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## Preface

It is a great pleasure for the Directorate of National Statistics of the Ministry of Planning, Investment and Economic Development, in cooperation with the Policy and Planning Directorate of the Ministry of Health and Human Services of the Federal Government and its Federal Member States, to present the findings of the Somali Health and Demographic Survey (SHDS), conducted from 2018-2019.

This survey marks the first time that such data has been produced in the history of Somalia. It provides long-awaited information required by policy- and decision-makers, and all other relevant stakeholders to make evidence-based programme and policy decisions that deliver effective services to Somalis. The survey findings will enable the Federal Government of Somalia and Federal Member States to monitor their respective sectors in Somalia's National Development Plans, including those relating to improving the lives of women and children, and overall health in Somalia.

The SHDS will help us to continue to change the national dialogue in our country. It presents more than just numbers-offering valuable nuggets of information to the Ministry of Health and our partners to strive at all levels to promote universal access to reproductive health care and rights. This will be achieved by promoting international maternal health standards and providing guidance and support to health systems that will help us to define our country's strategic plans and programmes. The survey findings will also offer a glimpse into social behaviour in our communities and encourage our people to adopt positive behavioural changes to improve their own lives.

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Findings from the SHDS show us our assets-Somalia has resources in young people-just above half of our population comprises people below 15 years of age. While we are pleased to report that maternal mortality has dropped over the years, from 732 in 2015 to 692, we remain focused to use data gathered to save the life of every mother possible. For instance, we now know that most underweight births were reported in younger mothers, under 20 years of age, and that only 32 percent of births were delivered with support from trained health care providers. The SHDS results further highlight areas that need intervention-to improve the lives of children, we know that
only 3.5 percent of births have been registered, and only 11 percent of children aged 11-23 months have been fully vaccinated against common vaccine-preventable childhood diseases. Additionally, while about 70 percent of households have access to an improved source of drinking water, only just above half of households interviewed use an improved sanitation facility.

These crucial findings are a result of the great efforts of UNFPA Somalia's Population and Development Unit, that collaborated at every stage with technical teams from the respective Somali statistical offices-along with all the personnel who have worked on this survey. These professionals worked together diligently to complete every phase of work according to the planned timetable in a challenging environment. Some of these heroes also include more than 300 Somalis who knocked on doors of pre-sampled households in urban, rural and nomadic settings to collect rich, diverse information from more than 15,000 households across the country for this main survey report. These teams were responsible for collecting information on maternal mortality from 100,000 households during the initial stages when households were being listed.

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We look forward to seeing the findings from this report shaping vital plans in Somalia, including the response of the international community to support the Somali National Development Plan 9 to attain the Sustainable Development Goals, and response plans for diseases and emergencies, such as the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, locust invasion, and recurrent drought and floods. It is our hope that this report will be used and analyzed even further to drive more positive changes in Somalia.


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## Acronyms

| AIDS | Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome |
| :---: | :---: |
| ANC | antenatal care |
| ARI | acute respiratory infections |
| ART | antiretroviral therapy |
| BCG | Bacillus Calmette-Guérin [tuberculosis vaccine] |
| BMI | body mass index |
| CAPI | Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing |
| CSPro | Census and Survey Processing System |
| DfID | Department for International Development |
| DHS | The Demographic and Health Surveys |
| DPT | diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus vaccine |
| EAs | enumeration areas |
| EPHS | Essential Package of Health Services |
| FGM/C | Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting |
| FGS | Federal Government of Somalia |
| FMS | Federal Member States |
| GAR | gross attendance ratios |
| GBV | Gender-Based Violence |
| GDP | Gross Domestic Product |
| GFR | general fertility rate |
| GIS | geographic information system |
| GPI | gender parity index |
| HC | health centres |
| HIV | Human Immunodeficiency Virus |
| IYCF | Infant and Young Child Feeding |
| LAMPS | Learning and Monitoring Programme for Somalia |
| MCH | maternal and child health |
| MMR | Maternal Mortality Ratio |
| MMRate | Maternal Mortality Rate |
| MOH | Ministry of Health |
| MTCT | mother-to-child transmission |
| NARs | net attendance ratios |
| NDP | National Development Plan |
| NLWs | nomadic link workers |
| ORS | oral rehydration salts |


| ORT | oral rehydration therapy |
| :--- | :--- |
| PAPFAM | Pan Arab Project for Family Health |
| PESS | Population Estimation Survey of Somalia |
| PNC | postnatal care |
| PPS | probability proportional to size |
| PSU | primary sampling units |
| RHF | recommended home fluids |
| SD | standard deviation units |
| SDGs | Sustainable Development Goals |
| SHDS | The Somali Health and Demographic Survey |
| SGBV | Sexual and Gender-Based Violence |
| SHS | second-hand smoke |
| SPSS | Statistical Package for Social Sciences |
| SSUs | secondary sampling units |
| STIs | sexually transmitted infections |
| TFG | Transitional Federal Government |
| TFR | total fertility rate |
| TNS | temporary nomadic settlements |
| ToT | training of trainers |
| TPM | Third-Party Monitoring |
| TTI | tetanus toxoid injections |
| UNICEF | United Nations Children's Fund |
| USU | ultimate sampling units |
| WHO | World Health Organization |



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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL INDICATORS

| Goal | Indicator | Male | Female | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| HERO |  |  |  |  |
| HUNER |  |  |  |  |



## Good health and well-being

| 3.1.1 | Maternal mortality ratio (maternal deaths per 100,000 live births) | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 692 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.1.2 | Proportion of births attended by skilled health personnel | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a | 31.9 |
| 3.7.1 | Proportion of women of reproductive age (aged 15-49 years) who have their need for birth spacing satisfied with modern methods | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 2.1 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| 3.7.2 | Adolescent birth rates per 1,000 women |  |  |  |
|  | a) Women aged 15-19 years | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 118 | n/a |
| 3.a. 1 | Age-standardized prevalence of current tobacco use among persons aged 15 years and older | 8.4 | 0.9 | 4.6 |
| 3.b. 1 | Proportion of the target population covered by all vaccines included in their national programme | 9.9 | 11.6 | 10.7 |

## $\triangle$ QUALITY <br> EDUCATION

## Inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning opportunities for all


4.3.1 Participation rate of youth and adults in formal and non-formal education and training in the last 12 months

| a) Net Attendance Ratio (primary) | 23.2 | 20.8 | 22 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| b) Net Attendance Ratio (secondary) | 15.7 | 12.6 | 14.2 |

4.6.1 Percentage of population in a given age group achieving at least a fixed level of proficiency in functional (a) literacy and (b) numeracy skills
a) Adult literacy $\quad \mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a} \quad 32.2 \mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL INDICATORS

| Goal |  | Indicator | Male | Female | Total |
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## CLEAN WATER <br> AND SANITATION



Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

| 6.1.1 | Percentage of population using safely <br> managed drinking water services | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 69.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | managed drinking water services

AFFORDABLE AND
CLEAN ENERGY


## Affordable and clean energy

| 7.1.1 | Proportion of population with access to <br> electricity | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 49.2 |
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| 7.1.2 | Proportion of population with primary <br> reliance on clean fuels and technology | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 5.2 |
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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL INDICATORS

| Goal | Indicator |  | Male | Female | Total |
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| (0) DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH | Decent work and economic growth |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8.10 .2 | Proportion of adults ( 15 years and older) with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider |  |  |  |
|  |  | a) Proportion of adults ( 15 years and older) with an account at a bank or other financial institution | n/a | 3.5 | n/a |
|  |  | b) Proportion of adults ( 15 years and older) with with a mobile-money account | n/a | 63.6 | n/a |



## Peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, access to justice for all and effective, accountable and inclusive institutions

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\& | Proportion of population subjected to |
| :--- |
| physical, psychological or sexual violence in |
| the previous 12 months | <br>

| a) Percentage of women aged $15-49$ who |
| :--- |
| have experienced physical violence in the |
| last 12 months | \& $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ \& 7.6 \& $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ <br>


\hline | Proportion of children under 5 years of age |
| :--- |
| whose births have been registered with a |
| civil authority | \& 6.3 \& 5.5 \& 5.9

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## Partnerships for the goals



| 17.8.1 | Proportion of individuals who used Internet <br> in the last 12 months | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 15.1 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
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## Executive Summary

## Unlocking a brighter, healthier future for Somalis

There has never been a more opportune time to ensure Somalis have better access to health, education, sanitation and nutrition. With the voices of Somalis from more than 100,000 households-documented across two phases of The Somali Health and Demographic Survey (SHDS)-presented in this report, policymakers and stakeholders now have access to rich and diverse information that will be key to unlocking a bright future for Somalis, particularly for women of childbearing ages and children. A first of its kind, the report sheds light on the lives and needs of nomadic communities-usually difficult to reach-and people living in urban and rural households. The information presented will help close gaps of inequality that have existed for years among people of different ages, lifestyles, places of residence and health status. Some of the key findings are presented below:

## Demographic Information and Household Characteristics

As one of Somalia's biggest assets, and possibly untapped potentials, Somalia has a young population-around 54 percent of household members are under 15 years of age, and 42 percent of Somalia's population falls within the working age group.

The SHDS report reveals that the size of an average household in Somalia is 6.2 people. In addition to nuclear family members, 32 percent of households are home to a foster child and/ or orphaned children.

Keeping their ties with family and friends strong, around three-quarters of households own mobile phones. Within the nomadic communities, 59 percent of households own a simple mobile phone with access to fm radio. This presents an opportunity for stakeholders to reach out to Somalis using innovative ways.

## Education and School Attendance

Education is inextricably tied to ways in which Somalis can improve their lives. The SHDS findings show that, in general, educated Somalis are empowered to make informed decisions to improve their lives.

Educational attainment varies across age groups though. Of all the age groups analyzed, younger Somalis have better access to education than older people. Those who fall within the age bracket $15-19$ years have the lowest number of people with no education, at 57 percent. Additionally, the survey reveals that places of residence have a bearing on access to education. Urban dwellers have better opportunities to progress to higher education than people in nomadic settlements (46 percent of women from urban areas have no education, as compared to 84 percent of nomadic women, for instance).

Overall, access to education is low. A third of female household members and 27 percent of male household members (31 percent) have had some form of primary education. Moreover, 22 percent of all children attending primary school are of the right age for that level, and at secondary level, only 14 percent of children attending are of the right age for that level.

Somali women are yet to enjoy the benefits of formal education, which is known as an equalizer for people of different socioeconomic backgrounds. Just under half, at 47 percent, of girls and women aged 6 and above, have never been to school, in comparison to 44 percent of boys and men. Less than a third of women, at 32 percent, are literate.

## Women's Empowerment

By empowering women, a nation can make great strides in development and peace building. The SHDS reveals that some signs of women's empowerment can be witnessed in Somalia. For instance, three-quarters of women aged 15-49 own a mobile phone and 64 percent use their mobile phones for financial transactions. Furthermore, Somali women are contributing to financial decisions-nine out of ten women are deciding how their cash earnings will be spent either individually or jointly with their husbands, and close to seven out of ten (67 percent) of women make individual or joint decisions on how their husbands' cash will be spent.

## Employment

As in many other countries, employment in Somalia is known to be governed by the needs in the market and largely by terms set by employers. The SHDS found that only 9 percent of ever-married women interviewed were employed at the time the survey was conducted, while 18 percent were not paid for their work. Of the women who were employed, 48 percent were self-employed. Highlighting the need for more livelihood opportunities across the country, the survey reveals that just over half of women were employed all year round.

## Marriage, Fertility and Birth Spacing

Information on marriage guides the understanding of fertility patterns, particularly as marriage among Somali women is universal and childbearing takes place within the context of marriage.

Early marriage is common, particularly for women-35 percent of women aged 20-24 interviewed were married by the time they turned 18 and, overall, almost all Somali women are married by the age of 35 . In comparison, 7 percent of men aged 20-24 had entered their first marriage by the time they turned 18. According to the survey, the median age at first marriage is 20 for Somali women aged 25-49 and 23 for men aged 25-64.

Women who marry early are generally known to have a higher chance of getting pregnant and having more children during their reproductive years. According to the SHDS, Somalia's total fertility rate is 6.9 children. Additionally, 91 percent of women interviewed consider 6 or more children to be the ideal family size. Given that the fertility rate has remained relatively high over the years, all these factors mean that Somalia is likely to witness a spike in population growth over the coming years.

As can be noted in the survey findings, for women with no education, the total fertility rate is about twice as high, at 7.2, as that of women
with higher education, at 3.7. Information on birth spacing would help Somali women make better choices about how many children to have, to ensure better health of women and children.

## Water and Sanitation

Access to safe drinking water, particularly if readily available within households, together with better sanitation would prevent the spread of diseases, such as diarrhoea and dysentery, across the country. Yet, less than half of household members, at 43 percent, have access to piped water coming into their dwelling, yard or plot.

The recent pandemic of COVID-19 further highlights the importance of access to water for safe handwashing in the prevention of diseases. However, in general, a large number of Somalis still need access to safe water. Around seven out of ten households, at 67 percent, use an improved source that provides safe drinking water and 12 percent of the households travel for at least 30 minutes or longer to get water.

Across the country, only around six out of ten households, at 57 percent, have an improved sanitation facility that they do not share with other households.

## Maternal Health and Newborn Health

Despite the gains made in maternal health, one of the largest challenges Somalia faces is high maternal mortality rates. The survey finds that this can be attributed to low uptake of antenatal care, postnatal care and a low number of delivery at health facilities or with skilled health care providers. All these factors are strongly connected. Women who access health care throughout their pregnancy are more likely to seek support for the health of their newborns.

Less than one-third, at 32 percent, of births are delivered with the assistance of a skilled health professional, which includes a doctor/clinical officer or nurse/midwife/auxiliary midwife. In
general, young and educated Somali mothers, as well as those living in urban areas are more likely to be assisted by skilled birth health care providers than older mothers, women with little or no education, and women living in rural or nomadic households.

The SHDS noted that an overwhelming 79 percent of births were delivered at home, and only around one in five births ( 21 percent) in the five years preceding the survey was delivered in a health facility. Deliveries are more common in public health facilities (at 17 percent) than in facilities supported by the private sector (at 4 percent). Even in urban settings, 28 percent of deliveries take place in public health facilities, as compared to 6 percent in private facilities.

In terms of care that women seek before and after childbirth, more interventions are needed to assist women and their caregivers to make better decisions. Only 31 percent of women aged 15-49 who had a live birth received ANC from skilled personnel during their last birth. An overwhelming 89 percent of the mothers did not receive any postnatal check-up in the first two days after childbirth.

To have any significant impact on improving women's lives, it would be essential to help them overcome the barriers they face in accessing health. At least seven out of ten (73 percent) women state they face at least one problem in accessing health care when they need it. The majority of women perceive the lack of money ( 65 percent) as a barrier, followed by the distance to a health facility ( 62 percent).

The SHDS found that nomadic married women, women who aren't employed for cash, women with no education, and those from poorer households face acute problems in accessing health care.

## Child Health and Nutrition

Information on child health is crucial for policymakers and parents to ensure children's longevity and productivity. The survey unveiled that Somali mothers were able to present

health cards for only 4 percent of children aged 12-23 months and that just 8 percent of babies delivered live had their weight reported, nine percent of which were infants with low birth weight (less than 2.5 kg ).

Overall, only 11 percent of children aged 1223 months are fully vaccinated (i.e. with BCG, pentavalent, polio and measles vaccines). Vaccination rates are higher for children with educated mothers and children living in urban areas. In general, children presenting with
diarrhoea are more likely to be treated than children with acute respiratory infections (ARI).

Unsafe disposal of children's stool makes children susceptible to several diseases that are spread through the faecal-oral route. In Somalia, at 47 percent, close to half of underfives who live with their mothers had their last stools disposed of safely. Children in urban areas ( 66 percent) and rural areas ( 65 percent) were more likely than those in nomadic areas
(19 percent) to have their waste disposed of safely.

Another area in which children need support to reach their full potential is ensuring they receive proper and adequate nutrition. This journey starts early for children, at birth. In Somalia, six out of ten children were breastfed within the first hour of their birth and only around three out of ten children under 6 months were exclusively breastfed. In addition, infants as young as zero months, whether breastfeeding or not, have already been introduced to other foods and liquids.

Twenty-seven percent of Somali children under the age of five years are stunted (height-forage) or too short for their age, 16 percent are severely stunted, and 12 percent are wasted (refers to weight-for-height). In total, 6 percent of children are severely wasted.

There is a need to highlight the benefits of breastfeeding, including early initiation of breastfeeding, and the importance of feeding children nutritious foods at the right time. Only 31 percent of breastfed children aged 6-23 months were fed the minimum frequency of meals. Additionally, only one-third of children aged 6-23 months had consumed foods rich in vitamin A during the night or day preceding the survey, while 22 percent had consumed foods rich in iron.

## Gender-Based Violence

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) is one of the most prevalent human rights violations faced by people, particularly women, all around the globe. In Somalia, the survey results show that over 60 percent of women considered physical abuse, denial of education, forced marriage, rape and sexual harassment forms of domestic violence. The survey also noted that women with higher education generally have a better understanding of acts that constitute domestic violence than women with no education, primary or secondary education.

Fourteen percent of women aged 15-49 had experienced physical violence since the
age of 12 , while 8 percent reported they had experienced physical violence in the 12 months preceding the survey. According to the survey results, it can be noted that younger women are more likely to experience physical violence, with 16 percent of women in the 15-19 age group reporting they had experienced violence since the age of 12 and 10 percent in the same age group reporting experience of violence in the year preceding the survey.

With regard to women's opinions on who the most common perpetrators of violent acts against women are, the survey found that over half (59 percent) of women believe that husbands commit the most violent acts against women in the community. Twelve percent of ever-married women reported they had been abused physically by a spouse, while 4 percent reported emotional abuse by a spouse.

## Female Circumcision

Female circumcision, also known as Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting (FGM/C), has been practised in Somalia for several decades. The SHDS shows that circumcision in women aged 15-49 is high, at 99 percent. Pharaonic circumcision is the most common type, performed on 64 percent of women. The findings also show that 12 percent of women have undergone the intermediate type of circumcision, while 22 percent have undergone the Sunni type. The majority of women (71 percent) aged 15-49 were circumcised between the ages of 5-9 years.

Mothers with daughters were also asked if their daughters underwent female circumcision, the age at which it was performed, and the type of $\mathrm{FGM} / \mathrm{C}$ performed among other questions. The results indicate that about 3 percent of girls underwent circumcision between the ages of $0-4,30$ percent of daughters underwent circumcision between the ages of 5-9 and 76 percent of daughters had undergone the practice within the ages of 10-14 years.

Among women surveyed, 72 percent believe that female circumcision is a religious requirement.

## Chronic Diseases and Out-ofpocket Expenditure

For a society where the spotlight has focused mainly on communicable diseases, the SHDS noted that 6 percent of Somalis are now suffering from chronic diseases. The most common chronic diseases are blood pressure (33 percent), diabetes ( 20 percent), and kidney diseases and arthritis (at 8 percent each).

The survey further discovered that around 5 percent of the population are suffering from disabilities, and that 42 percent of disabled people in Somalia had not received any care nor support for their disability in the year preceding the survey.

Without any current holistic financial support, around half of Somali households (48 percent) reported they are paying for their health expenses from their income. Future interventions working on improving health service delivery will need to take this into consideration for planning and effective programmes.

## HIV/AIDS

Even though HIV/AIDS is not considered a major epidemic in Somalia, the SHDS set out to collect information about the knowledge Somalis have about HIV/AIDS and their attitudes towards people living with HIV. The survey revealed that 66 percent of women aged 15-49 in Somalia had heard of HIV/AIDS. Unfortunately, 48 percent of women aged 15-49 have discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV; sixty-two percent of women aged 15-49 even reported they would not buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper who is living with HIV. The findings on this topic would guide programmes working to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS.

## Adult and Maternal Mortality

Indicators on adult and maternal mortality can be used to assess the health status of a population. Using the direct estimates of female and male mortality rates for the two
years preceding the survey, the SHDS found that there were more female deaths than male deaths. Among women of the ages of reproductive health, the death rate is highest among women aged 30-34, at 10.9 deaths per 1,000 population. This is also the age group where childbearing is at its peak. The survey reveals that the main causes of maternal mortality are postpartum hemorrhage, preeclampsia/eclampsia, obstructed labour and sepsis.

Overall, a quarter of women ( 25 percent) and men (24 percent) who have reached the age of 15 are likely to die before they reach the age of 50 .

Over the years, some gains have been madeSomalia's maternal mortality rate has dropped from 732 in 2015 to 692 maternal deaths per 100,000 live births. However, more efforts need to be made to save every Somali mother's life. At present, one in 1,000 women aged 15-49 dies due to pregnancy or birth-related complications, and 5 percent of women would be expected to die from pregnancy-related causes during their reproductive lifetime.

## The SHDS Agenda

The SHDS presents pivotal, and potentially game-changing information for Somalis. While informing planning and decision making, the statistics generated will feed into national plans and strategies and spur actions that will improve the lives of Somalis. These findings will further assist Somalis themselves to gain an understanding about their own situation, and take bold steps to ensure they can improve their own lives.


Introduction

## (1) INTRODUCTION

## Country Context

## Geography

Somalia is located in the Horn of Africa, with an estimated surface area of $637,657 \mathrm{~km}^{2}$ and a terrain consisting mainly of plateaus, plains and highlands. It has the longest coastline in Africa, stretching over 3,333 km along the Gulf of Aden to the north and the Indian Ocean to the east and south. It borders Djibouti along the north-west, Ethiopia to the west and Kenya to the south-west. Somalia has a tropical hot climate, with little seasonal variations and daily temperatures that vary from $30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The country experiences low annual rainfall and four seasons: Gu' and Deyr are the rainy seasons and Haga and Jilal are the dry seasons. Over the years, however, changing, unpredictable climate patterns have resulted in recurrent floods and drought experienced across the country.

## Demography

The first population and housing census for Somalia, conducted in 1975, published limited results. Following this, the findings from a second population census carried out in 1986 were not published officially, as they were considered to suffer from significant biases, especially over-counting. Since then, it has not been possible to conduct another census
as the ongoing conflict in the country did not permit it.

In 2014, UNFPA, along with the statistical offices within the Ministries of Planning, embarked on the Population Estimation Survey of Somalia (PESS). The survey estimated the Somali population at 12.3 million, with 51 percent of the population living in urban areas, 23 percent living in rural areas and 26 percent in nomadic areas. Forty-nine percent of the total population were female, of which 50 percent were women of reproductive age (15-49 years). Children under five years of age accounted for 14 percent of the population, while persons aged 65 years and above made up 2 percent of the total population. Seventeen percent of the population comprised persons between five and nine years, whereas 53 percent of the population were within the 15-64 age bracket. The PESS 2014 is the most recent nationwide population estimation exercise undertaken in Somalia.

## History and Politics

Somalia obtained its independence on 1 July 1960 from Italy and, soon after, merged with the British Protectorate Somaliland, which became independent from the United Kingdom on 26 June 1960 to form the Republic of Somalia.

In August 2012, Somalia adopted a provisional


Estimated Somali population, according to PESS 2014
constitution that envisages the creation of federal member states that, will together, constitute the Federal Republic of Somalia.

The Government of Somalia has made significant progress towards the establishment of a stable, effective and democratic structure of government since the Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) was established on 20 August 2012. With the basic administrative structure of federal governance in place, federal institutions were established. State formation has progressed since then, with the emergence of new Federal Member States (FMS), namely, Jubbaland, Galmudug, South West, Hirshabelle, Banadir Administration, in addition to the existing Puntland and Somaliland. Continued efforts are underway to consolidate what has been achieved so far in laying the groundwork for stability and reconstruction in Somalia.

## Economy

Since the end of the tenure of the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) in 2012, Somalia's economy has made remarkable progress after more than two decades of political unrest. However, Somalia still remains one of the poorest and least developed countries in Africa, with the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of 4.7 million US dollars in 2018 (FGS 2020) and per capita estimated at approximately $\$ 315$ in 2018 (World Bank 2018).

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Living in
rural areas

Living in nomadic areas

Living in urban areas

Somalia's economy runs largely on agriculture and livestock. This accounts for 65\% of both the Gross Domestic Product and the employment of the workforce. Livestock accounts for about $40 \%$ of GDP and more than $50 \%$ of export earnings. Other main products include fish, charcoal and bananas, sugar, sorghum and corn. According to the Central Bank of Somalia, in 2017, aggregate imports of goods and services averaged about US $\$ 2,892$ million per year, which stands above the level prior to the start of the civil war in 1991. Exports of about US\$ 451 million annually have also surpassed pre-war aggregate export levels (before 1991) (FGS 2020).

## Health Status

The morbidity and mortality trends have remained similar for years, with the general population affected by the same diseases, including diarrhoea, acute respiratory infections (ARI), malaria, malnutrition, and other vaccine-preventable diseases. The adult HIV prevalence rate in 2014 was estimated at 0.55 percent (UNAIDS 2014), however other health indicators remain poor. This could be attributed to the poor state of the health system that continues to suffer from a lack of resources and adequate data to inform planning. This is particularly noticeable in reproductive health, an area largely dependent on the adequacy and availability of health services, which are features of a well-functioning health system.

The Ministry of Health (MOH) works to support Somali people in attaining better health, which will enable them to participate in economic and social development and to contribute to the alleviation of poverty (Ministry of Health, 2014). To attain this goal, the government's policies for the health sector is centred on the following priorities:

- Service delivery: Scaling up of essential and basic health and nutrition services (EPHS)

O Human resources for health: Overcoming the crisis of human resources for health

- Leadership and governance: Improving governance and leadership of the health
system
- Medicines, medical supplies and technologies: Enhancing access to essential medicines and technologies
- Health information system: Providing a functioning health information system
- Health financing: Health financing for progress towards Universal Health Coverage
- Health infrastructure: Improving health sector physical infrastructure
- Emergency preparedness and response: Enhancing health emergency preparedness and response
- Social determinants of health: Promoting action on social determinants of health and health in all policies


## Survey Objectives and Organization

The main objective of the Somali Health and Demographic Survey (SHDS) was to provide evidence on the health and demographic characteristics of the Somali population that will guide the development of programmes and formulation of effective policies. This information would also help monitor and evaluate national, sub-national and sector development plans, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), both by the government and development partners.

The specific objectives of the SHDS were to:

- Estimate maternal and adult mortality
- Examine basic indicators of maternal and child health
- Measure fertility and birth spacing
- Describe patterns of knowledge and awareness of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and other sexually transmitted infections
- Estimate infant and child mortality
- Understand the extent and patterns of gender-based violence and female circumcision


## Sample Design

The sample for the SHDS was designed to provide estimates of key indicators for the country as a whole, for each of the eighteen pre-war geographical regions, which are the country's first-level administrative divisions, as well as separately for urban, rural and nomadic areas.

With the exception of Banadir region, which is considered fully urban, each region was stratified into urban, rural and nomadic areas, yielding a total of 55 sampling strata. All three strata of Lower Shabelle and Middle Juba regions, as well as the rural and nomadic strata of Bay region, were completely excluded from the survey due to security reasons. A final total of 47 sampling strata formed the sampling frame.

Through the use of up-to-date, high-resolution satellite imagery, as well as on-the-ground knowledge of staff from the respective ministries of planning, all dwelling structures were digitized in urban and rural areas. Enumeration Areas (EAs) were formed onscreen through a spatial count of dwelling structures in a Geographic Information System (GIS) software. Thereafter, a sample ground verification of the digitized structures was carried out for large urban and rural areas and necessary adjustments made to the frame. Each EA created had a minimum of 50 and a maximum of 149 dwelling structures. A total of 10,525 EAs were digitized: 7,488 in urban areas and 3,037 in rural areas. However, because of security and accessibility constraints, not all digitized areas were included in the final sampling frame-9,136 EAs (7,308 in urban and 1,828 in rural) formed the final frame. The nomadic frame comprised an updated list of temporary nomadic settlements (TNS) obtained from the nomadic link workers who are tied to these settlements. A total of 2,521 TNS formed the SHDS nomadic sampling frame.

The SHDS followed a three-stage stratified cluster sample design in urban and rural strata with a probability proportional to size, for the

## BOX 1: Nomadic households

Nomadic households reside temporarily in areas known as Temporary Nomadic Settlements (TNS) for as long as they can access pasture and water in these locations. The duration of their stay in such places is mainly dependent on the amount of rain that falls within that season and how long the season will last. During the long rains, the nomads would be stationed in one location, between 60 to 90 days, and for the short rains they spend about 45 days, based on anecdotal information. In the dry seasons, nomads move long distances, including across regions, and into neighbouring countries in search of water and pasture.

Nomadic settlements usually affiliate themselves with local settlements along their paths of movement.

References to 'nomadic areas' in the SHDS report are made to locations where survey teams visited households within temporary nomadic settlements.
sampling of Primary Sampling Units (PSU) and Secondary Sampling Units (SSU) (respectively at the first and second stage), and systematic sampling of households at the third stage. For the nomadic stratum, a two-stage stratified cluster sample design was applied with a probability proportional to size for sampling of PSUs at the first stage and systematic sampling of households at the second stage. To ensure that the survey precision is comparable across regions, PSUs were allocated equally to all regions with slight adjustments in two regions.

Within each stratum, a sample of 35 EAs was selected independently, with probability


proportional to the number of digitized dwelling structures. In this first stage, a total of 1,433 EAs were allocated (to urban - 770 EAs, rural - 488 EAs, and nomadic - 175 EAs) representing about 16 percent of the total frame of EAs. In the urban and rural selected EAs, all households were listed and information on births and deaths was recorded through the maternal mortality questionnaire. The data collected in this first phase was cleaned and a summary of households listed per EA formed the sampling frames for the second phase. In the second stage, 10 EAs were sampled out of the possible 35 that were listed, using probability proportional to the number of households. All households in each of these 10 EAs were serialized based on their location in the EA and 30 of these households sampled for the survey. The serialization was done to ensure distribution of the households interviewed for the survey in the EA sampled. A total of 220 EAs and 150 EAs were allocated to urban and rural strata respectively, while in the third stage, an average of 30 households were selected from the listed households in every EA to yield a total of 16,360 households from 538 EAs covered ( 220 EAs in urban, 147 EAs in rural and 171 EAs in nomadic) out of the sampled 545 EAs.

In nomadic areas, a sample of 10 EAs (in this case TNS) were selected from each nomadic stratum, with probability proportional to the number of estimated households. A complete listing of households was carried out in the selected TNS followed by the selection of 30 households for the main survey interview. In those TNS with less than 30 households, all households were interviewed for the main survey. All eligible ever-married women aged 12 to 49 and never-married women aged 15 to 49 were interviewed in the selected households, while the household questionnaire was administered to all households selected. The maternal mortality questionnaire was administered to all households in each sampled TNS.

## Questionnaires

Four types of questionnaires were used in the SHDS 2020: the Maternal Mortality Questionnaire, the Household Questionnaire and two individual questionnaires-Evermarried Woman's Questionnaire and Nevermarried Woman's Questionnaire.

## Maternal Mortality Questionnaire

A stand-alone Maternal Mortality Questionnaire was used in all households during the listing phase to identify maternal deaths in the two years preceding the survey. This allowed the estimation of the Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) using a direct method. The methodology was adopted from the Yemen National Health and Demographic Survey carried out in 2013 and was used to obtain a more current estimate of the maternal mortality in Somalia.

## Household and Individual Questionnaires

The Household Questionnaire, Ever-married Woman's Questionnaire, and Never-married Woman's Questionnaire were based on Yemen Health and Demographic Survey 2013 instruments, and was adapted to reflect the relevant population and health issues in the Somali context.

The questionnaires were further updated with relevant sections of the Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) Program's standard Demographic and Health Survey Questionnaires (DHS7).

Input was solicited from various stakeholders representing government agencies, particularly the ministries of health and planning, as well as international development partners. After the preparation of the questionnaires in English, they were translated into Somali. The questionnaires were further tested and refined in the field to ensure that culturally and religiously sensitive questions were appropriately worded.

The Household Questionnaire was used to list all of the members of and visitors to the selected households. Basic demographic information was collected on the characteristics of each person listed, including his or her age, sex, marital status, education, and relationship to the head of the household. For children under the age of 18, parents' survival status was determined. The data obtained from the Household Questionnaire was used to identify ever- and never-married women eligible to be interviewed with the relevant individual questionnaire and those persons eligible for anthropometric measurements. The Household Questionnaire also collected information on the characteristics of the household's dwelling unit, such as their source of drinking water; type of sanitation facility; materials used for the floor, walls, and roof of the dwelling unit; and ownership of various durable goods. In addition, the questionnaire included questions about disability, as well as out-of-pocket expenditure on health.

The Ever-married Woman's Questionnaire was used to collect information from all women aged 12 to 49 years who were currently married, divorced, abandoned, or widowed. In all households, eligible women were asked questions on the following topics:

O Background characteristics, such as age, education, literacy and media exposure

- Birth history and child mortality
- Knowledge and use of family planning methods
- Antenatal care, delivery, and postnatal care

O Breastfeeding and infant feeding practices

- Vaccinations and children's illnesses
- Marriage and sexual activity
- Fertility preferences
- Women's work and partners' background characteristics
- Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and methods of HIV transmission
- Adult and pregnancy-related mortality

The Never-married Woman's Questionnaire was used to collect information from all women aged 15 to 49 years who had never been
married. In all households, eligible women were asked questions on the following topics:

- Background characteristics, such as age, education, literacy and media exposure
- Violence against women

In this survey, Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) was used, with interviewers using smart phones to record responses during interviews. The phones were equipped with Bluetooth technology to enable remote electronic transfer of completed questionnaires from interviewers to supervisors. Supervisors transferred completed files to the CSWeb server ${ }^{1}$ instances whenever internet connectivity was available. Any revision to the questionnaire was received by the supervisors and interviewers by simply synchronizing their phones with the CSWeb server, which was created specifically for the SHDS. The CAPI data collection system employed in the SHDS 2020 was developed by UNFPA using the mobile version of the Census and Survey Processing System (CSPro) ${ }^{2}$. The CSPro software was developed jointly by the U.S. Census Bureau, the DHS Program and Serpro S.A.

## Training

Training for the SHDS was two-phased: for the Listing/Maternal Mortality Ratio data collectors and for the Main Survey data collectors (those administering the household, ever-married woman and never-married woman questionnaires).

## Listing and MMR Training

Training of Trainers (ToT) sessions were conducted in two locations: Mogadishu and Hargeisa, facilitated by technical staff from

[^0]UNFPA. Forty-nine trainers were trained in household listing concepts (identification of structures, dwelling units, and EA boundaries), interview techniques, interviewers' and supervisors' roles, age probing techniques, fieldwork procedures, sampling techniques, importance of data on births and deaths, recognizing and handling age inconsistencies, identification of maternal deaths and CSPro mobile data collection application. Thereafter, these trainers transferred this knowledge and skills to 247 data collectors from across the country in Hargeisa, Las Anod, Badhan, Garowe, Bossaso, Galkacyo, Mogadishu, Baidoa, Kismayo, Adado, Jowhar, Beletweyne, Waajid, Baardhere and Hudur towns. A pretest was carried out using both paper questionnaires and CAPI to assess the understanding of the trainees. Modifications were made to the questionnaire and survey methods, based on lessons drawn from the pretest. Participants were assessed through both theoretical evaluations in class as well as observations made on their survey implementation during the pretest.

## Main Survey Training

The UNFPA technical team trained 19 master trainers in October 2017 in Kigali, Rwanda. These master trainers were all Somali health and demographic professionals who participated in the development and review of data collection tools. Consequently, along with the master trainers, UNFPA trained 51 trainers of trainers. Finally, 347 supervisors and interviewers-299 women (constituting 85 percent of the data collectors who had been drawn from the medical profession (nurses, midwives and doctors)) and 48 men were trained by the ToTs in Boroma, Hargeisa, Burao, Garowe and Mogadishu. At the end of each training, a pretest was conducted using manual questionnaires and CAPI to ensure that all the trainees had acquired a minimum level of knowledge and skills required for the SHDS. The selection of supervisors was based on performance in both in-class assessments and field pretests.

## Fieldwork

Data collection in urban and rural areas was carried out in two distinct phases: listing/ MMR and main survey. Data collection in the nomadic areas was carried out almost simultaneously due to the mobility of nomadic households.

## Listing and MMR Data Collection

The listing of households and MMR data collection began in February 2018 and was completed in January 2019 for urban and rural areas. As a result of insecurity, flooding and the time taken to engage all of Somalia's Federal Member States, this phase did not take place concurrently throughout the country. Fieldwork was carried out by 64 teams, each consisting of one supervisor, four enumerators and a driver. An Android platform developed in CSPro was used for data collection. Each team was assigned mobile phones (one for each enumerator and one for the supervisor), EA Maps (in AO and A3 sizes), EA Google Earth files, control sheets, notebooks, pens and document folders. In addition, 34 data quality controllers (trainers, GIS staff, survey/ state directors, and regional coordinators) were coordinating and supervising fieldwork. In security-compromised areas, survey teams were supported by security guards and facilitators in the field.

## Main Survey Data Collection

The trained interviewers and supervisors were deployed to collect data from 30 selected households in each of the 10 sampled enumeration areas in each region-stratum. Selected households were obtained from a complete list of households in the EA. Data collectors were supported by the listing team who were well-versed in reading maps and could identify the EA boundaries as well as the selected households. Each interviewer collected data from approximately two households per day.

The nomadic households were listed a day prior to the day of enumeration in each TNS

Through the use of up-to-date, high-resolution satellite imagery, as well as on-the-ground knowledge of staff from the respective ministries of planning, all dwelling structures were digitized in urban and rural

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to obtain a current and complete list of households. During listing, coordinates of all nomadic household structures and the names of the head of each household were recorded. A sample of 30 households was then selected by the listing team and given to the supervisors of the enumerating team on their first day of enumeration. Subsequent to this, supervisors allocated households to be interviewed to enumerators. The MMR questionnaire was administered by both listing and enumerating teams in nomadic areas. The enumerating team collected this data from the 30 sampled households, while the listing team collected data on maternal deaths from the remaining unsampled households in the TNS.

## Data Processing

Data processing for the SHDS was carried out by a core team of 17 people drawn from incountry statistical offices and UNFPA, with several members playing multiple roles. All team members had previously participated in the training and fieldwork for the SHDS.

Data from the SHDS was sent to a passwordprotected cloud CSWeb server. The electronic files were downloaded as csdb files exported to SPSS ${ }^{3}$ and Stata ${ }^{4}$ for data processing. Three people served as CSPro data administrators. They were responsible for downloading the data from server instances and merging them, following which, a larger team worked on producing the six DHS standard type files, which were then handed over to other data processing teams. A team of three GIS specialists carried out spatial editing of all household records from the server, assigning them to the correctly sampled EA codes. Concurrently, the data tabulation and recoding teams produced the tabulation plan and re-coding manual following DHS standards but contextualized to the SHDS. Two team members were tasked with computing the

3 SPSS is a software package used for statistical analysis. SPSS originally stood for Statistical Package for the Social Science.
4 A statistical software for data science.
sampling and survey weights.

## Response Rates

Table 1.1 presents response rates for the SHDS 2020. A total of 16,360 households were selected for the sample, of which 15,870 were occupied. Of the occupied households, 15,826 were successfully interviewed, yielding a response rate of 99.7 percent. The SHDS 2020 interviewed 16,486 women-11,876 ever-married women and 4,610 never-married women.

## Quality Assurance

A variety of tools and mechanisms were used as part of the quality assurance arrangements throughout the implementation of the SHDS 2020. These included a consultative approach to critical decision making, extensive training and competitive recruitment of survey personnel, independent third-party monitoring, the Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking of field operations, peer review arrangements and validation meetings.

Consultative approach to critical decision making- all key decisions concerning the survey, including its methodology, instruments, field work, tabulation plan, reports and data access, were discussed, designed and formulated following extensive consultations with Somali government partners, national and international experts and development partners where applicable. The idea was to draw on the widest possible expertise, as well as to ensure validation and in-country ownership.

[^1]Table 1.1 Results of the household and individual interviews

| Number of households, number of interviews, and response rates, according to residence (unweighted), SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Result | Residence |  |  |  |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic | Total |
| Household interviews |  |  |  |  |
| Households selected | 6,684 | 4,677 | 4,999 | 16,360 |
| Households occupied | 6,443 | 4,494 | 4,958 | 15,870 |
| Households interviewed | 6,427 | 4,484 | 4,915 | 15,826 |
| Household response rate ${ }^{1}$ | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.1 | 99.7 |
| Interviews with ever-married women aged 15-49 |  |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible ever-married women | 5,611 | 3,418 | 3,488 | 12,517 |
| Number of eligible ever-married women interviewed | 5,251 | 3,192 | 3,433 | 11,876 |
| Eligible ever-married women response rate ${ }^{2}$ | 93.6 | 93.4 | 98.4 | 94.9 |
| Interviews with never-married women aged 15-49 |  |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible never-married women | 3,046 | 1,247 | 1,016 | 5,309 |
| Number of eligible never-married women interviewed | 2,624 | 1,043 | 943 | 4,610 |
| Eligible never-married women response rate ${ }^{3}$ | 86.1 | 83.6 | 92.8 | 86.8 |
| Interviews with all women aged 15-49 |  |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible women | 8,657 | 4,665 | 4,504 | 17,826 |
| Number of eligible women interviewed | 7,875 | 4,235 | 4,376 | 16,486 |
| Eligible women response rate ${ }^{4}$ | 91.0 | 90.8 | 97.2 | 92.5 |

${ }^{1}$ Households interviewed/households occupied
${ }^{2}$ Ever-married women interviewed/eligible ever-married women
${ }^{3}$ Never-married women interviewed/eligible never-married women
${ }^{4}$ All women interviewed/eligible ever-married and never-married women
principle, with training of trainers at various levels. In each training, a test was administered at the end, and trainees who scored 80 percent and above were retained for participation in the survey.

Learning and Monitoring Programme for Somalia (LAMPS)- an Independent ThirdParty Monitoring (TPM), engaged by the Department for International Development (DfID), provided periodical monitoring of SHDS activities throughout the survey's implementation phase. The activities selected for verification, as well as field teams and beneficiaries to interview, were all randomly selected by the LAMPS teams throughout the entire phase of the survey. The findings from LAMPS provided the SHDS technical team with specific areas in which to improve the quality of SHDS training and collection of data from selected households. LAMPS consistently
rated SHDS activities as delivered according to how they were designed and planned.

GPS tracking of field operations- During field data collection, the SHDS employed the use of handheld devices with embedded GPS, which allowed geo-referencing and the collection of geo-located data. It also enabled the tracking of fieldwork and ensured that the sample design is adhered to. Further, the geo-referenced data aided in data editing.

## Consistency checks of the data- Geo-

 referenced listed data was cross-checked with digitized dwelling structures to ensure listing was undertaken in the correct EAs. Similarly, during the main survey, information collected during listing-which included coordinates, names of household members and other landmarks-helped to ensure teams visited the correct households. Further, listing informationon the target population, women of child bearing age and children under five years of age, aided in monitoring data collection by the main survey team.

Peer review arrangements- UNFPA approached prominent experts in the various fields related to the SHDS survey, including from the League of Arab States Pan Arab Project for Family Health (PAPFAM) expert group, National Statistical Offices (Statistics Norway, Statistics Sweden and Office for National Statistics), UN Habitat, and academia, to serve as peer reviewers of key aspects of SHDS and its outcomes. These included the sample design, methodology for covering the nomadic
population, the use of GIS and satellite imagery in the preparations for the survey, the use of Brass-type techniques for the analysis of the survey data, and the SHDS reports themselves.

Validation forums- The Somali partners and international experts have reviewed the SHDS data, reports and other outcomes of the survey with the aim to validate the processes and findings.




## KEY FINDINGS



# 57\% 

of households have an improved sanitation facility

MOBILE PHONE
OWNERSHIP

## 74\%

of households own a mobile phone

BIRTH
REGISTRATION
6 \%
of children
aged 2-4
years have their birth registered

## (2) HOUSEHOLD AND HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

## BOX 2.1 Key definitions

## Household

A person or group of related or unrelated persons who live together in the same dwelling unit(s) or in connected premises, who acknowledge one adult, male or female, as the head of the household, who share the same housekeeping arrangements, and who are considered a single unit.

## De facto population

All persons who stayed in the selected households the night before the interview (whether usual residents or visitors).

## De jure population

All persons who are usual residents of the selected households, whether or not they stayed in the household the night before the interview.

Age in completed years (Age at last birthday)
This is the most common definition of age, where it is expressed as the number of completed years lived by a person. Other definitions include exact age, which is used mostly for modelling purposes, and age reached during the year.

This chapter presents the socioeconomic characteristics of the household members that were covered by the Somali Health and Demographic Survey 2020. Information collected included respondents' age, sex, type of residence (urban, rural and nomadic household members) and educational status, as well as household facilities, characteristics and possessions. The profile of the households presented in this chapter will inform the understanding of SHDS 2020 results in the following chapters, while serving as a foundation for social and economic development planning.

The SHDS 2020 collected information from all usual residents of a selected household (de jure population) and persons who had stayed in the surveyed household the night before the interview (de facto population). Although the difference between these two populations is small, to avoid double counting, all tables
in this report refer to the de facto population, unless otherwise specified.

## Household and Housing Characteristics

## Age and Sex Composition

Age and sex are important demographic variables that are the primary basis of demographic classification in vital statistics, census and surveys. They are the basis for studying patterns of mortality, fertility, fertility preference, age at first marriage and other information about the inhabitants of a country.

The SHDS 2020 collected information on the age in completed years for each household member. When the age was not known, interviewers asked for dates of birth in the Gregorian calendar/Somali historical calendar. Age was then calculated using conversion charts, specifically designed for this purpose.

Table 2.1 presents the distribution of households members, by age, residence (urban, rural and nomadic) and sex.

The age structure of the household members is typical of a society with a young population. Having one of the highest fertility rates in the world, Somalia has a broad-based age pyramid, with 54 percent of household members below 15 years old. The sex and age distribution of the household members is presented in the population pyramid in Figure 2.1.

The population pyramids in Figure 2.1 are in line with a developing country's population where there is a high fertility and mortality rate, which demographically represents a young population. There are more boys than girls among children under 15 years of age, and more women than men at the older ages. This is a pattern observed universally, which is driven by the sex ratio at birth (under normal

## Somalia has a broad-based age pyramid, with 54 percent of the household members below 15 years old

circumstances, around 105 boys are born for every 100 girls) and by the sex differences in mortality as women generally have lower death rates compared to men.

Regardless of the type of residence, the age pyramids in Figure 2.1 sharply taper to become narrower above age 55. This indicates high mortality rates among the older age groups. Around two-thirds of Somalis are aged less than 20 years and around three-quarters ( 77 percent) are aged below 30 years. Youth between 15-29 years of age constitute 23 percent of the household members, while older people ( 65 years and above) comprise only 3 percent of the household members. Forty-three percent of the household members are within the working age population (15-64 years), highlighting the need to create jobs and ensure that training or education offered addresses the needs of the labour market.

The pyramids in Figure 2.1 have patterns that are similar to Figure 2.2, which presents the population pyramid from the Population Estimation Survey (PESS), Somalia, 2014 (UNFPA 2014). Overall, the number of household members aged between 50-54 years has increased, compared to the same category in the PESS. A notable feature of the 2014 PESS age pyramid is the relatively low proportion of the age group $0-4$, which is the result of the under-counting of young children-a common feature of surveys in countries with weaker statistical systems. The fact that the undercounting is not so pronounced in the 2020 SHDS data attests to the quality of the survey and the progress that the Somali statistical system is making.

## Figure 2.1 Distribution of population by age and sex according to residence, SHDS 2020


nomadic residence. About one-third (32 percent) of households are headed by women ( 33 percent of urban and 33 percent of rural households, and 28 percent of nomadic households).

The average household size in Somalia is 6.2 persons, slightly higher than the 5.9 persons per household recorded in the PESS 2014 (UNFPA 2014). Urban households, which have 6.6 persons per household, are slightly larger than rural households, with 5.7 persons per household. Nomadic households have the lowest average household size, with 5.3 persons. According to the 2014 PESS, the nomadic and urban households had the highest average household sizes, at 6.5 and 6.4 persons respectively, rural areas had a household size of 5.8 persons. An improved methodology for enumerating nomadic households was adopted in the SHDS 2020. This could explain the deviation from the 2014 PESS that showed the mean household size was largest among the nomads.


Table 2.2 indicates that 32 percent of households have a foster child and/or orphaned children, 17 percent have foster children, 15 percent have single orphans and 4 percent have double orphans. There is a slight difference in the number of households with foster children among the three types of residence. In the urban households, 18 percent have foster children, while this proportion was 17 percent in the rural and 15 percent in the nomadic households.

## Education

The level of education is an important characteristic, as it affects behaviour, including health-related behaviours and choices made in relation to reproduction, contraceptive use, child health, and hygiene. Access to education is considered a human right that inherently influences the development of a country. It is one of the key national responses that would guarantee orphans and children from different backgrounds equal access to better lives as they grow up.

## Educational Attainment

Information on educational attainment of the male and female household members aged six
and above is presented in Table 2.3a and Table 2.3 b . The survey results show that educational attainment varies across age groups. The age group with the lowest number of people with no education is 20-24 years among the male household members (21 percent) and 15-19 among the female household members (23 percent). Among the male household members, those older than 55 years have more people that have completed secondary education compared to men in younger age groups. In contrast, the female household members show slight variations across the different age groups, with those in age cohorts 20-24 and 60-64 being more likely to have completed secondary education.

The chances of progression to higher education are slightly better for urban dwellers compared to people living in rural and nomadic areas,

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Figure 2.3 Educational attainment by sex

Percent distribution of the de facto male and female populations aged six and over by educational attainment

as educational facilities are concentrated in the urban centres. The nomadic household members are the most disadvantaged in terms of accessing education. Seventy-eight percent of nomadic male household members have no education, 1 percent have completed primary and secondary and less than 1 percent have post-secondary education level. Similar indicators for women are worse than those for men. Eighty-four percent of the nomadic female household members have no education.

Figure 2.3 compares educational attainment by sex. Educational attainment is higher for men than it is for women. Overall, 47 percent of the female population aged six and above have never been to school, in comparison to 44 percent of men and boys. Thirty-one percent of female household members and 27 percent of the male household members have had some primary education. Twenty-three percent of men have attended secondary or higher schooling, compared to 17 percent of women.

## School Attendance Ratios

Table 2.4 presents data on net attendance ratios (NARs) and gross attendance ratios (GARs) by school level, sex, and place of residence. The NAR for primary schooling is measured as the proportion of children aged 6-13 attending primary school, and for
secondary schooling as the population aged 14-17 attending secondary school. The GAR for primary schooling is measured as the total number of primary school students relative to the official primary-school-age population; similarly, GAR for secondary schooling refers to the number of secondary school students relative to the official secondary-school-age population. The GAR is nearly always higher than the NAR for the same level because the GAR includes participation by those who may be older or younger than the official age range for that level. A NAR of 100 would indicate that all those in the official age range for the specific level are attending school at that level. The GAR can exceed 100 if there is significant overage or underage participation at a given level of schooling.

Twenty-two percent of the total children attending primary school are of the right age for that level. At secondary level, only 14 percent of the total children attending are of the right age for that level.

As shown in Figure 2.4 below, there is little difference between the NAR of boys and girls at the primary level ( 23 percent and 21 percent, respectively). The NAR is higher for males than females at the secondary level (16 percent and 13 percent, respectively).

Figure 2.4 School attendance ratios

Net Attendance Ratio (NAR) and Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR) for the de facto household population by sex and level of schooling


The NAR is slightly lower in rural areas than in urban areas, and is very low among the nomadic household members at primary level. The GAR is higher for males compared to females, at 41 and 37 percent respectively, at the primary-school level, and 28 and 21 percent, respectively, at the secondary-school level, indicating higher school attendance among males than females. As the table shows, both the NAR and GAR at primary and secondary school levels increase with increasing wealth.

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## Housing

## Characteristics

## Water Supply

Access to clean drinking water is one of the SDGs and a target outlined in Somalia's National Development Plan (NDP) 9. The different types of water sources and sanitation facilities available to a population are important determinants of health, particularly among children. Good hygienic and sanitation practices can reduce exposure to and repercussions of preventable diseases. Conversely, poor quality of water and water scarcity also shape livelihood choices, such as education, for people living in developing countries.

The source of drinking water for a household is an indicator of how safe it is to consume. Sources that are likely to provide uncontaminated water that is suitable for drinking are known as improved water sources (Table 2.5a). These include piped water, protected dug wells, tube wells or boreholes,

Figure 2.5 Household drinking water sources
Percent distribution of household drinking water sources by residence

rainwater, and bottled water. The lack of ready access to a water source may limit the quantity of suitable drinking water that is available to a household. Even where water is obtained from an improved source, if it is fetched from a source that is not immediately accessible to a household, it may be contaminated during transportation or storage. By treating water effectively at home, families can improve the quality of household drinking water.

The prevalence of preventable, water-borne diseases such as diarrhoea and dysentery in Somalia can be reduced by introducing and using improved water sources that are readily available to the households. According to the survey, 67 percent of households get their drinking water from improved water sources. Slightly over three-quarters (79 percent) of urban households have access to improved water sources, while just over half (57 percent) of rural households and 35 percent of nomadic households have access to improved water sources (Table 2.5a and Figure 2.5).

Forty-three percent of household members have access to piped water coming into their dwelling, yard or plot.

Twelve percent of the households travel for at least 30 minutes or longer to get water. Nomadic household members travel the longest distances to get water. Forty-six
percent of nomadic households, 14 percent of rural and 5 percent of urban households travel longer than 30 minutes, to access improved water sources.

As shown in Table 2.5b, only 16 percent of households treat water before drinking it, 22 percent of the urban households and 9 percent in rural settings. No nomadic households use appropriate treatment methods for drinking water.

The most common method of water treatment is bleaching/chlorination, used by 13 percent of households-20 percent in urban households and 6 percent in rural settings. None of the nomadic households interviewed use bleaching/chlorination.

## Sanitation Facilities

With adequate sanitation and means of disposal of human excreta, which are both fundamental needs and human rights-as well as with personal hygiene-people are assured of the ability to maintain their dignity and protection from a large number of diseases.

The inadequate disposal of human excreta and personal hygiene is associated with a range of diseases including diarrhoeal diseases. Improved sanitation can reduce diarrheal disease by more than a third (Cairncross

## 12\%

of the households travel for at least 30 minutes or longer to get water

Figure 2.6 Household sanitation facilities

Percent distribution of households by type of toilet/latrine facilities in use and place of residence

S., Hunt C., Boisson S., et al. 2010), and can significantly lessen the adverse health impacts of other disorders responsible for death and disease among millions of children in developing countries. An improved sanitation facility is defined as one that hygienically separates human excreta from human contact. Improved sanitation facilities for excreta disposal include flush or pour flush to a piped sewer system, septic tank, or pit latrine, ventilated improved pit latrine, pit latrine with slab, and use of a composting toilet. The SHDS considers improved toilets as those that flush or pour flush into a piped sewer system or septic tank.

A household is classified as having a basic toilet facility if the toilet is used by only members of one household (i.e. it is not shared) and if the facility used by the household separates the waste from human contact as proposed by the the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and (WHO) (UNICEF, WHO 2012)

Table 2.6 shows that 57 percent of households use sanitation facilities with basic sanitation services that would be considered as improved toilet facilities.

Access to sanitation facilities within households varies greatly in urban and rural residences, as shown in Table 2.6. A majority of households in urban areas ( 73 percent) have
access to improved toilet facilities. In rural and nomadic households, 50 percent and 1 percent respectively have access to sanitation.

As indicated in Figure 2.6, the prevalence and use of open defecation is higher in nomadic settings than in rural and urban settings.

## 57 percent of households use sanitation facilities that would be considered as improved toilet facilities

## Housing Characteristics

Table 2.7 presents the distribution of households by the dwelling characteristics and amenities. Nationwide, 44 percent of households use electricity, with variations in geographical locations and type of residence. In urban areas, 66 percent of households use electricity for lighting, compared to 17 percent of rural households, and less than 1 percent of nomadic households.

The kind of flooring used in a house can be indicative of the lifestyle its inhabitants have. Across Somalia, more than half (59 percent) of dwellings have floors made of earth or sand.

In urban and rural residences, cement is the second most common type of flooring, used in 33 percent of urban dwellings and 24 percent of rural dwellings.

Firewood is the most common source of fuel used for cooking in nomadic and rural areas, with 93 percent of nomadic households and 65 percent of rural households using firewood. In urban areas, 62 percent of households use charcoal, whereas in rural settings, 25 percent use this type of fuel for cooking.

## Household

## Possessions

Information on the ownership of durable goods and other possessions is presented in Table 2.8. The availability of durable consumer goods
is an indicator of a household's socioeconomic status and access to various benefits. For example, access to the radio can increase exposure to innovative ideas, whereas transport vehicles can provide access to services outside of the local area.

As shown in Figure 2.7, 21 percent of households in Somalia own a television, and 74 percent own a mobile telephone.

Keeping up with technological advances and connecting with friends and family is a top priority in the majority of households: Eighty-one percent of people living in urban households, 67 percent in rural dwellings and 59 percent of nomadic households own simple mobile telephones with access to fm radio. In addition, around 23 percent of urban households, 16 percent of rural households and 8 percent of nomadic households own radios (Figure 2.8).

## Figure 2.7 Household possessions

## Percent of household possessions




Sixty-seven percent in rural dwellings and fiftynine percent of nomadic households own simple mobile telephones with access to fm radio


Figure 2.8 Household effects

Percent of households effects ownership by place of residence


Six percent of urban households own a car or truck. As in many developing countries, several Somalis families value livestock and regard them as assets: Almost all nomadic households (95 percent) own livestock. Fiftyfive percent of rural households and 19 percent of urban households own livestock.

## Household Wealth

In addition to presenting standard background characteristics, many of the results in this report
are shown by wealth quintiles, an indicator of the economic status of households. The SHDS 2020 did not collect data on consumption or income, but the information collected on dwelling and household characteristics, consumer goods, and assets is used as a measure of socioeconomic status. The resulting wealth index is an indicator of the relative level of wealth that is used as a proxy for expenditure and income measures. Each household asset for which information is collected is assigned a 'weight' or 'factor score' generated through principal components analysis. The resulting asset scores are standardized in relation to a standard normal distribution with a mean of

Figure 2.9 Wealth quintiles

Percent distribution of de jure population by wealth quintile and place of residence

zero and a standard deviation of one.

Table 2.9 shows the distribution of the household members into five wealth quintiles (five equally divided levels) based on the wealth index by residence. These distributions indicate the degree to which wealth is evenly (or unevenly) distributed across Somalia. As expected, according to the SHDS findings, urban areas are wealthier than rural and nomadic areas. For example, within urban households, 29 percent of households belong to the highest wealth quintile, followed by 5 percent in rural areas. Less than 1 percent in nomadic areas belong to the wealthiest households, indicating that the most affluent or wealthier households live in urban settings.
asking whether children under the age of 5 had a birth certificate. If the interviewer was informed that the child did not have a birth certificate, then he/she probed further to ascertain whether the child's birth had been registered with the civil authority.

Almost all children did not have a birth certificate. Six percent of children under two years were registered, of which less than 1 percent had a birth certificate. These figures may be significantly low due to the lack of civil registration and the lack of a vital statistics system. The levels of registration were generally low and no significant variations were recorded across the country, as shown in Table 2.10.

## Birth Registration

The registration of births is the inscription of the facts of a birth into an official log. A birth certificate is issued as proof of the registration of birth. Information on the registration of births was collected in the household interviews by

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Table 2.1 Household population by age, sex, and residence

Percent distribution of the de facto household population by various age groups and percentage of the de facto household population aged 10-19, according to sex and residence, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Urban |  |  | Rural |  |  | Nomadic |  |  | Total |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <5 | 19.4 | 17.7 | 18.5 | 22.0 | 20.3 | 21.1 | 22.0 | 20.9 | 21.4 | 20.3 | 18.7 | 19.5 |
| 5-9 | 19.3 | 17.0 | 18.1 | 21.1 | 19.5 | 20.3 | 19.9 | 19.0 | 19.5 | 19.8 | 17.8 | 18.8 |
| 10-14 | 16.1 | 15.4 | 15.7 | 16.3 | 14.6 | 15.4 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 14.2 | 15.9 | 15.0 | 15.5 |
| 15-19 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.0 | 9.9 | 9.5 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.8 |
| 20-24 | 6.7 | 7.6 | 7.1 | 4.4 | 5.9 | 5.2 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 7.1 | 6.5 |
| 25-29 | 5.3 | 7.1 | 6.2 | 4.1 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 6.4 | 5.7 | 4.9 | 6.9 | 6.0 |
| 30-34 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 4.8 |
| 35-39 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.4 | 4.1 |
| 40-44 | 3.4 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 3.0 |
| 45-49 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| 50-54 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 3.1 |
| 55-59 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| 60-64 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| 65-69 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| 70-74 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 75-79 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| 80+ | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Dependency age groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-14 | 54.7 | 50.0 | 52.3 | 59.4 | 54.4 | 56.8 | 56.3 | 54.0 | 55.1 | 56.1 | 51.6 | 53.8 |
| 15-64 | 42.7 | 46.6 | 44.7 | 37.5 | 41.8 | 39.7 | 40.7 | 43.5 | 42.1 | 41.2 | 45.1 | 43.2 |
| 65+ | 2.6 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 3.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Child and adult populations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-17 | 61.9 | 57.2 | 59.5 | 65.6 | 60.3 | 62.9 | 62.2 | 60.7 | 61.5 | 62.9 | 58.3 | 60.5 |
| 18+ | 38.1 | 42.8 | 40.5 | 34.4 | 39.7 | 37.1 | 37.8 | 39.3 | 38.5 | 37.1 | 41.7 | 39.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Adolescents 10-19 | 27.7 | 27.1 | 27.4 | 25.6 | 23.9 | 24.7 | 23.3 | 24.0 | 23.7 | 26.7 | 26.0 | 26.3 |
| Number of persons | 30,298 | 32,088 | 62,386 | 11,975 | 12,745 | 24,720 | 5,249 | 5,284 | 10,533 | 47,522 | 50,117 | 97,639 |

Table 2.2 Household composition

Percent distribution of households by sex of head of household and by household size; mean size of household, and percentage of households with orphans and foster children under 18 years of age, according to residence, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Type of Residence |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic | Total |
| Household headship |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 67.2 | 67.3 | 72.0 | 67.9 |
| Female | 32.8 | 32.7 | 28.0 | 32.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of usual members |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.3 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 2.7 |
| 2 | 4.9 | 7.7 | 8.7 | 6.2 |
| 3 | 7.8 | 11.2 | 12.1 | 9.3 |
| 4 | 10.4 | 13.1 | 15.6 | 11.8 |
| 5 | 13.0 | 14.0 | 16.2 | 13.7 |
| 6 | 14.1 | 13.9 | 15.1 | 14.2 |
| 7 | 13.2 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 12.7 |
| 8 | 10.2 | 9.6 | 8.1 | 9.8 |
| 9+ | 24.0 | 15.0 | 9.2 | 19.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean size of households | 6.6 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 6.2 |
| Percentage of households with orphans and foster children under 18 |  |  |  |  |
| Foster children ${ }^{1}$ | 18.1 | 16.6 | 15.0 | 17.3 |
| Double orphans | 4.6 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 4.1 |
| Single orphans ${ }^{2}$ | 17.3 | 11.4 | 13.1 | 15.2 |
| Foster and/or orphan children | 34.2 | 26.9 | 28.6 | 31.5 |
| Number of households | 9,470 | 4,363 | 2,007 | 15,841 |
| Note: Table is based on de jure household population, i.e. usual residents |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Foster children are those under age 18 years of age living in households with neither their mother nor their father present ${ }^{2}$ Includes children with one dead parent and an unknown survival status of the other parent |  |  |  |  |

Table 2.3a Educational attainment of the male household population

Percent distribution of the de facto male household population aged six and over by highest level of schooling attended or completed and median years completed, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Educational attainment of the household population |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of males | Median years completed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No education | Some primary | Completed primary ${ }^{1}$ | Some secondary | Completed secondary ${ }^{2}$ | Higher education | Don't know | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6-9 | 76.8 | 23.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 4,985 | 2.0 |
| 10-14 | 43.9 | 48.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 5,903 | 4.0 |
| 15-19 | 22.7 | 28.0 | 7.0 | 19.6 | 14.5 | 7.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 3,796 | 9.0 |
| 20-24 | 20.8 | 13.6 | 4.6 | 11.2 | 18.8 | 29.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,862 | 12.0 |
| 25-29 | 26.2 | 12.4 | 6.2 | 5.6 | 20.2 | 25.9 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,367 | 12.0 |
| 30-34 | 33.8 | 13.1 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 17.3 | 21.7 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1,085 | 12.0 |
| 35-39 | 39.5 | 12.1 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 16.0 | 11.0 | 10.4 | 100.0 | 882 | 12.0 |
| 40-44 | 39.4 | 12.7 | 7.0 | 3.4 | 14.3 | 12.3 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 781 | 12.0 |
| 45-49 | 31.1 | 14.3 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 17.6 | 13.4 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 420 | 12.0 |
| 50-54 | 40.1 | 11.2 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 16.7 | 12.7 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 584 | 12.0 |
| 55-59 | 42.4 | 9.3 | 4.8 | 1.7 | 17.5 | 17.7 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 267 | 12.0 |
| 60-64 | 48.7 | 9.5 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 10.9 | 14.4 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 331 | 12.0 |
| 65+ | 54.1 | 9.0 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 12.4 | 10.2 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 395 | 12.0 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 40.5 | 25.8 | 4.2 | 7.0 | 9.9 | 10.6 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 16745 | 8.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 48.9 | 32.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 6.1 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5113 | 5.0 |
| Nomadic | 77.8 | 13.9 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 800 | 3.0 |
| Total | 43.7 | 26.9 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 8.7 | 8.4 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 22,658 | 7.0 |

[^2]Table 2.3b Educational attainment of the female household population

Percent distribution of the de facto female household population aged six and over by highest level of schooling attended or completed and median years completed, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Educational attainment of the household population |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of females | Median years completed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No education | Some primary | Completed primary ${ }^{1}$ | Some secondary | Completed secondary ${ }^{2}$ | Higher education | Don't know | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6-9 | 77.5 | 22.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,008 | 2.0 |
| 10-14 | 43.3 | 48.6 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 5,385 | 4.0 |
| 15-19 | 23.2 | 29.5 | 8.2 | 18.7 | 13.1 | 6.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,438 | 8.0 |
| 20-24 | 26.3 | 23.8 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 12.7 | 21.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,899 | 11.0 |
| 25-29 | 40.9 | 24.7 | 7.9 | 5.4 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1422 | 8.0 |
| 30-34 | 45.9 | 24.9 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 9.0 | 7.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 840 | 8.0 |
| 35-39 | 55.8 | 25.9 | 5.7 | 2.8 | 7.0 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 579 | 7.0 |
| 40-44 | 47.2 | 24.4 | 9.7 | 5.8 | 9.4 | 0.7 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 283 | 8.0 |
| 45-49 | 44.4 | 16.4 | 11.3 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 186 | 8.0 |
| 50-54 | 52.6 | 14.7 | 12.1 | 2.1 | 12.1 | 4.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 399 | 8.0 |
| 55-59 | 64.7 | 17.1 | 6.9 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 144 | 7.0 |
| 60-64 | 77.3 | 14.6 | 3.8 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 137 | 4.6 |
| 65+ | 80.6 | 7.1 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 180 | 8.0 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 44.6 | 29.3 | 5.2 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 6.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 14365 | 7.0 |
| Rural | 48.9 | 40.6 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 4025 | 4.0 |
| Nomadic | 83.7 | 13.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 512 | 2.0 |
| Total | 46.5 | 31.2 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 18,901 | 6.0 |

${ }^{1}$ Completed $8{ }^{\text {th }}$ grade at the primary level
${ }^{2}$ Completed $12^{\text {th }}$ grade at the secondary level

Table 2.4 School attendance ratio

Net attendance ratios (NAR) and gross attendance ratios (GAR) for the de facto household population by sex and level of schooling and Gender Parity Index (GPI), according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

|  | Net Attendance Ratio ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  | Gross Attendance Ratio ${ }^{\text {² }}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Male | Female | Total | Gender Parity Index ${ }^{3}$ | Male | Female | Total | Gender Parity Index ${ }^{3}$ |


|  |  |  |  | PRIMARY |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Type of <br> residence | 26.4 | 23.6 | 25.0 | 0.90 | 48.0 | 43.0 | 51.3 | 0.90 |
| Urban | 23.9 | 22.0 | 23.0 | 0.92 | 39.5 | 38.5 | 42.0 | 0.97 |
| Rural | 2.3 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.49 | 4.6 | 2.6 | 4.6 | 0.56 |
| Nomadic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wealth quintile | 10.4 | 8.9 | 9.6 | 0.86 | 18.3 | 14.6 | 18.3 | 0.80 |
| Lowest | 14.9 | 15.0 | 14.9 | 1.01 | 27.0 | 26.1 | 30.9 | 0.97 |
| Second | 21.7 | 18.5 | 20.1 | 0.85 | 40.8 | 36.8 | 43.4 | 0.90 |
| Middle | 31.4 | 26.1 | 28.9 | 0.83 | 55.9 | 47.9 | 58.4 | 0.86 |
| Fourth | 42.6 | 38.7 | 40.6 | 0.91 | 72.0 | 67.6 | 75.7 | 0.94 |
| Highest | $\mathbf{2 3 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 1 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 7 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9}$ |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

SECONDARY
Type of residence

| Urban | 20.2 | 16.8 | 18.5 | 0.83 | 35.4 | 27.7 | 31.4 | 0.78 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 8.6 | 5.8 | 7.1 | 0.68 | 16.4 | 9.5 | 12.8 | 0.58 |
| Nomadic | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.12 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.07 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 1.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.51 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 0.42 |
| Second | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 1.04 | 8.3 | 5.9 | 7.1 | 0.72 |
| Middle | 13.6 | 9.3 | 11.3 | 0.68 | 24.6 | 14.6 | 19.4 | 0.59 |
| Fourth | 20.6 | 17.3 | 18.8 | 0.84 | 37.2 | 27.7 | 32.2 | 0.74 |
| Highest | 34.1 | 25.7 | 29.6 | 0.75 | 57.6 | 43.8 | 50.2 | 0.76 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 8 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 7 5}$ |

${ }^{1}$ The NAR for primary school is the percentage of the primary-school-age ( $6-13$ years) population that is attending primary school.
The NAR for secondary school is the percentage of the secondary-school-age ( $14-18$ years) population that is attending secondary school. By definition, the NAR cannot exceed 100 percent.
${ }^{2}$ The GAR for primary school is the total number of primary school students, expressed as a percentage of the official primary-school-age population.
The GAR for secondary school is the total number of secondary school students, expressed as a percentage of the official secondary-school-age population.
If there are significant numbers of overage and under-age students at a given level of schooling, the GAR can exceed 100 percent.
${ }^{3}$ The Gender Parity Index for primary school is the ratio of the primary school NAR (or GAR) for females to the NAR (or GAR) for males. The Gender Parity Index for secondary school is the ratio of the secondary school NAR (or GAR) for females to the NAR (or GAR) for males.

