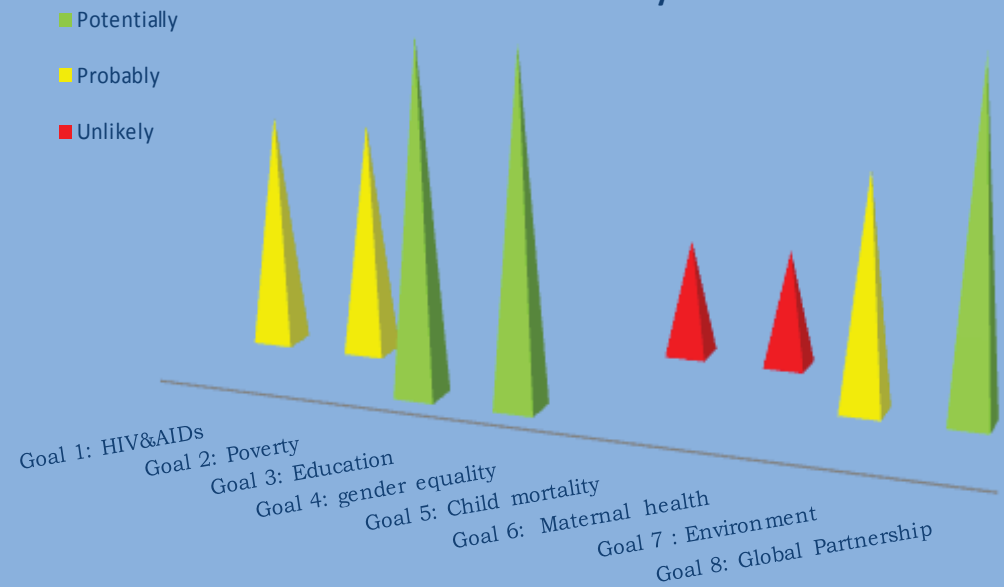


Lesotho Millennium Development Goals Indicators at a Glance						
Goals	Indicators	2005	2006	2007	2008	2015
Goal 1: Combat HIV and AIDS	15- 49 HIV Prevalence	23.4	23.3	23.2	23.2	17
	HIV prevalence Pregnant women Attending Clinics					15
	Condom Use rate per contraceptive					n/a
	Women 15- 49 using condoms					30
	Sputum positive TB death rates					6
	Life expectancy at birth	43.3	44.1	45.4	46.3	63
Goal 2: Eradicate extreme poverty and hun-	Portion of people living below the poverty line					29
	Unemployment rate				23	15
	Prevalence of Underweight children under 5 yrs			13.8		8
	Proportion of undernourished people in total popula-	25				14
Goal 3: Achieve universal primary education	Net enrollment rate	83.1	83.9	81.4		100
	Proportion of pupils in Std. 1who reach Std 5	72.5				100
	Adult literacy rate					100
	Pupil: teacher ratio	42	41	37		40
	Pupil: classroom ratio					40
	Dropout rate	6.0				0
	Primary School completion rate	85.5	86.0	83.1		100
Goal 4: Promote gender equality and empower women	Net enrollment rate					100
	Primary education (girls /100 boys)	101	101	102		100
	Secondary education (girls /100 boys)	79	79	76		100
	Tertiary education (girls /100 boys)					100
	Proportion of seat held by women in the National As-			25		30
Goal 5: Reduce child mortality	Under -five mortality rate (per 1,000 live birth)	107.1	100.9	91.5	82.9	37
	Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 survivors to 1yr)					24
	Proportion of 1 years immunized against measles					100
Goal 6: Improve maternal health	Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)					70
	Proportion of births attended by skilled health person-					80
	Contraceptive prevalence rate among married women					80
	Contraceptive prevalence rate among all women					60
Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability	Arable land					n/a
	Landlessness (households without access to land)					17
	Soil erosion (lost top soil per annum)(million ton)					20
	Proportion of protected areas & sustainable use areas					12.6
	Project briefs & environmental impact					All
	Assessment reports					All
	Plans/policies/ programmes subjected to strategic en-					All
	Proportion of people without access to safe water					19
	Proportion of people without access to basic sanitation					33

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Fig 1 Prospects for achieving the Millennium Development Goals for Lesotho by 2015



Overview

The 2008 Lesotho Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) status report highlights the progress made towards achievement of the eight goals. This brochure serves as an update to the indicators contained in the 2008 MDG Status Report.

