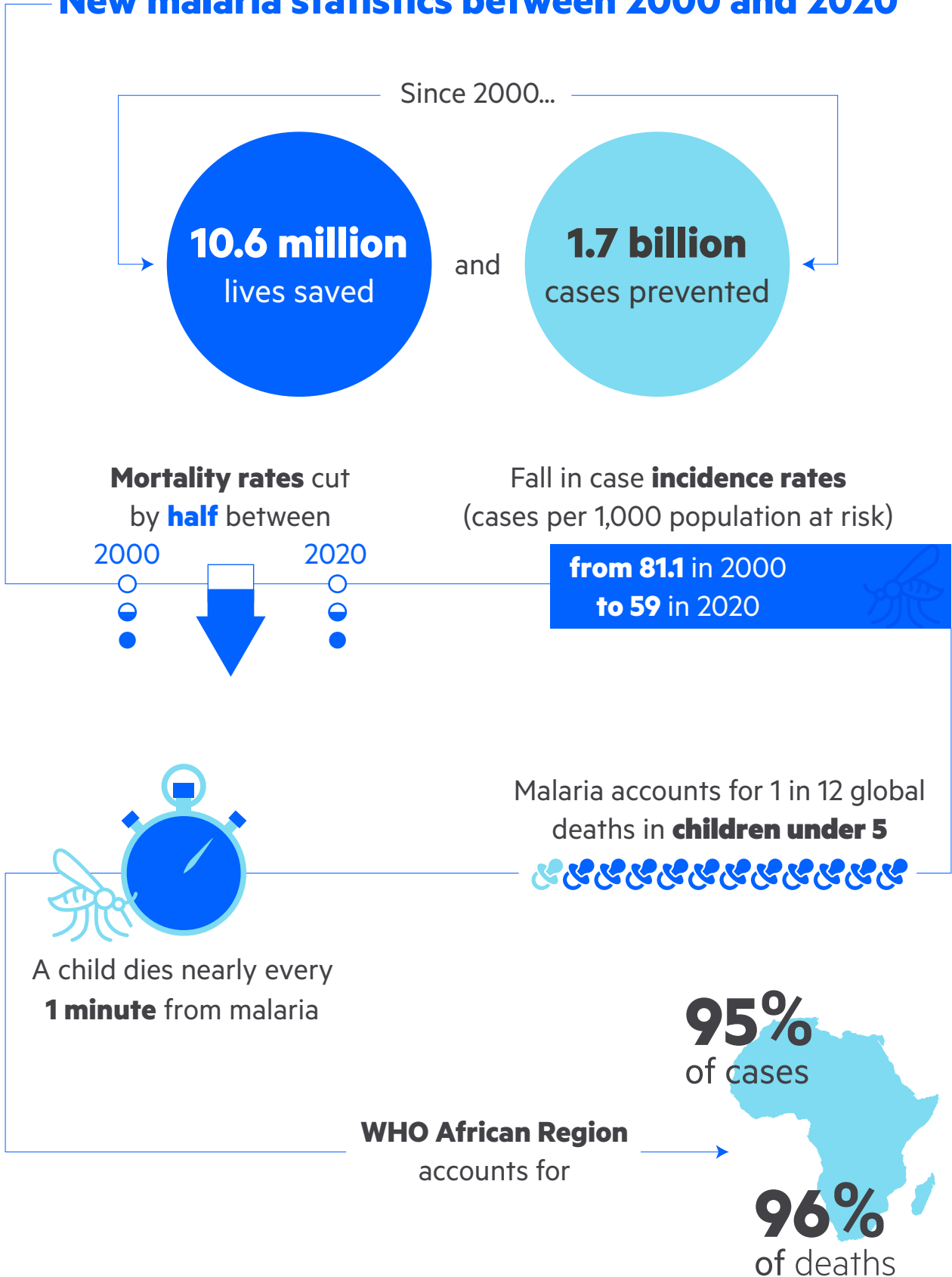


New malaria statistics between 2000 and 2020



A more accurate toll of malaria's burden 2020 statistics

241 M

total global
malaria cases



an increase of **14 million (6%)**
compared to revised 2019
estimates (**227 million**)

627,000

total global
malaria deaths



an increase of **69,000 (12%)**
compared to revised 2019
estimates (**558,000**)

Malaria accounts for

7.8%

of global deaths
of **children under 5**



(almost **double**
previous estimates)

33.5 M

children in sub-Saharan
Africa **received SMC**



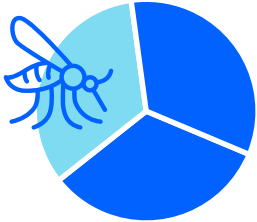
an increase of **11.8 million (54%)**
compared to 2019 (**21.7 million**)

32%

of pregnant women in 38 African countries
received **full course of IPTp in 2020**



COVID-19's impact on the malaria fight in 2020



Two-thirds (47,000)
of all additional malaria deaths due to COVID-related disruptions



12% rise in malaria deaths in sub-Saharan Africa



Averted **worst case scenario** of a potential doubling of malaria deaths due to COVID-19



4.3% fall in malaria diagnoses

Malaria elimination

23 countries

reached **3 consecutive years of zero** malaria cases since 2000

40 countries

reduced **malaria deaths** by at least **40% between 2015 – 2020**

WHO SE Asia region achieved the global technical strategy milestone of a 40% reduction in malaria cases and deaths between 2015-2020

12 countries

certified malaria-free by WHO since 2000

El Salvador and China achieved certification during the pandemic

26 countries

achieved **fewer than 100 indigenous malaria cases** between 2000 – 2020

Statistics reflect the latest WHO findings and [revised methodology](#) for reporting causes of under 5 mortality.