

PRETERM BIRTH RATES

National, regional, and worldwide estimates in the year 2010 with time trends since 1990 for selected countries.



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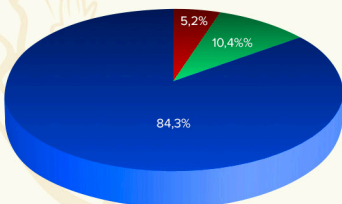
of all livebirths worldwide in 2010 were born preterm (estimate)

35% of the world's 3.1 million annual neonatal deaths are caused by preterm birth complications (estimate).

The SECOND most common cause of death after pneumonia in children under 5 years old.

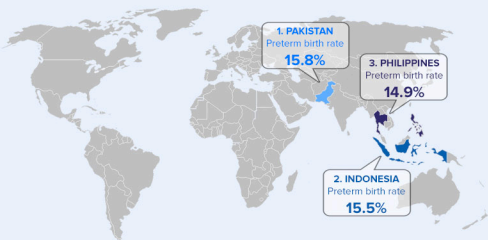
DISTRIBUTION OF PRETERM BIRTH

Distribution of preterm birth according to gestational age subgroup based on meta-analysis of 345 datapoints from 41 countries.

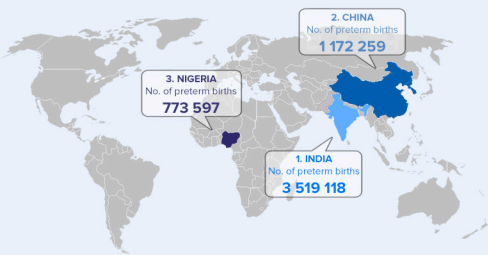


- Moderate or late preterm** (Gastational age 32 – <37 weeks)
- Very preterm** (Gastational age 28 – <32 weeks)
- Extremely preterm** (Gastational age <28 weeks)

PRETERM BIRTH RATES BY COUNTRY



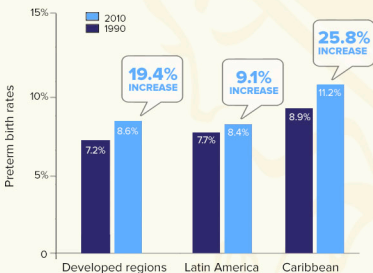
PRETERM BIRTHS BY COUNTRY



ESTIMATED PRETERM BIRTHS BY REGION FOR THE YEAR 2010

	3. Southeastern Asia and Oceania	2. Sub-Saharan Africa	1. Southern Asia
Total number of births in region (>10000)	11 200	32 100	38 700
Preterm (%)	13.5%	12.3%	13.3%

INCREASE OF PRETERM BIRTH RATES



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