

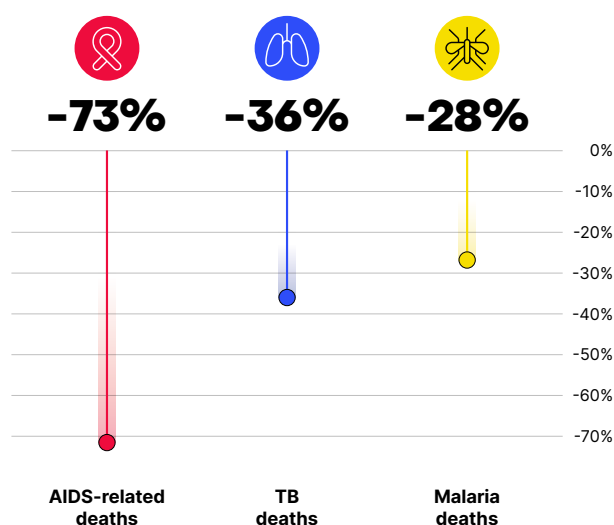
Germany

and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

The strong partnership between Germany and the Global Fund has played an important role in the fight against HIV, tuberculosis (TB) and malaria and in building a healthier and more equitable world.

Efforts by governments, communities and global health partners have resulted in extraordinary progress in HIV, TB and malaria prevention and treatment coverage.

Health investments through the Global Fund have cut the combined death rate from AIDS, TB and malaria by 61% and saved more than 65 million lives since 2002.

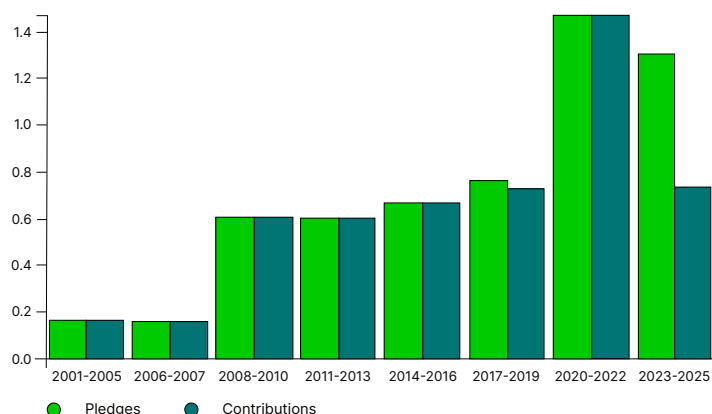


In countries where the Global Fund invests, AIDS-related deaths fell by 73% between 2002 and 2023. TB deaths fell by 36% and malaria deaths by 28% between 2002 and 2022.

Our partnership

Germany is the fourth-largest public donor overall, contributing over €5.1 billion to date. For the Seventh Replenishment in 2022, Germany pledged €1.3 billion for 2023-2025, a significant 30% increase from its previous pledge. The pledge includes €100 million for debt swaps under the Global Fund's Debt2Health¹ initiative. Germany has a seat on the Global Fund Board and is a member of the Strategy Committee, playing a pivotal role in shaping Global Fund policy, notably on building resilient and sustainable systems for health and promoting strong links between HIV, TB and malaria programs and the overall health sector. Through BACKUP Health - Global Programme Health Systems Strengthening, commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany also provides technical assistance to improve the effectiveness of Global Fund-financed programs. With a primary focus on strengthening health systems, BACKUP Health provides technical and financial support to strengthen community engagement, ensure governance and coordination, and support the integration of health services.

Germany's pledges and contributions to the Global Fund, 2001-2025 (in € billion)



Germany's 2020-2022 contribution included €465 million for the Global Fund's COVID-19 response.

¹ [Debt2Health](#) (D2H) is an innovative financing mechanism designed to increase domestic financing in health by converting debt repayments into investments in public health. Germany has been a leading supporter of D2H.

Priority areas of our partnership

Resilient and sustainable health and community systems underpin our efforts to defeat today's infectious diseases and respond to the colliding crises of our time, including climate change, conflict, debt and an alarming erosion of human rights. As the largest multilateral provider of grants for strengthening systems for health, the Global Fund is investing US\$6 billion² in formal and community health systems over the 2024-2026 period.

