



Balyelsa State Health Profile

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This profile gives a snapshot of the key health indices in your state as well as some of the key actions your excellency needs to prioritize to build a stronger and resilient health system for better health outcomes.

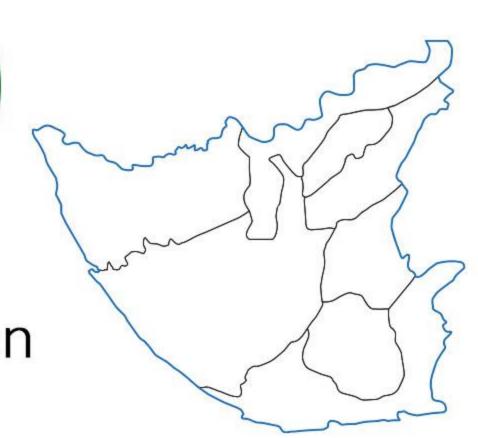
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Get to Know Bayelsa State







Bayelsa state, ranked 36th in terms of population size and has a population density of 250 persons/km².





Land Mass 10,773km²



Population **2,691,237**



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Under 1 Population 107,649



Under 5 Population 538,247



Women of Child Bearing Age 592,072



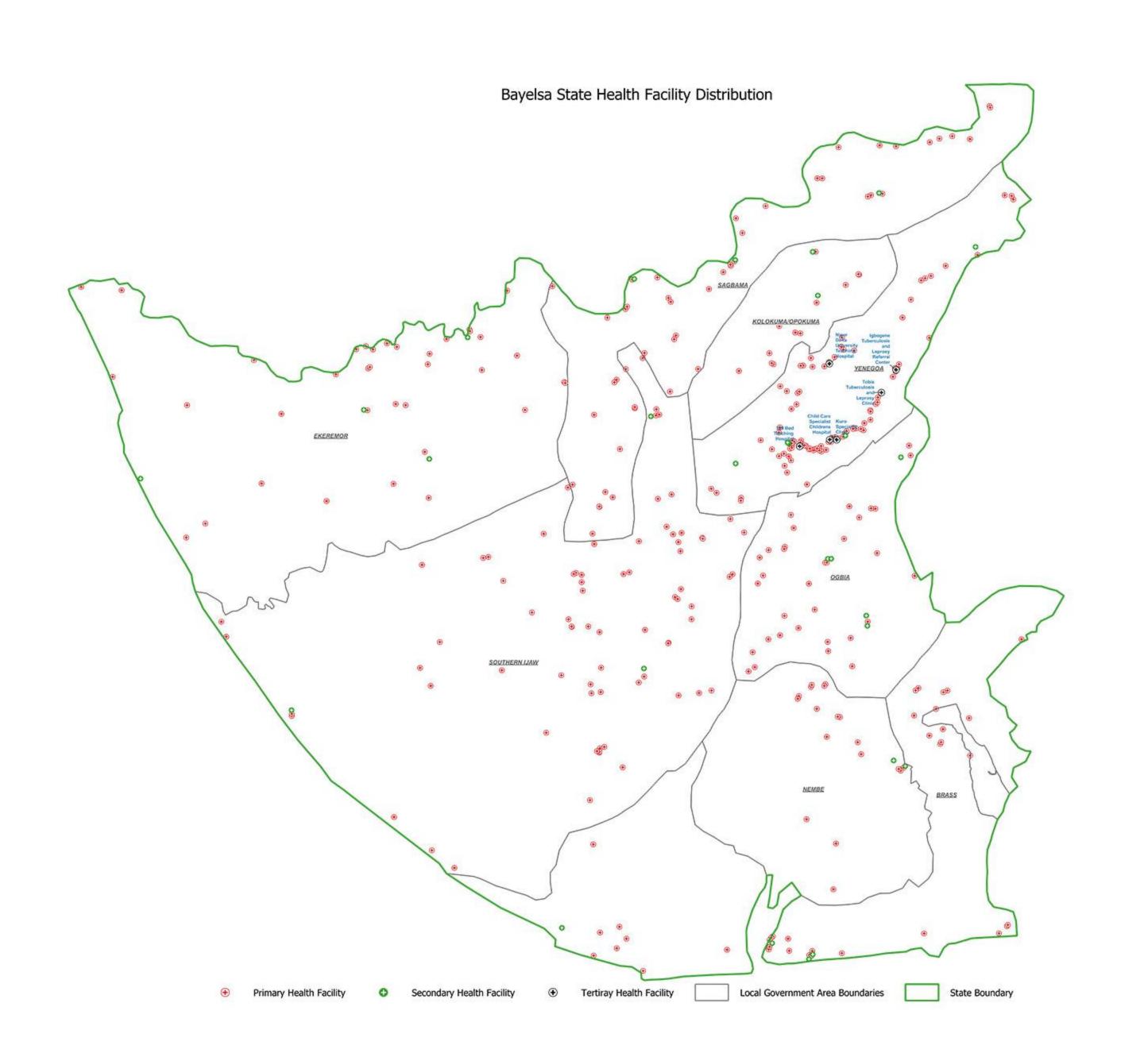
Pregnant Women 134,562

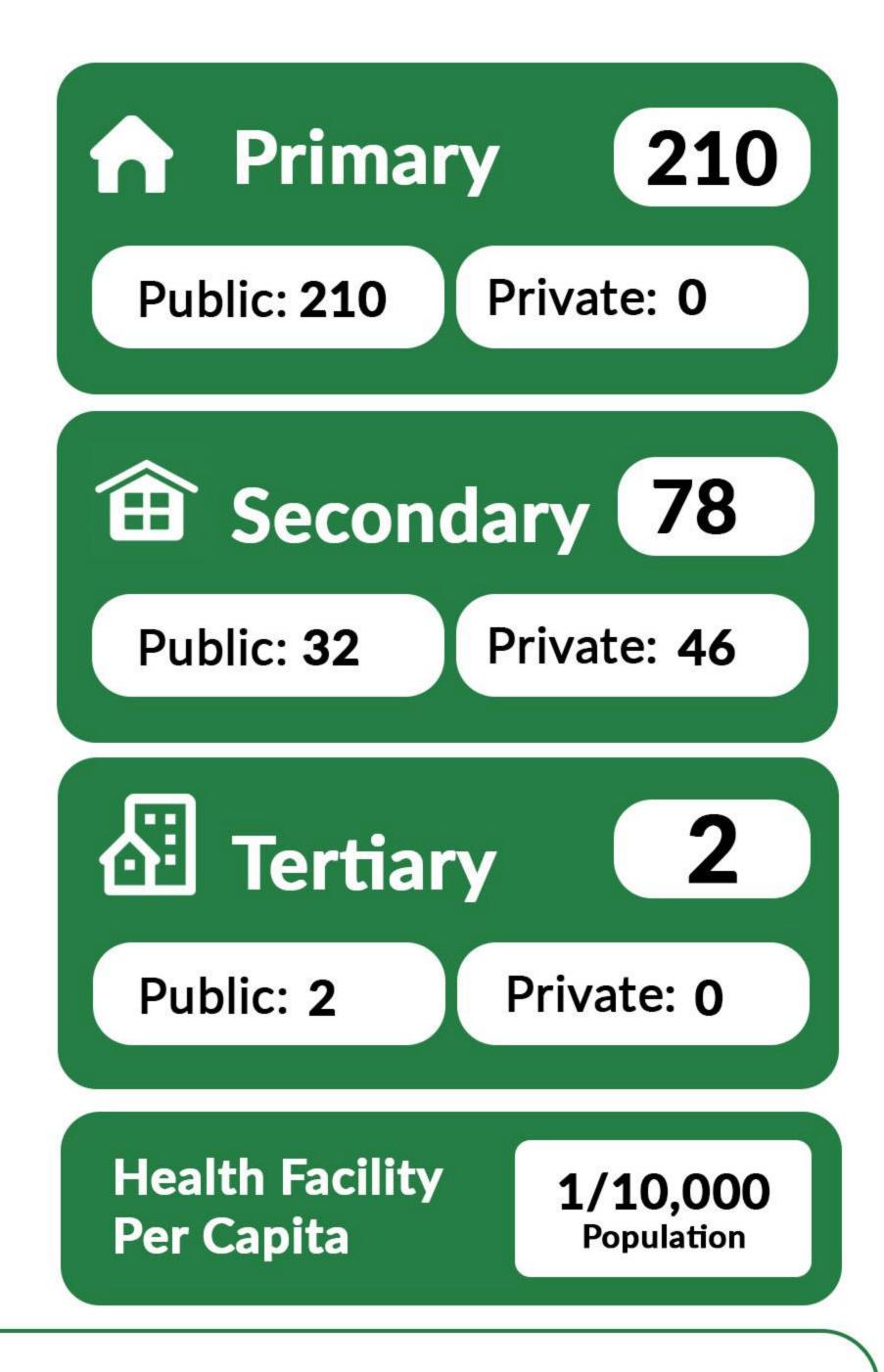
Health Facility Distribution





Bayelsa State has adequate number of health facilities for its population size based on the standard of 1 basic health unit per 10,000 population.







