FACTS AND FIGURES
UNFPA REGIONAL OVERVIEW:
ARAB STATES, 2015
UNFPA, delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted...every childbirth is safe...and every young person’s potential is fulfilled.
UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, is the world’s largest source of population data collection, with programmes in over 150 countries. UNFPA promotes the right of every woman, man and child to enjoy a life of health and equal opportunity. It supports countries in using population data for policies and programmes to reduce poverty, ensure sustainable development, and to ensure every pregnancy is wanted, every birth is safe, every young person is free of HIV/AIDS, and every girl and woman is treated with dignity and respect.

Since UNFPA started working in 1969, the global number – and rate – of women dying from complications of pregnancy or childbirth has been halved globally. Families are smaller and healthier. Young people are more connected and empowered than ever before and can better contribute to the economic and social transformation of their countries.

In the Arab region, where the situations in different countries vary from relatively stable to humanitarian crises, and with an estimated 60 million people in need of humanitarian assistance, UNFPA works on population issues from 15 offices, with a mix of programming and humanitarian response. In a region so varied and volatile, UNFPA covers 20 countries and uses the League of Arab States and other regional forums to advocate for policies that will help empower women and youth, including by promoting healthier lifestyles and giving them the ability to make informed decisions that will help them shape their lives.
Present in Algeria since 1989, UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society, UN agencies and others based on the Cadre de Coopération Stratégique.

- Helped reduced maternal mortality from 117.4 per 100,000 births in 1999 to 60.3 per 100,000 in 2014
- 81 health workers trained on Reproductive Health/Family Planning-related issues through four evaluation workshops held in 2015

SOURCE

- National Statistics Office
- **Ministry of Health report on demographic situation 2000-2015
- Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) 4 study: 2012-2013
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
- *UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate

Population: 39.667 mil
Maternal mortality ratio: 140 per 100,000 live births* 60.3 per 100,000 live birth in 2014**
Population aged 15 - 59 (working age) 64%
Fertility rate: 3.03
Contraceptive prevalence rate: 48%
Youth secondary school enrollment: Boys 77.1% Girls 81.3%

Maternal Health & Family Planning

Population & Development

- 15 professionals from the National Office of Statistics trained in preparation for the 2018 population census
- 20 members of the National Committee of Population (different government sectors and NGOs) trained on the adjustment of the national population policy objectives and on monitoring the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development ICPD.
• **20 members** of the National Committee (for monitoring the implementation of GBV national strategy) were trained on advocacy and lobbying

• **Two studies** on the socio-economic situation of ageing women and on sexual violence in adolescent girls were supported in 2015

• Running a **five-months media campaign on GBV** in cooperation with three national media agencies and 10 civil society organizations to raise public awareness of GBV prevention and response

• **One media campaign** to encourage men and boys involvement in GBV prevention and response launched with the support of the Ministry of Solidarity

• **One Study** conducted on Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices of young people on SRH/HIV

• **One research** on sexual and reproductive health stigma and discrimination among people living with HIV was supported in 2015

• Continuous support to all national efforts on needs assessment in the field of sexual and reproductive health

• Participated in **one media and artistic awareness campaign** on HIV prevention

• Working with the Ministry of Youth on **strengthening youth participation and leadership** in their communities and society in 2015

“**I live in a rural region in the south of Algeria and I am receiving all the services of reproductive health that I need. They are provided to me and others by qualified female service providers trained by UNFPA, giving us the best care in terms of reproductive health.**”

*says Hadda, woman from Charouine-Adrar*
**DJIBOUTI**

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| Fertility rate: **2.9** |
| Contraceptive prevalence rate: **19%** |
| Youth secondary school enrollment: **Boys 91.35% Girls 78.08%** |

**SOURCE**

- *Annuaire Statistique de Djibouti* - 2014
- *Enquête Diboutienne Auprès des Ménages (EDAM)* - 2012
- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015

Present in Djibouti since **1992**, UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

- **Five health workers** trained on GBV case management services
- **80 male and female religious leaders** involved in efforts to abandon FGM as well as in the promotion of reproductive health and rights
- **Four institutions** supported to help them integrate women’s rights in development policies
- **20 health workers** trained on GBV services to be the national gender focal points established as part of the national gender policy
- **25 health workers from government institutions and NGOs** trained on sexual and reproductive health and GBV case management services
- **Developing the legal guidance** for a code of criminal procedures as a reference document for police officers on FGM and GBV legal cases
- **Working with the Ministry of Health and relevant partners to formulate and review the National Health Policy** on maternal and child health and midwifery
- **Supporting the delivery of six reproductive health services** to 54 urban and rural areas, including mobile health teams. Services include family planning, antenatal care, deliveries, sexually transmitted infections, female genital mutilation (FGM)
- **One National Reproductive Health Referral Centre (CNRSR)** established through our technical and financial support to serve 2,354 women and girls
- **Supporting midwifery school in developing five training modules** in obstetrics, gynecology, ultrasound, management of female genital mutilation (FGM) complications
- **4,940 women** received contraceptives and **16,000 deliveries** benefitted from maternal health-related drugs and equipment in 2015
- **120 health workers** trained on the use of modern contraceptives methods, particularly long term methods

