

Thailand's national IDs as a foundation for universal health coverage and healthcare delivery

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Thai Civil Registration Systems

- Ministry of Interior started computerized population database and Citizen ID project in 1982
- BORA operates and maintains the data base for the entire population of the country, and issues identity cards and household booklets



Thailand Universal Health Coverage

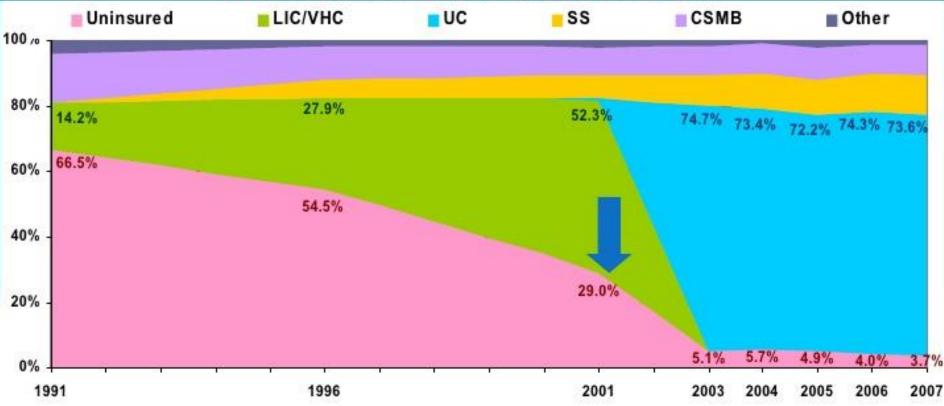
Social health protection schemes have covered all Thai citizen since 2002

Major Schemes	Civil Servants Medical Benefit Scheme (CSMBS)	Social Security Scheme (SSS)	Universal Coverage (UCS)
Introduced in	1960s	1990s	2002
Target beneficiaries	Government employees & dependents, retirees	Private sector employees	Those not covered by CSMBS nor SSS
Pop Coverage	7% (5 M)	16% (10 M)	75% (48 M)
Funding	Government budget	Payroll contribution, Tripartite	Government budget
Payment to health facilities	Fee-for-service for OP, DRG for IP	Capitation for OP & IP, DRG for Adjusted RW >= 2	Capitation for OP, DRG for IP

From: Health Insurance Systems Research Office, HISRO

Population coverage by health insurance

before and after the 2001 UC reform



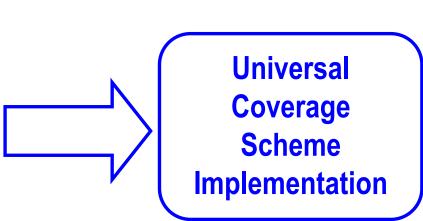
LIC: Low-Income Card Scheme → Tax-funded, public welfare program (defunct)

VHC: Voluntary Health Card Scheme → Subsidized, voluntary, community-based health insurance (defunct)

UC: Universal Coverage Scheme → Tax-funded, entitlement scheme for the rest of all Thai population SS: Social Security Scheme → Compulsory, contributory, social health insurance (SHI) for formal private employees CSMB: Civil Servant Medical Benefit Scheme → Tax-funded, fringe benefit for government employees/pensioners, dependants Source: Analysis of Health and Welfare Surveys (HWS, various years)

Contribution of National ID system and IT infrastructure to Thailand UHC implementation





UHC Scheme Beneficiaries Roster complete in one year

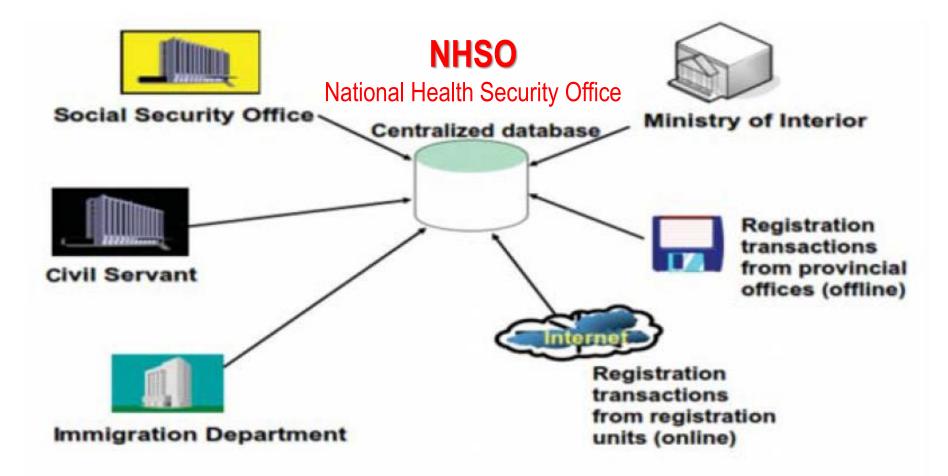
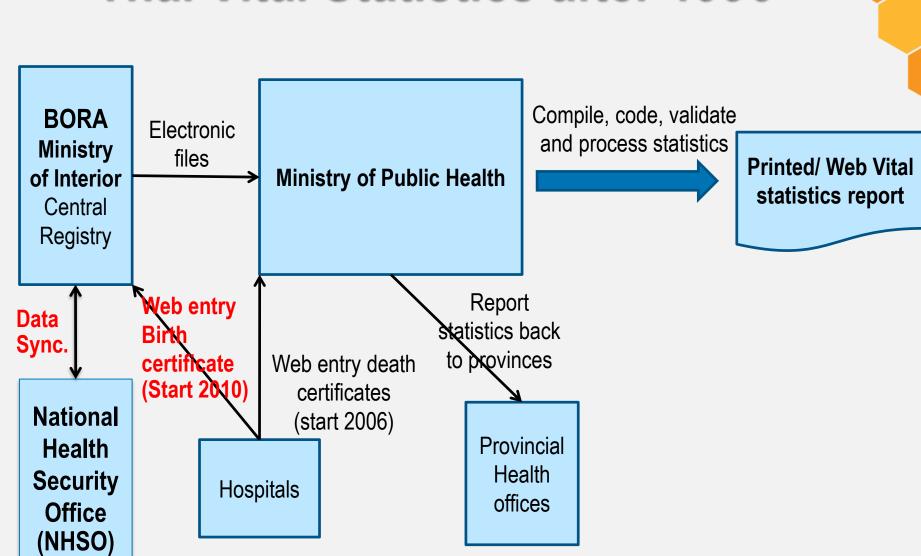


Diagram I : Beneficairy enrollment System for Universal Coverage



Thai Vital Statistics after 1996