



2020

Annual Report
8th Country Programme
with Burkina Faso

**Achieving our promise
in the face of COVID-19**





Deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

Editorial

2020 will stay in people's minds as a year of challenges, opportunities, learning and resilience. How do we take stock of the year 2020 without mentioning the health crisis caused by the Coronavirus pandemic, which has affected the whole world and put a strain on the implementation of emergency response and development programs? To face this pandemic, we reorganized our programmes supporting vulnerable populations by systematically taking into consideration Covid-19 in the deployment of our various projects in synergy with our partners in the field.

In spite of these health crisis-induced difficulties, we showed resilience – as a team in the country office, individually in our daily lives and in our interactions with our implementing partners, demonstrating that all the moving parts in the implementation chain were able to come together to achieve our expected results.

In many ways, our financial partners' commitment has enabled us to ensure the continued provision of sexual and reproductive health services as well as case management and holistic care of survivors of Gender-Based Violence in the context of COVID-19: USD 20,686,047 was mobilized from the governments of the Netherlands, Canada, Japan, the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) and the Peacebuilding Fund (PBF) for an annual target of USD 14,172,160.

I am proud of the UNFPA country office's success in mobilizing resources. This testifies to our new vision to energize our approach with partners in order to strengthen our assistance to the most vulnerable people and ensure that no one is left behind.

The year 2020 was very rich in activities and achievements for the Burkina Faso country office, and innovations deployed for the protection of vulnerable groups is evidence of this. Thanks to the support of UNFPA, there is now a toll-free, 24/7 operational phone-number

in Burkina Faso, to report cases and attempts of gender-based violence: +226 80 00 12 87. It is operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and gathers a multidisciplinary team of lawyers, psychologists, members of the police and social workers. Incoming calls are anonymous and free through the three telephone networks in Burkina.

2020 was also marked by a strengthening of coordination within the United Nations system with a focus on joint programming for better efficiency of our interventions:

the One UN spirit is on the move and gaining ground to tackle Burkina Faso's development and humanitarian challenges together!

I would particularly like to express my thanks and congratulations to the government of Burkina Faso for the quality of our collaboration – and this annual report highlights the fruitful collaboration between UNFPA and all those involved in the implementation of the 8th country programme. Last but not least, I would like to urge all our current and future partners to champion a UN slogan which is "Leave no one behind" so that all our investments converge towards universal access to reproductive health services for all populations as agreed upon at the International Conference on Population and Development +25 in Nairobi (ICPD+25).



Auguste KPOGNON
Resident Representative



UNFPA in Burkina Faso in 2020

UNFPA interventions cover the entire national territory. Out of the 5 integrated sub-offices of the United Nations system in Burkina Faso, we have a presence in: Kaya, Dori and Fada N’Gourma.



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Context in which the programme was implemented in 2020

Security context

The year 2020 was marked by terrorist attacks and inter-community conflicts in certain regions of Burkina Faso. The state of emergency declared in fourteen (14) provinces of programme intervention remains in force.



Number of internally displaced people in 2020

1 049 767 ▲

Compared to 87 000 in 2019



133 health centers closed

156 health centres functioning at minimum capacity

1 600 000 people affected



Health context

The year 2020 was also marked by the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic which resulted not only in the closure of air and land borders for more than five (5) months but also in the stopping of inter-urban exchanges and the containment of populations in cities that recorded at least one case.



Measures taken by the government to break the chain of transmission:



- Closure of pre-school, primary and secondary schools as well as professional schools and universities;



- Prohibition of any gathering of more than 50 people;



- Closure of land and air borders;



- Quarantine of all cities that recorded at least one positive case of Coronavirus;



- Exit and entry to and from all cities was conditioned by special authorization delivered by government authorities;

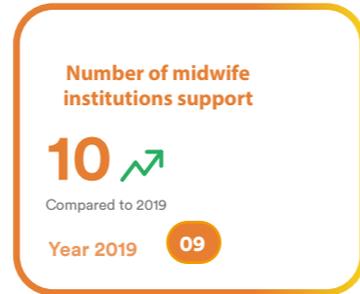
Zero unmet need for family planning

Context

In Burkina Faso, the contraceptive prevalence increased gradually from 8% in 1993 to 24% in 2015 according to national surveys carried out by the National Institute of Statistics and Demography. As for the unmet need for family planning, it decreased from 29% in 2003 to 19% in 2015. Overall, since 1990, family planning programmes have been implemented in a favorable political and socio-economic environment.

The number of couple-years of protection recorded in 2020 was 964,298 compared to 713,434 in 2019, an increase of 35%.