Table 2.5a Household drinking water

Percent distribution of households and de jure population by source of drinking water and by time to obtain drinking water and type of drinking water service, according to residence, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Households |  |  | Total | Population |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  |
| Source of drinking water |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Improved source | 78.7 | 57.4 | 35.1 | 67.3 | 80.4 | 57.8 | 35.4 | 69.7 |
| Piped water into dwelling/yard/ plot | 60.3 | 25.4 | 0.2 | 43.1 | 63.4 | 26.6 | 0.2 | 47.2 |
| Piped to neighbor | 4.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 2.9 |
| Public tap/standpipe | 5.0 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 0.8 | 4.5 |
| Tube well/borehole | 2.5 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 2.5 |
| Protected dug well | 5.5 | 14.6 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 5.1 | 14.5 | 8.1 | 7.8 |
| Protected spring | 0.5 | 2.1 | 7.3 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 7.2 | 1.6 |
| Rainwater | 0.2 | 3.7 | 16.8 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 3.6 | 17.2 | 2.9 |
| Bottled water | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Un-improved source | 21.3 | 42.6 | 64.9 | 32.7 | 19.6 | 42.2 | 64.6 | 30.3 |
| Unprotected dug well | 2.6 | 12.4 | 30.5 | 8.9 | 2.5 | 12.2 | 31.5 | 8.1 |
| Unprotected spring | 0.4 | 2.0 | 9.4 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 9.6 | 1.8 |
| Tanker truck/cart with drum | 17.3 | 12.6 | 8.9 | 14.9 | 15.9 | 12.6 | 9.0 | 14.3 |
| Water Kiosk | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| Surface water | 0.3 | 14.1 | 12.0 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 13.9 | 10.7 | 4.9 |
| Other source | 0.4 | 0.5 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 3.0 | 0.7 |
| Missing | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Time to obtain drinking water
(round trip)

| Water on premises ${ }^{1}$ | 80.3 | 50.7 | 9.1 | 63.1 | 81.6 | 51.7 | 8.8 | 66.1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 30 minutes or less | 14.1 | 34.8 | 43.7 | 23.6 | 12.9 | 34.1 | 43.4 | 21.6 |
| More than 30 minutes | 4.6 | 13.6 | 45.5 | 12.2 | 4.4 | 13.3 | 46.0 | 11.2 |
| DK/Missing | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Drinking water service |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percentage with basic drinking water service ${ }^{2}$ | 77.0 | 53.0 | 18.8 | 63.0 | 78.6 | 53.5 | 18.7 | 65.7 |
| Percentage with limited drinking water service ${ }^{3}$ | 1.6 | 4.1 | 15.5 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 4.0 | 15.7 | 3.8 |
| Number of households | 9,470 | 4,363 | 2,007 | 15,841 | 63,084 | 25,119 | 10,790 | 98,992 |

[^3]Table 2.5b Treatment of household drinking water

Percent distribution of households by various methods used to treat drinking water, and percentage using an appropriate treatment method, according to residence, SHDS 2020

| Water treatment method | Urban | Rural | Nomadic | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Water treatment prior to drinking |  |  |  |  |
| Boiled | 4.2 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 3.4 |
| Bleach/chlorine added | 19.5 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 13.2 |
| Strained through cloth | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Ceramic, sand or other filter | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Solar disinfection | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Let it stand and settle | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other treatment | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| No treatment | 76.8 | 90.1 | 98.1 | 83.1 |
| Don't know | 22.9 | 9.7 | 1.9 | 16.6 |
| Percentage using an appropriate treatment | 22.4 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 15.8 |
| method' |  | $\mathbf{4 , 3 6 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 , 8 4 1}$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 , 4 7 0}$ |  |  |  |

Respondents may report multiple treatment methods so the sum of treatment may exceed 100 percent.
${ }^{1}$ Appropriate water treatment methods include boiling, bleaching, straining, filtering and solar disinfecting.

Table 2.6 Household sanitation facilities
ercent distribution of households and de jure population by type of toilet/latrine facilities, percent distribution of households and de jure population with a toilet/latrine facility by location of the facility, percentage of households and de jure population with basic sanitation services, and percentage with limited sanitation services, according to residence, SHDS 2020

| Type and location of toilet/latrine facility | Households |  |  |  | Population |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomads | Total | Urban | Rural | Nomads | Total |
| Improved facility | 72.5 | 49.7 | 1.1 | 57.2 | 74.0 | 51.0 | 1.1 | 60.2 |
| Flush/pour to piped sewer system | 8.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 5.7 | 8.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 6.0 |
| Flush/pour to septic tank | 5.5 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 4.4 |
| Flush/pour to a pit latrine | 20.3 | 16.7 | 0.2 | 16.7 | 20.6 | 17.5 | 0.2 | 17.6 |
| Ventilated improved pit (VIP) latrine | 6.0 | 8.0 | 0.1 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 7.7 | 0.1 | 5.7 |
| Pit latrine with a slab | 31.8 | 17.3 | 0.6 | 23.8 | 32.9 | 17.7 | 0.6 | 25.5 |
| Composting toilet | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
| Non-improved facility | 23.6 | 26.6 | 4.9 | 22.1 | 22.9 | 26.9 | 4.7 | 21.9 |
| Flush to some where else | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| Flush/pour flush, don't know where | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| Pit latrine without slab/Open latrine | 18.6 | 21.5 | 1.8 | 17.3 | 18.3 | 21.4 | 1.8 | 17.3 |
| Bucket toilet | 2.6 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 2.0 |
| Hanging toilet/hanging latrine | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Others | 0.6 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.9 |
| Open Defecation | 3.9 | 23.6 | 94.0 | 20.7 | 3.1 | 22.2 | 94.2 | 17.8 |
|  | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Location of the facility | 9,470 | 4,363 | 2,007 | 15,841 | 63,084 | 25,119 | 10,790 | 98,992 |
| In own dwelling |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In own yard/plot | 64.0 | 39.0 | 15.4 | 56.9 | 66.0 | 39.4 | 13.4 | 59.2 |
| Elsewhere | 24.9 | 39.3 | 17.8 | 28.7 | 24.0 | 39.9 | 19.2 | 27.8 |
| Total | 11.1 | 21.7 | 66.8 | 14.4 | 10.0 | 20.7 | 67.4 | 13.0 |
| Number of households/population with a toilet/latrine facility | 8,989 | 3,276 | 126 | 12,390 | 60,397 | 19,244 | 657 | 80,297 |
| Percentage with basic sanitation service ${ }^{1}$ | 45.1 | 31.8 | 0.6 | 35.8 | 49.5 | 33.6 | 0.5 | 40.2 |
| Percentage with limited sanitation service ${ }^{2}$ | 26.5 | 16.9 | 0.4 | 20.5 | 23.4 | 16.3 | 0.4 | 19.1 |

[^4]Table 2.7
Housing characteristics

| Percent distribution of households and de jure population by housing characteristics, percentage using solid fuel for cooking; and percent distribution by frequency of smoking in the home, according to residence, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Housing characteristics | Households |  |  | Total | Population |  |  | Total |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  |
| Electricity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 66.2 | 17.2 | 0.1 | 44.3 | 69.9 | 18.5 | 0.1 | 49.2 |
| No | 33.8 | 82.8 | 99.9 | 55.7 | 30.1 | 81.5 | 99.9 | 50.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Flooring material |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earth/Sand | 49.1 | 65.5 | 90.6 | 58.9 | 47.4 | 65.2 | 90.4 | 56.6 |
| Dung | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 1.4 |
| Grass | 1.1 | 3.6 | 5.4 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 3.5 | 5.4 | 2.1 |
| Wooden Planks | 1.9 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 1.9 |
| Palm/Bamboo | 1.7 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| Parquet/Polished wood | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.5 |
| Vinyl/Asphalt Strips | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Ceramic Tiles | 9.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 9.9 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 6.7 |
| Cement | 32.9 | 23.7 | 0.2 | 26.2 | 34.1 | 23.8 | 0.3 | 27.8 |
| Carpet | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Others | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Rooms used for sleeping |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| One | 30.8 | 53.8 | 92.8 | 45.0 | 23.6 | 46.4 | 91.0 | 36.7 |
| Two | 33.8 | 34.4 | 7.0 | 30.6 | 33.2 | 38.1 | 8.7 | 31.8 |
| Three or more | 35.4 | 11.8 | 0.3 | 24.4 | 43.1 | 15.5 | 0.3 | 31.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Place for cooking |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In the house | 61.8 | 37.5 | 12.5 | 48.9 | 62.7 | 37.7 | 12.4 | 50.9 |
| In a separate building | 24.2 | 35.2 | 11.5 | 25.6 | 24.7 | 36.4 | 11.2 | 26.2 |
| Outdoors | 13.3 | 26.5 | 74.1 | 24.6 | 12.2 | 25.5 | 74.7 | 22.4 |
| Others | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 0.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Cooking fuel |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Electricity | 3.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 |
| LPG/natural gas/ biogas | 3.8 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 2.7 |
| Kerosene | 2.5 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 2.0 |
| Firewood | 25.0 | 64.7 | 93.0 | 44.5 | 23.1 | 65.0 | 93.8 | 41.5 |
| Charcoal | 62.3 | 24.5 | 2.4 | 44.3 | 64.3 | 24.1 | 2.2 | 47.3 |
| Straw/shrubs/grass | 0.4 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| Agricultural crop | 1.9 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 2.1 | 2.6 |
| Animal dung | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| No food cooked in the household | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Other | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Percentage using solid fuel for cooking1 | 89.6 | 96.8 | 99.1 | 92.8 | 89.5 | 97.2 | 99.3 | 92.5 |
| Percentage using clean fuel for cooking2 | 7.2 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 4.7 | 7.6 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 5.2 |
| Population | 9,470 | 4,363 | 2,007 | 15,841 | 63,084 | 25,119 | 10,790 | 98,992 |
| LPG = Liquid petroleum gas <br> ${ }^{1}$ Includes coal/lignite, charcoal, wood, straw/shrubs/grass, agricultural crops, and animal dung <br> ${ }^{2}$ Includes electricity and LPG/natural gas/biogas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 2.8 Household possessions

Percentage of households possessing various household effects, means of transportation, agricultural land and livestock/farm animals, according to residence, SHDS 2020

| Possession | Type of residence |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic | Total |
| Household effects |  |  |  |  |
| Radio | 23.0 | 15.5 | 8.4 | 19.1 |
| Television | 32.1 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 20.5 |
| Refrigerator | 11.4 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 7.3 |
| Mobile phone | 81.0 | 67.0 | 59.3 | 74.4 |
| Non-mobile telephone | 7.1 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 5.3 |
| Computer | 11.0 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 6.9 |
| Internet | 18.6 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 11.9 |
| Air conditioner/fan | 15.9 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 10.1 |
| Means of transport |  |  |  |  |
| Bicycle | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Motorcycle/scooter | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Donkey cart | 1.2 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 2.3 |
| Car/truck | 5.7 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 4.3 |
| Boat/canoe | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| Tractor | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Rickshaw | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.3 |
| Animal plough | 0.8 | 0.6 | 4.8 | 1.2 |
| Ownership of agriculture land | 10.9 | 34.5 | 9.4 | 17.2 |
| Ownership of livestock ${ }^{1}$ | 19.1 | 55.0 | 94.8 | 38.6 |
| Livestock lost ${ }^{1}$ | 11.8 | 31.0 | 70.7 | 24.6 |
| Number of households | 9,470 | 4,363 | 2,007 | 15,841 |

${ }^{1}$ Camels, cattle, sheep, goats, horses, donkeys, poultry

Table 2.9

| Residence/region | Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  | Number of persons | Gini coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Lowest | Second | Middle | Fourth | Highest | Total |  |  |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 3.6 | 17.3 | 22.9 | 27.0 | 29.3 | 100.0 | 62508 | 0.2 |
| Rural | 31.6 | 31.8 | 20.6 | 10.6 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 24928 | 0.3 |
| Nomadic | 90.3 | 4.9 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 10601 | 0.3 |
| Total | 20.1 | 19.6 | 20.1 | 20.1 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 98,037 | 0.2 |

Table 2.10 Birth registration of children aged under five

Percentage of de jure children under five years of age whose births are registered with the civil authorities, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Children whose births are registered |  |  | Number of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage who had a birth certificate | Percentage who did not have a birth certificate | Percentage registered |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| <2 | 0.3 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6613 |
| 2-4 | 0.6 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 12413 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 0.5 | 5.8 | 6.3 | 9668 |
| Female | 0.4 | 5.1 | 5.5 | 9359 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.7 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 11530 |
| Rural | 0.2 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 5244 |
| Nomadic | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2252 |
| Total | 0.5 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 19,026 |



Characteristics of the
Respondents

## KEY FINDINGS

## EDUCATIONAL

ATTAINMENT

of women have at least primary level education

LITERACY

of women are literate

ACCESS
TO MEDIA

## 10\%

of women watch television at least once a week


## INTERNET USE

of women had used the internet at least once

EMPLOYMENT
9\%
of ever-married women are currently employed

HEALTH
INSURANCE

## 99.8 \%

of ever-married
women do not have health insurance

## (3) CHARACTERISTICS OF THE RESPONDENTS

This chapter presents information on the individual demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of the survey respondents who were interviewed for the SHDS 2020. For information presented in this chapter, enumerators administered questions to never-married and ever-married women. Questions on educational attainment, literacy, exposure to mass media and internet use were administered to both never-married and ever-married women, whereas questions on employment status, occupation, health insurance coverage and use of tobacco were only administered to ever-married women.

This information is useful in understanding the factors that affect the lives of women in the reproductive age group, and provides a context for the interpretation of demographic and health indicators.

## Background Characteristics of Respondents

Information on the background characteristics of women aged 15-49 interviewed in the SHDS 2020 is presented in Table 3.1 by age, marital status, type of residence, education and wealth quintile. Twenty-eight percent of the women were aged 15-19 ( 77 percent among nevermarried women and 8 percent among evermarried women).

Sixty-two percent of the women were currently married, while 29 percent had never been married, 6 percent were divorced or separated and 3 percent were widowed.

More women live in urban areas than rural and nomadic areas. Thirty-nine percent of all women resided in urban areas, 29 percent and 31 percent resided in rural and nomadic areas respectively. Similarly, there were more evermarried and never-married women in urban areas than in rural and nomadic areas.

Educational attainment in Somalia is low-only 24 percent of the Somali population aged 25 and above have completed at least primary school (UNFPA 2014). Similarly, according to the SHDS 2020, educational attainment was low-75 percent of all women had never
attended school. Eighty-four percent of evermarried women had no education compared to 55 percent of never-married women.

Twenty-nine percent of never-married women and 18 percent of ever-married women were from the wealthiest households.

## Educational Attainment

Table 3.2 presents the distribution of women aged 15-49 by educational attainment and median years of schooling completed according to background characteristics.

The findings show that educational attainment among women is very low. Overall, 75 percent of women aged 15-49 have not attended any formal schooling. Twelve percent of women have some levels of primary education, but only 3 percent completed primary schooling. Moreover, 5 percent of women attended secondary school, but only 3 percent completed secondary education. Three percent of women have completed higher levels of education (Figure 3.1).

Educational attainment decreases as the age of women increases. The percentage of women who have some level of primary education is highest among women aged 15-19 (19 percent) and lowest among women aged 40-44 and 4549 (4 percent each).

The differences in educational attainment among women aged 15-49 in urban, rural and nomadic areas is pronounced. Ninety-seven percent of women living in nomadic areas have never attended formal schooling compared to 72 percent among those from rural areas and 59 percent of women from urban areas.

Educational attainment increases with increasing levels of wealth. The proportion of women with no education is highest in the poorest households ( 96 percent) and lowest in the wealthiest households (47 percent). The

Figure 3.1 Educational attainment

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by highest level of schooling attended or completed

proportion of women who have attained higher education also increases with increasing wealth levels.

## Literacy

Adult literacy is defined as the percentage of the population aged 15 years and over who are both able to read and write, with an understanding, a short simple statement on their everyday lives (UNESCO Institute for Statistics, 2013).

The SHDS 2020 assessed literacy levels among women aged 15-49 who had never been to school or who had primary or secondary levels of education by asking them to read all or part of a sentence in English or Somali. Anyone who could read a sentence in any other language was also considered a literate person. Those with a higher level of education were assumed to be literate without administering a reading test. Table 3.3. presents the literacy of women by background characteristics. The table shows that just about a third (32 percent) of Somali women aged 15-49 are literate.

As shown in Figure 3.2, literacy levels generally decrease with age; literacy is highest among

Figure 3.2 Literacy
Percent of women aged 15-49 by literacy and age

women aged 15-19 (48 percent) and lowest among those aged 40-44 (13 percent).

Literacy among women aged 15-49 varies by place of residence. Among women residing in urban areas, 50 percent are literate compared to 37 percent among those living in rural areas and 5 percent among the women living in nomadic areas.

Further analysis by wealth levels shows that literacy levels increase with wealth status. Women from wealthier households are more
literate (62 percent) compared to women from poorer households (6 percent).

## Exposure to Mass Media

The SHDS 2020 collected information on the exposure of respondents to both broadcast and print media. Respondents were asked how often they read a newspaper, watch television, or listen to the radio. This information indicates the extent to which women are regularly exposed to mass media, which can be used in the development of educational programmes, to convey messages to the public about government policies, disseminate health information, report opinions on health issues and other societal matters. It can also serve as a tool to observe public sentiments on important issues.

Table 3.4 shows that 85 percent of women did not access any of the three forms of medianewspaper, radio and television-at least once a week. Watching television was the most common use of media-10 percent of women watch television at least once a week; 7 percent

## Figure 3.3 Exposure to mass media

Percent of women aged 15-49 who are exposed to specific media on a weekly basis by wealth status
$\square$ Lowest ■ Second ■Middle $\square$ Fourth $\square$ Highest


## Exposure to media increases with both education and wealth

listen to the radio at least once a week; and 4 percent read newspapers at least once a week.

Urban women have more access to newspapers, television and radio compared to their rural and nomadic counterparts-7 percent read a newspaper at least once a week, 22 percent watch television at least once a week and 14 percent listen to the radio at least once a week.

Exposure to media increases with both education and wealth. While only about 1 percent of women with no education read a newspaper at least once a week, 32 percent of women with higher education do so. Similarly, while 5 percent of women with no education watch television at least once a week, 48 percent of women with higher education watch television at least once a week.

Figure 3.3 presents the percentage of women aged 15-49 exposed to mass media by wealth quintile. Less than 1 percent of women in the lowest wealth quintile watch television at least once a week, compared to 35 percent in the highest quintile. Likewise, 2 percent of women in the lowest quintile listen to the radio at least once a week, compared to 15 percent in the highest quintile.

## Internet Use

The internet is an important tool for accessing information. Globally, women are 23 percent less likely than men to use mobile internet. In Sub-Saharan Africa, women are 41 percent less likely than men to use mobile internet (GSMA 2019). Furthermore, studies have shown that women use the internet more often for health-related information searches than men. When their access is hindered, chances are women are slower to have access to important information for their families.

Figure 3.4 Internet use

Percent of women aged 15-49 who have ever used the internet by education level


The SHDS collected information about women's use of the internet: women aged 1549 were asked whether they had ever used the internet and, if they had, whether they used it in the 12 months preceding the survey. Interviewers also enquired how often women had used the internet in the month preceding the survey.

Table 3.5 shows that 17 percent of women had used the internet at least once and 15 percent had used the internet in the past 12 months preceding the survey.

The use of the internet generally decreases with increase in age; 25 percent of women aged 15-19 had used the internet, compared to 4 percent of women aged 40-44. About onethird (32 percent) of women living in urban areas had used the internet at least once, compared to 12 percent and 1 percent of women living in rural and nomadic areas, respectively.

Internet usage also increases with educational attainment and wealth status. Ninety-one percent of women with higher education had ever used the internet, compared to 6 percent of women with no education (Figure 3.4). Moreover, 44 percent of women in the highest wealth quintile had ever used the internet, compared to 1 percent of women in the lowest wealth quintile.



## Employment Status

In the SHDS 2020, ever-married women aged 15-49 were asked about their employment status in the seven days preceding the survey, as well as whether they had done any work in the 12 months prior to the survey. Respondents were categorized as currently employed if they had worked in the seven days preceding the survey. Table 3.6 shows the employment status of ever-married women by background characteristics.

The employment status of the respondents was low. Nine percent of ever-married women were currently employed at the time the survey was conducted, while 1 percent were not currently employed but had worked in the 12
months preceding the survey. Ninety percent of ever-married women had not done any work in the 12 months prior to the survey.

The proportion of ever-married women who were currently employed increases with age; it is lowest among ever-married women aged 1519 (3 percent) and highest among those aged 45-49 (18 percent) (Figure 3.5).

Employment increases with an increase in the number of living children -6 percent each for both women with no living children and those with one to two children, 9 percent for those with three to four children and 11 percent for women with 5 or more children.

The results show that employment varies by

Figure 3.5 Employment status
Percent of ever-married women aged 15-49 currently employed by age 18.0


Figure 3.6 Type of employment and earnings
Percent of ever-married women aged 15-49 employed in the 12 months preceding the survey by type of earnings

place of residence and wealth status of the household. Among women from nomadic areas, 3 percent were currently employed, compared to 12 percent and 11 percent of women from urban and rural areas respectively. More women from wealthier households were employed than in poorer ones; 13 percent of women in the highest wealth quintile were currently employed compared to 3 percent of women in the lowest wealth quintile.

## Type of Employment

Table 3.7 shows the distribution of ever-married women aged 15-49 who were employed in the 12 months preceding the survey by type of earnings and employer, as well as continuity of employment, by whether their work is agricultural or non-agricultural.

Overall, 68 percent of ever-married women were paid in cash only while 17 percent were not paid for their work. Fifty percent of the respondents working in agriculture were paid in cash only for their work, while 35 percent were not paid at all. Women in non-agricultural work were mainly paid in cash only (74 percent), whereas 11 percent were paid in cash and in kind, 6 percent were paid in kind only and 10 percent were not paid (Figure 3.6).

Forty-eight percent of the currently employed women aged 15-49 were self-employed. Fiftytwo percent of women in agricultural work were employed by a family member, while 4 percent were employed by a non-family member. About half of women engaged in non-agricultural work were self-employed (49 percent).

Sixty-eight percent of women were employed all year round. Both women engaged in agricultural and non-agricultural work were mostly employed all year round ( 67 percent and 68 percent respectively).

## Health Insurance Coverage

WHO considers health insurance a promising means for achieving universal health care coverage (WHO 2010a).

In the SHDS 2020, ever-married women aged 15-49 were asked whether they were covered by health insurance and the type of health insurance they were using. Table 3.8 presents the distribution of health insurance coverage. The survey shows that almost all women (99.8 percent) did not have health insurance.

## Use of Tobacco

Tobacco use and second-hand smoke (SHS) exposure during pregnancy have adverse health effects on women and infants. Women who smoke are more likely than non-smokers to experience infertility and delays in conceiving. Maternal smoking during pregnancy increases risks of prematurity, stillbirth, and neonatal death and may cause a reduction in breast milk (WHO 2010).

Ever-married women aged 15-49 were asked about their smoking habits during the survey. Table 3.9 shows the distribution of cigarette smokers and the percentage of women who use various types of tobacco by background characteristics.

Overall, 2 percent of ever-married women smoke cigarettes or use any type of tobacco. There is a slight variation among women of various age groups. Two percent of women in all age groups except 20-24 and 45-49 use any type of tobacco. Furthermore, 2 percent of women in urban and rural areas use any type of tobacco compared to 1 percent of women in nomadic areas.

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Table 3.1 Background characteristics of respondents

| Percentage of all women ag | 9 by se | background | aracteri | S 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | -married Wo |  |  | -married w | m |  | All women |  |
| Background characteristics | Weighted percent | Weighted number | Unweighted number | Weighted percent | Weighted number | Unweighted number | Weighted percent | Weighted number | Unweighted number |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 8.3 | 973 | 1,029 | 76.9 | 3,676 | 3,503 | 28.3 | 4,649 | 4,532 |
| 20-24 | 18.2 | 2,119 | 2,163 | 16.5 | 788 | 794 | 17.7 | 2,906 | 2,957 |
| 25-29 | 23.4 | 2,728 | 2,766 | 4.0 | 190 | 204 | 17.8 | 2,918 | 2,970 |
| 30-34 | 18.2 | 2,119 | 2,153 | 1.6 | 76 | 67 | 13.4 | 2,195 | 2,220 |
| 35-39 | 16.5 | 1,922 | 1,951 | * | 26 | 19 | 11.8 | 1,948 | 1,970 |
| 40-44 | 9.9 | 1,158 | 1,162 | * | 18 | 15 | 7.2 | 1,176 | 1,177 |
| 45-49 | 5.5 | 641 | 652 | * | 5 | 8 | 3.9 | 646 | 660 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never-married | n/a | n/a | n/a | 100.0 | 4,779 | 4,610 | 29.1 | 4,779 | 4,610 |
| Married | 87.6 | 10,215 | 10,324 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 62.1 | 10,215 | 10,324 |
| Divorced/separated | 8.3 | 970 | 1,032 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 5.9 | 970 | 1,032 |
| Widowed | 4.1 | 475 | 520 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 2.9 | 475 | 520 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 35.7 | 4,161 | 5,251 | 48.5 | 2,317 | 2,624 | 39.4 | 6,478 | 7,875 |
| Rural | 30.1 | 3,509 | 3,192 | 27.5 | 1,313 | 1,043 | 29.3 | 4,822 | 4,235 |
| Nomadic | 34.2 | 3,989 | 3,433 | 24.0 | 1,149 | 943 | 31.3 | 5,138 | 4,376 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 83.7 | 9,757 | 9,879 | 52.5 | 2,509 | 2,383 | 74.6 | 12,266 | 12,262 |
| Primary | 11.7 | 1,367 | 1,388 | 24.4 | 1,164 | 1,093 | 15.4 | 2,531 | 2,481 |
| Secondary | 3.2 | 375 | 438 | 17.6 | 839 | 824 | 7.4 | 1,214 | 1,262 |
| Higher | 1.4 | 161 | 171 | 5.6 | 266 | 310 | 2.6 | 427 | 481 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 23.4 | 2,733 | 2,451 | 15.5 | 738 | 640 | 21.1 | 3,471 | 3,091 |
| Second | 19.8 | 2,310 | 2,511 | 12.7 | 607 | 602 | 17.7 | 2,917 | 3,113 |
| Middle | 18.5 | 2,159 | 2,279 | 18.6 | 888 | 783 | 18.5 | 3,047 | 3,062 |
| Fourth | 20.2 | 2,356 | 2,348 | 22.9 | 1,095 | 1,052 | 21.0 | 3,452 | 3,400 |
| Highest | 18.0 | 2,101 | 2,287 | 30.3 | 1,450 | 1,533 | 21.6 | 3,551 | 3,820 |
| Total 15-49 | 100.0 | 11,660 | 11,876 | 100.0 | 4,779 | 4,610 | 100.0 | 16,438 | 16,486 |

Note: Education categories refer to the highest level of education attended, whether or not that level was completed
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable

Table 3.2 Educational attainment

Percent distribution of all women aged 15-49 by highest level of schooling attended or completed, and median years completed, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Educational attainment of the household members |  |  |  |  |  |  | Median years completed | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No education | Some primary | Completed primary' | Some secondary | Completed secondary ${ }^{2}$ | Higher education | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 61.7 | 16.9 | 4.7 | 9.3 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 7,556 |
| 15-19 | 57.4 | 18.9 | 6.0 | 12.2 | 3.3 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 68.8 | 13.6 | 2.7 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 80.8 | 9.9 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 84.5 | 9.7 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 89.6 | 7.3 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 93.1 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 89.8 | 4.3 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 646 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 59.1 | 16.1 | 5.1 | 9.1 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 72.0 | 17.1 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 97.3 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 5,138 |

Wealth
quintile

| Lowest | 96.4 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 3,471 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Second | 90.3 | 7.2 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 75.8 | 15.5 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 67.6 | 16.5 | 4.3 | 6.3 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 47.2 | 17.7 | 6.8 | 12.1 | 7.2 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 3.0 | 3,551 |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 3 8}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Completed 8th grade at the primary level
${ }^{2}$ Completed 12th grade at the secondary level

Table 3.3 Literacy

Percent distribution of all women aged 15-49 by level of schooling attended and level of literacy, and percentage literate, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Higher education | No schooling, primary or secondary school |  |  |  |  | Total | Percentage literate ${ }^{1}$ | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Can read a whole sentence | Can read part of a sentence | Cannot read at all | No card with required language | Blind/ visually impaired |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 3.7 | 23.4 | 17.4 | 54.8 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 44.4 | 7,556 |
| 15-19 | 2.1 | 28.2 | 18.0 | 51.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 48.4 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 6.1 | 15.6 | 16.4 | 60.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 38.1 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 3.1 | 9.3 | 14.6 | 71.2 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 27.1 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 1.6 | 7.7 | 13.8 | 75.2 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 23.0 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 14.3 | 78.1 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 19.9 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 0.2 | 4.2 | 8.6 | 85.3 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 13.0 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 1.4 | 5.3 | 9.2 | 80.7 | 3.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 16.0 | 646 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 5.4 | 24.0 | 21.0 | 48.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 50.4 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 1.6 | 15.8 | 19.2 | 62.5 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 36.6 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 0.0 | 1.4 | 3.9 | 92.7 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 5.2 | 5,138 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.0 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 92.1 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 3,471 |
| Second | 0.2 | 5.0 | 7.2 | 86.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 12.4 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 0.6 | 13.1 | 19.0 | 66.1 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 32.7 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 2.3 | 19.3 | 22.2 | 54.7 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 43.8 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 9.0 | 31.1 | 22.1 | 36.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 62.3 | 3,551 |
| Total | 2.6 | 14.5 | 15.1 | 66.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 32.2 | 16,438 |

${ }^{1}$ Refers to women who attended higher education and women who can read a whole sentence or part of the sentence.

Table 3.4 Exposure to mass media

| Percentage of all women aged 15-49 who are exposed to specific media on a weekly basis, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Reads a newspaper at least once a week | Watches television at least once a week | Listens to radio at least once a week | Accesses all three media at least once a week | Accesses any three media at least once a week | Accesses none of the three media at least once a week | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 6.0 | 12.9 | 7.9 | 2.3 | 18.6 | 81.4 | 4649 |
| 20-24 | 4.7 | 11.5 | 8.4 | 2.0 | 16.9 | 83.1 | 2906 |
| 25-29 | 2.8 | 9.4 | 6.4 | 1.4 | 13.5 | 86.5 | 2918 |
| 30-34 | 2.2 | 9.0 | 6.4 | 1.4 | 12.7 | 87.3 | 2195 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 6.2 | 7.2 | 0.7 | 11.5 | 88.5 | 1948 |
| 40-44 | 0.4 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 0.2 | 10.8 | 89.2 | 1176 |
| 45-49 | 1.4 | 9.2 | 7.5 | 1.0 | 14.0 | 86.0 | 646 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 7.4 | 21.9 | 13.7 | 3.5 | 30.1 | 69.9 | 6478 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 2.2 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 0.8 | 8.8 | 91.2 | 4822 |
| Nomadic | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.8 |  | 1.9 | 98.1 | 5138 |
| Education |  |  |  |  | 8.4 | 91.6 | 12266 |
| No education | 0.6 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 0.2 | 25.1 | 74.9 | 2531 |
| Primary | 7.6 | 17.4 | 10.8 | 3.0 | 44.6 | 55.4 | 1214 |
| Secondary | 16.2 | 34.4 | 19.3 | 7.3 | 62.3 | 37.7 | 427 |
| Higher | 31.8 | 47.9 | 32.8 |  |  |  |  |

Wealth quintile

| Lowest | 0.3 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 98.0 | 3471 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Second | 0.6 | 0.5 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 3.2 | 96.8 | 2917 |
| Middle | 1.7 | 3.2 | 7.3 | 0.5 | 9.6 | 90.4 | 3047 |
| Fourth | 4.9 | 8.9 | 9.5 | 2.1 | 15.9 | 84.1 | 3452 |
| Highest | 9.6 | 34.7 | 14.5 | 4.7 | 41.4 | 58.6 | 3551 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 5 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 3 8}$ |

Table 3.5
Internet use

Percentage of women aged 15-49 who have ever used the internet, and percentage who have used the internet in the past 12 months; and among women who have used the internet in the past 12 months, percent distribution by frequency of internet use in the past month, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

> Percent distribution by reported use of the
> internet within the 12 months preceding the
> survey

|  |  |  |  | survey |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics |  | Used the |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Ever used the internet | internet in the past 12 months | Number of women | Almost every day | At least once a week | Less than once a week | Not at all | Total | Number of women |


| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $15-19$ | 25.4 | 23.5 | 4,649 | 65.5 | 23.3 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 1,091 |
| $20-24$ | 24.3 | 22.7 | 2,906 | 69.8 | 18.9 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 658 |
| $25-29$ | 14.9 | 13.2 | 2,918 | 71.5 | 19.7 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 385 |
| $30-34$ | 9.1 | 8.7 | 2,195 | 68.8 | 21.2 | 2.9 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 191 |
| $35-39$ | 6.3 | 5.1 | 1,948 | 63.6 | 12.6 | 12.3 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 100 |
| $40-44$ | 3.6 | 2.9 | 1,176 | $(60.0)$ | $(20.0)$ | $(7.5)$ | $(12.5)$ | 100.0 | 40 |
| $45-49$ | 4.5 | 2.8 | 646 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 100.0 | 23 |

Type of residence

| Urban | 32.2 | 29.9 | 6,478 | 70.0 | 19.8 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 1,939 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 12.1 | 10.5 | 4,822 | 62.8 | 23.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 505 |
| Nomadic | 0.8 | 0.7 | 5,138 | (24.0) | (32.0) | (12.0) | (32.0) | 100.0 | 25 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 5.6 | 4.8 | 12,266 | 56.9 | 23.5 | 8.9 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 585 |
| Primary | 31.2 | 27.5 | 2,531 | 62.0 | 24.8 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 696 |
| Secondary | 70.4 | 67.4 | 1,214 | 72.6 | 19.3 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 818 |
| Higher | 90.8 | 88.5 | 427 | 85.0 | 11.7 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 378 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.7 | 0.5 | 3,471 | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | 17 |
| Second | 2.3 | 1.7 | 2,917 | 32.0 | 50.3 | 3.6 | 14.2 | 100.0 | 50 |
| Middle | 10.1 | 9.0 | 3,047 | 48.9 | 28.9 | 8.7 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 273 |
| Fourth | 21.6 | 19.1 | 3,452 | 65.6 | 22.2 | 6.8 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 660 |
| Highest | 44.2 | 41.6 | 3,551 | 74.1 | 17.5 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,477 |
| Total | 16.5 | 15.1 | 16,438 | 67.8 | 20.7 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 2,478 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

## Table 3.6 Employment status

| Percent distribution of ever-married women aged 15-49 by employment status, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Employed in the 12 months preceding the survey |  | Not employed in the 12 months preceding the survey | Total | Number of evermarried women |
|  | Currently employed ${ }^{1}$ | Not currently employed |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 3.0 | 0.6 | 96.4 | 100.0 | 973 |
| 20-24 | 5.1 | 1.0 | 93.9 | 100.0 | 2,119 |
| 25-29 | 7.3 | 0.6 | 92.1 | 100.0 | 2,728 |
| 30-34 | 8.5 | 1.3 | 90.3 | 100.0 | 2,119 |
| 35-39 | 11.6 | 1.0 | 87.3 | 100.0 | 1,922 |
| 40-44 | 14.4 | 1.9 | 83.6 | 100.0 | 1,158 |
| 45-49 | 18.0 | 1.8 | 80.2 | 100.0 | 641 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 92.1 | 100.0 | 1,316 |
| 1-2 | 6.4 | 0.8 | 92.8 | 100.0 | 2,833 |
| 3-4 | 8.6 | 1.0 | 90.4 | 100.0 | 3,219 |
| 5+ | 11.2 | 1.1 | 87.7 | 100.0 | 4,292 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 12.2 | 1.4 | 86.3 | 100.0 | 4,161 |
| Rural | 10.7 | 1.2 | 88.1 | 100.0 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 3.4 | 0.6 | 96.0 | 100.0 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 7.9 | 1.1 | 91.0 | 100.0 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 11.1 | 0.8 | 88.0 | 100.0 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 12.5 | 0.7 | 86.8 | 100.0 | 375 |
| Higher | 32.3 | 1.7 | 65.9 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 3.1 | 0.6 | 96.3 | 100.0 | 2,733 |
| Second | 6.6 | 1.1 | 92.4 | 100.0 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 11.3 | 1.8 | 86.9 | 100.0 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 11.3 | 0.7 | 88.0 | 100.0 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 13.0 | 1.3 | 85.7 | 100.0 | 2,101 |
| Total | 8.8 | 1.1 | 90.2 | 100.0 | 11,660 |

${ }^{1}$ 'Currently employed' is defined as having done work in the seven days preceding the survey. Includes persons who did not work in the seven days preceding the survey but who are regularly employed and were absent from work for leave illness, vacation or any other such reason.

Table 3.7 Type of employment: Ever Married Women

| Percent distribution of ever married women age 15-49 employed in the 12 months preceding the survey by type of earnings, type of employer, and continuity of employment, according to type of employment (agricultural or nonagricultural), SHDS, 2020 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Agricultural work | Non-agricultural work | Total |
| Type of earning |  |  |  |
| Cash only | 49.7 | 74.3 | 67.6 |
| Cash and in-kind | 12.8 | 10.6 | 11.2 |
| In-kind only | 2.3 | 5.5 | 4.7 |
| Not paid | 35.2 | 9.6 | 16.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Type of employer |  |  |  |
| Employed by family member | 52.4 | 36.9 | 41.1 |
| Employed by non-family member | 3.5 | 13.7 | 10.9 |
| Self-employed | 44.1 | 49.4 | 48.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Continuity of employment |  |  |  |
| All year | 67.4 | 67.5 | 67.5 |
| Seasonal | 16.7 | 15.4 | 15.8 |
| Occasional | 15.9 | 17.0 | 16.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women employed during the past 12 months | 333 | 893 | 1,226 |

Table 3.8 Health insurance coverage

Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 with specific types of health insurance coverage, and percentage with any health insurance, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Social security | Other employerbased insurance | Mutual health organization/ communitybased insurance | Privately purchased commercial insurance | Other | None | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 973 |
| 20-24 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 2,119 |
| 25-29 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 99.6 | 2,728 |
| 30-34 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 2,119 |
| 35-39 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 99.8 | 1,922 |
| 40-44 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 99.7 | 1,158 |
| 45-49 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 99.8 | 641 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.6 | 4,161 |
| Rural | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 99.9 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 99.5 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 98.9 | 375 |
| Higher | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 98.5 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 99.9 | 2,733 |
| Second | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 99.4 | 2,101 |
| Total | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 11,660 |

Table 3.9 Use of tobacco

Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 who use various tobacco products, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage who smoke |  |  | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cigarettes | Other types of tobacco | Any type of tobacco |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 973 |
| 20-24 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 2,119 |
| 25-29 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 2,728 |
| 30-34 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 2,119 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 1,922 |
| 40-44 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 1,158 |
| 45-49 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 641 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.8 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 4,161 |
| Rural | 1.9 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 1.5 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 1.1 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 2.3 | 0.1 | 2.3 | 375 |
| Higher | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 2,733 |
| Second | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 2.4 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 2.3 | 0.1 | 2.5 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 2,101 |
| Total | 1.5 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 11,660 |



## Marriage,

## Fertility and Birth Spacing

## KEY FINDINGS

AGE AT FIRST
MARRIAGE

The median age at first marriage is 20 for women and 23 for men


16\%ever-married women aged 20-49 are married by age 15, and 34 percent are married by 18 years

TEENAGE PREGNANCY AND MOTHERHOOD

14\%
of women aged 15-19 have either given birth or are pregnant with their first child

AGE AT
FIRST BIRTH
21
median age at first birth in Somalia for women aged 25-49

TOTAL FERTILITY
RATE (TFR)

## 6.9 <br> children per woman


median months between two births among Somali women

CONTRACEPTIVE
KNOWLEDGE

of ever-married women aged 15-49 have knowledge of modern contraception

## 68

of births were reported by the mother to have been wanted at the time of conception
(4) MARRIAGE, FERTILITY AND BIRTH SPACING

## Estimates suggest that Somalia has one of the highest fertility

 levels in the world, second only to Niger according to the latest revision of the UN World Population Prospects (United Nations 2019). The data on marriage and fertility collected as part of the SHDS 2020 validates estimates and helps gain better insight into what is behind Somalia's fertility levels and trends.Some of these factors, including proximate determinants such as age at marriage, timing of fertility, birth spacing, age at first birth and inter-birth intervals among others, are presented in this chapter. It further examines the key factors that determine the exposure to the risk of pregnancy. Information presented pertains to women of reproductive age.

## Marriage

Information on marriage helps to determine the extent to which a woman is exposed to the risk of pregnancy, and informs fertility levels and trends. In general, populations in which women marry at a young age tend to initiate childbearing early, and thus have higher fertility rates in general. In Somalia, marriage and fertility are closely linked, because childbearing takes place within the context of marriage.

## Marital status

The SHDS 2020 classified marital status as never-married, currently married, divorced or widowed. Table 4.1 and Figure 4.1 show the distribution of women aged 15-49 by their current marital status and according to age. Marriage among Somali women is virtually universal, with only 1 percent of the women aged 45-49 having never entered into a marital union. The percentage of women who have never been married declines sharply with increasing age, from 79 percent among those aged 15-19 to 27 percent for women aged 2024. Almost all Somali women are married by the age of 35 . The percentage of currently married women increases with age and peaks at the

Figure 4.1 Current marital status of women aged 15-49
Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by current marital status


35-39 age group. Additionally, widowhood significantly increases and peaks among women of age 45-49 years. Divorce among women of 15-19 years stands at 2 percent and is 6 percent among all women of reproductive ages (15-49 years).

## Age at First Marriage

Age at first marriage is an important indicator of exposure to the risk of conception and childbirth, especially in a society in which almost all births occur within marriage. Women who marry early will, on average, have a longer exposure to the risk of pregnancy and more
births in their reproductive years. Information on age at first marriage was obtained by asking all ever-married women the month and year in which they got married to their first husbands, while similar information for men was obtained from the household roster.

Table 4.2 shows the percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 by specific exact ages and median age at first marriage. Sixteen percent of women in the age group 20-49 entered their first marriage by the age of 15 . Thirty-four percent of women aged 20-49 were married for the first time by the age of 18 , while close to half (44 percent) married for the first time by
the age of 20. The median age at first marriage for women aged 25-49 is 20 years.

Table 4.3 shows the percentage of men aged 15-64 who were first married, by specific exact ages and the median age at first marriage. About 1 percent of men in the age bracket 2049 entered into their first marriage by the age of 15 and 7 percent by the age of 18 . Fourteen percent of the men aged 15-64 had nevermarried. The median age at first marriage for men aged $25-64$ is 23 years.

## Early Marriage

Early marriage is still widely practised in many parts of the world, including Somalia, even though it violates the rights of young people (particularly girls) and has widespread and long-term consequences. Somali parents encourage the marriage of their daughters while they are still young, in the hope that marriage will benefit the girls both financially and socially, while also relieving financial burdens on the family. This traditional practice prevents young girls from realizing their full potential in life, limiting their physical, psychological and economic development. Early marriage often results in early childbearing, which has a detrimental effect on the health of both the mother and child. It also often leads to a longer reproductive period and higher levels of fertility. In many countries, the postponement of marriage greatly reduces childbearing rates.

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As seen in Table 4.2, 16 percent of women aged 20-49 and 25-49 had already married by the time they turned 15. Thirty-four percent and 33 percent of women aged 20-49 and 25-49, respectively, were first married by the age of 18 (Figure 4.2).

## Fertility

This section examines a number of issues related to fertility and childbearing, including fertility levels, age at which women initiate childbearing, fertility preference, and other determinants of fertility. The knowledge of current and cumulative fertility is central to understanding population dynamics and the factors that influence the size and age structure of a population. It is also essential in monitoring the progress and evaluating the impact of population and health programmes in Somalia. Using the information collected during the SHDS, it is possible to estimate the current level of fertility, identify trends, and highlight variations in fertility according to certain characteristics. During the survey, interviewers asked all ever-married women aged 15-49 in the sampled households about the total number of children they had ever given birth to, alive or dead, the sex of the children, those that are living within the household, and children living elsewhere. Following this, interviewers compiled a complete history of births for each respondent, from the earliest to the most recent birth, recording for each of them the type of birth (single or multiple), survival status, gender and date of birth.

## Current Fertility

The most commonly used measures of current fertility are the total fertility rate (TFR) and one of its components-age-specific fertility rates (ASFRs). The TFR is a summary measure of fertility and is interpreted as the number of children a woman would have by the end of her child-bearing years if she were to experience the currently observed ASFRs. The TFR estimates compiled during the SHDS 2020 refer to the three years preceding the survey. The ASFR was calculated as the number of live births by women in a given age group divided by the number of woman-years in that age group during the specified period.

As presented in Figure 4.3, across most of the age groups, generally, women residing in nomadic households have higher ASFRs compared to those in rural and urban settings.

Figure 4.3 Age-specific fertility rates by residence
Percent of women age 15-49 who were first married by specific exact ages


However, in the age groups 25-29, 30-34 and 35-39 years, women residing in rural households have higher ASFRs than their urban and nomadic counterparts.

Other important measures of current fertility are the general fertility rate (GFR) and crude birth rate (CBR). The GFR is the annual number of live births in a population per 1,000 women aged 15-49, while the CBR is the ratio of the number of live births occurring in a given year per 1,000 population.

Table 4.4 presents the ASFRs and aggregate fertility measures (TFR, GFR, and CBR) by place of residence.

The total fertility rate for Somalia is 6.9 children per woman. According to the SHDS findings, differences can be noted in the TFRs of women by their type of residence. The TFR is highest among women residing in nomadic areas, at 7.3, and lowest among those residing in urban areas, at 6.4 (Figure 4.4). Childbearing peaks in the age groups 20-24 and 25-29 and drops sharply after 39 years.

Overall, the GFR in Somalia is 228 per 1,000 women. The GFR is 235 births per 1,000 women for women living in rural areas, 211

## The total fertility rate for

 Somalia is 6.9 children per womanbirths per 1,000 women for those in urban areas and 244 births per 1,000 women for women in nomadic households. The CBR exhibits the same pattern as the TFR and the GFR. There is a small difference between the TFR reported in the Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2006 (UNICEF 2006), reported as 6.7 children per woman, and the SHDS 2020, which states it is 6.9 children per woman. While comparing both figures, it is important to keep in mind that the MICS 2006 coverage of the nomadic population was excluded. The TFR estimate for 2015-2020 presented in the World Population Prospects for Somalia is 6.1 (United Nations 2019) ${ }^{1}$. Data from the SHDS suggests that the fertility levels in Somalia have remained relatively stable over the past couple of decades, and that the decline expected by international experts did not materialize.

[^5]Figure 4.4 Total fertility rates
Total fertility rates by residence


Figure 4.5 Fertility by educational background
Total fertility rates by level of education
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Table 4.5 presents the TFR and the mean number of children ever born (CEB) by background characteristics of the women. It is important to keep in mind that the two indicators capture two different perspectives on fertility. The TFR is a "period" indicator, which shows the number of children that would be born per woman if she was subject to the current schedule of age-specific fertility rates. The CEB is a cohort indicator, which measures the mean number of children born alive to women in a given age group. The number of children ever born to a particular woman is a measure of her lifetime fertility experience up to the moment the SHDS interview was carried out. Table 4.5 presents the CEB for women aged 40 to 49 years, as they are nearing the end of their reproductive lives and thus could
be interpreted as a measure of the average completed fertility. It is important to keep in mind that the reporting of children ever born is subject to recall and other biases, and this is particularly pronounced among older women. The table also presents data for women who reported they were pregnant at the time of the survey.

Comparing the TFR (a measure of period/ current fertility) with the mean number of CEB among women aged 40 to 49/completed fertility (a measure of cohort/past fertility) provides important insights in fertility patterns and trends. If fertility remained stable over time and women accurately reported the number of children they have ever born alive, the TFR and mean CEB for women aged 40-49 would be equal. The SHDS indicates there is a very slight difference between the TFR (6.9) and mean CEB for women aged 40-49 years (7.2). This could mean fertility is declining slightly, or a lower recall bias.

As Table 4.5 indicates, the TFR is consistently lower than the mean number of children ever born for women aged 40-49. This is likely to be attributed to the aforementioned problems with recall and other biases in reporting CEB. The magnitude of the differences suggests though that the current fertility levels in Somalia might be lower than in the past. A forthcoming specialized thematic report will look into this in more detail. Notably, this pattern holds across places of residence and women's education levels. In terms of differences in TFR by place of residence, Table 4.5 indicates that fertility is lowest among women living in urban areas and highest among those living in nomadic areas. Only the TFR for women living in urban areas is lower, at 6.4, than the national average of 6.9 children per woman. The largest fertility differentials are associated with educational background (Figure 4.5). For women with no education, the TFR is about twice as high (7.2) as that for women with higher education (3.7). Notably, the difference in TFR between women with no education and those with primary education is relatively small (Table 4.5 and Figure 4.5).

Another measure of fertility is the proportion of women who were pregnant at the time the survey was conducted. This represents, in a sense, the most current level of fertility, since it anticipates fertility during the months following the survey. However, this measure of current fertility should also be treated with caution as pregnancies are generally underreported. Some women in the early stages of pregnancy may be unaware or uncertain that they are pregnant, and others may deliberately avoid mentioning their status due to local customs and tradition.

Overall, 17 percent of ever-married women were pregnant at the time the survey was conducted. There is a slight variation in the proportions of 'currently pregnant women' (pregnant at the time the survey was conducted) with respect to their places of residence, at 18 percent, 17 percent and 16 percent for urban, nomadic and rural settings, respectively.

Information on the number of CEB for Somalia is presented in Table 4.6 for ever-married women and currently married women. On average, ever-married women aged 45-49 have given birth to 6.2 children, of whom 5.6 survived until the time the survey was conducted. Of the 6.5 children born on average to currently married women aged 45-49, 5.9 survived until the time the survey was conducted. The difference in fertility between the two groups could be attributed to the fact that it is almost universal that children are born within marriage across the country. The dissolution of marriage, particularly at early ages of childbearing, reduces the exposure to the risk of pregnancy and childbearing.

The mean number of CEB increases with age, reflecting the natural family building process.

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For example, among ever-married women, the average number of live births for the age group $25-29$ is 3.5, while women of 35-39 years reported an average of 5.9 children. Among currently married women, the mean CEB to women of 25-29 years is $3.6,6.1$ for women in the 35-39 age group and 6.5 among women aged 45-49.

## Inter-Birth Intervals

The inter-birth interval, defined as the period of time between two consecutive births, has important implications both for the health of the mother and child and for the fertility levels in a population. After a live birth, the recommended interval before attempting the next pregnancy is at least 24 months, in order to reduce the risk of adverse maternal, perinatal and infant outcomes (WHO 2005). Children born too close together have long been associated with an increased risk of adverse health outcomes, including infant, child and maternal mortality (B. K. Dabal, 2007).

Table 4.7 presents the distribution of non-first births that occurred in the five years preceding the survey by the number of months since the previous birth, according to background characteristics. It shows that the median spacing between births is 21 months. Twentythree percent of births reported a spacing of 60 months and above. Births with a spacing of less than 18 months accounted for 27 percent of the total number. There is no difference in the mean birth interval whether or not the preceding birth is male or female.

## Menopause

Women are considered to have reached menopause if they are neither pregnant nor postpartum amenorrhoeic and have not had a menstrual period in the six months before the survey; if they report being menopausal; or having had a hysterectomy; or if they have never menstruated. Table 4.8 shows that, overall, 17 percent of women aged 30-49 are menopausal. As could be expected, the proportion of menopausal women increases with age.

## Age at First Birth

The age at which childbearing commences is an important determinant of the overall level of fertility, as well as the health and well-being of the mother and child. The data on age at first birth is sometimes affected by reporting errors, such as misreporting the woman's age, underreporting of first births, and misreporting the first child's date of birth. Such errors are usually more pronounced among older women. Table 4.9 shows the percentage of women by age at first birth according to their current age. The survey shows that the median age at first birth for Somali women aged 25-49 is 21 years.

Table 4.10 summarizes the median age at first birth for women aged 20-49 and 25-49 across residential, educational, and wealth status subgroups. The results show that the median age at first birth does not vary much by these background characteristics, with the exception of women with higher education, who-as could be expected-had their first children later, at 22 years, compared to women with primary education, who had their first children at 19 years.

## Teenage Pregnancy and Motherhood

Teenage pregnancy and motherhood is defined as the percentage of women aged 15-19 who are pregnant with their first child at the time of the survey, or have had a live birth or have begun childbearing, according to the DHS program (Croft T et al. 2018).

Childbearing under the age of 20 has major health implications for both the mother and the child. Likewise, pregnancy under the age of 20 has adverse social consequences, especially for female education, as women who become mothers under the age of 20 are likely not to complete their education.

The percentage of teenage women (aged 1519) who are mothers or pregnant with their first child is shown in Table 4.11 - the data indicates that 14 percent of the Somali girls aged 15-19 fall in this category, 12 percent having already given birth to a child and 2 percent being pregnant with their first child. The proportion of teenagers who have begun childbearing rises rapidly with age. Two percent of women aged 15 have started childbearing, but by the age of 19, 39 percent of women have had a baby, or are pregnant with their first child. There are significant differences in background

Figure 4.6 Teenage pregnancy and motherhood by household wealth Percentage of women age 15-19 who have begun childbearing


## Women who become mothers under the age of 20 are likely not to complete their education

characteristics - while 19 percent of girls aged 15-19 in nomadic areas are already mothers or pregnant with their first child, this proportion in urban areas is 11 percent. Nineteen percent of girls aged 15-19 without education have had a baby or are pregnant, compared to 2 percent of girls with higher education who fall within this bracket. Twenty percent of the girls aged 15-19 in the poorest households have started childbearing, compared to 9 percent of girls of the same age in the wealthiest households (Figure 4.6).

## Fertility Preferences

Information on fertility preferences can help assess the desire for children, ideal number of children, the extent of wanted, mistimed and unintended pregnancies. Data on fertility preferences may suggest the way in which fertility trends and patterns are likely to evolve in the future. This section presents SHDS data on whether and when married women desire more children and the desire to limit children, by background characteristics. It also presents the reported ideal number of children, the mean ideal number of children, and whether the last birth was intended at the time of conception.

## Fertility Preferences by Number of Living Children

Table 4.12 presents the percent distribution of currently married women by their desire for more children, according to the number of living children they had, as stated at the time the survey was conducted. Sixty-nine percent of currently married women want to have a child soon, 14 percent are undecided on whether to have another child, and 12 percent
do not want any more children. Seventy-seven percent of currently married women with no living children want to have a child soon, while 59 percent of women with six or more children want to have another child soon. Only 3 percent of currently married women reported they want to have another child later.

## Desire to Limit Childbearing

Table 4.13 shows the percentage of currently married women who want no more children by the number of living children they already have, according to background characteristics. Overall, 12 percent of currently married women are willing to stop childbearing. The desire to limit childbearing increases as the number of living children increases, from zero percent among married women with no living children to 20 percent among women with six or more living children.

Analysis by women's residence shows that, generally, nomadic women are less likely to want no more children in comparison to urban and rural women ( 11 percent, 12 percent and 14 percent, respectively). There is no clear relationship between wealth and wanting no more children. However, women in fourth and middle wealth quintiles are more likely to want no more children (14 percent and 13 percent, respectively) than women in the lowest (10 percent) and the highest quintiles (12 percent).

## Ideal Number of Children

In order to obtain a greater insight into fertility preferences among Somali women, the SHDS interviewers asked all ever-married women, regardless of the number of living children they have, a hypothetical question about the number of children they would choose to have if they could start their reproductive lives again. Respondents with no children were asked: "If you could choose exactly the number of children to have in your whole life, how many would that be?" Respondents who had children were asked: "If you could go back to the time when you did not have any children and could choose exactly the number of children to have in your whole life, how many would that be?"

Table 4.14 shows the percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by their opinions on their ideal number of children, and mean ideal number of children for all respondents, as well as for currently married respondents, according to the number of living children they have. It indicates that the Somali women desire large families. Fifty-two percent of women interviewed consider six or more children to be the ideal family size. Three percent stated their ideal number of children is five.

If currently married Somali women could choose their ideal number of children, they would like to have 9 children on average. There is no substantial difference between the mean ideal number of children for ever-married women and currently married women.

Among the currently married women who have no living children, the mean ideal number of children is 9 , while among the ever-married women, the mean ideal number of children is 8.

## Figure 4.7 Fertility planning status

Percent distribution of births to women aged 15-49 in the five years preceding the survey by planning status of the birth


## Fertility Planning

Information collected as part of the SHDS 2020 provides an opportunity to estimate the levels of unintended fertility. This information provides an insight into the degree to which couples are able to control fertility. Women aged 15-49 were asked a series of questions about each child born to them in the five years preceding the survey, as well as any current pregnancy, to determine whether the birth or pregnancy was intended at the time of conception, intended later, or not intended at all. In assessing these results, it is important to recognise that women may declare a previously unintended birth or current pregnancy as intended, and this rationalisation would result in an underestimate of the true extent of unintended births.

Table 4.15 summarizes the planning status of births in the five years preceding the survey: whether the birth was intended at the time of conception, intended later, or not intended at all. Overall, about two-thirds of births (69 percent) were wanted at the time they occurred, while 23 percent were intended later and around 8 percent were born to mothers who intended to have no more children (Figure 4.7). First- and fourth- order births were more likely to have been intended (72 percent) than second and third order births (68 and 65 percent respectively). The proportion of unintended births is greater for births that are second in order (9 percent) than for fourth or higher births births (5 percent). Similarly, a larger proportion of births to older women are unintended than those to younger women. While only 7 percent of births to women under age 20 are unintended, 16 percent of births to women age 40-44 are unintended.

## Birth Spacing

Couples can use contraceptive methods to better space their children. Information on contraceptive use is of particular interest to policymakers, programme managers, and researchers in population and birth spacing.

This section describes women's knowledge and use of contraceptive methods and the need and demand for birth spacing.

## Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods

The knowledge of contraceptive methods is a precondition for their proper use. Information regarding knowledge of birth spacing methods was gathered by asking the respondent first about ways or methods by which the couple could delay or avoid pregnancy. If the respondent failed to mention any of the methods included in the questionnaire, the
interviewer described the method and asked the respondent whether she had heard about it. No questions were asked to obtain information about the depth of knowledge.

Contraceptive methods used for the survey were classified into two broad categories: modern methods and traditional methods. Modern methods include the pill, the intrauterine device (IUD), injectables, implants, the male and the female condom, the diaphragm, the lactational amenorrhea method (LAM), and emergency contraception. Traditional methods include rhythm (periodic abstinence) and withdrawal.

## Figure 4.8 Knowledge of contraceptive methods

Percentage of all ever-married women, currently married women 15-49 who have heard of any contraceptive method, by specific method


Table 4.16 presents data on the knowledge of contraceptive methods. It indicates that around 63 percent of ever-married women have heard of at least one method of contraception. Modern contraceptive methods are more widely known than traditional methods-62 percent each of both ever-married women and currently married women know of any modern method, while 17 percent each of ever-married women and currently married women know of a traditional method (Figure 4.8).

The LAM, pill, injectables, implants and condoms are the contraceptive methods most commonly known among Somali women. Fifty-four percent of women have heard of lactational amenorrhea, 35 percent have heard of the pill, 31 percent have heard of injectables, 25 percent have heard of implants, and 17 percent have heard of the male condom.

Table 4.17 presents data on the knowledge of contraceptive methods by background characteristics. It shows that knowledge of contraception is highest among older women, with about half of the girls aged 15-19 having heard of contraceptive methods. Women in urban areas are more likely to know of contraceptive methods, as close to threequarters of them stated they had heard of at
least one modern method, compared to 65 percent among women in rural areas, and 52 percent of women who reside in nomadic areas. As could be expected, women with higher education are best informed about contraception-90 percent of them have heard of at least one method (Figure 4.9).

## Contraceptive Use

One of the most frequently used indicators for assessing the success of birth spacing programmes is examining the current level of contraceptive use. This is also widely used as a measure in the analysis of determinants of fertility.

Table 4.18 shows the distribution of currently married women who were using modern contraception by age. As indicated in the table, 6 percent of the currently married women are using any contraceptive method and 1 percent are using modern methods. Among the 15-19year olds, 8 percent are using contraceptives compared to 2 percent of those aged 40-44.

## Knowledge of Fertile Period

To examine a woman's knowledge of the reproductive process, respondents were asked

Figure 4.9 Knowledge of contraceptive methods by education
Percentage of currently married women aged 15-49 who have heard of at least one contraceptive method


# Among the 15-19-year olds, 8 percent are using contraceptives compared to 2 percent of those aged 40-44 

whether there were certain days between the menstrual periods when a woman was more likely to become pregnant if she had sexual intercourse. Those women who responded that the fertile period is "halfway between two menstrual periods" were considered to have correct knowledge of their fertile period. Table 4.19 shows the percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 with correct knowledge of the fertile period during the ovulation cycle, according to age. Overall, only 10 percent of ever-married women correctly reported the most fertile time as being halfway between two menstrual periods.

Among young ever-married women (15-19 years of age), 8 percent had correct knowledge of the fertile period. Around 10 percent of women in the age group 20-24 were able to correctly identify a woman's monthly cycle, while 11 percent of women aged 45-49 reported the correct women's fertile period. These results indicate a continued need for education about women's physiology of reproduction and effective use of contraceptive methods.

## Need and Demand for Birth Spacing

One of the major concerns of birth spacing programmes is to assess the size of the potential demand for contraception and to identify women who are in need of contraceptive services. Table 4.20 presents estimates of unmet need, met need, and the total demand for birth spacing. The table also shows the percentage of the total demand that is satisfied.

Women who are currently married and who either do not want any more children or want
to wait two or more years before having another child, but are not using contraception, are considered to have an 'unmet need' for birth spacing. Women with a 'met need' for birth spacing are those who are currently using contraception. The total demand for birth spacing is the sum of unmet needs and met needs.

Table 4.20 shows that 37 percent of currently married women have an unmet need for birth spacing services ( 29 percent for spacing births and 8 percent for stopping childbearing). One percent of married women are currently using a contraceptive method or have a met need for either birth spacing or limiting childbearing. Thirty-eight percent of currently married women have a demand for birth spacing (30 percent for birth spacing and 8 percent for limiting childbearing). At present, only 3 percent of the potential demand for birth spacing is being met. This means that if all married women who said they want to space the births of their children, or limit their number of children were to use birth spacing methods, the contraceptive prevalence rate would increase from 1 percent to 38 percent.

Analysis by age shows that the unmet need for birth spacing is highest among women aged 30-34 (39 percent), and lowest among women aged 15-19 (31 percent). Unmet need is slightly higher in rural and nomadic areas than urban areas, with urban areas at 36 percent and both rural and nomadic areas at 37 percent each.

Unmet needs are higher among women with no education than women with primary education, at 37 percent, followed by women with higher education, at 30 percent. Women with secondary education have the lowest unmet needs at 29 percent. Unmet need is lowest among women from wealthier households, at 34 percent, and highest among women in the middle wealth quintile, at 39 percent. There are no big differences in the total demand for birth spacing among currently married women from households of different wealth.

Comparison with the 2006 MICS indicates that unmet need among currently married women


increased from 26 percent to 37 percent over the past 14 years.

## Exposure to Birth Spacing Messages

The role of the media in promoting birth spacing is essential in bringing information to different target groups. Data on the level of exposure to media, such as the radio, television, and papers/ magazines are important for programme managers and planners to effectively target population subgroups for information, education, and communication campaigns. To assess the effectiveness of such media on the dissemination of birth spacing information, interviewing teams asked ever-married women whether they had heard messages about birth spacing on the radio or seen related messages on television or in newspapers/magazines during the few months preceding the survey.

Table 4.21 shows that women's exposure to all three media is very low. About 13 percent of women have heard a message related to birth spacing on the radio. Close to 10 percent of women reported having seen a message on birth spacing on television, and 4 percent saw a message on birth spacing in a newspaper. Eighty-two percent of women had not been exposed to birth spacing messages in any of these media. As expected, women in nomadic areas are less likely to have been exposed to birth spacing messages in the media compared to women in urban and rural areas.