Analysis of the indicators for achieving the MDGs reveals that the main challenge lies in poverty reduction and maternal health. From the available data, halving the amount of people suffering from hunger and reducing the amount of maternal mortality by two thirds is unlikely to be achieved.

However, significant improvements have been made in the areas of gender equality and empowering of women, achieving universal primary education, and developing a global partnership for development. There is high potential in achieving these targets would be achieved by 2015

The supportive environment for providing timely access to relevant and accurate data and appropriate policy analysis is uneven across the 8 goals. For instance, data availability of Goal 1 Combat HiV & Aids; Goal 6 Improve Maternal Mortality and Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability is considered weak. For the rest of the goals the supportive environment is considered strong.

Technical Notes

Data used for this update comes from routine and administrative sources, surveys and censuses for 2000—2008.

It is worth mentioning that the Bureau of Statistics in its attempt to coordinate the statistical system and enhance the data quality in the country has included statistical estimates that have adopted data collection, processing and analysis methodology that conforms to international standards.

Lesotho Millennium Development Goals Indicators at a Glance						
Goals	Indicators	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Goal 1: Combat HIV and AIDS	15– 49 HIV Prevalence	23..85	23.9	23.8	23.7	23.56
	HIV prevalence Pregnant women Attending Clinics					
	Condom Use rate per contraceptive					14.5
	Women 15– 49 using condoms			12.5		
	Sputum positive TB death rates					
	Life expectancy at birth	48.9	52	45.4	44.3	43.5
Goal 2: Eradicate extreme poverty	Portion of people living below the poverty line				56.6	
	Unemployment rate				28.7	
	Prevalence of Underweight children under 5 yrs	17.9				17
	Proportion of undernourished people in total popu-	26				
Goal 3: Achieve universal primary education	Net enrollment rate	82.0	82.7	84.0	85.0	83.0
	Proportion of pupils in Std. 1who reach Std 5	89.7			69.4	
	Adult literacy rate		82.0			87.2
	Pupil: teacher ratio	48	47	47	46	44
	Pupil: classroom ratio					
	Dropout rate	7.3	5.9	4.8	6	5.9
	Primary School completion rate		87.5	76.5	83.7	88.1
Goal 4: Promote gender equality and empower women	Net enrollment rate					
	Primary education (girls / 100 boys)	97	99	99	99	101
	Secondary education (girls / 100 boys)					
	Tertiary education (girls / 100 boys)					
Goal 5: Reduce child mortal-	Proportion of seat held by women in the National	17				
	Under -five mortality rate (per 1,000 live birth)	111	113	113		113
	Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 survivors to 1yr)	79	81			91
Goal 6: Improve maternal health	Proportion of 1 years immunized against measles	72.2	60.4			60.4
	Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	419	419			762
	Proportion of births attended by skilled health per-	60				
Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability	Contraceptive prevalence rate among married	12.6				
	Contraceptive prevalence rate among all women					35.2
	Arable land					
	Landlessness (households without access to land					
	Soil erosion (lost top soil per annum)(million ton)					
	Proportion of protected areas & sustainable use					
	Project briefs & environmental impact					
	Assessment reports					
	Plans/policies/ programmes subjected to strategic					
	Prop. of people without access to safe water	35.3			26.1	
Prop. of people without access to basic sanitation		57.7		33.9		