

# ICCIDD GN - Thailand



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*The Thai National IDD Control Board was presided over by Her Royal Highness the Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn*



# Thai Nutrition Division, MoPH, awards a nutrition seal to fish sauce and salt containing adequate iodine

**Iodized fish  
sauce on the  
market**

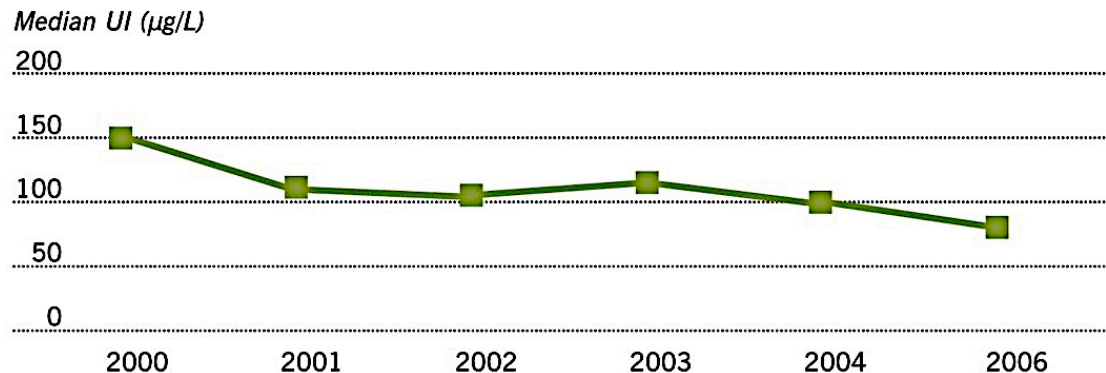


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2006 showed that the median urinary iodine level of whole country was 82.5  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ . The median values were 92.5, 61.1, 84.4 and 101  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  in the North, the Northeast, the Central and the South regions, respectively.



**Figure 1: Median urinary iodine concentrations in pregnant women in the national Thai surveillance program 2000-2006.**



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- Two five year Master Plans to eliminate IDD
- 2006-2010
- 2011-2014
- Random checks of household coverage by adequately iodized salt in communities and community shops increased from 54.4% in 2005 to 63.8% in 2006. In 2007 the coverage was 81.5%

Median UICs are now in the adequate range in schoolchildren, women of reproductive age and, in many provinces, in pregnant women.