

Pacific Heads of Health

Réunion des directeurs de la santé du Pacifique

Where are we now?

Current status of water and sanitation in the Pacific



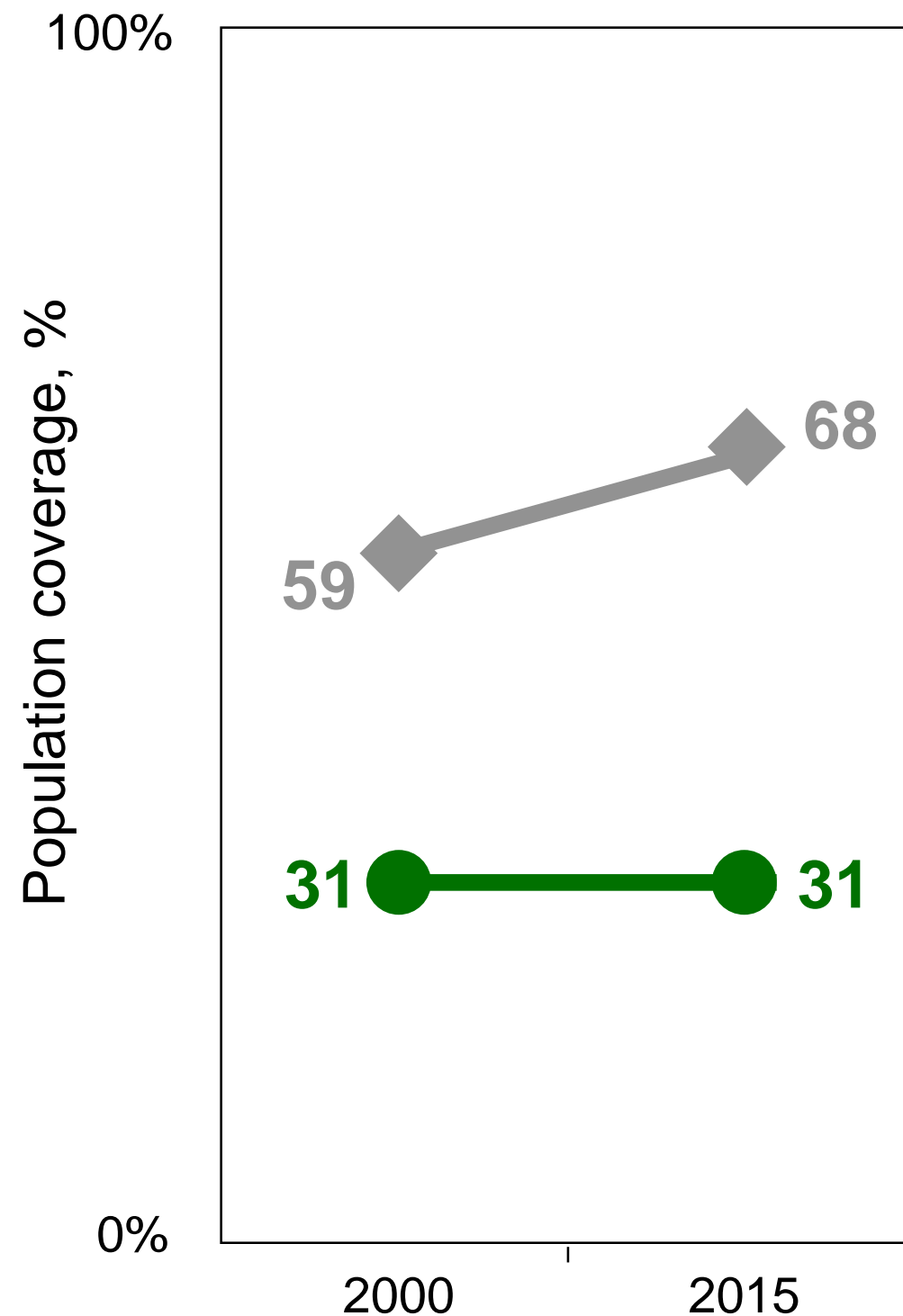




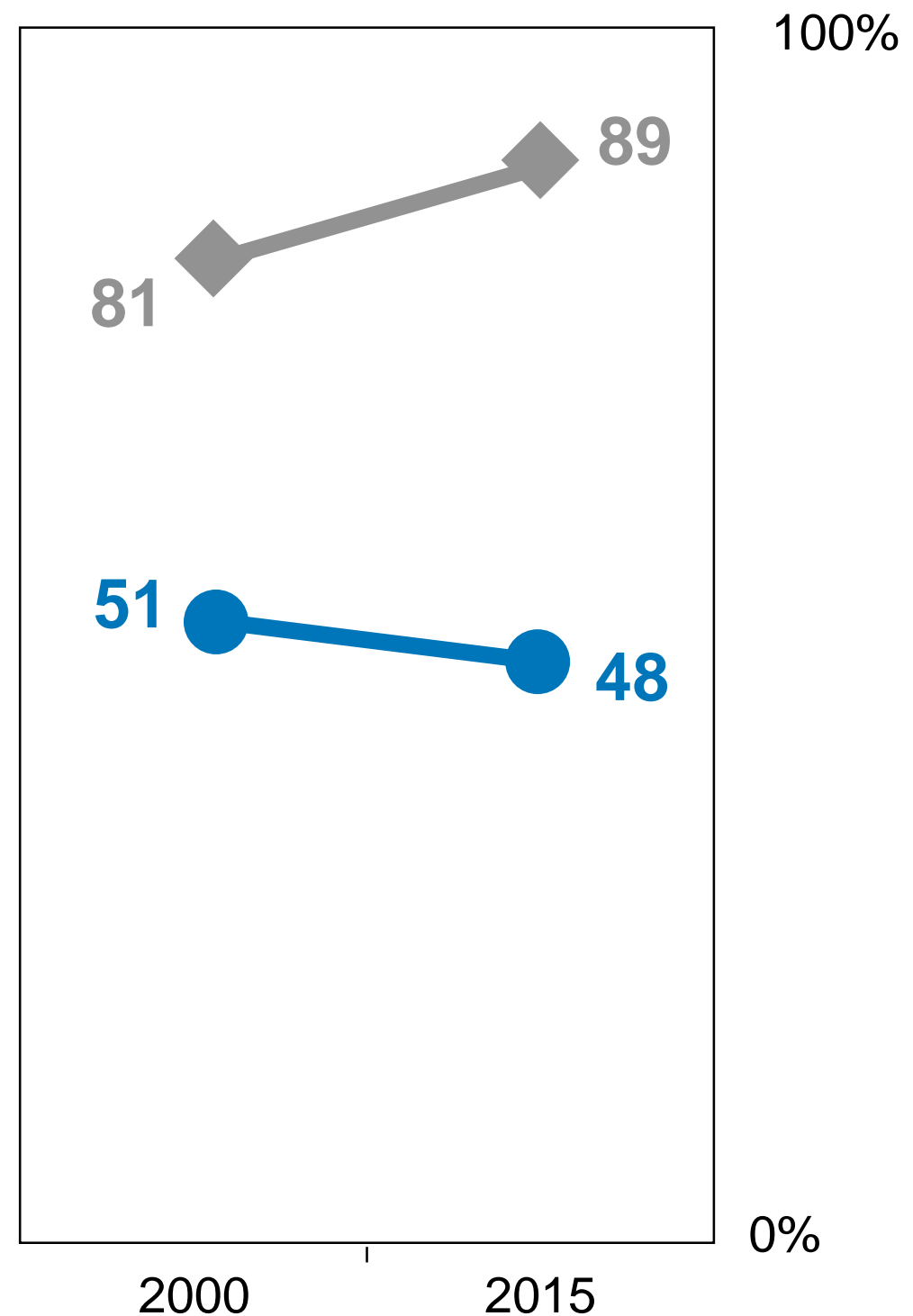
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Coverage levels are stagnant or dropping

