

Sample Registration System (SRS) Statistical Report

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In news- Registrar General of India (RGI) has released the Sample Registration System (SRS) Statistical Report 2020 recently.

Key findings of the report-

- As per the report, India has been witnessing a progressive reduction in of child mortality rates such as Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), Under-five mortality rate (U5MR) and Neonatal mortality rate (NMR) since 2014 towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) targets by 2030.

INDICATOR	SRS 2014	SRS 2019	SRS 2020
Crude Birth Rate (CBR)	21.0	19.7	19.5
Total Fertility Rate	2.3	2.1	2.0
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate (ENMR) – 0-7 days	20	16	15
Neonatal Mortality Rate (NMR)	26	22	20
Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)	39	30	28
Under 5 Mortality Rate (U5MR)	45	35	32

Under 5 Mortality Rate (U5MR)–

- U5MR for the country has shown **significant decline of 3 points (Annual Decline Rate: 8.6%)** from 2019 (32 per 1000 live births in 2020 against 35 per 1000 live births in 2019).
- It **varies** from 36 in rural areas to 21 in urban areas.
- **U5MR for Female is higher** (33) than male (31).
- **Highest decline of U5MR is observed in the State of Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka.**

Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)-

- IMR has registered 2-point **decline to 28 per 1000 live births** in 2020 from 30 per 1000 live births in 2019 (Annual Decline Rate: 6.7%).
- The **Rural-Urban difference has narrowed** to 12 points (Urban 19, Rural-31).
- **No gender differential** has observed in 2020 (Male -28, Female – 28).

Neonatal Mortality Rate-

- It has also **declined from 22 per 1000 live births in 2019 to 20 per 1000 live births** in 2020 (Annual Decline Rate: 9.1%).
- It ranges from 12 in urban areas to 23 in rural areas.

As per SRS 2020 Report,

- **Six (6) States/ UT have already attained SDG target of NMR (≤ 12 by 2030):** Kerala (4), Delhi (9), Tamil Nadu , Maharashtra, Jammu & Kashmir and Punjab.
- Eleven States/UT have already attained SDGs target of U5MR (≤ 25 by 2030): Kerala (8), Tamil Nadu (13), Delhi, Maharashtra, J&K, Karnataka, Punjab, West Bengal, Telangana, Gujarat, and Himachal Pradesh.

Note:

- Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India, founded in 1961 by Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs, for arranging, conducting and analysing the results of the demographic surveys of India including Census of India and Linguistic Survey of India.
- The position of Registrar is usually held by a civil servant holding the rank of Joint Secretary.