- **A solidarity fund** for pregnant women established to serve **75 disadvantaged areas**
- **58 community female workers** trained on reproductive health, GBV and FGM services
- **220 reproductive health kits** distributed in **75 community areas**
- Awareness sessions and capacity building on issues of **family planning** took place within **three community areas**.
- **Family planning referral systems** established serving **25 community neighborhoods**

- **37 basic health centres** improved their services after integrating sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and HIV/AIDS services and reviewing the SRH procedures manual
- **1,400 young people** attended awareness raising activities on HIV/AIDS

- **One operating theatre** rehabilitated for emergency obstetric care and improved reproductive health services
- **11 health workers** at Obock District Hospital team received specialized training on pregnancy complications
- **120 women per month** received specialized clinical services (ultrasound, instrumental deliveries)
- **850 refugee and migrant women and girls** received dignity kits (containing basic hygiene supplies)
- **18 reproductive health kits (containing medical supplies)** were provided to the Obock health centre

- **12 young people trained** to join six community development centers and deliver youth-friendly services which were newly established in partnership with the State Secretariat for Youth

“Before, women used to give birth just like their goats. With this fund, we were able to free ourselves from this unstable condition. We send the woman to undergo her prenatal exams in order to ensure everything goes well. She undergoes four exams like this one before giving birth in a hospital,” said Madam Hawa Aden, a beneficiary from a remote rural community, commenting on the establishment of small-scale community health insurance schemes for rural population, with UNFPA support.
EGYPT

Population: 91.508 mil

Maternal mortality ratio: 33 per 100,000 live births

Population aged below 29: 62%

Fertility rate: 3.5

Contraceptive prevalence rate: 59%

Youth secondary school enrollment: Boys 58% Girls 63%

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SOURCE

- Demographic Household Survey (DHS) 2014
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate

Present in Egypt since 1972, UNFPA works with the government institutions, civil society and UN agencies on eight Country Programmes so far

- 98 young leaders trained on civic engagement tools and implemented 19 local plans to meet their communities’ needs
- 12 youth friendly centres launched
- 154 health professionals (nurses and doctors) trained on counseling, adolescents’ health and sexual and reproductive health services benefiting 19,544 young people
- 1,008,612 young people reached out by 1,600 different sexual and reproductive health posts and articles through major web platform Ma3looma (information) Facebook page
- Raised awareness of 21,693 young people of HIV/AIDS

basic information, referral system and testing in around 15 governorates

- 225 medical students trained on advocacy and women’s health issues
- Raised awareness of 23,259 young people in 19 governorates of different forms of GBV and volunteerism through peer-to-peer education sessions
- 235 peer educators trained on the harmful effects of FGM to disseminate the message in local communities especially in villages and rural areas across nine governorates in 2016

Youth Empowerment

Youth Empowerment
Gender and Women Empowerment

- Key health service-providers (physicians and nurses) in 172 Public hospitals nationwide trained on issues linked to gender and women’s empowerment
- 656 national institutions supported to combat different forms of GBV
- A manual about GBV in Islam produced in cooperation with Al Azhar
- Universities of Ain Shams and Assiut endorse and start implementing a policy on combatting and responding to harassment on campus
- Supporting the National Council for Women in developing a “National Strategy on Gender-Based Violence” to enable full-scale responses to GBV, including sexual and domestic violence and female genital mutilation (FGM)
- Nationwide awareness campaign ‘Enough FGM’ featured on TV, radio and social media, in parallel with community work in three governorates launched to end FGM

Family Planning

- Help in raising the Contraceptive Prevalence Rate to 59% in 2014 from 48% in 1991 by supporting the national family planning programme
- 250 nurses and 220 physicians trained in the governorates of Assiut and Sohag on quality family planning counseling services
- National media campaigns including three TV spots, one info graph and one documentary promoting family planning launched
- Awareness campaigns, seven in Assiut and eight in Sohag, including mobile clinics and community awareness activities launched
- Assisted in procuring more than one million international-standard contraceptives, in 2014
- 166 nurses in Assiut and Sohag trained on midwifery skills
- 64 physicians in Assiut and Sohag trained on comprehensive emergency obstetric care
- 425 nurses in Assiut and Sohag trained to give full maternal health care services
- 675 health professionals (Ob/Gyn, physicians and nurses) trained in 17 governorates

Reproductive and Maternal Health

- “Being part of Y-Peer [youth network] has changed my way of thinking about the position of women in society. Now I believe that women have rights and a role and responsibilities in society equally with men. Thus, my thinking shifted from seeing her as a burden on society to looking at her as half of the society, complementing it with men, the other half.”
  - Mohammed Abbas, Marsa Matrouh
Our sub-regional office for the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries, inaugurated in 2006, covers Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

- **Staff of the Oman National Centre for Statistics and Information (NCSI)** received training in the areas of statistical template of disaggregated data, telephone surveys and public opinion polls and human resources development (including strategy, training and standardization of interviewing and hiring process).
- **Four analyses conducted** on population dynamics, reproductive health, HIV and their linkages to poverty eradication and sustainable development to ensure evidence-based policy development.
- **Staff of the Central Department of Statistics and Information (CDSI)** in Saudi Arabia trained in the areas of mapping (GIS) and demographic survey questionnaire along with training of **11 staff members** on techniques and limitations of demographic projections, the analysis and measurement of components of population change over time, use of demographic software to evaluate and adjust data and run projections.
- **Working with the Qatar Permanent Population Committee (PPC)** on the **first evaluation** of the five-year Qatar Population Policy.

