Libya: WHO and UNICEF estimates of immunization coverage: 2022 revision

WHO and UNICEF estimates of national immunization coverage - next revision available July 15, 2024

data received as of June 26, 2023.
BACKGROUND NOTE: Each year WHO and UNICEF jointly review reports submitted by Member States regarding national immunization coverage, finalized survey reports as well as data from the published and grey literature. Based on these data, with due consideration to potential biases and the views of local experts, WHO and UNICEF attempt to distinguish between situations where the available empirical data accurately reflect immunization system performance and those where the data are likely to be compromised and present a misleading view of immunization coverage while jointly estimating the most likely coverage levels for each country.

WHO and UNICEF estimates are country-specific; that is to say, each country’s data are reviewed individually, and data are not borrowed from other countries in the absence of data. Estimates are not based on ad hoc adjustments to reported data; in some instances empirical data are available from a single source, usually the nationally reported coverage data. In cases where no data are available for a given country/vaccine/year combination, data are considered from earlier and later years and interpolated to estimate coverage for the missing year(s). In cases where data sources are mixed and show large variation, an attempt is made to identify the most likely estimate with consideration of the possible biases in available data. For methods see:

*Brown et al. 2013. An introduction to the grade of confidence used to characterize uncertainty around immunization coverage: a computational logic approach.
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DATA SOURCES.

ADMINISTRATIVE coverage: Reported by national authorities and based on aggregated administrative reports from health service providers on the number of vaccinations administered during a given period (numerator data) and reported target population data (denominator data). May be biased by inaccurate numerator and/or denominator data.

OFFICIAL coverage: Estimated coverage reported by national authorities that reflects their assessment of the most likely coverage based on any combination of administrative coverage, survey-based estimates or other data sources or adjustments. Approaches to determine OFFICIAL coverage may differ across countries.

SURVEY coverage: Based on estimated coverage from population-based household surveys among children aged 12-23 months or 24-35 months following a review of survey methods and results. Information is based on the combination of vaccination history from documented evidence or caregiver recall. Survey results are considered for the appropriate birth cohort based on the period of data collection.

ABBREVIATIONS

BCG: percentage of births who received one dose of Bacillus Calmette Guerin vaccine.
DTP1 / DTP3: percentage of surviving infants who received the 1st / 3rd dose, respectively, of diphtheria and tetanus toxoids with pertussis containing vaccine.
Poli3: percentage of surviving infants who received the 3rd dose of polio containing vaccine. May be either oral or inactivated polio vaccine.
IPV1: percentage of surviving infants who received at least one dose of inactivated polio vaccine. In countries utilizing an immunization schedule recommending either (i) a primary series of three doses of oral polio vaccine (OPV) plus at least one dose of IPV where OPV is included in routine immunization and/or campaign or (ii) a sequential schedule of IPV followed by OPV, WHO and UNICEF estimates for IPV1 reflect coverage with at least one routine dose of IPV among infants <1 year of age among countries. For countries utilizing IPV containing vaccine use only, i.e., no recommended dose of OPV, the WHO and UNICEF estimate for IPV1 corresponds to coverage for the 1st dose of IPV.