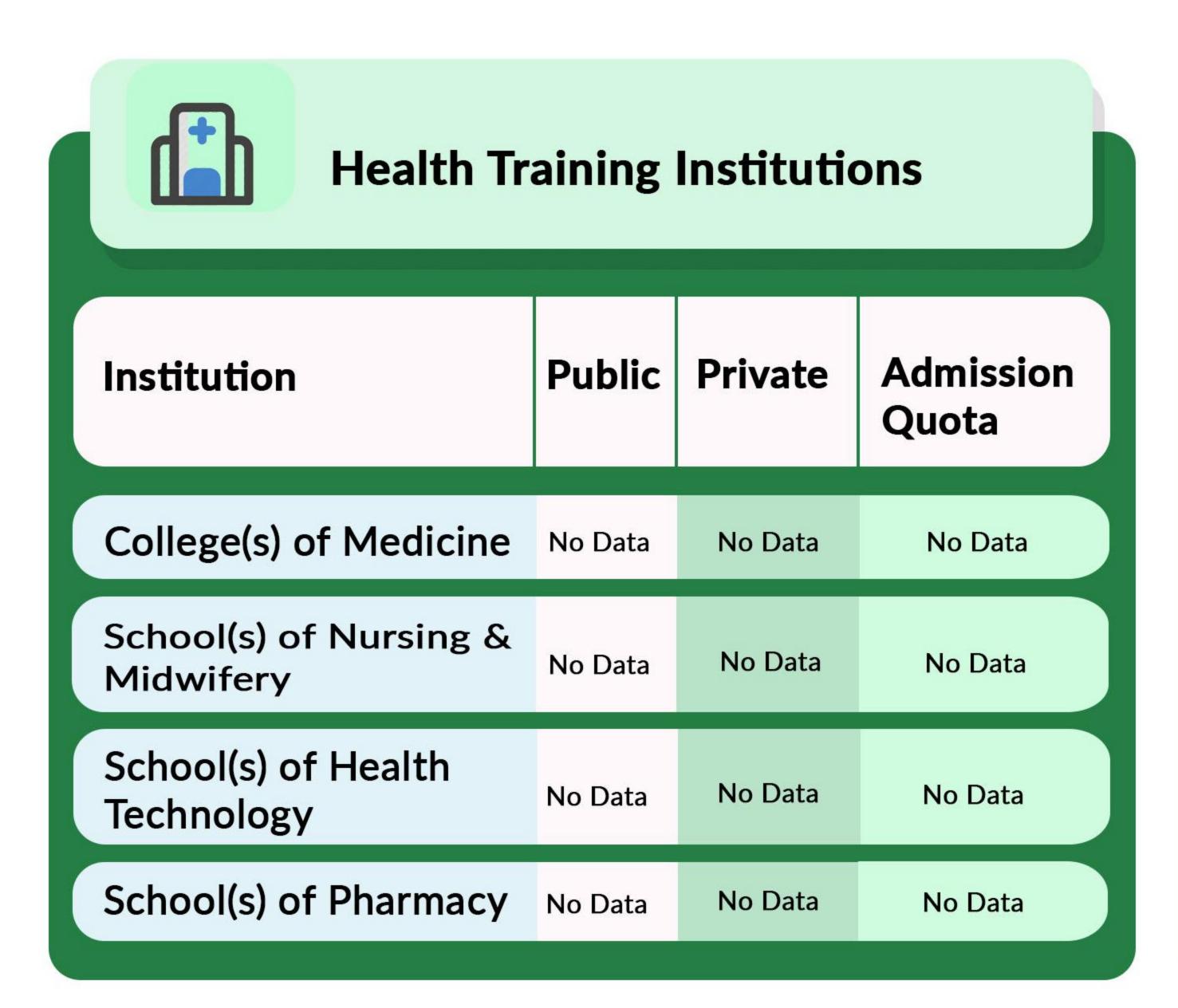
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