



Summary general questions

Hungary

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Country description

The population in Hungary is estimated at 9.7 million, with 93,000 births each year. The average life expectancy is estimated at 72 for men and 79 for women (2016). The gross national income per capita (PPP int. \$) is 28,375 (2017). The estimated total expenditure on health per capita (Intl \$, 2015) is 1,428 and the total current expenditure on health as percentage of GDP (2016) is 5.2%.

General health and school systems

The total density of hospitals is 1.02 per 100,000 people (2013). Hospital beds per 100000 capita is 700,15 (2016) About 99% of children are born in the hospital and 99.2% of the births are attended by skilled personnel. Prematurely born children can be treated from 23 weeks. The average stay in the hospital is 3 days. The birth registration coverage is 100%. The infant mortality under the age of 5 per 1000 live births per year is 5.

The primary school starts at age 6 (as possibility).

Existing prevention programmes and coverage

General Preventive Child Health Care programmes are nationally organized and are performed by pediatricians, health visitors and GPs. The Health Visitor's Service and the primary care physicians are financed by the National Health Insurance. The funding is national, but there is regional difference in funding for the pediatricians. Parents may be charged for extra service (i.e. for certain vaccines).

Health care contact moments in the first weeks and at 4-6 year

	Vaccination or tests	Coverage
First weeks		
birth	BCG	99%
0-4 days	General examination (weight, height, head circumference)	100%
1 month	General examination (weight, height, head circumference, motor skills)	about 100%
2 months	DTPa, IPV, Hib, PCV	99%
3 months	DTPa, IPV, Hib	99%
3 months	General examination (weight, height, head circumference, motor skills)	about 100%
4-6 year		
4-6 years	General examination	96%
6 years	DTPa, IPV	99%

All children are invited for screening by a health visitor. The children are screened after birth and at 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 9, 12, 18 months and 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. The health visitors do not have to be report the results. The health visitors are supervised. The attendance is close to 100% in the first year and then decreases to 96%.

Vaccinations are compulsory and therefore about 99% of the children are vaccinated.

The total costs of general screening are 84,000 euros per year. The average salary costs (starting gross basic salary) for a pediatrician are 6,500 euros and for a health visitor 4,200 euros per year.

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