

Lao People's Democratic Republic

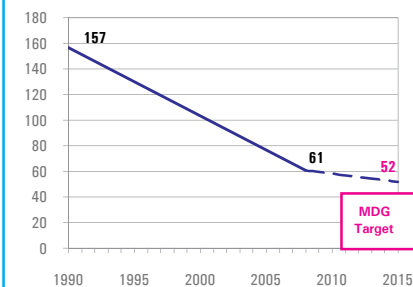
Nutrition Profile

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total population (000)	6,205	(2008)
Total under-five population (000)	776	(2008)
Total number of births (000)	170	(2008)
Under-five mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	61	(2008)
Total number of under-five deaths (000)	10	(2008)
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	48	(2008)
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	30	(2004)
HIV prevalence rate (15-49 years, %)	0.2	(2007)
Population below international poverty line of US\$1.25 per day (%)	44	(2002-2003)

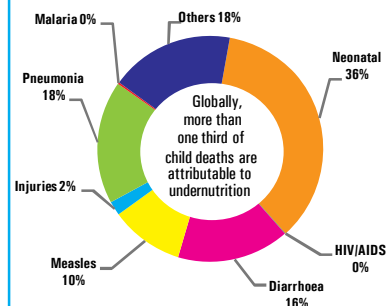
Under-five mortality rate

Deaths per 1,000 live births



Source: IGME 2009

Causes of under-five deaths, 2004



Source: WHO 2008

NUTRITIONAL STATUS

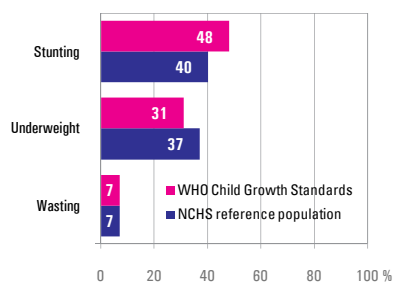
Burden of undernutrition (2008)

WHO Child Growth Standards

Stunted (under-fives, 000):	370	Underweight (under-fives, 000):	241
Share of developing world stunting burden (%):	0.2	Wasted (under-fives, 000):	57
Stunting country rank:	58	Severely wasted (under-fives, 000):	13

Current nutritional status

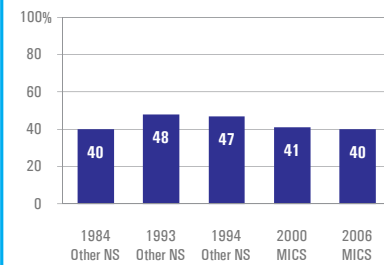
Percentage of children < 5 years old suffering



Source: MICS 2006

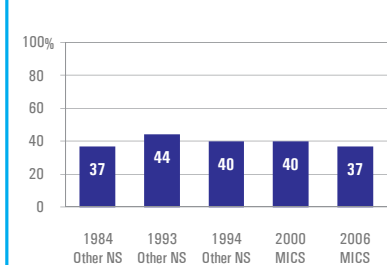
Stunting trends

Percentage of children < 5 years old stunted NCHS reference population



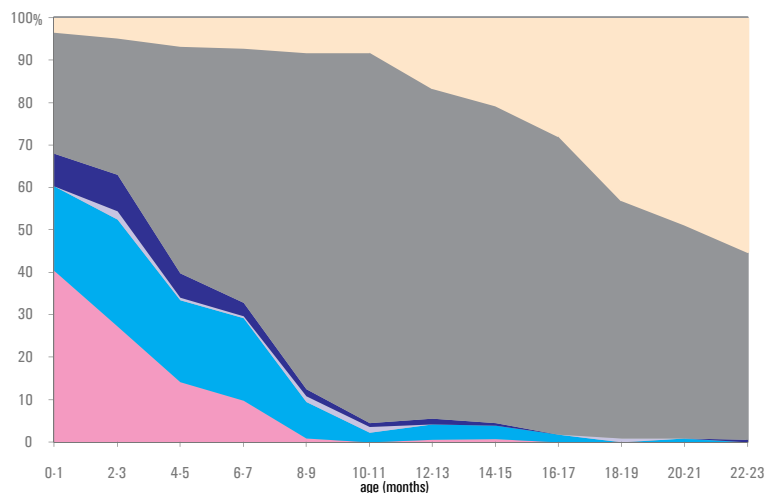
Underweight trends

Percentage of children < 5 years old underweight NCHS reference population



INFANT AND YOUNG CHILD FEEDING

Infant feeding practices, by age



Source: MICS 2006

- Weaned (not breastfed)
- Breastfed and solid/semi-solid foods
- Breastfed and other milk/formula
- Breastfed and non-milk liquids
- Breastfed and plain water only
- Exclusively breastfed

Exclusive breastfeeding

Percentage of infants < 6 months old breastfed

