



## **Summary general questions**

### **Malawi**

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#### **Country description**

The population in Malawi is estimated at 16 million, with 663,000 births each year. The average life expectancy is estimated at 61 for men and 67 for women (2016). The gross national income per capita (PPP int. \$) is 1,202 (2017). The estimated total expenditure on health per capita (Intl \$, 2014) is 93 and the total current expenditure on health as percentage of GDP (2014) is 11.4%.

#### **General health and school systems**

The total density of hospitals is 0.4 per 100,000 people (2013). It is unknown how many children are born in the hospital, but 90% of the births are attended by skilled personnel. Prematurely born children can be treated from 28 weeks. The average stay in the hospital is unknown. The birth registration coverage is 67%. The infant mortality under the age of 5 per 1000 live births per year is 92.

The primary school starts at age 6.

#### **Existing prevention programmes and coverage**

No General Preventive Child Health Care programmes exist and there is no funding. In future, nurses can possibly perform the screening. The salary of a nurse is about \$2,500 per year (\$2 per hour).

Vaccinations for Diphtheria, Pertussis (whooping cough), Tetanus, Polio, Haemophilus influenza type B, Pneumococcal disease, Tuberculosis (BCG), Measles and Hepatitis B are given. After birth BCG and polio 0 are given. About 81-89% of the children are vaccinated.

## References

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- Data on birth registrations: <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/view.main.GSWCAH54v>
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