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Table 4.21
Exposure to birth spacing messages

Table 4.1 Current marital status

| Percent distribution of women age 15-49 by current marital status, according to age, SHDS, 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | Never-married | Currently Married | Divorced | Widowed | Total | Number of women |
| 15-19 | 79.1 | 18.2 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 4649 |
| 20-24 | 27.1 | 63.9 | 7.6 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 2906 |
| 25-29 | 6.5 | 84.9 | 6.7 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 2918 |
| 30-34 | 3.5 | 85.0 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 2195 |
| 35-39 | 1.3 | 87.5 | 6.5 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 1948 |
| 40-44 | 1.5 | 83.6 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 1176 |
| 45-49 | 0.8 | 74.7 | 9.6 | 14.9 | 100.0 | 646 |
| Total | 29.1 | 62.1 | 5.9 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 16,438 |

Table 4.2 Age at first marriage

Percentage of women age 15-49 who were first married by specific exact ages, and median age at first marriage, according to current age, SHDS 2020

|  | Percentage first married by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage of nevermarried | Number of respondents | Median age at first marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current age | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 7.7 | na | na | na | na | 79.1 | 4,649 | a |
| 20-24 | 16.7 | 35.4 | 41.7 | na | na | 27.1 | 2,906 | a |
| 25-29 | 14.6 | 32.3 | 42.0 | 55.8 | 71.7 | 6.5 | 2,918 | 20.0 |
| 30-34 | 24.8 | 36.6 | 47.9 | 60.5 | 79.1 | 3.5 | 2,195 | 20.0 |
| 35-39 | 12.8 | 33.8 | 46.3 | 59.5 | 78.3 | 1.3 | 1,948 | 20.0 |
| 40-44 | 10.0 | 29.3 | 45.9 | 57.3 | 71.2 | 1.5 | 1,176 | 20.0 |
| 45-49 | 12.9 | 29.4 | 42.4 | 58.4 | 73.9 | 0.8 | 646 | 20.0 |
| 20-49 | 16.2 | 33.7 | 44.1 | na | na | 9.4 | 11,789 | a |
| 25-49 | 16.0 | 33.1 | 44.9 | 58.2 | 75.1 | 3.5 | 8,883 | 20.0 |

Note: The age at first marriage is defined as the age at which the respondent got married to her first spouse $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable due to censoring

Table 4.3 Age at first marriage for Male

Percentage of men age 15-49 who were first married by specific exact ages, and median age at first marriage, according to current age, SHDS, 2020

| Current age | Percentage first married by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage of nevermarried | Number of respondents | Median age at first marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.3 | na | na | na | na | 96.0 | 5,162 | a |
| 20-24 | 0.4 | 7.1 | 16.6 | na | na | 71.3 | 2,898 | a |
| 25-29 | 0.6 | 7.5 | 18.7 | 32.5 | 51.6 | 35.2 | 2,408 | a |
| 30-34 | 0.8 | 8.0 | 17.7 | 36.7 | 53.7 | 12.8 | 2,219 | 22.0 |
| 35-39 | 0.5 | 7.6 | 16.3 | 37.5 | 50.7 | 5.7 | 1,874 | 24.0 |
| 40-44 | 0.7 | 5.9 | 13.3 | 33.5 | 44.8 | 4.4 | 1,779 | 25.0 |
| 45-49 | 0.3 | 5.7 | 12.8 | 35.0 | 47.0 | 2.7 | 966 | 25.0 |
| 50-54 | 0.7 | 6.7 | 13.4 | 36.4 | 44.4 | 1.7 | 1,314 | 25.0 |
| 55-59 | 0.3 | 5.0 | 15.2 | 37.4 | 48.4 | 0.7 | 598 | 25.0 |
| 60-64 | 0.5 | 7.9 | 15.5 | 39.1 | 47.6 | 2.9 | 969 | 25.0 |
| 20-49 | 0.6 | 7.1 | 16.4 | na | na | 28.1 | 12,144 | a |
| 25-49 | 0.6 | 7.1 | 16.3 | 35.0 | 50.1 | 14.5 | 9,246 | a |
| 20-64 | 0.6 | 7.1 | 16.0 | na | na | 23.1 | 15,025 | a |
| 25-64 | 0.6 | 7.0 | 15.9 | 35.6 | 49.2 | 11.5 | 1,2127 | 23.0 |

Note: The age at first marriage is defined as the age at which the respondent got married to his first spouse
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable due to censoring
$\mathrm{a}=$ Omitted because less than 50 percent of the men got married for the first time before reaching the beginning of the age group

Table 4.4 Current Fertility

Age-specific and total fertility rate, the general fertility rate, and the curde birth rate for the three years preceding the survey, by
Residence, SHDS, 2020

| Age group | Residence |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  |
| 15-19 | 94 | 112 | 157 | 118 |
| 20-24 | 304 | 342 | 350 | 329 |
| 25-29 | 312 | 343 | 320 | 324 |
| 30-34 | 290 | 299 | 284 | 291 |
| 35-39 | 174 | 189 | 178 | 180 |
| 40-44 | 79 | 104 | 128 | 102 |
| 45-49 | 20 | 36 | 41 | 33 |
| TFR (15-49) | 6.4 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 6.9 |
| GFR | 211 | 235 | 244 | 228 |
| CBR | 41.7 | 41.3 | 42.5 | 43.3 |

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 women
GFR: General fertility rate expressed per 1,000 women aged 15-49
CBR: Crude birth rate expressed per 1,000 population

Table 4.5 Selected fertility indicators by background characteristics

Total fertility rate for the three years preceding the survey, percentage of women aged 15-49 currently pregnant, and mean number of children ever born to women aged 40-49 years, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristic | Total Fertility Rate | Mean number of children ever <br> born to women aged 40-49 | Percentage women aged 15-49 <br> currently pregnant |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type of residence | 6.4 |  |  |
| Urban | 7.1 | 6.8 | 18 |
| Rural | 7.3 | 7.2 | 16.4 |
| Nomadic | 7.2 | 8.3 | 16.9 |
| Education | 6.4 | 8.3 | 16.1 |
| No education | 4.7 | 8.6 | 20.5 |
| Primary | 3.7 | 6.3 | 30.9 |
| Secondary | 6.4 | 23.5 |  |
| Higher | 7.3 | 7 | 17.4 |
| Wealth quintile | 7.7 | 7.6 | 16.2 |
| Lowest | 7 | 7.3 | 17.9 |
| Second | 7 | 7 | 16.7 |
| Middle | 5.6 | 7.1 | 17.6 |
| Fourth | 6.9 | 7.2 | 17.1 |
| Highest |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |

Note: Total fertility rates are for the period 1-36 months preceding the interview

Table 4.6
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,SHDS, 2020

Number of children ever born

|  | Number of children ever born |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mean <br> number <br> of <br> children ever born |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10+ | Total | Number of women |  | Mean number of living children |


| Evermarried women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15-19 | 45.0 | 34.3 | 15.7 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 973 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 20-24 | 16.5 | 20.0 | 27.2 | 22.8 | 10.2 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,119 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 25-29 | 7.3 | 7.9 | 15.5 | 19.8 | 19.7 | 14.6 | 8.1 | 4.8 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,728 | 3.5 | 3.4 |
| 30-34 | 6.2 | 4.3 | 8.6 | 12.6 | 14.0 | 15.4 | 14.2 | 10.8 | 7.5 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 2,119 | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| 35-39 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 6.0 | 8.1 | 10.7 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 15.5 | 10.0 | 8.5 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 1,922 | 5.9 | 5.5 |
| 40-44 | 5.8 | 1.5 | 4.7 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 14.7 | 14.1 | 10.7 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 1,158 | 6.0 | 5.5 |
| 45-49 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 6.2 | 10.0 | 7.4 | 13.3 | 13.8 | 8.8 | 10.3 | 9.6 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 641 | 6.2 | 5.6 |
| Total | 11.1 | 9.6 | 13.2 | 14.2 | 12.2 | 11.2 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 4.8 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 11,660 | 4.0 | 3.8 |
| Currently married women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 44.4 | 34.3 | 16.5 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 844 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 20-24 | 16.4 | 19.3 | 26.5 | 23.8 | 10.7 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,857 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 25-29 | 6.5 | 7.3 | 14.9 | 20.2 | 19.9 | 15.2 | 8.5 | 5.1 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,477 | 3.6 | 3.4 |
| 30-34 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 7.9 | 12.9 | 13.7 | 15.7 | 15.6 | 11.1 | 7.9 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1,866 | 4.9 | 4.7 |
| 35-39 | 3.6 | 1.5 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 10.2 | 12.5 | 13.5 | 15.5 | 10.5 | 9.3 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 1,705 | 6.1 | 5.7 |
| 40-44 | 5.4 | 1.2 | 4.5 | 7.6 | 9.8 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 10.5 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 13.9 | 100.0 | 984 | 6.1 | 5.7 |
| 45-49 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 5.9 | 9.5 | 5.6 | 14.8 | 14.5 | 8.3 | 11.4 | 10.5 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 483 | 6.5 | 5.9 |
| Total | 10.4 | 9.1 | 12.9 | 14.4 | 12.2 | 11.3 | 9.2 | 7.3 | 5.0 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 10215 | 4.1 | 3.9 |

Table 4.7
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, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Birth order (number of months since preceding birth) |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of non-first births | Median number of months since preceding birth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 7-17 | 18-23 | 24-35 | 36-47 | 48-59 | 60+ | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 13.0 | 2.6 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 77.4 | 100.0 | 246 | 13.8 |
| 20-29 | 28.3 | 13.2 | 20.9 | 5.9 | 2.0 | 29.6 | 100.0 | 4,346 | 19.2 |
| 30-39 | 27.3 | 17.5 | 29.6 | 10.7 | 5.0 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 2,890 | 23.0 |
| 40-49 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 29.4 | 11.8 | 7.2 | 20.5 | 100.0 | 526 | 24.0 |

Sex of
preceding birth

| Male | 27.0 | 14.8 | 24.0 | 7.8 | 3.8 | 22.7 | 100.0 | 4,280 | 21.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Female | 26.8 | 13.8 | 24.3 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 24.2 | 100.0 | 3,729 | 21.0 |

Survival of
preceding birth

| Living | 27.4 | 14.5 | 24.1 | 7.5 | 3.2 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 7,400 | 20.8 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Dead | 20.4 | 12.3 | 25.2 | 13.0 | 4.8 | 24.2 | 100.0 | 608 | 24.0 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2-3 | 27.1 | 14.5 | 24.5 | 7.8 | 3.2 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 7,335 | 20.8 |
| $4-6$ | 26.0 | 13.2 | 20.6 | 8.9 | 5.5 | 25.8 | 100.0 | 608 | 22.4 |
| 7+ | 12.0 | 6.7 | 18.1 | 7.2 | 1.9 | 54.0 | 100.0 | 66 | 21.6 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 30.4 | 13.2 | 22.9 | 7.6 | 3.2 | 22.7 | 100.0 | 2,987 | 23.0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 26.2 | 16.1 | 24.7 | 8.4 | 2.8 | 21.7 | 100.0 | 2,436 | 23.0 |
| Nomadic | 23.4 | 14.0 | 25.1 | 7.8 | 4.0 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 2,586 | 19.2 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 26.1 | 14.4 | 25.0 | 8.2 | 3.6 | 22.6 | 100.0 | 6,664 | 21.0 |
| Primary | 31.7 | 14.0 | 20.6 | 6.5 | 2.2 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 1,058 | 20.0 |
| Secondary | 30.0 | 14.8 | 13.1 | 7.8 | 2.7 | 31.5 | 100.0 | 199 | 21.6 |
| Higher | 22.5 | 10.6 | 23.4 |  | 1.3 | 42.3 | 100.0 | 87 | 24.9 |

Wealth
quintile

| Lowest | 22.2 | 14.4 | 25.8 | 7.4 | 3.8 | 26.4 | 100.0 | 1,756 | 20.0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Second | 23.8 | 13.7 | 27.1 | 9.8 | 3.5 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 1,630 | 20.0 |
| Middle | 30.5 | 14.9 | 23.4 | 6.4 | 3.1 | 21.7 | 100.0 | 1,615 | 21.0 |
| Fourth | 30.9 | 13.3 | 22.9 | 8.1 | 3.5 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 1,733 | 22.0 |
| Highest | 27.2 | 15.7 | 20.7 | 7.8 | 2.8 | 25.8 | 100.0 | 1,275 | 22.0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 6 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 0 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 0}$ |

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 4.8 Menopause

| Percentage of women age 30-49 who are menopausal, by age, SHDS, 2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Age | Percentage menopausal $^{1}$ | Number of women |
| $\mathbf{3 0 - 3 4}$ | 15.2 | 2195 |
| $35-39$ | 14.6 | 1948 |
| $40-41$ | 16.9 | 906 |
| $42-43$ | 15.8 | 222 |
| $44-45$ | 28.9 | 410 |
| $46-47$ | 29.3 | 164 |
| $48-49$ | 38.2 | 121 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 7 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{5 , 9 6 5}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Percentage of women who are not pregnant and not postpartum amenorrhoeic, whose last menstrual period occurred six or more months preceding the survey.

## Table 4.9 Age at first birth

Percentage of women age 15-49 who gave birth by specific exact ages, percentage who have never given birth, and median age at first birth, according to current age, SHDS 2020

| Current age | Percentage who gave birth by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage who never given birth | Number of women | Median age at first birth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.2 | na | na | na | na | 88.4 | 4,649 | a |
| 20-24 | 2.6 | 27.2 | 48.8 | na | na | 38.5 | 2,906 | a |
| 25-29 | 3.6 | 24.0 | 45.2 | 64.8 | 81.7 | 13.2 | 2,918 | 20.0 |
| 30-34 | 4.8 | 24.9 | 43.5 | 60.8 | 77.5 | 9.3 | 2,195 | 20.0 |
| 35-39 | 2.3 | 15.9 | 36.4 | 57.1 | 75.9 | 5.1 | 1,948 | 21.0 |
| 40-44 | 2.9 | 12.5 | 27.0 | 47.0 | 66.4 | 7.4 | 1,176 | 22.0 |
| 45-49 | 2.0 | 12.1 | 21.0 | 33.2 | 51.7 | 6.0 | 646 | 24.0 |
| 20-49 | 3.2 | 21.8 | 41.2 | na | na | 16.4 | 11,789 | a |
| 25-49 | 3.4 | 20.1 | 38.7 | 57.5 | 75.2 | 9.2 | 8,883 | 21.0 |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable due to censoring
$a=O$ mitted because less than 50 percent of women had a birth before reaching the beginning of the age group.

Table 4.10 Median age at first birth

| Median age at first birth among women age 20-49 (25-49) years, by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Women aged 20-49 | Women aged 25-49 |
| Type of residence | 19.0 | 20.0 |
| Urban | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Rural | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Nomadic |  |  |
| Education | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| No education | 19.0 | 20.0 |
| Primary | 20.0 | 21.0 |
| Secondary | 22.0 | 23.4 |
| Higher | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Wealth quintile | 19.0 | 20.0 |
| Lowest | 19.0 | 20.0 |
| Second | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Middle | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Fourth | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Highest |  |  |
| Total |  |  |
| a Omitted because less than 50 percent of the women had a birth before reaching the beginning of the age group |  |  |

Table 4.11 Teenage pregnancy and motherhood

Percentage of women aged 15-19 who have had a live birth or who are pregnant with their first child, and percentage who have begun childbearing, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage of women age 15-19 who: |  |  | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Have had a live birth | Are pregnant with first child | Percentage who have begun childbearing |  |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 11.6 | 2.4 | 14.0 | 4,649 |
| 15 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1,192 |
| 16 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 933 |
| 17 | 7.6 | 2.9 | 10.5 | 801 |
| 18 | 19.9 | 4.3 | 24.2 | 1,052 |
| 19 | 35.0 | 4.4 | 39.4 | 671 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 8.9 | 1.9 | 10.9 | 1,973 |
| Rural | 11.3 | 2.3 | 13.6 | 1,314 |
| Nomadic | 15.8 | 3.3 | 19.1 | 1,363 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 15.7 | 3.3 | 18.9 | 2,660 |
| Primary | 8.0 | 1.5 | 9.5 | 1,166 |
| Secondary | 3.9 | 1.0 | 4.9 | 724 |
| Higher | 2.4 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 100 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 16.7 | 3.6 | 20.3 | 858 |
| Second | 14.9 | 2.5 | 17.4 | 727 |
| Middle | 11.9 | 2.3 | 14.3 | 928 |
| Fourth | 9.4 | 2.3 | 11.7 | 1,006 |
| Highest | 7.4 | 1.7 | 9.1 | 1,130 |
| Total | 11.6 | 2.4 | 14.0 | 4,649 |

Table 4.12 Fertility preferences by number of living children

| Percent distribution of currently married women age 15-49 by desire for children, according to number of living children, SHDS, 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Desire for children | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 15-49 |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{2}$ | 76.6 | 79.7 | 74.4 | 71.4 | 70.0 | 67.9 | 59.0 | 68.9 |
| Have another later ${ }^{3}$ | 0.6 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.8 |
| Undecided | 15.0 | 9.9 | 11.9 | 13.1 | 15.1 | 13.6 | 15.1 | 13.7 |
| Want no more | 0.0 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 11.3 | 10.7 | 13.7 | 20.0 | 12.0 |
| Declared infecund | 7.8 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of respondents | 864 | 1,023 | 1,289 | 1,554 | 1,353 | 1,221 | 2,911 | 1,0215 |

${ }^{1}$ The number of living children includes current pregnancy for women
${ }^{2}$ Wants next birth within 2 years
${ }^{3}$ Wants to delay next birth for 2 or more years

## Table 4.13 Desire to limit childbearing-Women

Percentage of currently married women aged 15-49 who want no more children, by number of living children, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.0 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 11.0 | 10.1 | 13.7 | 18.8 | 11.7 |
| Rural | 0.0 | 5.5 | 8.2 | 12.4 | 10.9 | 13.4 | 23.5 | 13.7 |
| Nomadic | 0.0 | 4.5 | 8.9 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 13.9 | 17.8 | 10.9 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 0.0 | 5.4 | 8.8 | 12.2 | 11.7 | 14.6 | 20.5 | 12.9 |
| Primary | 0.0 | 5.0 | 2.5 | 5.0 | 6.6 | 7.2 | 15.7 | 7.3 |
| Secondary | 0.0 | 5.5 | 2.4 | 7.7 | 1.8 | 9.3 | 23.9 | 7.1 |
| Higher | 0.0 | 1.8 | 18.1 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.9 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.0 | 3.5 | 8.2 | 9.1 | 10.6 | 10.5 | 17.8 | 10.1 |
| Second | 0.0 | 5.1 | 6.0 | 12.8 | 9.3 | 13.6 | 20.4 | 12.0 |
| Middle | 0.0 | 1.7 | 8.4 | 12.2 | 11.9 | 17.3 | 20.5 | 13.4 |
| Fourth | 0.0 | 12.4 | 7.4 | 11.1 | 11.3 | 14.5 | 21.7 | 13.6 |
| Highest | 0.0 | 4.3 | 9.2 | 12.7 | 10.5 | 13.1 | 19.7 | 11.4 |
| Total | 0.0 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 11.3 | 10.7 | 13.7 | 20.0 | 12.0 |

Note: ${ }^{1}$ The number of living children includes the current pregnancy

Table 4.14 Ideal number of children

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by ideal number of children, and mean ideal number of children for all respondents and for currently married respondents, according to the number of living children, SHDS 2020

|  | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6+ |  |
| Ideal number of children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 3.3 | 11.2 | 9.3 | 11.1 | 12.1 | 11.8 | 14.7 | 9.0 |
| 1 | 0.1 | 0.9 |  | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 2 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| 3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| 4 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 |
| 5 | 1.1 | 6.0 | 7.4 | 4.9 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 2.8 |
| 6+ | 12.0 | 71.1 | 71.5 | 73.1 | 75.6 | 76.2 | 74.2 | 51.7 |
| Non numeric response | 83.0 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 8.0 | 34.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 5867 | 1250 | 1514 | 1734 | 1556 | 1347 | 3170 | 16438 |
| Mean ideal number of children for: ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All evermarried women | 8.1 | 8.5 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 9.3 |
| Number of women | 1088 | 1250 | 1514 | 1734 | 1556 | 1347 | 3170 | 11660 |
| Mean ideal number of children for currently married women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married women | 8.5 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 9.4 |
| Number of currently married women | 864 | 1,023 | 1,289 | 1,554 | 1,353 | 1,221 | 2,911 | 10,215 |
| ${ }^{1}$ The number of living children includes current pregnancy for women. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ Means are calculated excluding respondents who gave non-numeric responses. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.15 Fertility planning status

Percent distribution of births to women aged 15-49 in the five years preceding the survey (including current pregnancies), by planning status of the birth, according to birth order and mother's age at birth, SHDS 2020

| Birth order and mother's age at birth | Planning status of birth |  |  | Total | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wanted then | Wanted later | Wanted no more |  |  |
| Birth Order |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 71.7 | 20.3 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 8,085 |
| 2 | 67.6 | 23.6 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 6,255 |
| 3 | 65.3 | 26.6 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 3,476 |
| 4+ | 71.9 | 23.0 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 2,225 |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 66.6 | 26.1 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 2,948 |
| 20-24 | 71.0 | 22.9 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 5,917 |
| 25-29 | 69.9 | 22.7 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 5,373 |
| 30-34 | 69.1 | 21.9 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 3,497 |
| 35-39 | 67.7 | 20.1 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 1,860 |
| 40-44 | 69.9 | 14.5 | 15.6 | 100.0 | 402 |
| 45-49 | (51.6) | (19) | (29.4) | 100.0 | 44 |
| Total 15-49 | 69.3 | 22.7 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 20,042 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

Table 4.16 Knowledge of contraceptive methods

Percentage of ever-married women, currently married women aged 15-49 who have heard of any contraceptive method, by specific method, SHDS 2020

| Method | All ever-married women | Currently married women |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Any method | 62.6 | 63.0 |
| Any modern method | 62.0 | 62.3 |
| IUDs | 15.8 | 15.2 |
| Injectables | 31.3 | 31.1 |
| Implants | 25.4 | 25.0 |
| Pills | 35.0 | 34.7 |
| Male condoms | 17.3 | 16.9 |
| Female condoms | 10.3 | 10.1 |
| Emergency contraception | 11.5 | 11.2 |
| Standard days method | 12.1 | 11.9 |
| Lactational Amenorrhea (LAM) | 53.5 | 53.7 |
| Other modern methods | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| Any traditional method | 17.4 | 17.3 |
| Rhythm | 11.0 | 10.8 |
| Withdrawal | 14.1 | 13.9 |
| Traditional methods | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Mean number of methods known by | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| women 15-49 | 11,660 | 10,215 |
| Number of respondents |  |  |

Percentage of currently married women aged 15-49 who have heard of at least one contraceptive method and who have heard of at least one modern method, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Heard of any method | Heard of any modern method | Number of women |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 49.9 | 49.5 | 844 |
| $20-24$ | 62.4 | 61.8 | 1,857 |
| $25-29$ | 64.1 | 63.3 | 2,477 |
| $30-34$ | 64.3 | 63.8 | 1,866 |
| $35-39$ | 65.2 | 64.6 | 1,705 |
| 40-44 | 63.3 | 62.6 | 984 |
| 45-49 | 68.3 | 67.9 | 483 |
| Type of residence | 73.0 |  |  |
| Urban | 65.1 | 72.5 | 3,490 |
| Rural | 51.9 | 64.6 | 3,004 |
| Nomadic | 50.9 | 3,721 |  |
| Education | 59.4 |  |  |
| No education | 79.7 | 58.8 | 8,593 |
| Primary | 84.9 | 79.2 | 1,176 |
| Secondary | 89.7 | 84.2 | 306 |
| Higher | 55.4 | 89.7 | 140 |
| Wealth quintile | 53.2 | 54.5 |  |
| Lowest | 63.4 | 52.4 | 2,579 |
| Second | 69.3 | 62.9 | 2,049 |
| Middle | 77.6 | 68.9 | 1,819 |
| Fourth | 63.0 | 77.0 | 1,969 |
| Highest |  | 10,798 |  |
| Total 15-49 |  |  |  |

Table 4.18 Current use of contraception by age

| Percent distribution of currently married women aged 15-49 by contraceptive method currently used, according to age, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  | Any modern method | Modern method |  |  |  |  |  | Any traditional method | Traditional method Rhythm | Not currently using | Total | Number of women currently married |
|  | Any method |  | IUD | Injectables | Implants | Pills | condom | Lactational Amenorrhea (LAM) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 8.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 91.6 | 100.0 | 844 |
| 20-24 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 92.8 | 100.0 | 1857 |
| 25-29 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 2477 |
| 30-34 | 5.8 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 94.2 | 100.0 | 1866 |
| 35-39 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 96.1 | 100.0 | 1705 |
| 40-44 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 98.2 | 100.0 | 984 |
| 45-49 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 483 |
| Total | 5.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 94.3 | 100.0 | 10,215 |
| Note: If more than one method is used, only the most effective method is considered in this tabulation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LAM = Lactational amenorrhoea method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.19
Knowledge of fertile period by age
Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 with correct knowledge of the fertile period during the ovulatory cycle, according to age, SHDS 2020

| Age | Percentage with correct <br> knowledge of the fertile period | Number of ever-married women |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 15-19 | 8.0 | 973 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 - 2 4}$ | 10.3 | 2,119 |
| $\mathbf{2 5 - 2 9}$ | 11.0 | 2,728 |
| $30-34$ | 10.3 | 2,119 |
| $35-39$ | 10.1 | 1,922 |
| $40-44$ | 10.6 | 1,158 |
| $45-49$ | 11.3 | 641 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 , 6 6 0}$ |

Note: Correct knowledge of the fertile period is defined as halfway between two menstrual periods.

Table 4.20 Need and demand for birth spacing among currently married women
Percentage of currently married women aged 15-49 with unmet need for birth spacing, percentage with met need for birth spacing, the total demand for birth spacing, and the percentage of the demand for contraception that is satisfied, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Unmet need for birth spacing |  | Total | Met need for birth spacing (currently using) |  | Total | Total demand for birth spacing ${ }^{1}$ |  | Total | Percentage of demand satisfied ${ }^{2}$ | Percentage of demand satisfied by modern method ${ }^{3}$ | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For spacing | For limiting |  | For spacing | For limiting |  | For spacing | For limiting |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 28.1 | 3.0 | 31.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 28.6 | 3.2 | 31.7 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 844 |
| 20-24 | 31.9 | 4.0 | 35.9 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 33.3 | 4.1 | 37.4 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 1,857 |
| 25-29 | 32.7 | 4.9 | 37.6 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 33.6 | 5.2 | 38.8 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 2,477 |
| 30-34 | 31.6 | 7.3 | 38.9 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 32.9 | 7.5 | 40.4 | 3.7 | 2.9 | 1,866 |
| 35-39 | 26.3 | 10.2 | 36.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 26.7 | 10.4 | 37.2 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 1,705 |
| 40-44 | 22.5 | 16.0 | 38.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 23.3 | 16.4 | 39.7 | 3.2 | 1.9 | 984 |
| 45-49 | 14.6 | 17.1 | 31.7 | 0.1 |  | 0.1 | 14.7 | 17.1 | 31.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 483 |
| Type of Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 28.5 | 7.3 | 35.8 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 30.5 | 7.7 | 38.2 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 3,490 |
| Rural | 28.5 | 8.8 | 37.3 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 29.3 | 8.9 | 38.2 | 2.4 | 1.1 | 3,004 |
| Nomadic | 30.1 | 6.8 | 36.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 30.1 | 6.9 | 37.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 3,721 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No Education | 28.7 | 8.2 | 36.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 29.2 | 8.4 | 37.6 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 8,595 |
| Primary | 33.5 | 3.8 | 37.3 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 2.3 | 35.5 | 4.2 | 39.6 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 1,176 |
| Secondary | 24.4 | 4.5 | 28.9 | 5.6 |  | 5.6 | 30.0 | 4.5 | 34.6 | 16.3 | 14.3 | 306 |
| Higher | 24.8 | 5.3 | 30.1 | 7.0 |  | 7.0 | 31.9 | 5.3 | 37.1 | 18.9 | 11.4 | 138 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 28.8 | 6.4 | 35.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 28.9 | 6.4 | 35.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2,579 |
| Second | 29.8 | 7.1 | 37.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 30.0 | 7.2 | 37.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 2,049 |
| Middle | 30.6 | 8.5 | 39.1 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 31.2 | 8.8 | 40.0 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 1,819 |
| Fourth | 29.3 | 8.6 | 37.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 30.4 | 8.9 | 39.3 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 1,969 |
| Highest | 26.8 | 7.6 | 34.4 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 3.4 | 29.8 | 8.0 | 37.8 | 9.1 | 6.0 | 1,798 |
| Total | 29.1 | 7.5 | 36.6 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 30.0 | 7.8 | 37.7 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 10,215 |

Note: Numbers in this table correspond to the revised definition of unmet need described in Bradley et al., 2012.
${ }^{1}$ Total demand is the sum of unmet need and met need.
${ }^{2}$ Percentage of demand satisfied is met need divided by total demand.
${ }^{3}$ Modern methods include pill, IUD, injectables, implants, male condom, female condom, and lactational amenorrhea method (LAM).

Table 4.21 Exposure to Birth Spacing messages

Percentage of ever married women age 15-49 who heard or saw a birth spacing message on radio, on television, in a newspaper or magazine, or on a mobile phone in the past few months, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Radio | Television | Newspaper | Any of these three media source | All of these three media source | None of these three media sources | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 21.6 | 19.4 | 7.7 | 30.6 | 4.9 | 69.4 | 4,161 |
| Rural | 14.1 | 7.8 | 3.8 | 17.2 | 2.5 | 82.8 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 4.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 95.5 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 10.7 | 6.1 | 2.4 | 13.8 | 1.4 | 86.2 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 24.4 | 21.1 | 8.5 | 32.6 | 5.4 | 67.4 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 31.4 | 36.3 | 17.5 | 44.9 | 15.4 | 55.1 | 375 |
| Higher | 41.9 | 52.2 | 32.6 | 62.0 | 19.2 | 38.0 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 4.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 95.2 | 2,733 |
| Second | 6.8 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 7.3 | 0.6 | 92.7 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 14.8 | 5.7 | 4.0 | 17.2 | 2.1 | 82.8 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 17.9 | 12.1 | 5.3 | 22.8 | 3.5 | 77.2 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 26.1 | 30.1 | 10.4 | 40.3 | 7.0 | 59.7 | 2,101 |
| Total 15-49 | 13.4 | 9.5 | 4.0 | 17.6 | 2.5 | 82.4 | 11,660 |



# Maternal and Newborn Health 

## KEY FINDINGS

## ANTENATAL

CARE COVERAGE

## 31\%

of women aged 15-49 who had a live birth in the 5 years before the survey received antenatal care from skilled health personnel during the pregnancy of their last birth
of women had at least four ANC visits
of women who received antenatal care had their blood pressure measured

of women had a urine sample taken

of women had a blood sample taken

32\%
of births were delivered with the assistance of a skilled health care provider


## (5) MATERNAL AND NEWBORN HEALTH

## This chapter presents crucial findings on maternal health, including information on the provision of antenatal care (ANC), delivery, and postnatal care (PNC). These services support key strategic and health policy objectives in Somalia, particularly the reduction of maternal morbidity and mortality.

The survey results provide an opportunity to identify critical issues affecting the health status of women and children in Somalia. This information will assist policymakers, planners and other collaborators in the health sector to formulate appropriate strategies and interventions to improve maternal, newborn and child health services across Somalia.

## Antenatal Care

The health care that a mother receives during pregnancy and at the time of delivery, known as antenatal care, is important for the survival and well-being of both the mother and newborn
child. The ANC from a nurse or trained personnel is vital for monitoring a pregnancy and reducing the risks related to morbidity and mortality for the mother and child during pregnancy and delivery.

A well-designed and well-implemented ANC programme facilitates the timely detection and treatment of problems during pregnancy. In developing countries in particular, the prevention and treatment of malaria in pregnant women, management of anaemia during pregnancy, and treatment of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) can significantly improve foetal outcomes and improve maternal health. During the antenatal period, interventions such as the administering of tetanus immunization can be life-saving for both the mother and child.

During the SHDS 2020, women who had given birth in the five years preceding the survey were asked about the type of ANC provider they had used; the number of ANC visits they had made; the stage of pregnancy they were in at the time of their first visit; and services and information provided during ANC. For women with two or more live births during the fiveyear period, data on ANC refers to the most recent birth only.

## Antenatal Care Coverage

Table 5.1 and Figure 5.1 show the percent distribution of women who had a birth five years preceding the survey, by ANC provider during pregnancy. Sixty-eight percent of women did not make ANC visits during their most recent pregnancy in the five years prior to the survey. Among those who made ANC visits, 31 percent received ANC from trained personnel (doctors/ clinical officers or nurses/midwives/auxiliary midwives) at least once. Twelve percent of women received ANC from a doctor/clinical officer, while 19 percent received care from a midwife, nurse or auxiliary midwife.

About half of the women living in urban areas (49 percent) had received ANC from skilled personnel, whereas in rural areas and within nomadic settlements, 35 percent and 9 percent of women, respectively, received ANC from a skilled provider.

Education levels and the wealth status of women were strongly associated with their use of ANC from a skilled health care provider. Seventy-seven percent of women with higher education received antenatal care from a skilled provider, compared to 26 percent of women with no education.

Generally, younger mothers of 20-34 years received more ANC from skilled medical personnel than older women aged 35-49 years (at 33 percent and 25 percent respectively).

## Number and Timing of Antenatal Visits

ANC is more beneficial in preventing adverse outcomes of pregnancy when it is sought early and is continued throughout pregnancy. Health professionals recommend that the first antenatal visit should occur within the first three months of the pregnancy and that visits should continue on a monthly basis through

Figure 5.1 Source of antenatal care

Percent distribution of mothers who had children in the five years before the survey, by source of antenatal care received during pregnancy


Figure 5.2 ANC visits made by pregnant women

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 who had a live birth in the five years preceding the survey by number of antenatal care (ANC) visits for the most recent live birth

week 28 of pregnancy, and then every two weeks up to week 36 (or until birth). If the first antenatal visit is made during the third month of pregnancy and then visits occur as regularly as recommended, a total of at least 12 to 13 antenatal visits should have taken place. Table 5.2 and Figure 5.2 show that among women who had a live birth in the five years
preceding the survey, 8 percent had made four or more antenatal care visits, with the majority (68 percent) had no ANC visits in their most recent pregnancy in the five years preceding the survey. Women residing in the urban and rural areas made four or more ANC visits at (14 and 10 percent) respectively, among the women residing in the nomadic areas, only 4 percent made four or more ANC visits. Ninety percent of nomadic women made no ANC visit during their most recent pregnancy in the five years preceding the survey.

Eleven percent of women make their first antenatal care visit before the fourth month of pregnancy. There is a marginal variation of women who delay ANC to the last trimester by place of residence -4 percent of urban women reported they made their first ANC visit in or after the eighth month, as compared to 3 percent and 2 percent among women in rural and nomadic households, respectively. Generally, the median length of pregnancy at the first antenatal care visit is 5 months.

## Components of Antenatal Care

The content of ANC is an essential component of the quality of maternal health services being delivered. In addition to receiving basic care, every pregnant woman should be monitored for complications. Ensuring that pregnant women receive information and undergo screening for complications should be a routine part of all antenatal care visits. To assess ANC services, respondents were asked whether they had been advised of complications or received certain screening tests during at least one of the ANC visits. Table 5.3 presents information on the content of antenatal services, including the percentages of women who took iron supplements, took drugs for intestinal parasites, were informed of the signs of pregnancy complications, and received selected routine services during antenatal care visits for their most recent birth in the five years preceding the survey.

Overall, 28 percent of women took iron tablets during the pregnancy of their last birth. Variations by background characteristics

Figure 5.3 Components of antenatal care
Percent distribution of mothers who had children in the five years before the survey, by source of antenatal care received during pregnancy

indicate that urban women are more likely than rural or nomadic women to take iron supplements ( 45 percent, 31 percent and 9 percent respectively). The proportion of women who took iron supplements increases steadily with both education and wealth quintile. Those with higher education stand at 64 percent, and 24 percent of women with no education took iron supplements. Overall, only 4 percent of women took drugs to treat intestinal worms during their last pregnancy. Eighteen percent of women with higher education took drugs for intestinal parasites during their pregnancy, compared with 4 percent of women with no education.

Among other antenatal care services, 89 percent of women who received antenatal care had their blood pressure measured, 64 percent had a urine sample taken, and 68 percent had a blood sample taken.

As presented in Figure 5.3, the likelihood of women receiving each of the ANC components services varies according to their place of residence. Overall, women in urban households have a better opportunity of receiving ANC components or services than those in other population domains such as rural and nomadic households.

## Tetanus Toxoid

Tetanus toxoid injections are given during pregnancy to prevent neonatal tetanus, a leading cause of early infant death in many developing countries, often attributed to poor hygiene during delivery. For full protection of her newborn baby, a pregnant woman should receive at least two injections of the vaccine during pregnancy. If a woman has been vaccinated during a previous pregnancy, she may only require one or no doses for the next pregnancy. Five doses are considered to provide protection for a lifetime. Table 5.4 presents the percentage of women aged 1549 with a live birth in the five years preceding the survey who received two or more tetanus
toxoid injections during their most recent pregnancy and the percentage whose last birth was protected against neonatal tetanus.

Results show that very few pregnant women get vaccinated against tetanus in Somalia, despite the need for vaccination. Only 17 percent of women received two or more tetanus toxoid injections during the pregnancy of their last live birth.

Twenty-seven percent of births were protected against neonatal tetanus. Births to women in urban areas are more likely to be protected against neonatal tetanus than births to women in nomadic areas (43 percent and 7 percent, respectively). The proportion of births protected against tetanus increases with a mother's education level: 59 percent of mothers with higher education have births protected against neonatal tetanus, as compared to 23 percent of women with no education. The use of tetanus vaccinations increases as levels of wealth increase.

## Assistance during Delivery

To reduce maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality, there is a need for every child to be delivered with the assistance of trained skilled birth attendants. Table 5.5 shows the percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by the type of medical assistants available at the time of delivery, the percentage of births attended by a skilled health provider, and the percentage of births delivered by caesarean section (C-section), according to background characteristics.

Thirty-two percent of births in Somalia are delivered with the assistance of a skilled health professional, which includes a doctor/clinical officer or a nurse/midwife/auxiliary midwife.

According to survey findings, the percentage of women who delivered babies by C-section is 2 percent.

Thirty-two percent of births in Somalia are delivered with the assistance of a skilled health care provider

Figure 5.4 Assistance during delivery

Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by person providing assistance during delivery


Figure 5.5 Place of delivery

Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by place of delivery


Analysis by age shows that mothers under 20 years of age are more likely to be assisted by skilled birth attendants than older mothers aged 35-49 years (at 31 percent and 28 percent, respectively). Moreover, ANC attendance influences whether or not a woman will seek skilled attendance during delivery. Among
women who did not attend any ANC, 22 percent were delivered by a skilled attendant. Fifteen percent of births not delivered within a health facility were assisted by a skilled birth attendant. As expected, mothers' education levels impact on the type of delivery care they receive. Births to women with no education are less likely to be assisted by skilled personnel (26 percent) than women with higher education levels (83 percent).

Figure 5.4 depicts the type of assistance mothers receive during delivery. The majority (58 percent) are assisted by TBAs during delivery.

## Place of Delivery

Delivery within a health facility is key in reducing health risks to both the mother and baby. Further, proper medical attention and hygienic conditions during delivery reduce the risks of complications and infection that can cause mortality in either the mother or baby.

Table 5.6 shows the percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by place of delivery and percentage delivered in a health facility according to background characteristics in Somalia. According to the findings, around one in five births (21 percent) in the five years preceding the survey was delivered in a health facility, and an overwhelming majority of births, at 79 percent, were delivered at home (Figure 5.5).

Deliveries are more common in public health facilities, at 17 percent, than in facilities supported by the private sector, at 4 percent. In urban settings, 28 percent of deliveries take place in public health facilities, whereas only 6 percent take place in private facilities. Education and wealth have an impact on the uptake of delivery services at health facilities. Sixty-six percent of those with higher education deliver at health facilities, whereas 16 percent of those with no educational background deliver at health facilities. Within the wealthiest
households, 48 percent of women deliver at facilities, versus only 5 percent of women from the poorest households.

## Postnatal Care and Practices

A large number of maternal and neonatal deaths occur during the first 48 hours after delivery in general. To address this, safe motherhood programmes have increased their emphasis on the importance of postnatal care, encouraging that all women receive a health check-up within two days of delivery. To assess the extent of use of postnatal care in Somalia, respondents who had given birth in the five years preceding the survey were asked whether they had received a health check after the delivery of their last birth. Table 5.7 and Figure 5.6 show the timing of the first postnatal check-up for women giving birth in the two years preceding the survey. The table shows that only 9 percent of mothers had a postnatal check during the first four hours after delivery. Eighty-nine percent of the mothers did not
receive any postnatal check-up.

Of those who received care, 11 percent received it within the crucial first two days of delivery. Urban women were more likely to receive postnatal care (19 percent) within the first two days than those in nomadic settings (3 percent). Additionally, women with higher levels of education were more likely to receive postnatal care within two days of delivery (49 percent) than women with either no schooling or education (7 percent).

Table 5.8 shows the timing of the first postnatal check-up for newborns born in the two years preceding the survey. About 90 percent of newborns received no postnatal care. More women in urban areas received postnatal care in the first two days after delivery (17 percent) compared to women in nomadic settlements (2 percent).

Choices made according to education levels show that women who have higher education are more likely to receive postnatal care within two days of delivery (49 percent) than women with no schooling (7 percent).

Figure 5.6 Timing of first postnatal check-up for the mothers
Percent distribution of last births in the two years preceding the survey by time of first postnatal check-up after birth, by place of residence


Across the country, there are no marked variations in uptake of postnatal care within the first two days of birth, by mother's age and birth order.

## Problems in Accessing Health Care

The SHDS 2020 included a series of questions designed to collect information on the problems women face in obtaining health care for themselves. This information is particularly important in understanding and addressing the hindrances women may face in seeking care during pregnancy and, particularly, during child delivery. To collect this information,
women aged 15-49 were asked whether each of the following factors would be a major problem or not for them in obtaining health services: getting permission to go facilities, getting money for treatment, the distance to the health facility, and not wanting to go alone to seek health care. Table 5.9 shows the percentages of respondents who consider the individual factors to be a big problem, and the percentages reporting at least one of the specified factors to be a big challenge, according to background characteristics.

Seventy-three percent of women reported they face at least one problem accessing health care. The majority perceived lack of money (65 percent) as a hindrance, 62 percent cited the distance to a health facility as a challenge, while 47 percent mentioned not wanting to

Figure 5.7 Problems in accessing health care
Percent of women aged 15-49 who reported that they have problems accessing health care for themselves while sick by background characteristics

go alone to seek health care as a deterrent. Forty-two percent of all women cited obtaining permission, usually required from the husband, as a major problem.

Figure 5.7 shows that nomadic women, married women, older women, women with large families, women not working for cash, women with no education and those in the lower wealth quintiles face acute problems in accessing health care.

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Table 5.1
Antenatal care

Percent distribution of ever-married women aged 15-49 who had a live birth in the 5 years preceding the survey by antenatal care (ANC) provider, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Person providing assistance during ANC |  |  |  | Total | Skilled assistance during ANC $^{2}$ | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doctor/ Clinical Officer | Nurse/ <br> Auxiliary <br> Midwife/ <br> Midwife | TBA ${ }^{1}$ /Other/ Relative | No ANC |  |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 12.5 | 17.1 | 1.3 | 69.1 | 100.0 | 29.6 | 1,897 |
| 20-34 | 12.8 | 19.9 | 1.3 | 66.1 | 100.0 | 32.6 | 5,945 |
| 35-49 | 9.7 | 15.3 | 0.7 | 74.3 | 100.0 | 25.0 | 1,014 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 12.8 | 18.6 | 0.9 | 67.8 | 100.0 | 31.3 | 2,451 |
| 2-3 | 12.3 | 18.4 | 1.2 | 68.2 | 100.0 | 30.6 | 5,489 |
| 4-5 | 11.7 | 21.6 | 2.3 | 64.4 | 100.0 | 33.3 | 877 |
| $6+$ | (17.5) | (13.8) | (2.4) | (66.4) | 100.0 | 31.3 | 40 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 19.8 | 29.2 | 1.7 | 49.2 | 100.0 | 49.1 | 3,155 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 13.0 | 21.9 | 1.2 | 63.9 | 100.0 | 34.9 | 2,637 |
| Nomadic | 4.1 | 5.3 | 0.8 | 89.9 | 100.0 | 9.3 | 3,064 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 9.8 | 16.0 | 1.1 | 73.1 | 100.0 | 25.8 | 7,394 |
| Primary | 21.4 | 33.3 | 2.1 | 43.2 | 100.0 | 54.7 | 1,068 |
| Secondary | 34.8 | 29.0 | 1.3 | 35.0 | 100.0 | 63.7 | 280 |
| Higher | 40.0 | 35.1 | 0.3 | 24.6 | 100.0 | 75.1 | 114 |

Wealth quintile

| Lowest | 3.7 | 8.4 | 0.5 | 87.3 | 100.0 | 12.1 | 2,058 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Second | 5.8 | 11.3 | 1.2 | 81.7 | 100.0 | 17.1 | 1,823 |
| Middle | 12.2 | 21.1 | 1.5 | 65.2 | 100.0 | 33.3 | 1,682 |
| Fourth | 18.1 | 26.0 | 1.5 | 54.4 | 100.0 | 44.1 | 1,807 |
| Highest | 25.5 | 30.7 | 1.6 | 42.2 | 100.0 | 56.2 | 1,486 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 2 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 8 5 6}$ |

Note: If more than one source of ANC was mentioned, only the provider with the highest qualifications is considered in this tabulation.
${ }^{1}$ TBA: Traditional Birth Attendants
${ }^{2}$ Skilled provider includes doctor/clinical officer or nurse/midwife/auxiliary midwife

[^6]Table 5.2 Number of antenatal care visits and timing of first visit

Percent distribution of women age 15-49 who had a live birth in the five years preceding the survey by number of antenatal care
(ANC) visits for the most recent live birth, and by the timing of the first visit, and among women with ANC, median months pregnant at first visit, according to residence, SHDS, 2020

| Number and timing of ANC visits | Type of residence |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic |  |
| Number of ANC visits |  |  |  |  |
| None | 49.2 | 63.9 | 90.0 | 67.7 |
| 1 | 6.8 | 6.1 | 4.6 | 5.8 |
| 2-3 | 29.8 | 19.5 | 4.4 | 18.0 |
| 4+ | 13.7 | 10.2 | 0.8 | 8.2 |
| Don't know/missing | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of months pregnant at time of first ANC visit | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No antenatal care | 49.2 | 63.9 | 90.0 | 67.7 |
| <4 | 17.4 | 12.0 | 2.7 | 10.7 |
| 4-5 | 17.3 | 11.9 | 2.4 | 10.5 |
| 6-7 | 11.4 | 8.8 | 2.8 | 7.7 |
| 8+ | 4.3 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 3.1 |
| Don't know/missing | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 3155 | 2637 | 3064 | 8856 |
| Median months pregnant at first visit (for those with ANC) | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Number of women with ANC | 1602 | 951 | 307 | 2861 |
|  | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
|  | 1,602 | 951 | 307 | 2,861 |

Table 5.3 Components of antenatal care

Among women age 15-49 with a live birth in the five years preceding the survey, the percentage who took iron tablets or syrup and drugs for intestinal parasites during the pregnancy of the most recent birth, and among women receiving antenatal care (ANC) for the most recent live birth in the five years preceding the survey, the percentage receiving specific antenatal services, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

Among women with a live
birth in the past five years, the percentage who during the
Background pregnancy for their last birth:

| characteristics |  |  | Number of women with a | services: |  |  | Number of women with ANC for their most recent birth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Took iron tablets or syrup | Took intestinal parasite drugs | women with a live birth in the past five years | Blood pressure measured | Urine sample taken | Blood sample taken |  |

Mother's age
at birth

| $<20$ | 25.9 | 3.6 | 1897 | 89.4 | 63.8 | 67.7 | 587 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $20-34$ | 30.2 | 4.8 | 5945 | 89.1 | 65.1 | 69.1 | 2,014 |
| $35-49$ | 19.9 | 3.3 | 1014 | 86.8 | 61.5 | 62.8 | 260 |


| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 28.6 | 3.6 | 3039 | 90.4 | 66.8 | 70.6 | 1,004 |
| $2-3$ | 28.1 | 4.4 | 2281 | 88.5 | 68.6 | 68.2 | 735 |
| $4-5$ | 26.3 | 4.5 | 1763 | 87.6 | 57.3 | 63.2 | 578 |
| $6+$ | 29.0 | 5.4 | 1773 | 88.3 | 62.4 | 69.3 | 544 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 44.8 | 8.3 | 3155 | 90.7 | 67.9 | 73.2 | 1,602 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 30.5 | 3.2 | 2637 | 88.4 | 62.8 | 64.8 | 951 |
| Nomadic | 8.7 | 1.3 | 3064 | 81.4 | 52.0 | 52.5 | 307 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 23.9 | 3.9 | 7394 | 86.9 | 59.7 | 64.5 | 1,987 |
| Primary | 45.7 | 5.3 | 1068 | 92.9 | 72.9 | 73.1 | 607 |
| Secondary | 55.8 | 8.3 | 280 | 96.4 | 77.2 | 81.4 | 182 |
| Higher | 64.4 | 17.8 | 114 | 91.9 | 89.6 | 92.1 | 86 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 10.2 | 0.9 | 2058 | 81.6 | 49.8 | 48.7 | 261 |
| Second | 16.7 | 3.2 | 1823 | 87.4 | 52.9 | 51.7 | 332 |
| Middle | 33.2 | 5.5 | 1682 | 87.0 | 62.9 | 68.2 | 586 |
| Fourth | 39.9 | 7.1 | 1807 | 91.1 | 64.9 | 70.2 | 825 |
| Highest | 46.5 | 6.0 | 1486 | 91.0 | 74.2 | 78.6 | 858 |
| Total 15-49 | 28.1 | 4.3 | 8,856 | 88.9 | 64.5 | 68.2 | 2,861 |

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 5.4 Tetanus toxoid injections

Among mothers age 15-49 with a live birth in the five years preceding the survey, the percentage receiving two or more tetanus toxoid injections (TTI) during the pregnancy for the last live birth and the percentage whose last live birth was protected against neonatal tetanus, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage receiving two or more injections during last pregnancy | Percentage whose last live birth was protected against neonatal tetanus ${ }^{1}$ | Number of mothers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |
| <20 | 17.6 | 27.2 | 1,897 |
| 20-34 | 17.9 | 28.3 | 5,945 |
| 35-49 | 12.3 | 21.1 | 1,014 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |
| 1 | 17.3 | 27.7 | 2,451 |
| 2-3 | 17.1 | 26.9 | 5,489 |
| 4-5 | 17.2 | 27.3 | 877 |
| 6+ | (16.7) | (39.9) | 40 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |
| Urban | 28.5 | 43.2 | 3,155 |
| Rural | 19.4 | 31.6 | 2,637 |
| Nomadic | 3.6 | 7.1 | 3,064 |
| Education |  |  |  |
| No education | 14.2 | 22.9 | 7,394 |
| Primary | 31.0 | 48.2 | 1,068 |
| Secondary | 35.1 | 50.5 | 280 |
| Higher | 38.6 | 58.9 | 114 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.1 | 9.5 | 2,058 |
| Second | 9.1 | 16.3 | 1,823 |
| Middle | 23.1 | 34.8 | 1,682 |
| Fourth | 25.0 | 38.1 | 1,807 |
| Highest | 27.4 | 43.6 | 1,486 |
| Total | 17.2 | 27.2 | 8,856 |

${ }^{1}$ Includes mothers with two injections during the pregnancy of her last birth, or two or more injections (the last within 3 years of the last live birth), or three or more injections (the last within 5 years of the last birth), or four or more injections (the last within 10 years of the last live birth), or five or more injections at any time prior to the last birth
Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

Table 5.5 Assistance during delivery

Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by person providing assistance during delivery, percentage of births assisted by a skilled provider, and the percentage delivered by caesarian-section, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Person providing assistance during delivery |  |  |  |  |  | Percentage delivered by skilled provider ${ }^{1}$ | Percentage delivered by C-section | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doctor/ Clinical Officer | Nurse/ <br> Auxiliary <br> Midwife/ <br> Midwife | Traditional birth attendant | Relative/other | No one | Total |  |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 5.6 | 24.9 | 58.3 | 8.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 30.5 | 1.6 | 2,771 |
| 20-34 | 5.7 | 27.3 | 57.1 | 7.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 32.9 | 1.8 | 13,409 |
| 35-49 | 4.9 | 22.8 | 59.0 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 27.7 | 1.0 | 2,265 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 6.2 | 25.9 | 57.1 | 8.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 32.0 | 2.2 | 8,023 |
| 2-3 | 5.2 | 26.6 | 57.3 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 31.9 | 1.3 | 9,281 |
| 4-5 | 3.6 | 27.8 | 61.1 | 4.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 31.4 | 0.9 | 1,071 |
| $6+$ | 4.2 | 24.8 | 70.4 |  | 0.5 | 100.0 | 29.0 | 1.5 | 70 |
| Antenatal care visits ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 4.3 | 18.0 | 64.8 | 9.8 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 22.3 | 1.4 | 5,985 |
| 1 | 6.7 | 37.9 | 48.5 | 5.4 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 44.7 | 3.3 | 521 |
| 2-3 | 11.5 | 51.1 | 32.3 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 62.6 | 4.5 | 1,587 |
| 4+ | 13.7 | 61.4 | 23.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 75.1 | 5.0 | 729 |
| Don't know/ missing | (28.5) | (22.3) | (30.0) | (19.2) | (0.0) | 100.0 | (50.8) | (12.6) | 30 |
| Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health facility | 20.6 | 76.0 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 96.6 | 8.0 | 3,828 |
| Elsewhere | 1.6 | 13.4 | 71.8 | 10.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 15.0 |  | 14,617 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 9.8 | 41.3 | 45.8 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 51.0 | 2.9 | 6,510 |
| Rural | 6.0 | 30.9 | 55.7 | 5.1 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 36.9 | 1.7 | 5,489 |
| Nomadic | 0.9 | 7.4 | 70.7 | 16.3 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 8.3 | 0.4 | 6,446 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 4.4 | 22.0 | 61.4 | 9.1 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 26.4 | 1.1 | 15,460 |
| Primary | 9.7 | 46.2 | 41.2 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 55.9 | 3.3 | 2,285 |
| Secondary | 15.6 | 56.2 | 28.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 71.7 | 7.2 | 498 |
| Higher | 19.7 | 63.3 | 16.3 | 0.7 |  | 100.0 | 83.0 | 8.9 | 202 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 1.0 | 8.7 | 67.6 | 19.7 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 9.7 | 0.4 | 4,278 |
| Second | 1.3 | 11.0 | 73.5 | 9.6 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 12.3 | 0.4 | 3,874 |
| Middle | 6.0 | 28.1 | 59.6 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 34.1 | 1.2 | 3,609 |
| Fourth | 8.0 | 42.4 | 46.6 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 50.4 | 2.6 | 3,817 |
| Highest | 14.2 | 50.0 | 32.5 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 64.2 | 4.6 | 2,868 |
| Total | 5.6 | 26.4 | 57.5 | 8.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 31.9 | 1.7 | 18,445 |

Note: If the respondent mentioned more than one person attending during delivery, only the most qualified person is considered in this tabulation. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases
${ }^{1}$ Skilled provider includes doctor/clinical officer or nurse/midwife/auxiliary midwife
${ }^{2}$ Includes only the most recent birth in the five years preceding the survey

Table 5.6 Place of delivery

Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by place of delivery and percentage delivered in a health facility, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Health facility |  | Home | Other | Total | Percentage delivered in a health facility | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Public sector | Private sector |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 18.4 | 3.4 | 78.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 21.8 | 2,771 |
| 20-34 | 17.4 | 3.8 | 78.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 21.2 | 13,409 |
| 35-49 | 13.7 | 3.2 | 82.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 16.9 | 2,265 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 19.2 | 4.5 | 76.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 23.7 | 8,675 |
| 2-3 | 15.4 | 3.0 | 81.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 18.3 | 8,946 |
| 4-5 | 13.0 | 2.8 | 84.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 15.8 | 809 |
| 6+ | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | * | 15 |

Number of
ANC visits

| None |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 9.7 | 2.2 | 87.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 12.0 | 5,985 |
| $2-3$ | 39.0 | 6.9 | 66.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 33.9 | 521 |
| 4+ | 8.2 | 52.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 47.4 | 1,587 |  |
| Don't know/ <br> missing | 49.9 | 15.9 | 34.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 65.8 | 729 |
| Type of <br> residence | $(32.2)$ | $(9.1)$ | $(54.3)$ | $(4.4)$ | 100.0 | $(41.3)$ | 30 |
| $\quad$ Urban | 27.8 | 6.0 | 66.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 33.7 | 6,510 |
| Rural | 20.5 | 4.2 | 74.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 24.7 | 5,489 |
| Nomadic | 3.4 | 0.9 | 95.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 4.3 | 6,446 |

Highest
educational
level

| No education | 13.4 | 2.7 | 83.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 16.1 | 15,452 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Primary | 34.0 | 6.7 | 58.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 40.7 | 2,285 |
| Secondary | 39.8 | 14.1 | 46.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 53.9 | 498 |
| Higher | 48.4 | 17.9 | 33.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 66.2 | 210 |
| Wealth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 4.1 | 0.9 | 94.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 5.0 | 4,278 |
| Second | 7.2 | 0.7 | 92.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 7.9 | 3,874 |
| Middle | 17.1 | 4.2 | 78.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 21.2 | 3,609 |
| Fourth | 26.3 | 4.4 | 69.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 30.7 | 3817 |
| Highest | 37.7 | 10.1 | 51.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 47.8 | $\mathbf{2 , 8 6 8}$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 7 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 , 4 4 5}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Includes only the most recent birth in the five years preceding the survey.
Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

Table 5.7 Timing of first postnatal check-up for the mother

Among women age 15-49 giving birth in the two years preceding the survey, the percent distribution of the mother?s first postnatal checkup for the last live birth by time after delivery, and the percentage of woman with a live birth in the two years preceding the survey who received a postnatal checkup in the first two days after giving birth, according to background characteristics,SHDS, 2020


Mother's age
at birth

| $<20$ | 8.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.1 |  | 0.3 | 89.1 | 100.0 | 10.5 | 1,465 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $20-34$ | 9.3 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 88.8 | 100.0 | 10.6 | 3,618 |
| $35-49$ | 9.9 | 0.8 | 1.2 |  |  | 0.4 | 87.7 | 100.0 | 11.9 | 352 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 12.3 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 85.1 | 100.0 | 13.8 | 1,156 |
| $2-3$ | 8.4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 |  | 0.3 | 89.8 | 100.0 | 9.8 | 3,540 |
| $4+$ | 8.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.2 |  | 0.2 | 89.8 | 100.0 | 9.8 | 738 |

Place of
delivery

| Health facility | 37.0 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 55.2 | 100.0 | 42.8 | 1,355 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Elsewhere |  |  |  |  |  |  | 100.0 | 100.0 |  | 4,079 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 16.8 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 80.5 | 100.0 | 18.7 | 1,881 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 9.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 88.5 | 100.0 | 11.0 | 1,644 |
| $\quad$ Nomadic | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 97.3 | 100.0 | 2.6 | 1,910 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ No education | 6.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 92.2 | 100.0 | 7.4 | 4,455 |
| Primary | 18.4 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 77.8 | 100.0 | 21.7 | 735 |
| Secondary | 29.8 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 65.6 | 100.0 | 31.9 | 176 |
| Higher | 48.7 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 49.3 | 100.0 | 49.5 | 69 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3.3 | 1,251 |
| $\quad$ Lowest | 2.5 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 96.5 | 100.0 | 4.5 | 1,125 |
| Second | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 95.5 | 100.0 | 8.3 | 1,009 |
| Middle | 7.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 91.3 | 100.0 | 14.2 | 1,142 |
| Fourth | 12.2 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 85.3 | 100.0 | 26.7 | 908 |
| Highest | 23.8 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 71.6 | 100.0 | 10.7 | 5,434 |
| Total | 9.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 88.8 | 100.0 |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ Includes women who received a check-up after 41 days

Table 5.8 Timing of first postnatal checkup for the newborn

Percent distribution of last births in the two years preceding the survey by time after birth of first postnatal checkup, and the percentage of births with a postnatal checkup in the first two days after birth, according to background characteristics,SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Time after birth of newborn's first postnatal check-up |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percentage of births with a postnatal check-up in the first two days after birth | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1-3 hours | 4-23 hours | 1-2 days | 3-6 days | Don't know | No postnatal check-up ${ }^{1}$ | Total |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 7.5 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 91.3 | 100.0 | 8.4 | 1,465 |
| 20-34 | 8.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 89.6 | 100.0 | 9.9 | 3,618 |
| 35-49 | 10.6 |  | 1.1 | 0.3 |  | 88.0 | 100.0 | 11.7 | 352 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 11.1 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 87.3 | 100.0 | 12.3 | 1,156 |
| 2-3 | 8.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 90.6 | 100.0 | 8.9 | 3,540 |
| 4+ | 7.5 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 90.9 | 100.0 | 8.7 | 738 |
| Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health facility | 34.7 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 59.7 | 100.0 | 38.4 | 1,355 |
| Elsewhere |  |  |  |  |  | 100.0 | 100.0 |  | 4,079 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 16.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 81.9 | 100.0 | 17.5 | 1,881 |
| Rural | 7.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 90.3 | 100.0 | 9.1 | 1,644 |
| Nomadic | 2.1 | 0.1 |  | 0.1 | 0.2 | 97.5 | 100.0 | 2.2 | 1,910 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 6.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 92.4 | 100.0 | 7.2 | 4,455 |
| Primary | 14.1 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 83.3 | 100.0 | 16.1 | 735 |
| Secondary | 24.2 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 71.9 | 100.0 | 26.6 | 176 |
| Higher | 42.9 | 0.8 | 5.3 |  | 1.3 | 49.7 | 100.0 | 49.0 | 69 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 97.1 | 100.0 | 2.5 | 1,251 |
| Second | 4.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |  | 0.1 | 95.7 | 100.0 | 4.3 | 1,125 |
| Middle | 7.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 91.4 | 100.0 | 8.4 | 1,009 |
| Fourth | 10.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 87.9 | 100.0 | 11.3 | 1,142 |
| Highest | 21.8 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 73.9 | 100.0 | 25.1 | 908 |
| Total | 8.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 89.9 | 100.0 | 9.6 | 5,434 |

${ }^{1}$ Includes newborns who received a check-up after the first week

Table 5.9 Problems in accessing health care

Percentage of women age 15-49 who reported that they have serious problems in accessing health care for themselves when they are sick, by type of problem, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

Problems in accessing health care

|  | Problems in accessing health care |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background <br> characteristics | Getting <br> permission to go <br> for treatment | Getting money <br> for treatment | Distance to <br> health facility | Not wanting to <br> go alone | At least one <br> problem <br> accessing health <br> care | Number of ever- <br> married women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $15-19$ | 41.5 | 61.4 | 60.0 | 46.1 | 70.4 | 973 |
| $20-34$ | 42.0 | 65.2 | 62.3 | 47.7 | 73.3 | 6,965 |
| $35-49$ | 42.7 | 66.7 | 62.5 | 46.2 | 73.2 | 3721 |

Number of living
children

| 0 | * | * | * | * | * | 14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-2 | 34.5 | 69.2 | 63.7 | 48.0 | 73.5 | 207 |
| 3-4 | 38.3 | 64.6 | 56.8 | 45.3 | 73.5 | 556 |
| 5+ | 42.5 | 65.3 | 62.4 | 47.1 | 73.0 | 10,883 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 42.6 | 65.9 | 63.2 | 47.4 | 73.6 | 10,215 |
| Divorced/ widowed | 38.8 | 61.8 | 55.1 | 44.8 | 68.8 | 1,445 |

Employed past
12 months

| Not employed | 43.0 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Employed for <br> cash | 36.8 |
| Employed not <br> for cash | 29.8 |


| 66.2 | 63.2 | 48.1 | 73.8 | 10,439 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 59.0 | 53.4 | 39.4 | 66.9 | 961 |
| 56.1 | 54.7 | 35.4 | 65.3 | 260 |

Type of

| Urban | 38.8 | 58.5 | 51.0 | 39.8 | 66.1 | 4,161 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 43.9 | 66.0 | 62.2 | 45.8 | 72.9 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 44.2 | 71.9 | 73.8 | 55.8 | 80.3 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 43.7 | 67.4 | 64.8 | 49.1 | 74.8 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 36.8 | 58.6 | 52.8 | 38.5 | 67.7 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 33.4 | 53.4 | 44.1 | 36.7 | 62.1 | 375 |
| Higher | 17.7 | 25.3 | 26.7 | 18.4 | 32.8 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 47.7 | 77.3 | 78.8 | 56.8 | 84.8 | 2,733 |
| Second | 45.7 | 71.4 | 70.8 | 54.6 | 78.5 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 46.7 | 66.2 | 61.2 | 48.0 | 72.9 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 38.1 | 59.8 | 53.3 | 41.1 | 68.4 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 31.0 | 48.7 | 42.1 | 31.9 | 56.9 | 2,101 |
| Total | 42.2 | 65.4 | 62.2 | 47.1 | 73.0 | 11,660 |

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.



## KEY FINDINGS

BIRTH
WEIGHT

of births in the five years preceding the survey had a low birth weight (less than 2.5 kg )

VACCINATIONS
FOR CHILDREN AGED
12-23 MONTHS

had received all basic vaccinations

12\%
had received the third dose of pentavalent vaccine

26\%
had received the third dose of polio
had received BCG
had received the measles vaccine


## 6 CHILD HEALTH

## This chapter presents findings

 from the SHDS that relate to children's health. These include the characteristics of newborns (birth weight), vaccination status of children, symptoms of acute respiratory infection (ARI), fever and diarrhoea, and treatment of childhood illnesses. Information collected on child health from the SHDS 2020 is expected to assist policymakers and programme managers in formulating appropriate strategies and interventions to improve the health of children in Somalia and sanitation in their environment.
## Birth Weight

Birth weight is a major determinant of infant and child health, as low birth weight is associated with fetal and neonatal morbidity, inhibited physical and cognitive development, and chronic diseases later in life. Birth weight
is, thus, used as a summary indicator of the challenges that a public health system faces, including long-term maternal malnutrition, ill health, and poor health care during pregnancy. Children whose birth weight is less than 2.5 kilograms, or children reported to be "very small" or "smaller than average," are considered to have a higher risk of early childhood death than average children (WHO 2014).

The SHDS 2020 recorded births occurring during the five years preceding the survey. Birth weight was recorded in the Ever-Married Woman's Questionnaire, based either on a written record or the mother's report. As the birth weight may not have been known for many babies, the mother's estimate of the baby's size at birth was also obtained. Even though such an estimate is subjective, it can be a useful estimate for the weight of the child.

Table 6.1 presents information on child weight at birth by background characteristics. It shows that the birth weight was reported for only 8 percent of the live births occurring in the five years preceding the survey. Nine percent of these were infants with low birth weight (less than 2.5 kg ). According to the findings presented, it can be noted that firstorder births are more likely to be of low weight compared to births of other orders (Table 6.1). More underweight births were reported among younger mothers, at 9 percent for mothers

## Figure 6.1 Child's weight and size at birth

Percent of births with a reported birth weight of less than 2.5 kg by mother's age

younger than 20 years old, as compared to 6 percent of underweight births reported by mothers of ages 35-49 (Figure 6.1).

## Vaccination of Children

According to WHO, a child is considered fully vaccinated if he or she has received a

BCG vaccination against tuberculosis; three doses of the diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus (DPT) vaccine; at least three doses of the polio vaccine; and one dose of the measles vaccine. The SHDS 2020 collected information on the coverage of these vaccinations among the children born in the five years preceding the survey.

Following internationally recommended procedures, information on vaccination coverage was obtained in two ways in the survey-from child health cards and from mothers' verbal reports. All mothers were asked to show the interviewer the child health cards on which immunization dates were recorded for all children born in the five years preceding the survey. If a card was available, the interviewer recorded the dates of each vaccination received by the child. If a card showed that the child was not fully vaccinated, the mother was then asked whether the child had received other vaccinations that were not recorded on the card, and these too were noted. If a child never received a health card or if the mother was unable to show the card to the interviewer, the vaccination information for the child was based on the mother's report. Questions were asked for each type of vaccine.

## Figure 6.2 Vaccination coverage for children aged 12-23 months

Percent of children aged 12-23 months who received specific vaccines at any time before the survey


Mothers were asked to recall whether the child had received BCG, polio, pentavalent and measles vaccinations. If the mother indicated that the child had received the polio or pentavalent vaccines, she was asked about the number of doses that the child received. The results presented here are based on both information from the health card and the mother's report for those without a card.

Table 6.2 presents data on the vaccination coverage for children aged 12-23 months, the age by which they should have received all vaccinations. Mothers were able to present health cards for 4 percent of these children. Overall, only 11 percent of children aged 1223 months are fully vaccinated, meaning that they received the basic vaccinations (one BCG vaccine, three doses of pentavalent and polio vaccines, and one dose of measles vaccine) at any time before the survey was conducted (Figure 6.2). Thirty-seven percent of children had received BCG at any time before the survey, 21 percent received the first dose of pentavalent vaccine, and 30 percent received the first dose of polio. Twelve percent of children completed the required three doses of the pentavalent vaccine and 26 percent of the children received the three doses of polio vaccine. Twenty-three percent of children had been vaccinated against measles.