Besides our direct investments in health and community systems, our funding in the fight against HIV, TB and malaria has freed up resources and capacities, making health and community systems better able to respond to other diseases. Our investments in HIV up to the end of 2023 have freed up 1.66 billion HIV-related hospitalization days and averted 1.36 billion outpatient visits, generating US\$85 billion in cost savings.

The Global Fund recognizes that ending HIV, TB and malaria as epidemics requires sustainable national responses and strong health systems. As part of the path toward sustainability, Global Fund grant planning includes establishing robust national plans, catalyzing more domestic resources for health, ensuring value for money, achieving better alignment to national systems, sustaining **efforts to address human rights and gender-**

related barriers to access, as well as strengthening national governance. As part of our Next Generation Market Shaping approach, the Global Fund is promoting capacity building for regional manufacturing across the regions where we invest.

Climate and health

More frequent and extreme weather events impact the epidemiology and mortality of malaria, damage health facilities, wash away mosquito nets and medicines, and displace millions. The Global Fund supports countries in adapting and responding to these challenges, providing emergency funding after climate disasters and working to ensure more environmentally conscious supply management, climate-resilient health facilities and safe waste disposal.

After Cyclone Freddy hit Malawi in 2023, Global Fund investments provided flood relief equipment, food, and mosquito nets to displacement centers. Looking forward, the Global Fund is supporting Malawi to establish digital health records that cannot be swept away by calamitous floods, build health worker capacity to respond to the health impacts of climate change, and implement contingency plans for emergency preparedness, response and recovery.

Breaking down barriers to advance human rights and gender equality

Inequities, human rights abuses and gender inequality undermine the fight against infectious diseases by creating

barriers to essential health services and lifesaving health products. Global Fund investments in human rights have increased more than tenfold and we support tailored interventions related to gender equality, such as prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV, prevention of malaria during pregnancy, integrated screening and testing for sexually transmitted infections, economic empowerment programs, and gender-based violence interventions.

The HIV incidence rate among adolescent girls and young women in 13 focus countries in sub-Saharan Africa has thus been reduced by 69%, and 2.6 million adolescent girls and young women were reached with HIV prevention programs in these countries in 2023. We continue to invest in social support programs to fight gender-based violence, provide peer support, address harmful gender norms, and improve education about sexual health and HIV prevention.

Humanitarian settings and migration

Across multiple countries, including Ukraine, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Sudan and across the Sahel, the Global Fund partnership has to overcome immense challenges to leave no one behind. Through our Emergency Fund, we have disbursed over US\$131 million since 2014 to ensure continuity of existing services for HIV, TB and malaria. These challenging operating environments account for over 34% of the Global Fund's funding allocation over the next three years.



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War in Ukraine: Maintaining Lifesaving TB and HIV Services

Thanks to support from the Global Fund partnership, Ukraine has achieved tremendous progress in the fight against HIV and TB over the last two decades. Today, the Global Fund is focused on protecting those hard-won gains. Emergency funding is now being dedicated to a number of essential activities, including retrofitting vans to deliver essential medicines and supplies; supporting community-led organizations to offer aid to affected and displaced members of their communities and link them to HIV and TB services; working to help patients displaced in Ukraine and nearby countries get reconnected to the health care and medicine they need; and providing food and care packages for TB and HIV patients.

2 This figure is based on the Global Fund Strategy Committee methodology that integrates direct investments in resilient and sustainable systems for health (RSSH) and contributions to RSSH through investments in the fight against HIV, TB and malaria (contributory RSSH). The amount is derived from approved and signed grant budgets and RSSH-related catalytic investments and includes C19RM. This methodology excludes Global Fund Secretariat operating expenses.

About the Global Fund

The Global Fund is a worldwide partnership to defeat HIV, TB and malaria and ensure a healthier, safer, more equitable future for all. We raise and invest more than US\$5 billion a year to fight the deadliest infectious diseases, challenge the injustice that fuels them, and strengthen health systems and pandemic preparedness in more than 100 of the hardest hit countries. We unite world leaders, communities, civil society, health workers and the private sector to find solutions that have the most impact, and we take them to scale worldwide. Since 2002, the Global Fund partnership has saved 65 million lives.