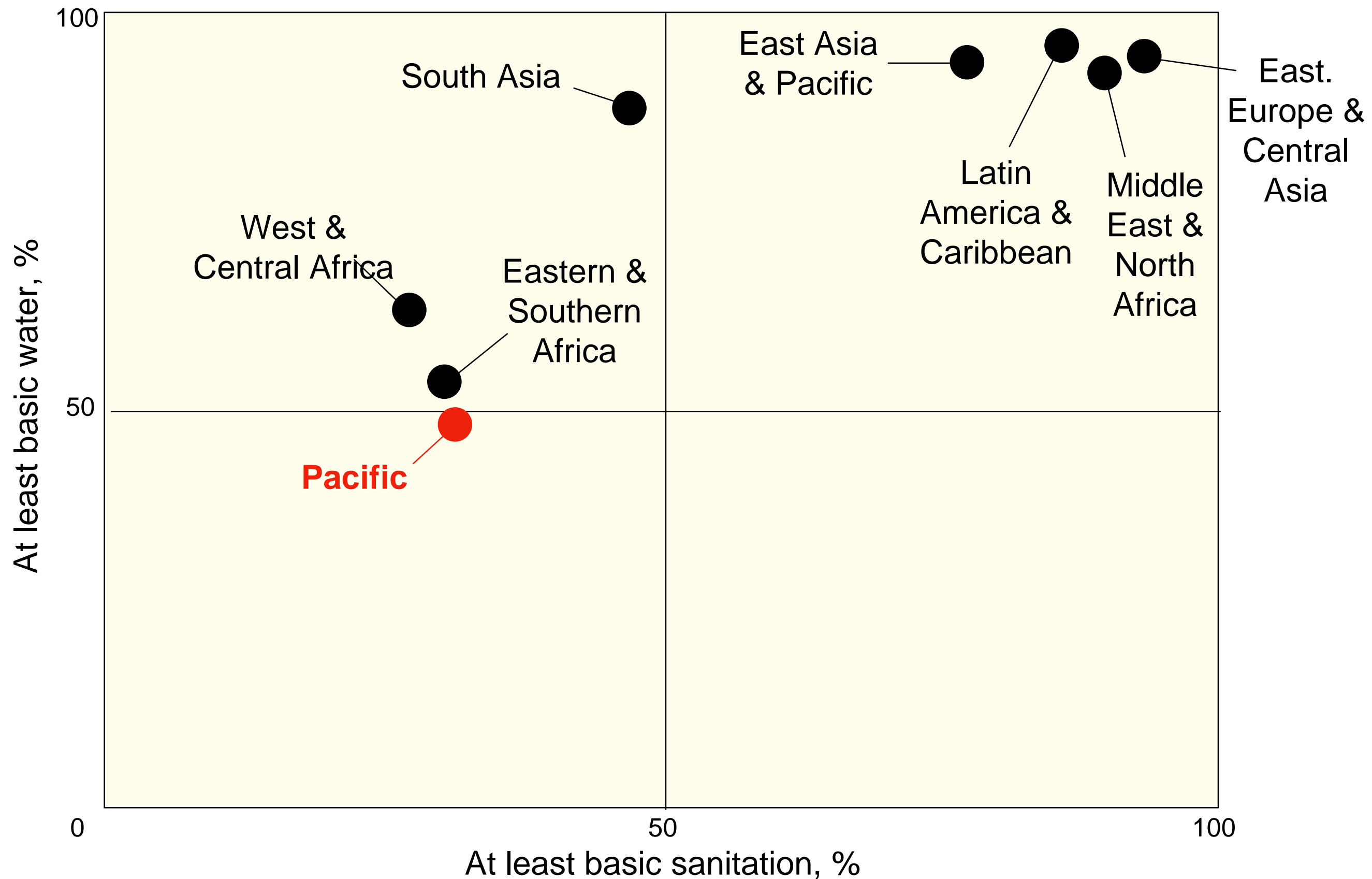
Sanitation



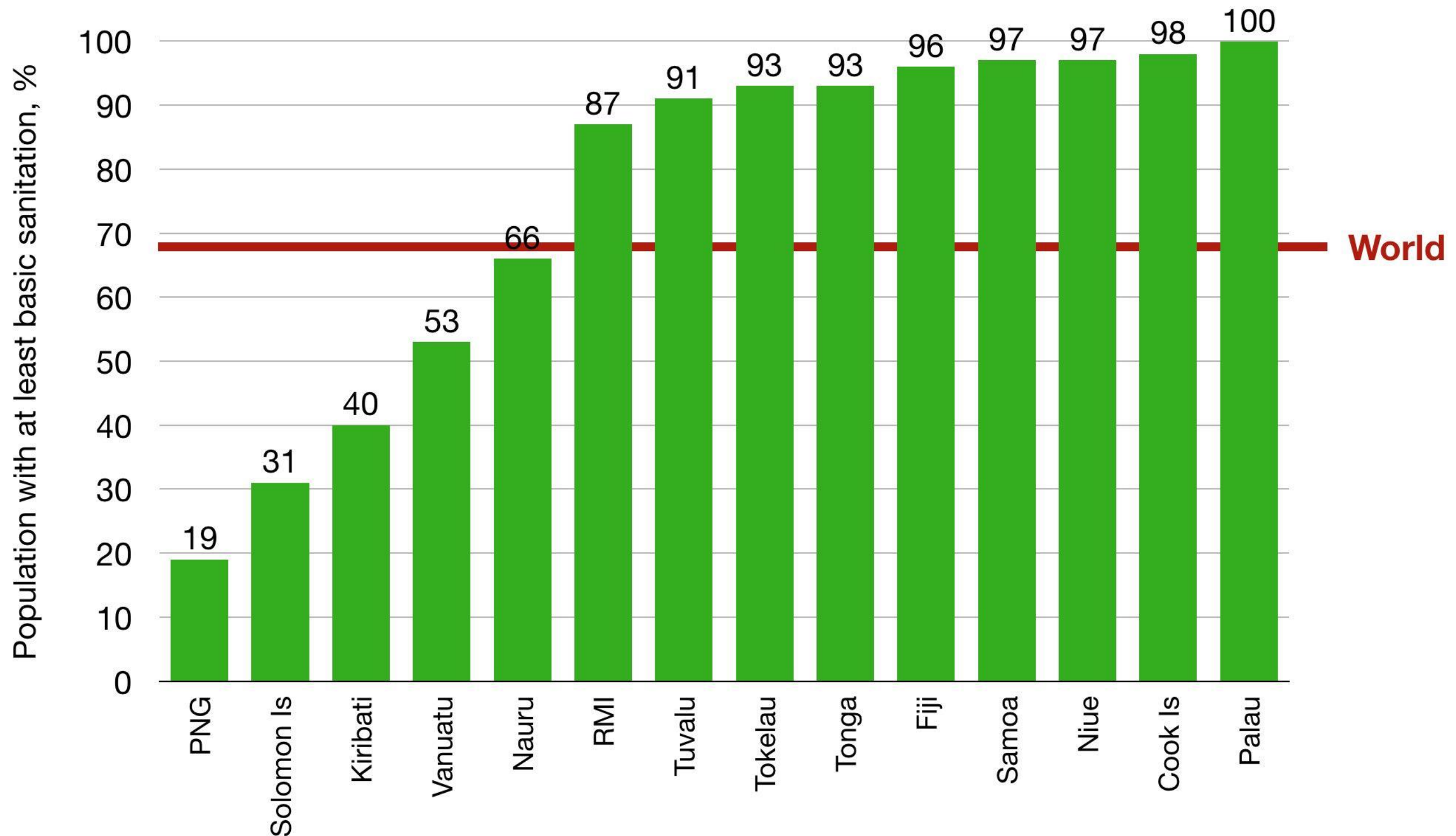
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As a region, access is amongst the lowest in the world

