Improving the Quality of RH/CAH Data in Remote Areas of China

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Aim

To test the feasibility of identification and application of a list of MDG 4 and 5 indicators for remote China

Background

International environment

- > MDG 4 and MDG5
- The WHO Global Reproductive Health Strategy adopted by WHO's 192 Member States in May 2004
- Indicators for monitoring MDG 5 recommended by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group

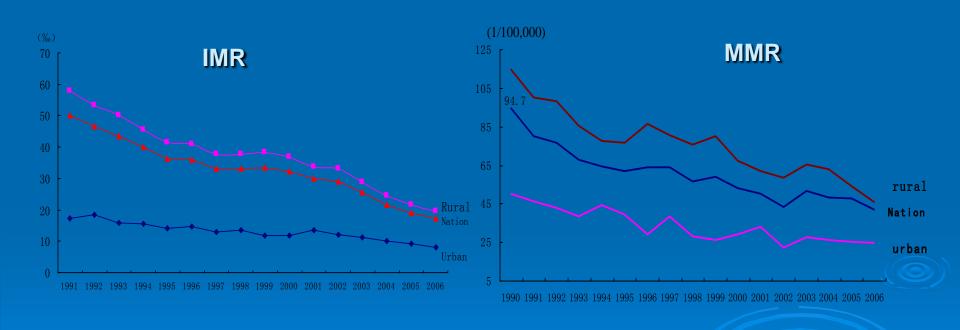
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Internal problems

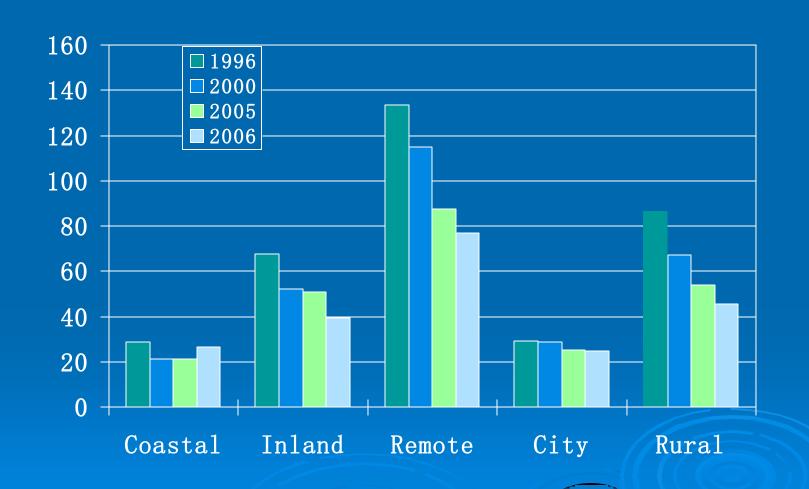
- Relatively good information system but quality of data needs to be improved
- Missing MDG indicators
- Big disparity is existing between urban and remote rural areas

Trends in MMR/IMR 1990~2006 China

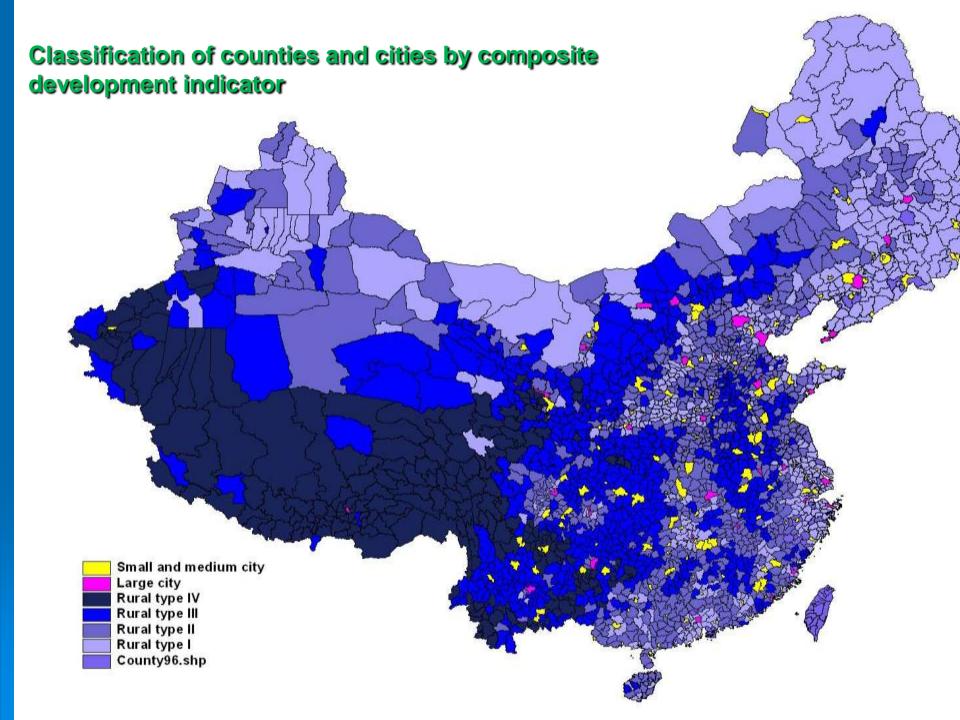
Data source: National MCH surveillance



Comparison on the Decreasing of MMR







Objectives

- To adapt MDG 4 and MDG5 indicators to China;
- To improve the availability and quality of RH/CAH data with focus on missing MDG4 and MDG5 data collection in remote areas;
- To develop the missing MDG indicator collection tools;
- To standardize the management of RH/CAH information system;
- To improve the capacity of health staff on data collection management and utilization.

Methods

- A mixture of qualitative and quantitative methods
 - quantitative survey on data collection, completeness and reporting
 - focus group meeting, theme interview of providers, managers

Desk review of existing documents on indicators and related guidelines

Settings

The activities will take place in

Three counties from Qin Han, Gui Zhou, Yun Nan provinces

> Two counties from Tibet

Main Activities

- Conduct desk review and expert seminar to identify the RH/CAH indicators to reflect MDG4 and MDG5 targets and data collection approaches for measuring the indicators in China;
- Conduct situation analysis of data availability and quality of selected indicators in remote areas of China;
 - qualitative and quantitative data collection
- Develop data collection tools for missing indicators;
- Develop management guidelines for RH/CAH information including combination of missing MDG indicators into routine RH/CAH information system in remote areas of China;
- Organize related health staff training.

Outcomes

- > A list of priority MDG indicators for remote China;
- A report on situation analysis of RH/CAH information system in remote areas of China.
- The Series tools for collecting MDG missing indicators;
- Guidelines on the management of RH/CAH information system;
- Improved awareness of health staff on data management.

Implementing Units

- > WHO China Office
- Ministry of Health, China
- Chinese National Surveillance Center for MCH
- Chinese National MCH Annual Information Management Office

Budget and Timetable

Activity items	Budget	Timetable
Assessment on the RH/CAH	20,000	Apr-May2009
information system in remote areas		
Improving the quality and availability	10,000	Jun-Aug 2009
of RH/CAH information system to		
reflect MDG4 and MDG5		
Development of missing indicator	15,000	Oct 2009-Jan
collecting tools		2010
Development of management	15,000	Mar-Jun-2010
guidelines for RH/CAH information		
system in remote China		
Capacity building	20,000	Jul-Aug 2010
Data utilization	10,000	Aug-Oct 2010
In total	90,000	

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