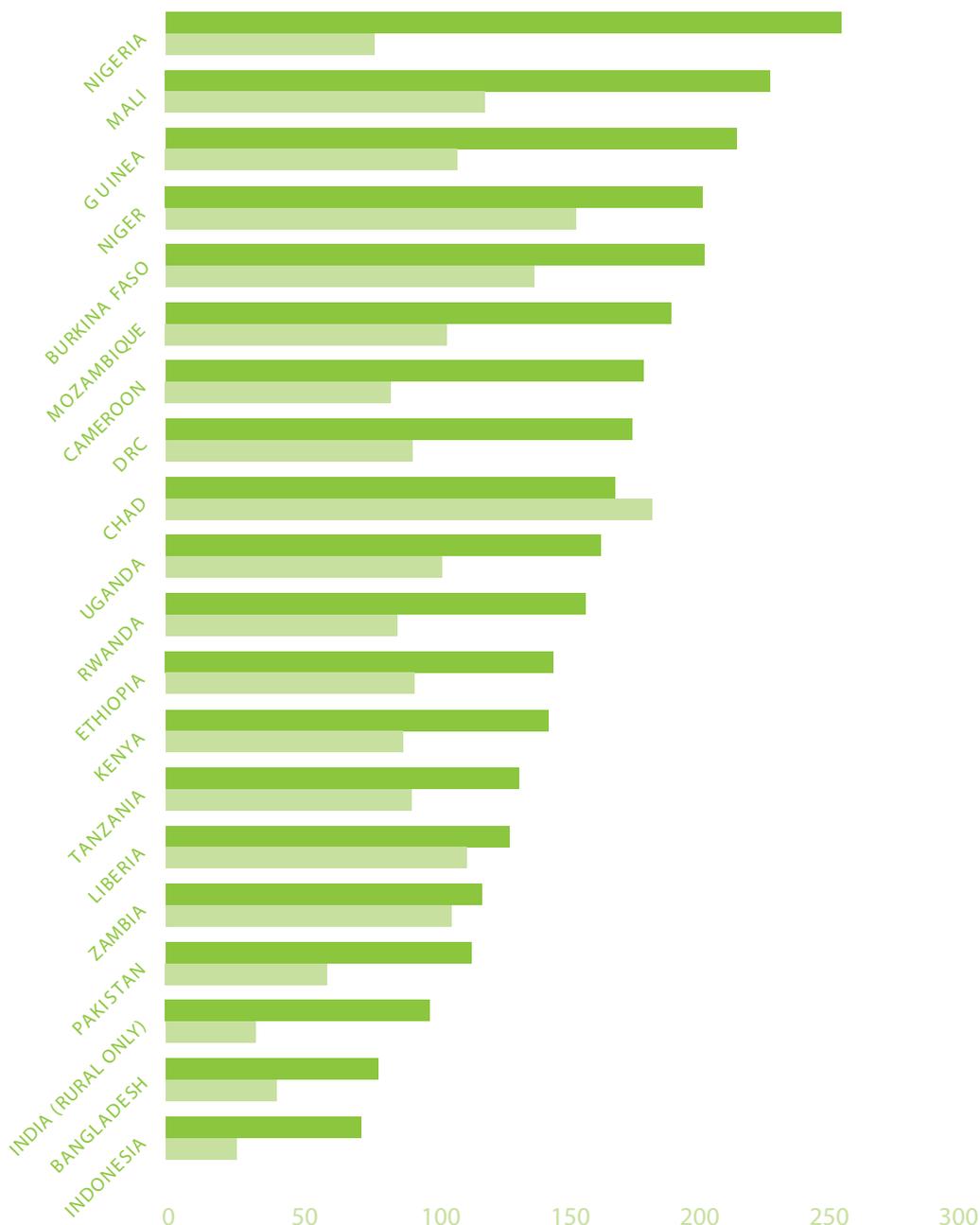




## Child mortality (p. 20-21)

Even in the 20 countries where child mortality rates are very high, the chance of celebrating your fifth birthday depends on whether you are rich or poor. There is a significant gap between rich and poor even within the poorest countries.

The graph below shows the child mortality rates among the poorest 20 percent and the richest 20 percent in each country.



### CHILD MORTALITY AMONG THE POOREST PERCENT AND THE RICHEST PERCENT

■ POOREST 20%      ■ RICHEST 20%

Child mortality rates per 1,000 births

## For you to do!

1. Out of 1,000 live births, approximately how many children from the poorest and richest families will not celebrate their fifth birthday.

Indonesia                      30/1,000 richest families                      78/1,000 poorest families

Nigeria                      \_\_\_\_\_ richest families                      \_\_\_\_\_ poorest families

DRC                      \_\_\_\_\_ richest families                      \_\_\_\_\_ poorest families

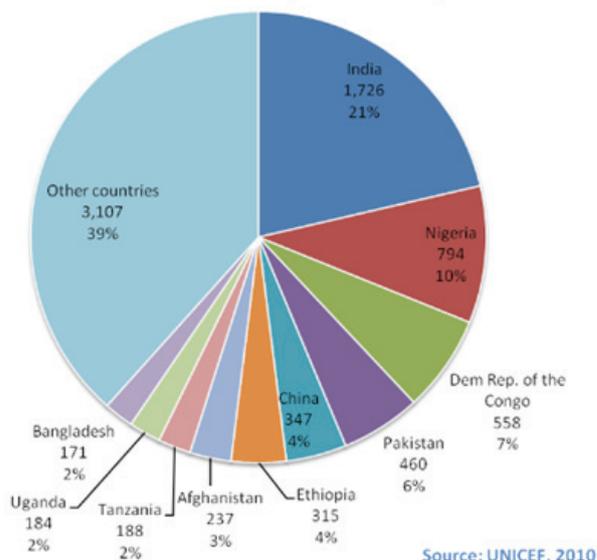
Rural India                      \_\_\_\_\_ richest families                      \_\_\_\_\_ poorest families

2. Suggest reasons why children in wealthier families are more likely to celebrate their fifth birthday than children in poorer families.

## Just six countries account for almost five million child deaths each year, or over half the total.

Top 10 countries with the most under-5-deaths graph

**Top 10 countries with the most under-5 deaths in 2009 (thousands)**



## For you to do!

1. What are the six countries that account for almost five million child deaths each year?
2. What are the two regions of the world represented by these countries?
3. Suggest three reasons why children in these countries are more likely to die before their fifth birthday.