This is the result of enormous efforts to create demand, supply and access to services, as well as the availability of a diverse range of modern contraceptive products.



These results not only contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the 2016-2020 national economic and social development plan, but also to those of the 2017-2020 nation plan to accelerate family planning.



Number of unwanted pregnancies prevented



Number of unsafe abortions avoided



Contraceptive Prevalence



Source: INSD



National Family Planning Week is an opportunity to conduct high-level advocacy and strong social mobilization in favor of family planning.

This event takes place for one week throughout the country and is characterized by free provision of family planning services.

In 2020, during National Family Planning Week, 81 365 clients were offered family planning services



2019 45 747

The «Macopine» strategy

A strategy for providing family planning services based on midwives who intervene not only in support of health facilities but who also participate in creating demand and providing services in the field with women's groups.



Thanks to this strategy, in 2020:

 **5210** new users of family planning methods were recruited

 **4870** post-natal consultations were undertaken

 **5788** prenatal consultations were undertaken

 **240** births were assisted by skilled health professionals

1940 health care workers were trained in a variety of fields (803 in 2019) +100%

65

health care service providers in school clinics trained in COVID-19 prevention

97

service providers trained on auto-injection of DMPA-SC

447

service providers trained on clinical FP

304

service providers trained on adolescent sexual and reproductive health

128

service providers trained on community distribution of modern contraceptive products

91

health service providers trained on COVID-19 prevention

808

community-based health workers trained on community distribution of contraceptive products

98,2%  In 2020

compared to 84% in 2019

are satisfied with family planning services provided

80,5%  In 2020

compared to 72% in 2019

of health service delivery points have trained personnel for insertion and removal of IUDs

83,4%  In 2020

compared to 82.7% in 2019

of health service delivery points have trained personnel for the insertion and removal of implants

90,8%

of health service delivery points have at least 03 contraceptive methods offered to customers during the last 03 month before the survey

93,5%

93.5% of health service delivery points have trained personnel for the distribution of modern contraceptive methods

97,8%

97.8% of clients indicated that they received family planning services with courtesy and respect from health workers



Zero preventable maternal deaths

Context

Since 1973, UNFPA has worked alongside the government of Burkina Faso to improve maternal and newborn health. This strong collaboration has led to a continuous decline in maternal mortality in Burkina Faso. The maternal mortality ratio declined from 566 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1991 to 330 per 100,000 in 2015 (reduction in maternal mortality of 42%).

10 Midwife training centers supported

Support to midwifery institutions consists mainly of capacity building for training schools through:



Anatomical models and medico-technical equipment for skills laboratories



Refresher trainings for supervisors at the training sites on best practices in EmONC, family planning, fistula and female genital mutilation



post-training follow-up, revision of curricula, as well as provision of reference documents and rolling stock.



Number of unsafe abortions avoided

805 **+100%**
Compared to 2019

2019

333

Number of maternal deaths avoided

19712 **32%**
Compared to 2019

2019

14894

203 health centres carried out monitoring on EmONC

This monitoring revealed:

Proper performance in the administration of antibiotics, anticonvulsants and utero-tonic parenterally, as well as extraction of placenta

The unavailability of some essential drugs (gluconate calcium, clonidine; misoprostol)

The unavailability of some materials (AMIU syringe, obstetric suction cups, resuscitation equipment)

Failure to carry out audits of maternal and newborn deaths



454

health service providers are trained on EmONC as well as post-abortion care

172

health workers are trained in carrying out maternal and neonatal death audits

29

health care providers (doctors, SFE, ME) trained in coaching

180

health care workers trained on the minimum initial service package (MISP)

700

health care providers (doctors, SFE, ME, nurses, AA/AB) oriented on the use of SR kits, including clinical management of rape

20

service providers (gynecologists, surgeons, generalists, health attachés, SF) are trained on the management of obstetric fistulas

236

women victims of obstetric fistulas operated

35

cases of complications from female genital mutilation managed

20

nursing students and midwives benefitted from practical exercises on EmONC, FP, FGM and fistula prevention

To facilitate the provision of family-life education (EVF) outside of school, five (05) municipal and provincial information and advocacy workshops were organized with the authorities, religious and customary leaders to solicit their commitment and support in the establishment of EVF for the benefit of adolescents.

27

vocational training centers have integrated modules on EVF in their training programmes

3974

students from professional training schools benefitted from EVF modules

These workshops were attended by 68 people, including 40 men and 28 women, and made it possible to set up 240 clubs for the benefit of 4,841 adolescents, including 3,032 girls and 1,809 adolescent boys from the future husband school initiative



Zero gender-based violence and harmful practices



Context

In Burkina Faso, child marriage is still very common. In 2015, one in two girls (49%) was married before the age of 18. However, the situation has improved over time. In 2003, this rate was estimated at 57.5%.

