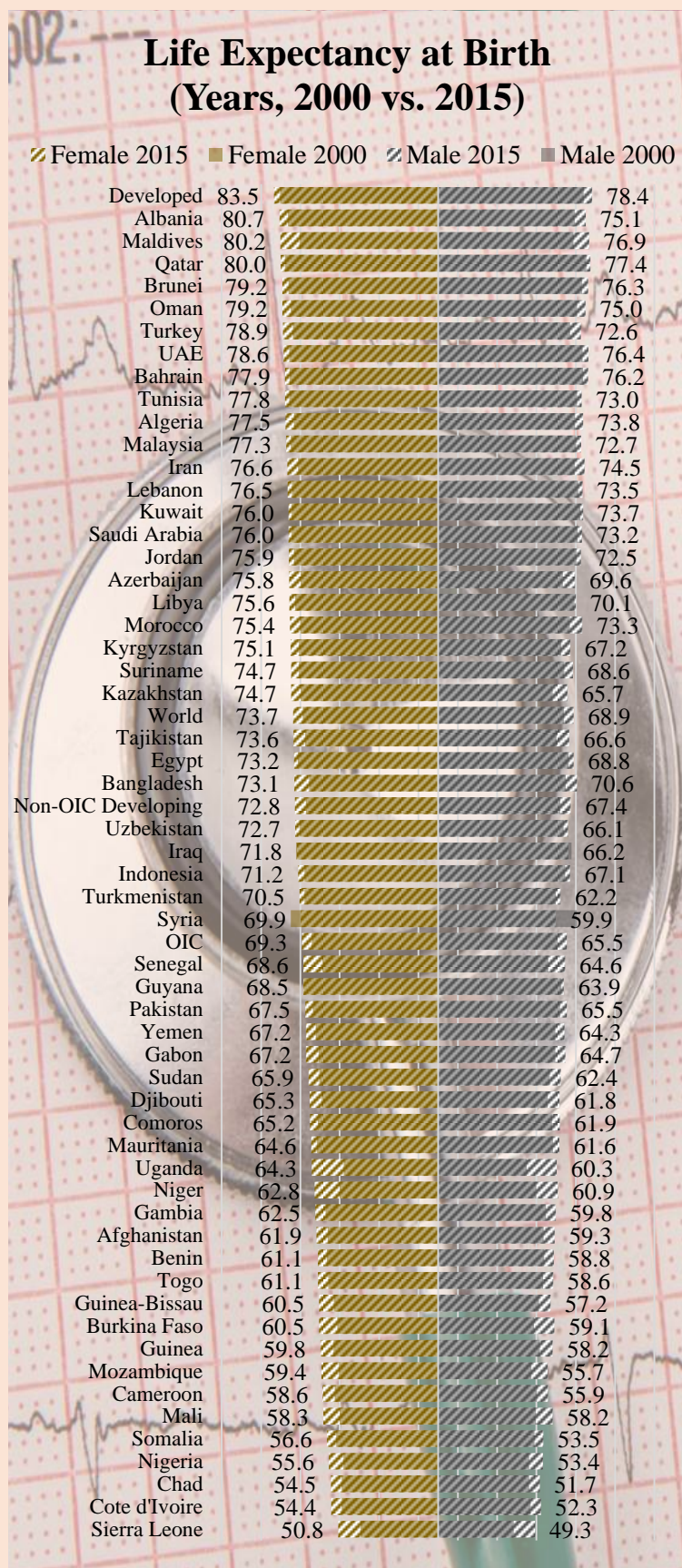


DID YOU KNOW?



- ✓ **Life expectancy at birth** reflects the overall mortality level of a population. In other words, it is the average number of years that a newborn could expect to live, if he or she were to pass through life exposed to the sex- and age-specific death rates.
- ✓ The **OIC countries group** composed of 56 countries with available data had the lowest average life expectancy at birth with **69.3 years for females** and **65.5 years for males** in 2015. Compared to the other country groups; **Developed countries, World and Non-OIC Developing countries.**
- ✓ At the individual country level, **22 OIC member countries** were observed to have life expectancy at birth rates for females above the World average of **73.7 years** in 2015. For males, only **20 OIC countries** could have attained averages over the World average of **68.9 years** in 2015.
- ✓ Particularly, in **Albania, Maldives and Qatar** life expectancy for women was above or equal to **80 years**, just below the Developed countries' average of 83.5 years in 2015.
- ✓ **3 OIC countries** namely; **Uganda, Niger** and **Sierra Leone** demonstrated the largest development in life expectancy, **above 10 years** for both sexes between 2000 and 2015. **Burkina Faso** also recorded a jump of over 10 years for males too.
- ✓ In contrast, due to the ongoing instability in **Syria** and **Iraq**, **life expectancy for males** dropped by **10.6** and **1.6** years respectively over the same period. **For females**, the drop was **5** and **0.5** years, respectively.