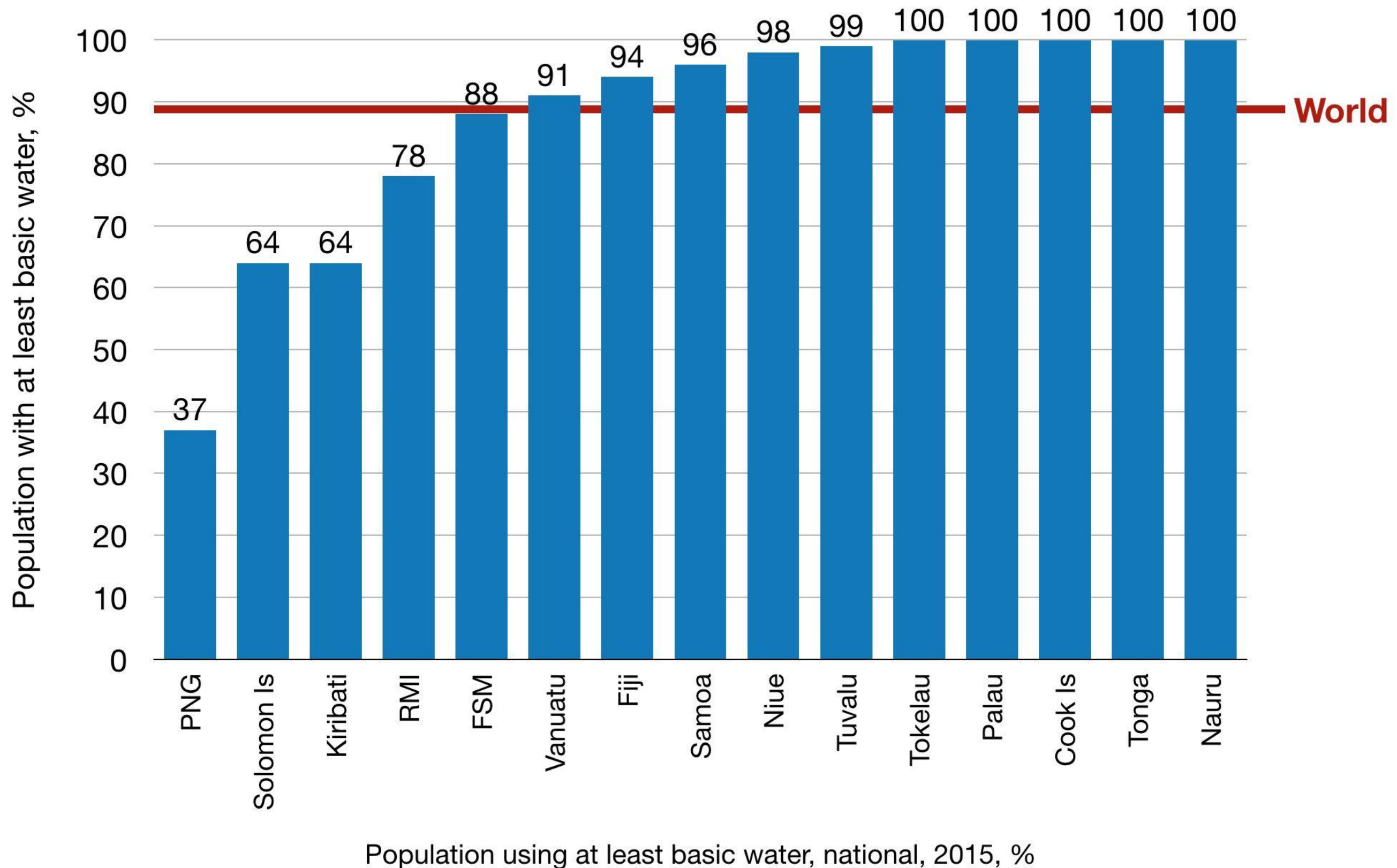


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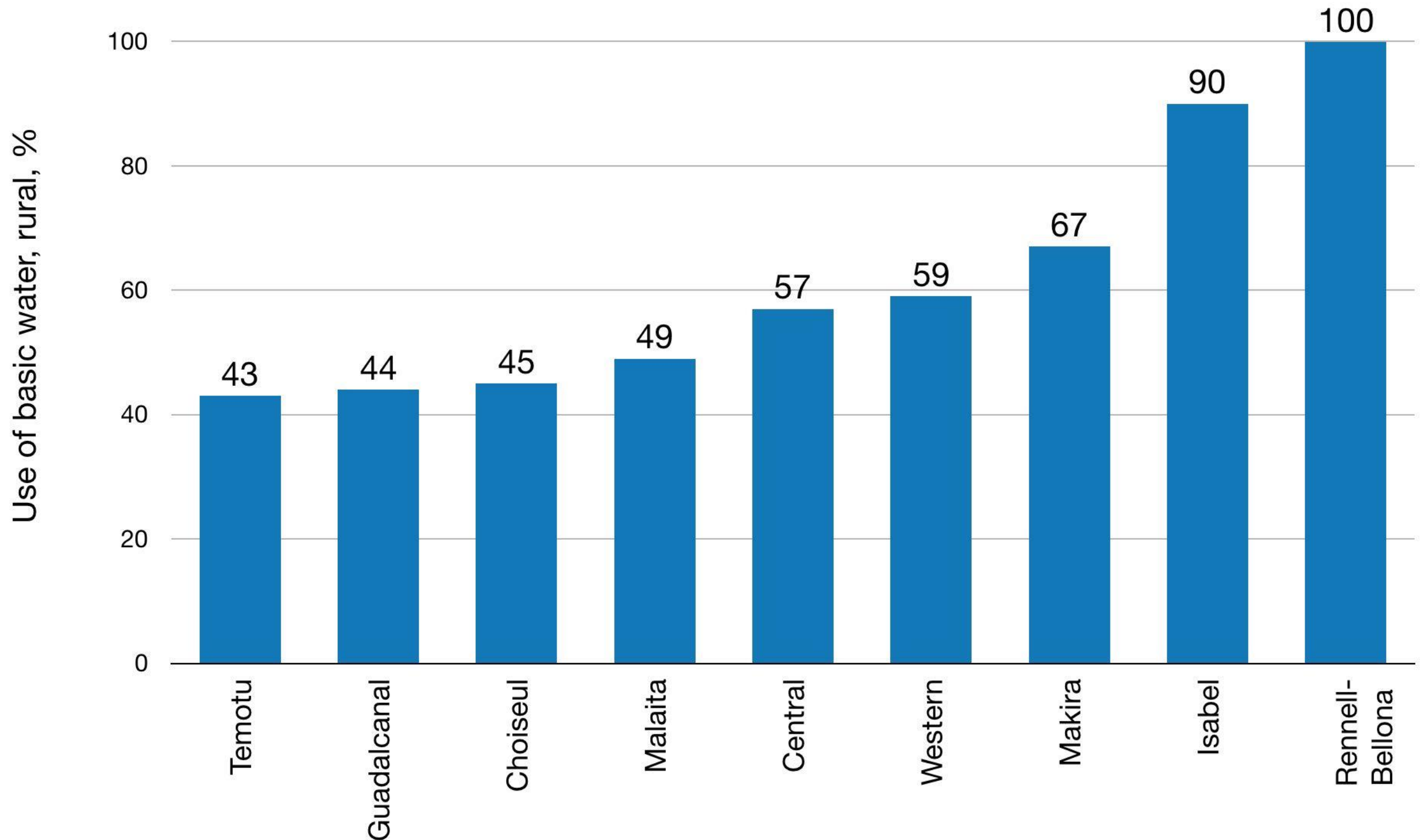


Population using at least basic sanitation, national, % (no data for the Federated States of Micronesia)

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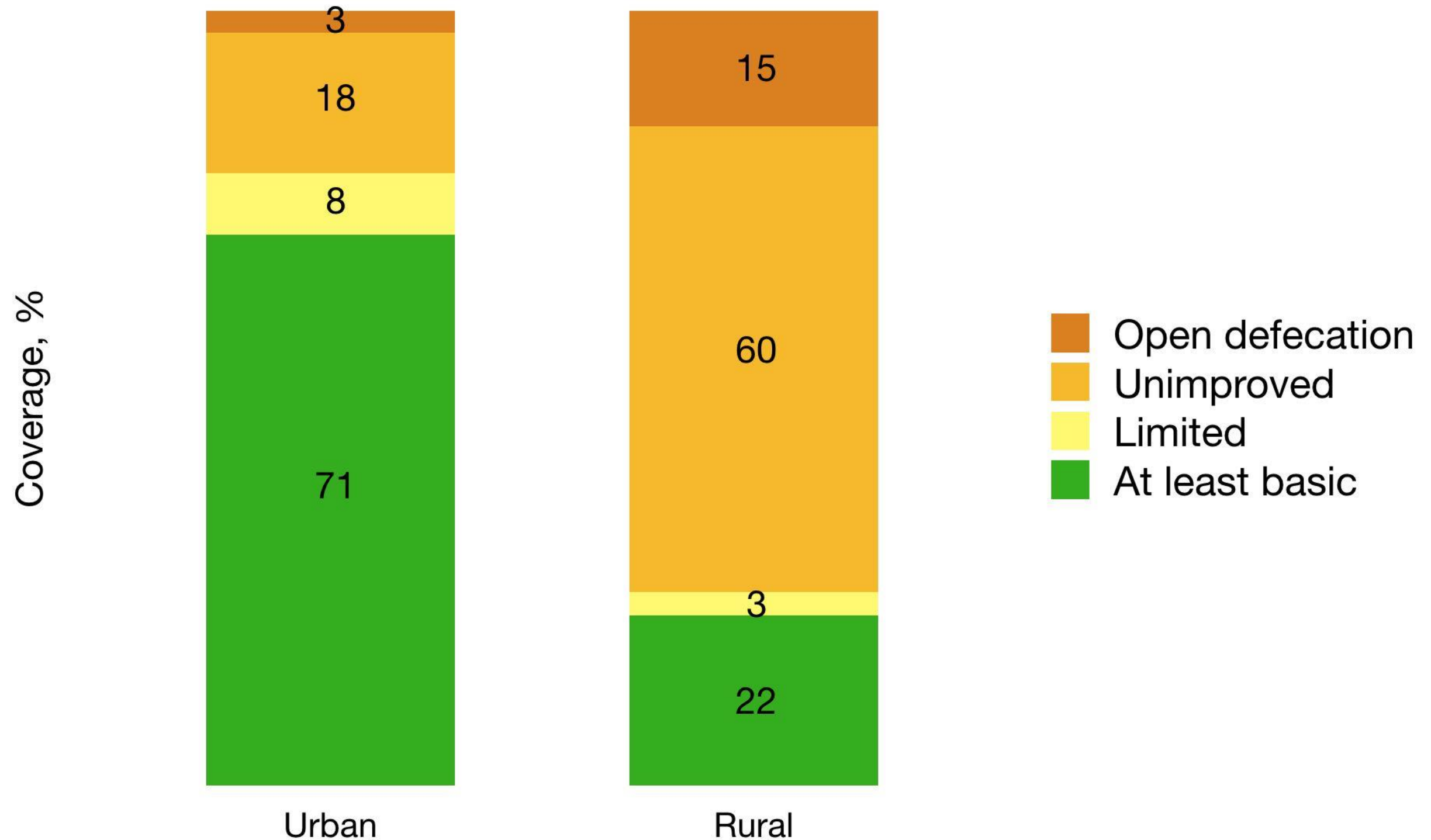


