**DEMOGRAPHICS**

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**Sources:**
- Other NS 2008
- MICS 2000-2001
- DHS 2007
- MICS 2008
- Other NS

**Under-five mortality rate**

Deaths per 1,000 live births

- 1990: 129
- 1995: 118
- 2000: 43

**Causes of under-five deaths, 2004**

- Neonatal
- Malaria
- Others
- HIV/AIDS
- Pneumonia
- Noma
- Diarrhoea
- Measles
- Injuries
- Others

**Nutritional Status**

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**Current nutritional status**

- Percentage of children < 5 years old suffering from:
  - Stunted
  - Underweight
  - Wasting

**Stunting trends**

Percentage of children < 5 years old stunted NCHS reference population

**Underweight trends**

Percentage of children < 5 years old underweight, NCHS reference population

**Infant and Young Child Feeding**

**Infant feeding practices, by age**

- Weaned (not breastfed)
- Breastfed and plain water only
- Breastfed and other milk/formula
- Breastfed and solid/semi-solid foods
- Breastfed and non-milk liquids

**Exclusive breastfeeding**

Percentage of infants < 6 months old exclusively breastfed

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To increase children’s chances of survival, improve development and prevent stunting, nutrition interventions need to be delivered during the mother’s pregnancy and the first two years of the child’s life.