



# ABORTION HEALTH PROFILE

## RWANDA 2019



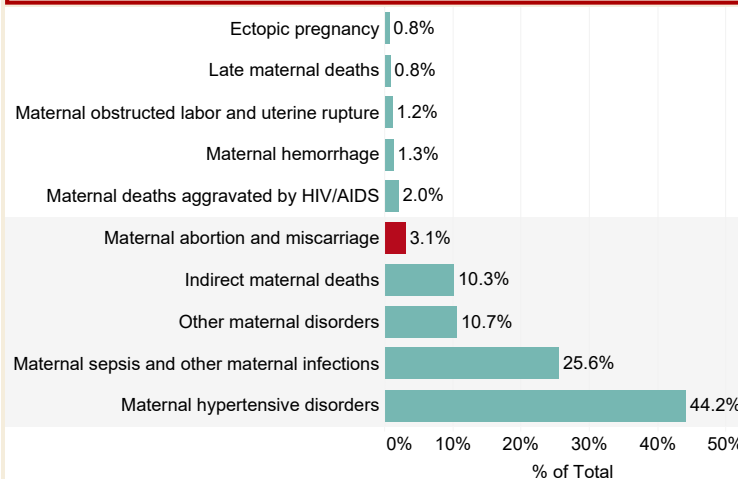
### 1. General Statistics

Total population (000's), 2019	12,627
Total female population (15 - 49 years) (000's), 2019	3,204
Total fertility rate 15-49 (births per woman), 2017	4
Adolescent birth rate (per 1000 women aged 15-19 years), 2016	41
Unintended pregnancies (000's), 2019	366
Proportion of women who make their own informed decisions regarding sexual relations (% of women aged 15-49 years), 2015	83

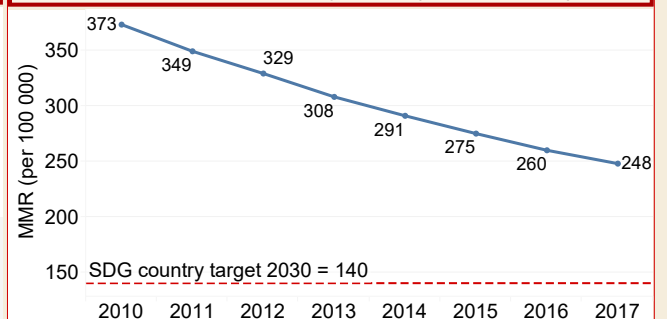
### 2. Legal status of abortion

	No	Yes
On request	✗	
For economic or social reasons	✗	
In cases of foetal impairment		✓
In cases of incest		✓
In cases of intellectual/cognitive disability of the woman	✗	
In cases of rape		✓
To preserve a woman's health		✓
To preserve a woman's mental health		✓
To preserve a woman's physical health		✓
To save a woman's life		✓
Other		✓

### 3. Causes of maternal death (2017)



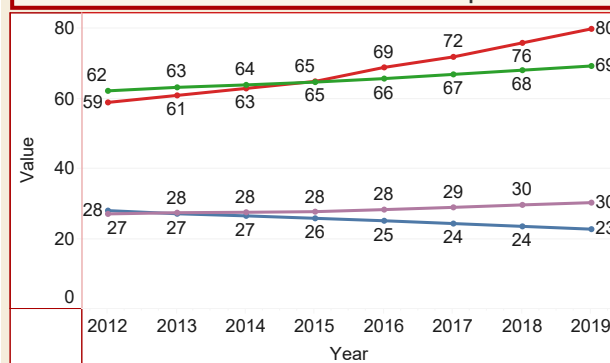
### 4. Maternal mortality ratio (2010-2017)



### 5. Annual average rate of reduction: 2010-2017 vs 2010-2030

Current AARR in MMR	5.8%
Expected AARR to reach MMR target 2030	5.5%

### 6. FP indicators and unsafe abortions averted due to modern contraceptive use



**Legend**

- Contraceptive prevalence - modern methods (%)
- Demand satisfied for modern contraception (%)
- Unmet need for family planning (%)
- Unsafe abortions averted (000's)

### 7. Available in National Essential Medicines List - (2015)

Misoprostol	✓
Mifepristone	✓
Misoprostol + Mifepristone combination	✗

### 8. Post-abortion contraceptive acceptance

No data

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- <http://progress.familyplanning2020.org/resources>
- National Essential Medicines list 2015..

### Definitions and abbreviations

**Unsafe abortions averted due to modern contraceptive use:** Number of unsafe abortions that did not occur during a specified reference period as a result of the protection provided by modern contraceptive use during the reference period.  
**Contraceptive prevalence - Modern Methods:** Percentage of women of reproductive age who are using (or whose partner is using) a modern contraceptive method at a particular point in time  
**Unmet need:** percentage of fecund women of reproductive age who want no more children or to postpone having the next child, but are not using a contraceptive method, plus women who are currently using a traditional method of family planning  
**FP - Family planning, MMR - Maternal Mortality Ratio**

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