As can be expected, the percentage of children vaccinated increases among more educated mothers -24 percent of the children of mothers with secondary education have received all basic vaccinations, while among children of mothers with no schooling, only 8 percent have received all basic vaccinations. There is also variation by place of residence, as around 19 percent of children in urban areas have received all basic vaccinations, while less than 1 percent of children in nomadic areas have received all basic vaccinations.

## Symptoms of Acute Respiratory Infection

ARI is a serious infection that prevents normal breathing. It usually begins as a viral infection in the nose, trachea (windpipe) or lungs. If the infection is not treated, it can spread to the entire respiratory system. Early diagnosis and treatment with antibiotics can prevent a large proportion of deaths caused by ARI. According to WHO, ARI is one of the leading causes of childhood morbidity and mortality throughout the world. In the SHDS 2020, the prevalence of ARI was estimated by asking mothers whether their children under the age of 5 had

Figure 6.3 Children with ARI symptoms by age
Percent of children with ARI symptoms in the two weeks preceding the survey

been ill with a cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing in the two weeks preceding the survey. These are typical symptoms of ARI.

Table 6.3 shows the percentage of children who had symptoms of ARI in the two weeks before the survey and the percentage for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider. It also shows the percentage of children who received antibiotics as treatment.

About 4 percent of children under the age of 5 years experienced ARI symptoms during the two weeks preceding the survey. The table also shows that among this number, 14 percent of children who were reported to have experienced ARI had received antibiotics, and 22 percent of these children received advice or treatment from a health facility or provider. The prevalence of ARI was lower among children whose mothers had higher education. The proportion of children with symptoms of ARI varies based on the type of cooking fuel used in households; households that use clean energy were less likely to report children suffering from ARI, compared to households using crude sources of energy for cooking. More children suffered from ARI in households that used firewood (5 percent) or straw/shrubs/grass (4 percent) or agricultural residue (5 percent) to cook meals. Among households where
electricity or gas was used, 2 percent reported children suffering from ARI in the two weeks preceding the survey (Table 6.3).

## Fever

Fever is a symptom of many illnesses, including malaria, pneumonia, the common cold, and influenza among others. In the SHDS 2020, mothers were asked whether their children under the age of 5 had been ill with fever in the two weeks before the survey. For children with fever, mothers were also asked about the actions they took to treat the fever, including whether the child had been given any drug to treat the fever, and, if yes, what type of drugs were given to the child.

Table 6.4 shows the percentage of children under the age of 5 who had a fever during the two weeks before the survey by selected background characteristics. Overall, 7 percent of children under the age of 5 had a fever during the two weeks preceding the survey. The prevalence of fever was slightly higher among boys than girls. Thirty-seven percent of all children under the age of 5 years with a fever sought treatment the same day or next

Figure 6.4 Children with fever by age
Percent of children with fever in the two weeks preceding the survey


day at a health facility or provider to seek treatment or advice the same day or the next day. The percentage with fever and who sought treatment was higher among children in urban and rural areas, at 49 percent and 41 percent, respectively, compared to nomadic children, at 9 percent. Twenty percent of children under the age of 5 years with fever took antibiotics. The prevalence of fever varied with the age of the child, as children less than 35 months of age were more likely to have fever (Figure 6.4).

## Diarrhoeal Diseases

Dehydration caused by severe diarrhoea is a major cause of morbidity and mortality among young children, although the condition can be easily treated with oral rehydration therapy (ORT). Cases of diarrhoea are related to the use of contaminated water and unhygienic practices in food preparation and disposal of excreta. The SHDS 2020 collected information on the prevalence of diarrhoea among children by asking mothers whether their children under the age of 5 years had diarrhoea during the two weeks before the survey. If a child was identified as having had diarrhoea, information
was collected on the treatment and feeding practices during the episode.

Table 6.5 presents data on the percentage of children under age 5 who had diarrhoea during the two weeks preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics. Overall, 5 percent of children under the age of 5 years had diarrhoea, and children with diarrhoea for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider was 3 percent. Children in the urban areas are more likely to have diarrhoea than those in the rural areas. The prevalence of diarrhoea varied with the educational level of the mother, but was uniform among boys and girls. Under the age of two years, the prevalence of diarrhoea increases with age but shows a declining trend after 23 months (Figure 6.5).

## Treatment of Childhood Illnesses

Figure 6.6 shows that the percentages of children presenting ARI symptoms, fever, and diarrhoea among children under the age of 5 years in the 2 weeks before the survey. Most

Figure 6.5 Percent of children with diarrhoea by age
Percent of children who had diarrhoea in the two weeks preceding the survey


| $0-5$ | $6-11$ | $12-23$ | 2435 | $36-47$ | $48-59$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Age in Months

Figure 6.6 Prevalence of childhood illnesses
Percent of children under the age of five with childhood illnesses in the two weeks preceding the survey


Figure 6.7 Treatment of childhood illnesses
Percent of children under age five treated for childhood illnesses in the two weeks preceding the survey

children reported to have had fever, followed by diarrhoea and ARI. Figure 6.7 shows the advice from a health facility or treatment sought 2 weeks before the survey for children with ARI, fever and diarrhoea. Children presenting with diarrhoea are more likely to be treated while children presenting with ARI are the least likely to be treated.

## Disposal of Children's Stools

The proper disposal of children's faeces is important in preventing the spread of disease. If human faeces are left uncontained, disease may spread by others who come into direct contact with it, or by animals that come into contact with the faeces.

Table 6.6 presents information on the disposal of the stools of children under the age of 5 by background characteristics. The information was derived by asking ever-married women what was done to dispose of the stools the last time their youngest child under age 5 passed stools. Forty-seven percent of the children who live with their mothers had their last stool disposed of safely. As expected, the stools

Figure 6.8 Disposal of children's stools
Percent distribution of youngest children under age five, living with the mother, by the manner of disposal of the child's last faecal matter

of older children (48-59 months) are much more likely to be disposed of safely than those of younger children, mainly because older children are more likely to use a toilet or latrine where it is available. Children in urban areas (66 percent) and rural areas (65 percent) were more likely than those in nomadic areas (19 percent) to have had their stool disposed of safely. Moreover, the education levels and
wealth status of a mother play a role in the safe disposal of stool. Among mothers with primary education, 73 percent of children had their stool disposed of safely, which is almost double those reporting safe stool disposal among children of mothers with no education, at 45 percent.

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Table 6.1 Child's weight and size at birth

Percentage of live births in the five years preceding the survey that have a reported birth weight; among live births in the five years preceding the survey with a reported birth weight, percent distribution by birth weight; and percent distribution of all live births in the five years preceding the survey by mother's estimate of baby's size at birth, according to background characteristics,SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percent distribution of all live births by size of child at birth |  |  |  | Total | Percentage of all births that have a reported birth weight ${ }^{1}$ | Number of births | Births with a reported birth weight ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Very small | Smaller than average | Average or larger | Don't know |  |  |  | Less than $2.5 \mathrm{~kg}$ | Number of births |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 68.1 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 8.0 | 2,775 | 9.2 | 223 |
| 20-34 | 5.9 | 4.5 | 73.2 | 16.4 | 100.0 | 8.6 | 13,430 | 8.9 | 1,156 |
| 35-49 | 6.8 | 4.2 | 70.6 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 7.6 | 2,273 | 6.1 | 173 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7.0 | 5.2 | 71.1 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 10.0 | 8,681 | 8.9 | 869 |
| 2-3 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 73.1 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 7.1 | 8,952 | 8.0 | 638 |
| 4-5 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 72.6 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 5.2 | 810 | (14.9) | 42 |
| 6+ | (8.1) | (13.9) | (68.5) | (9.4) | 100.0 | (5.3) | 36 | * | 2 |
| Mother's smoking status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Smokes cigarettes/ tobacco | 5.1 | 1.7 | 81.1 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 11.2 | 243 | (32.2) | 27 |
| Does not smoke | 6.2 | 4.9 | 72.0 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 8.4 | 18,235 | 8.2 | 1,524 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 6.2 | 5.9 | 75.8 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 16.5 | 6,523 | 8.2 | 1,075 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 5.3 | 4.0 | 74.3 | 16.4 | 100.0 | 7.9 | 5,501 | 9.5 | 433 |
| Nomadic | 6.8 | 4.5 | 66.6 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 0.7 | 6,454 | $(11.1)$ | 44 |

Highest
education level

| No education | 6.5 | 4.7 | 70.8 | 18.0 | 100.0 | 5.7 | 15,483 | 9.1 | 878 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Primary | 4.8 | 5.8 | 77.7 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 18.0 | 2,288 | 7.5 | 413 |
| Secondary | 3.6 | 5.3 | 81.9 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 34.4 | 498 | 12.3 | 171 |
| Higher | 3.9 | 3.1 | 87.8 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 42.9 | 210 | 2.8 | 90 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.2 | 4.1 | 69.9 | 20.8 | 100.0 | 1.5 | 4,286 | 6.7 | 62 |
| Second | 9.9 | 5.2 | 65.1 | 19.7 | 100.0 | 2.0 | 3,886 | 7.4 | 77 |
| Middle | 6.5 | 5.0 | 73.1 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 6.0 | 3,613 | 15.4 | 216 |
| Fourth | 4.8 | 5.3 | 75.4 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 13.2 | 3,820 | 9.4 | 504 |
| Highest | 3.8 | 4.6 | 79.5 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 24.1 | 2,873 | 6.3 | 693 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{7 2 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 , 4 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 5 5 2}$ |

[^7]Table 6.2 Vaccinations by background characteristics

Percentage of children age 12-23 [18-29] months who received specific vaccines at any time before the survey (according to a vaccination card or the mother's report), and percentage with a vaccination card, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | BCG | DPT |  |  | Polio ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  | Measles | All basic vaccinations ${ }^{2}$ | No vaccinations | Percentage with a vaccination card seen | Number of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 36.8 | 19.7 | 14.1 | 10.9 | 13.4 | 27.5 | 26.3 | 25.1 | 21.8 | 9.9 | 61.4 | 4.4 | 1,229 |
| Male | 36.6 | 22.4 | 17.0 | 13.4 | 15.9 | 31.9 | 30.4 | 27.4 | 23.7 | 11.6 | 58.9 | 4.0 | 1,075 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 34.7 | 20.1 | 14.4 | 11.3 | 14.0 | 27.1 | 25.9 | 24.0 | 20.7 | 9.6 | 61.8 | 3.6 | 786 |
| 2-3 | 39.6 | 22.2 | 15.2 | 10.7 | 15.8 | 32.4 | 30.7 | 28.3 | 25.0 | 10.1 | 57.2 | 3.8 | 736 |
| 4-5 | 37.3 | 20.5 | 16.3 | 12.4 | 15.5 | 30.1 | 28.6 | 26.2 | 22.9 | 11.1 | 61.3 | 3.8 | 440 |
| $6+$ | 34.3 | 21.0 | 17.6 | 16.3 | 11.8 | 28.5 | 28.0 | 26.9 | 21.7 | 13.9 | 61.9 | 7.1 | 341 |

Type of residence

|  | 57.8 | 34.0 | 25.2 | 20.2 | 25.9 | 48.2 | 46.1 | 43.2 | 36.8 | 18.7 | 39.6 | 7.8 | 751 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Urban | 44.0 | 26.9 | 20.3 | 16.9 | 17.1 | 33.6 | 33.2 | 31.7 | 29.4 | 14.5 | 52.7 | 4.2 | 690 |
| Rural | 12.6 | 4.9 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 10.2 | 8.7 | 7.0 | 5.0 | 0.6 | 84.2 | 1.1 | 863 |
| Nomadic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Mother's
education

| No education | 30.4 | 17.0 | 12.2 | 9.2 | 11.2 | 24.3 | 23.3 | 21.6 | 18.2 | 8.1 | 66.3 | 3.6 | 1,897 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary | 63.6 | 38.9 | 30.7 | 24.3 | 29.1 | 53.6 | 50.1 | 46.7 | 42.2 | 21.9 | 34.4 | 7.7 | 319 |
| Secondary | 75.7 | 42.7 | 29.5 | 28.0 | 27.3 | 52.7 | 52.8 | 47.1 | 41.6 | 24.1 | 23.7 | 7.4 | 67 |
| Higher | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 20 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 16.5 | 8.7 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 5.3 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 12.0 | 9.4 | 1.9 | 79.5 | 1.4 | 544 |
| Second | 22.5 | 13.2 | 10.3 | 8.4 | 7.3 | 19.5 | 17.0 | 16.2 | 14.0 | 7.6 | 75.2 | 1.5 | 531 |
| Middle | 41.8 | 26.5 | 19.6 | 15.7 | 19.9 | 34.2 | 32.4 | 30.8 | 27.1 | 14.7 | 55.3 | 4.8 | 451 |
| Fourth | 55.3 | 31.5 | 22.9 | 17.9 | 23.2 | 43.6 | 42.4 | 39.4 | 32.8 | 15.1 | 40.8 | 7.3 | 476 |
| Highest | 61.2 | 31.9 | 25.7 | 21.8 | 22.5 | 44.8 | 44.5 | 41.8 | 39.1 | 19.1 | 37.2 | 8.4 | 301 |
| Total | 36.7 | 21.0 | 15.5 | 12.0 | 14.6 | 29.6 | 28.3 | 26.2 | 22.7 | 10.7 | 60.2 | 4.2 | 2,304 |

${ }^{1}$ Polio 0 is the polio vaccination given at birth
${ }^{2}$ BCG, measles, and three doses each of DPT and polio vaccine (excluding polio vaccine given at birth)

## Table 6.3 Prevalence and treatment of symptoms of ARI

Among children under age five, the percentage who had symptoms of acute respiratory infection (ARI) in the two weeks preceding the survey and among children with symptoms of ARI, the percentage for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider and the percentage who received antibiotics as treatment, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Among children under the age of five: |  | Among children under the age of five with symptoms of ARI: |  | Number of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage with symptoms of ARI ${ }^{1}$ | Number of children | Percentage for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider | Percentage who received antibiotics |  |
| Age in months |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-5 | 2.9 | 1,568 | 12.8 | 4.7 | 45 |
| 6-11 | 4.5 | 1,332 | 29.2 | 17.7 | 60 |
| 12-23 | 4.4 | 2,788 | 27.7 | 16.2 | 124 |
| 24-35 | 3.9 | 3,283 | 24.7 | 17.0 | 128 |
| 36-47 | 3.0 | 3,281 | 17.3 | 10.3 | 98 |
| 48-59 | 2.8 | 3,158 | 16.7 | 12.9 | 88 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 3.6 | 8,027 | 21.5 | 14.8 | 291 |
| Female | 3.4 | 7,384 | 23.1 | 13.2 | 252 |
| Cooking fuel |  |  |  |  |  |
| Electricity or gas | 2.1 | 700 | * | * | 15 |
| Kerosene | 1.9 | 278 | * | * | 5 |
| Firewood | 4.6 | 6,608 | 20.1 | 12.2 | 307 |
| Charcoal | 2.6 | 6,831 | 26.0 | 19.8 | 178 |
| Straw/Shrubs/ <br> Grass | 4.1 | 182 | * | * | 7 |
| Agricultural crops | 4.5 | 326 | * | * | 15 |
| Other fuel | * | 28 | * | * | 0 |
| No food cooked in household | 1.4 | 61 | * | * | 1 |
| Missing | 3.6 | 396 | * | * | 14 |
| Type of place of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 4.6 | 5,427 | 24.9 | 13.4 | 250 |
| Rural | 3.3 | 4,660 | 28.6 | 22.7 | 153 |
| Nomadic | 2.6 | 5,323 | 10.4 | 5.7 | 139 |
| Highest educational level |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 3.4 | 12,830 | 19.4 | 13.7 | 438 |
| Primary | 4.3 | 1,955 | 34.1 | 17.7 | 83 |
| Secondary | 4.3 | 448 | (37.8) | (8.1) | 19 |
| Higher | 1.3 | 178 | * | * | 2 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 1.4 | 3,512 | 13.5 | 12.1 | 49 |
| Second | 4.2 | 3,221 | 12.3 | 3.8 | 136 |
| Middle | 4.5 | 3,026 | 15.8 | 11.3 | 136 |
| Fourth | 4.1 | 3,224 | 38.5 | 27.2 | 132 |
| Highest | 3.7 | 2,428 | 27.7 | 15.1 | 90 |
| Total | 3.5 | 15,411 | 22.2 | 14.0 | 542 |

[^8]Table 6.4 Prevalence and treatment of fever

Among children under age five, the percentage who had a fever in the two weeks preceding the survey and among children with fever, the percentage for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider, percentage who took antimalarial drugs, and the percentage who received antibiotics as treatment, by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Among children under the age of five:Among children under the age of five with <br> fever: |  |  |  | Number of children with fever |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage with fever | Number of children | Percentage for whom treatment was sought | Percentage who took antibiotic drugs |  |
| Age in months |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-5 | 6.1 | 1,568 | 5.5 | 96 | 92 |
| 6-11 | 9.0 | 1,332 | 23.1 | 119 | 119 |
| 12-23 | 10.3 | 2,788 | 19.5 | 287 | 280 |
| 24-35 | 7.3 | 3,283 | 21.8 | 240 | 236 |
| 36-47 | 4.7 | 3,281 | 17.2 | 153 | 151 |
| 48-59 | 4.5 | 3,158 | 28.6 | 142 | 137 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 7.0 | 8,027 | 20.9 | 564 | 556 |
| Female | 6.4 | 7,384 | 19.1 | 474 | 459 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 8.7 | 5,427 | 25.8 | 470 | 450 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 6.9 | 4,660 | 24.5 | 321 | 310 |
| Nomadic | 4.6 | 5,323 | 3.3 | 247 |  |

Mother's
education

| No education | 6.3 | 12,830 | 16.0 | 811 | 795 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary | 9.5 | 1,955 | 33.9 | 186 | 181 |
| Secondary | 7.8 | 448 | (35.2) | 35 | 36 |
| Higher | 3.0 | 178 | * | 5 | 7 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 4.9 | 3,512 | 3.4 | 174 | 182 |
| Second | 4.9 | 3,221 | 5.9 | 158 | 155 |
| Middle | 8.4 | 3,026 | 21.3 | 253 | 241 |
| Fourth | 7.9 | 3,224 | 32.1 | 255 | 246 |
| Highest | 8.2 | 2,428 | 28.9 | 198 | 191 |
| Total | 6.7 | 15,411 | 20.1 | 1,038 | 1,015 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 6.5 Diarrhoea treatment

Among children under age five who had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey, the percentage for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider, the percentage given oral rehydration therapy (ORT), the percentage given increased fluids, the percentage given ORT or increased fluids, and the percentage given other treatments, by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage with diarrhoea | Number of children | Percentage of children with diarrhoea for whom advice or treatment was sought from a health facility or provider | Number of children with diarrhoea |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age in months |  |  |  |  |
| 0-5 | 4.3 | 1,568 | 36.4 | 67 |
| 6-11 | 8.1 | 1,332 | 56.9 | 108 |
| 12-23 | 8.8 | 2,788 | 53.7 | 247 |
| 24-35 | 5.2 | 3,283 | 47.5 | 172 |
| 36-47 | 3.3 | 3,281 | 37.0 | 110 |
| 48-59 | 3.5 | 3,158 | 50.0 | 112 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 5.3 | 8,027 | 51.1 | 426 |
| Female | 5.3 | 7,384 | 46.0 | 389 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 7.7 | 5,427 | 60.2 | 417 |
| Rural | 4.4 | 4,660 | 52.1 | 204 |
| Nomadic | 3.6 | 5,323 | 20.1 | 194 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 4.9 | 12,830 | 43.2 | 631 |
| Primary | 7.2 | 1,955 | 66.0 | 142 |
| Secondary | 7.5 | 448 | (66.1) | 34 |
| Higher | 4.7 | 178 | * | 8 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 3.6 | 3,512 | 22.7 | 128 |
| Second | 4.0 | 3,221 | 33.6 | 130 |
| Middle | 7.4 | 3,026 | 51.8 | 225 |
| Fourth | 6.0 | 3,224 | 64.3 | 193 |
| Highest | 5.7 | 2,428 | 59.7 | 139 |
| Total | 5.3 | 15,411 | 48.6 | 815 |

Note: ORT includes fluid prepared from oral rehydration salt (ORS) packets, pre-packaged ORS fluid, and recommended home fluids (RHF).

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 6.6 Disposal of children's stools

Percent distribution of youngest children under age five living with the mother by the manner of disposal of the child's last fecal matter, and percentage of children whose stools are disposed of safely, according to background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

|  | Manner of disposal of children's stools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percentage of children whose stools were disposed of safely ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Child used toilet latrine | Put/ rinsed into toilet or latrine | Buried | Put/ rinsed into drain or ditch | Thrown into garbage | Left <br> in the open | Other | Total |  | Number of children |

Age of child
in months

| $0-1$ | 17.8 | 18.3 | 12.0 | 7.4 | 14.3 | 26.9 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 48.1 | 486 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2-3 | 21.1 | 11.9 | 10.4 | 3.9 | 16.6 | 30.4 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 43.4 | 491 |
| $4-5$ | 14.5 | 15.5 | 16.5 | 6.7 | 16.9 | 26.9 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 46.5 | 454 |
| $6-8$ | 18.7 | 8.6 | 15.9 | 7.6 | 17.0 | 29.4 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 43.1 | 714 |
| 9-11 | 15.9 | 12.9 | 10.6 | 5.0 | 18.0 | 36.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 39.4 | 487 |
| $12-17$ | 21.0 | 19.7 | 13.7 | 5.8 | 12.3 | 25.1 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 54.4 | 1719 |
| $18-23$ | 15.7 | 12.9 | 13.7 | 6.8 | 15.4 | 29.5 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 42.3 | 802 |
| $6-23$ | 18.6 | 15.2 | 13.8 | 6.2 | 14.7 | 28.5 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 47.7 | 3,596 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 34.1 | 24.8 | 7.4 | 10.8 | 15.0 | 5.4 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 66.3 | 1,585 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 23.9 | 23.8 | 17.3 | 7.3 | 15.4 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 65.0 | 1,526 |
| Nomadic | 2.4 | 1.3 | 15.4 | 1.8 | 14.6 | 59.7 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 19.1 | 2,043 |

Highest
educational
level

| No | 16.4 | 13.2 | 15.1 | 5.1 | 14.9 | 32.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 44.6 | 4,309 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary | 27.2 | 27.4 | 5.1 | 12.2 | 14.5 | 11.3 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 59.6 | 657 |
| Secondary | 35.7 | 19.3 | 4.1 | 10.8 | 20.2 | 1.2 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 59.1 | 135 |
| Higher | 39.6 | 19.2 | 13.9 | 5.3 | 10.7 | 4.9 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 72.7 | 53 |

Wealth
quintile

| Lowest | 2.3 | 2.6 | 17.9 | 2.7 | 16.4 | 54.2 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 22.8 | 1,300 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Second | 9.6 | 5.6 | 20.5 | 2.0 | 13.1 | 44.3 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 35.7 | 1,116 |
| Middle | 30.7 | 24.8 | 9.6 | 9.2 | 13.7 | 10.1 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 65.2 | 1,006 |
| Fourth | 29.7 | 24.4 | 8.3 | 9.5 | 16.7 | 8.8 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 62.3 | 1,047 |
| Highest | 28.7 | 26.8 | 7.2 | 10.0 | 14.6 | 9.3 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 62.7 | 685 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 8 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{6 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 , 1 5 4}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Children's stools are considered to be disposed of safely if the child used a toilet or latrine, if the faecal matter was put/rinsed into a toilet or latrine or if it was buried

Child Nutrition, Feeding Practices and Nutritional Status of Women

## KEY FINDINGS

NUTRITIONAL STATUS OF CHILDREN

27of children under-five are stunted (short for their age)
12\% are wasted (thin for their height)

are underweight (thin for their age)


BREASTFEEDING

## 90 \%

of children are breastfed at some point

EARLY INITIATION OF BREASTFEEDING

60 \%
of children were breastfed within the first hour of their birth

EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING

of children under
6 months are exclusively breastfed

VITAMIN A

## 33

of children of 6-23 months consumed foods rich in vitamin A in the day preceding the survey

IRON
SUPPLEMENTATION
6\%
of children aged
6-23 months received iron
supplements in the 7 days preceding survey

TIMELY INITIATION OF COMPLEMENTARY FEEDING
42\%
of children were introduced to complementary foods at 6-8 months

(7) CHILD NUTRITION, FEEDING PRACTICES AND NUTRITIONAL STATUS OF WOMEN

## Nutrition provides energy, promotes growth, and nourishes the body. The nutritional status of a person is determined by multifaceted interactions among food availability, affordability, accessibility and consumption and infections. It influences an individual's growth and development, productivity, reproductive success and susceptibility to diseases.

Good nutritional status is critical for the growth and development of children, particularly those who are under two years of age. Additionally, women's nutrition has a direct effect on their health and the health of their children. Nutritional deficiencies among women can lead to anaemia, infections and pregnancy complications which could result in premature birth or death. Nutritional deficiencies among children, especially those under five years of age, often lead to childhood illnesses such as diarrhoea, respiratory diseases and nutritional problems such as wasting and stunting.

## Nutrition of Children and Women

The nutritional status of women and children can be measured using different methods, such as anthropometric, biochemical, clinical and dietary methods. These techniques of assessment differ in how and when they are conducted. In the SHDS 2020, the anthropometric and dietary methods were used for assessing the nutritional status of women aged 15 to 49 years and children aged zero to five years. The dietary method inquired about feeding practices of infants and children, while the anthropometric assessment measured the height and weight of women aged 15-49 and the children under the age of five in sampled households. The equipment used for height and weight measurements was the seca scale (for weight), height board (height for children aged under five) and seca (height for adults).

The SHDS 2020 followed the standard method of measuring the height and weight of women and children. Women's weight was measured by placing the weighing scale on a flat place to ensure it was balanced and having the woman stand on it facing forward, with a vertical posture. Children under two years of age were measured lying down (supine position), whereas children above two years
of age were measured while standing upright. The enumerating teams were trained before being deployed to the field. Their training involved class sessions and field pilot-tests on how to measure the weight and length/ height of children and women respectively. The enumerators were medical professionalsmidwives, nurses, public health and doctors. In the SHDS 2020, standardized nutritional indicators were generated using the WHO anthropometric tool for nutritional survey data analyses. The measurements below were used to generate nutritional indicators:

1. Weight-for-age (underweight)
2. Height-for-age (stunting)
3. Weight-for-height (wasting)

The standard assessment guideline that was used to calculate the indicators was the 'Z-score' or standard deviation scores (-2 or +2 ). The weight-for-age index (underweight indicator) describes children who are underweight if they are minus (2 SD) from the mean reference population. This is a crucial indicator for assessing nutritional conditions of children.

The height-for-age (stunting) indicator calculates the children who suffer growth retardation as a result of poor diets or recurrent infections. Stunting is a result of chronic nutritional deprivations and often results in delayed mental and motoric development, poor school performance, and reduced intellectual capacity and productivity later in life. This in turn affects the economic development at national level.

The weight-for-height (wasting) indicator measures the children who suffer from acute malnutrition, usually as consequences of insufficient food intake or a high incidence of infectious diseases, especially diarrhoea. Wasting in turn impairs the functioning of the immune system and increases children's morbidity and mortality.

Weight-for-age (underweight) is a composite index of height-for-age and weight-for-height.

It takes into account both acute and chronic malnutrition.

## Nutritional Status of Children

The nutritional status of children is affected by different factors, such as a mother's nutritional status, socioeconomic status, educational background or children's poor health conditions. The nutritional status of Somali children is relatively poor due to many reasons, such as low economic conditions, and severe drought that has affected the country in recent years. Under-nourished children are usually associated with high mortality and morbidity rates. Additionally, nutritional deficit also hinders children's long-term physical and mental development.

The SHDS 2020 measured the height and weight of children below 5 years and inquired about their dietary intake. The weight and height measured for children that were recorded were used as anthropometric measurements using the Z-score. As per WHO standards, indicators such as height-for-age, weight-for-height and weight-for-age can be used to calculate the nutritional status of children under five years of age.

Table 7.1 shows the nutritional status of children under five years of age according to three anthropometric indices-height-for-age, weight-for-height and weight-for-age. Twentyseven percent of children under the age of five are stunted or too short for their age, and 16 percent are severely stunted, while 12 percent are wasted; the table also shows that 6 percent of the children are severely wasted. Twentyone percent of children under the age of five are underweight, with 11 percent severely underweight.

As presented in Figure 7.1, the prevalence of malnutrition among children aged under 5 shows a fluctuating trend. Malnutrition starts to

Figure 7.1 Nutritional status of children
Percent of children under five years classified as malnourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status

manifest at three to four months of age, the time many infants start complementary feeding, and continues to rise. As a consequence, wasting, which reflects acute malnutrition, increases and peaks in the fourth month. Stunting takes a bit of time to show (because it reflects chronic nutrition or repeated infections), so as infants start to eat food other than breastmilk at three to four months, stunting peaks at 21 months,

Figure 7.2 Initial Breastfeeding
Percent of children who started breastfeeding within the first hour of birth by place of residence

with a prevalence of 39 percent. On the other hand, wasting is highest among infants aged 4 months, at 22 percent, and lowest, at 6 percent, among children of 35 months..

## Initiation of Breastfeeding

The World Health Organisation (WHO) recommends early initiation of breastfeeding within the first hour of birth. The first breast milk contains a substance called 'colostrum', which contains a high concentration of antibodies and nutrients. It protects babies from the onset of diseases. Breastfeeding is also beneficial for mothers as it is known to reduce the risks of breast and ovarian cancers and postpartum depression. Early suckling improves the production of milk, and creates a bond between a mother and child. As a result, WHO recommends children be exclusively breastfed in the first six months of their life and that mothers should continue breastfeeding up to two years, while providing complementary foods.

Table 7.2 shows that 60 percent of children were breastfed within the first hour of their
birth. Overall, 90 percent of children had been breastfed regardless of whether or not initiation of breastfeeding was within the first hour of birth or continued until two years.

As presented in Figure 7.2, analysis by the place of residence shows that children from nomadic areas are less likely to be breastfed within the first hour of birth, at 53 percent, as compared to 63 percent of children in the urban and 65 percent in rural areas respectively..

It can be noted that children born in health facilities or delivered with the assistance of health professionals were more likely to have been breastfed in the first hour of birth compared to children born at home, with the delivery assisted by a traditional birth attendant or by no one at all. The survey data shows that 67 percent of children born in health facilities were breastfed within the first hour of birth, while 58 percent of children who were born at home started breastfeeding within the first hour of birth (Table 7.2).

## Breastfeeding status by age

In the SHDS 2020, ever-married women who had children were asked if they had ever breastfed their babies, how long after the birth they put the baby to the breast (for the last child), if anything was given other than breast milk in the first three days of life (for the last child), if they were still breastfeeding the last child, if they had given their children micronutrient powder, and if they were ready to use therapeutic (PlumpyNut), or ready to use supplemental food (PlumpyDoz). The enumerators used the local names of these foods in order for the respondents to clearly understand the questions.

Table 7.3 and Figure 7.3 show the percentage distribution of children less than two years of age by breastfeeding status, including those currently breastfeeding and the percentage of all children under two years of age using feeding bottles with nipples according to their age in months. Thirty-three percent of children under six months are exclusively breastfed and the percentage of exclusive breastfeeding declines with age, from 42 percent for children aged 0-1 months to 29 percent among children of 4-5 months. Contrary to the recommendation

Figure 7.3 Breastfeeding status by age
Percent of children under age two by breastfeeding status
Not breastfeeding Exclusively breastfeeding
that children under the age of six months be exclusively breastfed, many infants under six months are also fed other liquids in addition to breast milk, such as water, at 17 percent, other milk, at 17 percent, and non-milk liquids, at 8 percent. Moreover, 17 percent of infants began complementary foods before six months of age. Eight percent of children aged under six months were not breastfeeding at the time the survey was conducted. Forty percent of children under two years of age were 'currently' being breastfed at the time the survey was carried out, while 45 percent of children under two years of age were using a feeding bottle with a nipple.

## Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Indicators on Breastfeeding Status

Figure 7.4 shows that 33 percent of children aged under 6 months were exclusively breastfed, while 58 percent of children under age six months were predominantly breastfed. Forty-eight percent of children were still breastfeeding at the age of one, and 40 percent were breastfeeding at age two. Overall, 42 percent of children were introduced to complementary foods at six to eight months and 30 percent of children under age two were breastfed appropriately for their age. Further, 47 percent of children aged 0-23 months were bottle-fed.

## Types of Complementary Foods

Complementary foods are recommended to be given to children when breastfeeding is no longer sufficient to addressing children's needs. The period for complementary feeding usually starts from four to six months. At this age, children are vulnerable to malnutrition. Complementary feeding should be timely, meaning that all infants should begin receiving foods in addition to breast milk from six months onwards. However, foods to be given to children should be appropriate for their age and nutritional needs. Mothers or caregivers should take appropriate measures when preparing food, ensuring its safety to minimize the risk of food contamination.

Table 7.4 shows the foods consumed by children under two years of age who were living with the mother during the day or night preceding the interview according to their breastfeeding status. The data shows that 10 percent of breastfed children aged under two years and 10 percent of non-breastfed children aged under 2 years were fed infant milk formula. Thirty-two percent of the breastfed children were getting other liquids in addition to the breast milk, compared to 44 percent who were not breastfed. However, infants as young

Figure 7.4 IYCF indicators on breastfeeding status

as zero months, whether breastfeeding or not, have already been introduced to other foods and liquids. This contradicts the exclusive breastfeeding guidance provided by WHO for children less than six months old.

Overall, 41 percent of breastfed children aged under two years received solid or semi-solid complementary foods in addition to breast milk. Twenty-three percent of children aged 0-23 months received foods made from grains, whereas 18 percent of children of this age had fruits and vegetables rich in vitamin A. Thirteen percent and 12 percent of children aged 0-23 months were given milk products (cheese, yoghurt and other) and animal sources of food (meat, fish and poultry) respectively. Fifty-nine percent of children aged 0-23 months who were not breastfeeding received solid or semisolid foods from any sources.

With respect to the dietary intake of children by their breastfeeding status, a higher proportion of solid and semi-solid foods are being consumed by non-breastfed children. Thirtyfive percent of non-breastfeeding children receive other types of milk. Supplementary foods given to children are fruits and vegetables rich in vitamin $A$, and meat, fish, poultry and eggs.

## Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices

The period during pregnancy and children's first two years of life are considered as a critical window for their growth and prevention of childhood illnesses. Optimal Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices are essential for child growth and development. The IYCF Global Strategy was first issued in 2002 jointly by WHO and UNICEF to reverse disturbing trends of infant and child feeding practices. The main objective of the strategy is to improve and promote healthy feeding practices and, as a result, to decrease the child morbidity and mortality.

Table 7.5 shows children aged 6-23 months living with their mothers, and who are being fed according to the three IYCF practices based on the breastfeeding status, the number of food groups they receive and times they were being fed during the day or night preceding the survey. The UNICEF-recommended IYCF practices to be followed are based on breastfeeding status and the age of children. Children from six to eight months on breastfeeding are recommended to be fed four different groups of food per day, with a minimum meal frequency of two times, whereas children aged 9-23 months need to be fed four or more different groups of food per day, with a minimum meal frequency of three times. Non-breastfeeding children are recommended to be given four different groups of foods, with a minimum meal frequency of four times.

Table 7.5 indicates that 13 percent of breastfed children aged 6-23 months old were fed four or more different groups of food the day or night preceding the survey and 31 percent were fed the minimum meal frequency the night or day before the survey. Only 7 percent among the breastfed children aged 6-23 months old were fed four or more different groups of foods at a minimum number of times that is required.

With regard to non-breastfeeding children, 35 percent were fed milk or milk products, whereas 19 percent were fed four or more different groups of food the night or day preceding the survey. With regard to the minimum meal frequency among non-breastfeeding children, 35 percent of them were fed the minimum meal frequency. With regard to IYCF practices, only 9 percent of the non-breastfeeding children were fed as recommended by the IYCF guidelines.

Overall, only 7 percent of all children aged 6-23 months were fed in line with three IYCF practices the night or day prior to the survey, while 13 percent of children of the same age were fed four or more different groups of foods. With regard to the meal frequency, 27 percent of children aged 6-23 months had meals in line with the recommended minimum meal frequency.

The proportion of children consuming foods rich in vitamin A and iron and the proportion receiving iron supplements and deworming medication increase with higher levels of mothers' education and increasing household wealth


There are notable differences according to residence in the proportion of children aged 6-23 months fed according to the recommended three IYCF practices-from 13 percent in urban areas to 1 percent in nomadic areas. Additionally, there is a steady increase in the proportion of children fed according to the recommended three IYCF practices as mother's education increases, from 5 percent among children whose mothers have no education to 27 percent among children whose mothers have higher education. As expected, children from wealthier households are more likely to be fed according to the recommended three IYCF practices than children from poorer households.

## Micronutrient Intake among Children

Micronutrients, which consist of vitamins and minerals, are essential for children's development and prevention against illnesses. Vitamin A and iron are key micronutrients needed for supplementation. The deficiency of these micronutrients can result in a weak immune system, blindness, stunting or anaemia. For children, the period 6-59 months in particular is a critical window for their health and well-being.

In the SHDS, ever-married women were asked if children aged 6-23 months consumed foods rich in vitamin $A$ and iron the day or night preceding the survey and records were made to reflect those who had received any of these supplements.

Table 7.6 shows that 33 percent of children of 6-23 months had consumed foods rich in vitamin A during the night or day preceding the survey, while 22 percent had consumed foods rich in iron. The findings further reveal that 5 percent of children of ages 6-59 months were given iron supplements in the seven days preceding the survey. Similarly, only 8 percent of children aged 6-59 months were given deworming drugs in the six months before the survey was conducted.

Analysis by the place of residence shows that a large proportion of children in urban areas (48 percent) received vitamin A supplements, followed by those who live in rural areas (39 percent); nomadic children received the least vitamin A supplements (14 percent). Similar patterns were also observed for the percentage of children who were given deworming medication in the six months preceding the survey, with 14 percent of urban children, 8 percent of children from rural areas and 1 percent of nomadic children receiving deworming medication (Table 7.6).

In general, the proportion of children consuming foods rich in vitamin $A$ and iron and the proportion receiving iron supplements and deworming medication increase with higher levels of mothers' education and increasing household wealth (Table 7.6).

## Nutritional Status of Women

Women's nutrition is vital for their health and pregnancy outcomes. In the SHDS 2020, women's nutritional status was calculated by measuring their body mass index (BMI). The BMI is a screening tool that can indicate whether a person is underweight, has normal weight or is overweight. The BMI is calculated by dividing the weight ( kg ) of the person by height (m) square. The ranges of BMI are $<18.5$ (underweight), 18.5-24.9 (normal), 25.0-29.9 (overweight) and $>=30$ (obese). If the person's BMI is outside of normal range, their health risks might increase significantly. Having too much weight can lead to various health conditions, such as diabetes type 2, cardiovascular problems and high blood pressure. If the weight of a person is below the normal range, the risk of adverse pregnancy outcomes and overall poor health status increases.

Table 7.7 shows that the height of 3 percent of women was below 145 cm . Generally, women with short stature have a higher risk of having obstructed labour, due to cephalo-pelvic
disproportion. Fifty-one percent of women have a normal body mass index (between 18.5 and 24.9), while 15 percent of women aged 15-49 are thin, with a BMI of less than 18.5. Twenty-two percent of women are overweight, with a body mass index of more than 25.029.9; 11 percent of women are obese.

Analysis by women's places of residence shows that nomadic areas have the highest percentage of thin women, at 27 percent, followed by women in rural areas, at 16 percent, compared to 13 percent of women in urban areas. Similarly, the percentage of overweight women is highest in urban areas, at 25 percent. The proportion of overweight women increases with age, as women aged 40-49 (34 percent) are more likely to be overweight than women aged 15-19 (11 percent).

## Micronutrient Intake among Women

Micronutrients deficiency is a global public health problem. Largely, deficiency is observed in minerals and vitamins affecting the health of mothers and, indirectly, the nutritional status and development of children. Iron supplementation for women during pregnancy is vital for mothers' and babies' health. Iron supplementation has an impact on the health of the mother during pregnancy, delivery or the post-partum stage as its severe deficiency may lead to anaemia, spontaneous abortion or low birth weight. Additionally, the strategy
of deworming is a public health intervention for pregnant women recommended by WHO. Preventive deworming using a single dose of Albendazole or Mebendazole is recommended for pregnant women in areas where prevalence of hookworms or $T$. trichiura infection and anaemia is a public health problem. This is to curb the effects of helminths diseases on the health of pregnant women.

Table 7.8 shows that only 2 percent of women reported that they had taken iron supplementation for the recommended 90 days or more during their last pregnancy. Similarly, only 4 percent of women took deworming medication. There is a slight variation in these proportions by place of residence. The percentage of women who took iron supplements for at least 90 days is higher among women in urban areas ( 5 percent), as compared to rural settings (2 percent) and nomadic areas (1 percent). Seven percent of women in urban areas had taken deworming tablets, compared to 4 percent of women in rural areas and 1 percent of nomadic women. The proportion of women who had taken iron supplementation for 90 days or longer during their last pregnancy increases the higher their education levels are-14 percent of women with secondary education reported to have taken iron tablets, as compared with 1 percent among those who do not have any form of education.

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Percentage of children under five years classified as malnourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status:
height-for-age, weight-for-height, and weight-for-age, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Height-for-age ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  | Weight-for-Height |  |  |  |  | Weight-for-age |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ```Percentage below -3 SD``` | Percentage below -2 SD ${ }^{2}$ | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children | ```Percentage below -3 SD``` | ```Percentage below -2 SD``` | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below }+2 \\ & \text { SD } \end{aligned}$ | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children | Percentage below-3 SD | ```Percentage below -2 SD2``` | ```Percentage below +2 SD``` | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children |
| Age in months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-5 | 9.7 | 16.1 | 3.3 | 177 | 18.4 | 14.1 | 1.3 | 357 | 12.8 | 35.5 | 1.3 | 617 | 1.3 | 666 |
| 6-8 | 23.7 | 31.8 | 3.9 | 173 | 14.2 | 10.9 | 1.2 | 137 | 14.9 | 31.5 | 2.0 | 344 | 1.5 | 346 |
| 9-11 | 17.0 | 28.7 | 2.9 | 109 | 12.6 | 10.1 | 1.3 | 86 | 10.8 | 25.5 | 1.5 | 174 | 1.1 | 169 |
| 12-17 | 17.5 | 27.8 | 1.6 | 447 | 12.9 | 9.5 | 1.3 | 360 | 10.6 | 10.0 | 0.4 | 485 | 0.4 | 548 |
| 18-23 | 17.3 | 26.8 | 1.0 | 165 | 10.3 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 105 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 0.3 | 163 | 0.4 | 184 |
| 24-35 | 15.5 | 28.3 | 1.0 | 887 | 12.4 | 7.3 | 1.1 | 618 | 9.5 | 8.3 | 0.3 | 932 | 0.3 | 1,015 |
| 36-47 | 16.0 | 26.4 | 1.9 | 827 | 10.5 | 7.8 | 0.8 | 576 | 10.2 | 17.3 | 0.8 | 1,174 | 0.7 | 1,208 |
| 48-59 | 17.3 | 28.0 | 1.8 | 879 | 9.6 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 536 | 11.0 | 15.8 | 0.7 | 1,139 | 0.7 | 1,212 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 16.3 | 27.0 | 1.8 | 1,784 | 11.9 | 8.0 | 0.9 | 1,319 | 10.4 | 16.2 | 0.7 | 2,449 | 0.7 | 3,891 |
| Female | 16.2 | 26.7 | 1.8 | 1,880 | 11.8 | 8.9 | 1.1 | 1,454 | 10.8 | 15.4 | 0.7 | 2,578 | 0.6 | 1,458 |
| Size at birth ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very small | 15.0 | 25.5 | 1.8 | 198 | 12.3 | 10.4 | 0.9 | 177 | 9.2 | 19.1 | 0.8 | 285 | 0.8 | 290 |
| Small | 17.1 | 26.1 | 1.8 | 203 | 12.7 | 9.3 | 1.2 | 171 | 11.4 | 15.8 | 0.8 | 288 | 0.7 | 268 |
| Average or larger | 16.7 | 27.1 | 1.8 | 2,474 | 11.7 | 8.0 | 0.9 | 1,791 | 10.6 | 15.2 | 0.7 | 3,324 | 0.7 | 3,558 |
| Mother's nutritional status ${ }^{4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Thin (BMI < } \\ & \text { 18.5) } \end{aligned}$ | 16.2 | 26.1 | 2.0 | 243 | 13.9 | 8.2 | 0.9 | 206 | 9.3 | 15.8 | 0.7 | 347 | 0.8 | 377 |
| Normal (BMI 18.5-24.9) | 15.9 | 26.5 | 1.7 | 847 | 12.7 | 8.5 | 1.0 | 678 | 10.8 | 16.5 | 0.7 | 1,202 | 0.7 | 1,274 |
| Overweight/ <br> obese (BMI $>=25)$ | 17.4 | 27.7 | 1.9 | 559 | 11.5 | 8.3 | 0.9 | 399 | 10.6 | 16.1 | 0.7 | 772 | 0.6 | 753 |

Table 7.1 Continued

| Background characteristics | Height-for-age ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  | Weight-for-Height |  |  |  |  | Weight-for-age |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage below -3 SD | Percentage below -2 $S D^{2}$ | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children | Percentage below -3 SD | Percentage below-2 SD ${ }^{2}$ | Percentage below +2 SD | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children | Percentage below -3 SD | Percentage below-2 SD2 | Percentage below +2 SD | Mean Z-score (SD) | Number of children |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 16.8 | 27.8 | 1.7 | 2033 | 10.6 | 7.6 | 0.9 | 1336 | 10.8 | 13.6 | 0.6 | 2532 | 0.6 | 3,038 |
| Rural | 18.3 | 29.7 | 2.0 | 1285 | 12.2 | 9.8 | 1.1 | 953 | 11.5 | 15.2 | 0.6 | 1657 | 0.6 | 1,833 |
| Nomadic | 9.7 | 17.3 | 2.1 | 345 | 15.7 | 8.6 | 0.9 | 485 | 8.2 | 25.4 | 1.2 | 839 | 1.1 | 477 |
| Mother's education ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 15.9 | 26.0 | 1.7 | 635 | 11.5 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 474 | 10.6 | 15.5 | 0.6 | 882 | 0.7 | 2,850 |
| Primary | 16.9 | 27.6 | 1.8 | 928 | 11.6 | 8.0 | 1.0 | 663 | 11.3 | 14.7 | 0.7 | 1231 | 0.7 | 1,320 |
| Secondary | 14.2 | 24.9 | 1.9 | 186 | 12.4 | 8.5 | 1.1 | 156 | 11.2 | 17.6 | 0.8 | 286 | 0.6 | 264 |
| Higher | 24.9 | 31.6 | 1.6 | 69 | 7.3 | 9.6 | 1.4 | 37 | 12.3 | 17.9 | 0.7 | 94 | 1.0 | 88 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 13.9 | 22.5 | 1.9 | 799 | 14.4 | 9.2 | 0.9 | 837 | 8.5 | 21.7 | 0.9 | 1412 | 0.8 | 1,148 |
| Second | 20.4 | 32.8 | 1.7 | 1031 | 10.9 | 9.0 | 1.1 | 626 | 14.4 | 11.7 | 0.4 | 1201 | 0.7 | 1,222 |
| Middle | 17.2 | 28.6 | 2.1 | 799 | 11.0 | 8.4 | 1.0 | 542 | 11.6 | 14.0 | 0.6 | 1032 | 0.6 | 1,270 |
| Fourth | 16.3 | 26.9 | 1.8 | 645 | 10.2 | 8.7 | 1.2 | 452 | 11.2 | 14.3 | 0.8 | 846 | 0.6 | 999 |
| Highest | 12.2 | 22.1 | 1.5 | 390 | 12.1 | 5.8 | 0.6 | 316 | 5.7 | 16.3 | 1.0 | 535 | 0.6 | 710 |
| Total | 16.3 | 26.9 | 1.8 | 3664 | 11.9 | 8.5 | 1.0 | 2774 | 10.6 | 15.8 | 0.7 | 5027 | 0.7 | 5,349 |

[^9]Table 7.2 Initial breastfeeding

Among last-born children who were born in the two years preceding the survey, the percentage who were ever breastfed and the
percentage who started breastfeeding within one hour and within one day of birth and a the percentage who received a prelacteal feed, by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Among lastborn children born in the past two years: |  |  |  | Among lastborn children born in the past two years: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage ever breastfed | Percentage who started breastfeeding within 1 hour of birth | Percentage who started breastfeeding within 1 day of birth ${ }^{1}$ | Number of lastborn children | Percentage who received a pre-lacteal feed ${ }^{2}$ | Number of lastborn children ever breastfed |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 90.1 | 59.3 | 83.0 | 2,855 | 40.8 | 2,573 |
| Female | 90.1 | 60.7 | 83.5 | 2,579 | 39.8 | 2,324 |
| Assistance at delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health personnel ${ }^{3}$ | 90.1 | 66.1 | 83.7 | 1,959 | 40.7 | 1,765 |
| Traditional birth attendant | 90.5 | 57.1 | 83.4 | 2,940 | 39.7 | 2,661 |
| Relative/friend | 93.0 | 63.3 | 84.4 | 389 | 39.9 | 361 |
| Other | (87.8) | (34.5) | (84.8) | 24 | * | 21 |
| No one | 72.4 | 24.2 | 67.4 | 122 | 55.9 | 89 |
| Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health facility | 92.6 | 67.3 | 85.3 | 1,355 | 40.3 | 1,255 |
| At home | 89.3 | 57.5 | 82.6 | 4,063 | 40.3 | 3,627 |
| Other | * | * | * | 12 | * | 11 |
| Missing | * | * | * | 4 | * | 4 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 91.8 | 63.2 | 81.9 | 1,881 | 39.9 | 1,726 |
| Rural | 91.8 | 64.5 | 86.1 | 1,644 | 41.0 | 1,509 |
| Nomadic | 87.0 | 52.7 | 82.1 | 1,910 | 40.3 | 1,663 |
| Highest education level |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 89.4 | 59.0 | 82.5 | 4,455 | 39.9 | 3,984 |
| Primary | 94.3 | 62.7 | 88.4 | 735 | 39.3 | 693 |
| Secondary | 92.4 | 70.2 | 83.7 | 176 | 46.5 | 162 |
| Higher | 84.5 | 64.6 | 77.6 | 69 | 67.8 | 58 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 90.2 | 57.5 | 85.2 | 1,251 | 38.1 | 1,129 |
| Second | 86.2 | 53.4 | 79.6 | 1,125 | 39.3 | 969 |
| Middle | 90.9 | 60.8 | 83.8 | 1,009 | 42.5 | 917 |
| Fourth | 91.2 | 64.3 | 84.7 | 1,142 | 39.1 | 1,042 |
| Highest | 92.6 | 64.9 | 82.4 | 908 | 43.6 | 840 |
| Total | 90.1 | 59.9 | 83.2 | 5,434 | 40.3 | 4,897 |

Note: Table is based on last-born children born in the two years preceding the survey regardless of whetherthe children are living or dead at the time of interview.
${ }^{1}$ Includes children who started breastfeeding within one hour of birth
${ }^{2}$ Children given something other than breast milk during the first three days of life
${ }^{3}$ Doctor, nurse/midwife, or auxiliary midwife
Table 7.3 Breastfeeding status by age

| Percent distribution of youngest children under two years who are living with their mother by breastfeeding status and the percentage currently breastfeeding; and the percentage of all children under two a nipple, according to age in months, SHDS, 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Breastfeeding status: |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of youngest children under two years living with the mother | Percentage using a bottle with a nipple | Number of all children under two years |
| Age in months | Not breastfeeding | Exclusively breastfeeding | Breastfeeding and consuming plain water only | Breastfeeding and consuming nonmilk liquids ${ }^{1}$ | Breastfeeding and consuming other milk | Breastfeeding and consuming complementary foods | Total | Currently breastfeeding |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 6.2 | 41.8 | 16.1 | 6.2 | 14.3 | 15.3 | 100.0 | 93.8 | 500 | 29.1 | 522 |
| 2-3 | 7.8 | 29.5 | 19.8 | 7.4 | 19.3 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 92.2 | 498 | 37.9 | 528 |
| 4-5 | 11.3 | 28.5 | 15.3 | 9.1 | 17.0 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 88.7 | 462 | 48.1 | 497 |
| 6-8 | 22.5 | 20.0 | 11.1 | 7.3 | 9.5 | 29.5 | 100.0 | 77.5 | 708 | 51.5 | 752 |
| 9-11 | 38.3 | 11.9 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 35.9 | 100.0 | 61.7 | 524 | 52.4 | 543 |
| 12-17 | 53.3 | 7.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 29.3 | 100.0 | 46.7 | 1606 | 53.5 | 1,681 |
| 18-23 | 61.0 | 9.8 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 39.0 | 681 | 44.8 | 724 |
| 0-3 | 7.0 | 35.6 | 18.0 | 6.8 | 16.8 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 93.0 | 998 | 33.6 | 1,051 |
| 0-5 | 8.4 | 33.3 | 17.1 | 7.6 | 16.9 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 91.6 | 1459 | 38.2 | 1,548 |
| 6-9 | 25.3 | 17.8 | 9.5 | 6.8 | 8.8 | 31.8 | 100.0 | 74.7 | 935 | 53.2 | 987 |
| 12-15 | 51.6 | 7.7 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 31.7 | 100.0 | 48.4 | 1300 | 55.2 | 1,360 |
| 12-23 | 55.6 | 8.4 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 26.9 | 100.0 | 44.4 | 2287 | 50.9 | 2,406 |
| 20-23 | 60.4 | 9.6 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 22.7 | 100.0 | 39.6 | 399 | 44.9 | 429 |
| Note: Breastfeeding status refers to a ?24-hour? period (yesterday and last night). Children who are classified as breastfeeding and consuming plain water only consumed no liquid or solid supplements. The breastfeeding, <br> exclusively breastfed, breastfeeding and consuming plain water, non-milk liquids, other milk, and complementary foods (solids and semi-solids) are hierarchical and mutually exclusive, and their percentages Thus children who receive breast milk and non-milk liquids and who do not receive other milk and who do not receive complementary foods are classified in the non-milk liquid category even though they may also get plain water. Any children who get complementary food are classified in that category as long as they are breastfeeding as well. <br> 1 Non-milk liquids include juice, juice drinks, clear broth or other liquids" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 7.4 Foods and liquids consumed by children in the day or night preceding the interview

| Percentage of youngest children under two years of age who are living with the mother by type of foods consumed in the day or night preceding the interview, according to breastfeeding status and age, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age in months | Liquids |  |  |  |  | Solid or semi solid foods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of children |
|  | Infant formula | Other milk ${ }^{1}$ | Other liquids ${ }^{2}$ | Fortified baby food | Food made from grains ${ }^{3}$ | Fruits and vegetables rich in vitamin A | Other fruits and vegetables | Food made from roots and tubers | Food made from legumes and nuts | Meat, fish and poultry | Eggs | Cheese, yogurt, other milk product | Any solid or semisolid food |  |
| BREASTFEEDING CHILDREN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 7.8 | 12.2 | 14.3 | 1.7 | 9.0 | 7.3 | 0.9 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 5.4 | 16.0 | 435 |
| 2-3 | 13.7 | 16.6 | 16.8 | 3.9 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 17.3 | 409 |
| 4-5 | 9.5 | 18.5 | 20.6 | 3.0 | 8.4 | 6.7 | 1.2 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 6.2 | 22.4 | 359 |
| 6-8 | 10.6 | 25.4 | 29.0 | 4.1 | 17.8 | 16.7 | 6.6 | 7.6 | 5.7 | 9.5 | 4.4 | 16.9 | 42.6 | 551 |
| 9-11 | 10.3 | 32.6 | 40.2 | 9.2 | 31.1 | 26.1 | 8.4 | 11.9 | 10.3 | 14.8 | 10.8 | 16.4 | 57.8 | 327 |
| 12-17 | 11.8 | 33.5 | 49.3 | 10.0 | 41.1 | 31.6 | 11.5 | 13.2 | 8.8 | 21.4 | 10.2 | 18.7 | 63.2 | 758 |
| 18-23 | 5.9 | 29.8 | 40.8 | 6.8 | 34.9 | 21.5 | 8.9 | 11.1 | 10.3 | 19.8 | 8.5 | 17.0 | 53.4 | 273 |
| 6-23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 10.4 | 30.5 | 40.7 | 7.7 | 31.7 | 24.9 | 9.2 | 11.1 | 8.4 | 16.6 | 8.4 | 17.5 | 54.9 | 1,910 |
| NONBREASTFEEDING CHILDREN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.4 | 7.4 | 20.3 | 30.7 | 4.0 | 16.7 | 27.5 | 12.3 | 13.9 | 7.8 | 19.8 | 13.8 | 7.2 | 30.6 | 102 |
| 6.3 | 6.3 | 30.2 | 37.3 | 3.7 | 18.1 | 27.9 | 10.5 | 9.5 | 9.1 | 16.6 | 14.3 | 13.2 | 49.7 | 147 |
| 6.3 | 6.3 | 21.6 | 29.7 | 4.8 | 8.6 | 23.1 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 6.7 | 15.4 | 13.3 | 11.5 | 35.5 | 133 |
| 10.2 | 10.2 | 27.7 | 43.2 | 7.4 | 22.2 | 23.4 | 11.5 | 11.3 | 9.8 | 13.3 | 11.0 | 11.9 | 50.7 | 239 |
| 7.0 | 7.0 | 40.3 | 41.6 | 8.7 | 30.6 | 31.7 | 15.6 | 16.5 | 12.7 | 23.0 | 16.0 | 21.3 | 64.0 | 269 |
| 10.9 | 10.9 | 36.0 | 45.4 | 8.2 | 34.8 | 33.5 | 13.0 | 18.5 | 11.5 | 24.6 | 13.8 | 17.6 | 62.6 | 1,136 |
| 10.8 | 10.8 | 38.9 | 51.0 | 11.4 | 34.0 | 35.3 | 18.5 | 17.4 | 11.4 | 26.6 | 14.0 | 19.1 | 64.6 | 649 |
| 10.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.8 | 10.3 | 36.4 | 46.3 | 9.0 | 32.8 | 32.8 | 14.7 | 17.2 | 11.4 | 23.8 | 13.8 | 17.8 | 62.1 | 2,294 |
| Note: Breastfeeding status and food consumed refer to a "24-hour" period (yesterday and last night). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\prime}$ Other milk includes fresh, tinned and powdered animal milk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ Does not include plain water. Includes juice, juice drinks, clear broth, or other non-milk liquids. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{3}$ Includes fortified baby food |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 7.5 Infant and young child feeding (IYCF) practices

| Percentage of youngest children age 6-23 months living with their m survey, <br> by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020 <br> Among breastfed children 6-23 months, percentage fed: |  |  |  | ther who ar | accordin | ree IYCF | ces based | reastfeedin | us, number | ood groups, | mes th | d during | day or nigh | ding the |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Number of breastfed children 6-23 months | Among non-breastfed children 6-23 months, percentage fed: |  |  |  | Number of nonbreastfed children 6-23 months | Among all children 6-23 months, percentage fed: |  |  |  | Number of children 6-23 months |
| Background characteristics | 4+ food groups ${ }^{1}$ | Minimum meal frequency ${ }^{2}$ | Both 4+ food groups and minimum meal frequency |  | Milk or milk <br> products ${ }^{3}$ $4+$ food <br> groups ${ }^{1}$ |  | Minimum meal frequency ${ }^{4}$ | With 3 IYCF practices ${ }^{5}$ |  | Breast milk, milk or milk products ${ }^{6}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4+\text { food } \\ & \text { groups }{ }^{1} \end{aligned}$ | Minimum meal frequency ${ }^{7}$ | With 3 IYCF practices |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6-8 | 6.8 | 34.0 | 5.0 | 551 | 40.5 | 12.8 | 40.8 | 7.4 | 239 | 82.0 | 8.6 | 36.1 | 5.7 | 791 |
| 9-11 | 14.3 | 29.7 | 5.8 | 327 | 37.1 | 20.4 | 37.2 | 11.7 | 269 | 71.6 | 17.1 | 33.1 | 8.5 | 597 |
| 12-17 | 15.9 | 30.8 | 7.9 | 758 | 30.9 | 19.4 | 32.0 | 8.0 | 1136 | 58.5 | 18.0 | 31.5 | 8.0 | 1894 |
| 18-23 | 13.5 | 26.7 | 7.4 | 273 | 38.9 | 21.3 | 37.2 | 11.0 | 649 | 57.0 | 19.0 | 34.1 | 9.9 | 923 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 13.5 | 31.1 | 7.2 | 997 | 36.6 | 19.2 | 36.6 | 9.5 | 1208 | 70.5 | 13.3 | 27.2 | 6.8 | 2205 |
| Female | 11.8 | 30.8 | 6.1 | 913 | 33.0 | 19.5 | 33.1 | 8.9 | 1085 | 70.0 | 13.3 | 25.9 | 6.2 | 1998 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 25.0 | 34.8 | 12.5 | 602 | 51.2 | 32.4 | 51.0 | 18.6 | 897 | 75.9 | 24.5 | 37.0 | 13.3 | 1498 |
| Rural | 13.8 | 37.4 | 7.6 | 584 | 36.6 | 18.2 | 37.6 | 5.9 | 689 | 71.4 | 12.5 | 29.3 | 5.1 | 1273 |
| Nomadic | 1.6 | 22.6 | 1.0 | 724 | 12.6 | 4.0 | 12.1 | 0.6 | 708 | 63.3 | 2.2 | 13.2 | 0.6 | 1431 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 9.0 | 28.4 | 4.5 | 1580 | 31.5 | 15.7 | 31.7 | 6.7 | 1817 | 69.3 | 10.3 | 24.0 | 4.6 | 3396 |
| Primary | 27.2 | 41.0 | 14.8 | 253 | 41.3 | 31.6 | 43.0 | 15.8 | 344 | 72.4 | 24.7 | 34.8 | 12.6 | 597 |
| Secondary | 38.4 | 45.1 | 21.4 | 55 | 66.5 | 33.9 | 63.1 | 24.1 | 96 | 83.3 | 30.2 | 49.2 | 19.2 | 151 |
| Higher | * | * | * | 22 | (58.6) | (48.5) | (48.9) | (35.5) | 37 | 78.0 | 38.2 | 43.7 | 26.7 | 59 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.7 | 23.7 | 1.5 | 504 | 15.6 | 6.9 | 17.5 | 1.9 | 431 | 67.1 | 3.8 | 15.8 | 1.5 | 935 |
| Second | 3.8 | 25.8 | 1.4 | 410 | 25.0 | 8.9 | 23.2 | 2.4 | 449 | 67.0 | 5.2 | 19.9 | 1.6 | 859 |
| Middle | 13.8 | 34.8 | 7.1 | 336 | 33.0 | 17.7 | 34.0 | 6.7 | 417 | 69.1 | 12.3 | 26.3 | 5.1 | 753 |
| Fourth | 21.1 | 37.2 | 11.8 | 343 | 38.8 | 22.7 | 39.5 | 11.8 | 555 | 68.6 | 18.4 | 31.6 | 9.5 | 898 |
| Highest | 29.8 | 38.3 | 15.6 | 316 | 60.7 | 39.6 | 59.4 | 22.5 | 442 | 80.9 | 29.2 | 41.8 | 16.1 | 758 |
| Total | 12.7 | 30.9 | 6.7 | 1910 | 34.9 | 19.4 | 35.0 | 9.2 | 2294 | 70.3 | 13.3 | 26.6 | 6.5 | 4203 |
| Note: Figures in parentheses are based on $25-49$ unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. <br>  f. meat, poultry, fish, and shellfish (and organ meats); ; . legumes and nuts. <br> ${ }^{2}$ For breastfed children, minimum meal frequency is receiving solid or semi-solid food at least twice a day for infants $6-8$ months and at least three times a day for children $9-23$ months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{3}$ Includes two or more feedings of commercial infant formula, fresh, tinned and powdered animal milk, and yogurt |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{4}$ For non-breasted children age 6 -23 months, minimum meal frequency is receiving solid or semi-solid food or milk feeds at least four times a day |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{6}$ Breastfeeding, or not breastfeeding and receiving two or more feedings of commercial infant formula, fresh, tinned, and powdered animal milk, and yogurt ${ }^{7}$ Children are fed the minimum recommended number of times per day according to their age and breastfeeding status as described in footnotes 2 and 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 7.6 Micronutrient intake among children

Among youngest children age 6-23 months who are living with their mother, the percentages who consumed vitamin A-rich and ironrich foods in the day or night preceding the survey, and among all children 6-59 months, the percentages who were given vitamin $A$ supplements in the six months preceding the survey, who were given iron supplements in the past seven days, and who were given deworming medication by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

Among youngest children aged 6-23 months
living with the mother:
Among all children aged 6-59 months:

## Background characteristics

|  | Percentage <br> who |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| Percentage who | consumed <br> consumed foods <br> foods rich in <br> rich in vitamin $A$ <br> in past 24 hours $^{1}$ | Percentage <br> in past 24 <br> hours $^{2}$ | Number of <br> children age | | given iron |
| :---: |
| supplements in |
| past 7 days |


| Percentage | Percentage <br> given <br> given |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| vitamin A |  |  |
| deworming | supplements <br> medication in <br> in past 6 <br> past 6 months ${ }^{3}$ | Number of <br> months <br> children |

## Age in months

| $6-8$ | 19.4 | 10.7 | 768 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 5.4 | 768 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $9-11$ | 31.7 | 19.0 | 564 | 7.2 | 6.5 | 11.9 | 564 |
| $12-17$ | 38.1 | 25.2 | 1,865 | 5.0 | 7.8 | 11.2 | 1,865 |
| $18-23$ | 36.5 | 25.1 | 923 | 6.6 | 8.1 | 10.9 | 923 |
| $24-35$ | $*$ | $*$ | 0 | 6.5 | 9.2 | 11.2 | 3,283 |
| $36-47$ | $*$ | $*$ | 0 | 6.6 | 7.6 | 10.6 | 3,281 |
| $48-59$ | $*$ | $*$ | 0 | 6.2 | 8.2 | 9.2 | 3,158 |
| Sex | 34.4 | 22.5 | 2,166 | 6.5 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 7,223 |
| Male | 32.2 | 20.7 | 1,954 | 5.7 | 7.3 | 9.8 | 6,620 |

Breastfeeding
status

| Breastfeeding | 30 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Not <br> breastfeeding | 36 |

Mother's age

| $15-19$ | 30.2 | 12.9 | 321 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 8.4 | 555 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $20-29$ | 32.3 | 22.0 | 2,253 | 6.6 | 8.6 | 10.4 | 7,177 |
| $30-39$ | 36.5 | 23.0 | 1,351 | 5.5 | 7.1 | 10.1 | 5,144 |
| $40-49$ | 30.5 | 22.7 | 196 | 7.7 | 8.5 | 11.1 | 967 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 48.0 | 32.7 | 1,409 | 10.3 | 14.0 | 16.4 | 4,864 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 39.1 | 23.1 | 1,247 | 6.6 | 8.1 | 12.8 | 4,184 |
| Nomadic | 14.5 | 9.8 | 1,465 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 4,794 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 29.7 | 18.4 | 3,356 | 5.1 | 6.7 | 8.7 | 11,528 |
| Primary | 47.3 | 34.9 | 573 | 11.6 | 13.8 | 17.7 | 1,757 |
| Secondary | 53.2 | 36.2 | 140 | 8.7 | 11.8 | 20.5 | 403 |


| Background characteristics | Among youngest children aged 6-23 months living with the mother: |  |  | Among all children age 6-59 months: |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage who consumed foods rich in vitamin A in past 24 hours ${ }^{1}$ | Percentage who consumed foods rich in iron in past 24 hours ${ }^{2}$ | Number of children age | Percentage given iron supplements in past 7 days | Percentage given deworming medication in past 6 months $^{3}$ | Percentage given vitamin A | Number of children |
| Higher | 64.5 | 46.9 | 52 | 13.6 | 21.4 | 19.3 | 155 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 15.6 | 10.2 | 948 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 3,156 |
| Second | 24.1 | 14.5 | 861 | 3.5 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 2,919 |
| Middle | 39.0 | 22.3 | 753 | 7.3 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 2,714 |
| Fourth | 40.2 | 28.2 | 879 | 9.6 | 11.5 | 15.7 | 2,912 |
| Highest | 55.0 | 37.3 | 680 | 11.3 | 13.9 | 19.5 | 2,143 |
| Total | 33.4 | 21.6 | 4,120 | 6.2 | 7.9 | 10.3 | 13,843 |

Note: Information on vitamin A is based on both mother's recall and the immunization card (where available). Information on iron supplements and deworming medication is based on the mother's recall.
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable
Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.
${ }^{1}$ Includes meat (and organ meat), fish, poultry, eggs, pumpkin, red or yellow yams or squash, carrots, red sweet potatoes, dark green leafy vegetables, mango, papaya, and other locally grown fruits and vegetables that are rich in vitamin $A$, and red palm oil
${ }^{2}$ Includes meat (including organ meat), fish, poultry, and eggs
${ }^{3}$ Deworming for intestinal parasites is commonly done for helminths and for schistosomiasis.
Table 7.7 Nutritional status of women

| Among women aged 15-49, the percentage with height under 145 cm , mean Body Mass Index (BMI), and the percentage with specific BMI levels, by background 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics |  |  | Body Mass Index ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Height |  | Mean body max index (BMI) | Normal18.5-24.9(Totalnormal) | $\begin{aligned} & <18.5 \text { (Total } \\ & \text { thin) } \end{aligned}$ | Thin17.0-18.4(Mildly thin) | $<17$ <br> (Moderately and severely thin) | Overweight/Obese |  |  | Number of women |
|  | Percentage below 145 cm | Number of women |  |  |  |  |  | $>=25.0$ <br> (Total overweight or obese) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 25.0-29.9 } \\ \text { (Overweight) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 30.0+ \\ \text { (obese) } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 5.2 | 4,325 | 21.4 | 59.7 | 26.6 | 17.3 | 9.3 | 13.7 | 10.5 | 3.2 | 4,094 |
| 20-29 | 1.9 | 5,616 | 24.0 | 53.4 | 12.8 | 9.0 | 3.8 | 33.7 | 23.2 | 10.5 | 4,612 |
| 30-39 | 1.2 | 3,968 | 25.6 | 42.7 | 8.7 | 5.5 | 3.2 | 48.5 | 29.6 | 18.9 | 3,339 |
| 40-49 | 1.3 | 1,662 | 26.1 | 38.4 | 7.0 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 54.6 | 33.9 | 20.7 | 1,530 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.4 | 10,088 | 24.5 | 48.1 | 13.0 | 8.9 | 4.1 | 38.8 | 24.6 | 14.2 | 8,902 |
| Rural | 3.0 | 3,865 | 23.2 | 55.2 | 16.3 | 11.0 | 5.4 | 28.5 | 20.1 | 8.3 | 3,238 |
| Nomadic | 2.3 | 1,618 | 21.3 | 59.3 | 26.8 | 16.4 | 10.4 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 2.0 | 1,435 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 2.3 | 11,144 | 23.9 | 51.1 | 14.6 | 9.9 | 4.7 | 34.3 | 23.0 | 11.3 | 9,574 |
| Primary | 3.9 | 2,379 | 23.6 | 48.3 | 18.7 | 12.1 | 6.6 | 33.0 | 21.1 | 11.9 | 2,086 |
| Secondary | 3.0 | 1,422 | 23.7 | 52.7 | 17.1 | 10.6 | 6.5 | 30.2 | 17.7 | 12.5 | 1,341 |
| Higher education | 1.6 | 626 | 24.5 | 55.2 | 9.9 | 6.6 | 3.3 | 34.5 | 22.5 | 11.9 | 573 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.1 | 2,921 | 22.0 | 60.2 | 22.3 | 14.3 | 8.0 | 17.5 | 13.7 | 3.7 | 2,536 |
| Second | 3.3 | 2,830 | 23.2 | 55.2 | 15.8 | 11.0 | 4.9 | 29.0 | 21.5 | 7.5 | 2,342 |
| Middle | 3.2 | 3,107 | 23.9 | 49.1 | 15.4 | 10.6 | 4.8 | 35.4 | 24.0 | 11.4 | 2,655 |
| Fourth | 2.2 | 3,289 | 24.5 | 47.4 | 12.9 | 8.4 | 4.5 | 39.7 | 24.9 | 14.8 | 2,942 |
| Highest | 2.1 | 3,425 | 25.2 | 45.2 | 11.3 | 7.6 | 3.7 | 43.3 | 25.4 | 17.9 | 3,099 |
| Total | 2.6 | 15,571 | 23.9 | 51.0 | 15.3 | 10.2 | 5.1 | 33.7 | 22.2 | 11.5 | 13,575 |

Note: The Body Mass Index (BMI) is expressed as the ratio of weight in kilograms to the square of height in meters $\left(\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{2}\right)$.
${ }^{1}$ Excludes pregnant women and women with a birth in the preceding 2 months

Table 7.8 Micronutrient intake among mothers

Among women age 15-49 with a child born in the 5 years preceding the survey, percent distribution by number of days they took iron tablets or syrup during the pregnancy of the last child, and percentage who took deworming medication during the pregnancy of the last child according to background characteristics,SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Number of days women took iron tablets or syrup during pregnancy of last birth |  |  |  |  | Percentage of women who took deworming medication during pregnancy of last birth | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | None | <60 | 60-89 | 90+ | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 69.6 | 26.7 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 2.9 | 330 |
| 20-29 | 69.5 | 25.3 | 1.4 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 4.4 | 927 |
| 30-39 | 73.9 | 22.8 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 4.3 | 763 |
| 40-49 | 83.3 | 14.3 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 2.2 | 357 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 55.0 | 38.0 | 2.3 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 7.0 | 835 |
| Rural | 71.9 | 24.9 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 3.7 | 697 |
| Nomadic | 91.7 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 0.8 | 846 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 78.9 | 18.6 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 3.3 | 1,951 |
| Primary | 51.3 | 40.6 | 3.5 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 4.9 | 272 |
| Secondary | 41.1 | 45.9 | 1.2 | 11.8 | 100.0 | 5.4 | 111 |
| Higher | 27.2 | 56.3 | 3.0 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 18.5 | 44 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 92.1 | 7.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 0.9 | 568 |
| Second | 82.7 | 14.4 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 2.1 | 459 |
| Middle | 74.4 | 23.6 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 5.4 | 443 |
| Fourth | 61.6 | 32.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 5.1 | 455 |
| Highest | 49.4 | 42.1 | 1.7 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 6.5 | 452 |
| Total | 73.0 | 23.0 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 3.8 | 2,377 |

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HIV/AIDS-Related Knowledge,
Beliefs and Attitudes


## KEY FINDINGS



KNOWLEDGE OF MOTHER-TO-CHILD TRANSMISSION OF HIV/AIDS
43 \%
of mothers aged 15-49 know that HIV can be transmitted from mother to child during pregnancy, 46 percent during delivery and 47 percent by breastfeeding respectively


## 56

of women aged 15-49 do not think that children living with HIV should be able to attend school with children who are HIV negative

## 62\%

of women aged 15-49 reported they would not buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper who is living with HIV

8 HIV/AIDS-RELATED KNOWLEDGE, BELIEFS AND ATTITUDES

The SHDS 2020 collected information on the knowledge of and attitudes around Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) and knowledge of other sexually transmitted infections (STIs) from all evermarried women. The survey also collected data on self-reported prevalence of sexually transmitted infections among ever-married women.

