



Anambra State Health Profile

Light of The Nation













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.

Signed

DG NGF



Get to Know Anambra State





Anambra state, ranked 10th in terms of population size and has a population density of 1,343 persons/km².





Created 3/2/1976



Land Mass 4,844km²



Population **6,505,448**



LGAs **21**



Political Wards **327**



Under 1 Population 260,218



1,301,090



Women of Child Bearing Age 1,431,199



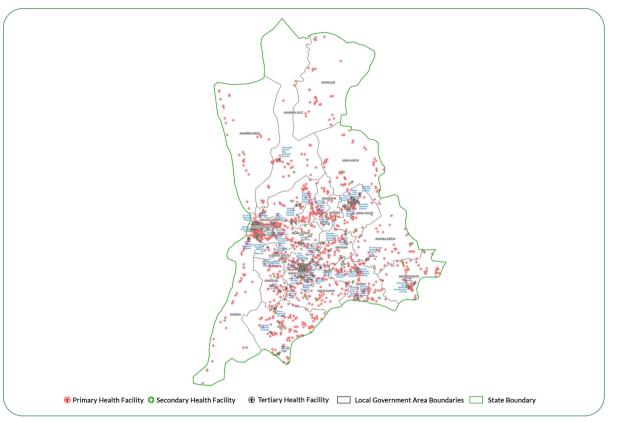
Pregnant Women 325,272

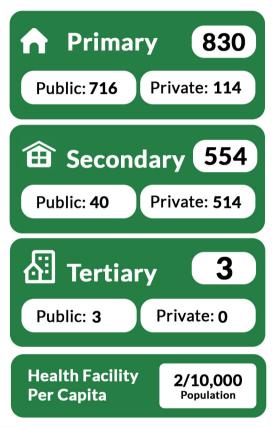
Health Facility Distribution





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







Call to Action

- 1. Focus on enhancing the quality of existing facilities rather than building new ones.
- 2. Aim at ensuring at least one FUNCTIONAL primary health care centre per ward in line with the national PHC revitalization strategy.

Human Resource for Health





The number of skilled birth attendants is far below the recommended minimum standard required to be on path to 'ending preventable deaths by 2030'.

Health Training Institutions			
Institution	Public	Private	Admission Quota
College(s) of Medicine	2	0	150
School(s) of Nursing & Midwifery	2	5	100
School(s) of Health Technology	1	1	100
School(s) of Pharmacy	2	0	-

Human Resource for Health				
Occupation	Number	Density (Per 10,000 Population)	Target (WHO)	
Doctors	162	<1	10	
Nurses/Midwives	1113	1.7	30	
Community Health Workers	697	1	10	
Pharmacists	31	0.05	2.5	



Call to Action

The State Government should PRIORITIZE investments in Human Resource for Health (HRH) by:

- 1. Developing a realistic comprehensive HRH plan (including an implementation plan) that includes a minimum HR requirement for the different types of health facilities, taking into account the fiscal space of the state.
- 2. Recruiting based on the implementation plan (including incentives to retain).

Health Financing





Anambra state is not investing adequately in health as evidenced by the low annual budgetary allocation, poor budgetary release and a per capita expenditure on health of \$\frac{1}{2}\$350.50; this may have contributed to some of the poor health outcomes in the state.

Allocation - FY 2022



Total State Budget ₩142.0 bn



Allocation to Health (%)

₩9.6 bn (7%)



Percentage Health Allocation to PHC

₩0.9 bn (9%)

Performance - FY 2022

State Budget Performance



₩98.5 bn

69%

Health Budget Performance



₩2.3 bn

24%

Health Expenditure Per Capita



N350.50



Call to Action

The State Government should sustain its efforts on allocation and release of funds to health, gradually work towards

\$29*(₩12,000 approx.) per capita, while investing in health insurance.

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; employee contribution for the formal sector. However, the non-release of equity fund would negatively impact on the scheme.





Call to Action

The State Government should sustain its commitment to the insurance scheme and ensure timely release of equity funds into the scheme.

PHCUOR Scorecard

Primary Health Care Under One Roof





Anambra state is implementing the PHCUOR but it is yet to complete its reposition of staff and programs.

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

- 1. PHC programmes and staff are moved to SPHCB from SMoH and SMoLGA.
- 2. 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





The state has a functional state committee on food and nutrition. However, the state does not have a nutrition department in relevant MDAs.

Scorecard		
Indicator	Status	
Existence of State Committee on Food and Nutrition		
Presence of Nutrition Departments In Relevant MDAs		
Budget Line For Nutrition In Key MDAs		
Release of Fund For Nutrition (2022)		Target Not Met Target Met
Availability of Multi-Sectoral Plan of Action For Nutrition		No Data/Missing Validation
Availability of Government-Owned Creche		
Approved Six Months Paid Maternity Leave.		
Government Spending Greater than/Equal to Partner Spending		



Call to Action

- 1. Set up nutrition departments in relevant MDAs (- at minimum in the following MDAs: Health, Agriculture, Budget and Planning, Women Affairs, State Primary Health Care Board).
- 2. Develop MSPAN and ensure prompt release of funds for its implementation.
- 3. Approve 6 months paid maternity leave.