Access varies across regions within countries



Use of basic water by sub-national region, rural, Solomon Islands, 2017 (Rural Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Baseline Report)

Pronounced urban and rural disparities

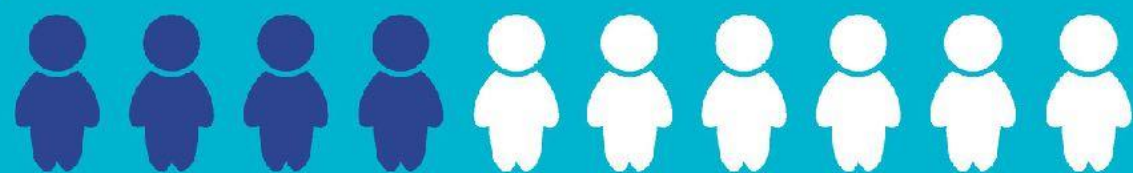




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Urban 9 out of 10

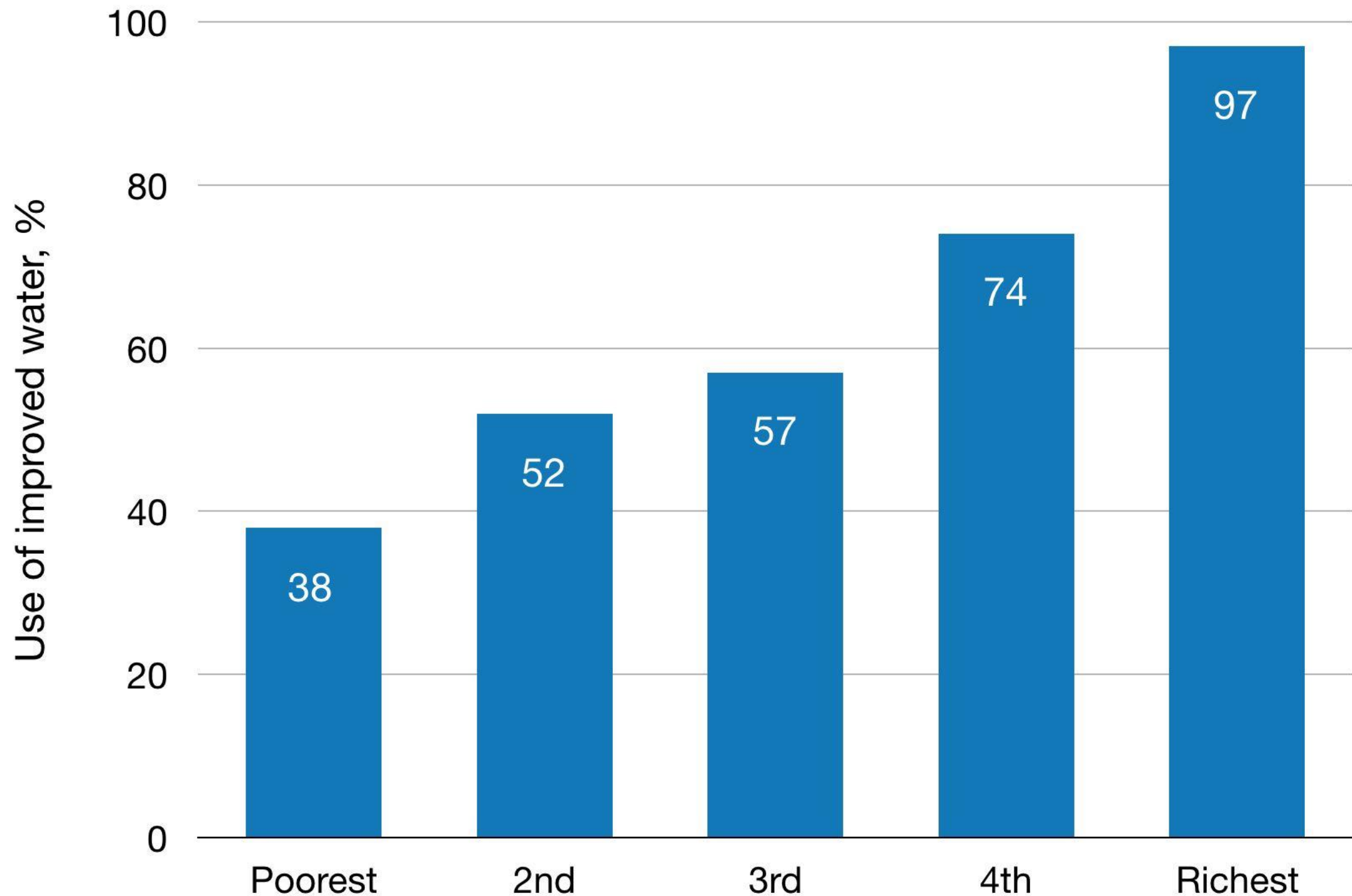


Rural 4 out of 10

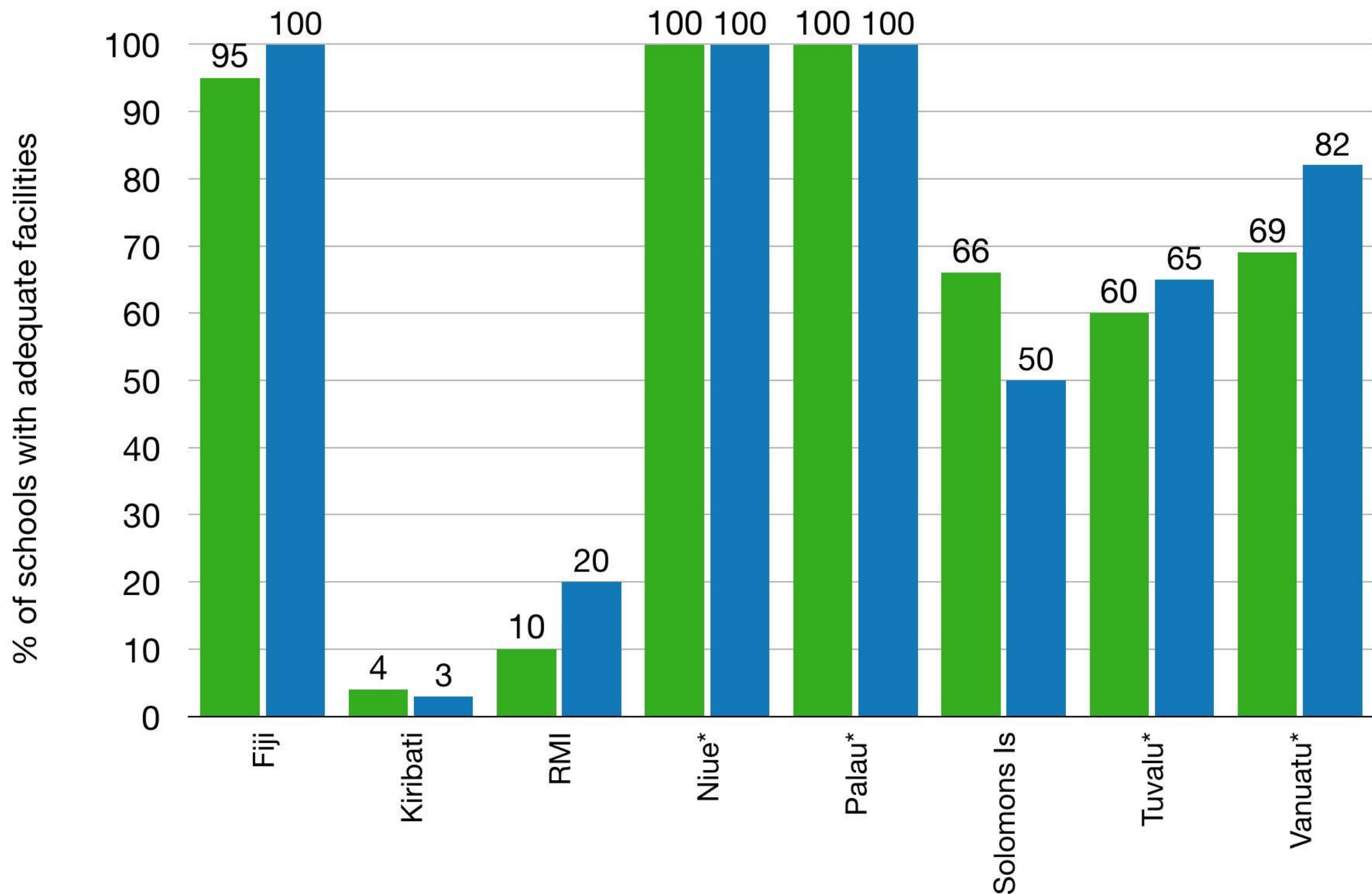
In the Pacific,
9 out of 10 city dwellers
enjoy access to basic
drinking water facilities,
compared to just 4 out of
10 in rural areas.



