

Table 1 Selected population and health indicators in the World Health Organization's (WHO) Eastern Mediterranean Region

Indicator	Year					
	1990	2000	2004	2006	2008	2010
Population						
Total population ^a (no.)	481 654 729	519 687 692	580 208 120			
Population ≥ 60 years ^a (no.)	26 619 855 ^e	30 040 580 ^e	34 880 980 ^e			
Life expectancy at birth (years) ^b	63	65	67			
Population living in urban areas (%) ^b	44	47	49			
Total fertility rate (no. of children per woman) ^b	5.5	4.0	3.4			
Mortality						
All cause mortality (no. of deaths per 100 000 population) ^f	838	829	724			
Noncommunicable disease mortality (no. of deaths per 100 000 population) ^a	413	415	384			
Infectious and parasitic disease mortality (no. of deaths per 100 000 population) ^a	191	138	114			
Road traffic accident mortality (no. of deaths per 100 000 population) ^f	19	28	21			
Under-5 mortality (no. of deaths per 1000 live births) ^f	100					68
Other						
Prevalence of smoking any tobacco product among adults ≥ 15 years (%)^g						
Men				32.0		
Women				4.4		
Population using improved drinking-water sources (%)^d						
Urban	95				93	
Rural	76				76	
Population using improved sanitation (%)^h						
Urban	85				83	
Rural	32				45	

^aSource: WHO Disease and Injury Country Estimates: http://www.who.int/healthinfo/global_burden_disease/estimates_country/en/index.html

^bSource: WHO Global Health Observatory Data Repository: <http://apps.who.int/ghodata/>

^cSource: Levels and Trends in Child Mortality Report 2011: http://www.childinfo.org/files/Child_Mortality_Report_2011.pdf

^dSource: World Health Statistics Report 2010: http://www.who.int/whosis/whosint/EN_WHS10_Full.pdf

^e5.5% (2000), 5.8% (2004) and 6.0% (2008) of the total population.