Tuberculosis profile: Nepal

Population 2021: 30 million

Estimates of TB burden*, 2021

	Number	(Rate per 100 000 population)
Total TB incidence	69 000 (41 000-104 000)	229 (137-345)
HIV-positive TB incidence	540 (320-830)	1.8 (1.1-2.8)
MDR/RR-TB incidence**	2 800 (1 400-4 300)	9.5 (4.5-14)
HIV-negative TB mortality	17 000 (9 600-27 000)	58 (32-91)
HIV-positive TB mortality	220 (120-350)	0.73 (0.41-1.2)

Estimated proportion of TB cases with MDR/RR-TB*, 2021

New cases	4% (3.6-4.4)
Previously treated cases	5.8% (1.1-16)

Universal health coverage and social protection*

TB treatment coverage (notified/estimated incidence), 2021	41% (27-69)
TB patients facing catastrophic total costs	
TB case fatality ratio (estimated mortality/estimated incidence), 2021	27% (11-46)

TB case notifications, 2021

Total new and relapse	28 252
- % tested with rapid diagnostics at time of diagnosis	41%
- % with known HIV status	73%
% pulmonary	70%
% bacteriologically confirmed ^	80%
% children aged 0-14 years	6%
% women (aged ≥15 years)	35%
% men (aged ≥15 years)	59%
Total cases notified	28 677

TB/HIV care in new and relapse TB patients, 2021

	Number	(%)
Patients with known HIV status who are HIV-positive	162	0.79%
- on antiretroviral therapy	144	89%

Drug-resistant TB care**, 2021

$\%$ of bacteriologically confirmed TB cases tested for rifampicin resistance - New cases ^	81%
% of bacteriologically confirmed TB cases tested for rifampicin resistance - Previously treated cases ^	64%
Laboratory-confirmed cases - MDR/RR-TB ^^	687
Patients started on treatment - MDR/RR-TB ^^^	418
Laboratory-confirmed cases - pre-XDR-TB or XDR-TB ^^	108
Patients started on treatment - pre-XDR-TB or XDR-TB ^^^	74
MDR/RR-TB cases tested for resistance to any fluoroquinolone	297

Treatment success rate and cohort size

	Success	Cohort
New and relapse cases registered in 2020	91%	26 909
Previously treated cases, excluding relapse, registered in 2020	85%	322
HIV-positive TB cases registered in 2020		
MDR/RR-TB cases started on second-line treatment in 2019	73%	366
Pre-XDR-TB/XDR-TB cases started on second-line treatment in 2019	74%	114

TB preventive treatment, 2021

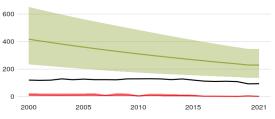
% of HIV-positive people (newly enrolled in care) on preventive treatment	
% of children (aged < 5 years) household contacts of bacteriologically-confirmed TB cases on preventive treatment	36% (33-39)

Funding for TB

Funding for TB, 2021 (US\$ millions)	16
- % domestic funding	44%
- % international funding	56%

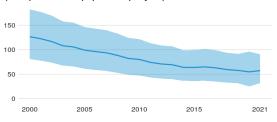
Incidence, New and relapse TB cases notified, HIV-positive TB incidence

(Rate per 100 000 population per year)



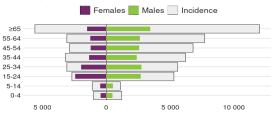
HIV-negative TB mortality

(Rate per 100 000 population per year)

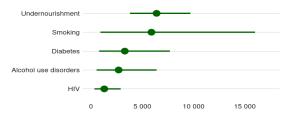


Incidence, Notified cases by age group and sex, 2021

(Number)

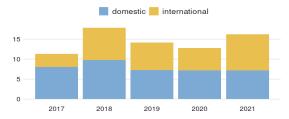


Cases attributable to five risk factors, 2021 (Number)



Funding for TB

(US\$ millions)



- * Estimates of TB burden are produced by WHO in consultation with countries. Ranges represent uncertainty intervals.

 ** RR is TB resistant to rifampicin (R); MDR is TB resistant to R + isoniazid; pre-XDR is TB resistant to R + any fluoroquinolone

 ^ Calculated for pulmonary cases only

 ** Includes cases with unknown previous TB treatment history

 ** Includes patients diagnosed before 2021 and patients who were not laboratory-confirmed

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