Pronounced economic disparities

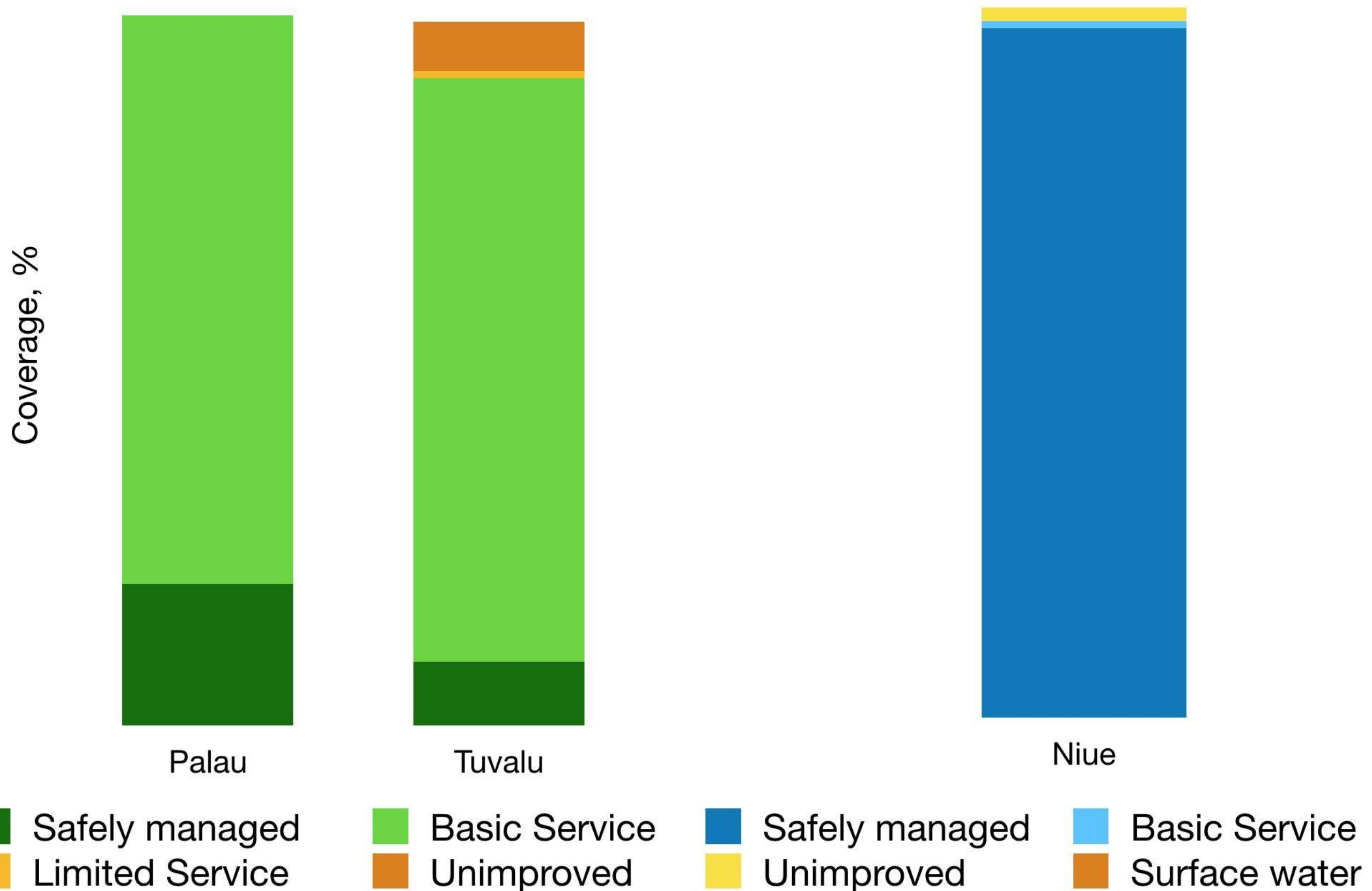


WASH in schools varies widely across region



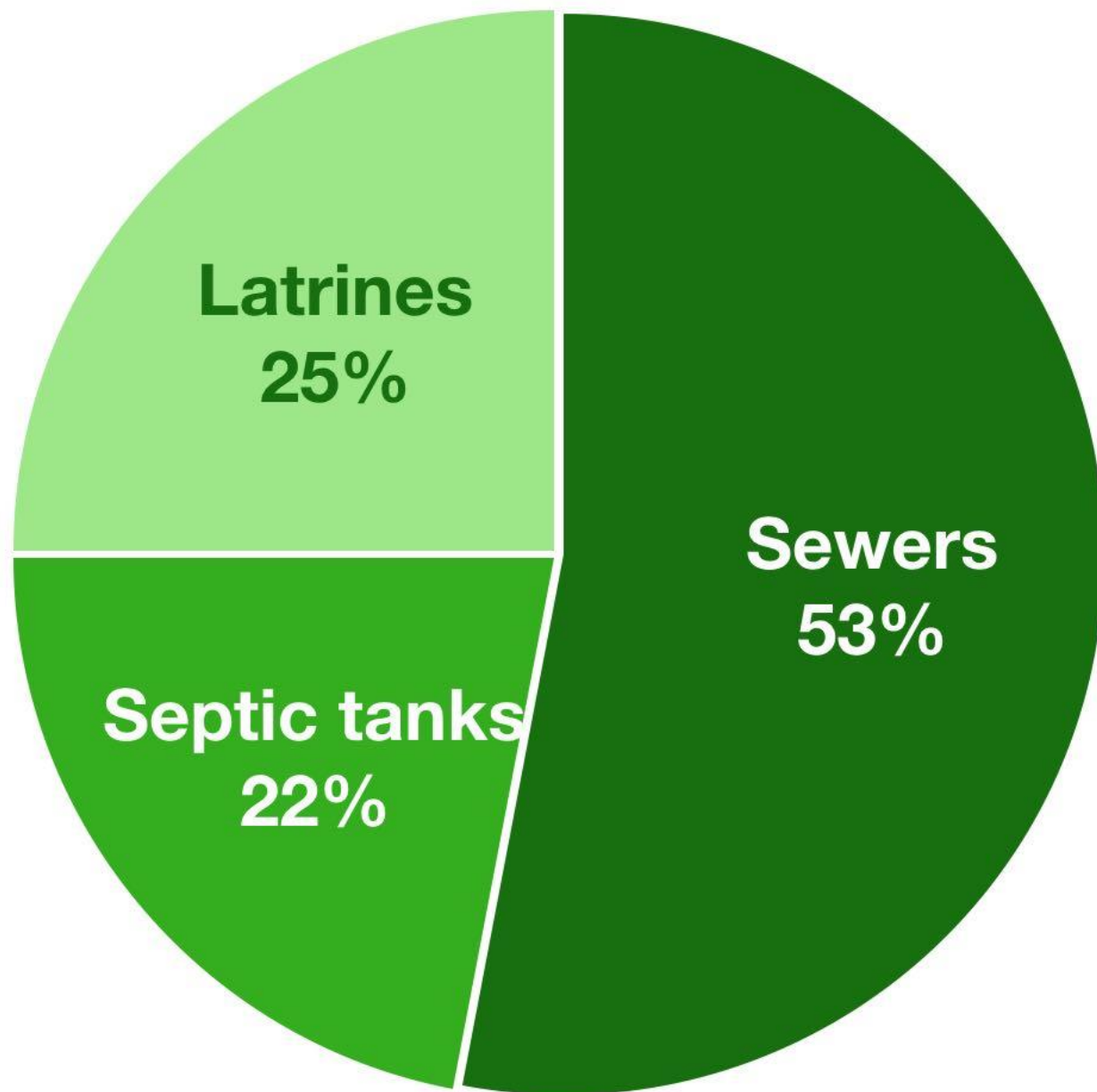
Proportion of schools with adequate water and sanitation facilities, national, 2015, % (data quality is limited: in countries marked with an *, definitions of coverage are not clear)