As for female genital mutilation, we note that the percentage of girls aged 0-14 years excised decreased from 13.2% in 2010 to 11.3% in 2015.

To save girls from child marriage, an alert system is in place. This system is made of up several actors:



Local surveillance groups at village level made up of 4 people



Technical support counsellors, mentors and supervisors

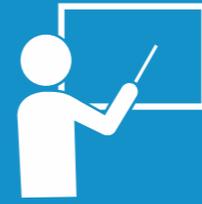


485

girls saved from child marriage

+100%

compared with **147** in 2019



11 867

adolescents and youth benefited from everyday life skills training

+100%

compared to **4266** in 2019

In the following thematic areas :

- Sexual and reproductive health
- STI/HIV/AIDS
- Interpersonal relationships
- Civics (human rights and gender equality)

- Addictive behaviour
- Child marriage and FGM
- Environmental protection and conflict management



1364 people trained on various topics related to gender

714 members of associations on the theory of social change and the inclusion of social norms in the formulation and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the abandonment of harmful traditional practices

71 members of associations on the theory of social change and the taking into account of social norms in the formulation and implementation of programs aimed at promoting the abandonment of harmful traditional practices

305 mentors, facilitators and supervisors on techniques for facilitating safe spaces

50 internally displaced people on reproductive health and the promotion to end FGM and child marriage

31 people out of the 40 defendants tried by the high courts of Diébougou, Ouahigouya, Gaoua, Tenkodogo, Kongoussi and Ouagadougou in ordinary court following fifteen (15) cases of excision recorded

30 magistrates, gendarmes, police, GSP, social workers on the promotion to end FGM and the implementation of the law

80 social workers, health workers, security officers, justice officers on frontline psychological support and referral of GBV cases

58 social workers, Gendarmes, Police officers, Health workers, CSOs on the data collection tools of phase III of the joint FGM program

64 actors of the justice chain and members of gender cells trained in the use of the case information collection protocol and the management of information on survivors of gender-based violence

180 villages have made public commitments at official public declaration ceremonies to abandon the practice of FGM and child marriage

56 network supervisors and community relays on life skills

150 adolescent girls trained in promising trades (poultry farming, cattle fattening and soap making)

503 community leaders, community trainers, journalists on child marriage and female genital mutilation

1418 women members of 38 groups equipped with production and processing equipment in the fields of poultry farming, beekeeping, pig breeding, rice parboiling, soap and ointment making, sanitation and household waste collection, soumbala production

70 girls equipped with materials for soap making, 30 equipped with materials for poultry farming and 90 with materials for cattle fattening

91 adolescents and young people (girls and boys) benefited from the community platform program for their environmental project ideas

57 adolescents and young people (39 girls and 18 boys) benefited from the community platform program on the basis of individual green income generating projects

To date, 57 bank accounts have been opened by the 57 beneficiaries

759 savings groups set up. These groups have enrolled 12 000 women and mobilized internal savings of around 180 000 USD, with an internal credit volume of around 93 000 USD for 5 422 women.



Mariam Lamizana Prize

Engage

Engage **journalists** and **bloggers** in the promotion of the abandonment of FGM

The Mariam Lamizana Prize is a competition organized by UNFPA in collaboration with the Ministry of Communication and Parliamentary Relations and the Ministry of Women, National Solidarity, Family and Humanitarian Action to encourage contribution of journalists to the promotion of the promotion to end FGM in Burkina Faso.

For the 3rd Edition, 28 submissions were made:



Abdel Aziz Nabaloum
Editions Sidwaya



Céline Ilboudo
RTB Radio Ouaga



Michel Dah Sié
RTB 2 GAOUA



Amadou Zeba
FASO 7
Super Prize Mariam Lamizana

COVID-19 Prevention

4 320 569 USD mobilized through two projects aimed to prevent COVID-19

750 young volunteers recruited as part of the prevention of COVID-19 raised awareness with **1,610,292** people on COVID-19 prevention measures and referred **27,510** people to rapid response teams to fight COVID-19 ;

65 health service providers in school centers briefed on what to do in the context of COVID-19;

91 health providers from health facilities trained on the correct behavior and actions in the context of COVID-19

28 centers providing comprehensive sexuality education have been provided with protective equipment:

52 hand washing devices,

32 bottles of liquid soap,

32 bottles of bleach,

32 bottles of hydro-alcoholic solution

8 automatic gel dispensers;

