



Abbreviated name	Malaria parasite prevalence among children aged 6–59 months
Indicator name	Malaria parasite prevalence among children aged 6–59 months
Domain	Health status
Subdomain	Infectious disease
Associated terms	Morbidity
Definition	Percentage of children aged 6–59 months in the population with malaria parasites in blood.
Numerator	Number of children aged 6–59 months in the population with malaria parasites in blood.
Denominator	Total number of children aged 6–59 months tested for malaria parasites by rapid diagnostic test or microscopy.
Disaggregation/ additional dimension	Age, place of residence, season (year and month), sex
Method of measurement	Household survey with rapid diagnostic test or microscopy applied to all children aged 6–59 months.
Method of estimation	
Measurement frequency	Every 2–5 years depending on epidemiology and intervention intensity
Monitoring and evaluation framework	Impact
Preferred data sources	Population-based surveys with parasite prevalence testing in blood
Other possible data sources	Routine facility information systems with laboratory confirmation
Further information and related links	<p>Household Survey Indicators for Malaria Control. Measure Evaluation/Measure DHS/President’s Malaria Initiative/Roll Back Malaria Partnership/ UNICEF/WHO. 2013 (http://www.malariasurveys.org/documents/Household%20Survey%20Indicators%20for%20Malaria%20Control.pdf, accessed 15 April 2015).</p> <p>Roll Back Malaria Partnership/WHO. Disease surveillance for malaria control: an operations manual. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2012 (http://www.who.int/malaria/publications/atoz/9789241503341/en/, accessed 29 March 2015).</p> <p>World Health Assembly governing body documentation: official records. Geneva: World Health Organization (http://apps.who.int/gb/or/, accessed 29 March 2015).</p>