

FERTILITY

Table 5.1 Current fertility

Age-specific and total fertility rates, the general fertility rate, and the crude birth rate for the three years preceding the survey, by residence, Model DHS 6 data

Age group	Residence		Total
	Urban	Rural	
15-19	77	163	119
20-24	159	258	207
25-29	169	248	216
30-34	143	219	188
35-39	82	153	125
40-44	48	70	60
45-49	24	31	28
TFR (15-49)	3.5	5.7	4.7
GFR	119	200	163
CBR	30.1	38.3	35.2

Notes: Age-specific fertility rates are per 1,000 women. Rates for age group 45-49 may be slightly biased due to truncation. Rates are for the period 1-36 months prior to interview.

TFR: Total fertility rate expressed per woman

GFR: General fertility rate expressed per 1,000 women age 15-44

CBR: Crude birth rate, expressed per 1,000 population

Table 5.2 Fertility by background characteristics

Total fertility rate for the three years preceding the survey, percentage of women age 15-49 currently pregnant, and mean number of children ever born to women age 40-49 years, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Total fertility rate	Percentage of women age 15-49 currently pregnant	Mean number of children ever born to women age 40-49
Residence			
Urban	3.5	6.3	5.0
Rural	5.7	10.4	6.1
Region			
Region 1	5.3	10.3	6.1
Region 2	5.3	8.5	6.1
Region 3	3.1	5.5	4.4
Region 4	5.5	9.8	6.1
Education			
No education	5.6	10.1	6.0
Primary	5.0	8.3	6.1
Secondary or higher	2.9	6.2	4.0
Wealth quintile			
Lowest	6.0	12.0	6.6
Second	5.7	10.4	6.0
Middle	5.3	9.3	6.0
Fourth	4.4	7.3	5.7
Highest	2.9	5.2	4.3
Total	4.7	8.6	5.7

Note: Total fertility rates are for the period 1-36 months prior to interview.

Table 5.3.1 Trends in age-specific fertility rates

Age-specific fertility rates for five-year periods preceding the survey, by mother's age at the time of the birth, Model DHS 6 data

Mother's age at birth	Number of years preceding survey			
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19
15-19	123	158	156	171
20-24	214	247	264	256
25-29	220	267	255	263
30-34	188	231	213	[245]
35-39	131	171	[202]	
40-44	73	[126]		
45-49	[29]			

Note: Age-specific fertility rates are per 1,000 women. Estimates in brackets are truncated. Rates exclude the month of interview.

Table 5.4 Children ever born and living

Percent distribution of all women and currently married women age 15-49 by number of children ever born, mean number of children ever born and mean number of living children, according to age group, Model DHS 6 data

Age	Number of children ever born											Total	Number of women	Mean number of children ever born	Mean number of living children
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+				
ALL WOMEN															
15-19	77.7	18.7	3.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	1,958	0.26	0.22
20-24	31.3	31.6	22.4	11.2	2.4	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	1,428	1.25	1.07
25-29	10.3	17.6	23.3	21.8	15.3	8.5	2.5	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	100.0	1,419	2.54	2.12
30-34	4.1	6.7	14.5	15.9	22.1	18.5	10.1	4.6	2.7	0.5	0.4	100.0	1,100	3.87	3.14
35-39	1.1	5.6	9.7	13.1	14.5	17.8	14.0	12.1	5.8	4.7	1.5	100.0	1,099	4.85	3.83
40-44	3.2	4.0	8.3	6.7	15.1	15.9	13.9	13.3	8.1	5.3	6.2	100.0	660	5.34	4.18
45-49	2.6	3.5	5.1	8.2	11.8	11.9	14.3	12.3	11.1	7.7	11.7	100.0	684	6.01	4.54
Total	26.5	15.0	12.8	10.8	10.0	8.6	5.9	4.3	2.7	1.7	1.7	100.0	8,348	2.77	2.22
CURRENTLY MARRIED WOMEN															
15-19	35.6	48.4	13.8	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	339	0.83	0.71
20-24	10.7	33.6	32.8	16.8	4.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	782	1.76	1.51
25-29	4.7	13.4	24.8	25.6	17.8	10.0	2.9	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	100.0	1,133	2.85	2.39
30-34	2.2	5.8	12.1	16.3	23.9	19.5	11.2	5.2	2.6	0.6	0.4	100.0	964	4.08	3.30
35-39	0.4	3.6	9.1	12.3	13.6	18.7	15.3	13.3	6.7	5.1	1.8	100.0	937	5.10	3.99
40-44	2.6	2.7	6.4	6.2	14.8	16.7	14.7	14.4	9.2	5.7	6.7	100.0	551	5.60	4.35
45-49	1.7	1.8	5.4	7.4	11.2	12.1	15.0	13.1	10.7	8.5	13.0	100.0	566	6.25	4.68
Total	5.8	13.2	16.2	14.8	14.0	12.3	8.6	6.4	3.8	2.5	2.5	100.0	5,273	3.83	3.05