Protective equipment (hand washing device, liquid soap, hydro-alcoholic gel, protective mask) acquired for the staff of the ABBEF health service points, school infirmaries and ASBCs for a secure offer of services to customers;

Awareness materials on COVID-19 reproduced to facilitate awareness, i.e. 1,500 posters (small format); 640 posters (medium format); 100 posters (large format)

93 034 adolescents and young people viewed 8 videos on COVID-19 produced and integrated into QGJEUNE for the awareness of adolescents and young people



Covid-2020 Newsletters



Demographic intelligence and policies

General census of population and housing

- Dissemination of the preliminary results of the 5th RGPH has been carried out. In difficult to reach areas, the estimate of the population size was carried out thanks to the partnership with WorldPop / Flowminder (GRID3)
- Digitization of all the enumeration areas of the twelve districts of Ouagadougou carried out through the development of a digitalization guide for the RGPH census mapping and the organization of an induction session for the executives of the INSD in the creation and editing of digital cartographic data (GIS)
- Thirty-four (34) staff, including 10 women and 24 men from the General Directorate of Studies and Sector Statistics (DGESS), trained on the demographic dividend programming guide with a view to including the demographic dividend in Burkina Faso's new national development programme





World Population Day 2020

Slowing the spread of COVID-19: How to Protect the Health and Rights of Women and Girls Today

Commemoration of the World Population Day (JMP) 2020 organized through a set of activities. These included the presentation of the results of three studies on the demographic dividend during a workshop that brought together all the member structures of the national observatory on the demographic dividend.



Statement on the occasion of World Population Day 2020

ICPD +25

A national forum for the appropriation of the conclusions of the summit was held and concluded with the development of a roadmap to support the accelerated implementation of the commitments of the International Conference on Population and Development.

Costing of the three transformative results available to guide advocacy and mobilization for the achievement of these results.

Two (2) advocacy outings organized at the location of the Minister of Health as well as the Minister of Women, National Solidarity, Family and Humanitarian Action.

A roadmap was developed to support the accelerated implementation of the commitments of the ICPD + 25. This roadmap guided advocacy sessions in favor of Burkina Faso's ICPD + 25 commitments to the ministries in charge of health and women.

A communication strategy for meeting the Nairobi commitments and achieving transformative results from UNFPA was prepared.

Civil Registry

19 836 births registered on the I-civilplatform. Apart from installing a main server at the Directorate General for Modernization of Civil Status (DGMEC), another new platform has been designed to monitor birth registrations.



Study on the determinants of civil status registration, carried out thanks to the partnership with three national population observatories (Nouna - Kaya - Nanoro).



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Humanitarian Response

The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) was officially launched in November 2020 to provide access to the most isolated areas of the country through safe, effective and efficient air service for the entire humanitarian community.

160 people trained on various themes:

40 health providers trained on the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP)

30 community support technicians trained to set up a community network

60 social workers and NGO staff trained on the issue of GBV in humanitarian situations

20 community health workers (CHW) and 10 village birth attendants (AV) trained to strengthen the network of VA and CHWs.



Village birth attendants in Barsalogo, Centre Nord Region

UNFPA leads the area of responsibility on gender based violence

3 doctors specializing in gynecology and obstetrics deployed to support hospitals in the health districts of Djibo, Kongoussi and Barsalogo

50 tents have been made available to the Regional health districts to not only ensure the supply of health services but also the establishment of safe protective spaces

617 survivors of GBV cared for, 171 of whom received medical treatment. In addition, 171 received medical care, and 08 received legal and / or judicial support

20,000 dignity kits and 3,000 flashlights were distributed in Centre-Nord (Kaya, Barsalogo, Tougouri, Kongoussi), North (Ouahigouya, Titao) and Sahel (Gorom-Gorom and Djibo) regions

6 psychologists made available to the health districts of Djibo, Barsalogo, Tougouri, Titao, Gorom-Gorom and Kaya for the management of GBV cases

3 midwives made available to the districts of Djibo, Barsalogo and Kaya to support the existing health centers and pre-fabricated structures service offers

1,912 women received cervical cancer screening; 846 ultrasound diagnoses including 2 cases of genital prolapse and 1 case of hemorrhagic myoma managed by myomectomy



Summary of interventions in the area of responsibility - GBV

Peacebuilding Fund : Projects consolidating peace

163 community dialogue spaces set up for the engagement of local associations for the prevention of violent extremism and radicalization

1358 members of local conflict management and prevention mechanisms and structures trained to identify and analyze conflict cases including at cross-border level

80 leaders of women's groups trained on the theme of the culture of peace and social cohesion, on the use of a guide on security force missions and their roles in denouncing violent extremism and radicalization

