

Global status of adult immunization

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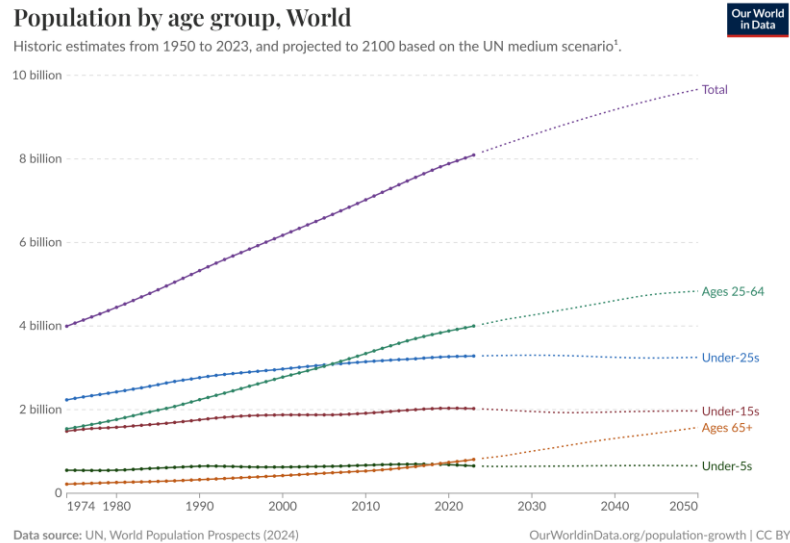
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Why extending the benefits of immunization to the entire life-span?

World ageing population



1. UN projection scenarios The UN's World Population Prospects provides a range of projected scenarios of population change. These rely on different assumptions in fertility, mortality and/or migration patterns to explore different demographic futures.
Read more: [Definition of Projection Scenarios \(UN\)](#)

- In 2025, there are **more people ≥65** than children younger than 5¹
- By 2030, almost **1 billion people will be over 65 years of age**²

Immunization Agenda 2030 vision



A world where everyone, everywhere, at every age fully benefits from vaccines for good health and well-being

Benefits of receiving all recommended vaccine doses along the life course



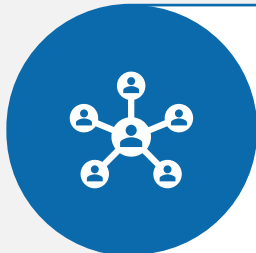
Individual

- Extending **life expectancy** by preventing **deaths**
- Improving **life quality** by preventing **disabilities**
- Allowing the elderly to be **active and productive longer**



Wider society: promote economic prosperity

- **Touch-points for catch-up** to increase population protection
- Fight against antimicrobial resistance (**AMR**)
- A **cost-effective / cost-saving intervention**



Health system sustainability

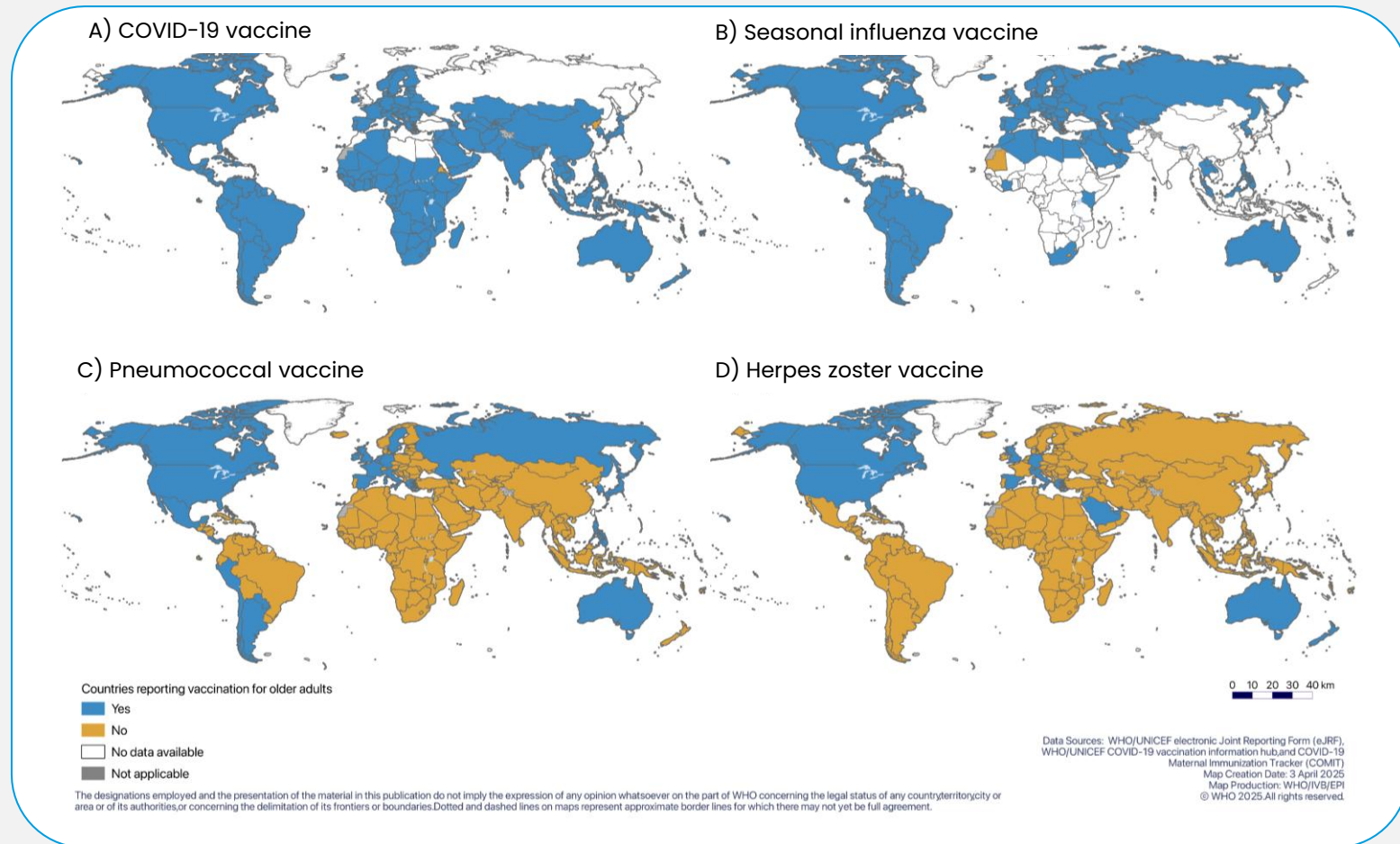
- Reducing the **burden on healthcare and costs saved**
- Providing infrastructure to **deliver other primary health care services**