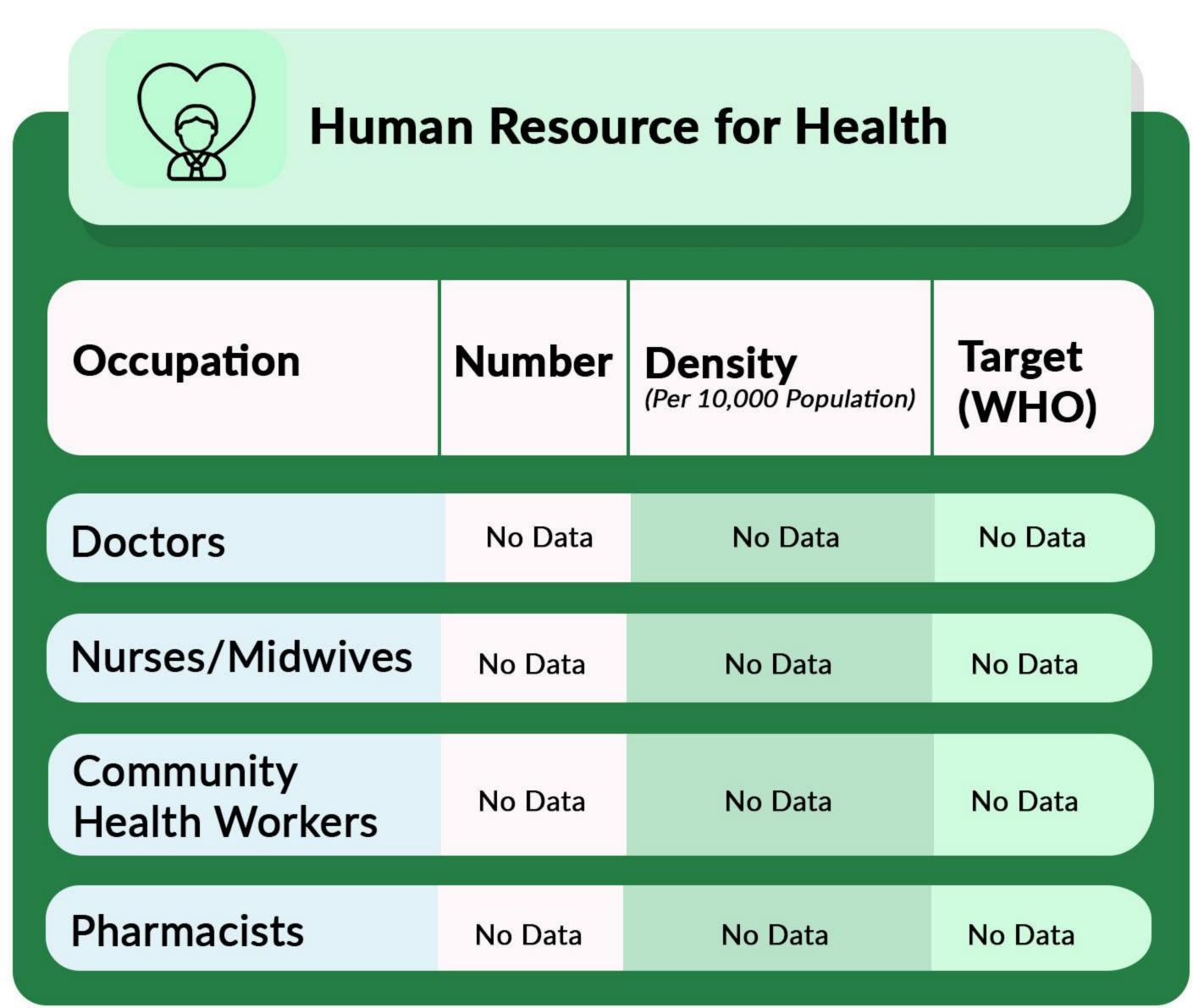
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Human Resource for Health