80 people from organizations and communities trained on the importance of citizen engagement and meaningful participation, and the role of young people in conflict prevention and management

120 members of local conflict management and prevention mechanisms and structures trained to identify and analyze conflict cases including at cross-border level

150 youth organizations and local stakeholders with raised awareness committed to contribute to the prevention and peaceful resolution of conflicts

Results of two (2) diagnostic studies presented to 200 people from youth organizations, local authorities and country teams from the North and Sahel regions;

Strategic partnerships forged around the implementation of the project with the national technical committee of the G5 Sahel, the coordination of the PUS-BF, the National Youth Council and the ECOWAS national volunteering program



QG JEUNE : a interactive platform for youth



33 008 ^{28%}

Youth subscribed to the QGJeune Facebook page. This contributed to the QGJeune not only being a reference tool in the COVID-19 response but also for the distribution of key communication messages on the network of the platform (website, social networks, QGjeune youth club network)

Compared to 25,794 in 2019

52 725 302
Visits logged on facebook

1 394 153 ^{+100%}

Adolescents and youth visited the QGJeune web site

Compared to 394,153 in 2019



QG JEUNE

Help and support line for youth

FREE CALL **3005**



Planning, monitoring, evaluation and research

7

Seven strategic
implementation
reports available

2 digital platforms developed to ensure optimal
monitoring of programmes:

A digital platform based on
tools developed by Akvo for
project monitoring

A geolocation platform
based on KoBoToolbox to
facilitate data collection in
hard-to-reach areas

A platform based on the DHIS 2 under
development as part of the implementation of the joint
FGM program and will later cover all the programs of
the Ministry of Women, National Solidarity, Family and
Humanitarian Action



Studies, surveys and evaluations undertaken

Final evaluation of the project *"Accelerating the Realization of Reproductive Health Rights"*

Assessing the impact of girls' empowerment interventions in the Joint Global Programme to End Child Marriage

Baseline study of the project *"Strengthening the capacities of adolescents and young people to exercise their rights in matters of sexual and reproductive health in Burkina Faso"*

Assessment of the sexual and reproductive health needs in emergency situations in humanitarian regions of Burkina Faso

Satisfaction survey of beneficiaries of RH and GBV services

Development of a monograph on demography, peace and security

Gender analysis of the impact of COVID 19 in socio-economic sectors in Burkina Faso

Study on the factors of migration and access to sexual and reproductive health care for young migrants in transit towns: the case of Ouagadougou

National consultations on demography, peace and security in Burkina Faso. An action plan was developed following these national consultations and fed into the regional symposium on demography, peace and security in the Sahel

Study "Girls in Crisis" conducted in partnership with Plan International

Extension document approved for a two-year period (2021 and 2022)



National consultations on demography, peace and security

Context

The regional context in the Sahel, marked by significant security and health challenges, calls on us to reflect deeply on the links between demography, peace and security. As a prelude to the high-level symposium to be held in Niamey in 2021, research was carried out in Burkina Faso, Niger and Mali resulting in monographs on demography, peace and security. National consultations are now being organized in all countries to, among other things, provide an opportunity to share the findings of the monograph.

Facilitate the appropriation and internalization of the findings from the monograph and other scientific documents in order to discuss the main emerging issues;

Propose strategic orientations to support the design of innovative policies or programs to address the link with development in Burkina Faso;

Develop a national roadmap to address these challenges for discussion at the High Level Virtual Symposium;

Discuss the political implications of the challenges related to demography, peace and security that emerge from the documents;





Partnership and resource mobilization

11
Projects developed and submitted

8
Projects validated and approved

20 686 047 USD In 2020

+100% increase

9 930 890 USD In 2019

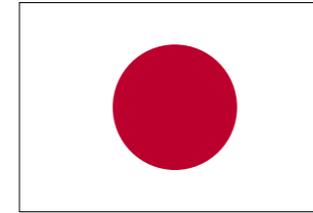


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“She tells her story...”



Obstretic-fistula – another life is possible !

Soumaila is one of numerous women who benefited from free reconstructive surgery at the Protestant Schiphra hospital in Ouagadougou



“I began family planning after my husband recommended it to me.”

Djeneba, 28 years old, is mother to 4 children. She lives in Basgana, in the Centre Sud region



Village birth attendants : trained to save lives

Rasmata and Mariam are village birth attendants from the IDP community in Barsalogho in the Centre Nord region.



“Thanks to family planning, I can get pregnant when I choose to.”

Madina, 15 years old, is mother to a 6-month old baby. She lives in Bagrè, in the Centre-Est region.



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