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The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Countries 2015

Adolescents and Youth

- **In Oman**, working through **Y-Peer young volunteers** to promote information on reproductive health, and to encourage youth to play a more active civic role in their communities

- **2000 young people** attended two annual national festivals organized by Y-Peer to promote youth engagement and participation and increase their access to information, knowledge, and services on reproductive health, HIV/AIDS and the harmful effects of substance abuse, in addition to introducing them to communications for results, non-violent approach, project management and self-expression through arts and culture

- Advocating for **national youth strategies** that involve all relevant entities of the public, private and civic sectors. Promoting policy dialogue to ensure that youth-related policies and programmes are evidence based, far-sighted, multifaceted and gender-sensitive in education, training, employment, health and leisure

- Working with the **Ministry of Health in Oman** to promote the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRH&H) by introducing modern contraceptives and improving birth spacing services

- Mobilizing young people to advocate for **HIV/AIDS response and prevention** free of stigma and discrimination and all forms of gender-based violence, and empowering them to live healthy lives through Y-Peer Oman’s edutainment activities

- Supporting the Ministry of Health (MOH) – HIV/AIDS section in establishing the **pilot Voluntary, Counselling and Testing (VCT) clinics** to provide access to quality, integrated HIV and sexual and reproductive health services

- Working with the MOH and national partners to deliver **integrated sexual and reproductive health services** with special focus on girls and women needs

- **Awareness campaigns** conducted in cooperation with the MOH in Oman to raise public awareness and promote sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRH&R) for girls and women

“I heard there was an HIV session at the school by Y-Peer Oman and I decided to go and learn more about HIV because I knew it was important to get the right information. What I wasn’t expecting was that I would learn about it through games and fun activities.”

says Tarteel Al-Wahaibi, 9th grade student of Asila bint Qais School in Al-Hail South, Muscat
• 54 women centres and safe spaces established and supported in camp and non-camp settings to deliver lifesaving GBV services including case management, psychosocial support, life skills, recreational activities and opportunities for economic empowerment

• One comprehensive and specialized centre for provision of health services and psychosocial support to survivors of sexual violence set up in partnership with the Department of Health in Dohuk

• 15 social centres run by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MoLSA) and two social centres run by the Directorate for Combating Violence against Women were supported

• Over 23,000 dignity kits were distributed to newly displaced women and adolescent girls containing basic feminine hygiene kit to use in the initial days of displacement

• Over 60,000 dignity kits were distributed to women, as an entry point for GBV interventions

• 64 social workers from government and national NGOs trained on GBV survivor-centered approaches and case management

• A system for better management of GBV data being generated by nine organizations operating in the whole of Iraq established in close collaboration with UNHCR
• **19 reproductive health clinics** were established in camp settings to deliver life-saving reproductive health services
• **Three delivery rooms** were established and supported in Anbar
• **88 public health facilities** were supported with personnel, equipment and supplies to deliver reproductive health services including services for women with complications (emergency obstetric care) and safe delivery services
• **395,000 women and girls** received a wide range of reproductive health services in our supported health facilities including antenatal care, family planning, safe delivery and caesarean sections
• **462 health workers** trained on emergency obstetric care, family planning and delivering the minimum initial service package (MISP) for reproductive health

• **78 social workers, vocational animators and teachers** trained to be trainers in life skills and civic engagement
• **2,720 young refugees, internally displaced persons and host populations** acquired life skills through peer education
• **60 juveniles** from reformatories acquired skills on peer education techniques and began imparting similar skills to their peer inmates
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“\[I know that getting an education is not only my right, but it is also a passport to a better future for me. Thanks to UNFPA for enrolling me in this literacy course,\]” says 42-year-old Syrian refugee Layla Salam, who has been attending Yasmin Women Social Centre in Domiz Camp for the last 6 months.
Present in Jordan since 1976, UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies as well as to Jordanians. **15,000 people per month** received reproductive health care services through **17 static clinics**

- **960 professionals** from national institutions trained on providing gender-based violence (GBV) services within the National Family Protection Framework
- Supporting the National Council for Family Affairs (NCFA) in reviewing and updating the National Family Protection Framework and in updating and endorsing the “Jordanian Strategy for the Elderly”, and the new “Family Protection Strategy” (2017-2014)
- **25,000 emergency reproductive health kits, medicines and contraceptives** provided to non-governmental partners working in the field for their distribution, as well as other reproductive health equipment, supplies and ambulances in 2015
- **19 health clinics** provided 138,229 services to 92,395 refugees

