m	1502	68
MCV	C or H <12 months	68	12-23 m	1502	68
MCV	Card	52	12-23 m	1502	68
MCV	Card or History	82	12-23 m	1502	68
MCV	History	29	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol1	C or H <12 months	86	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol1	Card	61	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol1	Card or History	88	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol1	History	27	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol3	C or H <12 months	58	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol3	Card	54	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol3	Card or History	63	12-23 m	1502	68
Pol3	History	9	12-23 m	1502	68
YFV	C or H <12 months	68	12-23 m	1502	68
YFV	Card	52	12-23 m	1502	68
YFV	Card or History	82	12-23 m	1502	68
YFV	History	29	12-23 m	1502	68

2007 Sierra Leone Demographic and Health Survey 2008

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	C or H <12 months	80	12-23 m	1060	60
BCG	Card	59	12-23 m	1060	60
BCG	Card or History	82	12-23 m	1060	60
BCG	History	23	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP1	C or H <12 months	75	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP1	Card	55	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP1	Card or History	77	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP1	History	21	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP3	C or H <12 months	55	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP3	Card	46	12-23 m	1060	60

DTP3	Card or History	60	12-23 m	1060	60
DTP3	History	15	12-23 m	1060	60
MCV	C or H <12 months	46	12-23 m	1060	60
MCV	Card	40	12-23 m	1060	60
MCV	Card or History	60	12-23 m	1060	60
MCV	History	20	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol1	C or H <12 months	74	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol1	Card	53	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol1	Card or History	76	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol1	History	22	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol3	C or H <12 months	45	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol3	Card	44	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol3	Card or History	50	12-23 m	1060	60
Pol3	History	6	12-23 m	1060	60

2004 Sierra Leone Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2005

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	C or H <12 months	84	12-23 m	1074	53
BCG	Card	50	12-23 m	1074	53
BCG	Card or History	86	12-23 m	1074	53
BCG	History	36	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP1	C or H <12 months	78	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP1	Card	47	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP1	Card or History	82	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP1	History	35	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP3	C or H <12 months	56	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP3	Card	37	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP3	Card or History	63	12-23 m	1074	53
DTP3	History	25	12-23 m	1074	53
MCV	C or H <12 months	62	12-23 m	1074	53
MCV	Card	33	12-23 m	1074	53
MCV	Card or History	76	12-23 m	1074	53
MCV	History	43	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol1	C or H <12 months	84	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol1	Card	48	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol1	Card or History	87	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol1	History	38	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol3	C or H <12 months	57	12-23 m	1074	53

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Pol3	Card	38	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol3	Card or History	64	12-23 m	1074	53
Pol3	History	26	12-23 m	1074	53
YFV	C or H <12 months	60	12-23 m	1074	53
YFV	Card	31	12-23 m	1074	53
YFV	Card or History	74	12-23 m	1074	53
YFV	History	44	12-23 m	1074	53

MCV	Card or History	37	12-23 m	3385	74
Pol1	Card or History	66	12-23 m	3385	74
Pol3	Card or History	46	12-23 m	3385	74

1999 Sierra Leone, Multi-Indicator Cluster Survey-MICS2, Final Report, 2000

2000 Sierra Leone, EPI National Coverage Evaluation Survey 2001

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	Card or History	74	12-23 m	3385	74
DTP1	Card or History	64	12-23 m	3385	74
DTP3	Card or History	44	12-23 m	3385	74

Vaccine	Confirmation method	Coverage	Age cohort	Sample	Cards seen
BCG	Card or History	73	12-23 m	547	35
DTP1	Card or History	68	12-23 m	547	35
DTP3	Card or History	46	12-23 m	547	35
MCV	Card or History	62	12-23 m	547	35
Pol1	Card or History	82	12-23 m	547	35
Pol3	Card or History	61	12-23 m	547	35

Further information and estimates prior to 2002 are available at:

<http://www.data.unicef.org/child-health/immunization>

http://www.who.int/immunization/monitoring_surveillance/routine/coverage/en/index4.html

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WHO/UNICEF Estimates of Protection at Birth (PAB) against tetanus

In countries where tetanus is recommended for girls and women coverage is usually reported as "TT2+", i.e. the proportion of (pregnant) women who have received their second or superior TT dose in a given year. TT2 + coverage, however, can under-represent the actual proportion of births that are protected against tetanus as it does not include women who have previously received protective doses, women who received one dose without documentation of previous doses, and women who received doses in TT (or Td) supplemental immunization activities (SIA). In addition, girls who have received DTP in their childhood and are entering childbearing age, may be protected with TT booster doses.

WHO and UNICEF have developed a model that takes into account the above scenarios, and calculates the proportion of births in a given year that can be considered as having been protected against tetanus - "Protection at Birth".

In this model, annual cohorts of women are followed from infancy through their life. A proportion receive DTP in infancy (estimated based on the WHO-UNICEF estimates of DTP3 coverage). In addition some of these women also receive TT through routine services when they are pregnant and may also receive TT during SIAs. The model also adjusts reported data, taking into account coverage patterns in other years, and/or results available through surveys. The duration of protection is then calculated, based on WHO estimates of the duration of protection by doses ever received. The proportion of births that are protected against tetanus as a result of maternal immunization reflects the tetanus immunization received by the mother throughout her life rather than simply the TT immunizations received during the current pregnancy.

Year	PAB coverage estimate (%)
2002	77
2003	79
2004	81
2005	83
2006	85
2007	94
2008	97
2009	97
2010	85
2011	85
2012	87
2013	87

¹ This model is described in: Griffiths U., Wolfson L., Quddus A., Younus M., Hafiz R.. Incremental cost-effectiveness of supplementary immunization activities to prevent neo-natal tetanus in Pakistan. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 2004; 82:643-651.