Health Financing





Bayelsa state is not investing adequately in health as evidenced by the low annual budgetary allocation and a per capita expenditure on health of N3,593.90; even though budgetary release is high; this may have contributed to some of the poor health outcomes in the state.

Allocation - FY 2022



Total State Budget ₩314.5 bn



Allocation to Health (%)

No. 11.9 bn (4%)



Percentage Health Allocation to PHC

₩0.1 bn (1%)

Performance - FY 2022

State Budget Performance



₩292.9 bn

93%

Health Budget Performance

₩9.7 bn

81%

Health Expenditure Per Capita



₩3,593.90



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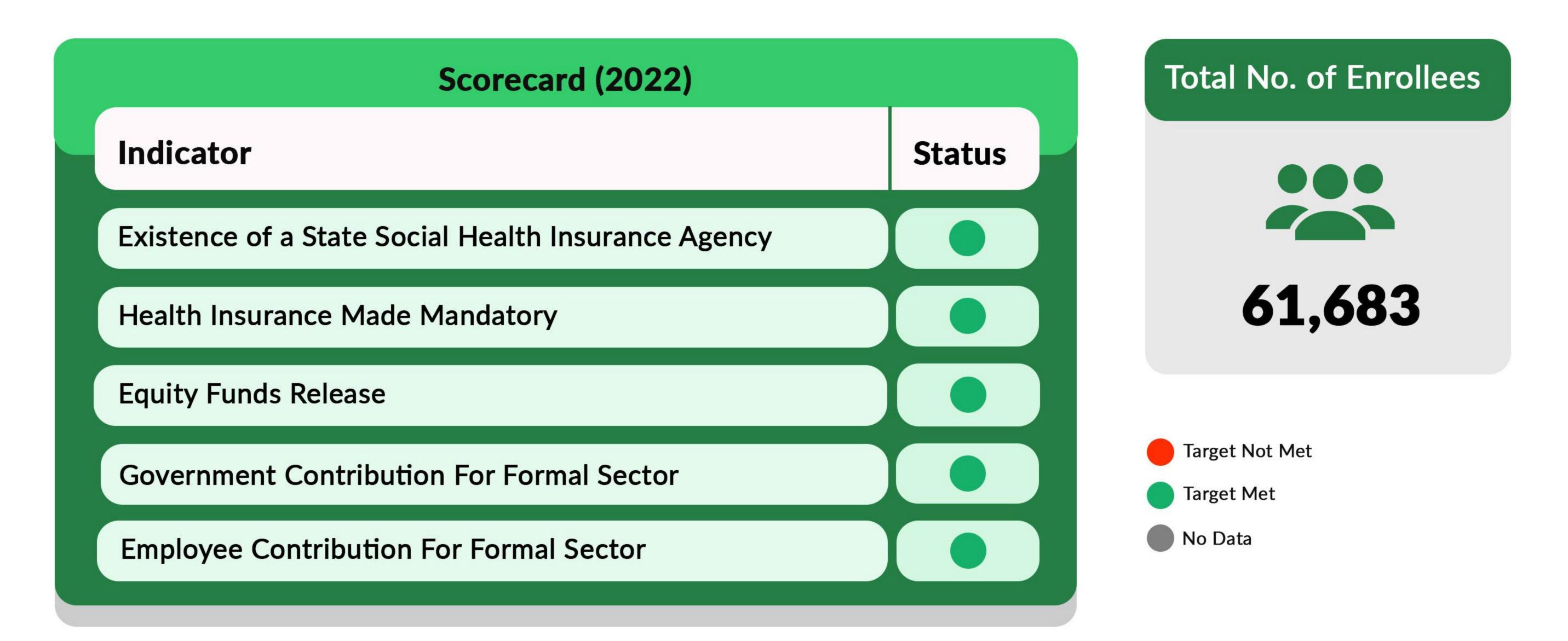
Reference: (prorated state contribution from \$86 per capita – WHO recommended) World Health Organization. (2018).

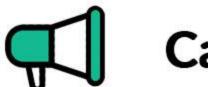
Health Insurance





The state has a functional state social health insurance scheme which makes health insurance mandatory. There is release of equity fund and Government/employee contribution for the formal sector.





Call to Action

The State Government should continue to support the health insurance scheme and ensure regular and timely release of equity fund, ensuring government and employee contribution into the scheme.

PHCUOR Scorecard







Bayelsa State Government has a Primary Healthcare Board, however it is falling behind in its implementation of the Primary Health Care Under One Roof policy.

Scorecard		
Indicator	Status	
Existence of a State Primary Health Care Board		
Existence of Approved Minimum Service Package That Is Linked To SSHDP		
Existence of Costed Service Delivery/Investment Plan		Target Not Met Target Met
Provision Made For Investment Plan In The Annual Budget of The Last Year		No Data
PHC Programmes And Staff Moved To SPHCB From SMoH and SMoLGA		



Call to Action

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- 2. It develops and implement a health investment plan.
- 3. Ensure one functional PHC per ward as per minimum service package for healthcare delivery outlined in the National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) guidelines for the revitalization of PHCs.

Nutrition Scorecard



There is poor access to and utilization of antenatal and immunization services however access to family planning is low with about 8% of women-in-union needing family planning services not having access to it.

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Government Spending Greater than/Equal to Partner Spending	Government Spending Greater than/Equal to Partner Spending		

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- 1. Optimize functionality of the SCFN and facilitate development of MSPAN.
- 2. Set Up nutrition department and create budget line in relevant MDAs (at minimum in the following MDAs Health Agriculture, Budget and Planning, Women affairs, State Primary Health Care Board).
- 3. Approve 6 months paid maternity leave National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) guidelines for the revitalization of PHCs.

Drug Management Agency (DMA) Scorecard





Bayelsa state does not have a Drug Management Agency.

