

# CDC in Benin



## Staff

CDC office (physical presence)  
**1** U.S. Assignee  
**No** Locally Employed

## At a Glance

Population: 10,583,034  
Per capita income: \$1,850  
Life expectancy at birth  
women/men: 61/58 yrs  
Infant mortality: 67/1000 live  
births

Source: Population Reference Bureau 2014:  
Benin

## Top 10 Causes of Death

1. Lower Respiratory Infections 13%
2. Malaria 9%
3. Stroke 7%
4. Diarrheal Diseases 5%
5. Ischemic Heart Disease 5%
6. Preterm Birth Complications 4%
7. Meningitis 4%
8. Birth Asphyxia & Birth Trauma 4%
9. HIV/AIDS 3%
10. Protein-Energy Malnutrition 4%

Source: WHO Country Health Profiles 2012:  
Benin

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) began collaborating with the government of Benin in 1999 with a subnational malaria control project that included the World Health Organization's Integrated Management of Childhood Illness strategy. The collaboration broadened substantially in 2006 with the launch of the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) in Benin. Through PMI, CDC works closely with the National Malaria Control Program and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

## Malaria

CDC-Benin manages PMI activities with USAID and works with the Ministry of Health and other partners to develop evidence-based policy and programs that reduce the burden of malaria and build in-country capacity. CDC and USAID staff in country work together to oversee all technical and administrative aspects of the PMI in Benin. CDC staff in Benin and Atlanta provide technical assistance in areas including operations research, diagnostics, case management, malaria surveillance, program evaluation, and vector control. For example, the CDC resident advisor in Benin has provided valuable support for health facility surveys that assess the quality of outpatient and inpatient care of malaria and develop malaria sentinel surveillance sites to provide information on malaria for programs.

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## Impact in Benin

- Benin has not detected a case of wild poliovirus since July 2009.