The objective of this chapter is to provide data on and trends in HIV/AIDS knowledge, attitudes, and behaviours, including knowledge of HIV/AIDS prevention methods, stigma and prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS.

HIV/AIDS is not considered to be a major epidemic in Somalia and most people associate HIV/AIDS with people who commit sexual sins. The HIV/AIDS prevalence among the adult population is estimated to be very low at about 0.55 percent, with an estimated figure of 2,370 annual deaths (UNAIDS 2014). However, the actual prevalence may be higher as a result of undetected infections.

The future course of the situation of HIV/ AIDS in Somalia depends on several variables: levels of knowledge about HIV/AIDS among the general population, social stigmatization, modification of risk behaviour, access to highquality services for STIs, provision and uptake of HIV counseling and testing, and access to care and antiretroviral therapy (ART).

## HIV/AIDS-Related Knowledge, Beliefs and Attitudes and Prevention Methods

The SHDS 2020 obtained information from women aged 15-49 on their knowledge, perceptions, and behaviours related to HIV/ AIDS, as well awareness of modes of HIV/ AIDS transmission. The survey also collected information on knowledge about which behaviours could prevent the spread of HIV/ AIDS. Respondents were asked whether they had heard of HIV/AIDS. Those who reported they had heard of HIV/AIDS were then asked a number of questions about whether and how the infection could be avoided.

Table 8.1 provides information on women's awareness of HIV/AIDS. It shows that about

66 percent of women aged 15-49 have heard of HIV/AIDS. The proportion of women who have heard of HIV/AIDS was lower among those in nomadic and rural areas ( 45 percent and 69 percent respectively) than urban areas ( 81 percent). Sixty percent of women who have not attended school had heard about HIV/ AIDS, versus 96 percent of those with higher education. Awareness of HIV/AIDS is higher among the wealthier households. Worryingly, women in nomadic and rural areas are less aware of HIV/AIDS compared to those in urban areas.

## Misconceptions about HIV/AIDS

Table 8.2 presents data on the misconceptions about HIV/AIDS transmission in Somalia (e.g. that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted by mosquito bites or that it can be transmitted by sharing food with someone who has HIV/AIDS). About 40 percent of the interviewed women were aware that a healthy-looking person could be carrying the HIV/AIDS virus; 28 percent of women reported that HIV/AIDS could not be transmitted through mosquito bites and 38 percent of the women knew that the HIV/AIDS virus cannot be transmitted by supernatural means. Thirty-four percent of the respondents understand that people cannot be infected by sharing food with a person who has HIV/AIDS.

Table 8.2 also includes a composite measure of knowledge of HIV/AIDS. It indicates that only 12 percent of all women aged 15-49 rejected the two most common misconceptions about HIV/AIDS in Somalia (i.e. HIV/AIDS can be transmitted by mosquito bites or HIV/AIDS virus cannot be transmitted by supernatural means) and are also aware that a healthy-looking person can have HIV/AIDS. Knowledge of HIV/AIDS increased with levels of education.

Only 6 percent of the interviewed women have comprehensive knowledge of HIV/AIDS. Comprehensive knowledge about HIV/AIDS is
lowest among respondents with no education, at 5 percent. Even for women with higher levels of education, comprehensive knowledge is still relatively low at only 17 percent.

## Knowledge about Mother-to-Child Transmission

To assess knowledge about mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS, both ever-married and never-married women interviewed in the SHDS 2020 were asked whether HIV/AIDS could be transmitted from a mother to her child during pregnancy or delivery, and through breastfeeding. They were also asked whether the risk of mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) of HIV/AIDS could be reduced with the mother taking special drugs during pregnancy.

Table 8.3 presents data on the knowledge about mother-to-child transmission among women aged $15-49$ by background characteristics (Figure 8.1). It shows that 43 percent of women know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted during pregnancy, 46 percent know that it can be transmitted during delivery, and 47 percent know that it can be transmitted

Figure 8.1 Knowledge of prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS

Percent of women aged 15-49 who know the means of how HIV/ AIDS can be transmitted from mother to child

through breastfeeding, whereas 36 percent of the respondents believe HIV/AIDS can be transmitted by all three means. Thirtyone percent of women know that the risk of mother-to-child transmission can be reduced if the infected mother takes special drugs during pregnancy. Knowledge of prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS increases with women's educational attainment.

## Attitudes towards People Living with HIV/AIDS

Many people in Somalia believe that HIV/AIDS is a disease for people who have committed bad deeds. Extensive stigma and discrimination against people living with HIV/AIDS adversely affects both people's willingness to be tested and their adherence to ART. For instance, people may hesitate to take an HIV test because they are afraid of how other people will react if they find out the test result is positive.

Indeed, HIV/AIDS-related stigma and discrimination undermine HIV/AIDS prevention as they stop people from seeking information about how to reduce their risk of exposure to HIV/AIDS and adopt safer
behaviour, as they believe such inquiries may raise suspicion about their status. Tackling the stigma and discrimination is thus an important factor for the success of programmes targeting HIV/AIDS prevention and control.

In the SHDS 2020, both ever-married and never-married women who had heard of HIV/ AIDS were asked several questions to assess the level of stigma associated with HIV/ AIDS. Respondents were asked about their willingness or unwillingness to take care of a member of their family with HIV/AIDS in their own household, to buy vegetables from an infected shopkeeper or vendor, and to let others know the HIV/AIDS status of family members.

Table 8.4 presents data for women aged 1549 who have heard of HIV/AIDS and their attitudes towards people living with HIV/ AIDS, by background characteristics. It shows that 56 percent of women think that children living with HIV/AIDS should not attend school with children who are not infected by HIV/ AIDS. Sixty-two percent of the women said they would not buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper who is HIV positive. Further, the table shows that 48 percent of the respondents had discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS.

Stigma against people with HIV/AIDS is higher

Figure 8.2 Discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS by education

Percent of women aged 15-49 with discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS

Figure 8.3 Discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS by age

Percent of women aged 15-49 with discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS

among people in the rural households, those with no education and people of low-income backgrounds.

The data also shows that the discriminatory attitudes towards people with HIV/AIDS decrease as educational levels increase. This means that those who had no education had more negative attitudes towards people with HIV/AIDS, compared to those with higher levels of education. It also shows that the negative attitudes towards people with HIV/ AIDS increase with age (Figure 8.2 and 8.3).

## Self-reporting of Sexually Transmitted Infections

The SHDS 2020 collected information about sexually transmitted infections or symptoms of an STI. Ever-married women aged 15-49 were asked whether they had a sexually transmitted infection or symptoms (bad smell, abnormal discharge from the vagina, or a genital sore or ulcer) in the 12 months prior to the survey.

Table 8.5 shows the self-reported prevalence of STIs and STI symptoms. Only 8 percent of ever-married women reported that they had an STI in the 12 months preceding the survey, 8 percent had a bad smell, or an abnormal discharge, and 5 percent had a genital sore or ulcer. In total, 12 percent of women reported having an STI/genital discharge/sore or ulcer as symptoms.

Variations in self-reported prevalence of STIs and STI symptoms by background characteristics are also presented in Table 8.5. The prevalence of STIs or STI symptoms is higher among currently married women than those who are divorced/separated or widowed. The prevalence varies only slightly by age, education, and wealth quintile. The prevalence of STIs is almost twice as high in the urban and rural women, as compared to nomadic women.

## Figure 8.4 Source of advice or treatment for STIs

Percent of women aged 15-49 reporting an STI or symptoms of an STI in the past 12 months who sought advice or treatment


Table 8.6 and Figure 8.4 show the percentage of women in the 15-49 age group reporting an STI or symptoms of an STI in the 12 months preceding the survey and who sought advice or treatment. The figure shows that 70 percent of the ever-married women who had an STI or STI symptoms did not seek advice or treatment when they presented symptoms. Twentyseven percent of ever-married women who had an STI/STI symptoms sought advice from the public health sector and 14 percent got advice from the private sector. Only a few women sought advice or treatment from other sources.

27 percent of women
reported that HIV/AIDS cannot be transmitted through mosquito bites and 38 percent of the women knew that the HIV/AIDS cannot be transmitted by supernatural means


## List of Tables



Table 8.1 Knowledge of HIV/AIDS

Percentage of women aged 15-49 who, heard HIV/AIDS by background characteristics, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage of women who had <br> ever heard about HIV/AIDS | Number of women |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Age |  |  |
| 15-19 | 60.3 | 4,649 |
| $20-24$ | 69.0 | 2,906 |
| $25-29$ | 67.5 | 2,918 |
| $30-39$ | 69.0 | 4,142 |
| 40-49 | 68.9 | 1,822 |
| Type of residence | 81.2 |  |
| Urban | 69.2 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 44.6 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 59.5 | 5,138 |
| Education | 81.8 | 12,266 |
| No education | 91.5 | 2,531 |
| Primary | 96.1 | 1,214 |
| Secondary |  | 427 |
| Higher | 49.7 | 3,471 |
| Wealth quintile | 50.3 | 2,917 |
| Lowest | 66.2 | 3,047 |
| Second | 77.0 | 3,452 |
| Middle | 85.2 | 3,551 |
| Fourth | $\mathbf{6 6 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 3 8}$ |
| Highest |  |  |
| Total 15-49 |  |  |

## Table 8.2 Comprehensive knowledge about HIV/AIDS

Percentage of women age 15-49 who say that a healthy-looking person can have the AIDS virus and who, in response to prompted questions, correctly reject local misconceptions about transmission or prevention of the AIDS virus, and thepercentage with a comprehensive knowledge about AIDS by background characteristics, SHDS, SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage of women who say that: |  |  |  |  |  | Percentage who say that a healthylooking person can have HIV/ AIDS and who reject the two most common local misconception | Percentage with a comprehensive knowledge about HIV/ AIDS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Using a Condom reduces the chance of HIV infection | Having uninfected spouse can reduce the chance of HIV infection | A healthylooking person can have the HIV/ AIDS | HIV/AIDS cannot be transmitted by mosquito bites | HIV/AIDS cannot be transmitted by supernatural means | A person cannot become infected by sharing food with a person who has the HIV/AIDS |  |  | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 25.5 | 40.0 | 37.8 | 26.7 | 35.3 | 31.6 | 12.2 | 5.9 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 30.1 | 46.8 | 43.6 | 28.5 | 40.5 | 35.8 | 12.2 | 6.7 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 27.8 | 44.9 | 40.2 | 27.6 | 38.0 | 33.4 | 11.5 | 5.6 | 2,918 |
| 30-39 | 26.2 | 44.5 | 40.7 | 28.4 | 39.6 | 35.5 | 11.7 | 5.7 | 4,142 |
| 40-49 | 24.9 | 39.9 | 41.0 | 26.3 | 39.8 | 35.2 | 11.8 | 5.3 | 1,822 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 37.2 | 57.4 | 53.9 | 37.7 | 51.9 | 48.0 | 19.5 | 8.8 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 25.9 | 45.8 | 42.8 | 27.8 | 40.7 | 35.9 | 12.2 | 5.7 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 14.6 | 22.8 | 21.0 | 14.6 | 18.9 | 14.7 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 5,138 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 22.3 | 36.1 | 33.5 | 22.1 | 31.7 | 27.0 | 7.7 | 4.5 | 12,266 |
| Primary | 32.8 | 57.4 | 54.7 | 36.0 | 51.9 | 48.1 | 18.8 | 7.7 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 45.5 | 71.3 | 67.3 | 53.0 | 64.7 | 63.8 | 30.3 | 12.5 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 66.7 | 83.5 | 76.0 | 63.2 | 73.1 | 68.6 | 40.2 | 16.8 | 427 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 17.4 | 27.8 | 25.0 | 15.0 | 21.7 | 16.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 3,471 |
| Second | 17.9 | 28.1 | 26.5 | 17.2 | 23.8 | 18.8 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 26.9 | 42.5 | 39.4 | 27.0 | 35.6 | 32.1 | 10.5 | 5.6 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 31.9 | 51.9 | 48.6 | 31.1 | 47.9 | 42.9 | 14.9 | 7.1 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 38.4 | 62.9 | 59.3 | 45.3 | 59.3 | 56.4 | 25.8 | 9.5 | 3,551 |
| Total 15-49 | 26.8 | 43.2 | 40.3 | 27.6 | 38.3 | 34.0 | 11.9 | 5.9 | 16,438 |

[^11]Table 8.3 Knowledge of prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS

Percentage of women aged 15-49 who know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted from mother to child by breastfeeding and that the risk of mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) of HIV/AIDS can be reduced by the mother taking special drugs during pregnancy, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage who know that HIV/AIDS can be transmitted from mother to child |  |  |  | Percentage who know that the risk of MTCT can be reduced by mother taking special drugs | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | During pregnancy | During delivery | By breastfeeding | By all three means |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 38.7 | 40.5 | 44.2 | 32.2 | 28.9 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 44.1 | 48.1 | 50.0 | 37.1 | 34.3 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 43.7 | 45.4 | 45.0 | 36.1 | 30.5 | 2,918 |
| 30-39 | 45.0 | 48.7 | 48.3 | 38.6 | 30.7 | 4,142 |
| 40-49 | 46.4 | 49.1 | 48.0 | 39.1 | 29.2 | 1,822 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 53.6 | 57.3 | 58.9 | 44.1 | 40.5 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 45.7 | 48.9 | 49.3 | 37.7 | 32.2 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 27.2 | 28.2 | 29.2 | 24.6 | 16.6 | 5,138 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 37.8 | 39.5 | 40.2 | 32.2 | 25.0 | 12,266 |
| Primary | 54.4 | 59.4 | 61.9 | 44.9 | 41.3 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 63.4 | 68.5 | 70.5 | 50.7 | 52.5 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 65.7 | 77.9 | 79.0 | 56.8 | 67.8 | 427 |
| Total 15-49 | 43.0 | 45.7 | 46.8 | 36.1 | 30.6 | 16,438 |

Percent of women aged 15-49 who have heard of HIV/AIDS, and have discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage who do not think that children living with HIV/AIDS should be able to attend school with children who are HIV negative | Percentage who would not buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper who has HIV/AIDS | Percentage with discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV/AIDS ${ }^{1}$ | Number of women who have heard of HIV/AIDS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 55.3 | 59.9 | 45.6 | 4,810 |
| 15-19 | 55.5 | 59.2 | 44.9 | 2,805 |
| 20-24 | 55.0 | 60.8 | 46.7 | 2,005 |
| 25-29 | 55.2 | 61.8 | 48.4 | 1,970 |
| 30-39 | 56.3 | 63.1 | 48.8 | 2,858 |
| 40-49 | 59.4 | 65.6 | 50.6 | 1,255 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |
| Never-married | 53.2 | 58.1 | 42.9 | 3,120 |
| Married | 57.4 | 63.1 | 49.6 | 6,766 |
| Divorced/ <br> widowed | 55.3 | 63.6 | 48.4 | 1,005 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 53.1 | 59.7 | 44.4 | 5,263 |
| Rural | 61.0 | 66.4 | 51.9 | 3,335 |
| Nomadic | 55.5 | 59.5 | 48.4 | 2,294 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 58.6 | 64.0 | 50.6 | 7,299 |
| Primary | 53.8 | 62.1 | 45.3 | 2,071 |
| Secondary | 49.6 | 52.3 | 38.3 | 1,112 |
| Higher | 38.0 | 44.3 | 28.8 | 410 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 59.4 | 61.5 | 51.5 | 1,726 |
| Second | 57.4 | 63.2 | 49.9 | 1,467 |
| Middle | 56.0 | 62.0 | 46.6 | 2,017 |
| Fourth | 59.5 | 64.5 | 50.0 | 2,656 |
| Highest | 50.4 | 58.5 | 42.6 | 3,026 |
| Total 15-49 | 56.0 | 61.7 | 47.5 | 10,892 |

[^12]Table 8.5 Self-reported prevalence of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and STI symptoms

| Among ever-married women aged 15-49 the percentage reporting having an STI and/or symptoms of an STI in the 12 months preceding the survey, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Percentage of respondents who reported having an STI or related symptoms in the past 12 months: |  |  |  | Number of evermarried women |
|  | STI | Bad-smelling/ abnormal genital discharge | Genital sore or ulcer | STI/genital discharge/sore or ulcer |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 9.3 | 973 |
| 20-24 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 4.2 | 11.3 | 2,119 |
| 25-29 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 4.4 | 12.1 | 2,728 |
| 30-39 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 5.5 | 13.4 | 4,041 |
| 40-49 | 6.2 | 8.9 | 5.4 | 12.0 | 1,799 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 8.1 | 8.5 | 5.0 | 12.3 | 10,215 |
| Divorced/ separated/ widowed | 6.8 | 7.7 | 3.3 | 11.0 | 1,445 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 9.5 | 11.8 | 7.4 | 16.7 | 4,161 |
| Rural | 9.0 | 9.2 | 5.3 | 12.9 | 3,509 |
| Nomadic | 5.2 | 4.2 | 1.5 | 6.8 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 7.5 | 8.1 | 4.5 | 11.5 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 10.0 | 9.8 | 6.0 | 15.2 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 11.3 | 10.9 | 5.8 | 15.6 | 375 |
| Higher | 8.4 | 12.8 | 7.0 | 16.2 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 6.3 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 8.8 | 2,733 |
| Second | 6.5 | 5.7 | 2.9 | 8.6 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 10.3 | 9.6 | 5.4 | 14.3 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 9.3 | 11.0 | 6.1 | 15.1 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 7.6 | 10.8 | 7.3 | 15.0 | 2,101 |
| Total 15-49 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 4.8 | 12.2 | 11,660 |

Table 8.6 Source of advice or treatment for STIs

| Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 reporting an STI or |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| symptoms of an STI in the past 12 months who sought advice or |  |
| treatment, SHDS 2020 |  |
| Background characteristics | Percentage of women |
| Public sector | $\mathbf{2 7 . 2}$ |
| Government hospital | 10.4 |
| Referral health center | 2.3 |
| MCH/HC | 15.6 |
| Primary Health Unit (PHU) | 0.8 |
| Mobile clinic | 0.5 |
| Other public sector | 0.1 |
| Private | $\mathbf{1 3 . 7}$ |
| Private hospital/doctor/clinic | 9.7 |
| Pharmacy | 4.2 |
| Other private medical sector | 0.2 |
| Other sources | $\mathbf{0 . 3}$ |
| No advice or treatment | $\mathbf{7 0 . 1}$ |
| Number with STIs or symptoms of STIs | $\mathbf{1 , 4 1 7}$ |
| Number of women | $\mathbf{1 , 4 1 7}$ |

Note: The categories are not mutually exclusive and the sum of percentages may exceed 100 percent.


## Gender-Based Violence

## KEY FINDINGS

RELIGIOUS
REQUIREMENT
72\%
of women aged 15-49 believe that female circumcision is a religious obligation

TYPES
PRACTISED

## 64\%

of women aged 15-49 have undergone Pharaonic type of female circumcision, the most severe form, which involves the removal of the entire clitoris and flesh


DAUGHTERS
76\%
of daughters aged between 10-14 have undergone female circumcision

## ATTITUDES

76 \%
of women aged 15-49 want female
circumcision to continue

## - GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

In 2015, the UN General
Assembly adopted 17 Sustainable Developments Goals (SDGs), including Goal 5, which calls for the elimination of all forms of violence and discriminatory acts against women and girls.

Violence against women can be described as a violation of human rights, and a form of discrimination against women, resulting in physical, sexual, psychological and economic harm. It may lead to depression, anxiety disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, permanent injuries, sleeplessness and, sometimes, death. Over the years, Somali women have overlooked some forms of violence as norms, as is the case for women in many countries.

## Measurements of Violence

The SHDS 2020 had sections designated for the collection of information on domestic violence and other forms of discrimination against women. Information was obtained
from ever-married women and never-married women aged 15-49 who were either usual residents, or guests who slept in the house the night preceding the day of the interview.

Enumerators asked the respondents questions on their opinions regarding the definition of domestic violence, opinions on the most common perpetrators of violent acts against women, experiences of violence, whether physical, sexual or emotional, perpetrators of physical violence. They also asked respondents about their experience of violence during pregnancy, spousal violence, injuries due to spousal violence, and help-seeking behaviours for those who have experienced violence.

Specifically, the SHDS asked never-married and ever-married women about physical violence perpetuated on them. The survey also measured sexual and emotional violence committed by the current spouse (for currently married women) and by the most recent spouse (for divorced or widowed women).

The collection of data on GBV is often marred by under-reporting due to the culture of silence around the topic. In order to encourage disclosure, respondents were asked about any experiences they have had with specific acts of violence. This ensured there were no misunderstandings on the meaning of
'violence' among respondents.

The following set of questions were asked to the respective respondents. 'Did the perpetrator ever:'

Physical violence: push you, shake you, or throw something at you; kick you, drag you, or beat you up; try to choke you or burn you on purpose; or threaten or attack you with a knife, gun, or any other weapon.

Sexual violence: physically force you to have sexual intercourse with him even when you did not want to, physically force you to perform any other sexual acts you did not want to, force you with threats or in any other way to perform sexual acts you did not want to, in the last 12 months preceding the survey, or physically force you to have sexual intercourse.

Emotional violence: say or do something to humiliate you in front of others, threaten to hurt or harm you or someone close to you, or insult you or make you feel bad about yourself.

In the SHDS 2020, women were asked questions regarding sexual spousal violence acts. These questions were not asked to never-married women, because the questions would be seen as anomalous given the cultural context in Somalia.

## The collection of data on GBV is often marred by under-reporting due to the culture of silence around the topic

## Ethical Considerations in SHDS

Ensuring the confidentiality and privacy of respondents was obligatory for the enumerators during and after the SHDS 2020 interviews. All enumerators were provided rigorous training sessions on how to build a rapport with the respondents, make a good impression, obtain respondents' consent, assure them about the confidentiality of the interview, and ensure that the respondents were interviewed alone. In addition to the general training sessions, efforts were made to continuously remind the enumerators about the need to ensure the complete privacy of respondents.

Moreover, for the GBV section, enumerators had to seek consent and explain to the respondents the aim of the survey and context, before each interview began. Respondents were informed about the use of information collected, and that the outcome of the survey would be used to inform policies and formulate programmes that address the identified gaps and needs in Somali women's lives.

The women interviewed for this section were only eligible when their privacy was completely secured. This was to avoid any repercussions to the respondent and interviewer, given the sensitivity of the subject in the Somali cultural context. In addition, the enumerators (midwives and medical practitioners) who collected this information from respondents were all women to minimize any sensitivities involved and ensure respondents felt comfortable discussing this topic.

## Opinions about Domestic Violence

The SHDS 2020 asked all women about their opinions about domestic violence. Specifically, they were asked whether domestic violence means:

- Physical abuse

O No participation in household decisionmaking

- No participation in decision-making regarding children
- Better treatment of males than females
- Failure to meet basic living costs
- Denial of education
- Forced marriage
- Rape

O Sexual harassment

- Forced labour

Table 9.1 presents the percentage of women aged 15-49 who understand domestic violence to mean specific acts according to their background characteristics. Findings show that over half of Somali women believed that most specified acts asked about constituted domestic violence. Over 60 percent of women considered physical abuse, denial of education, forced marriage, rape, sexual harassment, forced labour as forms of domestic violence.

Women from urban areas have a better understanding of acts that mean domestic violence compared to women from rural and nomadic areas. Less than half of nomadic

## Educational attainment plays a role in the understanding of domestic violence

women believe that no participation in household decision-making, no participation in decision-making for children, better treatment of males than females, failure to meet basic living costs and denial of education constitute acts of domestic violence ( 45 percent, 46 percent, 46 percent, 43 percent and 49 percent respectively).

As shown in Figure 9.1, never-married women have a better understanding of acts that constitute domestic violence compared to currently married women.

Educational attainment plays a role in the understanding of domestic violence. Women with higher education generally have a better understanding of acts that constitute domestic violence than women with no education, primary or secondary education.

Figure 9.1 Acts that mean domestic violence
Percent of women aged 15-49 who understand domestic violence to mean various specified acts, according to marital status


## Women's Experience of Physical Violence

Table 9.2 presents women ( $15-49$ years of age) who had experienced physical violence since the age of 12 and those that reported they experienced physical violence in the 12 months preceding the survey. It shows that 14 percent of women aged 15-49 have experienced physical violence since the age of 12 , while 8 percent reported they had experienced physical violence in the 12 months preceding the survey.

Younger women are more likely to experience physical violence; with 16 percent of women in the 15-19 age group reporting they had experienced violence since the age of 12 and 10 percent in the same age group reporting they experienced violence in the 12 months preceding the survey. Among older women aged 45-49, 11 percent reported they had experienced physical violence since the age of 12 , while 4 percent reported they had experienced physical violence in the 12 months preceding the survey. The likelihood of

Younger women are more likely to experience physical violence
experiencing physical violence does not vary by age (Figure 9.2).

Physical violence is highest among urban women at 18 percent and lowest among nomadic women at 11 percent.

## Perpetrators of Physical Violence

Table 9.3 shows the opinions of women aged 15-49 regarding who they believe are the most common perpetrators of violence against women. More than half ( 59 percent) of women believe that husbands commit the most violent acts against women in the community, and that daughters and sons commit the least violent acts.

Figure 9.2 Physical Violence
Percent of women aged 15-49 who have ever experienced physical violence since age 12 and percentage who have experienced violence during the 12 months preceding the survey by age
$■$ since age 12 last 12 months preceding the survey



More than half of women believe that husbands commit the most violent acts against women in the community

As part of the survey, women aged 15-49 who had experienced physical violence since the age of 12 were asked who committed the acts of violence against them. Respondents could report multiple perpetrators based on their experience. As presented in Table 9.4, among ever-married women who had experienced physical violence, the most common perpetrator was the husband, as reported by 62 percent of women. Twenty-three percent of ever-married women stated that the mother/ stepmother had committed the acts of violence against them.

Among never-married women, 34 percent had experienced physical violence perpetrated by a relative that is not an immediate family member and 29 percent reported perpetrators were their mothers/stepmothers. Nineteen percent indicated they were hit, kicked, slapped etc. by their fathers/stepfathers. Teachers were reported as perpetrators of violence by 12 percent.

## Violence during Pregnancy

Ever-married women who had been pregnant before were asked about their experiences of physical violence during pregnancy. Specifically, they were asked whether anyone had ever hit, slapped, kicked or done anything else that hurt them physically.

Table 9.5 presents the findings on ever-married women aged 15-49 who had experienced violence during pregnancy. It shows that 6 percent of the ever-married women aged 1549 who had been pregnant reported they had experienced physical violence during their pregnancies. Ten percent of currently-divorced women reported they had experienced violence during pregnancy. Women in urban areas reported they experienced more violence during pregnancy (9 percent) than rural and nomadic women (5 percent and 4 percent respectively).

Interestingly, more women in the highest wealth quintile reported having experienced violence during pregnancy (8 percent) compared to women in the lowest wealth quintile ( 2 percent). However, there is a need for further analysis to better understand the correlation between violence during pregnancy and socioeconomic factors.

## Spousal Violence

Table 9.6 presents spousal violence experienced by ever-married women aged 1549 who reported emotional, physical or sexual violence perpetrated by their current or most recent husband in the 12 months preceding the survey. Twelve percent of ever-married women reported physical violence perpetrated against them by a spouse, while 4 percent reported emotional abuse by a spouse. The patterns of spousal violence vary with the number of children a woman has. Six percent of women with five or more children reported spousal violence compared to 2 percent of women with no children. Women from urban areas reported they experienced more spousal violence than women in rural and nomadic areas ( 20 percent, 14 percent and 11 percent, respectively).

## Injuries to Women due to Spousal Violence

Table 9.7 presents findings among evermarried women aged 15-49 who had sustained injuries due to domestic violence committed by their current or most recent spouses. Thirtyfive percent of the women had sustained at least one of the three types of injuries referred to in the table. Among ever-married women aged 15-49 who had experienced any violence, 26 percent reported they had cuts, bruises or aches; 19 percent had eye injuries, dislocations, sprains or burns; and 18 percent had deep wounds, broken bones or teeth, or any other serious wounds as a result of spousal violence.

Figure 9.3 : Injuries to women due to spousal violence

Percent of ever-married women aged 15-49 who have experienced specific types of spousal violence by types of injuries resulting from the violence


## Help-seeking Behaviours

Help-seeking behaviours refer to women's responses to their experiences of violence committed by anyone. The SHDS interviewers inquired whether women who had been subjected to violence had sought any help. Table 9.8 shows that only 17 percent of ever-married women aged 15-49 who had experienced emotional, physical or sexual violence had sought help, while 83 percent did not seek any help. The table further shows that women experiencing physical violence only were more likely to seek help (15 percent) compared to those who experienced sexual violence only (4 percent).

More women who had been previously married sought help in comparison to those who were
currently married ( 26 percent and 16 percent, respectively). Furthermore, women currently in employment sought more help than those not in employment ( 24 percent and 16 percent respectively).

Urban women sought more help than rural and nomadic women (23 percent, 12 percent and 10 percent respectively).

There is no apparent pattern on help-seeking based on age of the woman, education or wealth status. This is an area that can be investigated further.

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Table 9.1 Acts that mean domestic violence

Percentage of all women age 15-49 who understand domestic violence to mean various specified acts, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

|  | Acts that mean domestic violence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Physical abuse | No participation in decision making for household | No participation in decision making for children | Better treatment of males than females | Failing to meet basic living costs | Denial of education | Forced Marriage | Rape | Sexual harassment | Forced labour | Other | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 64.7 | 57.1 | 56.7 | 58.8 | 53.0 | 66.9 | 71.0 | 70.7 | 65.1 | 69.3 | 4.0 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 63.9 | 55.2 | 56.5 | 55.5 | 50.8 | 62.8 | 67.0 | 66.6 | 63.0 | 65.5 | 6.4 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 62.1 | 52.6 | 53.8 | 53.3 | 48.7 | 59.6 | 63.7 | 60.7 | 58.0 | 61.6 | 6.4 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 60.1 | 50.4 | 51.9 | 49.4 | 45.0 | 58.1 | 60.7 | 58.6 | 58.2 | 59.9 | 5.0 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 59.9 | 52.3 | 53.8 | 52.3 | 47.4 | 58.1 | 61.7 | 58.4 | 57.0 | 60.0 | 4.8 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 58.6 | 51.2 | 53.1 | 51.6 | 46.7 | 58.4 | 63.0 | 58.2 | 57.9 | 60.8 | 3.6 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 59.7 | 50.8 | 52.8 | 51.3 | 47.2 | 60.7 | 61.0 | 61.5 | 60.6 | 61.8 | 6.8 | 646 |

Type of res-
idence

| Urban | 67.2 | 59.5 | 60.2 | 60.8 | 53.0 | 69.8 | 72.5 | 70.1 | 66.0 | 69.1 | 6.7 | 6,478 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rural | 63.8 | 55.4 | 56.5 | 55.3 | 51.6 | 64.4 | 66.0 | 64.2 | 61.9 | 64.5 | 5.2 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 54.6 | 45.3 | 46.2 | 45.5 | 42.9 | 49.3 | 56.4 | 55.7 | 53.6 | 57.1 | 3.2 | 5,138 |

Marital
status

| Nevermarried | 66.6 | 60.3 | 59.8 | 60.8 | 54.6 | 70.8 | 74.5 | 74.9 | 68.5 | 72.2 | 5.0 | 4,779 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Married | 60.7 | 51.3 | 52.9 | 52.0 | 47.5 | 58.2 | 62.1 | 59.7 | 57.9 | 60.9 | 5.0 | 10,215 |
| Divorced | 60.8 | 51.8 | 53.4 | 51.6 | 47.0 | 58.9 | 62.9 | 59.2 | 59.6 | 60.6 | 6.6 | 970 |
| Widowed | 56.0 | 47.4 | 47.0 | 48.1 | 44.3 | 53.9 | 55.2 | 51.7 | 52.4 | 54.6 | 5.9 | 475 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 59.6 | 50.8 | 52.0 | 51.5 | 47.4 | 58.0 | 62.3 | 60.6 | 58.3 | 61.4 | 4.7 | 12,266 |
| Primary | 68.7 | 60.2 | 61.4 | 61.4 | 53.8 | 70.9 | 72.9 | 72.2 | 67.1 | 70.3 | 6.1 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 72.1 | 66.4 | 65.2 | 64.8 | 57.7 | 77.1 | 79.0 | 75.8 | 69.9 | 73.2 | 6.5 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 74.7 | 68.0 | 64.0 | 67.8 | 57.5 | 74.6 | 77.4 | 75.8 | 72.1 | 75.1 | 8.8 | 427 |

## Wealth

quintile

| Lowest | 62.4 | 52.2 | 53.4 | 52.5 | 49.6 | 58.5 | 64.7 | 64.6 | 61.1 | 65.7 | 3.9 | 3,471 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Second | 53.7 | 45.6 | 46.4 | 46.7 | 43.6 | 50.4 | 55.5 | 54.4 | 52.9 | 55.8 | 3.6 |  |
| Middle | 62.1 | 54.6 | 55.6 | 54.9 | 50.2 | 62.4 | 65.4 | 62.6 | 60.1 | 62.6 | 4.5 |  |
| Fourth | 64.6 | 55.7 | 56.6 | 56.8 | 51.5 | 65.0 | 67.7 | 64.7 | 62.0 | 63.6 | 5.7 | 3,047 |
| Highest | 67.2 | 59.7 | 60.5 | 59.8 | 51.5 | 70.8 | 72.7 | 71.3 | 67.0 | 70.6 | 7.7 | 3,551 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 2 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 3 8}$ |

Table 9.2 Experience of physical violence

| Percentage of women aged 15-49 who have ever experienced physical violence since age 12 and percentage who have experienced violence during the 12 months preceding the survey, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Percentage who have ever experienced physical violence since age 12 | Percentage who have experienced physical violence in the past 12 months |  |  | Number of women |
|  |  | Often | Sometimes | Often or sometimes |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 15.9 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 10.4 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 14.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 7.1 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 14.7 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 7.6 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 12.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 13.4 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 4.9 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 14.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 7.5 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 10.9 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 3.8 | 646 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 17.7 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 9.3 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 13.9 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 7.0 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 10.8 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 5.9 | 5,138 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never-Married | 16.1 | 6.3 | 4.9 | 11.2 | 4,779 |
| Married | 14.0 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 6.3 | 10,215 |
| Divorced | 14.2 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 5.1 | 970 |
| Widowed | 6.5 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 475 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 13.8 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 7.1 | 12,266 |
| Primary | 18.6 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 9.8 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 12.6 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 6.8 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 14.0 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 8.7 | 427 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 10.0 | 3.3 | 2.0 | 5.3 | 3,471 |
| Second | 13.9 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 7.0 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 19.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 10.7 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 14.0 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 7.0 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 15.7 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 8.1 | 3,551 |
| Total | 14.4 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 7.6 | 16,438 |

Table 9.3 Opinions regarding the most common perpetrator of violent acts against women

Percent distribution of all women according to the person who, in their opinion, is the most common perpetrator of violent acts against women, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Individual who commits the most violent acts against women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Husband | Mother/ Step mother | Father/ <br> Stepfather | Sister/ <br> Brother | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Daughter/ } \\ & \text { Son } \end{aligned}$ | Other <br> Relative | In-laws | Teacher | Employer/ <br> Someone at work | Police/ A soldier | Total number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 61.5 | 19.7 | 20.3 | 10.0 | 3.6 | 17.7 | 4.6 | 9.5 | 4.2 | 9.0 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 58.9 | 17.1 | 18.3 | 6.8 | 1.8 | 14.2 | 5.3 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 7.6 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 58.8 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 5.8 | 1.6 | 14.3 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 3.2 | 6.4 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 56.8 | 13.4 | 15.9 | 5.7 | 1.6 | 12.5 | 4.6 | 5.4 | 3.1 | 6.0 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 54.7 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 5.6 | 1.1 | 12.9 | 3.2 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 5.7 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 57.5 | 12.0 | 16.7 | 5.8 | 1.3 | 13.1 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.1 | 5.1 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 55.0 | 11.2 | 14.9 | 5.6 | 1.1 | 13.2 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 2.5 | 5.3 | 646 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 64.0 | 18.3 | 19.2 | 8.4 | 2.4 | 13.8 | 5.2 | 9.6 | 4.1 | 9.1 | 6,478 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 58.9 | 15.0 | 17.3 | 7.3 | 1.9 | 14.7 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 7.4 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 51.4 | 15.3 | 15.5 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 15.8 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 4.3 | 5,138 |

Marital status

| Nevermarried | 63.9 | 20.7 | 20.5 | 10.8 | 3.5 | 17.1 | 5.4 | 10.7 | 5.1 | 9.9 | 4,779 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Married | 56.4 | 14.6 | 16.4 | 5.6 | 1.6 | 14.0 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 2.9 | 5.8 | 10,215 |
| Divorced | 58.8 | 15.1 | 15.8 | 5.7 | 1.2 | 11.3 | 3.9 | 5.9 | 2.7 | 6.3 | 970 |
| Widowed | 51.1 | 13.4 | 15.0 | 7.4 | 1.1 | 12.0 | 3.0 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 8.1 | 475 |

Education

| No education | 56.9 | 15.9 | 16.6 | 6.8 | 2.1 | 15.1 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 6.2 | 12,266 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary | 63.4 | 18.5 | 20.6 | 8.0 | 1.9 | 13.1 | 4.7 | 8.8 | 3.3 | 8.1 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 62.7 | 16.2 | 19.0 | 8.2 | 2.4 | 15.5 | 4.6 | 11.3 | 6.5 | 11.6 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 65.5 | 19.1 | 20.9 | 8.9 | 2.6 | 10.0 | 6.3 | 13.5 | 5.1 | 12.6 | 427 |

Wealth quintile

| Lowest | 55.6 | 15.8 | 16.1 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 18.4 | 5.6 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 4.4 | 3,471 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Second | 55.0 | 15.4 | 15.3 | 5.9 | 1.2 | 14.6 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 5.4 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 59.7 | 16.6 | 19.2 | 8.6 | 2.3 | 14.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 | 2.8 | 9.7 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 60.5 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 7.5 | 2.4 | 14.2 | 4.8 | 9.1 | 3.8 | 8.1 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 61.6 | 16.4 | 19.0 | 8.1 | 2.4 | 12.2 | 4.6 | 9.0 | 4.9 | 7.9 | 3,551 |
| Total | 58.6 | 16.4 | 17.5 | 7.1 | 2.1 | 14.7 | 4.5 | 6.6 | 3.5 | 7.1 | 16,438 |

Table 9.4 Persons committing physical violence

| Among women aged 15-49 who have experienced physical violence since age 12 , percentage who report specific persons committed the violence according to the respondents' current marital status, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Ever-married | Never-married |
| Persons committing violence |  |  |
| Husband | 61.8 | n/a |
| Mother/stepmother | 23.1 | 28.6 |
| Father/stepfather | 9.5 | 18.9 |
| Sister/brother | 10.0 | 15.6 |
| Daughter/son | 0.8 | n/a |
| Other relative | 7.7 | 33.6 |
| Mother-in-law | 1.0 | n/a |
| Father-in-law | 0.2 | n/a |
| Other in-law | 0.3 | n/a |
| Neighbour | 7.3 | 4.3 |
| Teacher | 0.5 | 12.4 |
| Employer/someone at work | 3.2 | 0.9 |
| Police/soldier | 0.8 | 0.0 |
| Militia/gangs | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Other | 2.6 | 0.0 |
| Number of women | 1,597 | 383 |
| n/a- not applicable |  |  |

Table 9.5 Experience of violence during pregnancy

Among ever-married women aged 15-49 who have ever been pregnant, percentage who have ever experienced physical violence during pregnancy, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage who have experienced violence during pregnancy | Total number of Women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |
| 15-19 | 7.0 | 755 |
| 20-24 | 6.5 | 1,648 |
| 25-29 | 4.9 | 2,048 |
| 30-34 | 5.5 | 1,533 |
| 35-39 | 5.8 | 1,385 |
| 40-44 | 4.5 | 856 |
| 45-49 | 7.0 | 462 |
| Type of residence |  |  |
| Urban | 8.5 | 3,302 |
| Rural | 4.6 | 2,684 |
| Nomadic | 3.5 | 2,700 |
| Marital status |  |  |
| Married | 5.4 | 7,628 |
| Divorced | 9.9 | 717 |
| Widowed | 4.2 | 341 |
| Education |  |  |
| No education | 5.4 | 7,188 |
| Primary | 8.4 | 1,086 |
| Secondary | 3.2 | 291 |
| Higher | 3.7 | 121 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.3 | 2,043 |
| Second | 6.3 | 1,597 |
| Middle | 7.9 | 1,643 |
| Fourth | 5.4 | 1,800 |
| Highest | 7.5 | 1,603 |
| Total | 5.7 | 8,687 |

Table 9.6 Spousal violence by background characteristics

Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 who have ever experienced emotional, physical or sexual violence committed by their husband, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Physical violence | Sexual violence | Emotional abuse | Physical and sexual violence | Physical, sexual and emotional violence | Physical or sexual violence | Physical, sexual or emotional violence | Number of evermarried women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 14.6 | 3.6 | 5.2 | 2.4 | 0.3 | 15.8 | 18.4 | 965 |
| 20-24 | 11.9 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 13.2 | 14.5 | 2,090 |
| 25-29 | 12.9 | 3.7 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 13.8 | 16.0 | 2,696 |
| 30-39 | 10.9 | 3.9 | 4.7 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 12.6 | 14.9 | 3,963 |
| 40-49 | 11.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 12.7 | 14.4 | 1,778 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 16.8 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 3.1 | 0.6 | 18.0 | 20.3 | 4,095 |
| Rural | 11.2 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 12.9 | 14.4 | 3,444 |
| Nomadic | 7.5 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 8.7 | 10.9 | 3,953 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1,294 |
| 1-2 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 2,800 |
| 3-4 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 4.1 | 3,164 |
| 5+ | 4.5 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 4,234 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 12.0 | 3.9 | 4.8 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 13.4 | 15.7 | 10,089 |
| Formerly married | 11.7 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 1,403 |

Employed in the 12 months preceding the survey

| Employed | 13.6 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 15.6 | 19.0 | 1,083 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\quad$ Not employed | 11.8 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 13.0 | 14.9 | 10,409 |  |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 11.1 | 3.6 | 4.3 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 12.4 | 14.5 | 9,617 |  |
| Primary | 17.9 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 0.8 | 19.6 | 21.3 | 1,347 |  |
| Secondary | 12.9 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 13.1 | 15.1 | 367 |  |
| Higher | 9.8 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 11.8 | 12.5 | 161 |  |
| Wealth quintile | 7.1 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 8.3 | 10.3 | 2,720 |  |
| Lowest | 10.7 | 4.6 | 3.8 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 12.4 | 14.1 | 2,284 |  |
| Second | 16.2 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 18.1 | 20.6 | 2,107 |  |
| Middle | 12.8 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 13.8 | 15.5 | 2,304 |  |
| Fourth | 14.3 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 0.2 | 15.2 | 17.5 | 2,077 |  |
| Highest | $\mathbf{1 1 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 , 4 9 2}$ |  |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: Husband/spouse refers to the current husband for currently married women and the most recent husband for divorced, or widowed women.

Table 9.7 Injuries to women due to spousal violence

Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 who have experienced specific types of spousal violence by types of injuries resulting from the violence, according to whether they ever experienced violence or experienced it in the 12 months preceding the survey, SHDS 2020

Injuries experienced:

| Background characteristics | Cuts, bruises, or aches | Eye injuries, sprains, dislocations, or burns | Deep wounds, broken bones, broken teeth, or any other serious injury | Any injury | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Experienced any violence: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever | 26.3 | 19.4 | 17.8 | 35.0 | 836 |
| In the past 12 months | 26.8 | 21.3 | 19.0 | 36.2 | 734 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 27.1 | 15.1 | 16.2 | 31.2 | 64 |
| 20-24 | 20.9 | 16.5 | 11.5 | 27.5 | 157 |
| 25-29 | 25.3 | 21.1 | 19.7 | 38.4 | 213 |
| 30-34 | 24.8 | 16.0 | 17.7 | 37.6 | 156 |
| 35-39 | 39.7 | 28.3 | 26.0 | 42.7 | 132 |
| 40-44 | 20.1 | 16.5 | 14.7 | 28.7 | 85 |
| 45-49 | 27.1 | 16.9 | 15.6 | 30.0 | 29 |
| Total 15-49 | 26.3 | 19.4 | 17.8 | 35.0 | 836 |

Table 9.8
Help-seeking to stop violence

| Percentage of ever-married women aged 15-49 who have ever experienced emotional, physical or sexual violence, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Sought help |  | Total | Number of evermarried women |
|  | Yes | No |  |  |
| Type of violence experienced: |  |  |  |  |
| Physical abuse | 15.3 | 84.7 | 100.0 | 718 |
| Sexual violence | 3.9 | 96.1 | 100.0 | 69 |
| Physical and sexual violence | 22.4 | 77.6 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 21.1 | 78.9 | 100.0 | 101 |
| 20-24 | 17.4 | 82.6 | 100.0 | 210 |
| 25-29 | 17.0 | 83.0 | 100.0 | 271 |
| 30-34 | 12.5 | 87.5 | 100.0 | 193 |
| 35-39 | 16.7 | 83.3 | 100.0 | 179 |
| 40-44 | 14.3 | 85.7 | 100.0 | 105 |
| 45-49 | 23.4 | 76.6 | 100.0 | 50 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 23.1 | 76.9 | 100.0 | 516 |
| Rural | 11.8 | 88.2 | 100.0 | 319 |
| Nomadic | 10.2 | 89.8 | 100.0 | 273 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 20.1 | 79.9 | 100.0 | 115 |
| 1-2 | 12.9 | 87.1 | 100.0 | 247 |
| 3-4 | 16.4 | 83.6 | 100.0 | 312 |
| 5+ | 18.2 | 81.8 | 100.0 | 433 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 16.0 | 84.0 | 100.0 | 1,029 |
| Formerly married (divorced, widowed) | 25.6 | 74.4 | 100.0 | 80 |
| Employed in the $\mathbf{1 2}$ months preceding the survey |  |  |  |  |
| Employed | 23.8 | 76.2 | 100.0 | 115 |
| Not employed | 15.8 | 84.2 | 100.0 | 993 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 16.4 | 83.6 | 100.0 | 898 |
| Primary | 18.5 | 81.5 | 100.0 | 177 |
| Secondary | 3.4 | 96.6 | 100.0 | 26 |
| Higher | 44.0 | 56.0 | 100.0 | 8 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 7.1 | 92.9 | 100.0 | 179 |
| Second | 13.1 | 86.9 | 100.0 | 222 |
| Middle | 20.7 | 79.3 | 100.0 | 284 |
| Fourth | 17.6 | 82.4 | 100.0 | 226 |
| Highest | 22.4 | 77.6 | 100.0 | 197 |
| Total | 16.7 | 83.3 | 100.0 | 1,108 |

Female Circumcision

## 4

## KEY FINDINGS

RELIGIOUS
REQUIREMENT
72\%
of women aged 15-49 believe that female circumcision is a religious obligation

TYPES
PRACTISED

## 64\%

of women aged 15-49 have undergone Pharaonic type of female circumcision, the most severe form, which involves the removal of the entire clitoris and flesh


DAUGHTERS
76\%
of daughters aged between 10-14 have undergone female circumcision

## ATTITUDES

76 \%
of women aged 15-49 want female
circumcision to continue

## 10 FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Female circumcision, also known as Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting (FGM/C) has been practised in Somalia for several decades. The practice is considered harmful, because it poses a potential risk to the health and wellbeing of women and girls who are subjected to it. FGM/C is regarded as a violation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (General Assembly, United Nations, 1990).

In the SHDS 2020, both ever-married women and never-married women were asked a series of questions about female circumcision, including whether they had been subjected to it. Women who had undergone the practice were asked at which age it was done, the type of female circumcision they underwent, their religious perception about the practice, and opinions on whether the practice should continue or not.

Mothers with daughters were asked if their daughters underwent female circumcision, the age at which it happened and the type of FGM/C performed among other questions.

The SHDS 2020 used the definitions below of types of female circumcision:
a. Excision of the clitoral hood (prepuce), with or without excision of part or all of the clitoris (Sunni)
b. Excision of the clitoris with partial or total excision of the labia minora (Intermediate)
c. Excision of part or all of the external genitalia and stitching/narrowing of the vaginal opening; or all other procedures that involve pricking, piercing, stretching; or incising of the clitoris and/or labia; introduction of corrosive substances into the vagina to narrow it (Pharaonic)

## Opinions on Female Circumcision

Table 10.1 presents the percentage distribution of women aged $15-49$ by their religious beliefs regarding female circumcision, according to their ages and other background characteristics. Overall, 72 percent of women believe that $\mathrm{FGM} / \mathrm{C}$ is a religious requirement. There is little variation in the women's beliefs by age as 76 percent of the women within the age group 15-19 believe it is a religious requirement, compared to 73 percent of those in the age group 45-49.

The variation on beliefs around female circumcision by repondents' place of residence is small. Sixty-seven percent of women in urban areas, 72 percent of women in rural areas and

## Wealth status plays a role in shaping women's beliefs about female circumcision

78 percent of women from nomadic areas believe that female circumcision is a religious requirement.

There is a notable variation in opinions among women in terms of education-74 percent of women with no education believe that it is a religious requirement, compared with 44 percent of those with higher levels of education who hold the same belief (Figure 10.1).

Wealth status plays a role in shaping women's beliefs about female circumcision: 77 percent of women from the lowest wealth quintile or poorest households believe female circumcision is a religious requirement, compared to 59 percent from highest wealth quintile or wealthiest households who hold the same beliefs (Figure 10.2).

## Prevalence of Female Circumcision

Table 10.2 presents the percentage of women aged 15-49 who have undergone female circumcision by background characteristics. Overall, 99 percent of Somali women have undergone female circumcision. Pharaonic is the most common type, which has been performed on 64 percent of the women. The findings show that 12 percent of women have undergone the Intermediate type, while 22 percent have undergone the Sunni type. Two percent did not know the type of female circumcision they had undergone earlier in their lives.

Most women aged $15-49$ in urban (58 percent), rural (66 percent) and nomadic (72 percent) areas have undergone the worst form of FGM/C -the Pharaonic type. On the

Figure 10.1 Opinions on female circumcision by education Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by whether female circumcision is required by religion according to education


Figure 10.2 Opinions on female circumcision by wealth status

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by whether female circumcision is required by religion based on wealth status

other hand, the highest proportion of women practiced Sunni type are from the urban areas at 28 percent, followed by women from rural areas at 21 percent and the lowest were those from nomadic areas at 14 percent.

Figure 10.4 shows that 70 percent of women with no education underwent the worst type of female circumcision. Just above half of the women ( 52 percent) with the highest level of education underwent the less severe form of female circumcision. Further investigation is needed to understand this relationship because at the time the respondents underwent female circumcision, their guardians e.g. parents or grandparents had made the decision on the type of female circumcision to be performed.

Figure 10.5 shows a relationship between the wealth status of the household and the type of

FGM/C undergone by women aged 15-49. A higher percentage of women ( 71 percent in the lowest quintile and 72 percent in the second quintile) from poorer households underwent the Pharaonic type of FGM/C compared to slightly over half of women from the wealthier

Figure 10.3 Type of female circumcision by place of residence
Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by types of female circumcision

- Sunni ■ Intermediate - Pharaonic ■ Don't know


Figure 10.4 Types of female circumcision by level of education
Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by types of female circumcision

- Sunni Intermediate Pharaonic Don't know


Figure 10.5 Type of female circumcision by wealth status
Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by type of female circumcision

## The majority of women (71 percent) aged 15-49 were circumcised when they were aged 5-9

## Age at Female Circumcision

Table 10.3 shows the percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by the age when they had undergone FGM/C, according to their background characteristics. Women were asked how old they were when they underwent female circumcision. The majority of women (71 percent) aged 15-49 were circumcised when they were aged $5-9$. Less than 1 percent were circumcised when they were under 5 years and 1 percent underwent FGM/C when they were over 15 years of age.

The current levels of education of women aged 15-49 and wealth status of their households does not have much influence on the age at which these women were circumcised.

Among the women from nomadic areas, 69 percent underwent FGM/C when they were aged 5-9, compared to 73 percent of those from urban areas and 71 percent of those from rural areas (Figure 10.6).

## Female Circumcision on Daughters

Ever-married women aged 15-49 who had daughters were asked if any of their daughters had undergone FGM/C and, if so, how old the girl was when she was circumcised, and who

Figure 10.6 Age at female circumcision by place of residence
Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by type of female circumcision



## Attitudes towards Female Circumcision

Both ever-married and never-married women aged 15-49 were asked whether the FGM/C practice should be continued or stopped. Table 10.5 shows the percentage distribution of women aged 15-49 by their opinion on the practice of FGM/C. Overall, 76 percent of women believe that female circumcision should continue, while 19 percent believe that the practice should be stopped.
performed it among other questions. It should be noted that mothers may not have been able to recall the exact age at which their daughters underwent FGM/C.

Table 10.4 shows the percent of girls of age 0-14 years who underwent female circumcision by age and their mothers' background characteristics. The results indicate that about 3 percent of girls were cut at the age of $0-4,30$ percent of daughters were cut at the ages of 5-9 and 76 percent of daughters within the age of 10-14 years had undergone the practice. In terms of place of residence, mothers reported the prevalence of FGM/C among girls aged 1014 was 74 percent in urban areas, 75 percent in rural areas and 79 percent in nomadic areas. The age pattern reported for daughters differs from that of their mothers. In fact, the majority of mothers underwent FGM/C at ages 5-9 years and in contrast, the daughters were circumcised at slightly older ages of 10-14.

Overall, in terms of education, 27 percent of the daughters of mothers with no education were circumcised at the age of 0-14 years while 10 percent of the daughters of mothers with higher education underwent the cut at age 0-14 years. Meanwhile, the wealth quintile has no major impact on the prevalence of FGM/C.

The percentage of women who believe that the practice needs to be continued is almost similar among women in urban areas ( 70 percent) and in rural areas ( 76 percent), and highest among nomadic women (83 percent).

The opinion on whether the practice of female circumcision should be continued or not decreased as the wealth status of the household increased. Eighty-one percent of women from the poorest households stated they would like the practice to continue, compared to 64 percent of women from wealthier households.

Figure 10.7 Opinion on continuation of female circumcision by levels of education

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by opinion on continuation of female circumcision
$\square$ Continued $\square$ Stopped Depends $\square$ Don't Know




Figure 10.7 presents contrasting views on the discontinuation of female circumcision between those with no education and those with higher education. Seventy-eight percent of women with no education believe that female circumcision should be continued, while 52
percent of women with higher education would prefer that the practice be stopped.

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Table 10.1 Opinions on whether female circumcision is required by religion

| Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by whether female circumcision is required by religion, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Required by religion | Not required by religion | Don't know | Total | Number of women |
| Female circumcision status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circumcised | 72.1 | 25.6 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 10,271 |
| Not circumcised | 54.4 | 44.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 60 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 76.4 | 19.6 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 844 |
| 20-24 | 72.8 | 24.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,885 |
| 25-29 | 70.2 | 27.6 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 2,432 |
| 30-34 | 70.6 | 27.1 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,880 |
| 35-39 | 72.6 | 25.5 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,687 |
| 40-44 | 71.7 | 26.2 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 1,019 |
| 45-49 | 73.4 | 25.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 585 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 66.8 | 31.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 3,717 |
| Rural | 71.6 | 26.5 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 3,153 |
| Nomadic | 77.9 | 19.3 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 3,460 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 73.5 | 24.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 8,593 |
| Primary | 67.7 | 30.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,263 |
| Secondary | 59.8 | 38.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 335 |
| Higher | 44.1 | 54.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 141 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 77.3 | 19.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,491 |
| Second | 76.4 | 21.9 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,977 |
| Middle | 74.6 | 23.1 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1,875 |
| Fourth | 71.1 | 26.6 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 2,082 |
| Highest | 58.8 | 39.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,906 |
| Total | 72.0 | 25.7 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 10,331 |

Table 10.2 Prevalence of female circumcision

Percentage of women 15-49 circumcised, and percent distribution of circumcised women by type of circumcision according to background characteristics,SHDS, 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage of women who have undergone female circumcision | Number of women | Type of female circumcision |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Sunni | Intermediate | Pharaonic | Don't know |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 98.8 | 4,211 | 37.2 | 13.2 | 46.2 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 4,162 |
| 20-24 | 98.6 | 2,623 | 24.0 | 14.7 | 59.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 2,585 |
| 25-29 | 99.5 | 2,626 | 18.1 | 13.2 | 67.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 2,613 |
| 30-34 | 99.7 | 1,958 | 12.8 | 10.9 | 75.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,953 |
| 35-39 | 99.4 | 1,717 | 8.2 | 10.0 | 80.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,708 |
| 40-44 | 99.6 | 1,042 | 8.6 | 9.3 | 81.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
| 45-49 | 99.8 | 595 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 82.4 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 593 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 99.0 | 5,935 | 28.3 | 12.3 | 57.6 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 5,876 |
| Rural | 99.4 | 4,392 | 20.5 | 12.0 | 65.6 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 4,364 |
| Nomadic | 99.2 | 4,444 | 13.9 | 12.6 | 71.6 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 4,410 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 99.3 | 10,873 | 16.0 | 11.8 | 70.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 10,800 |
| Primary | 99.7 | 2,350 | 30.2 | 13.5 | 54.7 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 2,343 |
| Secondary | 97.7 | 1,145 | 47.9 | 12.2 | 37.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,119 |
| Higher | 96.3 | 403 | 52.0 | 20.1 | 27.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 389 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 99.3 | 3,132 | 16.0 | 12.0 | 71.0 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 3,111 |
| Second | 99.5 | 2,500 | 14.7 | 10.9 | 71.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2,489 |
| Middle | 99.1 | 2,679 | 18.3 | 11.1 | 68.1 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2,655 |
| Fourth | 99.5 | 3,148 | 23.1 | 13.4 | 61.4 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 3,131 |
| Highest | 98.6 | 3,311 | 33.6 | 13.6 | 51.2 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 3,265 |
| Total | 99.2 | 14,771 | 21.6 | 12.3 | 64.2 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 14,651 |

Table 10.3 Age at female circumcision

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 who underwent female circumcision by age when it was done, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Age at female circumcision |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | <5 | 5 to 9 | 10 to 14 | 15+ | Don't know |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.7 | 73.0 | 25.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 4,162 |
| 20-24 | 0.1 | 72.7 | 26.2 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,585 |
| 25-29 | 0.0 | 72.3 | 26.3 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 2,613 |
| 30-39 | 0.0 | 68.1 | 30.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 3,660 |
| 40-49 | 0.0 | 66.6 | 31.5 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,631 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.3 | 72.8 | 25.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 5,876 |
| Rural | 0.2 | 70.5 | 28.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 4,364 |
| Nomadic | 0.2 | 68.8 | 29.6 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 4,410 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 0.1 | 70.1 | 28.5 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 10,800 |
| Primary | 0.2 | 72.4 | 26.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 2,343 |
| Secondary | 0.5 | 74.6 | 23.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,119 |
| Higher | 1.7 | 72.0 | 25.5 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 389 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 0.2 | 65.3 | 33.3 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,111 |
| Second | 0.1 | 73.9 | 24.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 2,489 |
| Middle | 0.1 | 75.0 | 23.8 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,655 |
| Fourth | 0.3 | 71.6 | 27.0 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 3,131 |
| Highest | 0.3 | 69.7 | 28.6 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,265 |
| Total | 0.2 | 70.9 | 27.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 14,651 |

Table 10.4 Female circumcision on girl's aged 0-14 by mother's background characteristics

Percentage of girls aged 0-14 who underwent female circumcision, according to age and mother's background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Current age of girls |  |  | Total 0-14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 |  |
| Mother's circumcision status |  |  |  |  |
| Circumcised | 3.3 | 29.8 | 75.8 | 26.0 |
| Not circumcised | * | * | * | * |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 4.4 | 33.3 | 74.1 | 28.3 |
| Rural | 3.8 | 29.3 | 74.7 | 26.1 |
| Nomadic | 1.7 | 26.1 | 79.2 | 23.3 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 3.1 | 30.2 | 76.8 | 26.9 |
| Primary | 4.2 | 25.9 | 70.6 | 21.4 |
| Secondary | 5.0 | 31.3 | 59.7 | 19.7 |
| Higher | 2.0 | 23.5 | 34.7 | 10.0 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.2 | 25.1 | 70.2 | 21.7 |
| Second | 2.6 | 32.3 | 79.1 | 27.6 |
| Middle | 3.4 | 33.0 | 81.5 | 28.7 |
| Fourth | 3.7 | 31.5 | 79.2 | 27.5 |
| Highest | 5.2 | 27.5 | 69.0 | 25.4 |
| Total | 3.3 | 29.7 | 75.9 | 26.0 |

Note: The circumcision status of girls is reported by their mothers.
An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 10.5 Opinions on continuation of female circumcision

Percent distribution of women aged 15-49 by whether the practice of female circumcision should continue by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Opinion to continue with female circumcision practice or not |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Continued | Stopped | Depends | Don't Know |  |  |
| Female circumcision status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circumcised | 76.5 | 18.8 | 4.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 10,271 |
| Not circumcised | 63.8 | 35.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 60 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 79.9 | 15.3 | 3.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 844 |
| 20-24 | 76.0 | 19.8 | 3.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,885 |
| 25-29 | 76.0 | 18.4 | 4.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 2,432 |
| 30-34 | 77.0 | 18.2 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,880 |
| 35-39 | 74.2 | 21.8 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,687 |
| 40-44 | 77.7 | 18.6 | 3.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,019 |
| 45-49 | 77.3 | 17.7 | 4.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 585 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 70.3 | 25.7 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,717 |
| Rural | 76.3 | 19.6 | 3.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 3,153 |
| Nomadic | 83.2 | 10.9 | 4.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 3,460 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 78.3 | 17.2 | 3.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 8,593 |
| Primary | 70.7 | 23.1 | 5.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,263 |
| Secondary | 63.2 | 33.9 | 2.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 335 |
| Higher | 43.7 | 51.5 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 141 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 81.1 | 13.1 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 2,491 |
| Second | 80.9 | 13.5 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,977 |
| Middle | 79.6 | 17.1 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,875 |
| Fourth | 75.0 | 21.5 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,082 |
| Highest | 64.2 | 31.1 | 4.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,906 |
| Total 15-49 | 76.4 | 18.9 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 10,331 |



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## KEY FINDINGS

FINANCIAL DECISIONS

## 90 \%

of women decide on how their cash earnings will be spent either individually or jointly with their husbands
percent of women jointly or individually make decisions on how the husbands cash earnings will be spent


MOBILE
OWNERSHIP
75\%
of women own a mobile phone

PARTICIPATION IN DECISION MAKING
54\%
of currently married women aged $15-49$ make decisions on their own health care by themselves or jointly with their husbands

64\%
of women aged 15-49 with mobile phones use them for financial transactions

ATTITUDES TOWARDS WIFE BEATING
36\%
of women believe that a husband is justified in beating his wife for at least one of the six specified reasons

## 11 WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

## This chapter focuses on Somali

 women's empowerment in terms of employment, earnings, control over earnings and ownership of assets. It also explores women's ownership and use of bank accounts and mobile phones. The SHDS asked specific questions to define two different indicators of women's empowerment: their participation in household decision-making and attitudes towards wife beating.Over the years, several attempts have been made to improve life for Somali women. The Provisional Constitution of Somalia has a number of positive implications for the status of women, particularly on the involvement of women in leadership and decision-making. However, most Somali women are still either excluded from decision-making and asset ownership, or operate through a patriarchal filter in these areas-mainly due to cultural restrictions on their movement and asset ownership.