Safely managed drinking water and sanitation

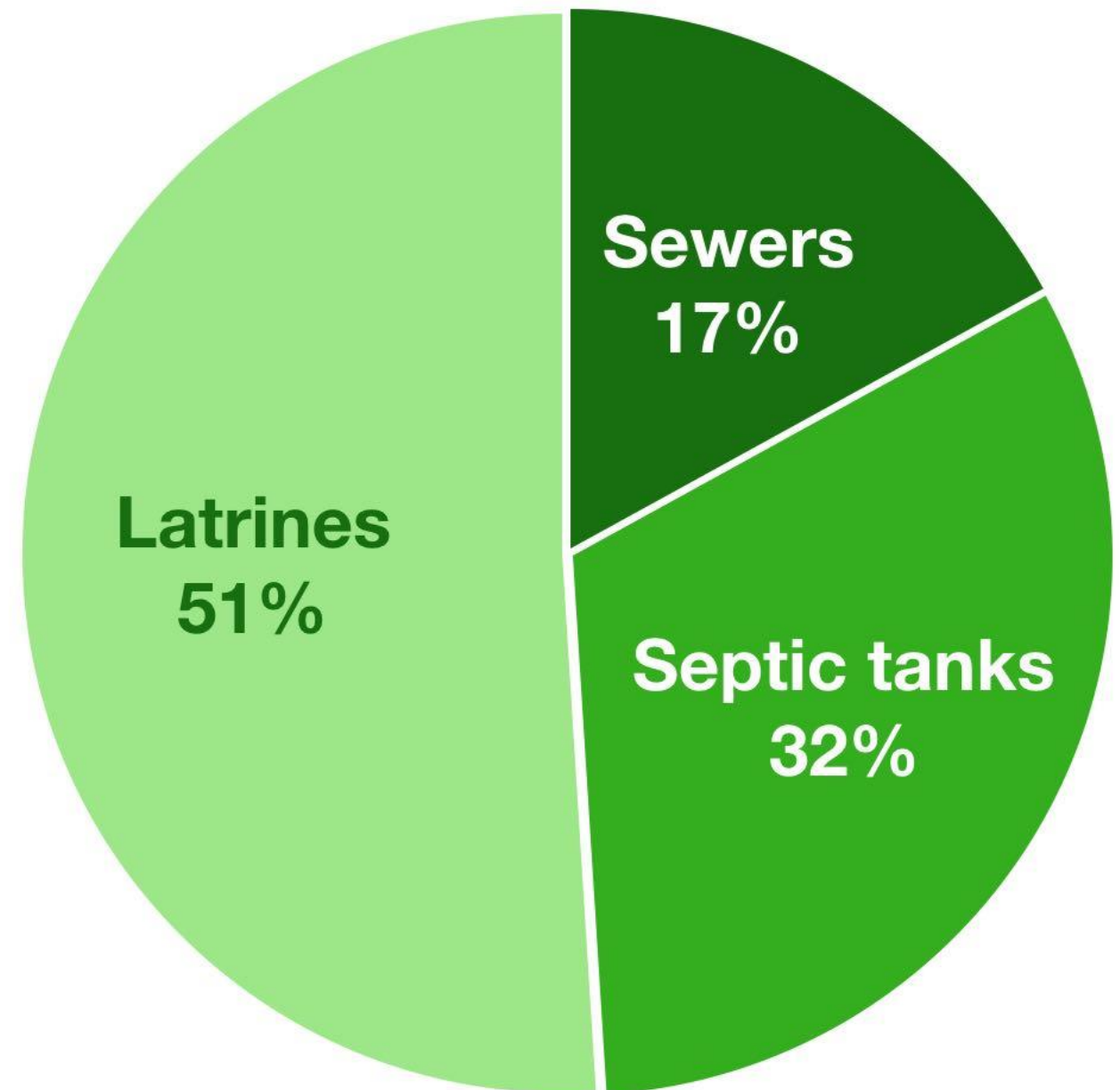


Water utilities coverage relatively low

World



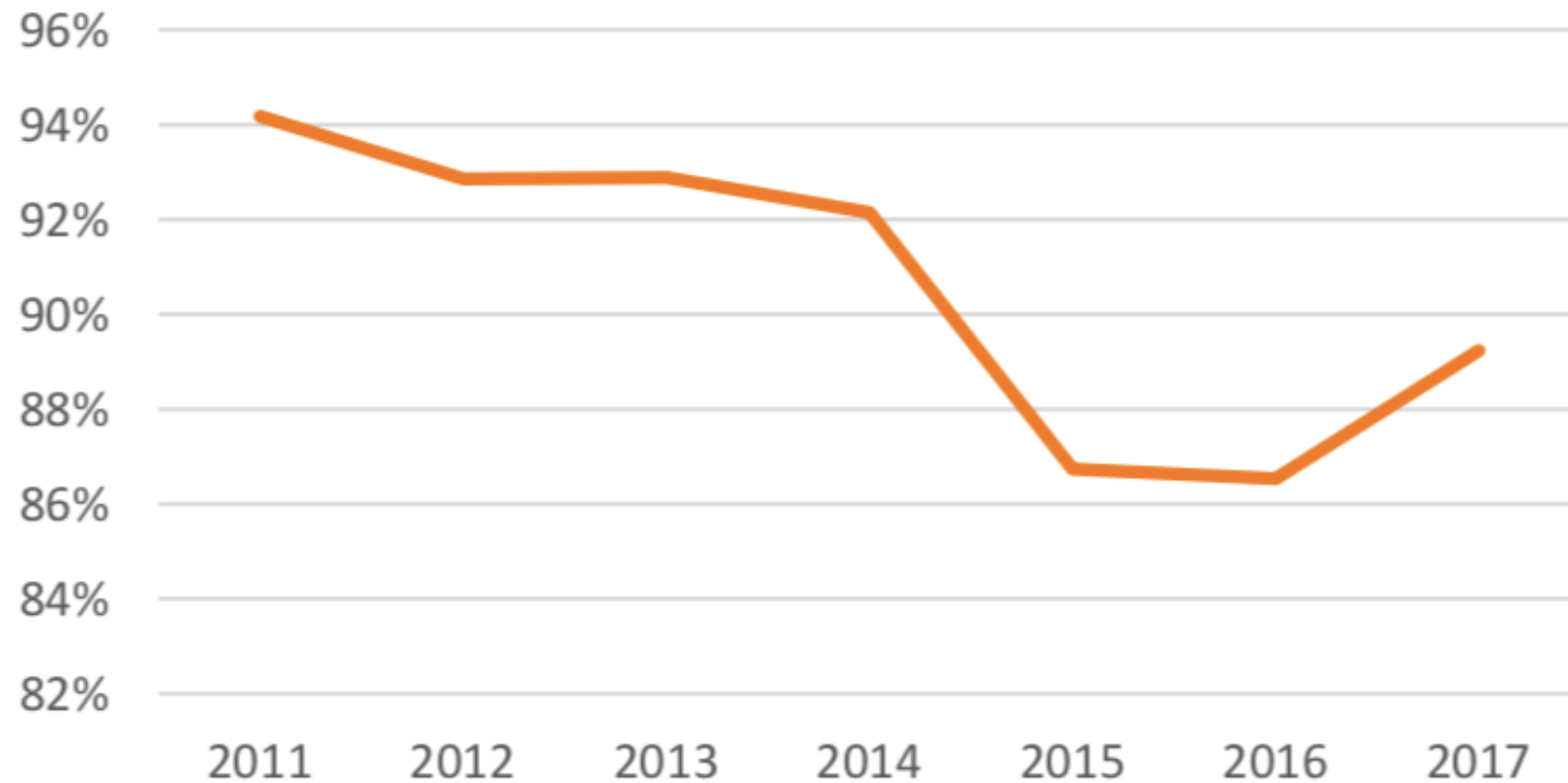
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Proportion of people with access to at least basic sanitation using sewers, septic tanks and latrines
(latrines category includes other improved facilities)

