

Country Demographics ^{1,2,3}	
Total population (2017) ¹	127,484,450
Urban population (% of total, 2016) ¹	94%
Health expenditure per capita (\$US, 2016) ²	\$4.233
Health expenditure, total (% of GDP, 2016) ²	10.9%
Total births (2017) ¹	1,033,077
Surviving infants (2017) ¹	1,031,085
Life expectancy at birth (years, 2017) ²	84.1 yrs
Number of districts (2013) ³	1,748

HBsAg Prevalence ⁶	
Pre-vaccine HBsAg+ (%)	2%

Liver Cancer as Cause of Cancer Death (in Men) ⁵	
Year: 2018	Ranking: 4

2018 Country Comparison in Western Pacific Region ⁴			
	Japan	Highest coverage in WPR	Lowest coverage in WPR
HepB3 ⁴	NR	100% (Brunei Darussalam, Cook Islands, Niue)	44% (Samoa)
HepB BD ⁴	NR	100% (Cook Islands, Nauru, Palau)	25% (Papua New Guinea)

Hepatitis B Immunization Coverage ⁴																			
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
HepB3 ⁴	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
HepB BD ⁴	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
DTP3 ⁴	85%	95%	96%	97%	99%	98%	98%	98%	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	96%	99%	100%	100%
BCG ⁴	96%	NR	96%	96%	NR	NR	NR	94%	90%	94%	99%	94%	95%	93%	93%	84%	98%	93%	99%

*HepB3 and HepB BD immunization coverage not reported. Unable to generate comparison graph.

National Policies on Hepatitis B Screening for Pregnant Women	
Mandatory HepB screening in all pregnant women (Y/N)	
-If Y, mandatory reporting of HBs-Ag positive pregnant women to public health department (Y/N)	
HBIG administered with HepB BD to infants born to HBsAg positive women (Y/N)	
- If Y, is it free? (Y/N)	

National Policies on Hepatitis B Immunization ⁷	
Universal newborn HepB immunization (Y/N) ⁷	N
- If Y, year introduced ⁷	
-HepB3 nationwide ⁷	
-Free for all newborns (Y/N)	
-If free, state year introduced:	
Catch-up immunization program for unvaccinated children (Y/N)	N
- If Y, year introduced	
-Free for all unvaccinated children (Y/N)	
-If free, state year introduced:	
Immunization program for health care workers (Y/N)	N
- If Y, year introduced	
-Free for all health care workers(Y/N)	
-If free, state year introduced:	
HepB newborn immunization included in multiyear plan for EPI (Y/N)	
HepB BD in schedule (Y/N) ⁷	N
Systems to monitor HepB BD ⁷	Hospitals
Systems to deliver HepB BD ⁷	Hospitals
HepB vaccine funding other than country government (Y/N)	
-If Y, please specify funding source:	

National Policies on Chronic Hepatitis B Treatment	
Treatment for chronic HBV infection covered (Y/N)	
- If Y, year introduced	
-Interferon (Y/N)	
-Oral antiviral (Y/N)	

Certification Status ¹	
Year certification report received	Pending (2017)
Year certification panel convened	NR
Year certification approved	NR
Approved with prevalence <1% or <2%?	NR

Abbreviations: NA= not applicable; NR= no report; HepB BD= birth dose within 24 hours; HepB3= at least 3 doses of HepB vaccine; HBsAg= HepB surface antigen. Data Compiled by APAVH 2019: WHO WPRO Hepatitis B control: country profile 2017¹, World DataBank: World Development Indicators database², Immunization Summary: A statistical reference containing data through 2013³, WHO Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: Monitoring System. 2019 global summary⁴, Global Cancer Observatory: Cancer Today-IARC⁵, Western Pacific Regional Plan for Hepatitis B control through Immunization⁶, National Immunization Data – EPI summaries by country⁷