**Gender Equality and Reproductive Rights**

- Fertility rate: **3.3**
- Contraceptive prevalence rate: **42%**
- Youth secondary school enrollment: **Boys 86% Girls 89%**

**SOURCE**

- **Population:** 7,595 mil *
- **Population:** 9,531,712 **
- **Maternal mortality ratio:** 58 per 100,000 live births***
- **Maternal mortality ratio:** 19 per 100,000 live births **
- **Population aged 10-24:** 28%
- **Fertility rate:** 3.3
- **Contraceptive prevalence rate:** 42%
- **Youth secondary school enrollment:** Boys 86% Girls 89%

* **Source:** 2015 by the department of statistics in Jordan
** **UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
*** **UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
** **The department of statistics in Jordan

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**Jordan 2015**

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• Partnering with the Royal Health Awareness Society (RHAS) to introduce the issues of reproductive health and prevention of gender-based violence (GBV) into the RHAS training and awareness packages at Jordanian universities
• Eight national institutions offer programmes promoting healthy lifestyles to 5,961 young people
• Supporting technically and financially, in cooperation with UNICEF, the Strategic Studies Centre in the University of Jordan in conducting the Jordan National Youth Survey for 2015 on topics like education and training, employment, health, technology, political and civic participation and immigration

• 275 professionals from health institutions, the Ministry of Health, INGOs and NGOs trained on providing high-quality, equitable reproductive health services for women and young people
• Supporting national structures in providing comprehensive health services to women and girls in 18 comprehensive health centers

• One youth centre “Creating a Space for Change” opened in Zaatari camp, in cooperation with Questscope, to promote civic engagement of youth through volunteering opportunities and activities
• Expanding the Y-Peer network in Jordan to include 94 Jordanian youth educators, 94 Syrian youth educators and 100 Jordanian youth educators in Palestinian camps
• 5961 young people reached in camps and host communities through awareness campaigns/sessions to promote healthy lifestyles, basic hygiene skills, prevention of sexual and physical abuse and early marriage

• Providing technical support and capacity-building to the Department of Statistics in relation to the census, and the “National Youth Survey”
• Providing technical support on the integration of data on refugees from Syria in population policies
• “Women Withdrawal from Labour Market” study conducted to advocate for women’s involvement in the labor market
• Supporting the study on “Employment and Vocational Training and Technology Education” launched in November 2015

"It was happening before — but now it’s worse. Now that we live here on our own, without his family, he’s been shouting more and more. Someone told me that the women centre was a good place to talk to someone about my problems at home. It’s good to talk. Not just about the problems with my husband, but also about my children,” says Yara, 23 years old refugee and a mother of five, living in Deir Alla, Jordan Valley - speaking about domestic violence.
## LEBANON

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### SOURCE

- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015)
- MOPH, 2014
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
- UNHCR, 2015
- MICS, 2009

Present in Lebanon since 1993 UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

- **One fully functional women shelter** for survivors of violence and trafficking
- **1,950 women** benefitted from legal, and psychosocial services and recreational activities
- **One women centre** offering Reproductive Health, legal, recreational and vocational services
- **239 Internal Security Officers** trained and 181 humanitarian actors sensitized to the domestic violence law
- **29,670 girls and women of reproductive age** received dignity kits and hygiene items
- **11,199 community members**, including men and boys, sensitized on GBV risks, consequences
- **281 health and social workers** trained Clinical Management of Rape, and GBV/referral pathways
- **20 Social Workers** trained and were able to reach and empower around **370 women**
- A GBV course developed, piloted and integrated in the midwifery curriculum (university)
- Social media campaign calling for legislative change on early child marriage
- Support provided for launching the CEDAW recommendations
Sexual and Reproductive Health

- **388 medical and paramedical personnel** trained on the guidelines of sexual and reproductive health services
- **101 midwives, nurses, social workers and community leaders** trained on family planning counselling, minimum emergency reproductive health and obstetric care
- **About 140,000 people across 290 public health outlets** received essential reproductive health medicines and contraceptives
- **One medical mobile unit (MMU)** procured, refurbished and equipped
- **545 women** received services from a new clinic within a women centre
- **23 health service delivery points** provided with medical kit to be used in providing post-rape treatment
- **30,575 women** attended awareness sessions on family planning, sexually transmitted infections, safe motherhood

Youth

- **Sensitizing 436 young boys and girls** on early marriage, high risk behaviors, HIV/AIDS, social cohesion
- **100 school teachers** trained on the integration of life skills and sexual and reproductive health in school settings

Population and Development

- **10 studies and assessments** supported to generate evidence in sexual and reproductive health, GBV, youth, elderly
- Mobilizing parliamentarians and senior governmental officials for participating in high level events on population related issues

"I am 30-years old; I came to Lebanon three years ago with my four children: two girls and two boys. My husband is still in Syria. I had to become the mother and father for my children and to feed my family. This project helped not only with income but it also improved my psychological state as I was suffering from depression, but going out and learning about reproductive health issues and providing awareness sessions helped me to become more social and better person."

says a women who benefitted from awareness sessions in the context of UNFPA's safe motherhood campaign
MOROCCO