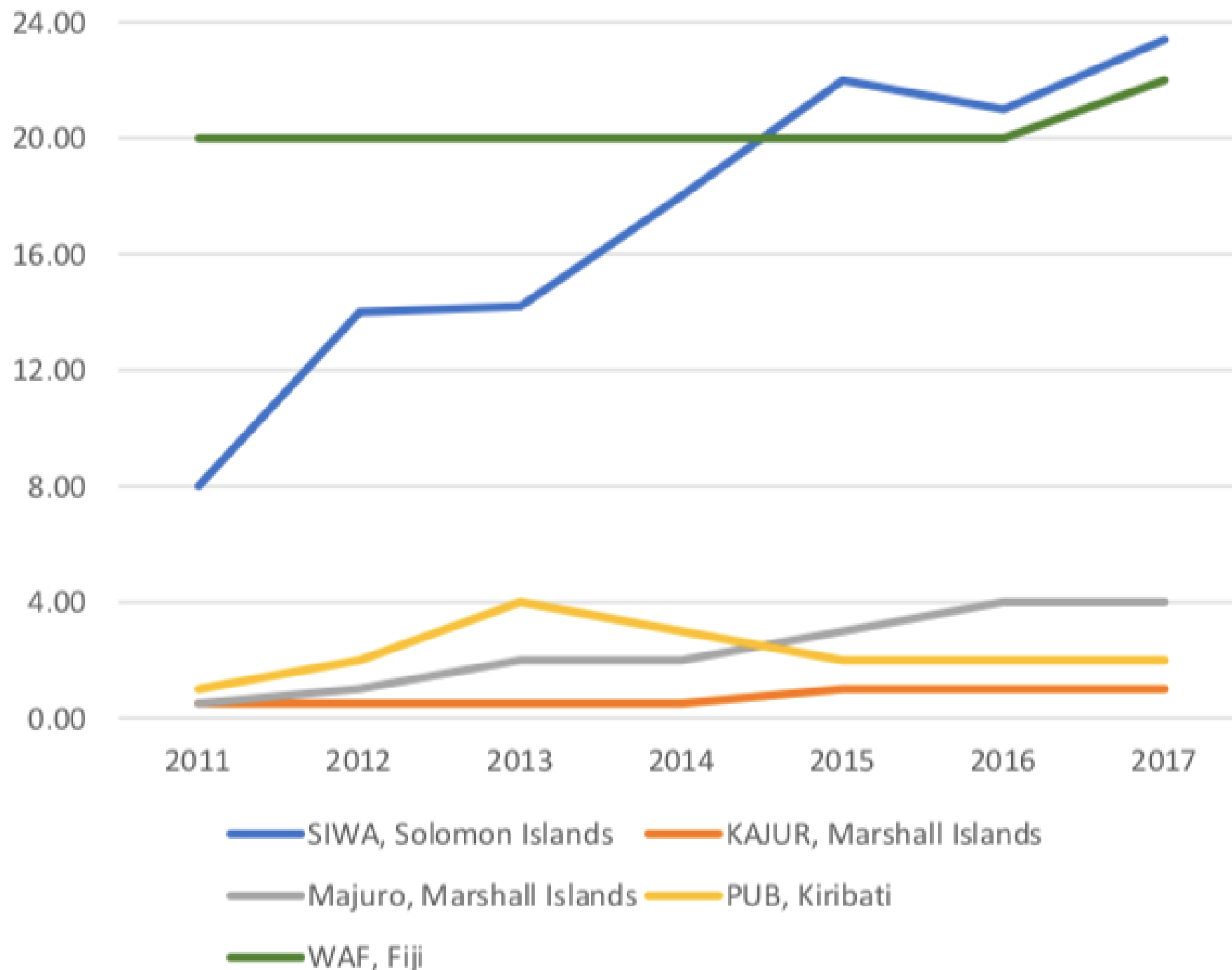
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Coverage with water services, %



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Water operations progress in selected utilities (hours a day)



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Fiji floods: State of emergency declared as rains continue



South Pacific islands running out of water

By Hilary Whiteman, CNN

October 4, 2011 -- Updated 0936 GMT (1736 HKT)

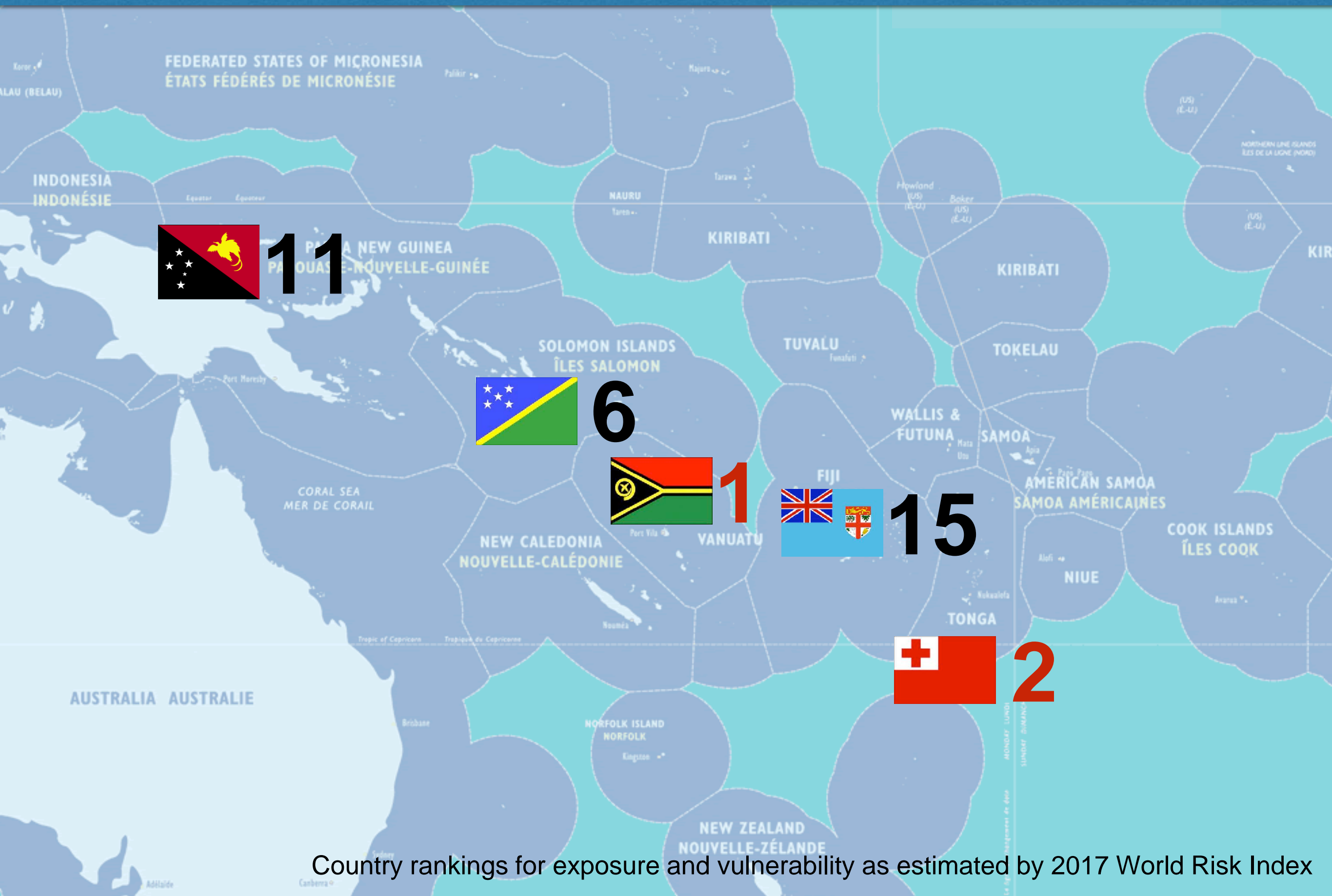


Locals helping with the transfer of emergency water supplies by the Government of Tuvalu and the Tuvalu Red Cross.