Scorecard	
Indicator	Status
State Has Established An Autonomous DMA Backed By Law	
DMA Is Capitalized	
At Least 60% Of The Focal Ward PHCs Is Capitalized	
DMA Has Pharmagrade Warehouse With Adequate Capacity	
State Has A Single Supply Chain System	
State Manages Last Mile Delivery	



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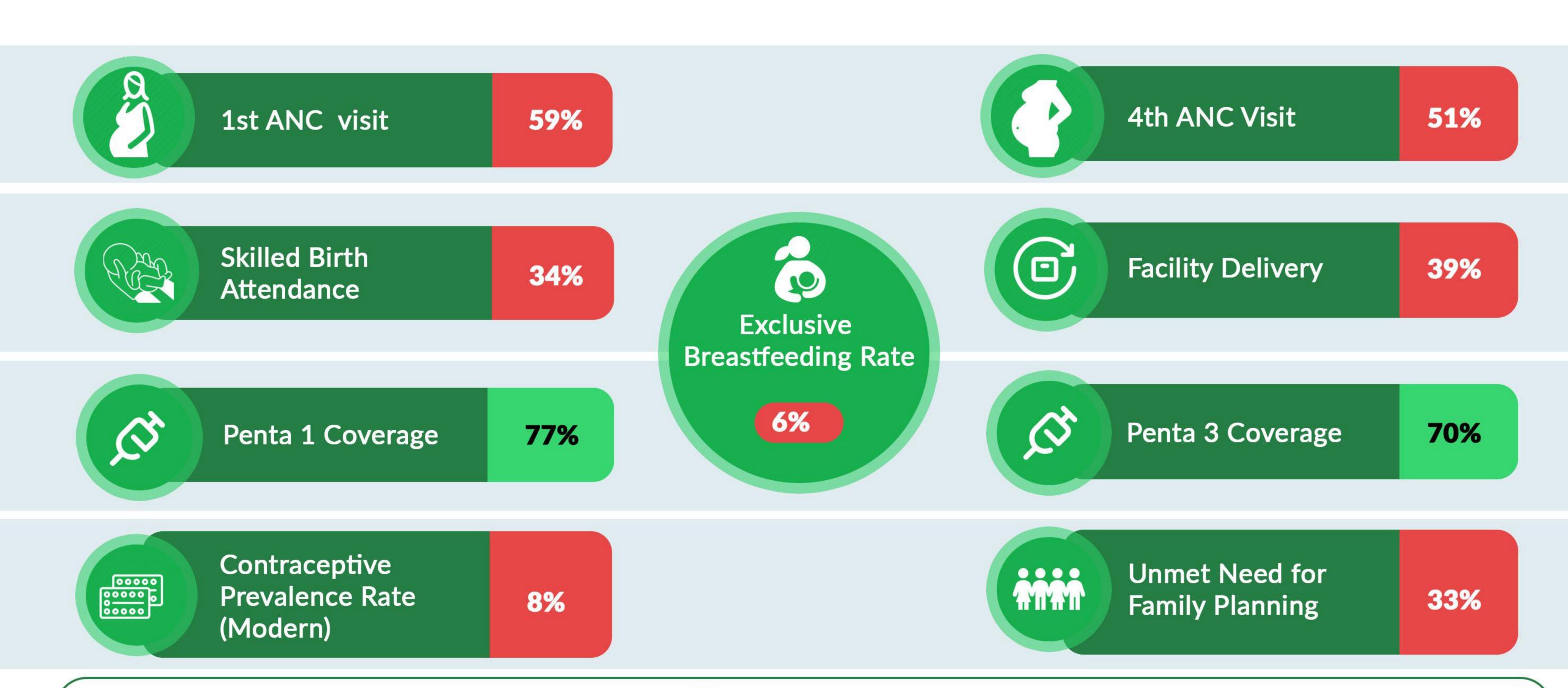
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Access and Service Utilization...





There is poor access to and utilization of antenatal, delivery and family planning services, with a very low proportion of children under 6months exclusively breastfed.