Population: 34.378 mil*
Population: 33.848 mil**
Maternal mortality ratio:
121 per 100,000 live births
112 per 100,000 live births**
Population aged 10 - 24
28.2%
Fertility rate: 2.2
Contraceptive prevalence rate: 67.4%
Youth secondary school enrollment:
Boys 55.2% Girls 52.6%

SOURCE

• UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
• *UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
• Census (2014)

• **National Survey on Population and Family Health (2011)
• Demographic Survey (2009-2010)
• Ministry of Education (2012)

Present in Morocco since 1975, UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

• 126,000 women participated in the programme of early detection of cervical cancer
• 33 parliamentarians from different political parties and 14 journalists mobilized around youth reproductive health
• 1000 young people reached by awareness sessions organized in seven cities and rural areas
• 40 young people trained on advocacy and reproductive health
• Five awareness campaigns organized for the promotion of culture for equality with men and boys involvement
• 4,854 people reached by the awareness campaign on gender-based violence
• Two advocacy workshops and 3 trainings on communications and advocacy organized with the support network of women survivors of violence
• Two TV and Radio broadcasts on religious channels by religious leaders to address the roles men of all ages can play in preventing and reducing gender-based violence
• 70 health care workers trained in 14 regions on the establishment of the national system for maternal death surveillance and response
• 700 midwives trained on Emergency Obstetric Care
• 54 delivery homes certified according to national norms and standards

Maternal Health

• 365 women used contraceptive implant in two pilot sites
• Working in two pilot sites to improve management of information on contraceptives logistics

Family Planning

• Counselling manual designed for sex workers
• Mapping and research conducted on young people and minors engaged in selling sex or those who are sexually exploited

HIV/AIDS

• Four studies conducted on migration, youth, GBV and reproductive health
• Various public events to promote the integration of youth issues in all national plans

Population and Development

“This is one of the BEST trainings I have been to. It was very informative thanks to Y-Peer... Today I really know what interactive theatre is, and I am looking forward sharing all what I learnt with the youth of my city!”
says Young man from Beni-Mellal, Morocco
Gender-Based Violence (GBV)

UNFPA, present in Palestine since 1986, embarked on its first programme cycle in 1996 working with Palestinian Authority institutions and civil society. As of 2015:

- Development of a national manual for health providers on gender-based violence for the Ministry of Health and NGOs
- 800 health providers trained on detection, treatment and referral of GBV cases
- More than 2100 GBV cases detected and reported by the Ministry of Health in West Bank and NGOs in Gaza
- National psychosocial and case management guidelines developed and used by 58 trained social counselors in the West Bank and Gaza
- 120 religious and community leaders mobilized on sexual and reproductive health and rights, GBV and early marriage
- 8,000 women and men in the West Bank and Gaza Strip attended awareness sessions on reproductive health, GBV and early marriage
- 625 internally displaced people, living in the caravan area (temporary shelters in Gaza) received psychosocial support and awareness sessions on GBV
- 2,200 hygiene kits distributed to vulnerable women and girls
- One safe space for women established in Jabalia refugee camp in Gaza with vocational training, psychosocial and legal counselling
- Three policy papers produced on the referral system and roles and responsibilities of the Ministry of Health in dealing and responding to GBV cases, including child marriage

Population: 4.668 mil
Maternal mortality ratio: 45 per 100,000 live births
Population aged 10 - 24: 35%
Fertility rate: 4.1
Contraceptive prevalence rate: 43%
Youth secondary school enrollment: Boys 77% Girls 84%

UNFPA Transparency portal
UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate

SOURCE

Present in Palestine since 1986 working on specific projects, UNFPA embarked its first programme cycle in 1996 working with Palestinian Authority institutions and civil society.
The war on Gaza in 2014 totally destroyed Al-Harazeen hospital, which UNFPA had fully established and renovated. Al-Shifa hospital, the only hospital in Gaza, thus received all Al-Harazeen’s patients, which was only possible to absorb thanks to the medical equipment and supplies we received from UNFPA, until it renovated Al-Harazeen again."

says Dr. Hasan Louh, Director General of Shifa Maternity.

A national midwifery curriculum (BA level), adopted in all universities in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip

12 E-learning modules adopted as part of training for midwives

Improving the quality of obstetric care in Gaza and the West Bank, improving the documentation of maternity cases, quality supervision and compliance with protocols and maternal mortality monitoring

112 midwives and physicians in the West Bank and Gaza trained on post-natal care provision

50 health professionals from within the health care system trained for emergency preparedness and response, particularly in Gaza

4881 women including pregnant women received reproductive health services in 12 remote and disadvantaged areas in Gaza

Engaging with youth in marginalized areas on healthy lifestyles and life skills, and their civic engagement and participation to improve their employability prospects

Rolling out youth-friendly health centre models in the West Bank

Comprehensive sexual education promoted inside and outside of schools through peer education and extra-curricular activities led by YPeer Palestine: 5981 young people empowered and 300 young Palestinians lead dialogues with national and international decision makers at the 2015 youth summit in Jerusalem

A national reproductive health strategy for 2015-2017 developed with UNFPA support

Integration of sexual and reproductive health education in school curriculums

Supporting the national health system to ensure people have access to sexual and reproductive health services in case of emergencies

Providing hospitals and health units in Gaza with 26 safe delivery kits (containing various medical supplies used during deliveries)

Ensuring availability of family planning commodities to the entire population in West Bank and Gaza

Two new contraceptive methods available to women: emergency contraceptive pills and implants.

