

GOAL 4. Reduce child mortality

National Level Monitoring

Indicators	1991	1997	2001	2006	Where Niue would like to be in 2015	2015 Will this indicator be met?	Source
Target 5: Reduce by two-thirds, between 1990 and 2015, the under-five mortality rate							
Indicator 13 Under-five mortality rate	0	0	0	0	0	Already met	NSO
Indicator 14 Infant mortality rate per 1,000 (number)	1	1	2	1	0	Already met	Census
Indicator 15 Proportion of 1 year old children immunized against measles	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	Already met	Health

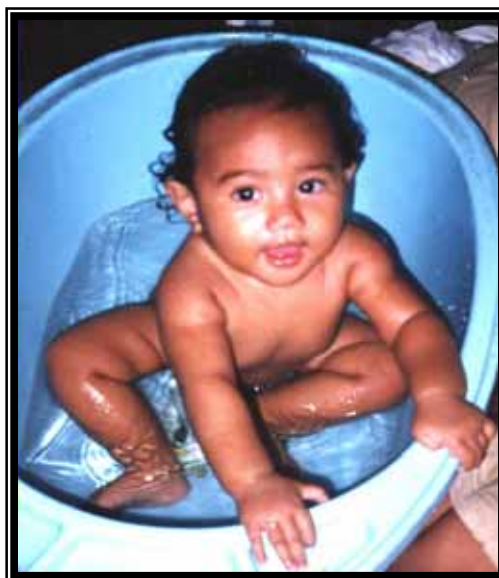
Status and Trends

The GON – Health Department are the sole providers of health care for all residents of Niue and is free of charge, however there is a minimal charge to non-residents. Health care for all residents is considered to be of such a high standard around the region.

Cyclone Heta demolished Niue's newly renovated hospital, in January 2004 that caused almost all of its childbirth to be carried out in New Zealand from then until early 2006. The current new hospital was opened in March 2006 where all births are carried out.



Above photo by Niu Tauevihi



Key Challenges

- Maintain or better health standards for all children in Niue to stay healthy and strong.
- Protect children from accidents in the homes, on the roads, at schools and other places known to have caused accidents.
- Parents and caregivers continue to have 100% access to quality health care services.
- Parents and care givers to be well informed and educated in sound and safe childcare.
- That all mothers to exclusively breast-feed their babies until 6 months, unless contradicted by medical reasons.



Above photo by Tahadrienne Tahafa

Proposed Actions

Policy Action	Implementing Local Agency	Implementing International Agency	Resource/Source	Timeframe
Maintain 100% Immunization coverage	Health		Recurrent/External	On Going
Strengthen Data and statistical system on Health	Health and Stats Niue	NZAID	Recurrent/External	On Going
Increase Health spending on child health promotion	Health	SPC	Recurrent/External	On Going
Improve delivery of quality health services especially health promotion and education in communities and schools	Health	SPC / WHO	Recurrent/External	On Going

GOAL 5. Improve maternal health

National-level monitoring

Indicators	1991	1997	2001	2006	Where Niue would like to be in 2015	2015 Will indicators be met?	Source
Target 6: Reduce by three-quarters, between 1990 and 2015, the maternal mortality ratio							
Indicator 16 Maternal mortality ratio	0	0	0	0	0	Already met	Health
Indicator 17 Proportion of births attended by skilled health personnel	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	Already met	Health

Status and Trends

From the Niue 2001 Census of population and households the proportion of women in the childbearing age (15-49 years) accounts for 46.2 % of the total women counted.

Given the status of the health services provided for the citizens of Niue as a whole to be relatively good, the status of maternal health provided for the women was no exception.

As mentioned in Goal 4, Niue has a health referral system to New Zealand, which relies on early detection of complications.

There has been no case of women dying of childbirth since early 1980s, which is evident to the high standard of health services provided for the mothers in Niue through maternal and community awareness.

Key Challenges

- Maintain the current position through increased and strengthened public awareness on maternal well being thus avoiding preventable complications and medical emergencies.
- Early detection of unavoidable complications and medical emergencies during pregnancy, childbirth and immediate postpartum.

Proposed Actions

Action	Implementing Local Agency	Implementing International Agency	Resource/Source	Timeframe
Undertake Health Education, promotion and awareness on women health issues in relates to pregnancy and childbirth.	Health	WHO / SPC	Recurrent/External	On Going
Increase and strengthen health promotion, education and awareness on maternal health.	Health	WHO / SPC	Recurrent/External	On Going
Increase national budgetary assistance for reproductive health promotion.	Health	WHO	Recurrent/External	On Going