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Drought hits South Pacific islands

Nations with high exposure & vulnerability



Country rankings for exposure and vulnerability as estimated by 2017 World Risk Index



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“water for all” means
supporting local communities
to identify, develop and
protect new and sustainable
sources of drinking water.



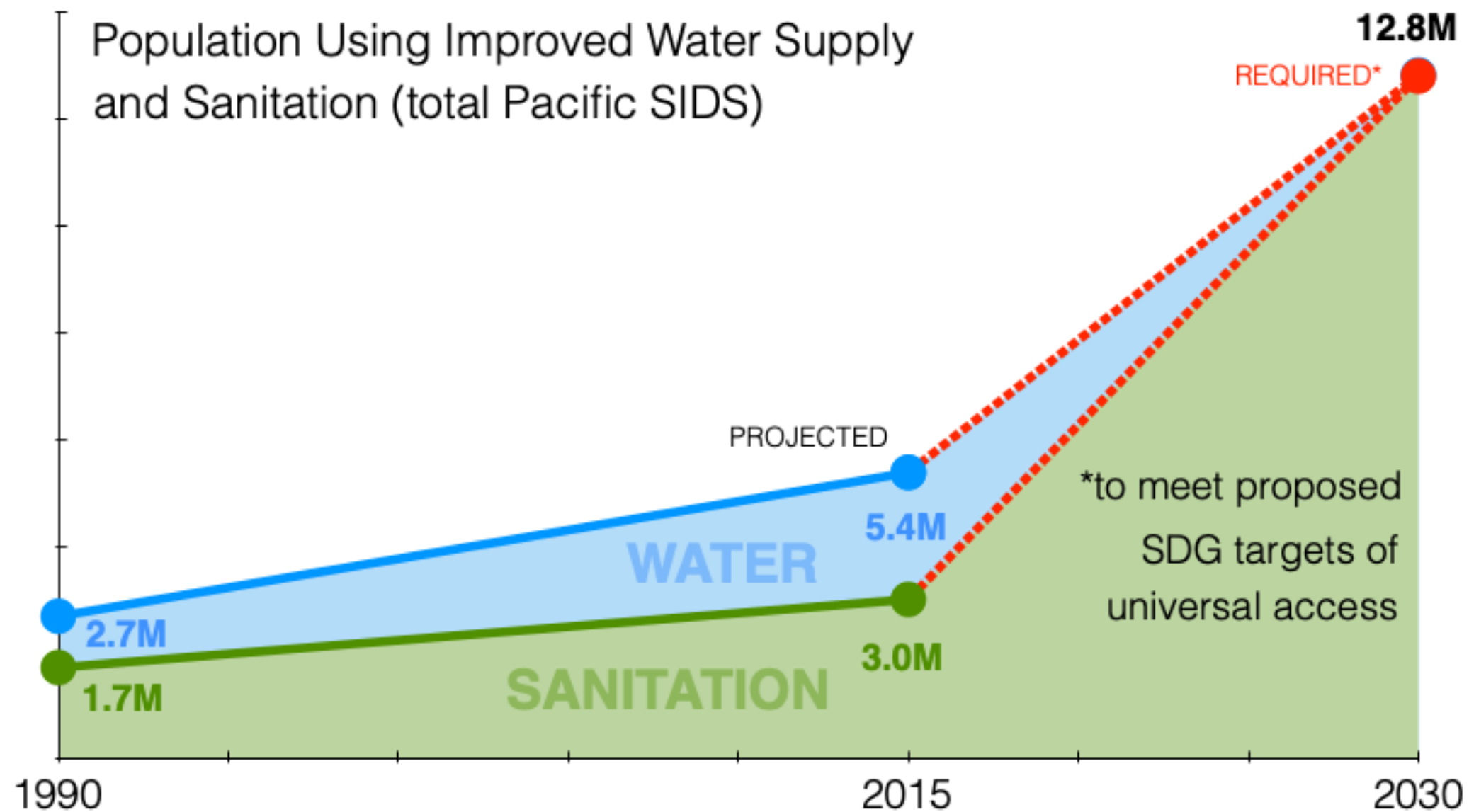


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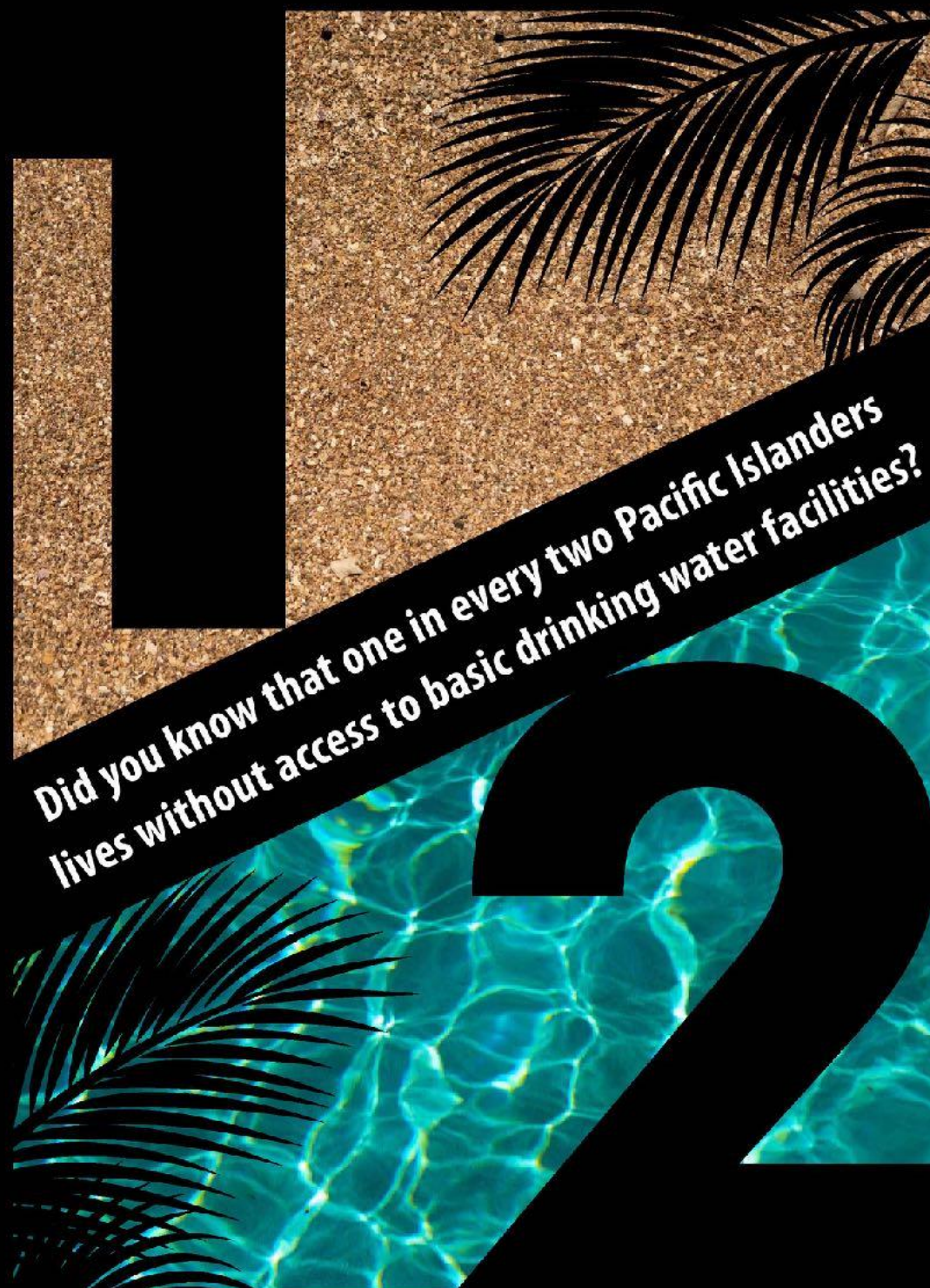
In the Pacific
“water for all”
means investing in local
capacity to monitor and
manage our precious
water resources.



Massive effort required to meet SDG6 by 2030



Source: Sanitation, Drinking-Water and Health in Pacific Island Countries: 2015 Update and Future Outlook, UNICEF, WHO, UN-HABITAT and SPC 2016



As the Pacific approaches the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, it's time to work together to address one in which our region is trailing the rest of the world: ensuring access to safe and secure drinking water for all Pacific Islanders.



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* Data from the UN Joint Monitoring Programme, which estimates that only 48% of people living in Pacific Island Countries had access to at least basic drinking water facilities in 2015.