Supporting the 2017 population and housing census and other population surveys

Promoting, raising awareness and training of policy makers and civil society on population dynamics.

Support data generation on sexual and reproductive health and on youth issues to help set the national strategies
Syria Crisis: Regional Response

People in easy-to-reach areas: 13.5 million including 6.6 million internally displaced

Women and girls of reproductive age in need inside Syria: 4 million including 360,000 pregnant women

Total women and girls in need (inside and outside): 5 million including 470,000 pregnant women

People living in hard-to-reach areas: 4.49 million including up to 1.1 million women of reproductive age

Women and girls of reproductive age refugees: Over one million including 70,000 pregnant women

UNFPA response to Syria crisis in Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, Turkey, and Egypt in 2015

• Ensuring that local communities and Syrian refugees living among them know where to get support in case of incidents of gender-based violence
• 3.6 million reproductive health-related services delivered to women inside Syria and 300,000 reproductive health services in the neighbouring countries
• Safely delivering seven babies every day in the UNFPA-supported delivery room in Zaatari camp for refugees in Jordan
• Expanding the range and variety of cross-border operations into Syria as a result of the UN Security Council resolutions 2165 (2014) and 2191 (2014). From May to September, 2015, 20,000 reproductive health services delivered to Syrian women in northern Syria, supported an average of 500 deliveries and 250 Caesarean-sections every month, and provided gender-based violence related services through health facilities and safe spaces for women cross-border from Jordan and Turkey
• Supporting 119 mobile clinics, primary health centres and hospitals in Syria and clinics in refugee-hosting countries to deliver a full range of reproductive health services, including for safe delivery
• Distributing an average of 500 reproductive health vouchers per month in Syria that enable women to access maternal health services free-of-charge
• Empowering women and supporting their rights with the establishment of 64 women’s spaces in six countries, where women and girls are able to access a wide range of recreational, psychosocial and livelihoods activities, in addition to referrals for health and other specialized services
“Without the help of the social workers here in the centre, I would have committed suicide. My husband was so obsessed after we arrived here that he didn’t want us to cross the house door. the staff sat with me and my husband, individually and together. They helped us greatly.”

said Reem, a 22-year-old mother of three, at a women’s centre in Deir Alla, Jordan, supported by UNFPA and the Institute for Family Health (IFH)
YEMEN CRISIS: REGIONAL RESPONSE

Population in need: **21.2** million including **2.5** million internally displaced

Women and girls of reproductive age: **5.3** million including **848,000** pregnant women

Yemeni refugees: **167,579**

Women and girls of reproductive age: **41,895** including **1676** pregnant women

Total women and girls in need (inside and outside): **12.5** million

**SOURCE**

- United Nations Office for the coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA)
- The UN refugee Agency (UNHCR)
- UNFPA Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP)

**UNFPA RESPONSE TO YEMEN CRISIS IN 2015**

- **6,634 cases of GBV** monitored, identified and responded to
- **About 5,866 GBV survivors** received support through health, psychological, legal, and safe shelter services
- **70,000 female dignity kits** delivered to the most vulnerable women and girls affected by war, out of which **38,900** were distributed to **19 governorates** across the country, including **4,000** to displaced women affected by cyclones of Chapala and Megh
- **22,810 male and female dignity kits** immediately distributed to displaced men and women from March to June 2015
- **38,900 women and girls** attended sessions on the available prevention and response services for gender-based violence and received dignity kits
- Supporting the operationalization of **24 mobile clinics and teams** in conflict-affected and Chapala areas
Reproductive Health

- Procuring emergency obstetric and new born care equipment for 34 hospitals. Due to the security situation, only 10 hospitals in four governorates received.
- Procuring $2 million-worth of lifesaving medicines for maternal and new born health.
- Various types of 953 reproductive health kits delivered to various governorate.

To prevent interruptions in family planning services during the crisis, various types of contraceptives were procured to cover the needs of 380,409 women for a whole year.

Ensuring that reproductive health is an intrinsic part of the Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan 2016.