## Women's Employment

Table 11.1 shows the percentage distribution of currently married women who were employed in the 12 months preceding the survey by age and type of earnings. Generally, employment is assumed to go hand in hand with payment for work. However, not all Somali women receive earnings for the work they do, and among those who do receive earnings, not all receive cash. Sixty-six percent of currently married women who reported being employed at any time in the 12 months preceding the survey received earnings in cash, 12 percent were paid in cash and in kind, 6 percent received their earnings in kind only and the remaining 17 percent were not paid at all.

The percentage of currently married women who are employed and receiving their earnings in cash increases with age, from 53 percent among those aged 20-24 to a peak of 72 percent among those aged 45-49. The proportion that are employed and not paid at all was the highest, at 27 percent, among younger respondents in the age bracket 20-24.

## Control over Women's Earnings

Access to/and control of financial resources are critical variables for women's empowerment and poverty reduction. Employment and cash earnings are more likely to contribute to the economic and social empowerment of women, particularly if they perceive their earnings as significant relative to those of their husband and important to the welfare of the household. It can contribute to improving power and autonomy in decision making that impact on women as individuals and their families

To assess women's autonomy, currently married women aged 15-49 who earned cash for their work in the 12 months preceding the survey were asked who the main decision maker was with regard to the use of their earnings. This information allowed an assessment of women's control over their own earnings. Table 11.2 and Figure 11.1 show the degree of control women have over the use of their earnings, with one in every two currently married women reporting they decide on their own how their earnings will be used, while 40 percent decide jointly with their husbands. Ten percent reported
their husband is the main decision maker and controls their cash earnings.

Table 11.2 shows that 37 percent of women earn less than their husbands, while 29 percent earn more than their husbands. Only 5 percent earn an equal amount to their husbands' earnings. Twenty-one percent of the currently married women did not know how their earnings compared to their husbands', most likely because they are not privy to information about their husbands' earnings.

## Control over Husbands' Earnings

Table 11.3 shows that 35 percent of the currently married women aged 15-49 whose husbands earn cash report that decisions about the use of the husbands' cash earnings are made jointly, and slightly fewer women, at 33 percent, reported that the husband is the main decision maker. Thirty-two percent reported that the wife is the main decision maker on how the husband's cash earnings are used.

Figure 11.1 Control over women's earnings
Percent distribution of currently married women aged 15-49 with income for the last 12 months preceding survey and who makes decisions over their cash earnings



Among couples with no children, about half of the women reported that the husband is the main decision maker, 29 percent stated a woman has more control, while 23 percent indicated they make joint decisions over their husbands' income.

Among women with no education, 35 percent reported the husband mainly makes decisions over his earnings, compared to 34 percent who indicated they make joint decisions over the husband's earnings. Thirty-one percent indicated it is mainly the wife who makes decisions over the husband's earnings. Among women with primary education, 28 percent reported their husbands mainly make decisions over the husband's earnings, compared to 36 percent who indicated joint decision making or the woman mainly decides how to use the money earned by the husband.

For husbands in the lowest wealth quintile, slightly more than half mainly control the income, compared to 23 percent of husbands in the highest wealth quintile, indicating that
husbands have more financial control over wives in poorer households.

## Ownership of Assets

Ownership of and control over assets, such as land and housing, are important factors that contribute to improving women's status. Ownership of land and property plays an important role in strengthening women's agency. Land is a key productive and economic asset. It provides opportunity multiple benefits to individuals and households, including a secure place to live, livelihood, protection during emergencies, and collateral when needed. In the SHDS, ever-married women were asked whether they own a house and land alone or jointly with their husbands.

Table 11.4 shows the percent distribution of ever-married women aged 15-49 by ownership of a house and land. Women are more likely
to own a house than land. Overall, 49 percent of women interviewed own a house and 22 percent own land either alone or jointly. The majority of women who own houses do so jointly with their husbands, at 21 percent, while 11 percent own land jointly with their husbands. The ownership of property increases with age among women. For example, 61 percent of women of age 45-49 years own a house, compared to 45 percent of women aged 1519. A similar pattern is also observed in land ownership. Twenty-six percent of women aged 45-49 own land, compared to 20 percent of women aged 15-19.

## Ownership and Use of Bank Accounts and Mobile Phones

Ownership of a bank account and a mobile phone are reflections of autonomy, social functioning and financial independence. In the SHDS, women were asked if they had an account in a bank or any other financial institution that they themselves used, and if they owned a mobile phone. Those who owned a mobile phone were further asked if they used the phone for financial transactions. Table 11.5 shows that only 4 percent of women have a bank account that they use. However, three-
quarters of women own a mobile phone, and among those with a mobile phone, 64 percent use their phones for financial transactions. This could be attributed to the devaluation of the Somali shilling and lack of small denomination, as well as convenience, which makes mobile money the preferred mode of payment for women throughout the country.

The percentage of women who have a bank account and a mobile phone increases as education levels increase. For example, among women with no education, 2 percent own and use a bank account compared to 29 percent among women with higher education. Similarly, among women with no education, 72 percent have no mobile phones, while 99 percent of those with higher education own a mobile phone (Figure 11.2).

Women from wealthier households are more likely than women from poorer households to have and use a bank account, own a mobile phone and use a mobile phone for financial transactions. Of women from the wealthiest households, 8 percent own and use a bank account, compared to 1 percent in the poorest households. Forty percent of women in the poorest households use a mobile phone for financial transactions, compared to 81 percent of women from the wealthiest households, who use mobile phones for financial transactions (Table 11.5).



Three-quarters of women own a mobile phone, and among those with a mobile phone, 64 percent use their phones for financial transactions

## Women's Participation in Decision Making

Participation in household decision-making is an essential aspect of women's empowerment and reflects women's status and the level of agency women have within their own household and environment. As part of the SHDS, currently married women were asked about their participation in decisions about their own health care, major household purchases and visits they make to their family or relatives.

Table 11.6 shows that 45 percent of women indicated that decisions on their own health care are made mainly by their husbands, 34 percent reported they make decisions regarding their own health care jointly with their husbands, while 20 percent indicated that they mainly make these decisions on their own. A similar pattern is observed regarding major household purchases and visits to family or relatives, with 45 percent of women indicating that their husbands make decisions for major household purchases. Fifty-eight percent of women state their husbands make decisions regarding visits to family or relatives. Generally, men dominate women in household decision-making.

## Attitudes towards Wife Beating

As part of the SHDS, ever-married women were asked if they agree that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife under each of the following six circumstances: she neglects household duties, she argues with him, she goes out without telling him, she wastes resources, she neglects the children, and she refuses to have sex with him. If respondents answered "yes" in at least one circumstance, they were considered to have attitudes justifying wife beating.

Table 11.7 shows among the women interviewed, 36 percent believe that a husband is justified in beating his wife for at least one of the six specified reasons. Overall, 24 percent of the women interviewed believe that wife beating is justified if the wife goes out without telling her husband. The percentage of women who justify wife beating under one of the specified circumstances decreases with increasing education levels. Thirty-eight percent of women with no education agree that wife beating is justified in at least one of the six specified circumstances, compared to 28 percent of women with higher education levels.

## Figure 11.3 Attitude towards wife beating

Percent of women aged 15-49 who agree with at least one specific reason for wife beating by wealth quintile


The proportion of women justifying wife beating under any one of the specified circumstances decreases with wealth quintiles. Forty-four percent of women in the poorest households agree that wife beating is justified in at least one of the six specified circumstances, compared to 28 percent of women in the wealthiest households (Figure 11.3).

## Summary Indices of Women's Empowerment

Responses from women on their participation in making household decisions and their attitudes towards wife beating can be summarized into two separate indices. The first index is the number of decisions in which women participate alone or jointly with their husbands (Table 11.6 for the list of decisions). This index ranges in value from 0 to 3 and is positively related to women's empowerment. It reflects the degree of decision-making and control that women are able to exercise in areas that directly affect their lives and environments.

The second index is the number of reasons why the respondent believes that a husband is
justified in beating his wife (see Table 11.7 for the list of reasons). This index ranges in value from 0 to 5. A lower score on this indicator is interpreted as reflecting a greater sense of autonomy, self-esteem, and a higher status.

Table 11.8 shows that there is a positive relationship between women's disapproval of wife beating and their participation in decisionmaking. The percentage of women who disagree with all the reasons that justify wife beating rises with the number of household decisions in which women participate, from 53 percent among women who do not participate in any of the household decisions to 65 percent of women who participate in all three decisions.

The percentage of women participating in all the household decisions decreases with the number of reasons women accept as justifying wife beating, from 36 percent among women who do not agree that wife beating is justified for any reason to 28 percent among women who accept that wife beating is justified in all five specified reasons.

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Table 11.1 Employment and cash earnings of currently married women

| Percent distribution of currently married women employed in past 12 months, by type of earnings, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | Percent distribution of currently married women employed in past 12 months, by type of earnings |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
|  | Cash only | Cash and in-kind | In-kind only | Not paid |  |  |
| 15-19 | (60) | (12) | (12) | (16) | 100.0 | 25 |
| 20-24 | 53.0 | 16.4 | 4.1 | 26.5 | 100.0 | 113 |
| 25-29 | 69.5 | 9.3 | 3.0 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 189 |
| 30-34 | 68.1 | 15.0 | 6.1 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 181 |
| 35-39 | 71.3 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 221 |
| 40-44 | 60.7 | 12.3 | 4.9 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 158 |
| 45-49 | 71.5 | 8.4 | 5.7 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 101 |
| Total | 66.3 | 11.5 | 5.5 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 989 |
| Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 11.2 Control over women's cash earnings and relative magnitude of women's cash earnings

Percent distribution of currently married women aged 15-49 who received cash earnings for employment in the 12 months preceding the survey by person who decides how wife's cash earnings are used and by whether she earned more or less than her husband, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Person who decides how wife's cash earnings are used: |  |  |  | Respondent earns more than husband |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mainly wife | Wife and husband jointly | Mainly husband | Other | Total | More than him | Less than him | About the same | Husband has no earnings | Don't know |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | * | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | 19 |
| 20-24 | 37.3 | 58.6 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 38.0 | 38.1 | 0.4 | 8.7 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 78 |
| 25-29 | 46.4 | 39.7 | 12.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 21.3 | 47.0 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 149 |
| 30-34 | 56.1 | 33.3 | 10.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 27.0 | 41.6 | 9.0 | 5.5 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 151 |
| 35-39 | 50.0 | 36.6 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 27.7 | 35.8 | 2.9 | 5.8 | 27.7 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 40-44 | 54.7 | 37.8 | 7.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 38.9 | 24.4 | 3.5 | 20.8 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 115 |
| 45-49 | 60.9 | 35.5 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 31.9 | 31.5 | 10.8 | 6.8 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 81 |

Number of living
children

| 0 | 53.4 | 35.1 | 11.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 31.3 | 34.8 | 1.3 | 7.4 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 68 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-2 | 37.0 | 59.1 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 22.9 | 36.5 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 26.8 | 100.0 | 129 |
| 3-4 | 47.3 | 39.2 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 28.2 | 48.0 | 5.3 | 7.6 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 198 |
| $5+$ | 56.5 | 33.9 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 31.5 | 31.9 | 4.6 | 9.5 | 22.5 | 100.0 | 374 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 44.1 | 45.1 | 10.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 25.6 | 39.6 | 3.7 | 8.8 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 433 |
| Rural | 64.5 | 29.9 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 33.6 | 33.6 | 7.3 | 7.6 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 291 |
| Nomadic | (22.7) | (49.2) | (28.0) | (0.0) | 100.0 | (35.1) | (35.1) | (0.5) | (9.0) | (20.3) | 100.0 | 45 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 50.9 | 38.3 | 10.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 28.6 | 35.7 | 6.0 | 8.7 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 574 |
| Primary | 51.1 | 38.8 | 10.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 27.0 | 40.3 | 0.7 | 11.4 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 107 |
| Secondary | (51.0) | (43.6) | (1.4) | (4.0) | 100.0 | (36.0) | (38.6) | (4.4) | (1.7) | (19.3) | 100.0 | 42 |
| Higher | (45.1) | (53.7) | (1.2) | (0.0) | 100.0 | (35.4) | (45.1) | (1.5) | (3.5) | (14.5) | 100.0 | 47 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | (57.4) | (30.9) | (11.7) | (0.0) | 100.0 | (27.0) | (27.6) | (0.7) | (6.2) | (38.5) | 100.0 | 36 |
| Second | 38.9 | 42.7 | 18.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 28.8 | 40.6 | 11.6 | 7.6 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 103 |
| Middle | 53.5 | 34.1 | 12.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 30.8 | 37.6 | 4.9 | 8.6 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 198 |
| Fourth | 43.7 | 47.1 | 8.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 29.5 | 32.3 | 3.6 | 9.7 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 220 |
| Highest | 59.4 | 36.9 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 28.0 | 41.5 | 3.7 | 7.4 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 213 |
| Total | 50.6 | 39.6 | 9.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 29.2 | 37.1 | 4.9 | 8.4 | 20.5 | 100.0 | 770 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed,SHDS, 2020

Table 11.3 Control over husbands' cash earnings

Percent distributions of currently married women aged 15-49 whose husbands receive cash earnings by person who decides how husbands' cash earnings are used, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Person who decides how husbands' cash earnings are used |  |  |  | Total | Number of currently married women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mainly wife | Wife and husband | Mainly husband | Other |  |  |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | (34.3) | (32.4) | (33.3) | (0.0) | 100.0 | 30 |
| 20-24 | 19.7 | 36.2 | 41.9 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 28.8 | 31.0 | 39.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 30-34 | 37.3 | 29.2 | 33.5 |  | 100.0 | 166 |
| 35-39 | 28.2 | 39.3 | 32.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 192 |
| 40-44 | 30.1 | 40.6 | 29.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 127 |
| 45-49 | 47.7 | 34.6 | 17.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 89 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 29.4 | 22.7 | 47.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 76 |
| 1-2 | 27.3 | 44.0 | 27.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 154 |
| 3-4 | 33.2 | 29.3 | 37.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 5+ | 32.8 | 36.7 | 30.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 421 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 27.0 | 38.5 | 33.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 426 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 46.9 | 25.0 | 27.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 312 |
| Nomadic | 12.6 | 45.1 | 41.4 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 138 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 30.9 | 34.0 | 34.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 678 |
| Primary | 35.6 | 36.4 | 28.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 113 |
| Secondary | $(35.4)$ | $(32.6)$ | $(30.2)$ | $(1.8)$ | 100.0 | 37 |
| Higher | $(29.4)$ | $(44.3)$ | $(21.8)$ | $(4.6)$ | 100.0 | 49 |


| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Lowest | 21.6 | 23.8 | 54.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 90 |
| Second | 19.6 | 46.0 | 34.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 145 |
| Middle | 33.0 | 29.1 | 38.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 216 |
| Fourth | 30.7 | 41.0 | 27.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 204 |
| Highest | 43.6 | 31.8 | 23.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 222 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 1 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 7 7}$ |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

Table 11.4 Ownership of assets

Percent distribution of ever-married women aged 15-49 by ownership of housing and land, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Owns a house alone or jointly |  |  |  | Total | Owns land alone or jointly |  |  |  | Total | Total numbe of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Alone | Jointly | Both alone and jointly | Does not own |  | Alone | Jointly | Both alone and jointly | Does not own |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 12.1 | 20.4 | 12.7 | 54.8 | 100.0 | 4.9 | 11.0 | 3.8 | 80.3 | 100.0 | 973 |
| 20-24 | 9.7 | 20.9 | 13.6 | 55.8 | 100.0 | 3.4 | 12.2 | 5.4 | 78.9 | 100.0 | 2,119 |
| 25-29 | 11.2 | 20.3 | 15.9 | 52.6 | 100.0 | 4.8 | 11.7 | 5.7 | 77.8 | 100.0 | 2,728 |
| 30-34 | 11.5 | 18.1 | 17.5 | 52.9 | 100.0 | 4.9 | 10.2 | 6.2 | 78.7 | 100.0 | 2,119 |
| 35-39 | 13.5 | 23.2 | 15.2 | 48.2 | 100.0 | 5.8 | 10.5 | 5.5 | 78.1 | 100.0 | 1,922 |
| 40-44 | 15.6 | 23.4 | 17.7 | 43.3 | 100.0 | 5.7 | 11.7 | 4.7 | 77.9 | 100.0 | 1,158 |
| 45-49 | 24.0 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 7.0 | 73.6 | 100.0 | 641 |

Type of residence

| Urban | 11.1 | 16.0 | 10.2 | 62.7 | 100.0 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 3.3 | 84.9 | 100.0 | 4161 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 13.8 | 19.8 | 16.6 | 49.8 | 100.0 | 5.9 | 11.5 | 5.8 | 76.8 | 100.0 | 3,509 |
| $\quad$ Nomadic | 13.0 | 26.3 | 20.7 | 40.0 | 100.0 | 4.4 | 15.5 | 7.6 | 72.4 | 100.0 | 3,989 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ No education | 12.7 | 21.7 | 16.2 | 49.3 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 12.0 | 5.8 | 76.9 | 100.0 | 9,757 |
| Primary | 11.7 | 15.8 | 14.0 | 58.5 | 100.0 | 4.4 | 6.6 | 3.8 | 85.2 | 100.0 | 1,367 |
| Secondary | 12.9 | 14.9 | 10.4 | 61.9 | 100.0 | 3.8 | 7.3 | 4.6 | 84.3 | 100.0 | 375 |
| Higher | 12.1 | 9.2 | 12.0 | 66.7 | 100.0 | 6.1 | 2.8 | 6.3 | 84.9 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Lowest | 13.1 | 26.9 | 20.2 | 39.9 | 100.0 | 4.3 | 14.3 | 6.6 | 74.8 | 100.0 | 2,733 |
| Second | 11.0 | 25.1 | 19.1 | 44.7 | 100.0 | 4.5 | 17.5 | 8.1 | 69.9 | 100.0 | 2,310 |
| Middle | 14.2 | 19.1 | 13.8 | 52.9 | 100.0 | 6.7 | 9.2 | 4.4 | 79.7 | 100.0 | 2,159 |
| Fourth | 13.2 | 15.4 | 13.0 | 58.4 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 7.9 | 3.8 | 82.1 | 100.0 | 2,356 |
| Highest | 11.3 | 15.1 | 11.3 | 62.3 | 100.0 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 85.9 | 100.0 | $\mathbf{2 , 1 0 1}$ |
| Total number of | $\mathbf{1 2 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{5 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{7 8 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 , 6 6 0}$ |
| women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 11.5 Ownership and use of bank accounts and mobile phones

Percentage of women aged 15-49 who use an account in a bank or other financial institution, percentage who own a mobile phone among women who own a mobile phone, percentage who use it for financial transactions, according to background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Have and use a bank account | Own a mobile phone | Number of women | Use mobile phone for financial transactions | Number of women who own a mobile phone |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.7 | 60.6 | 4,649 | 50.4 | 2,818 |
| 20-24 | 4.0 | 80.1 | 2,906 | 68.4 | 2,327 |
| 25-29 | 4.4 | 81.7 | 2,918 | 70.6 | 2,383 |
| 30-34 | 3.7 | 82.7 | 2,195 | 69.6 | 1,815 |
| 35-39 | 3.4 | 82.3 | 1,948 | 71.2 | 1,604 |
| 40-44 | 3.4 | 77.4 | 1,176 | 64.6 | 910 |
| 45-49 | 3.1 | 80.9 | 646 | 69.8 | 523 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 5.9 | 84.9 | 6,478 | 78.2 | 5,501 |
| Rural | 2.6 | 77.5 | 4,822 | 67.7 | 3,736 |
| Nomadic | 1.4 | 61.2 | 5,138 | 42.4 | 3,143 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 2.1 | 72.2 | 12,266 | 58.9 | 8,860 |
| Primary | 4.1 | 79.9 | 2,531 | 74.1 | 2,022 |
| Secondary | 7.5 | 88.7 | 1,214 | 82.6 | 1,077 |
| Higher | 29.2 | 98.7 | 427 | 96.5 | 421 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 1.0 | 58.0 | 3,471 | 39.7 | 2,012 |
| Second | 1.8 | 69.6 | 2,917 | 53.3 | 2,031 |
| Middle | 2.6 | 75.9 | 3,047 | 68.1 | 2,313 |
| Fourth | 3.6 | 82.8 | 3,452 | 76.6 | 2,859 |
| Highest | 7.9 | 89.1 | 3,551 | 80.6 | 3,165 |
| Total | 3.5 | 75.3 | 16,438 | 63.9 | 12,380 |

Table 11.6 Participation in decision making

Percent distribution of currently married women aged 15-49 by person who usually makes decisions about various issues, SHDS 2020

| Decision | Mainly wife | Wife and husband jointly | Mainly husband | Someone else | Other | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Own health care | 20.0 | 34.1 | 45.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 10,215 |
| Major household purchases | 21.5 | 32.5 | 44.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 10,215 |
| Visits to her family or relatives | 18.9 | 22.2 | 58.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 10,215 |

Table 11.7 Attitude toward wife beating: Women

Percentage of all women aged 15-49 who agree that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife for specific reasons, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife if she: |  |  |  |  |  | Percentage who agree with at least one specified reason | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Neglects household duties | She argues with him | Goes out without telling him | Wastes resources | Neglects the children | Refuses to have sex with him |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 24.6 | 24.9 | 23.6 | 25.4 | 25.5 | 24.7 | 36.7 | 4,649 |
| 20-24 | 25.5 | 25.6 | 24.8 | 25.3 | 25.6 | 25.4 | 36.6 | 2,906 |
| 25-29 | 24.4 | 23.4 | 22.6 | 24.5 | 25.2 | 24.7 | 35.5 | 2,918 |
| 30-34 | 26.0 | 25.8 | 23.7 | 25.7 | 26.2 | 25.4 | 35.8 | 2,195 |
| 35-39 | 27.0 | 26.7 | 24.7 | 26.1 | 26.4 | 26.6 | 36.6 | 1,948 |
| 40-44 | 28.7 | 27.9 | 25.4 | 28.1 | 29.4 | 27.2 | 38.7 | 1,176 |
| 45-49 | 25.9 | 23.8 | 22.8 | 24.4 | 24.7 | 25.3 | 32.0 | 646 |
| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not employed | 26.4 | 26.0 | 24.0 | 26.2 | 26.7 | 26.5 | 36.9 | 10,346 |
| Employed for cash | 29.8 | 30.6 | 28.7 | 28.2 | 28.7 | 28.2 | 38.4 | 847 |
| Employed, not for cash | 18.9 | 20.0 | 17.4 | 23.9 | 20.9 | 27.3 | 33.7 | 236 |
| Missing | 23.3 | 23.0 | 23.0 | 23.6 | 24.1 | 22.4 | 34.9 | 5,009 |

Number of living children

| 0 | 23.0 | 23.4 | 22.7 | 23.5 | 23.9 | 23.1 | 35.3 | 6,095 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-2 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 23.8 | 27.3 | 26.6 | 27.6 | 36.6 | 2,833 |
| 3-4 | 26.7 | 25.7 | 25.1 | 26.0 | 27.5 | 26.5 | 37.3 | 3,219 |
| 5+ | 27.4 | 26.6 | 24.6 | 26.7 | 27.2 | 26.1 | 36.8 | 4,292 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 22.3 | 23.2 | 22.3 | 23.3 | 24.4 | 23.0 | 33.8 | 6,478 |
| Rural | 26.5 | 26.4 | 25.0 | 25.8 | 27.6 | 26.2 | 37.6 | 4,822 |
| Nomadic | 28.6 | 26.7 | 24.8 | 27.9 | 26.2 | 27.4 | 38.2 | 5,138 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 27.4 | 26.5 | 24.6 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 26.9 | 37.8 | 12,266 |
| Primary | 21.4 | 23.5 | 22.3 | 22.5 | 23.7 | 22.9 | 34.0 | 2,531 |
| Secondary | 18.1 | 19.2 | 22.3 | 18.3 | 20.7 | 18.2 | 29.0 | 1,214 |
| Higher | 17.9 | 17.2 | 18.1 | 16.6 | 20.8 | 15.1 | 28.4 | 427 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 35.0 | 33.1 | 30.1 | 34.6 | 32.5 | 33.9 | 44.2 | 3,471 |
| Second | 24.8 | 24.5 | 23.2 | 25.5 | 24.9 | 25.2 | 35.7 | 2,917 |
| Middle | 27.9 | 28.5 | 25.2 | 28.0 | 28.9 | 27.1 | 39.9 | 3,047 |
| Fourth | 22.0 | 23.1 | 23.2 | 21.9 | 23.8 | 22.1 | 34.1 | 3,452 |
| Highest | 18.1 | 17.5 | 17.8 | 18.0 | 19.8 | 18.7 | 28.1 | 3,551 |
| Total | 25.5 | 25.3 | 23.9 | 25.5 | 25.9 | 25.3 | 36.3 | 16,438 |

Table 11.8 Indicators of women's empowerment

Percentage of currently married women aged 15-49 who participate in all decision making and the percentage who disagree with all of the reasons justifying wife beating, by value on each of the indicators of women empowerment, SHDS 2020

Percentage who disagree with

| Empowerment indicator | Percentage who participate in <br> all decision making | all the reasons justifying wife <br> beating | Number of women |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable

> Chronic Diseases, Disability, Outof Pocket Health Expenditure and Social Habits


## KEY FINDINGS



PREVALENCE OF MOST COMMON DISEASES

## 33 \%

Blood pressure

## 20\%

Diabetes
8\%
Kidney diseases

8\%
Arthritis

OUT-OF-POCKET HEALTH EXPENSES

48\%
of households paid their health expenses from their income

$5 \%$
prevalence of disability in the population

CARE OF DISABLED PERSONS

## 42

of disabled people in Somalia had not received any care nor support for their disability during the 12 months preceding the survey


## 12 CHRONIC DISEASES, DISABILITY, OUT-OF-POCKET HEALTH EXPENDITURE AND SOCIAL HABITS

## This chapter presents information

 on the prevalence, diagnosis and treatment of chronic diseases in Somalia. It also offers information on the prevalence of disability, the origin and age at onset of disability, and care and support available for people with disabilities. Based on the findings of the SHDS, information on out-of-pocket health expenditure and selected social habits is also presented in this chapter.Chronic diseases are defined broadly as conditions that last 1 year or more and require ongoing medical attention or limit activities of daily living or both according to the National Center for Chronic Disease and Prevention and Health Promotion of the United States of America (CDC 2020). Chronic diseases generally cannot be prevented by vaccines or cured by medication and can lead to long-term disability. They place burdens and demands on a health care system and are a leading cause of death worldwide.

The SHDS obtained information from household respondents on whether each household member suffered from one or more
chronic diseases and whether the disease was diagnosed by a physician and treated. Further to this, the survey gathered information about household members suffering from any physical, mental or other state that limited them from engaging in their normal activities.

Interviewers obtained information from the household respondents if any household member had been injured. If the answer to any of these questions was affirmative, followup questions were asked about the type of disease, disability, and/or injury.

Interviewers also obtained information on sicknesses that families experienced over the one month preceding the survey, in addition to expenditure on health services received.

## Prevalence of Chronic Diseases

Table 12.1 presents data on household members who have at least one chronic disease. Overall, 6 percent of Somali household members were reported to be suffering from at least one chronic disease.

Urban household members have a slightly higher reported prevalence of chronic diseases, at 7 percent, than rural and nomadic

## Figure 12.1 Prevalence of chronic diseases

Percentage of household members who have at least one chronic disease

household members, at 5 percent and 4 percent respectively. On comparing data for men and women, it can be observed that more women than men reported to have at least one chronic disease, at 7 percent and 5 percent respectively. The prevalence of at least one chronic disease increased from 4 percent of those in the lowest wealth quintile or poorest households to 7 percent of those in the wealthiest or highest quintile.

As noted, disease prevalence increases rapidly with age. The reported prevalence of people with at least one chronic disease increased from 2 percent in the age group 0-4 years to 13 percent in the age group 40-44 years, to 38 percent in people over 70 years of age (Table 12.1 and Figure 12.1).

## Diagnosis and Treatment of Chronic Diseases

Table 12.2 presents data on the distribution of household members who have specific chronic diseases diagnosed by a physician and those who receive treatment regularly. The findings show that, overall, 5 percent of
household members were reported to have been diagnosed by a physician and 3 percent are undergoing regular treatment for a chronic disease.

More women than men were diagnosed by a physician, at 5 percent and 4 percent respectively. Similarly, more women than men are undergoing regular treatment for the diseases, at 4 percent versus 3 percent respectively. More urban residents reported having been diagnosed by a physician, at 5 percent, compared to rural and nomadic residents at 4 percent and 2 percent, respectively. Similarly, more urban residents (4 percent), reported they had received treatment for chronic diseases, compared to rural and nomadic residents (2 percent and 1 percent respectively). Despite there being health facilities available in the cities, the difference in the overall frequency of diagnosis and treatment between urban and rural settings is small.

The survey found that the percentage of household members diagnosed by a physician with at least one chronic disease and those who received treatment regularly increased as wealth levels increased. Six percent of household members in the wealthiest households were diagnosed by a physician, while 5 percent received treatment. In contrast,

## Figure 12.2 Chronic diseases diagnosed and treated

Percentage of household members who have at least one chronic disease, diagnosed by a physician, and who get treatment
_ـ_ Percentage of population who have at least one chronic disease diagnosed by physician
32.8


3 percent of household members from the lowest wealth quintile or poorest households were diagnosed by a physician, and 1 percent received treatment.

Figure 12.2 compares household members whose chronic diseases were diagnosed by a physician against those who get treatment for chronic diseases regularly. The findings indicate that more of those diagnosed in the younger age groups are treated, as compared to those in the older age groups. In the age group 15-19 years, 2 percent were diagnosed by a physician, while 1 percent received treatment. In the age group 60-64 years, 23 percent were reported to have been diagnosed by a physician, while 16 percent received treatment for chronic diseases they have.

Table 12.3 presents the prevalence of the most common specific chronic diseases diagnosed by a physician, by type of condition, place of residence and sex. The findings show that the most common chronic diseases were: blood pressure anomalies/hypertension, which affects 33 percent of household members, and diabetes, which affects 20 percent of the household members. Eight percent of household members are suffering from kidney
diseases, and another 7 percent suffer from chronic headaches. Eight percent of household members have arthritis and another 6 percent have inflammation or ulcers. Other diseases that are common include asthma (6 percent), heart diseases (5 percent), chronic back pain (5 percent), as well as liver diseases, anaemia, epilepsy, mental illness and skin diseases, each of which affects about 4 percent of household members.

The table shows that more urban and rural residents were diagnosed with blood pressure, at 34 percent and 33 percent respectively, compared to those residing in nomadic areas, at 25 percent. More urban residents, at 23 percent, than rural residents, at 15 percent, were diagnosed with diabetes. Even fewer cases of diabetes were diagnosed among nomadic households, at 8 percent. More women than men were reported to have been diagnosed with hypertension, kidney disease and arthritis, at 35 percent versus 31 percent, 8 percent versus 7 percent, and 10 percent versus 4 percent, respectively. More men than women were reported to have been diagnosed with diabetes, mental illnesses and liver diseases, at 24 percent versus 18 percent, 6 percent versus 3 percent, and 5 versus 3 percent respectively.

## Figure 12.3 Common chronic diseases

Percentage of household members who have specific chronic diseases diagnosed by a physician


The findings further show that, on the whole, more nomadic household members than urban and rural ones were diagnosed with kidney diseases, liver diseases, chronic back pain, anaemia, and prostatic hypertrophy diseases at 14 percent, 12 percent, 8 percent, 7 percent and 4 percent respectively. In urban and rural areas, overall, fewer people were diagnosed with these diseases, at 7 percent, 4 percent, 5 percent, 4 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively, for urban populations; and at 8 percent, 4 percent, 5 percent, 3 percent and 1 percent, respectively, for rural populations.

## Prevalence of Disability

Table 12.4 presents data on the distribution of the prevalence of disability of household members by sex, age, wealth quintiles and residence. It should be noted that respondents' reports of disability were not verified by any clinical diagnosis; therefore, the percentages presented should be interpreted with caution.

Overall, around 5 percent of the population
suffers from disabilities, according to findings from the SHDS. ${ }^{1}$ The prevalence of disability among females and males is the same, at 5 percent. In the youngest age group, 5 percent of under-fives suffer from disabilities. The prevalence of disability dropped to 3 percent in the slightly older age group of 5-9 years, before steadily rising to 30 percent for those aged 70 years and above. The pattern of people suffering from disabilities in both urban and rural areas is almost the same at 5 percent each and fewer people, at 2 percent, suffering from disabilities in nomadic areas.

Household members from the lowest wealth quintile or poorest households suffer from fewer disabilities than others, at 3 percent. Between 5 and 6 percent household members from all other wealth levels suffer from disabilities.

The most common disability reported in all the three types of residences was challenges with eyesight, which was reported by 45 percent

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Figure 12.5 Common types of disabilities
Percentage of people suffering from specific types of disabilities

of household members in Rural areas, followed by nomads at 43 percent, and Urban areas at 41 percent.

Figure 12.4 presents the prevalence of disability by age group. It shows a "J-shaped" curve, with the prevalence of disability increasing sharply with age for those aged 70 years and above. Figure 12.5 shows the prevalence of the most common types of disabilities. These include disabilities in sight, hearing and mobility impairments, followed by mental health and speech disabilities.

## Origin and Age at Onset of Disability

Table 12.5 presents data on the onset and causes of disability. For any household member with a disability, respondents were asked what they thought was the main reason for or cause of the disability. The analysis indicates that ageing and congenital (birth-related) problems were thought to be the main cause of disabilities. Ageing accounts for 22 percent of disabilities and congenital problems account for 15 percent. Other diseases and injuries/ accidents account for 22 percent and 13

## Figure 12.6 Age at onset of disability

Percentage distribution of disabled people according to age at onset of disability

percent respectively. The percentage of those suffering from congenital causes of disability declines with increasing age, while disabilities associated with ageing increase with age.

Ageing accounts for a larger proportion of disabilities among females, at 27 percent, than males, at 17 percent, while congenital diseases account for a larger proportion of disabilities among males, at 17 percent, than females, at 14 percent.

Table 12.6 presents data on the age at onset of disability. Differences by type of residence are minimal. Differences by sex and age group are substantial. As expected, by definition, younger disabled people, the onset of disability
occurred at an earlier age. Overall, 28 percent of household population reported onset of disability to have started when they were under the age of five (Figure 12.6). Thirty-three percent of males and 23 percent of females stated that they had first experienced their disabilities under the age of five. The most common disability reported to have started during this period is speech, at 55 percent.

Slightly more nomadic household members, at 32 percent, reported their disabilities started while they were under the age of five, compared to 28 percent in urban and 27 percent in rural areas.

> The prevalence of disability among females and males is the same, at 5 percent


More urban residents reported having been diagnosed by a physician, as compared to rural and nomadic residents

Figure 12.7 Support received by household members for people with disabilities
Percentage distribution of disabled people who received any kind of care and support for
their disabilities in the 12 months preceding the survey


## Care and Support for Persons with Disabilities

Table 12.7 presents the percentage distribution of persons with disabilities who received any kind of care and support for their conditions during the 12 months prior to the survey, by background characteristics. This includes medical care, welfare, financial support and nutritional support.

The findings indicate that 42 percent of persons with disabilities in Somalia had not received any care or support for their condition in the 12 months preceding the survey. Fifty six percent of disabled household members received medical care, while 3 percent received financial support, only 1 percent of the households received welfare and nutritional support (Figure 12.7).

Forty-three percent of men and 42 percent of women said they had not received any medical care, welfare, financial or nutritional support for their disability in the 12 months preceding the survey.

## Household Out-of-Pocket Health Expenditure and Health-Seeking Behaviour

Out-of-pocket payments are expenditures borne directly by a patient where insurance does not cover the cost of the health service (OECD 2006). These expenses could be medical as well as non-medical. Out-of-pocket medical expenditures could be payments towards doctors' fees, medicine, diagnostics, operations, ambulance services, etc. (OECD 2006). Overall, health expenditure could amount to catastrophic levels that plunge families deeper into poverty. The World Bank defines catastrophic health expenditure as payments for health services exceeding 40 percent of household disposable income after subsistence needs are met.

Since the collapse of the Somali health care infrastructure three decades ago, most of the Somali households have not had any form of financial protection, and were forced to make out-of-pocket payments when they fell sick. Often, families resort to borrowing money or selling assets to meet these expenditures.

## Figure 12.8 Source of advice or treatment

Household members who have been sick and where they sought advice/treatment


## Figure 12.9 Source of payment of health services

Percentage distribution of financial sources used for health services in the month preceding the survey by households


The SHDS 2020 collected information on out-of-pocket expenditure. In the Household Questionnaire, households were asked whether advice or treatment was sought for any household members' health conditions and the source of this advice or treatment. They were also asked how much money the household spent on treatment and health care services in the one month preceding the survey. The survey also collected information about what financial sources the household used to pay for any health expenditure.

Table 12.8 shows that 19 percent of households had at least one household member sick in the last month preceding the survey. Among these households, 66 percent sought advice or treatment for the household member.

Seventy-one percent of urban households and 64 percent of rural households sought medical advice or treatment for their health problems. Nomadic households were the least likely to seek medical advice and treatment, at 31 percent.

Fifteen percent of households had visited a government hospital for advice or treatment compared to 27 percent who had visited private hospitals, clinics or doctors. Fourteen percent of households had sought advice or treatment from pharmacies compared to 13 percent from Mother Child Health (MCH) clinics and/or health centres (HC) (Figure 12.8).

The highest wealth quintile or wealthiest households sought more medical advice and treatment compared to the poorest, at 84 percent and 45 percent respectively. Further, the survey shows that 55 percent of the wealthiest households received medical advice and treatment from a private hospital, clinic or doctor, compared to 10 percent of the lowest wealth quintile or the poorest households.

Table 12.9 and Figure 12.9 present data on the financial sources that households use to pay for health expenditures. Forty-eight percent of households reported they pay for their health expenses from their income. Twenty-five percent of households reported their relatives or friends supported them to pay their health expenses. Fourteen percent borrowed money to pay for their health expenditure and 11 percent of the households sold assets to cover their health expenses. Only 2 percent of households used insurance for their health expenses.

On comparing data by wealth quintiles, it can be noted that 5 percent of the wealthiest households used their insurance coverage for their health expenses. Furthermore, 64 percent of the wealthiest households compared to 39 percent from the poorest households, used their income to pay for their health expenses.

Two percent of households in urban and rural areas used insurance to cover their health expenditure. Almost half of the urban and rural households-49 percent each—used their income to pay for medical expenses as compared to 26 percent of nomadic households.

Table 12.10 presents data on the amount of money the household spent on treatment and health care services during the month before
the start of the survey. The largest proportion of the respondents-43 percent-reported that they had spent between US\$1 and US\$49 for treatment and health care services in this time. Twenty-four percent of the respondents had spent between US\$50 and US\$99 for treatment and health care services during that month. Eighteen percent of the respondents had paid US\$100-199 for treatment and health care services, and 13 percent of the respondents had paid US\$300 or more for treatment and health care services during the month prior to the survey being conducted.

## Tobacco Use and Khat ${ }^{2}$ Chewing

Tobacco use is not only a risk factor for medical conditions, but it also contributes to poverty by diverting household spending from basic needs, such as food and shelter, to tobacco. This spending behaviour is difficult to curb because tobacco is so addictive. The economic costs of tobacco use are substantial and include significant health care costs for treating the disease caused by tobacco use as well as the lost human capital that results from tobacco-attributable morbidity and mortality (WHO 2019).

Information about the use of tobacco and chewing of khat was collected for household members aged 10 years or older, who were asked whether they smoke or use any kind of tobacco or chew khat.

Table 12.11 presents the percentage of household members who smoke cigarettes or use tobacco, by background characteristics. The findings indicate that 5 percent of Somali household members smoke cigarettes or use tobacco products. Cigarette smoking or any other use of tobacco is rare among women ( $0.9 \%$ ), whereas 8 percent of men smoke or use other tobacco products. The use of tobacco

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## Figure 12.10 Smoking/tobacco use by wealth quintile

Percentage of household members who smoke cigarettes or use tobacco, by wealth quintile


Figure 12.11 Cigarette smoking, tobacco use and chewing of khat
Percentage of household members who smoke cigarettes or use tobacco, and chew khat by age

generally increases with age.

Data analysed by place of residence shows that 6 percent of nomadic household members and 4 percent each of urban and rural household members smoke or use tobacco. Figure 12.10 shows that the use of tobacco or cigarette smoking decreases as wealth increases in households.

Household members with secondary-level and those with no education smoke (5 percent) of each, while the household members with
primary-level education and higher education smoke (3 percent) of each.

Figure 12.11 compares the percentage of household members who chew khat and household members who smoke cigarettes or using any sort of tobacco. It shows that both the use of tobacco and chewing of khat generally increases with age and reaches a peak at the ages 45-49 and then declines in the older ages.

Table 12.12 presents the distribution of
household members who chew khat by background characteristics. It shows that 5 percent of members of Somali households chew khat or have chewed khat. The table also shows the significant gender differences in this practice-whereas 0.4 percent of women chew or have chewed khat, 10 percent of men stated they chew or have chewed khat. Among all age groups studied, it can be noted that the practice of chewing khat increases with the age of household members, peaking at 13 percent at the age group 45-49.

The data by place of residence indicates that urban dwellers are less likely to chew khat (4 percent), compared to people living in rural and nomadic households (5 percent and 7 percent respectively).

Khat consumption varied among people with different education levels and wealth status-5 percent of household members with no education and secondary education consumed khat, whereas 4 percent with primary education and higher education consumed khat.

Data by wealth quintiles indicates that the poorer household members are more likely to chew khat.

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Table 12.1 Prevalence of chronic diseases

| Percentage of household population who have at least one chronic disease, diagnosed by a physician, who get treatment regularly, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background Characteristics | Percentage of household population who have at least one chronic disease | Number of persons |
| Sex |  |  |
| Male | 4.7 | 48,354 |
| Female | 6.7 | 50,638 |
| Age |  |  |
| 0-4 | 1.6 | 19,139 |
| 5-9 | 1.7 | 18,447 |
| 10-14 | 1.6 | 15,221 |
| 15-19 | 2.8 | 10,723 |
| 20-24 | 4.0 | 6,480 |
| 25-29 | 5.6 | 5,953 |
| 30-34 | 7.6 | 4,784 |
| 35-39 | 8.6 | 4,095 |
| 40-44 | 12.6 | 3,057 |
| 45-49 | 16.1 | 1,707 |
| 50-54 | 18.2 | 3,179 |
| 55-59 | 24.1 | 1,323 |
| 60-64 | 27.3 | 1,806 |
| 65-69 | 33.7 | 642 |
| 70+ | 38.1 | 2,439 |
| Type of residence |  |  |
| Urban | 6.5 | 63,084 |
| Rural | 4.7 | 25,119 |
| Nomadic | 3.5 | 10,790 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 3.9 | 19,956 |
| Second | 5.2 | 19,378 |
| Middle | 6.0 | 19,838 |
| Fourth | 6.9 | 19,867 |
| Highest | 6.5 | 19,954 |
| Total ${ }^{1}$ | 5.7 | 98,992 |

Table 12.2 Prevalence of chronic diseases diagnosed by a physician

Percentage of household population who have at least one chronic disease diagnosed by a physician, and who get treatment regularly, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Percentage of household population who have at least one chronic diagnosed by physician | Percentage of household population who have at least one chronic disease and get treated | Number of persons |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sex |  |  |  |
| Male | 3.8 | 2.6 | 48,354 |
| Female | 5.3 | 3.5 | 50,638 |
| Age |  |  |  |
| 0-4 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 19,139 |
| 5-9 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 18,447 |
| 10-14 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 15,221 |
| 15-19 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 10,723 |
| 20-24 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 6,480 |
| 25-29 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 5,953 |
| 30-34 | 5.8 | 3.4 | 4,784 |
| 35-39 | 7.0 | 4.5 | 4,095 |
| 40-44 | 10.0 | 6.5 | 3,057 |
| 45-49 | 13.6 | 9.4 | 1,707 |
| 50-54 | 15.7 | 10.3 | 3,179 |
| 55-59 | 20.6 | 14.6 | 1,323 |
| 60-64 | 22.8 | 16.1 | 1,806 |
| 65-69 | 28.9 | 22.0 | 642 |
| 70+ | 32.8 | 23.4 | 2,439 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |
| Urban | 5.4 | 3.8 | 63,084 |
| Rural | 3.6 | 2.2 | 25,119 |
| Nomadic | 2.1 | 0.8 | 10,790 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.5 | 1.2 | 19,956 |
| Second | 3.6 | 2.3 | 19,378 |
| Middle | 4.8 | 3.2 | 19,838 |
| Fourth | 5.9 | 4.1 | 19,867 |
| Highest | 6.0 | 4.5 | 19,954 |
| Total ${ }^{1}$ | 4.6 | 3.1 | 98,992 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Total includes household members with missing information on age. |  |  |  |

Table 12.3 Prevalence of specific chronic diseases

Percentage of household members who have specific chronic diseases diagnosed by a physician, by place of residence and sex, SHDS 2020

|  | Type of residence |  |  | Sex of household member |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Urban | Rural | Nomadic | Male | Female |  |
| Type of disease |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pressure | 33.9 | 33.2 | 25.1 | 31.2 | 34.7 | 33.3 |
| Diabetes | 22.8 | 14.6 | 7.9 | 23.6 | 18.2 | 20.4 |
| Inflammation/Ulcers | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 6.6 | 5.9 |
| Anemia | 4.4 | 3.3 | 7.1 | 2.3 | 5.8 | 4.4 |
| Sickle Cell Anemia | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Heart Disease | 5.4 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 6.6 | 5.4 |
| Kidney Disease | 7.0 | 8.1 | 13.6 | 6.6 | 8.3 | 7.6 |
| Liver Disease | 3.6 | 3.5 | 11.5 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 4.0 |
| Arthritis | 7.8 | 6.4 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 9.7 | 7.5 |
| Tuberculosis | 3.4 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 3.0 |
| Chronic Headache | 6.9 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 4.6 | 8.9 | 7.1 |
| Stroke | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| Epilepsy | 3.8 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 3.9 |
| Prostatic Hypertrophy | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.1 | 0.7 |  | 0.3 |
| Cataract | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.9 |
| Chronic Back Pain | 4.9 | 5.1 | 8.4 | 3.4 | 6.3 | 5.1 |
| Mental/Psychological Illness | 4.2 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 4.3 |
| Skin Disease | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 4.5 | 4.0 |
| Cancerous Tumors | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Asthma | 5.7 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 |
| Others | 8.9 | 9.9 | 13.3 | 8.9 | 9.7 | 9.3 |
| Total | 3,403 | 908 | 230 | 1,868 | 2,673 | 4,540 |

Table 12.4 Prevalence of disability and common types of disability

Prevalence of household members with disabilities, and percentage who suffer from specific types of disabilities, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Prevalence of disabled persons | Total | Among household members with disabilities, percentage who suffer from specific types of disabilities |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of household members with disabilities ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Sight | Hearing | Speech | Learning | Mobility | Selfcare | Mental |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 4.6 | 48354 | 41.9 | 22.8 | 9.4 | 3.7 | 24.2 | 5.5 | 19.2 | 2212 |
| Female | 4.9 | 50638 | 46.3 | 28.0 | 7.3 | 3.3 | 23.1 | 5.8 | 14.4 | 2490 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <5 | 4.7 | 19139 | 33.4 | 27.0 | 13.0 | 3.9 | 24.1 | 5.7 | 20.6 | 900 |
| 5-9 | 3.1 | 18447 | 37.2 | 28.9 | 12.2 | 3.0 | 27.6 | 4.8 | 15.0 | 575 |
| 10-14 | 2.9 | 15221 | 42.8 | 23.9 | 9.5 | 4.8 | 23.4 | 6.7 | 18.5 | 445 |
| 15-19 | 3.3 | 10723 | 46.0 | 26.7 | 8.3 | 2.9 | 24.3 | 5.0 | 17.7 | 354 |
| 20-24 | 3.4 | 6480 | 40.2 | 22.2 | 7.5 | 5.8 | 16.2 | 6.1 | 32.9 | 220 |
| 25-29 | 3.3 | 5953 | 36.6 | 25.5 | 4.1 | 2.2 | 22.5 | 5.6 | 24.8 | 195 |
| 30-34 | 3.4 | 4784 | 35.0 | 20.8 | 8.2 | 1.5 | 16.4 | 9.2 | 33.3 | 164 |
| 35-39 | 3.5 | 4095 | 36.2 | 21.5 | 11.2 | 0.7 | 22.7 | 8.2 | 18.7 | 143 |
| 40-44 | 5.0 | 3057 | 29.7 | 18.3 | 7.9 | 9.4 | 24.7 | 5.3 | 20.2 | 152 |
| 45-49 | 5.2 | 1707 | 47.0 | 12.7 | 4.7 | 3.6 | 23.2 | 3.4 | 12.8 | 90 |
| 50-54 | 6.9 | 3179 | 53.4 | 18.9 | 2.2 | 1.0 | 24.1 | 4.1 | 8.6 | 220 |
| 55-59 | 10.4 | 1323 | 58.7 | 21.2 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 17.9 | 3.1 | 9.4 | 138 |
| 60-64 | 13.4 | 1806 | 61.1 | 18.6 | 5.8 | 3.7 | 24.9 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 241 |
| 65-69 | 19.4 | 642 | 56.4 | 33.9 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 24.2 | 5.6 | 7.2 | 125 |
| 70+ | 30.3 | 2439 | 59.6 | 31.2 | 4.3 | 2.7 | 24.5 | 6.4 | 9.4 | 740 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 4.5 | 25119 | 41.1 | 28.0 | 8.3 | 3.0 | 25.3 | 5.8 | 18.4 | 1137 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rural | 5.3 | 63084 | 45.4 | 24.4 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 23.1 | 5.4 | 16.3 | 3358 |
| Nomadic | 1.9 | 10790 | 42.7 | 31.5 | 10.5 | 4.1 | 23.3 | 9.3 | 12.6 | 207 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 3.3 | 19956 | 42.7 | 27.7 | 10.3 | 3.6 | 22.1 | 7.6 | 14.7 | 662 |
| Second | 5.2 | 19378 | 39.2 | 30.3 | 7.7 | 2.2 | 23.7 | 5.7 | 16.4 | 1004 |
| Middle | 4.9 | 19838 | 44.6 | 24.8 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 21.9 | 7.9 | 19.2 | 972 |
| Fourth | 5.6 | 19867 | 47.5 | 24.3 | 6.9 | 5.1 | 25.4 | 5.0 | 15.3 | 1121 |
| Highest | 4.7 | 19954 | 46.5 | 21.3 | 8.1 | 3.8 | 24.4 | 2.7 | 17.2 | 944 |
| Total ${ }^{1}$ | 4.7 | 98992 | 44.3 | 25.6 | 8.3 | 3.5 | 23.7 | 5.6 | 16.6 | 4702 |

${ }^{1}$ Total includes household members with missing information on age
A person may have two reported diseases; consequently, the percentages reflect this information.

## Table 12.5 Origin of disabilities

| Percentage distribution of disabled people according to the origin of disabilities, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Origin of disabilities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of household members with disabilities |
|  | Congenital | Contagious | Child birth conditions | Other disease | Abuse | Ageing | Injury/ accident | Witchcraft | Others | Don't know |  |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 16.9 | 9.9 | 5.7 | 22.6 | 1.6 | 16.7 | 13.4 | 0.3 | 4.7 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 1195 |
| Female | 13.8 | 11.6 | 3.1 | 20.9 | 0.9 | 27.2 | 13.1 | 0.1 | 2.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 1445 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <5 | 55.2 | 3.8 | 18.9 | 7.4 | 0.9 |  | 8.7 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 117 |
| 5-9 | 26.6 | 11.1 | 9.6 | 26.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 12.6 | 0.7 | 3.1 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 212 |
| 10-14 | 30.8 | 9.7 | 11.6 | 18.5 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 13.9 |  | 1.7 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 180 |
| 15-19 | 38.7 | 8.2 | 7.4 | 19.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 17.8 | 0.3 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 121 |
| 20-24 | 20.7 | 15.9 | 4.5 | 27.8 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 9.1 | 0.8 | 8.5 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 121 |
| 25-29 | 14.3 | 10.1 | 8.6 | 22.2 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 26.0 | 0.3 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 30-34 | 20.0 | 19.2 | 1.8 | 23.0 | 4.4 | 1.6 | 10.9 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 14.3 | 100.0 | 137 |
| 35-39 | 12.3 | 20.0 | 5.7 | 29.4 | 0.5 |  | 19.5 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 123 |
| 40-44 | 18.9 | 12.4 | 3.7 | 35.9 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 12.5 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 129 |
| 45-49 | 12.4 | 10.3 | 2.1 | 22.1 | 3.8 | 6.8 | 26.1 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 86 |
| 50-54 | 5.5 | 13.2 | 0.6 | 26.2 | 2.0 | 21.4 | 18.6 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 188 |
| 55-59 | 5.6 | 12.2 | 2.2 | 19.0 | 0.0 | 24.9 | 20.7 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 120 |
| 60-64 | 5.1 | 11.4 | 0.9 | 15.2 | 1.0 | 43.0 | 14.4 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 219 |
| 65-69 | 4.6 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 32.5 | 0.0 | 42.2 | 10.1 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 100 |
| 70+ | 3.7 | 7.6 | 0.4 | 18.2 | 0.9 | 54.8 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 664 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 14.6 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 21.7 | 1.5 | 21.2 | 14.9 | 0.2 | 3.8 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 1817 |
| Rural | 16.8 | 13.2 | 4.4 | 22.5 | 0.7 | 24.9 | 10.0 | 0.2 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 616 |
| Nomadic | 15.2 | 15.8 | 5.9 | 19.2 | 0.2 | 25.5 | 8.4 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 207 |
| Total | 15.2 | 10.8 | 4.3 | 21.7 | 1.2 | 22.4 | 13.2 | 0.2 | 3.6 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 2640 |

Table 12.6 Age at onset of disability

Percentage distribution of disabled people according to age at onset of disability, by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Age at onset of disability |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of household members with disabilities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | <5 | 5-9 | 10-19 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-59 | 60-69 | 70+ |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 33.4 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 9.0 | 7.6 | 6.7 | 9.0 | 7.7 | 8.4 | 1,192 |
| Female | 23.2 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 8.0 | 7.3 | 10.2 | 12.6 | 12.4 | 8.3 | 1,445 |

Age

| <5 | 100.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 117 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5-9 | 78.1 | 21.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 212 |
| 10-14 | 60.3 | 25.3 | 14.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 179 |
| 15-19 | 48.2 | 14.6 | 37.2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 121 |
| 20-24 | 35.4 | 16.5 | 37.0 | 11.1 |  |  |  |  |  | 121 |
| 25-29 | 24.8 | 11.6 | 22.9 | 40.7 |  |  |  |  |  | 122 |
| 30-34 | 18.4 | 10.7 | 13.9 | 49.5 | 7.6 |  |  |  |  | 137 |
| 35-39 | 29.9 | 14.4 | 9.6 | 17.2 | 29.0 |  |  |  |  | 123 |
| 40-44 | 31.6 | 8.1 | 10.4 | 6.8 | 33.2 | 10.0 |  |  |  | 129 |
| 45-49 | 14.3 | 10.3 | 13.9 | 8.9 | 20.2 | 32.4 |  |  |  | 86 |
| 50-54 | 11.0 | 4.3 | 2.2 | 6.4 | 17.7 | 45.8 | 12.6 |  |  | 186 |
| 55-59 | 14.0 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 8.1 | 16.6 | 14.5 | 40.9 |  |  | 120 |
| 60-64 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 7.1 | 8.0 | 13.7 | 45.9 | 11.3 |  | 219 |
| 65-69 | 10.1 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 4.9 | 8.1 | 14.4 | 21.6 | 37.9 |  | 99 |
| 70+ | 5.2 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 6.0 | 14.2 | 31.5 | 33.0 | 664 |

Type of
disability

| Sight | 17.4 | 7.8 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 12.2 | 15.2 | 14.4 | 11.8 | 1,193 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Hearing | 27.9 | 11.7 | 6.3 | 8.0 | 6.2 | 7.8 | 8.5 | 12.1 | 11.5 | 654 |
| Speech | 55.0 | 9.4 | 5.2 | 7.2 | 3.3 | 0.9 | 7.4 | 6.1 | 5.4 | 228 |
| Learning | 35.5 | 6.3 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 7.7 | 3.6 | 15.4 | 9.1 | 4.9 | 88 |
| Mobility | 28.8 | 10.6 | 8.0 | 6.5 | 9.5 | 7.0 | 11.2 | 9.0 | 9.5 | 623 |
| Self-care | 21.3 | 10.0 | 6.5 | 13.8 | 8.4 | 7.5 | 8.9 | 8.9 | 14.7 | 146 |
| Mental | 39.1 | 6.6 | 16.1 | 15.1 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 5.8 | 376 |

Type of
residence

| Urban | 27.3 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 7.3 | 9.3 | 10.7 | 8.8 | 6.9 | 1,817 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural | 27.8 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 5.7 | 8.1 | 6.6 | 12.1 | 14.5 | 12.1 | 616 |
| Nomadic | 32.4 | 10.4 | 7.7 | 5.0 | 6.1 | 9.0 | 9.9 | 10.2 | 9.3 | 203 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 7 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 6 3 6}$ |

Table 12.7 Care and support received for persons with disabilities

Percentage distribution of disabled people who received any kind of care, and support for their disabilities in the last 12 months by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Care and support received |  |  |  |  | Number of persons |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Medical | Welfare | Financial | Nutritional | No support |  |
| Sex of household member |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 53.8 | 1.0 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 42.5 | 2,212 |
| Female | 57.4 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 42.3 | 2,490 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-4 | 16.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 67.7 | 900 |
| 5-9 | 36.5 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 57.4 | 575 |
| 10-14 | 42.7 | 1.2 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 48.6 | 445 |
| 15-19 | 36.0 | 0.7 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 61.9 | 354 |
| 20-24 | 57.0 | 1.5 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 37.3 | 220 |
| 25-29 | 58.9 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 0.3 | 42.4 | 195 |
| 30-34 | 82.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 15.8 | 164 |
| 35-39 | 83.9 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 19.3 | 143 |
| 40-44 | 83.2 | 0.5 | 2.9 | 1.0 | 22.0 | 152 |
| 45-49 | 97.0 |  | 2.5 | 0.0 | 11.5 | 90 |
| 50-54 | 79.2 | 2.6 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 18.6 | 220 |
| 55-59 | 81.8 | 1.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 18.3 | 138 |
| 60-64 | 86.8 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 17.2 | 241 |
| 65-69 | 76.3 | 0.3 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 24.6 | 125 |
| 70+ | 86.4 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 29.3 | 740 |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 53.9 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 43.5 | 3,358 |
| Rural | 53.5 | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.8 | 46.4 | 1,137 |
| Nomadic | 95.9 | 0.6 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 207 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 65.4 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 32.7 | 662 |
| Second | 53.7 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 47.2 | 1,004 |
| Middle | 54.0 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 44.4 | 972 |
| Fourth | 54.3 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 0.5 | 42.4 | 1,121 |
| Highest | 54.2 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 0.7 | 41.9 | 944 |
| Total | 55.7 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 42.4 | 4,702 |

Table 12.8 Sources for advice or treatment


Table 12.9 Financial sources used to pay for health services

Percentage distribution of financial sources used for health services by households in the last month by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

| Background characteristics | Financial sources for health services |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number of households |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Income | Insurance | Savings | Borrowing | Relatives/ Friends | Sold Assets | Other |  |
| Type of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 48.5 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 14.4 | 25.9 | 10.8 | 3.7 | 1,318 |
| Rural | 48.7 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 12.4 | 23.0 | 9.2 | 0.7 | 462 |
| Nomadic | 25.6 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 14.0 | 31.4 | 21.2 | 8.6 | 59 |

Wealth index
combined

| $\mathbf{1}$ | 38.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 14.3 | 23.3 | 10.5 | 2.5 | 199 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | 38.9 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 13.8 | 26.2 | 13.6 | 3.2 | 417 |
| 3 | 40.4 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 15.7 | 26.5 | 13.7 | 2.5 | 415 |
| 4 | 52.6 | 1.3 | 4.3 | 14.4 | 27.6 | 6.9 | 2.6 | 407 |
| 5 | 64.3 | 4.8 | 9.5 | 11.3 | 22.0 | 8.6 | 4.2 | 401 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 7 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 8 3 9}$ |

Table 12.10 Amount in health expenses

Amount of money that households incurred for health services in the last month by background characteristics, SHDS 2020

|  | Amount in health expenses (US \$) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | \(\left.\begin{array}{c}Number of <br>

households\end{array}\right]\)

Table 12.11 Smoking or using tobacco

| Percentage of household members who smoke cigarettes or use tobacco by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Percentage of household members who smoke cigarettes or use tobacco | Number of household members |
| Sex |  |  |
| Male | 8.4 | 29,183 |
| Female | 0.9 | 32,223 |
| Age |  |  |
| 10-14 | 0.3 | 15,221 |
| 15-19 | 1.6 | 10,723 |
| 20-24 | 4.3 | 6,480 |
| 25-29 | 6.4 | 5,953 |
| 30-34 | 8.0 | 4,784 |
| 35-39 | 9.5 | 4,095 |
| 40-44 | 10.8 | 3,057 |
| 45-49 | 11.7 | 1,707 |
| 50-54 | 7.0 | 3,179 |
| 55-59 | 5.9 | 1,323 |
| 60-64 | 7.5 | 1,806 |
| 65-69 | 4.6 | 642 |
| 70+ | 3.3 | 2,439 |
| Type of residence |  |  |
| Urban | 4.1 | 40,141 |
| Rural | 4.4 | 14,816 |
| Nomadic | 6.4 | 6,449 |
| Education |  |  |
| No education | 4.8 | 40,827 |
| Primary | 3.4 | 11,942 |
| Secondary | 4.7 | 5,742 |
| Higher | 2.9 | 2,895 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 6.0 | 11,675 |
| Second | 4.9 | 11,340 |
| Middle | 4.3 | 11,941 |
| Fourth | 3.8 | 12,705 |
| Highest | 3.6 | 13,745 |
| Number of household members | 4.5 | 61,406 |

## Table 12.12 Use of Khat

| Percentage of household members who use khat by background characteristics, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristics | Percentage of household members who use khat | Number of household members |
| Sex |  |  |
| Male | 9.5 | 29,183 |
| Female | 0.4 | 32,223 |
| Age |  |  |
| 10-14 | 0.2 | 15,221 |
| 15-19 | 1.5 | 10,723 |
| 20-24 | 4.6 | 6,480 |
| 25-29 | 6.6 | 5,953 |
| 30-34 | 9.3 | 4,784 |
| 35-39 | 9.8 | 4,095 |
| 40-44 | 11.9 | 3,057 |
| 45-49 | 13.2 | 1,707 |
| 50-54 | 7.4 | 3,179 |
| 55-59 | 7.4 | 1,323 |
| 60-64 | 7.8 | 1,806 |
| 65-69 | 4.6 | 642 |
| 70+ | 3.5 | 2,439 |
| Type of residence |  |  |
| Urban | 4.3 | 40,141 |
| Rural | 5.1 | 14,816 |
| Nomadic | 6.8 | 6,449 |
| Education |  |  |
| No education | 5.1 | 40,827 |
| Primary | 3.5 | 11,942 |
| Secondary | 4.8 | 5,742 |
| Higher | 4.0 | 2,895 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 6.6 | 11,675 |
| Second | 5.1 | 11,340 |
| Middle | 4.4 | 11,941 |
| Fourth | 4.0 | 12,705 |
| Highest | 3.8 | 13,745 |
| Number of household members | 4.7 | 61,406 |



## KEY FINDINGS

ADULT
MORTALITY

of women
and

of men
who have reached the age of 15 are likely to die before the age of 50

MATERNAL MORTALITY
RATIO (MMR)

The Maternal Mortality
Ratio is estimated at
692
maternal deaths per
100,000
live births

MATERNAL MORTALITY
RATE (MMRATE)
1 in 1,000
women aged 15-49 die due to pregnancy- or birth-related complications

## 1 in 20 women

would be expected to die from pregnancy-related causes during their reproductive lifetime

## 13 ADULT AND MATERNAL MORTALITY

This chapter presents adult and maternal mortality measures for the country. The chapter includes a summary measure (35q15) that represents the probability of dying between the ages of 15 and 50 -that is, between the $15^{\text {th }}$ and $50^{\text {th }}$ birthdays.

Adult and maternal mortality indicators can be used to assess the health status of a population. In most developing countries, reproductive health is a major concern, hence the need for reliable data on maternal deaths.

The estimation of mortality rates requires complete and reliable data on adult and maternal deaths. To obtain an estimate of adult mortality, the SHDS 2020 collected data from all listed households on the occurrence of all deaths in the households over the two years preceding the survey. For the deaths of women of reproductive age, questions were asked on the time and cause of death to determine if any of the death was maternity-related, which permits the estimation of maternal mortality.

