

TEN KEY SNAPSHOTS OF Global Palliative Care

From the new *Global Atlas of Palliative Care*, 3rd edition



73.5M

people need palliative care

~27M

are near the end of life

53.5M

people with needs in LMICs still lack access

WHO NEEDS PALLIATIVE CARE

76%

live in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs)

14.4%

are children, and 96% of them live in LMICs

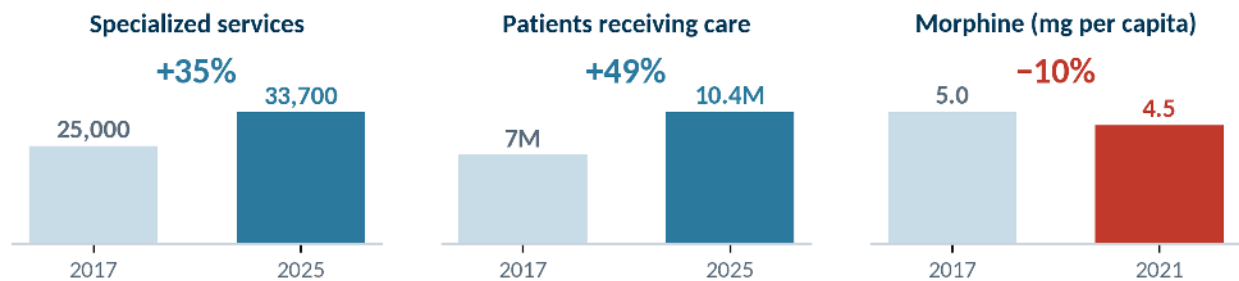
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are aged 50 years or older

74%

live with noncommunicable diseases; only 29% have cancer

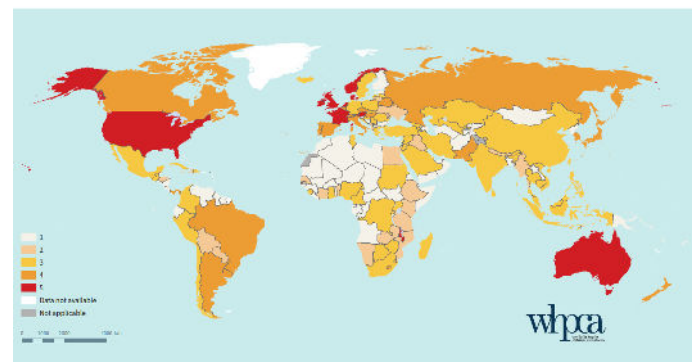
PROGRESS, AND A WARNING SIGN



PERSISTENT GAPS



Specialized palliative care services per 1 million population



Levels of children's palliative care development per country, 2023 (1 = lowest, 5 = highest)

68%

of countries have no or very limited palliative care development

84%

of countries have no or very limited children's palliative care development

75%

of the world's population live in countries with no or very limited access to pain medicines

Read the full *Global Atlas of Palliative Care*, 3rd edition

Scan the code, or find more advocacy resources at thewhpc.org

Source: *Global Atlas of Palliative Care*, 3rd edition, Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance (WHPCA). LMICs = low- and middle-income countries. Morphine figures are per capita consumption.