FUNDS RECEIVED BY YEMEN ($) IN 2015

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“It was our last resort to save Tahani from death. I heard about the shelter and its protection services for women on a radio show. I called the shelter on their hotline; they were very supportive and welcomed Tahani,” says the cousin of Tahani - a woman with special needs who was a victim of gender-based violence. She took her to a UNFPA-supported shelter operated by the Yemeni Women’s Union, and helped her access critical psychological support and, for the first time, medical care for her disability.”
Population: **10.787 mil**
Maternal mortality ratio: **732 per 100,000 live births**
Population aged under 29: **75%**

Fertility rate: **6.7**
Contraceptive prevalence rate: **<3**
Youth secondary school enrollment: **Boys 27.6% Girls 25.3%**

**SOURCE**
- Population Estimation Survey for Somalia (PESS) - 2014
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate

Present in **Somalia** since **1970** UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

- Conducting the **Population Estimation Survey in Somalia (PESS)** which has been completed with results ready for use in planning and policy formulation. The PESS result is a milestone in Somalia’s history, since the last accepted population census was conducted in 1975
- **15 centres for comprehensive GBV services** and **two safe homes** for GBV survivors supported
• Implementing programmes by the youth peer education network targeting young people especially those at risk, unemployed, in school and out of school

• 66 young entrepreneurs trained on business development and marketing as well as vocational training, and received startup capital

• 20,000 young people empowered to act as peace champions in their communities through arranging football tournament with peace messages as well as through community mobilization by YPeer network and the Ministry of Youth

• Support the government both financially and technically in developing a youth policy

• Engaging and mobilizing the community including young people, religious and traditional leaders and women’s groups for the total abandonment of FGM

• Strengthening health sector response to FGM-related complications by integrating FGM issues in the curriculum of midwifery schools and health education

• Helped in preparing draft legislations and policies outlawing all forms of FGM in Puntland and Somaliland

“I was lucky that I had gone into the maternity waiting home supported by UNFPA before labour even started. The health specialists were able to monitor my pregnancy as I approached labour. They quickly made a decision to transfer me to a hospital after noticing complications and my baby and I were saved,” said 29-year-old Sharifa Abdullahi, after surviving a grueling 18-hour labour that could have taken her life and the life of her daughter.
**SUDAN**

Population: **40.235 mil**

Maternal mortality ratio: **311 per 100,000 live births**

Population aged 10-24: **32 %**

Fertility rate: **5.2**

Contraceptive prevalence rate: **12.2 (16.6)**

Youth secondary school enrollment: **Boys 38.87% Girls 42.57%**

**SOURCE**

- Multi Indicators Cluster Survey MICS
- National Population Census Council
- Sudan household survey
- Central Bureau of Statistics
- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
- UNESCO Institute for Statistics report 2012

Present in **Sudan** since 1973 UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

- **1,153 midwives** and **572 health workers** trained on maternal and newborn health
- **12 health facilities** rehabilitated and received essential drugs and equipment to help improve maternal and newborn health
- **42 cases of obstetric fistula** treated; survivor women and girls received psychological support
- **12,811 beneficiaries** reached through media campaigns including radio shows and drama and **60 community-based sensitization groups** trained to overcome the socio-economic and cultural barriers to seeking and accessing health care

- **11 out of 18 states in Sudan, including Darfur** and recently the **areas bordering South Sudan** supported by humanitarian response programme
- **179,000 women and girls** received gender-based violence lifesaving and emergency services in conflict and disaster affected areas
- **60,000 women and girls of reproductive age** benefited from miscarriage management, antenatal care and obstetric services in addition to life-saving maternal health interventions carried out to avoid excess maternal morbidity and death
• **425 people** participated in advocacy workshops on the harmful effects of Female Genital Mutilation and child marriage
• **38 communities** declared **FGM abandonment** in five states in Sudan included Kassala, Gedaref, Blue Nile, White Nile and South Darfur
• **Adopting legislations and policies** to protect women’s rights and ban harmful practices
• **Community awareness and protection systems** created involving men, to change social norms around the issue of gender-based violence

- **Legal registration of youth networks** supported in seven states: Kassala, North Kordofan, Red Sea, Blue Nile, West Darfur, Gedaref and White Nile
- **581 young people** trained on leadership, management, voluntarism and reproductive health to support youth serving organizations
- **15 youth centres and health centres** rehabilitated to provide youth friendly services

• **820 people** engaged in HIV sensitization and advocacy meetings which positively impacted on the provision and utilization of HIV related services in 18 states.
• **310 workers from NGOs and government institutions** trained on quality HIV prevention services
• **60 community-based groups** comprised of **900 members** established in three states, Kassala, Blue Nile and Gedaref, and trained on HIV and reproductive health

- **1,852,909 people** benefited from UNFPA Family Planning methods services
- **832 health workers** trained on logistics systems, management of health information, family planning service provision and counselling
- **Two warehouses** rehabilitated to ensure quality family planning services
- **114 outreach campaigns** on reproductive health related issues conducted including drama, information sessions and radio shows

“I spent two years suffering from fistula, suffering that was combined with the loss my infant and my divorce. With UNFPA’s support, I joined a midwifery school to learn and to become a skilled midwife to help women in my community to overcome fistula stigma, and to encourage women to come to fistula centre for treatment.”

says Aysha Yousif, 20 years old, a fistula survivor and currently a community midwife - North Darfur
SYRIA

Population (2013): 18,502 mil
Mortality rate: 68 per 100,000 live births
Population aged 10-24: 32%

Fertility rate: 4.1
Contraceptive prevalence rate: 36%
Youth secondary school enrollment: Boys 66% Girls 69%

SOURCE
• Population report survey - CBS - 2014
• Higher institute for population study - 2015
• UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
• Syrian Commission for Family Affairs & Population - 2014 survey for 7 governorates
• UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015
• Ministry of Education - 2014