Table 5.5 Birth intervals

Percent distribution of non-first births in the five years preceding the survey by number of months since preceding birth, and median number of months since preceding birth, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Months since preceding birth						Total	Number of non-first births	Median number of months since preceding birth
	7-17	18-23	24-35	36-47	48-59	60+			
Age									
15-19	13.5	18.2	37.0	25.0	3.5	2.8	100.0	76	28.6
20-29	4.5	13.3	37.5	20.8	11.2	12.6	100.0	1,988	34.1
30-39	4.3	11.1	31.4	22.5	11.1	19.7	100.0	1,988	37.4
40-49	4.0	8.3	25.5	22.2	16.3	23.7	100.0	511	42.1
Sex of preceding birth									
Male	4.9	11.9	32.4	23.2	11.4	16.2	100.0	2,363	36.3
Female	4.1	11.8	34.6	20.2	11.8	17.4	100.0	2,201	35.8
Survival of preceding birth									
Living	2.7	11.2	33.9	22.2	11.9	18.1	100.0	3,776	37.0
Dead	13.5	14.9	31.4	19.7	10.2	10.4	100.0	787	31.7
Birth order									
2-3	5.4	11.9	32.5	21.4	10.7	18.2	100.0	2,068	36.1
4-6	3.7	12.8	34.2	22.2	11.5	15.6	100.0	1,804	35.7
7+	4.0	9.4	34.5	21.7	14.8	15.6	100.0	691	37.2
Residence									
Urban	5.8	10.2	30.7	19.2	12.6	21.5	100.0	1,405	37.6
Rural	4.0	12.6	34.8	22.9	11.2	14.7	100.0	3,159	35.5
Region									
Region 1	3.3	11.5	31.9	23.2	12.7	17.5	100.0	1,708	37.4
Region 2	4.3	14.6	38.0	23.2	8.8	11.2	100.0	1,040	33.5
Region 3	7.2	9.4	28.9	18.5	11.0	25.0	100.0	764	37.8
Region 4	4.7	11.6	34.9	20.5	13.0	15.3	100.0	1,052	35.5
Education									
No education	4.2	12.0	33.7	22.1	11.7	16.4	100.0	3,423	36.1
Primary	4.0	13.9	36.1	21.3	10.8	13.9	100.0	624	34.6
Secondary or higher	7.5	8.6	29.1	20.4	11.7	22.7	100.0	516	38.0
Wealth quintile									
Lowest	4.9	13.2	39.5	20.2	9.8	12.3	100.0	1,100	33.1
Second	3.6	13.4	33.9	22.0	11.5	15.6	100.0	1,054	35.6
Middle	4.3	12.4	30.6	23.6	11.8	17.2	100.0	941	37.0
Fourth	2.4	10.3	33.5	22.9	12.9	17.9	100.0	856	37.5
Highest	8.7	7.9	26.4	19.6	12.7	24.6	100.0	613	38.7
Total	4.5	11.8	33.5	21.8	11.6	16.8	100.0	4,564	36.1

Note: First-order births are excluded. The interval for multiple births is the number of months since the preceding pregnancy that ended in a live birth.

Table 5.6 Postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and insusceptibility

Percentage of births in the three years preceding the survey for which mothers are postpartum amenorrheic, abstaining, and insusceptible, by number of months since birth, and median and mean durations, Model DHS 6 data

Months since birth	Percentage of births for which the mother is:			Number of births
	Amenorrheic	Abstaining	Insusceptible ¹	
< 2	85.5	93.3	97.0	173
2-3	82.1	91.2	94.6	248
4-5	67.9	87.1	89.1	215
6-7	65.4	90.5	91.0	223
8-9	54.6	81.7	86.8	197
10-11	49.8	78.8	83.5	191
12-13	34.1	69.9	72.5	234
14-15	30.0	59.7	63.1	213
16-17	22.8	54.3	56.8	205
18-19	17.7	39.4	42.9	188
20-21	12.8	37.5	37.9	145
22-23	9.4	24.2	25.1	123
24-25	2.0	10.0	10.4	224
26-27	2.3	9.1	10.1	220
28-29	1.2	11.1	11.6	200
30-31	1.6	4.1	5.2	167
32-33	4.5	4.9	8.4	129
34-35	3.7	2.6	6.0	132
Total	32.8	50.5	52.8	3,428
Median	9.7	16.9	17.7	na
Mean	11.3	17.3	18.1	na

Note: Estimates are based on status at the time of the survey.

na = Not applicable

¹ Includes births for which mothers are either still amenorrheic or still abstaining (or both) following birth

Table 5.7 Median duration of amenorrhea, postpartum abstinence, and postpartum insusceptibility