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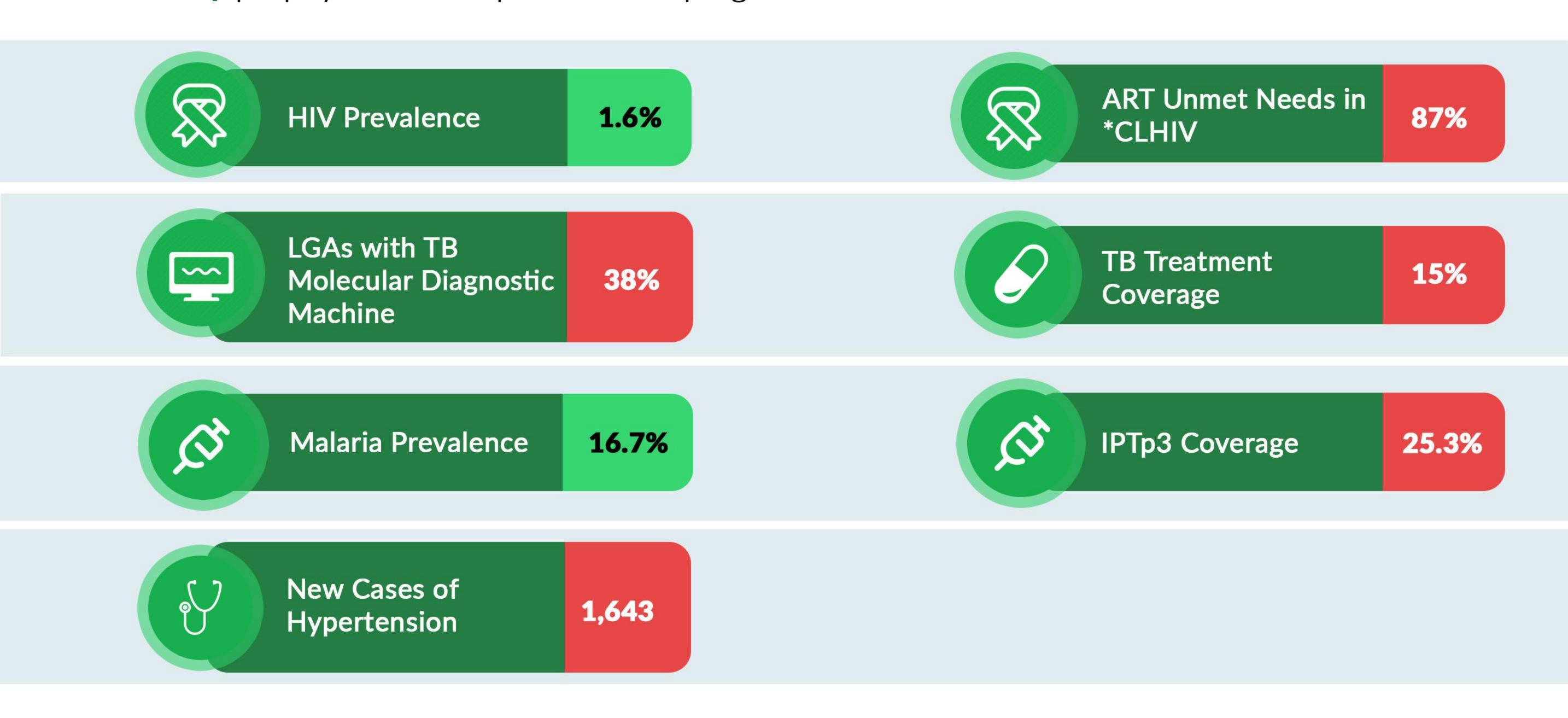
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Access and Service Utilization





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CLHIV – Children Living with HIV, ART – Antiretroviral Therapy, IPTp3 - Intermittent Preventive Treatment of Malaria for Pregnant Women (3rd dose +). Reference: HIV health Sector Report 2021, NTBLCP, NMEP, DHIS2