Drug Management Agency (DMA) Scorecard





Anambra 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		arget Not Met
DMA Has Pharmagrade Warehouse With Adequate Capacity		lo Data
State Has A Single Supply Chain System		
State Manages Last Mile Delivery		



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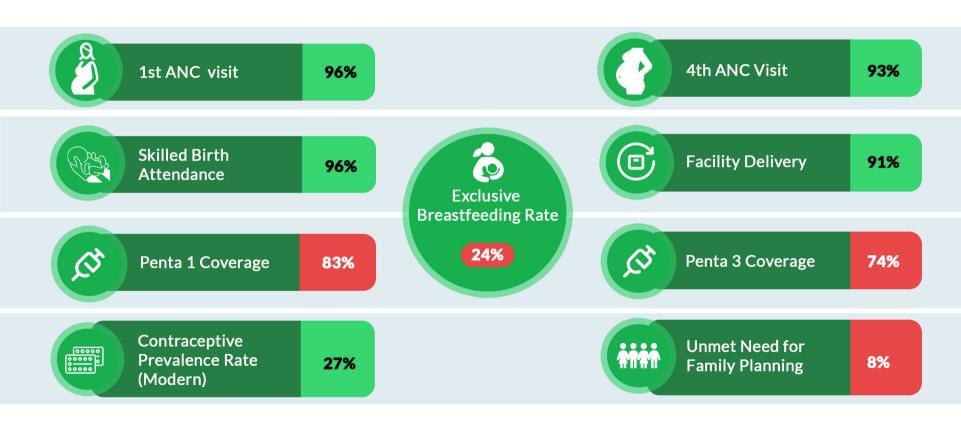
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Access and Service Utilization...





There is good access to and utilization of antenatal, delivery services, however access to family planning and immunization services is low with about 26% of children less than 6months being exclusively breastfed.





Call to Action

- 1. Sustain its performance on antenatal services.
- 2. Identify and address barriers to access and utilization of immunization and family planning services.

Access and Service Utilization





The state has a low network of TB molecular diagnostics machines, high unmet needs in terms of Treatment for Children living with HIV and only provides 3 doses of malaria prophylaxis for half of its pregnant women.





Call to Action

The State Government should ensure at least one functional molecular diagnostic machine per LGA, scale up ART treatment for CLHIV and expand coverage of IPTp3

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

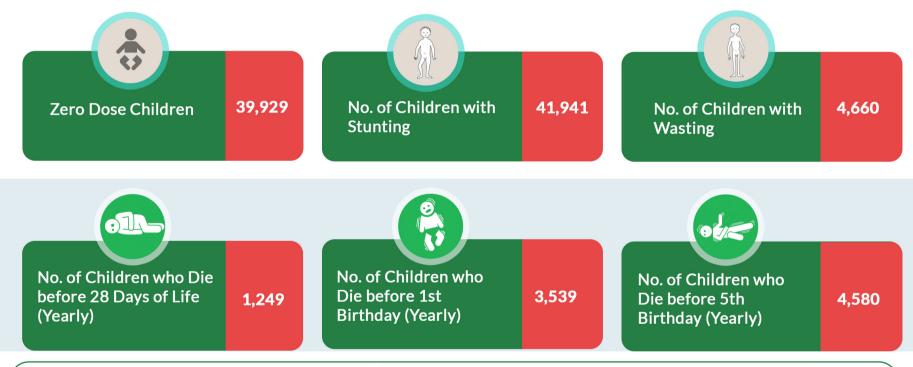
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Health Outcomes





There a significant number of zero-dose children, high numbers of children with stunting & wasting, and unacceptably high numbers of childhood mortalities in the state. The state has the fourth highest number of deaths in children before their 5th birthday.





Call to Action

The State Government urgently needs to prioritize investments in maternal and child healthcare services, including nutrition interventions, immunizations, and healthcare infrastructure to improve the health outcomes of children in the state. It is also important for the state to work with key partners to identify and target communities with unvaccinated children.

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 Anambra State that the Government needs to sustain.

S/N Ti	tle	Description
1. Ce	ervical Cancer Project	Provision of cervical cancer test in primary and secondary healthcare facilities in the state to ensure early detection and cure of cervical cancer among the women.

Partner Mapping



S/N	Implementing Partner	Intervention	Geographical Location
1	Achieving Health Nigeria Initiative (AHNI)	HIV services, Adolescent Reproductive Health	State Wide
2	KNCV	TB Services	State Wide
3	Rotary International	Reproductive Health	State Wide
4	The Carter Center	Neglected Tropical Disease	State Wide
5	UNICEF	HIV services, Reproductive Health, Immunization services, Nutrition	State Wide
6	wно	Immunization, Surveillance, Health System Strengthening	State Wide

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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

BMGF, ADF, GAVI, UNICEF, R4D, NHED.

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