MCV1: percentage of surviving infants who received the 1st dose of measles containing vaccine. In countries where the national schedule recommends the 1st dose of MCV at 12 months or later based on the epidemiology of disease in the country, coverage estimates reflect the percentage of children who received the 1st dose of MCV as recommended.
MCV2: percentage of children who received the 2nd dose of measles containing vaccine according to the nationally recommended schedule.
RCV1: percentage of surviving infants who received the 1st dose of rubella containing vaccine. Coverage estimates are based on WHO and UNICEF estimates of coverage for the dose of measles containing vaccine that corresponds to the first measles-rubella combination vaccine. Nationally reported coverage of RCV is not taken into consideration nor are the data represented in the accompanying graph and data table.
HepBB: percentage of births which received a dose of hepatitis B vaccine within 24 hours of delivery. Estimates of hepatitis B birth dose coverage are produced only for countries with a universal birth dose policy. Estimates are not produced for countries that recommend a birth dose to infants born to HepB virus-infected mothers only or where there is insufficient information to determine whether vaccination is within 24 hours of birth.
HepB3: percentage of surviving infants who received the 3rd dose of hepatitis B containing vaccine following the birth dose.
 Hib3: percentage of surviving infants who received the 3rd dose of Haemophilus influenzae type b containing vaccine.
 RotaC: percentage of surviving infants who received the final recommended dose of rotavirus vaccine, which can be either the 2nd or the 3rd dose depending on the vaccine.
 PcV3: percentage of surviving infants who received the 3rd dose of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine. In countries where the national schedule recommends two doses during infancy and a booster dose at 12 months or later based on the epidemiology of disease in the country, coverage estimates may reflect the percentage of surviving infants who received two doses of PcV prior to the 1st birthday.
 YFV: percentage of surviving infants who received one dose of yellow fever vaccine in countries where YFV is part of the national immunization schedule for children or is recommended in at risk areas; coverage estimates are annualized for the entire cohort of surviving infants.

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Libya - IPV1

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2017: Estimate informed by reported administrative data. Estimate challenged by: D-

2016: Estimate informed by reported data. Estimate challenged by: D-

2015: Estimate informed by reported data. Inactivated polio vaccine introduced in April 2014. Reporting began in 2015. Vaccine presentation is DTP-HepB-Hib-IPV. Estimate challenged by: D-

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Libya - MCV1

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Libya - MCV2

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Description:

Coverage estimates for the second dose of measles containing vaccine are for children by the nationally recommended age.

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Libya - RCV1

Description:

For this revision, coverage estimates for the first dose of rubella containing vaccine are based on WHO and UNICEF estimates of coverage of measles containing vaccine. Nationally reported coverage of rubella containing vaccine is not taken into consideration nor are they represented in the accompanying graph and data table.

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Libya - RCV1

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**Libya - HepB3**

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- Estimate is supported by at least one survey reporting a reduction in coverage [S+] or at least one survey within 2 years [S-].

- Estimate is supported by at least one independent source: [R+], [R-], or [D+]; and no data source, [R-], [D-], or [S-], challenges the estimate.

- There are no directly supporting data; or data from at least one source: [R-], [D-], [S-]; challenge the estimate.

In all cases these estimates should be used with caution and should be assessed in light of the objective for which they are being used.
2017: Estimate informed by reported administrative data. Estimate challenged by: D-
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2013: Estimate informed by interpolation between reported data. GoC=No accepted empirical data
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2011: Estimate informed by interpolation between reported data. No empirical data available. Estimate is based on interpolation and actual coverage levels were likely lower during the time of civil strife. GoC=No accepted empirical data
Libya - RotaC

Description:

2022: Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and subnational levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Despite the ongoing humanitarian crisis, reported coverage levels have been sustained. Government indicates that official estimates are derived from the administrative coverage based on the average of previous years. In 2021, reports indicated that up to 90 percent of primary health care (PHC) were closed in some areas (WHO Appeal for Libya 2023 who.int/emergencies/funding/outbreak-and-crisisresponse-appeal/2023/2023-appeals/appeal-libya). No nationally representative household survey within the last 5 years. WHO and UNICEF recommend a high-quality survey to confirm reported levels of coverage, as the situation permits. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2021: Prolonged instability continues. Available data to quantify the magnitude of the disruption of health service delivery are scarce. Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Programme reports two months vaccine stockout at national and subnational levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2020: Prolonged instability continues. Available data to quantify the magnitude of the disruption of health service delivery are scarce. Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2019: WHO and UNICEF have highlighted the impact of ongoing civil conflict and instability on children, particularly those residing in Tripoli, Derna and urban areas in the west and south (see UN News, https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/01/1055492). WHO and UNICEF have noted severe disruptions to the health system, including immunization service delivery and availability of essential medicines (see Lancet. 2014;387:1363 and Lancet. 2018;391:824-5). While reports suggest these disruptions have been ongoing for several years, unfortunately, available data that quantifies the magnitude and onset of the disruption of health service delivery are scarce. Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. Uses this information and a strong assumption that immunization services were severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2018: Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. Estimate is based on a reduction in coverage consistent with an extreme assumption of no service delivery during the three months vaccine stockout. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