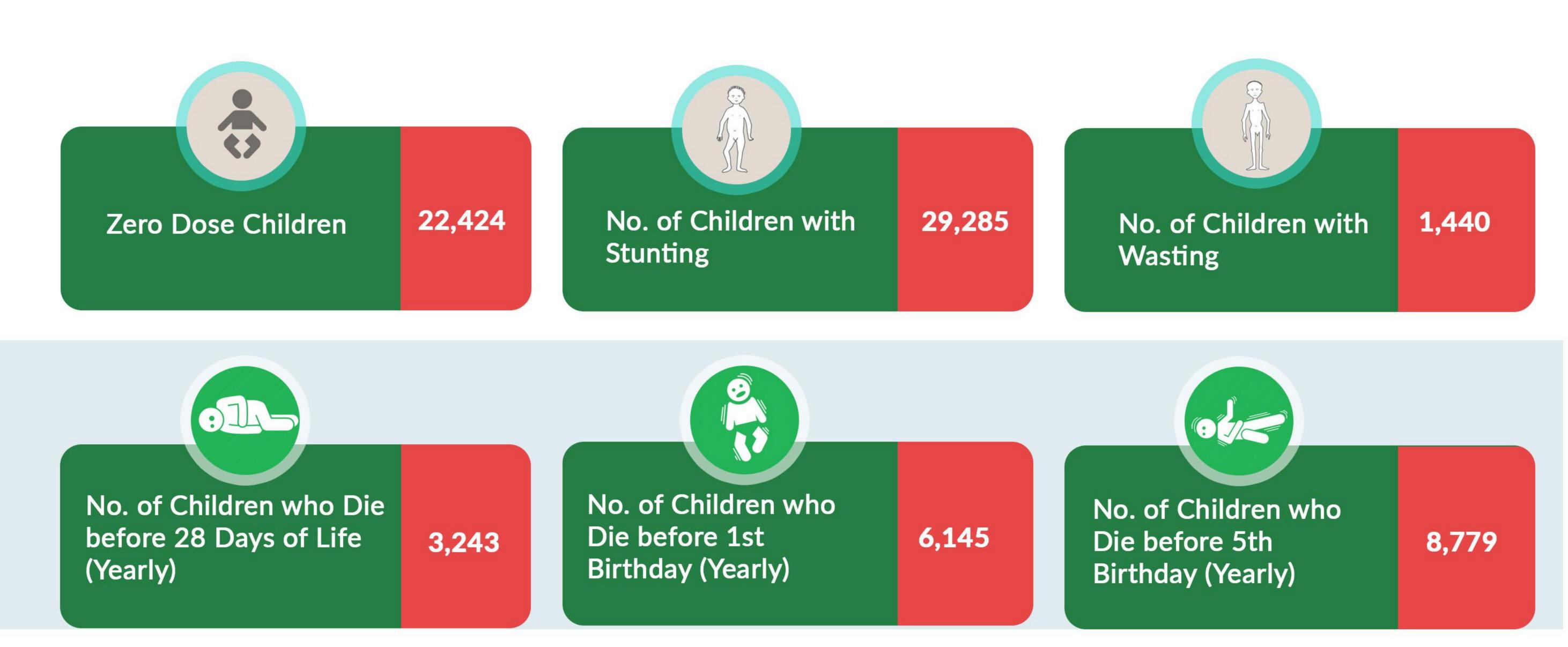
Data Source: State Ministry of Health

Health Outcomes





There is a significant number of zero-dose children, high numbers of children with stunting & wasting, and unacceptably high numbers of childhood mortalities in the state.



Call to Action

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- i. Stunting: Children Shorter in Height-for-Age
- ii. Wasting: Children with Low Weight-for-Height
- iii. Zero-dose: Children who failed to receive any routine vaccination never reached by routine immunization services

Flagship Projects





This page details the key flagship projects ongoing in Bayelsa State that the Government needs to sustain.

S/N Title	Description
1. Zipline Drone Delivery	This is a partnership between the State and Zipline for the prompt delivery of drugs, vaccines, blood and blood products and other health technologies especially to hard-to-reach health facilities using drones with the aim of reducing preventable Maternal and Child death

Partner Mapping



Implementing Partner	Intervention	Geographical Coverage
AFENET	Surveillance/Covid-19	8 LGAs
GAVI	Immunization & Health Systems Strengthening	8 LGAs
GERMAN LEPROSY AND TB RELIEF ASSOCIATION	TB	8 LGAs
Global Fund (PMTCT)	HIV/AIDS	8 LGAs
Global Fund (TB)	TB	8 LGAs
HEARTLAND ALLIANCE GTE SPECIAL POPULATION PROJECT	Covid-19 Vaccination, Special Population (HIV/AIDS) Interventions	8 LGAs
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11	SYDANI GROUP	Improve Uptake of Immunization and PHC Services In General, Involving Traditional and Religious Leaders	8 LGAs

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12	UNICEF	ACSM, Vaccines & Logistics, Emergency Disaster Management	8 LGAs
13	WHO	Integrated Health Services Including PHC Services, Health Systems Strengthening, Disease Surveillance and Outbreak Response, Supplemental Immunization Activities	8 LGAs
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15	ZIPLINE	Vaccine, Drugs and Other Medical Commodities Distribution, Using Drones To the Last Man Within the State	8 LGAs

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The NGF Secretariat

The NGF is supported by a secretariat which is the technical and administrative arm of the Nigeria Governors' Forum. It is a policy hub and resource centre that sets agendas & priorities to enable the forum to meet its set objectives. The Secretariat serves as an interface between federal MDAs, development partners, and states. The Secretariat has several units including Health, IGR, Economics, Legal, Education, Agriculture, Peace, and Inclusive Security.

The Health Team

The health unit of the NGF Secretariat is responsible for coordinating all health-related interventions being championed by the secretariat. It is committed to catalysing a stronger health system and better health outcomes at the subnational level in line with national goals and strategies.

Our Vision

Is to be the leading go-to resource and learning hub for catalysing subnational health development and contributing to health SDGs.

Our Mission

Is to keep the NGF informed and up-to-date on health priorities and promote evidence-based decision-making & actions, accountability, and learning for better health outcomes at the subnational level.

What We Do

We leverage our convening powers to support States to achieve their health goals through Evidence Generation, High-Level Advocacy, Resource Mobilization, Accountability and Partnerships, and Capacity Building. We also engage with key federal MDAs, such as the FMOH, NHIA, NPHCDA, FMFBNP, and Office of the Vice President.

Our Team

The health team is a multidisciplinary team that includes high-profile professionals that have excelled in different fields of endeavour including Advocacy, Health Policy Analysis, Health Systems Strengthening, Public Health, Health Financing, Health Information System, Immunization, Supply Chain, Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning.

Our Health Partners

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