# Lesotho

# 2023-24 Demographic and Health Survey

The 2023-24 Lesotho Demographic and Health Survey (LDHS) is designed to provide data for monitoring the population and health situation in Lesotho. The 2023-24 LDHS is the 4<sup>th</sup> Demographic and Health Survey conducted in Lesotho since 2004.

### **Maternal Health**



**4 in 5** women age 15-49 had 4+ antenatal care visits, as recommended.

**9 in 10** live births were delivered in a health facility.



















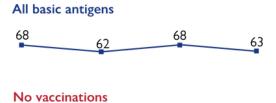
### **Child Health**

#### **Trends in Childhood Vaccinations**

Percent of children age 12-23 months who received:

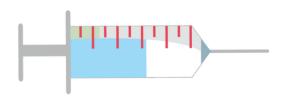


About I in 3 children under age 5 are stunted.



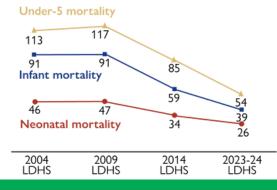


Nearly **2 in 3 children** age 12-23 months are fully vaccinated against all basic antigens.



## **Childhood Mortality**

# **Trends in Childhood Mortality**Deaths per 1,000 live births for the five-year period before the survey



Currently, **I in 19** children in Lesotho does not survive to their 5th birthday.

Childhood mortality rates have dramatically declined over the last 20 years. Still it is higher among boys compared to girls.

#### **Childhood Mortality by Sex**

Deaths per 1,000 live births for the five-year period before the survey



