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**REDUCE
CHILD MORTALITY**

TARGETS:

- 1. Further reduce the infant and under-five mortality rate;*
- 2. Eliminate measles by 2015*

STATUS OF PROGRESS:

The infant mortality rate has been reduced from 31.6 in 1990 to 11.3 in 2003 and 10.3 per 1,000 live births in 2007. The under-five mortality rate in Macedonia is 11.5‰, which is lower than the projected rate of 13‰. The first target within MDG 4 has already been achieved. There has been a significant drop in measles incidence from 64.2 in 1990 to 1.33 per 100,000 in 2001, that is, to a single reported case in 2007, which is lower than the incidence rate in the EU. Immunization rates against measles exceeded the recommended rates and reached over 95% throughout the entire analyzed period.