



Scary Statistics - Southern Sudan

Poverty

- More than 90% of the population in Southern Sudan currently live on less than 1 dollar a day.
- Although chronic hunger in Southern Sudan has reduced, it still stands at 33%.
- 1.2 million vulnerable people in Southern Sudan are facing food insecurity and are in need of food aid during 2008.

Maternal Mortality

- One out of six women who become pregnant in Southern Sudan will die.
- Only 10% of all deliveries in Southern Sudan are assisted by skilled health personnel, compared to 57% countrywide.
- There are only 10 registered midwives in Southern Sudan.

Infant Mortality

- Although the under-five mortality rate has decreased from 250 (per 1000 live births) in 2001 to 135 in 2006, one out of every 6 children will die before their first birthday.

Immunisation

- Southern Sudan has the lowest routine immunisation coverage rate in the world.
- Only 13% of children are fully vaccinated, compared to 29% in Darfur and 41% nationwide.
- Only 39% of children in Southern Sudan receive measles vaccination before their first birthday.

Malaria

- Malaria is considered hyper-endemic in Southern Sudan; endemic at a high level, in all age groups, accounting for more than 40% of all health facility visits.
- 88% of households in Southern Sudan do not have an Insecticide-Treated Net.

HIV/AIDS

- In 2007 the HIV/AIDS prevalence in Southern Sudan was estimated at 3.1%, but increasing.
- More than 70% of the population aged 15-49 has no knowledge about HIV prevention.

Water and Sanitation

- More than 50% of the population in Southern Sudan does not use improved drinking water.
- Only 6.4% of the population use improved sanitation.

Primary Education

- Less than 50% of all children in Southern Sudan receive 5 years of primary school education, compared to 93% in Darfur.
- While 1.3 million children are enrolled, only 1.9% completes primary school education.
- For every 1,000 primary school students there is only one teacher.

Gender

- 92% of women in Southern Sudan cannot read or write, compared to 62% in Darfur and 54% nationwide.
- Only 27% of girls in Southern Sudan are attending primary school.
- A 15 year old girl has a higher chance of dying in childbirth than completing school.

Displacement

- Since January 2008, 187,000 people have been displaced by tribal and armed conflict in Southern Sudan, compared to 310,000 people in Darfur.