## Adult Mortality

Normally, direct estimates of male and female adult mortality are obtained from information collected in the sibling history table in a survey of this kind. However, the male and female adult mortality table presented in this report is obtained from data on deaths that occurred in the two years preceding the survey. This data was collected to obtain a more recent estimate of maternal mortality. The age-specific death rates are computed by dividing the number of deaths in each age group by the total personyears of exposure in that age group during a specified reference period. Direct estimates of age-specific mortality rates for males and females are shown in Table 13.1. The direct estimates are presented for the period of seven years of exposure. The data is aggregated in five-year age groups for the age range of 15 to 49 years. Overall, there were more female deaths than male deaths (1,712 female deaths and 1,263 male deaths). The death rate of women aged 15 to 49 years ( 7.58 deaths per 1,000 population) is higher than the death rate of men in the same age group ( 6.68 deaths per 1,000 population). Among the population in the female reproductive age, the death rate is highest among the age group 30-34, at 10.9 deaths per 1,000 population, which is also the peak childbearing age group. The

Table 13.1 Adult mortality rate

| Direct estimates of female and male mortality rates for the two years preceding the survey, by five-year age groups, SHDS 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | Deaths ( 2 years preceding the survey) | Annual deaths | Deaths in 7 years | Exposure ( 7 years) | Mortality rates ${ }^{1}$ |
| Female |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 247 | 124 | 865 | 211,379 | 4.09 |
| 20-24 | 354 | 177 | 1239 | 151,012 | 8.20 |
| 25-29 | 422 | 211 | 1477 | 153,497 | 9.62 |
| 30-34 | 292 | 146 | 1022 | 93,728 | 10.90 |
| 35-39 | 205 | 103 | 718 | 93,112 | 7.71 |
| 40-44 | 101 | 51 | 354 | 54,563 | 6.48 |
| 45-49 | 91 | 46 | 319 | 33,202 | 9.59 |
| Total 15-49 | 1,712 | 856 | 5992 | 790,492 | 7.58a |
| Male |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 168 | 84 | 588 | 168,284 | 3.49 |
| 20-24 | 153 | 77 | 536 | 106,983 | 5.01 |
| 25-29 | 232 | 116 | 812 | 115,028 | 7.06 |
| 30-34 | 191 | 96 | 669 | 87,506 | 7.64 |
| 35-39 | 165 | 83 | 578 | 85,037 | 6.79 |
| 40-44 | 214 | 107 | 749 | 63,380 | 11.82 |
| 45-49 | 140 | 70 | 490 | 35,237 | 13.91 |
| Total 15-49 | 1,263 | 632 | 4421 | 661,454 | 6.68a |
| ${ }^{1}$ Expressed per 1,000 population |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Age-adjus |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 13.2 Adult mortality probabilities

| The probability of dying between the ages of 15 and 50 for women and men for the seven years preceding the survey, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Survey | Women 35q15 ${ }^{1}$ | Men 35q15 ${ }^{1}$ |
| SHDS 2020 | 247 | 243 |
| ${ }^{1}$ The probability of dying between exact ages 15 and 50, expressed per 1,000 person-years of exposure |  |  |

female mortality rates are highest at the peak childbearing ages (30-35). The male mortality rates are highest at the upper ages of 40-44 at 11.8 and 13.9 deaths per 1,000 population (Table 13.1).

## Maternal Mortality

A maternal death is the death of a woman while
pregnant or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy, irrespective of the duration and the site of the pregnancy, from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management, but not from accidental causes (WHO 2019). This time-specific definition includes all deaths occurring during the specified period, even if the death is due to causes that are not pregnancy-related, except violence, which is specified in the survey questionnaire. Age-specific mortality rates are calculated by dividing the number
of maternal deaths by years of exposure. The Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR), which is calculated as the number of maternal deaths per 100,000 live births, is a more widely used measure of maternal mortality, as it avoids the complications in the estimation of "exposure".

The leading causes of maternal mortality are postpartum hemorrhage, pre-eclampsia/ eclampsia, obstructed labour and sepsis. The key determinants of mortality include the low uptake of family planning, limited delivery care, and limited involvement of skilled birth attendants. The main social challenges to further reduction of maternal mortality include: insecurity, and countrywide poor distribution of the limited health facilities, inequitable access to care, low quality of interventions, and limited capacity in planning, management and evaluation, the cultural and geographic isolation of women (WHO 2017).

Although the MMR of Somalia is a good indicator for maternal health, its calculation is challenging due to the absence of vital registration of maternal deaths. Thus, the direct method was used to estimate MMR. The MMR data was collected during the listing because it needed a large sample size: 95,087 households were interviewed in this survey. Data was collected on the deaths of
women aged 15-49 who died within the 2 years preceding the survey.

## Female and Maternal Deaths

A total of 1,712 female deaths in the age range 15 to 49 were reported for the 24 months preceding the survey. The highest number of female deaths (422) were observed among women aged 25-29, while the lowest (91) was observed among women aged 45-49.

With respect to the timing of the death in relation to the pregnancy, deaths that occurred during the pregnancy, childbirth, or within 42 days after the birth or termination of a pregnancy were recorded separately. The survey found that 907 women died while they were pregnant, whereas 236 women died while they were giving birth, and 115 women died within six weeks after delivery. However, 91 out of these 1,259 pregnancy-related deaths (7 percent) were due to accidental causes.

As shown in Table 13.3, the number of female deaths due to maternal causes (while they were pregnant, or giving birth or within six weeks post-delivery, with the exception of accidents or violence) was 1,168 . The number varied by age and ranged from 334 among women aged 25-29 to 24 deaths among women aged 45-49.

Table 13.3 Female deaths by cause, number of female deaths overall, by time of death and by cause during the 24 months prior to the survey, by age group corresponding to female's reproductive age, SHDS 2020

| Age Group | Female Deaths | Time of death |  |  | Cause of death |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | While pregnant | While giving Birth | Within 6 weeks after delivery | From accident or violence | Maternal |
| 15-19 | 247 | 144 | 24 | 4 | 13 | 159 |
| 20-24 | 354 | 215 | 45 | 33 | 19 | 274 |
| 25-29 | 422 | 236 | 82 | 39 | 24 | 334 |
| 30-34 | 292 | 159 | 50 | 19 | 18 | 209 |
| 35-39 | 205 | 94 | 31 | 14 | 11 | 128 |
| 40-44 | 101 | 38 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 40 |
| 45-49 | 91 | 22 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 24 |
| Total | 1,712 | 907 | 236 | 115 | 91 | 1,168 |

## Maternal Mortality Estimation

The maternal mortality estimates presented in this report were obtained from data collected using the direct estimation method, as pointed out. This method relies on asking questions about maternal deaths in a household during a recent interval of time, normally one to two years. This method provides up-to-date estimates but is time-consuming and costly because it requires a large sample size to obtain single-point estimates with sufficiently narrow confidence intervals to enable monitoring of time trends.

## a. Maternal Mortality Rate (MM Rate)

Rates in demographic statistics are defined as occurrence/exposure ratios. The Maternal Mortality Estimation Inter-agency Group (MMEIG), which leads the international work on maternal mortality and includes WHO , UNFPA, UNICEF, World Bank Group and the United Nations Population Division, calculates the Maternal Mortality Rate (MMRate) as the number of maternal deaths divided by the person-years lived by women of reproductive age in a population (WHO 2019). The MMRate is an indicator of the risk of maternal death among women of reproductive age. The MMRate is usually multiplied by a factor of 1,000.

Based on the SHDS 2020 data, the MMRate for Somalia was estimated at 1.4694 maternal deaths per 1,000 woman-years of exposure. This implies that one to two in every 1,000 women aged 15-49 in the country die due to pregnancy- related complications in a given year.

## b. Maternal Mortality Ratio

As pointed out earlier, the Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) is calculated as the number of maternal deaths during a given time period per 100,000 live births during the same time period (WHO 2019). It links the risk of maternal death relative to the frequency of childbearing. The Maternal Mortality Ratio is considered a more useful indicator of maternal mortality, since it measures the obstetric risk
associated with each live birth (WHO 2015). It also avoids the complications in the estimation of the "exposure" segment.

The Maternal Mortality Rate can be converted to Maternal Mortality Ratio (expressed as deaths per 100,000 live births) by dividing the Maternal Mortality Rate by the General Fertility Rate (GFR) that prevailed during the same period and multiplying the result by 100,000. The Maternal Mortality Ratio for Somalia is 692 deaths per 100,000 live births. This means that in the country, for every 1,000 live births, approximately seven women die during pregnancy, childbirth, or within two months of childbirth.

The Maternal Mortality Ratio is one of 26 indicators used to assess progress towards the Sustainable Development Goal 3: ensuring healthy lives and promoting wellbeing for all at all ages. In addition, reducing maternal mortality is one of the country's goals. Somalia's targets as per the National Development Plan 20172019 included the reduction of the Maternal Mortality Ratio from 732 to 600 per 100,000 live births by 2019.

According to the Maternal Mortality Estimation Inter-agency Group for Somalia, the MMR in Somalia has reduced from 732 in 2015 and now stands at 692. Even though this is a reduction, it remains high compared to rates in neighboring countries, such as Kenya (362 per 100,000), Ethiopia (412 per 100,000) and Uganda (336 per 100,000). Somalia's high maternal mortality can be attributed to high fertility rates, low uptake of contraception, low skilled birth attendance rate, inadequate access to maternal health services, inadequate access to emergency obstetric care, and the use of female circumcision among other factors.

## c. Pregnancy-Related Maternal Mortality Rate

The Pregnancy-Related Mortality Rate (PRMR) is the number of pregnancy-related deaths per 1,000 women aged 15-49. Pregnancy-related mortality rates by five-year age groups are calculated by dividing the number of pregnancy-
related deaths in each age group by the total person-years of exposure of the women to the risk of dying in that age group during the period and then multiplying by 1,000. The PRMR does not exclude deaths due to accident or violence. The number of deaths refers to the number of women aged 15-49 reported as having died during pregnancy or delivery, or in the 2 months following the delivery, by their age group at the time of death. The pregnancyrelated mortality rate among women aged $15-49$ is 1.5833 pregnancy-related deaths per 1,000 woman-years of exposure.

## d. Pregnancy-Related Mortality Ratio (PRMR)

When the PRMR is computed from data on maternal deaths regardless of the cause, the indicator is referred to as Pregnancy-Related Mortality Ratio (PRMR). A maternal death refers to any death of a woman while pregnant, during birth or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy, from any cause but not from accident or an act of violence. A pregnancyrelated death on the other hand refers to any death of a woman while pregnant, during birth or within two months of termination of pregnancy, regardless of the cause of death. Before 2016, pregnancy-related deaths were used in computing Maternal Mortality Ratio. The distinction between pregnancy-related and strictly maternal deaths was overlooked. To address this, WHO proposed changes to exclude deaths due to accidents or acts of violence. Questions were therefore added to the questionnaire to identify deaths due to accidents or violence. As a result, the revised Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) is not comparable to MMR trends prior to 2016.

The Pregnancy-Related Mortality Ratio (PRMR) is the number of pregnancy-related deaths per 100,000 live births. The PRMR is calculated by dividing the age-standardized pregnancy-related mortality rate for women aged 15-49 by the general fertility rate (GFR) multiplied by 100,000. The Pregnancy-Related Maternal Mortality Ratio for the country is 746 deaths per 100,000 live births. For every 1,000 live births, about seven women die during
pregnancy, birth or within two months after childbirth.

## e. Lifetime Risk of Maternal Mortality (LTR)

The Lifetime Risk of Maternal Mortality (LTR) is defined as the risk of an individual woman dying from pregnancy or childbirth during her reproductive lifetime or, stated in other words, it is the probability that a 15-year-old girl will eventually die from a maternal cause. It takes into account both the probability of becoming pregnant and the probability of dying, as a result of pregnancy accumulated across a woman's reproductive years.

The LTR reflects the risk that a woman who survives to age 15 will die of maternal causes at some point during her reproductive lifespan, given the current rates of maternal mortality and fertility. Thus, in a high-fertility setting, a woman faces the risk of maternal death multiple times, and her risk of death throughout her reproductive lifetime will be higher than in a low-fertility setting.

The LTR of Maternal Mortality for Somalia according to SHDS data is 0.04699 . This means that today, one in 20 women entering the childbearing age of 15 will die of pregnancyrelated complications before the end of her childbearing years (age 50).

## f. Lifetime Risk of Pregnancy-Related Death

The Lifetime Risk of Pregnancy-Related Death is calculated as 1-(1-PRMR) TFR, where PRMR represents the pregnancy-related mortality ratio and TFR represents the total fertility rate. At the fertility and mortality rates prevailing from 2018-2019, 5 percent of women would be expected to die from pregnancy-related causes during their reproductive lifetime (i.e. a lifetime risk of 1 in 20). This indicator is the same as the LTR, except that in this indicator, deaths due to accidents and violence are not included.

Table 13.4 Female population, number of female deaths during the 12 months prior to the survey, maternal deaths by age group corresponding to female's reproductive age, adjusted, SHDS 2020

| Age group | Maternal deaths (2 yrs)- Unadjusted | Annual maternal deaths unadjusted | Maternal deaths (2 yrs)adjusted | Annual maternal deaths adjusted | Years of exposure | Maternal Mortality Rate (MMRate)-un-adjusted | Maternal Mortality Rate (MMRate)adjusted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15-19 | 172 | 86 | 159 | 79 | 99,584 | 0.8644 | 0.7966 |
| 20-24 | 292 | 146 | 274 | 137 | 101,436 | 1.4417 | 1.3501 |
| 25-29 | 357 | 179 | 334 | 167 | 63,387 | 2.8193 | 2.6319 |
| 30-34 | 228 | 114 | 209 | 105 | 61,361 | 1.8543 | 1.7045 |
| 35-39 | 139 | 69 | 128 | 64 | 39,372 | 1.7589 | 1.6243 |
| 40-44 | 43 | 22 | 40 | 20 | 31,714 | 0.6798 | 0.6370 |
| 45-49 | 27 | 14 | 24 | 12 | 578 | 23.5999 | 21.0225 |
| Total (15-49) | 1,259 | 629 | 1168 | 584 | 397,433 | 1.5833 | 1.4694 |
| PRMR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 746 |
| PRMR CI |  |  |  |  |  |  | 447-931 |
| MMR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 692 |
| MMR CI |  |  |  |  |  |  | 399-832 |
| PRMR/100,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.00746 |
| MMR/100,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.00692 |
| 1-PRMR/100,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.99254 |
| 1-MMR/100,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.99308 |
| (1-PRMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.94945 |
| (1-MMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.95301 |
| 1-(1-PRMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.05055 |
| 1-(1-MMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.04699 |
| LTR= 1-(1-PRMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.05055 |
| LTR= 1-(1-MMR/100,000)^ TFR |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.04699 |




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## Adult mortality

The probability that a 15 -year-old will die before reaching his/her 60th birthday, if subjected to agespecific mortality rates between those ages for the specified year.

## Antenatal care (ANC)/Prenatal care

Care provided by skilled health care professionals (which include doctors/clinical officers or nurs-es/ midwives/auxiliary midwives) to pregnant women in order to ensure the best health conditions for both mother and baby during pregnancy.

## Complementary foods

Foods other than breast milk or infant formula (liquids, semi-solids, and solids) introduced to an infant to provide nutrients.

## Crude Birth Rate (CBR)

The total number of births occurring in a given year per 1,000 population.

## Dwelling residence

A structure which is used for housing purposes only.

## Household roster

Includes listing of all household members and their characteristics, such as each member's age, sex, relation-ship with the head of household, education and literacy status.

## Fecundity

Reflects a woman's ability to conceive and her ability to carry the pregnancy to term.

## Fertility

The frequency of childbearing within a given population.

## General Fertility Rate (GFR)

The annual number of births in a population per 1,000 women aged 15-49.

## Gini coefficient

Measure of the deviation of the distribution of income among individuals or households within a country from a perfectly equal distribution. A value
of 0 represents absolute equality, a value of 100 absolute inequality.

## Infant and young child feeding (IYCF)

Includes early initiation (within one hour of birth) of exclusive breastfeeding, exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of life, followed by nutritionally adequate and safe complementary foods while breastfeeding continues for up to two years of age or beyond.

## Intermediate (Type II)

A form of female circumcision that involves partial or total removal of the clitoris and the labia minora.

## Khat

A stimulant drug that comes from a shrub that grows in East Africa and southern Arabia. Like chewing tobacco, leaves of the khat shrub are chewed and held in the cheek to release their chemicals. Cathinone and cathine are the stimulants in khat that make a person feel intoxicated.

## Lifetime Risk (LTR) of Maternal Mortality

The risk of an individual woman dying from pregnancy or childbirth during her reproductive lifetime, taking into account both the probability of becoming pregnant and the probability of dying, as a result of pregnancy accumulated across a woman's reproductive years. It reflects the risk that a woman who survives to age 15 will die of maternal causes at some point during her reproductive lifespan, given current rates of maternal mortality and fertility.
Lifetime Risk (LTR) of Pregnancy-Related Death
This indicator is the same as the LTR, except that the calculation of this indicator includes deaths due to accidents and violence.

## Live birth

The complete expulsion from its mother of a product of conception, regardless of the duration of the preg-nancy, which, after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life-e.g. beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of voluntary muscles-whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached.

## Maternal death

The death of a woman while pregnant or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy, regardless of the dura-tion and site of the pregnancy, from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management but not from accidental or incidental causes.

## Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR)

The number of women who die because of complications of pregnancy or childbearing in a given year per 100,000 live births in that year, excluding deaths due to accident or violence.

## MMRate

The number of women who die because of complications of pregnancy or childbearing in a given year per 1,000 women of childbearing age in the population.

## Nomad

A person with no permanent residence, who depends on livestock for livelihood, and who moves from one place to another in search of pastures and water for their livestock.

## Pharaonic (Type III \& IV)

A form of female circumcision that involves narrowing of the vaginal opening with the creation of a covering seal by cutting, appositioning and stitching together the labia minora or the labia majora, with or without exci-sion of the clitoris.

## Postnatal care

Is the care given to the mother and her newborn baby immediately after the birth and for the first six weeks of life.

## Pregnancy-Related Mortality Ratio (PRMR)

The number of women who die because of complications of pregnancy or childbearing in a given year per 100,000 live births in that year including deaths due to accident or violence.

## Reproductive age for women

Women in the childbearing age usually within the age group 15-49.

## Sampling

The process of selecting certain members or a subset of the population to make statistical inferences from them and to estimate characteristics of the whole population.

## Sampling frame

The list from which units are drawn for the sample. The 'list' may be an actual listing of units, or some oth-er description of the population, such as a map from which areas will be sampled.

## Skilled delivery

A child delivery assisted by an accredited health professional - such as a doctor/clinical officer or nurse/midwife/nurse - who has been educated and trained to proficiency in the skills needed to
manage nor-mal (uncomplicated) pregnancies, childbirth and the immediate postnatal period, and in the identification, management and referral of complications in women and newborns.

## Sunna/sunni (Typel)

A form of female circumcision, which involves the partial or total removal of the clitoris and/or the prepuce.

## Vaccination

Stimulates one's immune system to produce antibodies, exactly like it would if they were exposed to the disease. After getting vaccinated, a person develops immunity to that disease, without having to get the dis-ease first.

## Wealth quintile

A measure of wealth or poverty status of the household based on the ownership of assets and the characteris-tics of the person's household. Household characteristics in many instances may be considered to be a better or more valid reflection of living standards than monetary income, since they capture long-term wealth and cover both monetary and non-monetary wealth. A quintile represents information for a fifth (20\%) of the population. A household is classified into a quintile based on the score where the fifth quintile represents a wealthiest household and vice versa.

## Chronic diseases

## Anaemia

A medical condition in which the red blood cell count or haemoglobin is less than normal.

## Arthritis

Joint disease that causes swelling of the joints, pain, stiffness and decreased range of motion.

## Blood pressure

The pressure of the blood on the walls of the arteries as the heart pumps it around a body. A systolic blood pressure reading of 140 or more is high blood pressure (also called hypertension).

## Cardiovascular (heart) disease

Refers to conditions that involve narrowed or blocked blood vessels that can lead to a heart attack, chest pain (angina) or stroke. Other heart conditions, such as those that affect your heart's muscle, valves or rhythm, also are considered forms of heart disease

## Cataract

Clouding of the eye's natural lens, which lies behind the iris and the pupil. Cataract is the most common cause of loss of vision loss in people over age 40 and is the principal cause of blindness in the world.

## Chronic back pain/spinal problem

Pain in the back or a problem with the spine that
which lasts for 3 months or more. People who have chronic back pain may have limited range of motion and/or tenderness upon touch. People with spinal problem expe-rience pain and other symptoms, such as numbness, tingling or weakness.

## Chronic headache

This is headache that occurs for more than four hours on more than 15 days per month

## Diabetes

Often referred to as diabetes mellitus, this describes a group of metabolic diseases in which the person has high blood glucose (blood sugar), either because insulin production is inadequate, or because the body's cells do not respond properly to insulin, or both.

## Epilepsy

Chronic disorder, characterized by recurrent, unprovoked seizures which occur because of a sudden surge of electrical activity in the brain.

## Inflammation/ulcers

Sores in the lining of the rectum and colon. Ulcers form where inflammation has killed the cells that usually line the colon, then bleed and produce pus.

## Kidney diseases

Affect the body's ability to clean blood, filter extra water out of blood and help control blood pressure.

## Liver disease

Symptoms of liver disease often include swelling of the abdomen and legs, bruising easily, changes in the colour of your stool and urine, and jaundice, or yellowing of the skin and eyes.

## Lung disease

Disorders that affect the lungs, the organs that allow us to breathe. The three most common lung diseases are asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and lung cancer. Asthma is a chronic (long-term) lung disease that inflames and narrows the airways. Asthma causes recurring periods of wheezing (a whistling sound when you breathe), chest tightness, shortness of breath, and coughing. The coughing often occurs at night or early in the morning. COPD refers to chronic obstructive bronchitis and emphysema. Both diseases limit airflow into and out of the lungs and make breathing difficult. Lung cancer is a disease in which ab-normal (malignant) lung cells multiply and grow without control.

## Mental/psychological illness

A condition that affects a person's thinking, feeling or mood. Such conditions may affect someone's ability to relate to others and function each day.

Prostatic hypertrophy also known as prostatic hyperplasia
Histologic diagnosis characterized by proliferation of the cellular elements (enlargement) of the prostate. Chronic bladder outlet obstruction (BOO) secondary to BPH may lead to urinary retention, renal
insufficien-cy, recurrent urinary tract infections, gross haematuria, and bladder calculi.

## Sickle-cell anaemia/thalassemia

Belongs to a group of diseases called sicklecell diseases (SCD) that are inherited red blood cell disorders. People with SCD have abnormal haemoglobin, called haemoglobin S or sickle haemoglobin, in their red blood cells. Sickle-cell anaemia is the most common and severe kind of SCD. Characteristic features of this disorder include a low number of red blood cells (anaemia), repeated infections, and periodic episodes of pain

## Skin disease

A condition or disease affecting the skin. It's anything that irritates, clogs, or inflames your skin causing symptoms such as redness, swelling, burning, and itching.

## Stroke

Occurs when the blood supply to your brain is interrupted or reduced. This deprives your brain of oxygen and nutrients, which can cause your brain cells to die. A stroke can sometimes cause temporary or permanent disabilities, depending on how long the brain lacks blood flow and which part was affected. Complications may include: paralysis or loss of muscle movement; difficulty talking or swallowing; memory loss or think-ing difficulties; emotional problems; pain and numbness; changes in behaviour and ability for self-care.

## Tumor

Also known as a neoplasm, is an abnormal mass of tissue which may be solid or fluid-filled. Tumors can be benign (not cancerous), pre-malignant (precancerous), or malignant (cancerous).

## Literacy and school attendance

## Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR)

The total number of students attending a given education level, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the eligible official school-age population for that level in a given school year.

## Literacy

Is the ability to read and write, with an understanding of a short simple statement about one's everyday life.

## Net Attendance Ratio (NAR)

The total persons attending in a given education level who have an age that is within the age range appropri-ate for the level of education they are enrolled in. The NAR is expressed as a percentage of the eligible offi-cial school-age population for a particular level in a given school year corresponding with the population.

## Types of disability

## Hearing

Hearing loss, also known as hearing impairment, is a partial or total inability to hear. Hearing loss may be caused by genetics, ageing, exposure to noise, some infections, birth complications, trauma to the ear, and certain medications or toxins.

## Learning

A learning disability is a neurological disorder. In simple terms, a learning disability results from a differ-ence in the way a person's brain is "wired." Children with learning disabilities are as smart as or smarter than their peers. But they may have difficulty reading, writing, spelling, reasoning, recalling and/or organizing information if left to figure things out by themselves or if taught in conventional ways.

## Mental

A mental disorder, also called a mental illness or psychiatric disorder is a behavioural or mental pattern that may cause suffering or a poor ability to function in life. Persons with mental disorders often have significant changes in thinking, emotion and/or behaviour; distress and/or problems functioning in social, work or fami-ly activities.

## Mobility

Mobility impairment refers to the inability of a person to use one or more of his/her extremities, or a lack of strength to walk, grasp, or lift objects. The use of a wheelchair, crutches, or a walker may be utilized to aid in mobility.

## Self-care

Self-care disability refers to a person with a physical, mental, or emotional condition lasting six months or more, who has difficulty in doing any of the activities such as dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home.

## Sight

Visual impairment (vision impairment, vision disability) is a decreased ability to see to a degree that causes problems not fixable by usual means, such as glasses or medication. Visual impairment can be due to dis-ease, trauma, or congenital or degenerative conditions. Terms such as "partially sighted", "low vision", "le-gally blind" and "totally blind" are used to describe visual impairments.

## Speech

Speech disorders or speech impediments are a type of communication disorder where 'normal' speech is dis-rupted. This can mean stuttering, lisps, etc. Someone who is unable to speak due to a speech disorder is con-sidered mute.

## Types of toilet facilities

## Flush/pour flush toilet

A flush toilet uses a cistern or holding tank for flushing water and has a water seal, which is a U-shaped pipe, below the seat or squatting pan that prevents the passage of flies and odours.
A pour flush toilet uses a water seal, but unlike a flush toilet, it uses water poured by hand for flushing (no cistern is used).

Open field/defecation
Open defecation is the practice of people defecating outside in an open field or in the push and not into a des-ignated toilet.

## Piped sewer system

A system of sewer pipes (also called sewerage) that is designed to collect human excreta (faeces and urine) and wastewater and remove them from the household environment. Sewerage systems consist of facilities for col-lection, pumping, treating and disposing of human excreta and wastewater.

## Piped to pit latrine

A system that flushes excreta to a hole in the ground.

## Piped to septic tank

An excreta collection device consisting of a watertight settling tank normally located underground, away from the house or toilet.

Piped to somewhere else
A system in which the excreta is deposited in or nearby the household environment in a location other than a sewer, septic tank, or pit, e.g. excreta may be flushed to the street, yard/plot, drainage ditch or other location.

## Pit latrine

Excreta are deposited without flushing directly into a hole in the ground.

## Pit latrine with slab

A dry pit latrine whereby the pit is fully covered by a slab or platform that is fitted either with a squatting hole or seat. The slab or platform should be solid and can be made of any type of material (such as concrete, logs with earth or mud, or cement). The slab or platform should adequately cover the pit so that pit contents are not exposed other than through the squatting hole or seat.

## Pit latrine without slab/open pit

A latrine without a squatting slab, platform or seat. An open pit is a rudimentary hole in the ground where excreta is collected.

## Ventilated improved pit (VIP) latrine

A dry pit latrine ventilated by a pipe extending above the latrine roof. The open end of the vent pipe is covered with gauze mesh or fly-proof netting.

If the vent pipe is not covered by a gauze mesh or flyproof netting, the facility should be classified as a pit latrine with slab not a VIP latrine. The inside of the VIP latrine is kept dark. If the door of the VIP superstructure is missing so that it is no longer dark inside the latrine, the facility should be classified as a pit latrine with slab, not a VIP latrine.

## Water sources

## Bottled water

Water that is bottled and sold to the household in bottles.

## Cart with small tank

Water is obtained from a provider who transports water into a community using a cart and then sells the wa-ter. The means for pulling the cart may be motorized or non-motorized (for example, a donkey).

## Piped into dwelling

Pipe connected with in-house plumbing to one or more taps, e.g. in the kitchen and bathroom. Sometimes called a house connection.

## Piped to yard/plot

Pipe connected to a tap outside the house in the yard or plot. Sometimes called a yard connection.
Piped to neighbour
Pipe connected to neighbour's dwelling, yard or plot.

## Protected dug well

A dug well that is (1) protected from runoff water through a well lining or casing that is raised above ground level and a platform that diverts spilled water away from the well and (2) covered so that bird droppings and animals cannot fall down the hole. Both conditions must be observed for a dug well to be considered as pro-tected.

## Protected spring

A spring protected from runoff, bird droppings, and animals by a "spring box" which is typically constructed of brick, masonry, or concrete and is built around the spring so that water flows directly out of the box into a pipe without being exposed to outside pollution.

## Public tap or standpipe

Public water point from which community members may collect water. A standpipe may also be known as a public fountain or public tap. Public standpipes can have one or more taps and are typically made of brick-work, masonry or concrete.

## Rainwater

Rain that is collected or harvested from surfaces by roof or ground catchment and stored in a container, tank or cistern.

## Tanker truck

Water is obtained from a provider who uses a truck to transport water into the community. Typically the provider sells the water to households.

## Tube well or borehole

A deep hole that has been bored or drilled with the purpose of reaching ground water supplies. Water is de-livered from a tube well or borehole through a pump which may be human, animal, wind, electric, diesel or solar-powered.

## Unprotected dug well

A dug well which is (1) unprotected from runoff water; (2) unprotected from bird droppings and animals; or (3) both.

Unprotected spring
A spring that is subject to runoff and/or bird droppings or animals. Unprotected springs typically do not have a "spring box".

## Surface water

Water located above ground and includes rivers, dams, lakes, ponds, streams, canals, and irrigation channels.

## Water treatment

## Adding bleach/chlorine

Use of free chlorine to treat drinking water. Free chlorine may be in the form of liquid sodium hypochlorite, solid calcium hypochlorite, or bleaching powder.

## Boiling

Heating water using fuel.
Let it stand and settle
Holding or storing water undisturbed and without mixing long enough for larger particles to settle out or sed-iment by gravity.

## Solar disinfection

Exposing water, which is stored in buckets, containers, or vessels, to sunlight.

## Straining water through a cloth

Pouring water through a cloth which acts as a filter for collecting particulates from the water.

## Using a water filter (ceramic/sand/composite/etc.)

Running water through media to remove particles and at least some microbes from water. Media used in fil-tering systems usually include ceramic, sand and composite.


## Sampling Design

Objectives of the Somali Health and Demographic Survey

The SHDS was designed to provide a national estimate of maternal mortality and estimates for fertility, child mortality and other relevant indicators at national level, as well as for each of the 18 pre-war geographical regions, and separately for urban, rural and nomadic places of residence. The target population was women in the reproductive ages ( 15 to 49 years of age) and children who are under five years of age and reside in households in the country at the time the survey was conducted.

## Sampling Frame

The sampling frame required to achieve the objectives of SHDS is a complete list of households in the country. The households form Ultimate Sampling Units (USUs), allowing probability sampling to be implemented. The existence of such a list of households, a list in which every household is associated with one and only one household of the list, is the cornerstone of probability sampling. The fact that the last published population and housing census in Somalia dates back to 1975 meant that there was neither a recent complete list of households nor statistical units often referred to as enumeration areas (EAs) available to be used as a sampling frame. The SHDS therefore began with the construction of a sampling frame for urban, rural and nomadic places of residence.

## Constructing Sampling Frame for Urban and Rural areas

Through the use of up-to-date, high-resolution satellite imagery, as well as on-the-ground knowledge of the digitizing team, all dwelling structures in urban and rural places of residence/areas were digitized. EAs were formed on-screen through a spatial count of dwelling structures in a geographic information system (GIS) software. Thereafter, a sample ground verification of the digitized structures was carried out for large urban and rural areas and necessary adjustments made to the
sampling frame. Each of the created EAs had a minimum of 50 and a maximum of 149 dwelling structures. A total of 10,525 EAs of this kind, also referred to as primary sampling units (PSUs), were digitized-7,488 in urban areas and 3,037 in rural areas. However, because of security and accessibility constraints, not all digitized areas were included in the final sampling frame-9,136 PSU ( 7,308 in urban and 1,828 in rural) formed the final frame.

In the first stage, a selection of 35 EAs in every stratum of every design domain was carried out using probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling of digitized dwelling structures. The design domain coincided with the eighteen pre-war regions, which are the country's firstlevel administrative divisions. Listing of households was carried out in each of the 35 selected EAs to obtain the total number of households. During listing, information on births and deaths was obtained through the maternal mortality questionnaire. The purpose for collecting this data from such a large number of PSUs (with an estimated 80 households per PSU) was to enable the estimation of the Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) through a direct method, which requires a large sample. The data collected in this first phase was edited and a summary of households listed per PSU formed the sampling frames for the second phase. In the second stage, 10 PSUs were sampled out of the possible 35 that were listed, using probability proportional to the number of listed households.

## Constructing Sampling Frame for

 NomadsThe sampling frame for the nomadic population was constructed using information provided by nomadic link workers (NLWs) and community gatekeepers (clan elders). These NLWs are associated with nomads through clan affiliation and have linkages with clan elders who reside in rural villages that are frequented by nomads to buy essential commodities and to sell their livestock and livestock products. The NLWs were contacted and asked to provide information on the temporary nomadic settlements (TNS), which they were responsible for. The information included TNS names, estimated number of households in these TNS, seasons of the year when the TNS is in use, and location of the TNS from the nearest settlement (village), as well as their telephone numbers. This list of TNS formed the sampling frame for nomads
with the estimated number of households in each TNS being the measure of size.

The nomadic frame therefore comprised of an updated list of TNS obtained from NLWs who are tied to these nomadic settlements. A total of 2,521 TNS formed the SHDS nomadic sampling frame. During data collection in the nomadic areas, households were listed in each TNS as part of verifying the list of households, a day earlier than the day of enumeration. The main reason of listing was to obtain a current and complete list of households. During listing, coordinates of all household structures were recorded. A sample of 30 households was then selected by the listing team (using the same method as in urban and rural areas) and given to the supervisors of the enumerating team on their first day of enumeration. Thereafter, supervisors allocated households to be interviewed to enumerators. The main survey enumerating team collected this data from the 30 sampled households while the listing team collected data from all the remaining households in the TNS. All households in each of the allocated 10 PSUs were serialized based on their location in the PSU and 30 of these households were selected systematically for a survey similar to a Demographic Health Survey (DHS). The serialization was done to ensure that households selected for interview would distributed throughout the PSU.

Nomadic households stay temporarily in certain locations, referred to as temporary nomadic settlements for as long as pasture and water are available. The duration of stay in these locations is mainly dependent on the amount of rain that falls within that season and how long the season will last. The survey therefore had to be undertaken within that window of opportunity. Nomadic households start moving to a different location as soon as pasture and water are depleted. With the long rains, they would be stationed in one location between 60 to 90 days and for the short rains 45 days. During the remaining dry seasons, they move far away, including across other regions and neighbouring countries, in search of water and pasture.

## Sample Design

The SHDS followed a stratified multi-stage probability cluster sample design. The sample design in urban and rural was three-stage stratified cluster sample design, while in nomadic areas the design was a two-stage
stratified cluster sample design. The PSUs were selected with a probability proportionate to the number of dwelling structures which constituted the sampling frame. The second-stage sampling units (SSUs) for rural and urban areas were selected with a probability proportionate to the number of listed households which constituted the frame. The ultimate sampling units (USUs) for rural, urban and nomadic areas were systematically selected from listed households in the cluster.

With the exception of the region of Banadir, which is considered to be fully urban, each administrative region was stratified into urban, rural and nomadic areas, yielding a total of 55 sampling strata. All three strata of Lower Shabelle and Middle Juba regions, as well as the rural and nomadic strata of Bay region, were completely excluded from the survey due to security reasons. A final total of 47 sampling strata were accessible to conduct the survey.

## Sample Allocation

To ensure that the survey precision is comparable across regions, PSUs were allocated equally to all regions with some adjustments in two regions to cater for some specific interests. In the first stage, a total of 1,433 PSUs were selected from 47 strata with 770 PSUs from urban, 488 PSUs from rural and 175 PSUs from nomadic areas, representing about 16\% of the total frame of all PSUs. In the second stage, a total of 220 PSUs and 150 PSUs were allocated to urban and rural strata respectively and the same 175 PSUs to nomadic areas yielding a total of 545 PSUs. In the third stage for urban and rural and second stage for nomadic areas, 30 households were allocated to each PSU.

## Sample Selection in Urban and Rural

## Areas

In the first stage, a selection of 35 PSUs (EAs) in every stratum was carried out using PPS of dwelling structures. The listing of households was conducted and hence the number of households in each of the sampled 35 PSUs in each stratum were obtained. In the second stage, 10 SSUs were selected from the 35 listed PSUs, using PPS to the listed households. Finally, a systematic selection of 30 households from each of the 10 PSUs listed was done using the DHS Program excel sheet template for household selection.

## Sample Selection in Nomadic Areas

In nomadic areas, a sample of 10 EAs (in this case TNS) were selected from each nomadic stratum, with probability proportional to the number of estimated households. A complete listing of households was carried out in the selected TNS followed by selection of 30 households for the main survey interview. In those TNS with 30 or less households, all households were interviewed for the main survey and the MMR questionnaire was administered. All eligible ever-married women aged 12 to 49 and nevermarried women aged 15 to 49 were interviewed in the selected households, while the household questionnaire was administered to all households selected. All households in each sampled TNS were administered the maternal mortality questionnaire.

## First-stage Sample Allocation and Selection

- Equally allocated 35 PSUs to urban and rural areas and 10 TNS to all 47 strata (except one domain which is fully urban and was allocated 210 PSUs).
- PSUs were selected using Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) sampling of digitized dwelling structures.
- All households in the selected PSUs were listed and additional information on births and deaths during the 24 months preceding the survey was obtained for use in computing the maternal mortality ratio (MMR).


## Second-stage Sample Allocation and Selection

- Equally allocated 10 SSUs to all 47 strata (except one domain which is fully urban was allocated 60 PSUs).
- Secondary sampling units (SSUs) were selected using PPS sampling of listed households.


## Third-stage Sample Allocation and Selection (2nd Stage in Nomadic Areas)

Thirty households were selected systematically and the household questionnaire administered. Further, in all the selected households, an ever-married questionnaire was administered to all ever-married women aged 12-49 and never-married questionnaire administered to nevermarried women aged 15-49. In addition, information was
obtained from children under the age of five.

## Design Weights and Sampling Weights

Design weights and sampling (survey) weights were computed for every household and ever-married women and never-married women selected to participate in the SHDS 2020. A design weight is the inverse of probability of selecting a housing unit to be interviewed. The sampling weight of a household is the design weight corrected for non-response including other adjustments where necessary. Design weights for each stage of the sample selection were computed as shown in the following steps:

First Stage: Selection of 35 PSUs from every urban stratum and rural stratum; and 10 PSUs from nomadic in stratum,
$\mathrm{PSU}_{h}=$ number of PSUs to be sampled in stratum $h$; and
$\mathrm{MOS}_{\text {hi }}=$ number of dwelling structures for $\mathrm{PSU}_{i}$ in stratum $h$.

The probability of selecting $\mathrm{PSU}_{i}$ in stratum $h$ is

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P_{h i}=\frac{m_{h} \times \text { MOS }_{h i}}{\sum_{i \in h} \text { MOS }_{h i}}
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## Second Stage: Selection of 10 SSUs from every urban and rural stratum from the $\mathbf{3 5}$ listed PSUs only,

Let
q = total number of SSUs to be sampled;
$\mathrm{MOS}_{h i j}=$ number of listed households for $\mathrm{SSU}_{j}$ of $\mathrm{PSU}_{i}$ in stratum $h$; and
$I_{\text {ssu }} \quad=$ sampling interval for the selection of SSUs.

The conditional probability (CP) of selecting $\mathrm{SSU}_{j}$ from $\mathrm{PSU}_{i}$ in stratum $h$ is;
$C P_{h i j}=\frac{q \times\left(\frac{M O S_{h i j}}{P_{h i}}\right)}{\sum_{h i j}\left(\frac{M O S_{h i j}}{P_{h i}}\right)}=\frac{M O S_{h i j} / P_{h i}}{I_{S S U}}$

Design weight for enumeration areas: $D W_{2 e a}=1 / C P_{h i j}$

## Third and last stage: Selection of $\mathbf{3 0}$ households from each PSU using DHS Program excel sheet template,

let
$d_{h} \quad=$ total number of housing units to be sampled within the stratum $h$;
$D_{h} \quad=$ total number of housing units in the stratum $h$ sampling frame;

Let, $r=d_{r} / D_{h^{\prime}}$ then the conditional probability of selecting housing unit $k$ from SSU $j$ of PSUi in stratum $h$ is

$$
C P_{h i j k}=\frac{r}{P_{h i} \times C P_{h i j}}=\frac{r \times I_{S S U}}{M O S_{h i j}}
$$

The overall probability of selecting housing unit $k$ in $\operatorname{SSU} j$ of PSU $i$ of stratum $h$ is

$$
P_{h i j k}=P_{h i} \times C P_{h i j} \times C P_{h i j k}=r
$$

The design weight for each household in cluster i of stratum $h$ is the inverse of its overall selection probability:
$W_{h i j k}=1 / P_{h i j k}=1 / r$

Adjustment for non-response and computation of sampling weights

The design weight calculated above is based on sample design parameters. If there was no non-response at the cluster level, at the household level, at the individual level, or under-coverage, the design weight is enough for all analyses, for both household indicators and individual indicators. However, non-response was encountered in SHDS as is inevitable in such surveys. The response behaviour was different for clusters, households and individuals and all had to be accounted for.

The idea of correcting for unit non-response is to calculate a response rate for each homogeneous response group, then inflate the design weight by dividing it by the response rate for each response group. SHDS used the sampling stratum as the response group because the
stratification was achieved by regrouping homogeneous sampling units in a single stratum (urban, rural or nomadic).

The following steps explain how the sampling weight was calculated.

## 1. Primary Sampling Unit/Cluster level response rate

Let $q_{h}$ be the number of PSUs for the first stage and/or SSUs for the second stage selected in stratum $h$; let ${ }^{*} q_{h}$ be the number of clusters (PSUs/SSUs) interviewed. The cluster level response rate in stratum $h$ is therefore;

$$
R_{C L}=* q h / q h
$$

## 2. Household level response rate

Let $k_{h j}$ be the number of households found, as recorded in the household questionnaire, in cluster $j$ of stratum $h$; let ${ }^{*} \mathrm{~K}_{\mathrm{HJ}}$ be the number of households interviewed in the cluster. The household response rate in stratum $h$ is calculated by;

$$
R_{H H}=\sum d_{h j} * k h j / \sum d_{h j} k h j
$$

where dhj is the design weight of cluster j in stratum h ; the summation is over all clusters in the stratum $h$.

## 3. Individual response rate

Let $h_{\mathrm{j} 1}$ be the number of eligible women found in cluster $j$ of stratum $h$; let *h ${ }_{\mathrm{jl}}$ be the number of individuals interviewed. The individual response rate in stratum $h$ is calculated as;

$$
R_{I D}=\sum d_{h j} * h j l / \sum d_{h j} h j l
$$

where $d_{h j}$ is the design weight of cluster $j$ in stratum $h$; the summation is over all clusters in the stratum $h$.

The household sampling weight of cluster $j$ in stratum $h$ is calculated by dividing the household design weight by the product of the cluster response rate and the household response rate, for each of the sampling stratum:

## $* d_{h j}=d_{h j} /\left(R_{C L} * R_{H H}\right)$

The individual sampling weight of cluster $j$ in stratum $h$ is calculated by dividing the household sampling weight by the individual response rate, or equivalently, by dividing the household design weight by the product of the cluster response rate, the household response rate and the individual response rate, for each of the sampling strata:

$$
d_{h j_{I} D}=\frac{* d_{h j}}{R_{I D}}=\frac{d_{h j}}{\left(R_{I D} * R_{H H} * R_{C L}\right)}
$$

## Post-Stratification

The resulting sampling weight was adjusted for target population constructed by the SHDS team. The sampling frame had excluded areas that were not accessible, areas that had very few dwelling structures according to the satellite image and TNS with very few reported households. The adjusting factors, at the stratum level, were obtained by dividing the stratum target population by stratum sampling frame population. This ensured that the sum of the final weights equal is equal to the target population.

## Normalization

Lastly, the survey weights were normalized in order to give a total number of weighted cases that equals the total number of unweighted cases at the national level. Normalization was done by dividing the survey weight by the mean of the survey weight for the household weight and for the individual woman. The normalized weights are relative weights, which are valid for estimating means, proportions and ratios.

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## Estimates of Sampling Errors

Sampling errors are important data quality parameters which give a measure of the precision of the survey estimates. They aid in determining the statistical reliability of survey estimates.

The estimates from a sample survey are affected by two types of errors: non-sampling errors and sampling errors. Non-sampling errors are the results of mistakes made in implementing data collection and data processing, such as failure to locate and interview the correct household, misunderstanding of the questions on the part of either the interviewer or the respondent, and data recording errors. Although numerous efforts were made during the implementation of the SHDS 2020 to minimize this type of error, non-sampling errors are impossible to avoid and difficult to evaluate statistically.

Sampling errors, however, can be evaluated statistically. The sample of respondents selected in the SHDS 2020 is only one of many samples that could have been selected from the same population, using the same design and size. Each of these samples would yield results that differ somewhat from the results of the actual sample selected. Sampling errors are a measure of the variability among all possible samples. Although the degree of variability is not known exactly, it can be estimated from the survey results.

A sampling error is usually measured in terms of the standard error for a particular statistic (mean, percentage, etc.), which is the square root of the variance. The standard error can be used to calculate confidence intervals within which the true value for the population can reasonably be assumed to fall. For example, for any given statistic calculated from a sample survey, the value of that statistic will fall within a range of plus or minus two times the standard error (SHDS reports +/-2*SE at $95 \%$ confidence interval) of that statistic in 95 percent of all possible samples of identical size and design.

If the sample of respondents had been selected as a simple random sample, it would have been possible to use straightforward formulas for calculating sampling errors. However, the SHDS 2020 sample is the result of a multi-stage stratified design, and, consequently, it was necessary to use more complex formulae.

The variance approximation procedure that account for the complex sample design and allow the computation of design effects used in SHDS is Taylor series linearization. The nonlinear estimates are approximated by linear ones for estimating variance. The linear approximation is derived by taking the first-order Taylor series approximation for the estimator. Standard variance estimation methods for linear statistics are then used to estimate the variance of the linearized estimator.

The Taylor Linearization Method treats any percentage or average as a ratio estimate, $r=y / x$, where $y$ represents the total weighted sample value for variable $y$, and $x$ represents the total weighted sample value for variable $x$ or the total number of weighted cases in the group or subgroup under consideration. The variance of $r$ is computed using the formula given below, with the standard error being the square root of the variance:

$$
S E^{2}(r)=\operatorname{var}(r)=\frac{1}{x^{2}} \sum_{h=1}^{H} \frac{n_{h}\left(1-f_{h}\right)}{n_{h}-1} \sum_{j}\left(z_{h j}-\frac{z_{h}}{n_{h}}\right)^{2}
$$

in which

$$
z_{h i}=y_{h i}-r x_{h i}, \text { and } z_{h}=y_{h}-r x_{h}
$$

where
$h \quad$ represents the sampling stratum which varies from 1 to $H$,
$n_{h} \quad$ is the total number of clusters selected in the hth stratum,
$y_{h j} \quad$ is the sum of weighted values of variable $y$ in the jth cluster in the hth stratum,
$x_{h j} \quad$ is the sum of weighted values of variable $x$ in the jth cluster in the hth stratum,
$f_{h} \quad$ is the sampling fraction in stratum $h$, it can be ignored when it is small
$x \quad$ is the sum of weighted values of variable $x$ over the total sample

In addition to the standard error, the procedure computes the design effect (DEFT) for estimates which are means, proportions or ratios. For complex demographic rates, the
procedure computes an approximation of DEFT. DEFT is defined as the ratio between the standard error using the given sample design and the standard error that would result if a simple random sample had been used. A DEFT value of 1.0 indicates that the sample design is as efficient as a simple random sample, while a value greater than 1.0 indicates the increase in the sampling error due to the use of a more complex and less statistically efficient design. The procedure also computes the relative error and confidence limits for the estimates.

The sampling error tables present the estimated indicator value, the standard error, the number of unweighted and weighted cases, the design effect, the relative standard error and the confidence limits. The design effect can be used in sample size calculation for subsequent survey designs. Sampling errors are reported for the total sample, for the urban, rural and nomadic places of residence.

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| Table B. 1 List of selected variables for sampling errors, SHDS 2020 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Estimate | Base population |
| Households |  |  |
| Proportion in the urban areas | Proportion | Total households in urban areas |
| Proportion in the rural areas | Proportion | Total households in rural areas |
| Proportion in the nomadic areas | Proportion | Total households in nomadic areas |
| Proportion with improved water sources | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with unimproved water sources | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with water on premises | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with less than 30 minutes to a drinking water source | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with 30 minutes or longer to a drinking water source | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with basic drinking water service | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with limited drinking water service | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with flushed to piped sewer system | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Flush to Septic tank | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Flush to Pit Latrine | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Flush to Somewhere else | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Flush don't know where | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Ventilated improved pit latrine | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Pit latrine with slab | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Pit latrine without slab/Open latrine | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Composite toilet | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Bucket toilet | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with Hanging toilet/hanging latrine | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with No facility/Bush/Field | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with electricity for lighting | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with solar for lighting | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion using kerosene for lighting | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion using firewood for lighting | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion using torch for lighting | Proportion | Total households |
| Proportion with electricity connection | Proportion | Total households |

Table B. 2 Sampling errors: All sample, SHDS 2020

|  | Value (R) | Standard error (SE ) | Number of cases |  | Relative error (RSE) | Confidence limits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Unweighted <br> (N) | Weighted <br> (N) |  | R-2SE | R+2SE |
| Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Proportion in the urban areas | 0.598 | 0.004 | 6,682 | 9,779 | 0.006 | 0.590 | 0.605 |
| Proportion in the rural areas | 0.277 | 0.004 | 4,679 | 4,536 | 0.016 | 0.268 | 0.286 |
| Proportion in the nomadic areas | 0.125 | 0.001 | 4,999 | 2,045 | 0.010 | 0.123 | 0.127 |
| Proportion with improved water sources | 0.652 | 0.011 | 8,856 | 10,670 | 0.017 | 0.630 | 0.674 |
| Proportion with unimproved water sources | 0.348 | 0.011 | 7,504 | 5,690 | 0.032 | 0.326 | 0.370 |
| Proportion with water on premises | 0.643 | 0.010 | 7,869 | 10,513 | 0.015 | 0.624 | 0.662 |
| Proportion with less than 30 minutes to a drinking water source | 0.228 | 0.008 | 4,877 | 3,738 | 0.037 | 0.212 | 0.245 |
| Proportion with 30 minutes or longer to a drinking water source | 0.119 | 0.004 | 3,345 | 1,941 | 0.037 | 0.110 | 0.127 |
| Proportion with basic drinking water service | 0.610 | 0.011 | 7,716 | 9,981 | 0.018 | 0.589 | 0.632 |
| Proportion with limited drinking water service | 0.039 | 0.003 | 1,044 | 642 | 0.070 | 0.034 | 0.045 |
| Proportion with flushed to piped sewer system | 0.058 | 0.004 | 514 | 906 | 0.073 | 0.049 | 0.066 |
| Proportion with Flush to Septic tank | 0.042 | 0.003 | 453 | 654 | 0.074 | 0.035 | 0.048 |
| Proportion with Flush to Pit Latrine | 0.168 | 0.006 | 2066 | 2639 | 0.038 | 0.155 | 0.181 |
| Proportion with Flush to Somewhere else | 0.007 | 0.001 | 96 | 115 | 0.123 | 0.006 | 0.009 |
| Proportion with Flush don't know where | 0.005 | 0.001 | 52 | 84 | 0.226 | 0.003 | 0.008 |
| Proportion with Ventilated improved pit latrine | 0.058 | 0.004 | 915 | 910 | 0.072 | 0.050 | 0.066 |
| Proportion with Pit latrine with slab | 0.239 | 0.007 | 2501 | 3748 | 0.031 | 0.224 | 0.253 |
| Proportion with Pit latrine without slab/Open latrine | 0.172 | 0.007 | 2420 | 2705 | 0.039 | 0.159 | 0.186 |
| Proportion with Composite toilet | 0.009 | 0.001 | 102 | 135 | 0.140 | 0.006 | 0.011 |
| Proportion with Bucket toilet | 0.020 | 0.002 | 278 | 307 | 0.117 | 0.015 | 0.024 |
| Proportion with Hanging toilet/ hanging latrine | 0.005 | 0.001 | 70 | 73 | 0.194 | 0.003 | 0.006 |
| Proportion with No facility/ Bush/Field | 0.207 | 0.007 | 6028 | 3254 | 0.034 | 0.193 | 0.222 |
| Proportion with electricity for lighting | 0.440 | 0.015 | 4750 | 6909 | 0.035 | 0.410 | 0.471 |
| Proportion with solar for lighting | 0.120 | 0.005 | 1701 | 1881 | 0.044 | 0.109 | 0.130 |
| Proportion using kerosene for lighting | 0.004 | 0.001 | 47 | 67 | 0.210 | 0.002 | 0.006 |


| Proportion using firewood for <br> lighting | 0.013 | 0.001 | 343 | 199 | 0.095 | 0.010 | 0.015 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Proportion using torch for <br> lighting | 0.419 | 0.013 | 8813 | 6580 | 0.030 | 0.394 | 0.445 |
| Proportion with electricity <br> connection | 0.443 | 0.015 | 4769 | 6945 | 0.035 | 0.412 | 0.473 |



## Data Quality Tables

## Table C. 1 Household age distribution

Single-year age distribution of the de facto household population by sex (weighted), SHDS 2020"

| Age | Male |  | Female |  | Age | Male |  | Female |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 0 | 1,630 | 3.6 | 1,564 | 3.3 | 36 | 185 | 0.4 | 267 | 0.6 |
| 1 | 1,634 | 3.6 | 1,529 | 3.2 | 37 | 163 | 0.4 | 289 | 0.6 |
| 2 | 2,025 | 4.5 | 1,909 | 4.0 | 38 | 288 | 0.6 | 443 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 2,004 | 4.5 | 2,011 | 4.2 | 39 | 119 | 0.3 | 210 | 0.4 |
| 4 | 2,033 | 4.5 | 1,960 | 4.1 | 40 | 1,261 | 2.8 | 828 | 1.7 |
| 5 | 1,831 | 4.1 | 1,798 | 3.8 | 41 | 113 | 0.3 | 99 | 0.2 |
| 6 | 2,003 | 4.5 | 1,880 | 4.0 | 42 | 183 | 0.4 | 165 | 0.3 |
| 7 | 1,733 | 3.9 | 1,703 | 3.6 | 43 | 106 | 0.2 | 97 | 0.2 |
| 8 | 1,933 | 4.3 | 1,791 | 3.8 | 44 | 62 | 0.1 | 65 | 0.1 |
| 9 | 1,357 | 3.0 | 1,425 | 3.0 | 45 | 545 | 1.2 | 407 | 0.9 |
| 10 | 1,800 | 4.0 | 1,709 | 3.6 | 46 | 75 | 0.2 | 69 | 0.1 |
| 11 | 1,139 | 2.5 | 1,123 | 2.4 | 47 | 71 | 0.2 | 70 | 0.1 |
| 12 | 1,640 | 3.7 | 1,505 | 3.2 | 48 | 124 | 0.3 | 88 | 0.2 |
| 13 | 1,287 | 2.9 | 1,396 | 2.9 | 49 | 61 | 0.1 | 54 | 0.1 |
| 14 | 1,207 | 2.7 | 1,327 | 2.8 | 50 | 848 | 1.9 | 1,137 | 2.4 |
| 15 | 1,163 | 2.6 | 1,189 | 2.5 | 51 | 64 | 0.1 | 194 | 0.4 |
| 16 | 1,002 | 2.2 | 1,105 | 2.3 | 52 | 116 | 0.3 | 263 | 0.6 |
| 17 | 850 | 1.9 | 886 | 1.9 | 53 | 72 | 0.2 | 136 | 0.3 |
| 18 | 1150 | 2.6 | 1,152 | 2.4 | 54 | 79 | 0.2 | 93 | 0.2 |
| 19 | 543 | 1.2 | 704 | 1.5 | 55 | 298 | 0.7 | 420 | 0.9 |
| 20 | 1,044 | 2.3 | 1,159 | 2.4 | 56 | 84 | 0.2 | 94 | 0.2 |
| 21 | 307 | 0.7 | 442 | 0.9 | 57 | 51 | 0.1 | 63 | 0.1 |
| 22 | 505 | 1.1 | 593 | 1.2 | 58 | 70 | 0.2 | 73 | 0.2 |
| 23 | 346 | 0.8 | 538 | 1.1 | 59 | 58 | 0.1 | 40 | 0.1 |
| 24 | 352 | 0.8 | 500 | 1.1 | 60 | 724 | 1.6 | 650 | 1.4 |
| 25 | 788 | 1.8 | 1,056 | 2.2 | 61 | 46 | 0.1 | 32 | 0.1 |
| 26 | 303 | 0.7 | 426 | 0.9 | 62 | 43 | 0.1 | 42 | 0.1 |
| 27 | 336 | 0.7 | 572 | 1.2 | 63 | 44 | 0.1 | 51 | 0.1 |
| 28 | 496 | 1.1 | 742 | 1.6 | 64 | 36 | 0.1 | 32 | 0.1 |
| 29 | 202 | 0.5 | 381 | 0.8 | 65 | 165 | 0.4 | 202 | 0.4 |
| 30 | 1,266 | 2.8 | 1,281 | 2.7 | 66 | 20 | 0.0 | 23 | 0.0 |
| 31 | 140 | 0.3 | 180 | 0.4 | 67 | 34 | 0.1 | 33 | 0.1 |
| 32 | 302 | 0.7 | 416 | 0.9 | 68 | 30 | 0.1 | 41 | 0.1 |
| 33 | 189 | 0.4 | 265 | 0.6 | 69 | 20 | 0.0 | 30 | 0.1 |
| 34 | 163 | 0.4 | 212 | 0.4 | 70+ | 1,053 | 2.3 | 1350 | 2.8 |
| 35 | 867 | 1.9 | 876 | 1.8 | Total | 4,4881 | 100.0 | 47,455 | 100.0 |

Note: The de facto population includes all residents and nonresidents who stayed in the household the night before the interview.

Table C.2.1 Age distribution of eligible and interviewed women
De facto household population of women age 10-54, number and percent distribution of interviewed women age 15-49, and percentage of eligible women who were interviewed (weighted), by 5 -year age groups, SHDS 2020"

| Age Group | Household population of women age 10-54 | Interviewed women age 15-49 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | Percentage | Percentage of eligible women interviewed |
| 10-14 | 7,060 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 15-19 | 5,036 | 4,532 | 27.5 | 90.0 |
| 20-24 | 3,232 | 2,957 | 17.9 | 91.5 |
| 25-29 | 3,177 | 2,970 | 18.0 | 93.5 |
| 30-34 | 2,354 | 2,220 | 13.5 | 94.3 |
| 35-39 | 2,085 | 1,970 | 11.9 | 94.5 |
| 40-44 | 1,254 | 1,177 | 7.1 | 93.9 |
| 45-49 | 688 | 660 | 4.0 | 95.9 |
| 50-54 | 1,823 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 15-49 | 17,826 | 16,486 | 100 | 92.5 |

Note: The de facto population includes all residents and nonresidents who stayed in the household the night before the interview. Weights for both the household population of women and interviewed women are household weights. Age is based on the Household Questionnaire.
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}=$ Not applicable

## Table C. 3 Pregnancy-related mortality trends

Direct estimates of pregnancy-related mortality rates for the three years preceding each survey, by five-year age groups, SHDS 2020

| Age group | Total |
| :--- | :---: |
| $15-19$ | 118 |
| $20-24$ | 329 |
| $25-29$ | 324 |
| $30-34$ | 291 |
| $35-39$ | 180 |
| $40-44$ | 102 |
| $45-49$ | 33 |
| TFR (15-49) | 6.9 |
| GFR | 212 |
| PRMR | 746 |
| PRMR CI | $447-931$ |

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THIS PAGE IS INTENTIONALLY BLANK conducting a survey about health and related topics all over [NAME OF COUNTRY]. The information we collect will help the government to plan health and other services. Your household was selected for the survey. I would like to ask you some questions about your household. The questions usually take about 15 to 20 minutes. All of the answers you give will be confidential and will not be shared with anyone other than members of our survey team. your participation in the survey is voluntary, but we hope you will agree to answer the questions since your views are important. If I ask you any question you don't want to answer, just let me know and I will go on to the next question or you can stop the interview at any time. In case you need more information about the survey, you may contact the ministry of interior/planning and/or health.

Do you have any questions?
May I begin the interview now?

