



## **Vital Statistics**

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## Why using registration records for vital statistics as a goal for the region?

- Often avoided source of data
  - Significant initial investment to understand, clean and analyse the data
  - Civil registration agency may not have expertise or interest in improving the statistical quality of data
- Preferable source for vital statistics
  - Continuously updated
  - Universal coverage



67 SDG indicators related to Civil Registration and Vital Statistics

## Vital Statistics Reports in the Pacific

- A growing number of countries are producing vital statistics reports based on civil registration
- However comes after improving civil registration completeness

Countries	Target 3H
American Samoa	Achieved
Cook Islands	Achieved (2015 report published 2019 report expected to be published)
Fiji	Achieved (2019 Report Published)
Kiribati	Achieved (2018 report published)
Micronesia	2024
Nauru	Achieved (2019 report expected to be published)
Niue	Achieved (2018 report published)
Papa New Guinea	2024
Samoa	2019
Solomon Islands	2025 (2016 report published)
Tonga	2017
Tuvalu	Achieved (2018 report published)
Vanuatu	Achieved (2018 report published)

## Regional Action Framework targets on vital statistics



**Goal 3**: Accurate, complete and timely vital statistics (including on causes of death) are produced based on registration records and are disseminated

- 3.A. By...(year), annual nationally representative statistics on births disaggregated by age of mother, sex of child, geographic area and administrative subdivision –are produced from registration records or other valid administrative data sources
- 3.B. By ...(year), annual nationally representative statistics on deaths disaggregated by age, sex, cause of death defined by ICD (latest version as appropriate), geographic area and administrative subdivision –are produced from registration records or other valid administrative data sources
- 3.F. By ...(year), key summary tabulations of vital statistics on births and deaths using registration records as the primary source, are made available in the public domain in electronic format annually, and within one calendar year
- 3.G. By ...(year), key summary tabulations of vital statistics on causes of death using registration records as the primary source, are made available in the public domain in electronic format annually, and within two calendar years
- 3.H. By ...(year), an accurate, complete and timely vital statistics report for the previous two years, using registration records as the primary source, is made available in the public domain