Global status: disparities in adult immunization policies

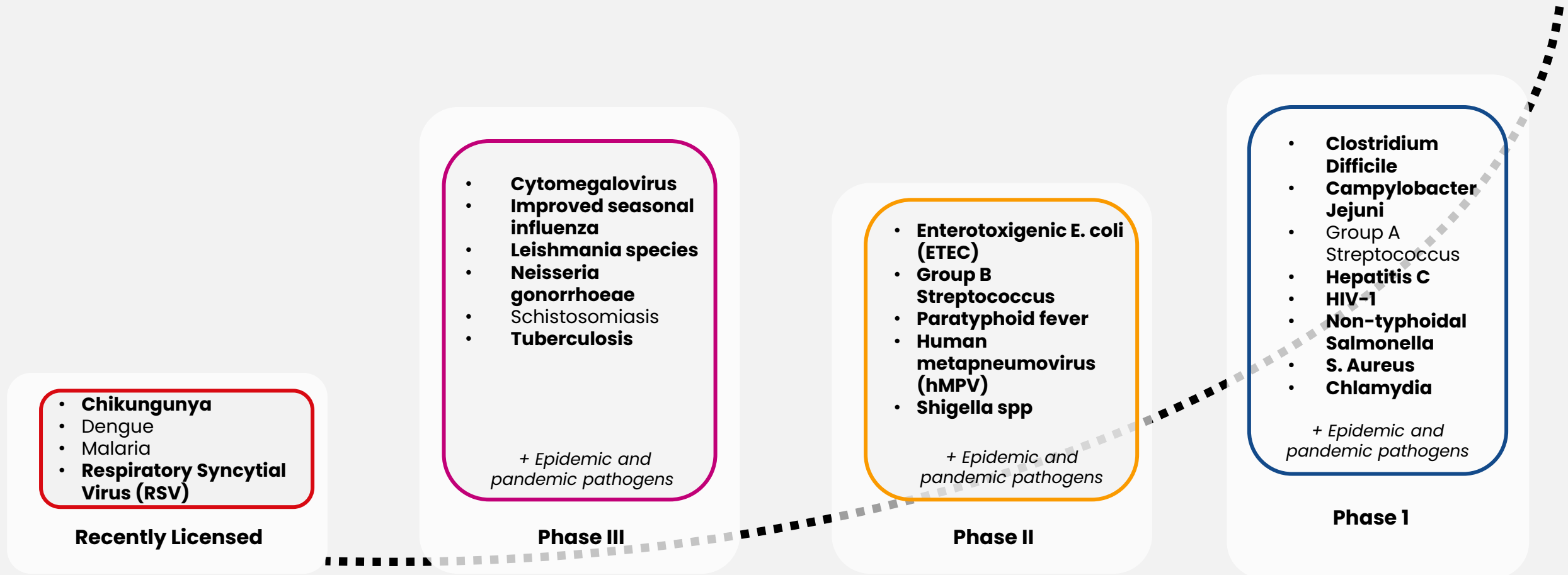


In 2024 (2023 data), for vaccines targeting **older adults**:

- **>90% of countries** across all income groups reported **COVID-19 vaccine**
- **59% seasonal influenza vaccine** (89% of HICs vs 8% of LICs)
- **17% pneumococcal vaccine** (40% HICs vs 0% LICs)
- **7% herpes zoster vaccine** (all HICs)



The adult vaccine portfolio is likely to expand in the short and medium term



Looking ahead: routine adult immunization programmes

- Over the last 50 years, **EPI** has become one of the greatest public health achievements in history.
- **To date**, adult immunization efforts in most LMICs and LICs have been limited to routine vaccination of pregnant women as part of ANC and mass vaccination efforts in response to public health emergencies.
- Now, with an intense focus on the role of prevention of chronic diseases in **healthy ageing** and a **rapidly expanding pipeline of adult vaccines**, there is an unprecedented opportunity to build on the success of existing adult immunization efforts.
- Urgent need to break down the artificial divide between efforts to encourage **healthy lifestyles** and those to encourage **routine adult immunization**.
- Potential to look back 50 years from now at **how Routine Adult Immunization programmes** became a **central pillar in adding productive and healthy years** to societies at all income levels.



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Thank you

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