



Re-Imagining Resilient and Sustainable UHC in Africa

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Global Context

Under five mortality has declined by 61% since 1990, yet ~5 million children died in 2020



295,000
maternal deaths



2 million
stillbirths



2.4 million
neonatal deaths



1.4 million
Children aged
1–11 months



1.3 million
Children aged
1–4 years

Child 5 - 9 year and adolescent mortality declined, yet 1.5 million children and adolescents died in 2020



0.5 million
Children aged
5–9 years

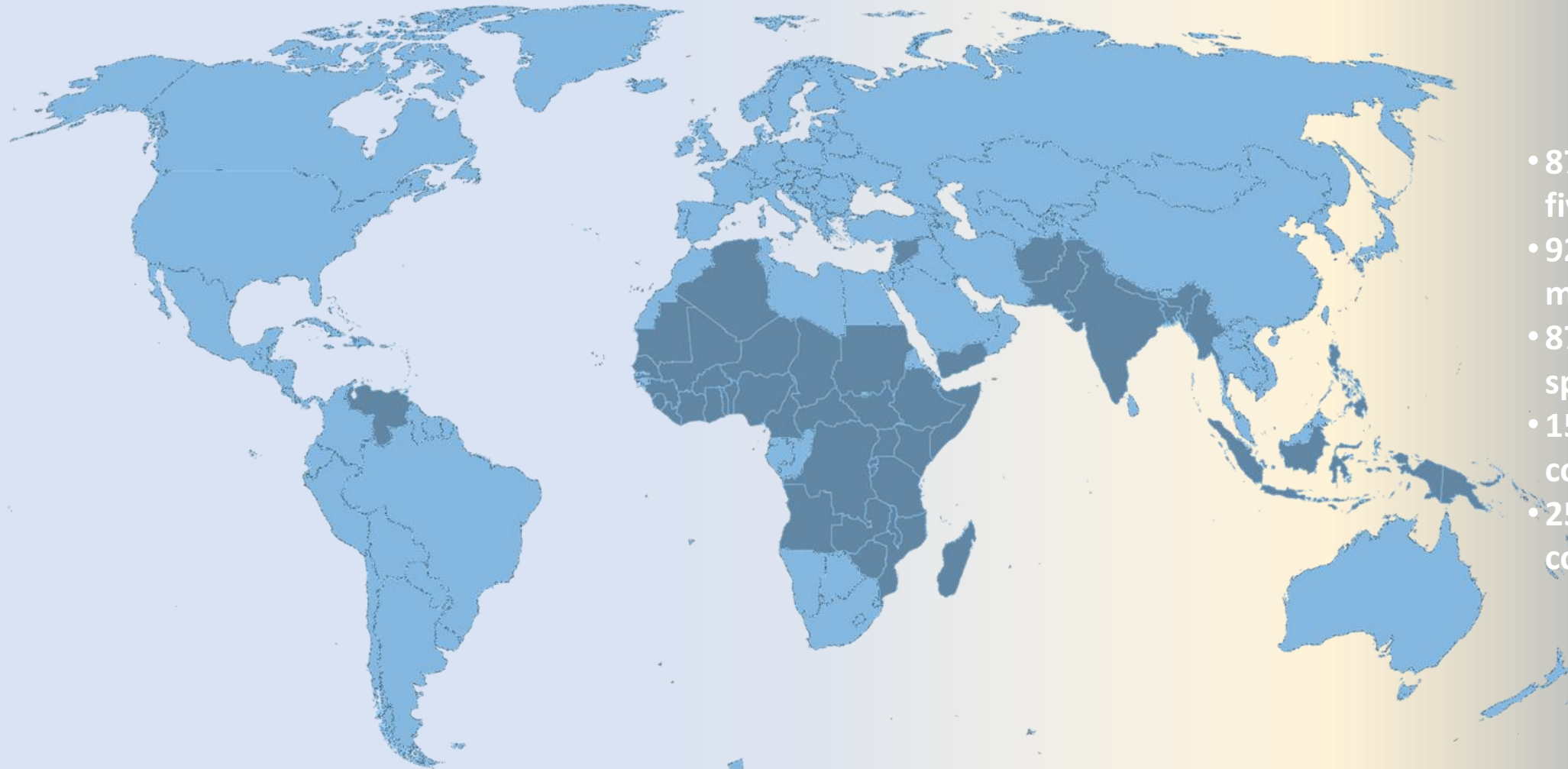


0.4 million
Young
adolescents aged
10–14 years



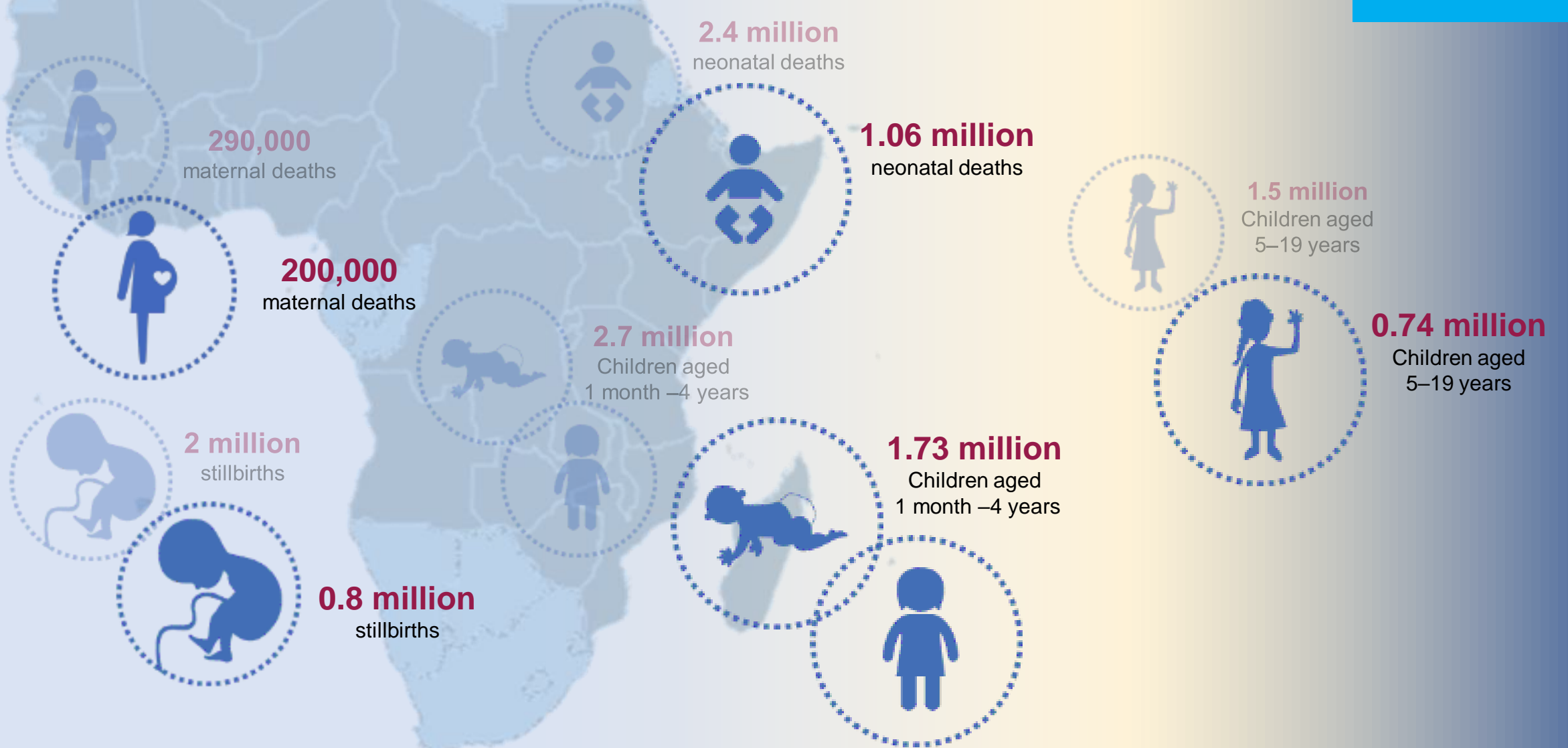
0.6 million
Older
adolescents
aged 15–19
years

46 high-burden countries present the greatest challenge on the under-five mortality agenda:



- 87% of global under-five deaths
- 92% of global maternal deaths
- 87% of UNICEF health spending
- 15/46 humanitarian contexts
- 25/46 HIV priority countries

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The 'ZERO DOSE' Child

= received "zero doses"
of essential lifesaving health
services



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MALNUTRITION

MORE LIKELY
TO LIVE IN
POVERTY

LEAST
ACCESS TO
WATER &
HYGIENE

LEAST
PROTECTED

LEAST ACCESS
TO EDUCATION

Compounding Drivers



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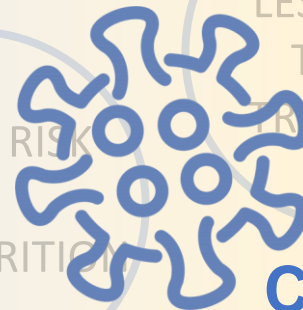
Climate Change



HIGHER RISK OF ILLNESS OR DISEASE

Conflict

HIGHER RISK OF MALNUTRITION



LESS LIKELY TO GET TREATMENT

Covid (Contagion)

We need to:

Re-invigorate global, regional and national commitments to child health, wellbeing, and children's rights

Equitably scale up evidence-based interventions delivered through resilient primary health care to achieve UHC

Invest in children's futures

Way Forward with the 4 Ps



PEOPLE



PLACE



PRODUCT



POWER

Thank you

