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About

This dataset is from the [WHO Health Inequality Data Repository](#).

This dataset contains data for under-five mortality rate estimates disaggregated by subnational region produced by the United Nations Inter-Agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (UN IGME), for 22 countries across sub-Saharan Africa and Southern Asia.

The [UN IGME](#) is led by the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and includes the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Bank Group and the United Nations Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs as full members.

Data source

Under-five mortality rates are published by the UN IGME here: <https://childmortality.org/>.

Methodology

The UN IGME applies a common estimation method across all countries in the interest of comparability. A description of the methodology for calculating the estimates is available here: <https://childmortality.org/methods>.

Dataset metadata

Date of first publication	April 2023
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Date of data extraction	September 2022
Temporal coverage	1990–2019
Spatial coverage	Global
Spatial granularity	National
Number of countries, territories or areas	22
Number of indicators	1
Number of dimensions of inequality	1

Inequality dimensions

For **subnational region**, country-specific criteria were applied to identify administrative levels 1 and 2.

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Indicator name	Disaggregation	Definition / Further information	Notes
Under-five mortality rate (deaths per 1000 live births)	Subnational region (administrative level 1 and administrative level 2)	Probability of dying between birth and five years of age, expressed per 1000 live births.	<p>Further information: https://childmortality.org/methods</p> <p>Explanatory notes: https://childmortality.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/UN-IGME_explanatory_subnational-U5MR_ENG_2021.pdf</p>