65 professionals were mobilized to support the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) areas of work including RH and GBV and integrate them within the national work plans

286,611 young people affected by violence had access to reproductive health and GBV services
• 750,000 people benefited from 2 million lifesaving and outreach reproductive health services, including emergency obstetric care services
• 320,000 women received 600 reproductive health kits and essential medicines, equipment and supplies
• 1250 health professionals trained on reproductive health, including prenatal and postnatal care, family planning, and management information system

• 106,259 population reached through awareness raising sessions targeting the community and community leaders
• 11 local partners enhanced their services to provide comprehensive response to GBV, including expanding referral mechanisms

“Gender-Based Violence (GBV)“

“I am grateful for the full package of services provided by the UNFPA-supported Al- Halbouni Clinic, including medical examination, social services and legal advices for GBV survivors.” says Amal after being motivated and better informed about her rights and where to get support throughout AL Halbouni clinic.

“My dream is just to go back to school and study, just like my friends and relatives do.” says Nour, 12 years old, having just completed a three-month long psycho-social therapy at the UNFPA-supported Al Shagour clinic.
**Tunisia**

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**SOURCE**

- National Institute of Statistics Census - 2014
- National Survey on Maternal Mortality - 2008
- Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS4) - 2011
- General Census of Population and Housing - 2014
- Ministry of Education - Tunisia
- UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate
- UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015

Present in Tunisia since 1974 UNFPA works with government institutions, civil society and UN agencies

- Professionals from different governmental institutions trained on maternal and neonatal essential health services to strengthen the national sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services
- Raising public awareness on SRH
- Advocating for universal access to sexual and reproductive health
- Nine Studies, researches and policy briefs conducted in SRH

- One educational manual on youth civic engagement, gender and human rights developed in partnership with youth organizations to empower young people and enhance their effective participation
- One report on youth perception of SRH drafted
An advocacy campaign launched in 2013 to promote the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in partnership with other UN agencies resulted in a constitutional amendment supporting equal rights and criminalizing gender-based violence and officially rescinded CEDAW reservations in 2014.

- 700 people participated in information and capacity building sessions on GBV prevention and response.
- 1,000 publications promoting women’s rights distributed.
- 10 governmental and non-governmental organizations trained on monitoring the implementation of Universal Periodic Review (UPR) recommendations.
- A study on the legal basis for gender discrimination conducted and a desk review on women exclusion conducted.
- A national plan for gender mainstreaming is available.

In 2019-2015 we continue our work with the Tunisian government through our new cooperation agreement:

- Developing quality sexual and reproductive health essential packages for women and young people.
- Strengthening the capacities of national policy makers and civil society organizations to advance reproductive rights and promote gender equality.
- Reinforcing, on the basis of evidence, the national policies in the areas of population dynamics, sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights, HIV, adolescents and youth, gender equality.

“Reproductive rights should not only figure on paper but should become a reality for all Tuni-sians alike.”

says Mr. Saïd Aïdi, Tunisian Minister of Health (Meeting organized by Tunisian Civil Society Organizations with the support of the UNFPA)
Present in Yemen since 1977, UNFPA works with civil society groups, youth NGOs, international non-governmental organizations, other development partners and UN agencies.

- **5,866 survivors of GBV** benefited from our support services including health, legal, psychosocial, shelter
- **100,000 dignity kits** (containing basic hygiene items) procured in 2015 and distributed to **61,710 people** (8,283 male and 53,427 female)

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**Yemen**

- Population: **26.832 mil***
- Population: **26.687 mil**
- Maternal mortality ratio: **62 per 100,000 live births***
- **148 per 100,000 live births**
- Population aged 15-29: **24.5%**
- Fertility rate: **4.4**
- Contraceptive prevalence rate: **34%**
- Youth secondary school enrollment (2012): **Boys 61% Girls 39%**

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**Source**

- *****UN, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015) Estimate**
- **NDHS 2013 and CSO report 2012**
- **UNFPA, World Population Dashboard 2015**
Reproductive Health

- **38 health facilities** received emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (EmONC) equipment
- **261 health workers** trained on EmONC to provide the essential evidence-based interventions for saving the lives of mothers and newborns
- **60 midwives** receiving training through the National Midwifery programme
- **200 health workers** trained on Minimum Initial Services Package (MISP) in conflict-affected areas
- **1,341,023 people** had access to our family planning methods and both antenatal care and delivery services
- **380,409 pregnant women** received our quality emergency obstetric services (MISP)
- **15 hospitals and family planning centres** received our Emergency Obstetric and Newborn care (EmONC) equipment, reproductive health kits and maternal lifesaving medicines

“As we live in wartime, there is a huge shortage of equipment. Bushra was the third case [of neonatal death under the current conditions]. Two similar cases died before they reached the referral hospital due to lack of incubators. “Now with new incubators we received from UNFPA, many babies’ lives are saved.”

says Ahmed Yahya Al-Khazan, the director of Al-Mahabisha Hospital in Hajjah Governorate-North of Yemen
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Tunisia
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Yemen
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