

THE FACTS

about **WATER,**
SANITATION,
and **HYGIENE**

World Vision®

THE NEED



663
MILLION
PEOPLE

lack access to

SAFE
WATER



2.4
BILLION
PEOPLE

lack access to

ADEQUATE
SANITATION



There are major disparities
in access between regions
and economic classes.



DIARRHEAL DISEASE

caused by a lack of safe water,
sanitation, and basic hygiene is
one of the **LEADING KILLERS**
of children under age 5.



*Every day, UNSAFE WATER and POOR
SANITATION AND HYGIENE claim the
lives of nearly 1,000 CHILDREN.*



Approximately

**50% OF ALL CHILDHOOD
MALNUTRITION**

is linked to diarrhea and worm infections caused
by a lack of clean water and inadequate sanitation.

THE HOPE



CLEAN
WATER

reduces

DIARRHEAL
DEATHS

by over

20%



IMPROVED
SANITATION

reduces

DIARRHEAL
DEATHS

by nearly

40%



Good hygiene can **halve**
cases of pneumonia,
another top child-killer.

PROGRESS THROUGH ADVOCACY

Investments in water, sanitation, and hygiene programs
have wide-reaching, long-term effects:

- » **2.6 billion** = number of people who have gained access
to clean drinking water since 1990
- » **\$382 million** = U.S. government spending on global water,
sanitation, and hygiene programs in FY15
- » **\$28** = potential economic gains from every \$1 invested in
water and sanitation improvements

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