

# Health in Jordan : A report

Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. This is largely **due to** the country's commitment to making healthcare for all a top priority. Advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier.

1. What is the result of the country's commitment to making healthcare for all a top priority? = reason Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. = result

### 2. Mention the (sectors ) things that made our community ( Jordan ) healthier :

- a. Advances in education
- **b.** economic conditions
- **c.** sanitation
- **d.** clean water
- e. diet
- **f.** housing
- **3. Write down the sentence which shows the sectors that helped in making Jordan healthier.** "Advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier."

# Healthcare Centres : (Healthcare centres = primary healthcare facilities)

As a result of careful planning, the number of healthcare services has been increasing rapidly over the past years. More than 800 different kinds of healthcare centres have been built as well as 188 dental clinics. In 2012 CE, 98 percent of Jordanian children were fully immunised, thanks to immunisation teams that had been working towards this goal for several years. Although there were remote areas of the country where people had been without consistent access to electricity and safe water, almost 99 percent of the country's population now has access.

- 1. What is the result of the careful planning? The number of healthcare services has been increasing rapidly over the past years. = result
- 2. What is the reason that made the number of healthcare services has been increasing rapidly over the past years.?

careful planning

= reason

#### 3. Mention three healthcare services that has been increasing rapidly over the past years .

a. More than 800 different kinds of healthcare centres have been built.b. 188 dental clinics have been built.

c. In 2012 CE, 98 percent of Jordanian children were fully immunized.

4. Who immunized Jordanian children ?

Immunisation teams

**5. "This goal"** refers to : Jordanian children were fully immunized.

## 6. There were two disadvantages in remote areas in Jordan. Mention them.

- a. lack of electricity
- b. Lack of water

# Hospitals : (Hospitals = advanced medical facilities)

Although the country has been focusing mainly on improving its primary healthcare facilities, it has not neglected its advanced medical facilities. The reputation of Jordanian doctors has spread in the region, and now many more patients come to Jordan for open heart surgery. In Jordan, the open heart surgery programme started in 1970 CE in Amman.

- Mention two facilities that Jordan focuses on to improve healthcare .
  a. primary healthcare facilities. = healthcare centres
  b. advanced medical facilities. = Hospitals
- **2. What is the result of the good reputation of Jordanian doctors ?** Many more patients come to Jordan for open heart surgery.
- **3.** Quote the sentence which indicates the beginning of the open heart surgery programme . "In Jordan, the open heart surgery programme started in 1970 CE in Amman."

# Life Expectancy

**The life expectancy figures** show that Jordan's healthcare system is successful. In 1965 CE, the average Jordanian's life expectancy was age 50. In 2012 CE, this average life expectancy had risen to 73.5. According to UNICEF statistics, between 1981 CE and 1991 CE, **Jordan's infant mortality rates** declined more rapidly than anywhere else in the world – from 70 deaths per 1,000 births in 1981 CE to only 32 deaths per 1,000 births in 2014 CE.

### 1. What are the evidences that make Jordan's healthcare system successful in Jordan ?

- a. The life expectancy figures had risen from age 50 in 1965 to 73.5 in 2012.
- **b.** Jordan's infant mortality rates declined from 70 deaths per 1,000 births in 1981
  - to 32 deaths per 1,000 births in 2014.

The low infant mortality rate, as well as the excellent healthcare system, have been contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population growth, which will result in a strong work force with economic benefits for the whole country.

1. There are two factors that have been contributing to Jordan's healthy population growth. Mention them.

**a.** The low infant mortality rate

**b.** The excellent healthcare system

## 2. What is the result of healthy population growth ?

A strong work force with economic benefits for the whole country.

Key Word	Meaning in English	Arabic
commitment	a promise to do something or to behave in a particular way.	التزام
healthcare	the prevention or treatment of illness by doctors, dentists, psychologists, etc.	رعاية صحية
life expectancy	the length of time that a person or animal is expected to live.	متوسط العمر المتوقع
mortality	death, especially on a large scale (e.g. infant mortality); the rate of deaths that occur (mortality rate).	الوفيات
reputation	the common opinion that people have about someone or something.	السمعة
decline	to decrease in quantity or importance.	ينخفض