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- Estimate is supported by reported data [R+], coverage recalculated with an independent denominator from the World Population Prospects: 2022 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.

- There are no directly supporting data; or data from at least one source; [R-], [D-], [S-]; challenge the estimate.

In all cases these estimates should be used with caution and should be assessed in light of the objective for which they are being used.
D-R-

2017: Estimate informed by reported administrative data. Estimate challenged by: D-

2016: Estimate based on reported data following introduction. Estimate challenged by: D-

2015: Reported data calibrated to 2014 and 2016 levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2014: Estimate of 86 percent assigned by working group. Rotavirus vaccine introduced during 2013 and reporting started in 2014. Programme reports 97 percent coverage in 92 percent of the target population. Estimate is based on annualized coverage achieved in the national birth cohort. Programme does not provide an explanation for adjustment of government official coverage from administrative reported data. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
Libya - PcV3

Description:

2022: Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and subnational levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Despite the ongoing humanitarian crisis, reported coverage levels have been sustained. Government indicates that official estimates are derived from the administrative coverage based on the average of previous years. In 2021, reports indicated that up to 90 percent of primary health care (PHC) were closed in some areas (WHO Appeal for Libya 2023 who.int/emergencies/funding/outbreak-and-crisis-response-appeal/2023/2023-appeals/appeal-libya). No nationally representative household survey within the last 5 years. WHO and UNICEF recommend a high-quality survey to confirm reported levels of coverage, as the situation permits. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2021: Prolonged instability continues. Available data to quantify the magnitude of the disruption of health service delivery are scarce. Programme reports four months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Programme reports two months vaccine stockout at national and subnational levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

2020: Prolonged instability continues. Available data to quantify the magnitude of the disruption of health service delivery are scarce. Programme reports four months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. As done for previous years, using this information and a strong assumption that immunization services have been severely disrupted during the vaccine stockout, the estimate is based on a 25 percentage point reduction in coverage consistent with the duration of the stockout. Estimate challenged by: D-R-

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2018: Programme reports three months vaccine stockout at national and sub-national levels. Estimate is based on a reduction in coverage consistent with an extreme assumption of no service delivery during the three months vaccine stockout. Estimate challenged by:
2017: Estimate informed by reported administrative data. Estimate challenged by: D-
2016: Estimate based on reported data following introduction. Estimate challenged by: D-
2015: Reported data calibrated to 2014 and 2016 levels. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
2014: Estimate of 39 percent assigned by working group. Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine introduced during 2013 and reporting started in 2014. Programme reports 97 percent coverage in 42 percent of the target population. Estimate is based on coverage achieved in the national target population. Programme does not provide an explanation for adjustment of government official coverage from administrative reported data. Estimate challenged by: D-R-
NOTE: A survey to measure vaccination coverage for infants (i.e., children aged 0 to 11 months) will sample children aged 12 to 23 months at the time of survey to capture the youngest annual cohort of children who should have completed the vaccination schedule. Because WUENIC are for infant vaccinations, survey data in this report are presented to reflect the birth year of the youngest survey cohort. For example, results for a survey conducted during December 2020 among children aged 12 to 23 months at the time of the survey reflect the immunization experience of children born in 2019. Depending on the timing of survey field work, results may reflect the immunization experience of children born and vaccinated 1 or 2 years prior to the survey field work.

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Libya - survey details

Further information and estimates for previous years are available at:
https://data.unicef.org/topic/child-health/immunization/
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