Malaria transmission is most intense in the south whilst the desert areas in the north are malaria-free. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 4,391,189 with 2,209 deaths.
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**Malaria**  
**Progress**
Niger has committed domestic resources to significantly close gaps in malaria intervention coverage and has sufficient financing to procure and distribute the LLINs, ACTs and RDTs required for 2016.

**Impact**  
The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 4,391,189 with 2,209 deaths. WHO, through modeling, estimates that there has been a less than 50% decrease in malaria incidence between 2000 and 2015.

**Previous Key Recommended Action**
Niger has responded positively to the recommended action addressing insecticide resistance monitoring.

**MNCH**  
**Progress**
The country has achieved high coverage of the tracer MNCH intervention, vitamin A. Niger has achieved MDG4 by reducing under-five child mortality by over two thirds since 1990.

**Previous Key Recommended Actions**

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<td>Work to accelerate coverage of ARTs in the total population and in children under 14 years of age</td>
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Niger has responded positively to the MNCH recommended actions addressing low coverage of skilled birth attendants and exclusive breastfeeding, and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

**Key**

- Action achieved
- Some progress
- No progress
- Deliverable not yet due

¹ MNCH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO MCA