Median number of months of postpartum amenorrhea, postpartum abstinence, and postpartum insusceptibility following births in the three years preceding the survey, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Postpartum amenorrhea	Postpartum abstinence	Postpartum nsusceptibility ¹
Mother's age			
15-29	9.3	15.7	16.1
30-49	11.1	18.9	19.3
Residence			
Urban	8.9	15.2	16.0
Rural	10.2	18.7	19.0
Region			
Region 1	10.5	20.0	20.2
Region 2	10.0	14.2	14.9
Region 3	9.2	15.1	15.3
Region 4	9.1	18.9	19.3
Education			
No education	10.6	19.0	19.6
Primary	9.3	17.6	18.0
Secondary or higher	6.1	14.6	14.7
Wealth quintile			
Lowest	10.8	18.6	19.5
Second	9.6	19.3	19.5
Middle	10.1	16.5	17.3
Fourth	9.4	19.3	19.6
Highest	5.7	13.7	13.9
Total	9.7	16.9	17.7

Note: Medians are based on the status at the time of the survey (current status)

¹ Includes births for which mothers are either still amenorrheic or still abstaining (or both) following birth

Table 5.8 Menopause

Percentage of women age 30-49 who are menopausal, by age,
Model DHS 6 data

Age	Percentage menopausal ¹	Number of women
30-34	1.2	1,100
35-39	2.7	1,099
40-41	6.7	380
42-43	17.4	215
44-45	19.6	303
46-47	47.6	174
48-49	44.6	272
Total	10.4	3,543

¹ Percentage of all women who are not pregnant and not
postpartum amenorrheic whose last menstrual period occurred
six or more months preceding the survey

Table 5.9 Age at first birth

Percentage of women age 15-49 who gave birth by exact ages, percentage who have never given birth, and median age at first birth, according to current age, Model DHS 6 data

Current age	Percentage who gave birth by exact age					Percentage who have never given birth	Number of women	Median age at first birth
	15	18	20	22	25			
15-19	3.3	na	na	na	na	77.7	1,958	a
20-24	9.0	33.6	54.8	na	na	31.3	1,428	19.5
25-29	8.9	35.7	56.7	72.0	85.5	10.3	1,419	19.4
30-34	11.5	40.5	58.4	73.7	86.9	4.1	1,100	19.0
35-39	8.7	34.6	53.7	70.5	87.6	1.1	1,099	19.6
40-44	10.3	37.5	54.8	71.0	83.2	3.2	660	19.5
45-49	10.0	34.5	48.6	64.7	80.1	2.6	684	20.1
20-49	9.6	35.9	55.0	na	na	10.8	6,390	19.5
25-49	9.8	36.6	55.1	70.9	85.2	4.9	4,962	19.5

na = Not applicable due to censoring

a = Omitted because less than 50 percent of women had a birth before reaching the beginning of the age group

Table 5.10 Median age at first birth

Median age at first birth among women age 20-49 (25-49) years, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Women age 20-49	Women age 25-49
Residence		
Urban	20.0	19.8
Rural	19.2	19.3
Region		
Region 1	19.3	19.3
Region 2	19.1	19.2
Region 3	a	20.1
Region 4	19.0	19.2
Education		
No education	18.9	19.1
Primary	18.9	19.0
Secondary or higher	a	21.2
Wealth quintile		
Lowest	18.8	18.9
Second	19.4	19.5
Middle	19.3	19.4
Fourth	19.1	18.9
Highest	a	20.4
Total	19.5	19.5

a = Omitted because less than 50 percent of the women had a birth before reaching the beginning of the age group

Table 5.11 Teenage pregnancy and motherhood

Percentage of women age 15-19 who have had a live birth or who are pregnant with their first child, and percentage who have begun childbearing, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Percentage of women age 15-19 who:		Percentage who have begun childbearing	Number of women
	Have had a live birth	Are pregnant with first child		
Age				
15	4.1	1.5	5.6	496
16	7.1	5.9	12.9	320
17	18.6	7.7	26.3	345
18	34.3	7.2	41.4	464
19	51.4	7.0	58.5	333
Residence				
Urban	15.9	3.8	19.7	966
Rural	28.6	7.3	35.9	992
Region				
Region 1	23.6	7.0	30.6	696
Region 2	27.3	5.7	33.0	371
Region 3	14.4	3.2	17.6	548
Region 4	26.9	6.4	33.3	343
Education				
No education	34.8	8.3	43.1	357
Primary	27.0	5.8	32.9	399
Secondary or higher	17.0	4.7	21.7	1,202
Wealth quintile				
Lowest	32.5	7.0	39.5	323
Second	27.2	8.2	35.4	305
Middle	27.1	7.7	34.8	350
Fourth	22.2	5.4	27.6	478
Highest	9.6	1.8	11.4	501
Total	22.3	5.6	27.9	1,958