SIGNATURE OF INTERVIEWER $\qquad$ DATE $\qquad$
RESPONDENT AGREES
RESPONDENT DOES NOT AGREE
TO BE INTERVIEWED .. $2 \longrightarrow$ END
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|  |  | MINUTES |  |

HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LINE } \\ & \text { NO. } \end{aligned}$ | USUAL RESIDENTS | RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF household |  | RESID | NCE | AGE | YEAR OF BIRTH | MARITAL STATUS | AGE <br> AT FIRST MARRIAGE |  | ELIGIBILITY |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 9 B | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|  | Please give me the names of the persons who usually live in your household and guests of the household who stayed here last night, starting with the head of the household. <br> AFTER LISTING THE NAMES AND RECORDING THE RELATIONSHIP AND SEX FOR EACH PERSON,ASK QUESTIONS 2A-2B to be sure that the LISTING IS COMPLETE. <br> THEN ASK APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS IN COLUMNS 5-32 FOR EACH PERSON. | What is the relationship of (NAME) to the head of the household? | Is <br> (NAME) male or female? | Does <br> (NAME) <br> usually <br> live here? | Did <br> (NAME) <br> stay <br> here <br> last <br> night? | How old is (NAME) in completed years? <br> IF 95 OR MORE, RECORD '95'. | What is (NAME's) year of birth? | What is (NAME)'s current marital status? <br> 1 = MARRIED <br> 2 = DIVORCED <br> 3 =ABANDO- <br> NED <br> 4 = WIDOWED <br> 5 = NEVER- <br> MARRIED | How old was (NAME) when he/she got married for the first time? <br> RECORD AGE IN YEARS <br> IF 95 OR MORE, RECORD '95'. | CIRCLE <br> LINE <br> NUMBER <br> OF ALL <br> EVER <br> MARRIED <br> WOMEN <br> AGE <br> 12-49 | CIRCLE <br> LINE <br> NUMBER <br> OF ALL <br> NEVER <br> MARRIED <br> WOMEN <br> AGE <br> 15-49 | CIRCLE <br> LINE <br> NUMBER <br> OF ALL <br> CHILDREN <br> AGE 0-5 |
| 01 |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll} M & F \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} Y & N \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} Y & N \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | IN YEARS |  |  | IN YEARS | 01 | 01 | 01 |
| 02 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ |     |  |  | 02 | 02 | 02 |
| 03 |  | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|} \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ |  |  |  | 03 | 03 | 03 |
| 04 |  | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ |  | $\square$ |  | 04 | 04 | 04 |
| 05 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ |  |  |  | 05 | 05 | 05 |
| 06 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  | 06 | 06 | 06 |
| 07 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |  | $\square$ |  | 07 | 07 | 07 |
| 08 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|} \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  | 08 | 08 | 08 |
| 09 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ |    |  |  | 09 | 09 | 09 |
| 10 |  | $\pm$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |  |  |  | 10 | 10 | 10 |



CODES FOR Q. 3: RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD $01=$ HEAD OF HOUSE NO $\square \quad 08$ = BROTHER OR SISTER
02 = SPOUSE
03 = SON OR DAUGHTER
$04=$ SON-IN-LAW OR NO
DAUGHTER-IN-LAW
$05=$ GRANDCHILD
$06=$ PARENT
$07=$ PARENT-IN-LAW

09 = NEPHEW/NIECE
$10=$ BROTHER/SISTER-IN-LAV
11 = OTHER RELATIVE
$12=$ ADOPTED/FOSTER/
STEPCHILD
$13=$ NOT RELATED
98 = DON'T KNOW

HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE


| LEVEL | GRADE |
| :--- | :---: |
| $0=$ PRESCHOOL | $00=$ LESS THAN 1 YEAR COMPLETED |
| $1=$ PRIMARY | (USE 'O0' FOR Q. 18 ONLY. |
| $2=$ SECONDARY | THIS CODE IS NOT ALLOWED |
| $3=$ HIGHER | FOR Q. 20.) |
| $8=$ DON'T KNOW | 98 = DON'T KNOW |
| $9=$ KORANIC | (if Koranic skip grade) |



HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE

|  |  | DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ELIGIBILITY |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | IF AGE 12 OR OLDER | IF AGE 12 \& EVER MARRIED |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LINE } \\ & \text { NO. } \end{aligned}$ | USUAL RESIDENTS | RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD | SEX | RESIDENCE |  | AGE | YEAR OF BIRTH | MARITAL STATUS | $\begin{aligned} & \quad \text { AGE } \\ & \text { AT FIRST } \\ & \text { MARRIAGE } \end{aligned}$ | ELIGIBILITY |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 9B | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|  | Please give me the names of the persons who usually live in your household and guests of the household who stayed here last night, starting with the head of the household. <br> AFTER LISTING THE NAMES AND RECORDING THE RELATIONSHIP AND SEX FOR EACH PERSON, ASK QUESTIONS 2A-2B to be sure that the LISTING IS COMPLETE. <br> THEN ASK APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS IN COLUMNS 5-32 FOR EACH PERSON. | What is the relationship of (NAME) to the head of the household? <br> Is (NAME) male or female? |  | Does <br> (NAME) <br> usually <br> live here? | Did <br> (NAME) <br> stay <br> here <br> last <br> night? | How old is (NAME) in completed years? | What is (NAME's) year of birth? | What is (NAME)'s current marital status? <br> 1 = MARRIED <br> 2 = DIVORCED <br> 3 =ABANDO - <br> NED <br> 4 = WIDOWED <br> 5 = NEVER - <br> MARRIED | How old was (NAME) when he/she got married for the first time? <br> RECORD AGE IN YEARS <br> IF 95 <br> OR MORE, RECORD '95'. | CIRCLE <br> LINE <br> NUMBER <br> OF ALL <br> EVER <br> MARRIED <br> WOMEN <br> AGE <br> 12-49 | CIRCLE <br> LINE <br> NUMBER <br> OF ALL <br> NEVER <br> MARRIED <br> WOMEN <br> AGE <br> 15-49 | CIRCLE LINE NUMBER OF ALL CHILDREN AGE 0-5 |
| 11 |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll} M & F \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} Y & N \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} Y & N \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | in Years | Y Y Y Y |  | IN YEARS $\square$ | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| 12 |  | $\pm$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |  |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| 13 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ |  |  |  | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| 14 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |  |  |  | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| 15 |  | $\square$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ |  |  |  | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| 16 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |     |  |  | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| 17 |  | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|} \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ |  |  |  | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| 18 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  |  |  |  | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| 19 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ |  |  |  | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| 20 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ |  |  |  | 20 | 20 | 20 |

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02 =SPOUSE
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HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE

|  | ORPHANHOOD |  |  |  | EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS |  |  |  | LABOUR FORCE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IF AGE 0-17 YEARS |  |  |  | IF AGE 6 YEARS OR OLDER |  | IF AGE 6-24 YEARS |  | IF AGE 10 YEARS OR OLDER |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LINE } \\ & \text { NO. } \end{aligned}$ | SURVIVORSHIP AND RESIDENCE OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTS |  |  |  | EVER ATTENDED SCHOOL |  | CURRENT/RECENT SCHOOL ATTENDANCE |  | LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION |
|  | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
|  | Is <br> (NAME)'s <br> biological mother alive? | Does <br> (NAME)'s <br> natural <br> mother <br> usually live <br> in this <br> household? <br> IF YES: <br> What is her name? <br> RECORD <br> MOTHER'S <br> LINE <br> NUMBER. <br> IF NO, <br> RECORD <br> '00'. | Is <br> (NAME)'s <br> biological <br> father <br> alive? | Does <br> (NAME)'s <br> biological <br> father <br> usually live <br> in this <br> household? <br> IF YES: <br> What is his name? <br> RECORD <br> FATHER'S <br> LINE <br> NUMBER. <br> IF NO, <br> RECORD <br> '00'. | Has (NAME) ever attended school? | What is the highest level of school (NAME) has attended? <br> What is the highest grade (NAME) completed at that level? | Did (NAME) attend school at any time during the [20172018] school year? | During [this/that] school year, what level and grade [is/was] (NAME) attending? BELOW. | What has (NAME) mostly been doing in the last 12 months? <br> 1=WORKING (INCLUDING HOUSE WIVES HAVING ACTIVITY) 2 = NOT WORKING BUT LOOKING FOR WORK 3 = HOUSEWIFE NOT WORKING <br> 4 = STUDENT <br> 5 = RETIRED <br> $6=$ DISABLED <br> 7 = OTHER NOT WORKING |
| 11 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Y } & \text { N DK } \\ 1 & 2 & \nabla^{8} \\ \text { GO } & \nabla_{0} & 15 \end{array}$ | $\pm$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} Y & N & \text { JK } \\ 1 & 2 & \square^{8} \\ \text { GO TO } & 17 \end{array}\right.$ | $\square$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} Y & & N \\ 1 & 2 & \nabla^{8} \\ \text { GO TO } & & 21 \end{array}\right.$ | level grade$\square$  | $\begin{array}{ccc} Y & N \\ 1 & 2 & \nabla^{8} \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow 1 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 12 |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 13 | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $1$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $1$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{81} \end{array}\right.$ | $\square$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow{ }^{8} \end{array}\right.$ |  | , |
| 14 | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & { }^{2} \\ 17 \end{array}$ |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{81} \end{array}\right.$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 15 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ & \nabla^{8} \\ \text { GO TO } 15 \end{array}\right.$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $1 .$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 16 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow \end{array}{ }^{8}\right.$ | $1$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow{ }^{8} \end{array}$ | $1$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 17 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & { }^{2} \\ 17 \end{array}$ | $1$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 18 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } \\ \text { TO }_{17}^{8} \end{array}$ |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 19 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & { }^{2} \\ 17 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \nabla^{8} \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 20 |  | $1$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ | $1$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ \text { GO TO } & \downarrow^{8} \end{array}$ |  | $\square$ |

## CODES FOR Qs. 18 AND 20: EDUCATION

| LEVEL | GRADE |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0=$ PRESCHOOL | $00=$ LESS THAN 1 YEAR COMPLETED |
| $1=$ PRIMARY | (USE 'O0' FOR Q. 18 ONLY. |
| $2=$ SECONDARY | THIS CODE IS NOT ALLOWED |
| $3=$ HIGHER | FOR Q. 20.) |
| $8=$ DON'T KNOW | $98=$ DON'T KNOW |

HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE

|  | REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS | CHRONIC DISEASES |  |  |  | SOCIAL HABITS |  | DISABILITY |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IF AGE 0-4 } \\ & \text { YEARS } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|} \text { IF AGE } 10 \mathrm{Y} \\ \text { OLD } \end{array}$ | EARS OR <br> R |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{LINE} \\ & \mathrm{NO} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { BIRTH } \\ \text { REGISTRATION } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 |
|  | Does (NAME) have a birth certificate? <br> IF NO, PROBE: Has (NAME)'s birth ever been registered with the civil authority? $\begin{aligned} 1= & \text { HAS } \\ & \text { CERTIFICATE } \\ 2= & \text { REGISTERED } \\ 3= & \text { NEITHER } \\ 8= & \text { DONT } \\ & \text { KNOW } \end{aligned}$ | I would now like to ask you some questions about the health of all family members. Does (NAME) suffer from any chronic disease? | What are the diseases suffered by (NAME)? <br> see codes BELOW. | Has any informed <br> (NAME) <br> that (s) he suffers from this disease? | Does <br> (NAME) get treatment regularly for this condition? | Does <br> (NAME) <br> smoke <br> cigarettes, or any kind of tobacco? | Does <br> (NAME) currently chew qat/khat? | Does (NAME) face any of the following limitations? $\begin{aligned} & \text { A=SIGHT? } \\ & \text { B=HEARING? } \\ & \text { C=SPEECH } \\ & \text { D=LEARNING } \\ & \text { E=MOBILITY } \\ & \text { F=SELF-CARE? } \\ & \text { G=MENTAL? } \\ & \text { H=NONE } \end{aligned}$ | What is the main reason for (NAME's) disability? | How old was (NAME) when this condition started? <br> IF 95 OR MORE, RECORD '95'. | During the last 12 months did (NAME) get any of the following forms of support? $\begin{aligned} A= & \text { MEDICAL } \\ & \text { CARE } \\ B= & \text { WELFARE } \\ C= & \text { FINANCIAL } \\ D & =\text { NUTRITIONAL } \\ Y & =\text { NO SUPPORT } \end{aligned}$ |
| 11 |  |  | $\begin{array}{llllllll} \text { A } & \text { B } & C & D & E & F & G \\ H & \text { } & J & K & L & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{Y} & \mathrm{~N} D \mathrm{~K} \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{Y} & \mathrm{~N} & \mathrm{DK} \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Y N DK } \\ & 1288 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} Y & N & D K \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CODE } \\ & \text { A B C D Y } \end{aligned}$ |
| 12 | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{llll} 1 & 2 & \square & 8 \\ & \text { GO TO } & 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lllllllll} \text { A } & \text { B } & \text { D } & \text { E } & \text { F } \\ \text { H } & \text { J } & \text { L } & \text { M } & \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T & \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | A B C DEF G $\begin{array}{r}\text { H } \\ \downarrow\end{array}$ | $\square$ |  | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 13 | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 2 & \square \\ & \text { GO } & \downarrow \\ \text { TO } & 87 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llllllll} A & B & C & D & E & F & G \\ H & D & J & K & L & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T & Y \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | A B C DEF G $\begin{array}{r}\text { H } \\ \downarrow\end{array}$ |  | $1$ | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 14 |  | $\begin{array}{llll} 1 & 2 & \nabla & 8 \\ & \text { GO } & \text { TO } & 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llllllll} \text { A } & \text { B } & \text { D } & \text { E } & F & G \\ H & \text { } & \text { J } & \text { L } & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 |  |  |  | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 15 | $\pm$ |  | $\begin{array}{lllllll} A & B & C & D & E & F & G \\ H & I & J & K & L & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T & Y \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \text { A B C D E F G } \\ \downarrow \\ \\ & \text { GO TO } 101 \end{array}$ |  | $1$ | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 16 | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{llll} 1 & 2 & \square & \downarrow \\ & \text { GO TO } & 27 \end{array}$ |  | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \text { A B C D E F G } \\ \\ \\ & \text { GO TO } 101 \end{array}$ |  | $1$ | A B C D Y |
| 17 |  |  | $\begin{array}{lllllll} \text { A } & B & C & D & E & F & G \\ H & A & J & K & L & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T & Y \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | A B C D E F G $\begin{array}{r}\text { H } \\ \downarrow \\ \\ \\ \text { GOTO } 101\end{array}$ |  |  | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 18 |  | $\begin{array}{llll} 1 & 2 & \square & \downarrow \\ & \text { GO TO } & 27 \end{array}$ |  | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 |  |  | $1$ | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 19 | $\square$ |  | $\begin{array}{llllllll} \text { A } & \text { B } & \text { D } & \text { E } & F & G \\ \text { } & \text { } & J & \text { K } & \text { M } & N \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | A B C DEF G $\underset{\downarrow}{\downarrow}$ |  | $1$ | $A \quad B \quad C \quad D \quad Y$ |
| 20 |  | 1 | $\begin{array}{lllllllll} A & B & C & D & E & F & G \\ H & D & J & K & L & M & N \\ O & P & Q & R & S & T & Y \end{array}$ | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \text { A B C D E F G } \\ \downarrow \\ \\ \\ \text { GO TO } 101 \end{array}$ |  | $\pm$ | A B C D Y |

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## CODES FOR Q. 24: CHRONIC DISEASES

| A=BLOOD PRESSURE | G=KIDNEY DISEASE |
| :--- | :--- |
| B=DIABETES | H=LIVER DISEASE |
| C=INFLAMMATION/ULC | I=ARTHRITIS |
| D=ANEMIA | J=TUBERCULOSIS (TB) |
| E=SICKLE CELL ANEMI. | K=CHRONIC HEADACHE |
| THALASSEMIA | L=STROKE |
| F=HEART DISEASE | M=EPILEPSY |

N=PROSTATIC
HYPERTROPHY S=CANCEROUS TUMORS
$0=$ CATARACT
T=ASTHMA
$\mathrm{P}=$ CHRONIC BACK PAIN/ $\mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{OTHER}$
SPINAL PROBLEM
Q=MENTAL/PSYCHOLOGICALILLNESS

CODES FOR Q. 30: CAUSE OF DIABILITY
01=CONGENITAL 08=MAGIC
$02=C O N T A G I O U S ~ 96=O T H E R$
03=CHILD BIRTH CONDITION(SPECIFY)
04=OTHER DISEASE
05=ABUSE 98=DON'T KNOW
06=AGING
$07=I N J$ URY/ACCIDENT

OUT OF POCKET HOUSEHOLD HEALTH EXPENDITURE


OUT OF POCKET HOUSEHOLD HEALTH EXPENDITURE


HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 201 | What is the main source of drinking water for members of your household? |  | $\longrightarrow 206$ |
| 202 | What is the main source of water used by your household for other purposes such as cooking and handwashing? |  | $\longrightarrow 206$ |
| 203a | Where is the main source of water for drinking located? |  | $\rightarrow$ 204a |
| 203b | How long does it take to go there, get water, and come back in minutes? | MINUTES <br> DON'T KNOW |  |
| 204a | Where is the main source of water for other purposes located? |  | $\xrightarrow{\rightarrow} 205$ |
| 204b | How long does it take to go there, get water, and come back in minutes? | MINUTES .....................  DON'T KNOW ................................ 998 |  |

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 204c | What means does your household mostly use to fetch water i.e. from source to home? |  |  |
| 205 | CHECK 201 : CODE '14' OR '21' CIRCLED? <br> YES | No | $\rightarrow 207$ |
| 206 | In the past two weeks, was the water from this source not available for at least one full day? |  |  |
| 207 | Do you do anything to the water to make it safer to drink? |  | $\rightarrow 209$ |
| 208 | What do you usually do to make the water safer to drink? <br> Anything else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |
| 209 | What kind of toilet facility do members of your household usually use? <br> If NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE,ASK PERMISSION TO OBSERVE THE FACILITY. |  | $\longrightarrow 214$ |
| 210 | Do you share this toilet facility with other households? |  | $\rightarrow 212$ |
| 211 | Including your own household, how many households use this toilet facility? |  |  |
| 212 | Where is this toilet facility located? |  |  |

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  | CODING CATEGORIES |  |  |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 213 | In total, how many toilets does your household use? |  | NO. OF TOILETS |  |  |  |  |
| 214 | Whats the main source of energy for lighting? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 215 | Whats the main source of energy for cooking? |  |  |  |  |  | $\rightarrow 218$ |
| 216 | Is the cooking usually done in the house, in a separate building, or outdoors? |  |  |  |  |  | $\xrightarrow{\rightarrow} 218$ |
| 217 | Do you have a separate room which is used as a kitchen? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 218 | How many rooms in this household are used for sleeping? |  | ROOMS |  |  |  |  |
| 219 | Does this household own any livestock including horses, donkeys and poultry? |  |  |  |  |  | $\rightarrow 221$ |
| 220 | How many of the following animals does this household own? <br> IF NONE, RECORD '00'. <br> IF 995 OR MORE, RECORD '995'. <br> IF UNKNOWN, RECORD '998'. <br> a) Camel? <br> b) Cattle? <br> c) Shoats? <br> d) Donkeys <br> e) Horses? <br> f) Poultry? |  | a) CAMELS <br> b) CATTLE <br> c) SHOATS <br> d) DONKEYS <br> e) HORSES <br> f) POULTR). |  |  |  |  |
| 221 | Has this household lost any livestock in the last one year due to drought/flooding/disease etc? |  |  |  |  |  | $\rightarrow 223$ |
| 222 | How many of the following animals did this household loose? <br> IF NONE, RECORD '00'. IF 995 OR MORE, RECORD '995'. <br> a) Camel? <br> a) CAMELS $\qquad$ <br> b) Cattle? <br> b) CATTLE $\qquad$ <br> c) Shoats? <br> c) SHOATS $\qquad$ <br> d) Donkeys <br> d) DONKEYS $\qquad$ <br> e) Horses? <br> e) HORSES $\qquad$ <br> f) Poultry? <br> f) POULTRY $\qquad$ |  | DUE TO DROUGHT $\square$ | DUE TO FLOODS | DUE TO DISEASE |  |  |

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS


ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 228 | We would like to learn about the places that households use to wash their hands. Can you please show me where members of your household most often wash their hands? |  | $\nrightarrow 231$ |
| 229 | obSERVE PRESENCE OF WATER AT THE PLACE FOR HANDWASHING. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. | WATER IS AVAILABLE .................................... 1 WATER IS NOT AVAILABLE ............ |  |
| 230 | OBSERVE PRESENCE OF SOAP, DETERGENT, OR OTHER CLEANSING AGENT AT THE PLACE FOR HANDWASHING. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. |  |  |
| 231 | OBSERVE MAIN MATERIAL OF THE FLOOR OF THE DWELLING. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. |  |  |
| 232 | OBSERVE MAIN MATERIAL OF THE ROOF OF THE DWELLING. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. |  |  |

ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 233 | OBSERVE MAIN MATERIAL OF THE EXTERIOR WALLS OF THE DWELLING. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. | NATURAL WALLS |  |
| 234 | In the past four weeks, did you worry that your household would not have enough food? |  | $\rightarrow 236$ |
| 235 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . .... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 236 | In the past four weeks, did you or any household member have to eat a smaller meal than you felt you needed because there was not enough food? |  | $\rightarrow 238$ |
| 237 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . .... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 238 | In the past four weeks, did you or any other household member have to eat fewer meals in a day because there was not enough food? |  | $\longrightarrow 240$ |
| 239 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . .... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 240 | In the last four weeks, were there cases where you did not have any kind of food to eat because of the lack of resources? |  | $\longrightarrow 242$ |
| 241 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . .... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 242 | In the last four weeks, were there cases where you or a family member went to bed hungry because there was not enough food or there was nothing to eat? |  | $\longrightarrow 244$ |
| 243 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \hline \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . .... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 244 | In the last four weeks, were there cases where you or anyone from your family spent the whole day without eating because there was not enough food? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> NO 2  | $\longrightarrow 301$ |
| 245 | How often did this happen? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { RARELY (ONCE OR TWICE IN } 4 \text { WKS) . . ..... } & 1 \\ \text { SOMETIMES (THREE TO TEN TIMES IN4 WKS) } & 2 \\ \text { OFTEN (MORE THAN TEN TIMES IN } 4 \text { WKS) .. } & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 246 | RECORD THE END TIME. | HOURS <br> MINUTES |  |


| 301 | Check column 1 IN household questionnaire. record the line number and name for all eligible children 0-5 YEARS IN QUESTION 302; IF MORE THAN SIX CHILDREN, USE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE(S). |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | CHILD 1 |  | CHILD 2 |  | CHILD 3 |  |
| 302 | CHECK HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE: <br> LINE NUMBER FROM COLUMN 1. | LINE NUMBER NAME |  | LINE NUMBER <br> NAME |  | LINE NUMBER <br> NAME |  |


| 303 | IF MOTHER INTERVIEWED: COPY CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH (DAY, MONTH, AND YEAR) FROM BIRTH HISTORY. IF MOTHER NOT INTERVIEWED ASK: <br> What is (NAME)'s date of birth? |  |  |     <br> DAY $\ldots . . . . .$.    <br>     <br> MONTH .......    <br> YEAR ...    |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 304 | CHECK 303: CHILD BORN IN 20142019? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 2  <br>     <br>   $($ SKIP TO 311)  | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 1  <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 2  <br>   $($ SKIP TO 311) $\rightleftarrows$ |  |
| 305 | WEIGHT IN KILOGRAMS. | KG. $\square$ <br> NOT PRESENT $\qquad$ 9994 <br> REFUSED .......... 9995 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ .9996 | KG. $\square$ <br> NOT PRESENT $\qquad$ 9994 <br> REFUSED ......... 9995 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ .9996 |  |
| 306 | HEIGHT IN CENTIMETERS. |  |  |  |
| 307 | MEASURED LYING DOWN OR STANDING UP? | LYING DOWN $\ldots \ldots$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots \ldots$. 2 | LYING DOWN $\ldots . .$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots . .$. 2 | LYING DOWN $\ldots . .$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots . .$. 2 |
| 308 | MEASURER: ENTER YOUR FIELDWORKER NUMBER. |  |  |  |


| 301 | CHECK COLUMN 1 IN HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE. RECORD THE LINE NUMBER AND NAME FOR ALL ELIGIBLE CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS IN QUESTION 302; IF MORE THAN SIX CHILDREN, USE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE(S). |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | CHILD 1 |  | CHILD 2 |  | CHILD 3 |
| 302 | CHECK HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE: LINE NUMBER FROM COLUMN 1. | LINE <br> NUMBER <br> NAME |  | LINE <br> NUMBER <br> NAME |  | LINE <br> NUMBER <br> NAME |  |


| 309 | CHECK 303: CHILD AGE 0-5 MONTHS, I.E., WAS CHILD BORN IN MONTH OF INTERVIEW OR 5 PREVIOUS MONTHS? |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 0-5 MONTHS } \ldots \ldots \ldots .1 \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { (SKIP TO } 311) \\ \text { OLDER } \quad \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .2 \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0-5 \text { MONTHS } \ldots \ldots . .1 \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { (SKIP TO 311) } \end{array}{ }^{\longleftarrow} \\ & \text { OLDER } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 310 | LINE NUMBER OF PARENT/OTHER ADULT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHILD FROM COLUMN 1 OF HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE. | LINE <br> NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ (RECORD 'OO' IF NOT LISTED) | LINE <br> NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ (RECORD 'OO' IF NOT LISTED) | LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ (RECORD 'OO' IF NOT LISTED) |
| 311 | GO BACK TO 303 IN NEXT COLUMN OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE OR IN THE FIRST COLUMN OF AN ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE; IF NO MORE CHILDREN, GO TO 401. |  |  |  |

WEIGHT AND HEIGHT FOR CHILDREN AGE 0-5

|  |  | CHILD 4 |  | CHILD 5 |  | CHILD 6 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 302 | CHECK HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE: <br> LINE NUMBER FROM COLUMN 11. | LINE NUMBER <br> NAME |  | LINE NUMBER NAME |  | LINE NUMBER <br> NAME |  |


| 303 | IF MOTHER INTERVIEWED: COPY CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH (DAY, MONTH, AND YEAR) FROM BIRTH HISTORY. IF MOTHER NOT INTERVIEWED ASK: <br> What is (NAME)'s date of birth? |  | DAY <br> MONTH <br> YEAR... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 304 | CHECK 303: CHILD BORN IN 20142019? | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ & & \\ & & (\text { SKIP TO 311) }\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 305 | WEIGHT IN KILOGRAMS. | KG. $\square$ <br> NOT PRESENT $\qquad$ 9994 REFUSED OTHER $\qquad$ .9996 | KG. $\square$ <br> NOT PRESENT $\qquad$ 9994 REFUSED $\qquad$ 9995 OTHER $\qquad$ .9996 |  |
| 306 | HEIGHT IN CENTIMETERS. |  |  |  |
| 307 | MEASURED LYING DOWN OR STANDING UP? | LYING DOWN $\ldots \ldots$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots . .$. 2 | LYING DOWN $\ldots . .$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots . .$. 2 | LYING DOWN $\ldots . .$. 1 <br> STANDING UP $\ldots . .$. 2 |
| 308 | MEASURER: ENTER YOUR FIELDWORKER NUMBER. |  |  |  |



| 309 | CHECK 303: CHILD AGE 0-5 MONTHS, I.E., WAS CHILD BORN IN MONTH OF INTERVIEW OR 5 PREVIOUS MONTHS? |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 0-5 MONTHS } \ldots \ldots . .1 \\ & \text { (SKIP TO 311) } \\ & \text { OLDER } \ldots \ldots . . \ldots .2 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 310 | LINE NUMBER OF PARENT/OTHER ADULT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHILD FROM COLUMN 1 OF hOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE. | LINE NUMBER (RECORD '00' IF NOT LISTED) | LINE NUMBER $\square$ (RECORD '00' IF NOT LISTED) | LINE NUMBER (RECORD 'OO' IF NOT LISTED) |
| 311 | GO BACK TO 303 IN NEXT COLUMN OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE OR IN THE FIRST COLUMN OF AN ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE; IF NO MORE CHILDREN, GO TO 401. |  |  |  |

WEIGHT, HEIGHT MEASUREMENT FOR WOMEN AGE 12-49

| 401 | CHECK COLUMN $10 \& 11$ IN ROSTER. RECORD THE LINE NUMBER, NAME AND MARITAL STATUS FOR ALL ELIGIBLE WOMEN IN 402 AND 403. <br> If THERE ARE MORE THAN THREE WOMEN, USE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE(S). |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | WOMAN 1 | WOMAN 2 | WOMAN 3 |
| 402 | CHECK <br> HOUSEHOLD <br> QUESTIONNAIRE: <br> LINE NUMBER <br> FROM COLUMN 1. <br> NAME FROM COLUMN 2. | LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ <br> NAME $\qquad$ | LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NAME $\qquad$ | LINE <br> NUMBER $\qquad$ <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| 403 | CHECK <br> HOUSEHOLD <br> QUESTIONNAIRE <br> COLUMN 9 <br> (MARITAL STATUS): | CODE 5 (NEVER IN UNION). 1 OTHER MARITALSTATU... 2 | CODE 5 (NEVER IN UNION). 1 OTHER MARITAL STATL... 2 | CODE 5 (NEVER IN UNION). 1 OTHER MARITAL STATL... 2 |


| 404 | WEIGHT IN KILOGRAMS. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 405 | HEIGHT IN CENTIMETERS. |  |  |  |
| 406 | CHECK 403: <br> MARITAL STATUS |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { CODE } 5 \text { (NEVER IN UNION) . } 1 \\ \text { (NEXT COLUMN) } \\ \text { OTHER ...................... } 2 \end{gathered}$ | CODE 5 (NEVER IN UNION) . 17 (END) $\stackrel{\square}{\longleftarrow}$ OTHER .................... 2 |
| 407A | ASK: <br> Are you pregnant? |  |  |  |

408 GO BACK TO 402 IN NEXT COLUMN OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE OR IN THE FIRST COLUMN OF AN ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE;

## Ever-married Woman's Questionnaire

## QUESTIONNAIRE

 SERIAL NUMBER

EVER MARRIED WOMAN'S QUESTIONNAIRE



EVER MARRIED WOMAN'S QUESTIONNAIRE



SECTION 1. RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 109 | CHECK 108: | OR '5' <br> CLED |  | $\rightarrow 111$ |
| 110 | Do you read a newspaper or magazine at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK less than once a week NOT AT ALL | 1 |  |
| 111 | Do you listen to the radio at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | at least once a week less than once a week NOT AT ALL | 1 2 3 |  |
| 112 | Do you watch television at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK NOT AT ALL | 1 2 3 |  |
| 113 | Do you own a mobile telephone? | YES <br> NO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow 115$ |
| 114 | Do you use your mobile phone for any financial transactions? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 115 | Do you have an account in a bank or other financial institution that you yourself use? | YES <br> NO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 116 | Have you ever used the internet? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow 119$ |
| 117 | In the last 12 months, have you used the internet? <br> IF NECESSARY, PROBE FOR USE FROM ANY LOCATION, WITH ANY DEVICE. | YES <br> NO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\longrightarrow 119$ |
| 118 | During the last one month, how often did you use the internet: almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week, or not at all? | ALMOST EVERY DAY AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK less than once a week NOT AT ALL | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 119 | Are you currently married? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\rightarrow 121$ |
| 120 | What is your marital status now: are you widowed or divorced? | WIDOWED DIVORCED |  |  |
| 121 | Have you been married only once or more than once? | ONLY ONCE more than once |  |  |
| 122 | CHECK 121: <br> a) In what month and yearib) Now I would like to ask were you legally about your first married husband. In what (Nikaax/contract)? month and year were you legally married to him (Nikaax/contract)? | MONTH <br> DON'T KNOW MONTH <br> YEAR $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DON'T KNOW YEAR |  |  |
| 123 | How old were you when you got legally married to your (first) husband (Nikaax)? | AGE |  |  |

SECTION 1. RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND


SECTION 2. REPRODUCTION


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| 212 | 213 | 214 | 215 | 216 | $\begin{aligned} & 217 \\ & \text { IF ALIVE: } \end{aligned}$ | 218 <br> IF ALIVE: | $\begin{aligned} & 219 \\ & \text { IF ALIVE: } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 220 \\ & \text { IF DEAD: } \end{aligned}$ | 221 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| What <br> name was given to your (first/ next) baby? <br> RECORD NAME. <br> BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER. | Is <br> (NAME) <br> a boy or <br> a girl? | Were any of these births twins? | On what day, month, and year was (NAME) born? | Is <br> (NAME) <br> still <br> alive? | How old was (NAME) at (NAME)'s last birthday? <br> RECORD AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS. | Is <br> (NAME) <br> living <br> with <br> you? | RECORD <br> hOUSEHOLD <br> LINE <br> number of CHILD. <br> RECORD ' 00 ' <br> IF CHILD NOT <br> LISTED IN household. | How old was (NAME) when (he/she) died? <br> IF '12 MONTHS' OR '1 YR', ASK: Did (NAME) have (his/her) first birthday? <br> THEN ASK: Exactly how many months old was (NAME) when (he/she) died? <br> RECORD '00' IF LESS THAN A DAY; DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 MONTH; MONTHS IF LESS THAN TWO YEARS; | Were there any other live births between (NAME OF PREVIOUS BIRTH) and (NAME), including any children who died after birth? |
| 06 | BOY 1 <br> GIRL 2 | SING 1 <br> MULT 2 |  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { SKIP } \\ \text { TO } \end{array}$ | AGE IN YEARS | YES 1 <br> NO 2 | HOUSEHOLD LINE NUMBER <br> (SKIP TO 221) | DAYS 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS 2 $\square$ <br> YEARS 3 $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\text { YES } \\ \text { (ADD } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{\downarrow} \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { (NEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) } \end{array} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 07 | BOY 1 <br> GIRL 2 | SING 1 <br> MULT 2 |  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { SKIP } \\ \text { TO } \end{array}$ | AGE IN YEARS | YES 1 <br> NO 2 | HOUSEHOLD LINE NUMBER (SKIP TO 221) | DAYS 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS 2 $\square$ <br> YEARS 3 $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\text { YES } \\ \text { (ADD } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{1} \\ & \text { NO }_{\substack{\text { (NEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}^{2} \end{aligned}$ |
| 08 | BOY 1 <br> GIRL 2 | SING 1 <br> MULT 2 |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { SKIP } \\ \text { TO } \end{array}$ | AGE IN YEARS | YES 1 <br> NO 2 | HOUSEHOLD Line number <br> (SKIP TO 221) | DAYS 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS 2 $\square$ <br> YEARS 3 $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\text { YES } \\ \text { (ADD } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{\downarrow} \\ & \mathrm{NO}_{\substack{\text { (NEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ |
| 09 | BOY 1 <br> GIRL 2 | SING 1 <br> MULT 2 |  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { (SKIP } \\ \text { TO } \end{array}$ | AGE IN YEARS | YES 1 <br> NO 2 | HOUSEHOLD LINE NUMBER (SKIP TO 221) | DAYS 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS 2 $\square$ <br> YEARS 3 $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\text { YES } \\ \text { (ADD } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{\downarrow} \\ & \mathrm{NO}_{\substack{\text { (NEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}^{2} \end{aligned}$ |
| 10 | BOY 1 <br> GIRL 2 | SING 1 <br> MULT 2 |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { SKIP } \\ \text { TO } \end{array}$ | AGE IN <br> YEARS | YES 1 <br> NO 2 | HOUSEHOLD LINE NUMBER | DAYS 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS 2 $\square$ <br> YEARS 3 $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{\text { YES } \\ \text { (ADD } \\ \text { BIRTH) }}}{\downarrow} \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { NO } \\ \text { (NEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) } \end{array} \downarrow^{2} \end{aligned}$ |

SECTION 2. REPRODUCTION

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 222 | Have you had any live births since the birth of (NAME OF LAST BIRTH)? |  |  |
| 223 | COMPARE 208 WITH NUMBER OF BIRTHS IN BIRTH <br> NUMBERS <br> ARE SAME | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MUMBY } \\ & \text { NUMBRSARE } \\ & \text { DIFFERENT } \\ & \text { (PROBE AND RECONCILE) } \longleftarrow \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 224 | CHECK 215: ENTER THE NUMBER OF BIRTHS IN 2014-2019 | NUMBER OF BIRTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NONE | $\longrightarrow 226$ |
| 225 | FOR EACH BIRTH IN 2014-2019, ENTER 'B' THE NAME OF THE CHILD TO THE LEFT O OF COMPLETED MONTHS THE PREGNAN PRECEDING MONTHS ACCORDING TO TH OF 'P's MUST BE ONE LESS THAN THE NU | THE MONTH OF BIRTH IN THE CALENDAR. WRITE HE 'B' CODE. FOR EACH BIRTH, ASK THE NUMBER LASTED AND RECORD 'P'IN EACH OF THE DURATION OF PREGNANCY. (NOTE: THE NUMBER ER OF MONTHS THAT THE PREGNANCY LASTED.) |  |
| 226 | Are you pregnant now? |  | $\xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} 230$ |
| 227 | How many months pregnant are you? <br> PROBE: WHAT WAS YOUR LAST MENSTRUAL PERIOD <br> RECORD NUMBER OF COMPLETED MONTHS. <br> ENTER 'P's IN THE CALENDAR, BEGINNING WITH THE MONTH OF INTERVIEW AND FOR THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETED MONTHS. | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 228 | When you got pregnant, were you expecting to get pregnant at that time? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> NO   | $\longrightarrow 230$ |
| 229 | CHECK 208: TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS <br> ONE OR MORE $\square$ <br> a) Did you want to have a baby later on or did you want more children? | LATER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO MORE/NONE . . . . . . . . . |  |
| 230 | Have you ever had a pregnancy that miscarried or ended in a stillbirth? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> NO 2  | $\longrightarrow 239$ |
| 231 | When did the last such pregnancy end? |  |  |



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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 239 | When did your last menstrual period start? <br> (DATE, IF GIVEN) <br> CIRCLE DAYS AGO AND PUT 00 IF STARTED the same day |  |  |
| 240 | How old were you when you had your first menstrual period? | AGE IN YEARS $\square$ DON'T KNOW |  |
| 241 | From one menstrual period to the next, are there certain days when a woman is more likely to become pregnant? |  | $\rightarrow 243$ |
| 242 | Is this time just before her period begins, right after her period has ended, or halfway between two periods? | JUST BEFORE HER PERIOD BEGIN:............ 1 RIGHT AFTER HER PERIOD HAS ENDE........ 2 halfway between two periods ....... 3 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> DON'T KNOW <br> 8 |  |
| 243 | After the birth of a child, can a woman become pregnant before her menstrual period has returned? |  |  |

SECTION 3. BIRTH SPACING

| 301 | Now I would like to talk about birth spacing - the various ways or methods that a couple can use to delay or avoid a pregnancy. Have you ever heard of (METHOD)? |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 | IUD. <br> PROBE: Women can have a loop or coil placed inside them by a doctor or a nurse which can prevent pregnancy for one or more |  |
| 02 | Injectables. <br> PROBE: Women can have an injection by a health provider that stops them from becoming pregnant for one or more months. | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2\end{array}$ |
| 03 | Implants. <br> PROBE: Women can have one or more small rods placed in their upper arm by a doctor or nurse which can prevent pregnancy for one or more years. |  |
| 04 | Pill. <br> PROBE: Women can take a pill every day to avoid becoming pregnant. |  |
| 05 | Condom. <br> PROBE: Men can put a rubber sheath on their penis before sexual intercourse. |  |
| 06 | Female Condom. <br> PROBE: Women can place a sheath in their vagina before sexual intercourse. |  |
| 07 | Emergency Contraception. <br> PROBE: As an emergency measure, within three days after they have unprotected sexual intercourse, women can take special pills to prevent pregnancy. |  |
| 08 | Standard Days Method. <br> PROBE: A woman uses a string of colored beads to know the days she can get pregnant. On the days she can get pregnant, she uses a condom or does not have sexual intercourse. |  |
| 09 | Lactational Amenorrhea Method (LAM). <br> PROBE: Up to six months after childbirth, before the menstrual period has returned, women use a method requiring frequent breastfeeding day and night. |  |
| 10 | Rhythm Method. <br> PROBE: To avoid pregnancy, women do not have sexual intercourse on the days of the month they think they can get pregnant. |  |
| 11 | Withdrawal. <br> PROBE: Men can be careful and pull out before climax. |  |
| 12 | Have you heard of any other ways or methods that women or men can use to avoid pregnancy? | YES, MODERN METHOD $\qquad$ A <br> (SPECIFY) <br> YES, TRADITIONAL METHOD $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> NO $\qquad$ |

SECTION 3. BIRTH SPACING

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 302 | CHECK 226: <br> NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE | PREGNANT | 312 |
| 303 | Are you or your husband currently doing something or using any method to delay or avoid getting pregnant? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 | $312$ |
| 304 | Which method are you using? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD MENTIONED, FOLLOW SKIP INSTRUCTION FOR HIGHEST METHOD IN LIST. |  |  |
| 305 | What is the brand name of the pills you are using? <br> IF DON'T KNOW THE BRAND, ASK TO SEE THE PACKAGE. |  | $\xrightarrow{\rightarrow}$ |
| 306 | What is the brand name of the condoms you are using? <br> IF DON'T KNOW THE BRAND, ASK TO SEE THE PACKAGE. |  |  |
| 307 | Since what month and year have you been using (CURRENT METHOD) without stopping? <br> PROBE: For how long have you been using (CURRENT METHOD) now without stopping? |  |  |
| 308 | CHECK 307, 215 AND 231: ANY BIRTH OR PREGNAN START OF USE OF CONTRACEPTION IN 307 | TERMINATION AFTER MONTH AND YEAR OF YES $\square$ <br> obe and record month and year at US USE OF CURRENT METHOD (MUST be Th BIRTH OR PREGNANCY TERMINATION). |  |


| 309 | CHECK 307: <br> YEAR IS 2014-2019 <br> ENTER CODE FOR METHOD USED IN MONTH OF INTERVIEW IN THE CALENDAR AND IN EACH MONTH BACK TO THE DATE STARTED USING. <br> then continue <br> YEAR IS 2013 OR EARLIER $\square$ <br> ENTER CODE FOR METHOD USED IN MONTH OF INTERVIEW IN THE CALENDAR AND EACH MONTH BACK TO JANUARY 2014 . $\begin{array}{r} \text { THEN } \\ (\text { SKIP TO } 324) \longleftarrow \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 310 | I would like to ask you some questions about the times you or your husband may have used a method to avoid getting pregnant during the last few years. <br> USE CALENDAR TO PROBE FOR EARLIER PERIODS OF USE AND NONUSE, STARTING WITH MOST RECENT USE, BACK TO JANUARY 2014. USE NAMES OF CHILDREN, DATES OF BIRTH, AND PERIODS OF PREGNANCY AS REFERENCE POINTS. <br> IN COLUMN 1, ENTER METHOD USE CODE OR 'O' FOR NONUSE IN EACH BLANK MONTH. <br> ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS: <br> a) When was the last time you used a method? Which method was that? <br> b) When did you start using that method? How long after the birth of (NAME)? <br> c) How long did you use the method then? <br> IN COLUMN 2, ENTER CODES FOR DISCONTINUATION NEXT TO THE LAST MONTH OF USE. NUMBER OF CODES IN COLUMN 2 MUST BE SAME AS NUMBER OF INTERRUPTIONS OF METHOD USE IN COLUMN 1. <br> ASK WHY SHE STOPPED USING THE METHOD. IF A PREGNANCY FOLLOWED, ASK WHETHER SHE BECAME PREGNANT UNINTENTIONALLY WHILE USING THE METHOD OR DELIBERATELY STOPPED TO GET PREGNANT. <br> ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS: <br> d) Why did you stop using the (METHOD)? Did you become pregnant while using (METHOD), or did you stop to get pregnant, or did you stop for some other reason? <br> e) IF DELIBERATELY STOPPED TO BECOME PREGNANT, ASK: How many months did it take you to get pregnant after you stopped using (METHOD)? AND ENTER '0' IN EACH SUCH MONTH IN COLUMN 1. |



| SECTION 3. BIRTH SPACING |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| 311 | CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR USE OF ANY CONTRAC NO METHOD USED $\square$ | PTIVE METHOD IN ANY MONTH <br> ANY METHOD USED $\square$ | $\rightarrow 313$ |
| 312 | Have you ever used anything or tried in any way to delay or avoid getting pregnant? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\xrightarrow{ } \rightarrow 322$ |
| 313 | CHECK 304: <br> CIRCLE METHOD CODE: <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD CODE CIRCLED IN 304, CIRCLE CODE FOR HIGHEST METHOD IN LIST. |  |  |
| 314 | You first started using (CURRENT METHOD) in (DATE FROM 307). Where did you get it at that time? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11 <br> REFERRAL HEALTH CENTRE................ 12 <br> MCH/HC <br> PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL................ 14 <br> MOBILE CLINIC $\qquad$ <br> COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER ............. 16 <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/CLINIC/DOCTO ........ 21 <br> PHARMACY $\qquad$ $\qquad$ 22 <br> OTHER PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP <br> FRIEND/RELATIVE ........................... 32 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 |  |
| 315 | CHECK 304: <br> CIRCLE METHOD CODE: <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD CODE CIRCLED IN 304, CIRCLE CODE FOR HIGHEST METHOD IN LIST. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow 319 \\ & \rightarrow 318 \\ & \rightarrow 319 \end{aligned}$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 316 | At that time, were you told about side effects or problems you might have with the method? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\quad \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 |  |
| 317 | Were you told what to do if you experienced side effects or problems? |  |  |
| 318 | CHECK 316: |  | $\rightarrow 320$ |
| 319 | Were you ever told by a health worker about other methods of birth spacing that you could use? |  |  |
| 320 | CHECK 304: <br> CIRCLE METHOD CODE: <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD CODE CIRCLED IN 304, CIRCLE CODE FOR HIGHEST METHOD IN LIST. |  |  |


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| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| 321 | Where did you obtain (CURRENT METHOD) the last time? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE sector, write the name of the place. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) |  | $\rightarrow 325$ |
| 322 | Do you know of a place where you can obtain a method of birth spacing? |  |  |
| 323 | In the last 12 months, were you visited by a fieldworker? |  | $\rightarrow 325$ |
| 324 | Did the fieldworker talk to you about birth spacing? |  |  |
| 325 | CHECK 202: LIVING WITH CHILDREN <br> a) In the last 12 months, have you visited a health facility for care for yourself or your children? <br> b) In the last 12 months, have you visited a health facility for care for yourself? |  | $\rightarrow 401$ |
| 326 | Did any staff member at the health facility speak to you about birth spacing methods? |  |  |

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| 401 | CHECK 224: <br> ONE OR MORE BIRTHS IN 2014-2019 | NO BIRTHS IN $\square$ <br> 2014-2019 | $\longrightarrow 648$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 402 | CHECK 215. RECORD THE BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER IN 403 AND THE NAME AND SURVIVAL STATUS IN 404 FOR EACH BIRTH IN 2014-2019. ASK THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL OF THESE BIRTHS. BEGIN WITH THE LAST BIRTH. IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 2 BIRTHS, USE LAST COLUMN OF ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE(S). <br> Now I would like to ask some questions about your children born in the last five years. (We will talk about each separately) |  |  |
| 403 | BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER FROM 212 IN BIRTH HISTORY. | LAST BIRTH <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER $\qquad$ | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER |
| 404 | FROM 212 AND 216: |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { NAME } \\ \text { LIVING } \\ \square \end{gathered}$ |
| 405 | When you got pregnant with (NAME), did you want to get pregnant at that time? |  |  |
| 406 | CHECK 208: <br> ONLY ONE BIRTH OR MORE THAN ONE BIRTH <br> a) Did you want to have a baby later on? | LATER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> NO MORE/NONE $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br>  $($ SKIP TO 408)  <br>    | LATER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> NO MORE/NONE $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br>  $($ SKIP TO 426$)$  |
| 407 | How much longer did you want to wait? | MONTHS <br> YEARS $\square$ DON'T KNOW | MONTHS <br> YEARS $\square$ <br> DON'T KNOW <br> 998 |
| 408 | Did you see anyone for antenatal care for this pregnancy? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br>   (SKIP TO 414) |  |
| 409 | Whom did you see? <br> Anyone else? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY EACH TYPE OF PERSON AND RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | HEALTH PERSONNEL <br> DOCTOR .................. A <br> CLINICAL OFFICER....... B <br> NURSE/MIDWIFE ........ C <br> AUXILIARY MIDWIFE ..... D <br> OTHER PERSON <br> TRADITIONAL BIRTH <br> ATTENDANT. $\qquad$ <br> COMMUNITY HEALTH <br> WORKER............... F <br> OTHER $\qquad$ X <br> (SPECIFY) |  |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 426 | When (NAME) was born, was (NAME) very large, larger than average, average, smaller than average, or very small? |  |  |
| 427 | Was (NAME) weighed at birth? |  |  |
| 428 | How much did (NAME) weigh? <br> RECORD WEIGHT IN KILOGRAMS FROM HEALTH CARD, IF AVAILABLE. | KG FROM CARD <br> KG FROM RECALL $\square$ <br> DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ | KG FROM CARD <br> KG FROM RECALL |
| 429 | Who assisted with the delivery of (NAME)? <br> Anyone else? <br> PROBE FOR THE TYPE(S) OF PERSON(S) AND RECORD ALL MENTIONED. <br> IF RESPONDENT SAYS NO ONE ASSISTED, PROBE TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY ADULTS WERE PRESENT AT THE DELIVERY. |  |  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH |  | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NAME |  | NAME |  |
| 435 | I would like to talk to you about checks on your health after delivery, for example, someone asking you questions about your health or examining you. Did anyone check on your health while you were still in the facility? | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \\ & \ldots \\ \text { (SKIP } \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| 436 | How long after delivery did the first check take place? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR RECORD '00'; IF LESS THAN ONE DAY, RECORD HOURS; <br> IF LESS THAN ONE WEEK, RECORD DAYS. |  |  |  |  |
| 437 | Who checked on your health at that time? <br> PROBE FOR MOST QUALIFIED PERSON. | HEALTH PERSONNEL DOCTOR ......... CLINICAL OFFICER NURSE/MIDWIFE AUXILIARY $\qquad$ OTHER PERSON TRADITIONAL BIRT ATTENDANT. COMMUNITY HEAL WORKER <br> OTHER $\qquad$ |  |  |  |
| 438 | Now I would like to talk to you about checks on (NAME)'s health after delivery - for example, someone examining (NAME), checking the cord, or seeing if (NAME) is OK. Did anyone check on (NAME)'s health while you were still in the facility? |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & { }_{8} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 439 | How long after delivery was (NAME)'s health first checked? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR RECORD '00'; IF LESS THAN ONE DAY, RECORD HOURS; <br> if Less than one week, RECORD DAYS. |  |  |  |  |
| 440 | Who checked on (NAME)'s health at that time? <br> PROBE FOR MOST QUALIFIED PERSON. | HEALTH PERSONNEL DOCTOR ......... CLINICAL OFFICER NURSE/MIDWIFE AUXILIARY <br> MIDWIFE ..... <br> OTHER PERSON <br> TRADITIONAL BIRT <br> ATTENDANT <br> COMMUNITY HEAL <br> WORKER <br> OTHER |  |  |  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NAME | NAME |  |
| 446 | How many hours, days or weeks after the birth of (NAME) did that check take place? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR RECORD '00'; IF LESS THAN ONE DAY, RECORD HOURS; <br> IF LESS THAN ONE WEEK, RECORD DAYS. | HOURS <br> DAYS <br> WEEKS |  |  |
| 447 | Who checked on (NAME)'s health at that time? <br> PROBE FOR MOST QUALIFIED PERSON. | HEALTH PERSONNEL <br> DOCTOR ................... 11 <br> CLINICAL OFFICER........ 12 <br> NURSE/MIDWIFE ........ 13 <br> AUXILIARY <br> MIDWIFE ............... . . 14 <br> OTHER PERSON <br> TRADITIONAL BIRTH <br> ATTENDANT........... 21 <br> COMMUNITY HEALTH <br> WORKER ........... 22 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |  |
| 448 | Where did this check of (NAME) take place? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) |  |  |  |
| 449 | I would like to talk to you about checks on your health after delivery, for example, someone asking you questions about your health or examining you. Did anyone check on your health after you gave birth to (NAME)? | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ & & (\text { SKIP TO 453) } & \end{array}$ |  |  |

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|  |  | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | NAME | NAME |
| 450 | How long after delivery did the first check take place? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR RECORD '00'; IF LESS THAN ONE DAY, RECORD HOURS; <br> IF LESS THAN ONE WEEK, RECORD DAYS. |  |  |
| 451 | Who checked on your health at that time? <br> PROBE FOR MOST QUALIFIED PERSON. |  |  |
| 452 | Where did this first check take place? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) | HOME <br> HER HOME ............... 11 <br> OTHER HOME ........... 12 <br> PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL. . 21 <br> REFERRAL HEALTH CENTRE 22 <br> MCH/HC .................. 23 <br> PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL 24 <br> MOBILE CLINIC ............ 25 <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ 26 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/ <br> CLINIC ............... 31 <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ 36 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 453 | I would like to talk to you about checks on (NAME)'s health after delivery - for example, someone examining (NAME), checking the cord, or seeing if (NAME) is OK. In the six weeks after (NAME) was born, did any health care provider or a traditional birth attendant check on (NAME)'s health? |  |  |

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|  |  | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | NAME | NAME |
| 454 | How many hours, days or weeks after the birth of (NAME) did the first check take place? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR RECORD '00'; IF LESS THAN ONE DAY, RECORD HOURS; <br> IF LESS THAN ONE WEEK, RECORD DAYS. |  |  |
| 455 | Who checked on (NAME)'s health at that time? <br> PROBE FOR MOST QUALIFIED PERSON |  |  |
| 456 | Where did this first check of (NAME) take place? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) | HOME $\qquad$ <br> OTHER HOME ........... 12 <br> PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL.. 21 <br> REFERRAL HEALTH CENTRE 22 <br> MCH/HC <br> .................... 23 <br> PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL 24 <br> MOBILE CLINIC ........... 25 <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ 26 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/ <br> CLINIC ............... 31 <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ 36 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> SPECIFY |  |

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| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NAME | NAME |
| 466 | CHECK 404: IS CHILD LIVING? |  |  |
| 467 | Are you still breastfeeding (NAME)? | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { n }\end{array}$ |  |
| 468 | Did (NAME) drink anything from a bottle with a nipple yesterday or last night? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 8 | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DONT KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 |
| 469 |  | GO BACK TO 405 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 501A. | GO BACK TO 405 IN NEXT-TOLAST COLUMN OF NEW QUESTIONNAIRE; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 501A. |

SECTION 5A. CHILD IMMUNIZATION (LAST BIRTH)

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501A | CHECK 215 IN THE BIRTH HISTORY: ANY BIRTHS IN ONE OR MORE BIRTHS IN 2016-2019 $\square$ | $016-2019 ?$ <br> NO BIRTHS IN 2016-2019 | $\rightarrow 601$ |
| 502A | RECORD THE NAME AND BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER <br> NAME OF LAST BIRTH | ROM 212 OF THE LAST CHILD BORN IN 2016-2019. <br> BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 503A | CHECK 216 FOR CHILD: <br> LIVING | DEAD | $\longrightarrow$ 501B |
| 504A | Do you have a card or other document where (NAME)'s vaccinations are written down? | YES, HAS ONLY A CARD $\ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ 1  <br> YES, HAS ONLY AN OTHER DOCUMENT $\ldots .$. 2 <br> YES, HAS CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENT ...... 3  <br> NO, NO CARD AND NO OTHER DOCUMENT . 4 | $\begin{aligned} \longrightarrow & 507 \mathrm{~A} \\ \longrightarrow & 507 \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ |
| 505A | Did you ever have a vaccination card for (NAME)? |  |  |
| 506A | CHECK 504A: CODE '2' CIRCLED | CODE '4' CIRCLED | $\rightarrow$ 511A |
| 507A | May I see the card or other document where (NAME)'s vaccinations are written down? | YES, ONLY CARD SEEN ....................... 1 <br> YES, ONLY OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN ....... 2 <br> YES, CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN .. 3 <br> NO CARD AND NO OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN.. 4 | $\rightarrow$ 511A |

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| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NAME OF LAST BIRTH | BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER |  |  |
| 511A | Did (NAME) ever receive any vaccinations to prevent (NAME) from getting diseases, including vaccinations received in campaigns or immunization days or child health days? | YES NO DON'T KNOW | 1 | $\rightarrow$ 520A |
| 512A | Has (NAME) ever received a BCG vaccination against tuberculosis, that is, an injection in the arm or shoulder that usually causes a scar? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | 1 2 8 |  |
| 513A | Has (NAME) ever received oral polio vaccine, that is, about two drops in the mouth to prevent polio or IPV, that is an injection on the arm to prevent polio? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $8$ | $\xrightarrow{ } \rightarrow 516 \mathrm{~A}$ |
| 514A | Did (NAME) receive the first oral polio or IPV vaccine in the first two weeks after birth or later? | FIRST TWO WEEKS LATER |  |  |
| 515A | How many times did (NAME) receive the oral polio or IPV vaccine? | NUMBER OF TIMES DON'T KNOW |  |  |
| 516A | Has (NAME) ever received a pentavalent vaccination, that is, an injection given in the thigh sometimes at the same time as polio drops? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \text { DONT KNOW } \\ & \text { DO..... } \end{aligned}$ | 8 | $\rightarrow$ 518A |
| 517A | How many times did (NAME) receive the pentavalent vaccine? | NUMBER OF TIMES DON'T KNOW |  |  |

SECTION 5A. CHILD IMMUNIZATION (LAST BIRTH)


SECTION 5B. CHILD IMMUNIZATION (NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH)

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501B | CHECK 215 IN THE BIRTH HISTORY: ANY MORE BIR MORE BIRTHS IN 2016-2019 $\square$ NO M | IN 2016-2019? <br> E BIRTHS IN 2016-2019 | $\rightarrow 601$ |
| 502B | RECORD THE NAME AND BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER 2016-2019. <br> name of next-to- <br> LAST BIRTH | OM 212 OF THE NEXT-TO-LAST CHILD BORN IN <br> BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER. $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 503B | CHECK 216 FOR CHILD: <br> LIVING $\square$ | DEAD | $\rightarrow$ 521B |
| 504B | Do you have a card or other document where (NAME)'s vaccinations are written down? | YES, HAS ONLY A CARD ..................... 1  <br> YES, HAS ONLY AN OTHER DOCUMENT $\ldots$. 2 <br> YES, HAS CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENT ..... 3  <br> NO, NO CARD AND NO OTHER DOCUMENT . 4 | $\begin{array}{\|l} \longrightarrow 507 \mathrm{~B} \\ \\ \hline 507 \mathrm{~B} \end{array}$ |
| 505B | Did you ever have a vaccination card for (NAME)? |  |  |
| 506B | CHECK 504B: <br> CODE '2' CIRCLED | CODE '4' CIRCLED | $\rightarrow$ 511B |
| 507B | May I see the card or other document where (NAME)'s vaccinations are written down? | YES, ONLY CARD SEEN ............................ 1  <br> YES, ONLY OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN ....... 2  <br> YES, CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN . 3 <br> NO CARD AND NO OTHER DOCUMENT SEEN.. 4  | $\rightarrow$ 511B |

SECTION 5B. CHILD IMMUNIZATION (NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH)


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| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NAME OF NEXT-TO- <br> LAST BIRTH $\qquad$ | BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER.......... |  |
| 511B | Did (NAME) ever receive any vaccinations to prevent (NAME) from getting diseases, including vaccinations received in campaigns or immunization days or child health days? |  | $\xrightarrow{ } \rightarrow 520 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| 512B | Has (NAME) ever received a BCG vaccination against tuberculosis, that is, an injection in the arm or shoulder that usually causes a scar? |  |  |
| 513B | Has (NAME) ever received oral polio vaccine, that is, about two drops in the mouth to prevent polio or IPV, that is an injection on the arm to prevent polio? +B 188 |  | $\xrightarrow{ } \rightarrow 516 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| 514B | Did (NAME) receive the first oral polio or IPV vaccine in the first two weeks after birth or later? |  |  |
| 515B | How many times did (NAME) receive the oral polio or IPV vaccine? | number of times DON'T KNOW $\square$ |  |
| 516B | Has (NAME) ever received a pentavalent vaccination, that is, an injection given in the thigh sometimes at the same time as polio drops? |  | $\rightarrow$ 518B |
| 517B | How many times did (NAME) receive the pentavalent vaccine? | number of times DON'T KNOW |  |

SECTION 5B. CHILD IMMUNIZATION (NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH)


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| 601 | CHECK 224: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ONE OR MORE BIRTHS <br> IN 2014-2019 |  |  |
| 602 | CHECK 215: RECORD THE BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER IN 603 AND THE NAME AND SURVIVAL STATUS IN 604 FOR EACH BIRTH IN 2014-2019. ASK THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL OF THESE BIRTHS. BEGIN WITH THE LAST BIRTH. IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 2 BIRTHS, USE LAST COLUMN OF ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE(S). <br> Now I would like to ask some questions about your children born in the last five years. (We will talk about each separately) |  |  |
| 603 | BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER FROM 212 IN BIRTH HISTORY. | LAST BIRTH <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER $\qquad$ | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER |
| 604 | FROM 212 AND 216: |  |  |
| 605 | In the last six months, was (NAME) given a vitamin A dose like [this/any of these]? <br> SHOW COMMON TYPES OF ampules/Capsules/Syrups. |  | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 8 |
| 606 | In the last seven days, was (NAME) given iron pills, sprinkles with iron, or iron syrup like [this/any of these]? SHOW COMMON TYPES OF PILLS/SPRINKLES/SYRUPS. | YES $\quad \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> NO $\quad \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 8 |  |
| 607 | Was (NAME) given any drug for intestinal worms in the last six months? | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \text { DON'T KNOW } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lrrr}\text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \text { DON'T KNOW } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8\end{array}$ |
| 608 | Has (NAME) had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOWSKIP TO 618$)$ <br> $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8  |  |

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|  |  | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | NAME | name |
| 609 | CHECK 467: CURRENTLY BREASTFEEDING? |  |  |
| 610 | When (NAME) had diarrhea, was (NAME) given less than usual to eat, about the same amount, more than usual, or nothing to eat? <br> IF LESS, PROBE: Was (NAME) given much less than usual to eat or somewhat less? |  |  |
| 611 | Did you seek advice or treatment for the diarrhea from any source? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br>  (SKIP TO 615$)$  | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ ${ }^{2} \ldots$ <br>  SKIP TO 615$)$  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 612 | Where did you seek advice or treatment? <br> Anywhere else? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE(S). <br> (NAME OF PLACE(S)) | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL.. A referral health centre b MCH/HC ................. C PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL D MOBILE CLINIC ........... E CHW ..................... F <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ G <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/DOCTOR/ <br> CLINIC <br> PHARMACY <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL SECTOR <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP ................. K <br> TRADITIONAL <br> PRACTITIONER........ L <br> MARKET $\qquad$ M <br> ITINERANT DRUG <br> SELLER ............... N <br> OTHER $\qquad$ X | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL.. A REFERRAL HEALTH CENTRE B MCH/HC PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL D MOBILE CLINIC CHW OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/DOCTOR/ CLINIC <br> PHARMACY <br> other private <br> MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP <br> TRADITIONAL <br> PRACTITIONER........ L <br> MARKET $\qquad$ $\stackrel{L}{M}$ <br> itinerant drug SELLER $\qquad$ N <br> OTHER $\qquad$ x <br> (SPECIFY) |
| 613 | CHECK 612: |  |  |
| 614 | Where did you first seek advice or treatment? <br> USE LETTER CODE FROM 612. | FIRST PLACE ........ $\square$ | FIRST PLACE |

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|  | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH |  | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| no. |  | NAME |  | NAME |  |  |
| 615 | Was (NAME) given any of the following at any time since (NAME) started having the diarrhea: <br> a) A fluid made from a special packet called [LOCAL NAME FOR ORS PACKET]? <br> b) A pre-packaged ORS liquid? <br> c) A government-recommended homemade fluid? <br> d) Zinc tablets or syrup? | a) FLUID FROM ORS <br> PACKET .. 1 <br> b) ORS LIQUID .. 1 <br> c) HOMEMADE FLUID..... 1 <br> d) ZINC $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { NO } & \text { DK } \\ & \\ 2 & 8 \\ 2 & 8 \\ 2 & 8 \\ 2 & 8 \end{array}$ | YES <br> a) FLUID FROM ORS <br> PACKET .. 1 <br> b) ORS LIQUID .. 1 <br> c) HOMEMADE <br> FLUID...... 1 <br> d) ZINC <br> ....... 1 | NO <br> 2 2 <br> 2 | DK <br> 8 8 <br> 8 8 |
| 616 | CHECK 615: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 617 | CHECK 615: | PILL OR SYRUP ANTIBIOTIC ANTIMOTILITY OTHER (NOT OR ANTIMOTILIT UNKNOWN PILL OR SYRUP <br> INJECTION <br> ANTIBIOTIC NON-ANTIBIOTIC UNKNOWN <br> INJ ECTION <br> (IV) INTRAVENOUS $\qquad$ <br> HOME REMEDY/ <br> herbal medicine <br> OTHER $\qquad$ |   <br> ... $A$ <br> $B$  <br> TIC <br> ..... C <br> ..... D $\qquad$ E <br> ..... G <br> ..... H <br> ..... \| <br> X | PILL OR SYRUP <br> ANTIBIOTIC <br> ANTIMOTILITY <br> OTHER (NOT <br> OR ANTIMOTILITY) <br> UNKNOWN PILL <br> or SYRUP <br> INJECTION <br> ANTIBIOTIC <br> NON-ANTIBIOTIC <br> UNKNOWN <br> INJ ECTION <br> (IV) INTRAVENOUS $\qquad$ <br> HOME REMEDY/ <br> herbal medicine. <br> OTHER $\qquad$ |  | A <br> B <br> C <br> D <br> E F <br> G <br> H <br> । <br> x |
| 618 | Has (NAME) been ill with a fever at any time in the last 2 weeks? |  |  |  |  |  |
| 619 | At any time during the illness, did (NAME) have blood taken from (NAME)'s finger or heel for testing? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 |  | YES $\quad \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 |  |  |
| 620 | Has (NAME) had an illness with a cough at any time in the last 2 weeks? |  |  | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 8 |  |  |
| 621 | Has (NAME) had fast, short, rapid breaths or difficulty breathing at any time in the last 2 weeks? |  |  |  |  |  |

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| NO. |  | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | NAME |  |
| 622 | Was the fast or difficult breathing due to a problem in the chest or to a blocked or runny nose? |  |  |
| 623 | CHECK 618: HAD FEVER? | YES $\square$ $\square$$\quad \begin{gathered}\text { NO OR DK } \\ \square\end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { YES } & \text { NO OR DK } \\ \square \\ \square & \text { (SKIP TO 646) } \\ \square\end{array}$ |
| 624 | Did you seek advice or treatment for the illness from any source? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br>  $($ SKIP TO 629$)$  | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br>   (SKIP TO 629 ) |
| 625 | Where did you seek advice or treatment? <br> Anywhere else? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE(S). <br> (NAME OF PLACE(S)) | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL.. A referral health centre b MCH/HC .................. C PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL D MOBILE CLINIC ........... E CHW ...................... F <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ G <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/DOCTOR/ <br> CLINIC <br> PHARMACY <br> other private <br> MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP .................. K <br> TRADITIONAL <br> PRACTITIONER ....... L <br> market $\qquad$ <br> KORAN ................. N <br> OTHER $\qquad$ $x$ | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL.. A REFERRAL HEALTH CENTRE B MCH/HC ................. C PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL D MOBILE CLINIC $\qquad$ E CHW $\qquad$ F <br> OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ G <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/DOCTOR/ CLINIC $\qquad$ <br> PHARMACY H I <br> other private <br> MEDICAL SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP <br> TRADITIONAL <br> PRACTITIONER $\qquad$ L <br> MARKET $\qquad$ <br> KORAN $\qquad$ M <br> OTHER $\qquad$ x |
| 626 | CHECK 625: |  |  |

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|  |  | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | NAME | NAME |
| 627 | Where did you first seek advice or treatment? <br> USE LETTER CODE FROM 625. | FIRST PLACE .......... | FIRST PLACE |
| 628 | How many days after the illness began did you first seek advice or treatment for (NAME)? <br> IF THE SAME DAY RECORD ‘00'. | DAYS $\square$ | DAYS .......... |
| 629 | At any time during the illness, did (NAME) take any drugs for the illness? |  |  |
| 630 | What drugs did (NAME) take? <br> Any other drugs? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |
| 631 | CHECK 630: <br> ANY CODE A-I CIRCLED? | YES NO $\square$ <br> $\square$ $\square$ | $\begin{array}{lr}\text { YES } & \text { NO } \square \\ \square & \\ \square\end{array}$ |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH <br> NAME | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 632 | CHECK 630: <br> ARTEMISININ COMBINATION THERAPY ('A') GIVEN |  |  |
| 633 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take an artemisinin combination therapy? |  | SAME DAY <br> NEXT DAY <br> TWO DAYS AFTER <br> FEVER <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS <br> AFTER FEVER ............ 3 <br> DON'T KNOW |
| 634 | CHECK 630: <br> SP/FANSIDAR ('B') GIVEN |  |  |
| 635 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take SP/F ansidar? |  | SAME DAY <br> NEXT DAY <br> TWO DAYS AFTER <br> FEVER <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS <br> AFTER FEVER <br> DON'T KNOW |
| 636 | CHECK 630: <br> CHLOROQUINE ('C') GIVEN |  |  |
| 637 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take chloroquine? |  | SAME DAY <br> NEXT DAY <br> TWO DAYS AFTER <br> FEVER <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS <br> AFTER FEVER <br> DON'T KNOW |
| 638 | CHECK 630: <br> AMODIAQUINE ('D') GIVEN |  |  |
| 639 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take amodiaquine? |  | SAME DAY <br> NEXT DAY <br> TWO DAYS AFTER <br> FEVER <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS <br> AFTER FEVER ............ 3 <br> DON'T KNOW |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | LAST BIRTH <br> NAME | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 640 | CHECK 630: <br> QUININE ('E' OR 'F') GIVEN |  |  |
| 641 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take quinine? | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0 <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> TWO DAYS AFTER  <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS  <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$. 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 8 | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0  <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> TWO DAYS AFTER   <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS   <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 8 |
| 642 | CHECK 630: <br> ARTESUNATE ('G' OR 'H') GIVEN |  |  |
| 643 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take artesunate? | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0 <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> TWO DAYS AFTER  <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS  <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$. 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0  <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> TWO DAYS AFTER   <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS   <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots .$. 8  |
| 644 | CHECK 630: <br> OTHER ANTIMALARIAL ('I') GIVEN |  |  |
| 645 | How long after the fever started did (NAME) first take (OTHER ANTIMALARIAL)? | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0 <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> TWO DAYS AFTER  <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS  <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$. 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 | SAME DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 0  <br> NEXT DAY $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1  <br> TWO DAYS AFTER   <br> FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2  <br> THREE OR MORE DAYS   <br> AFTER FEVER $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 8 |
| 646 |  | GO BACK TO 604 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 647. | GO TO 604 IN NEXT-TO-LAST COLUMN OF NEW QUESTIONNAIRE; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 647. |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 647 | CHECK 615(a) AND 615(b), ALL COLUMNS: $\square$ <br> FROM ORS PACKET OR <br> PRE-PACKAGED ORS LIQUID | ANY CHILD RECEIVED FLUID $\square$ <br> FROM ORS PACKET OR E-PACKAGED ORS LIQUID | $\rightarrow 649$ |
| 648 | Have you ever heard of a special product called [LOCAL NAME FOR ORS PACKET OR PREPACKAGED ORS LIQUID] you can get for the treatment of diarrhea? | YES <br> NO |  |
| 649 | CHECK 215 AND 218, ALL ROWS: NUMBER OF CHILDREN BORN IN 2017-2019 LIVING WITH THE RESPONDENT <br> ONE OR MORE NONE [ $\square$ 701 |  |  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  |  |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $650$ | Now I would like to ask you about liquids or foods that (NAME FROM 649) had yesterday during the day or at night. I am interested in whether your child had the item I mention even if it was combined with other foods. Did (NAME FROM 649) drink or eat: <br> a) Plain water? |  | YES $\ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . \quad 1$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NO } \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { DK } \\ 8 \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  | b) J uice or juice drinks? |  | $\ldots . . . . . . . \mid 1$ | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | c) Clear broth (soup)? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | d) Canned/powdered livestock milk? <br> IF YES: How many times did (NAME) drink canned/powdered milk? <br> IF 7 OR MORE TIMES, RECORD '7'. |  | . ivuivio. in ur 1 $\qquad$ <br> TIMES DRANK CANNED/ POWMFRFD MIIK |  | 8 |  |
|  | e) Fresh livestock milk? <br> IF YES: How many times did (NAME) drink fresh milk? <br> IF 7 OR MORE TIMES, RECORD '7'. |  | .............. 1 <br> number of TIMES DRANK | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | f) Infant formula? <br> IF YES: How many times did (NAME) drink infant formula? <br> IF 7 OR MORE TIMES, RECORD '7'. |  | $\text { ................ } 1$ <br> NUMBER OF TIMES DRANK | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | g) Any other liquids? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | h) Yogurt? <br> IF YES: How many times did (NAME) eat yogurt? <br> IF 7 OR MORE TIMES, RECORD '7'. |  | .............. 1 <br> NUMBER OF TIMES ATE ルのค1ın | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | i) Any [BRAND NAME OF COMMERCIALLY FORTIFIED BABY FOOD, E.G., Cerelac]? | i) | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | j) Bread, dough, pancake, rice, noodles, porridge, or other foods made from grains? | j) | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | k) Pumpkin, carrots, squash, or sweet potatoes that are yellow or orange inside? | k) | ........... 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | I) White potatoes, white yams, manioc/cassava, or | 1) | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | m) Any dark green, leafy vegetables? |  | )........... 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | n) Ripe mangoes, papayas, orange, bananas, water | n) | ........... 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | o) Any other fruits or vegetables? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | p) Liver, kidney, heart, or other organ meats? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | q) Any meat, such as beef, lamb, goat, chicken? |  | ........... 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | r) Eggs? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | s) Fresh or dried fish or shellfish? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | t) Any foods made from beans, peas, lentils, or nuts? | t) | $\ldots . . . \ldots \ldots .1$ | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | u) Cheese or other food made from milk? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |
|  | v) Any other solid, semi-solid, or soft food? |  | ............ 1 | 2 | 8 |  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 651 | CHECK 650 (CATEGORIES ' $g$ 'THROUGH ' $v$ '): <br> ALL ARE "NO" $\square$ | T ONE 'YES' | $\longrightarrow 653$ |
| 652 | Did (NAME FROM 649) eat any solid, semi-solid, or soft foods yesterday during the day or at night? <br> IF 'YES' PROBE: What kind of solid, semi-solid or soft foods did (NAME) eat? |  | $\rightarrow 654$ |
| 653 | How many times did (NAME FROM 649) eat solid, semi-solid, or soft foods yesterday during the day or at night? <br> IF 7 OR MORE TIMES, RECORD ' 7 '. | NUMBER OF TIMES $\square$ <br> DON'T KNOW |  |
| 654 | The last time (NAME FROM 649) passed stools, what was done to dispose of the stools? |  |  |

SECTION 7. FERTILITY PREFERENCES

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 701 | CHECK 226: <br> PREGNANT $\square$ | $\square$ OR UNSURE | $\rightarrow 703$ |
| 702 | Now I have some questions about the future. After the child you are expecting now, would you like to have another child, or would you prefer not to have any more children? | have another child NO MORE UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW | $\begin{aligned} & \longrightarrow 704 \\ & \hline \rightarrow 710 \end{aligned}$ |
| 703 | Now I have some questions about the future. Would you like to have (a/another) child, or would you prefer not to have any (more) children? | HAVE (A/ANOTHER) CHILD NO MORE/NONE <br> SAYS SHE CAN'T GET PREGNANT UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{\|l} \longrightarrow \\ \hline \end{array} 711$ |
| 704 | CHECK 226: <br> NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE <br> a) How long would you like to wait from now before the birth of (a/another) child? <br> PREGNANT <br> b) After the birth of the child you are expecting now, how long would you like to wait before the birth of another child? |  |  |
| 705 | CHECK 226: <br> NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE $\square$ | PREGNANT | $\rightarrow 710$ |
| 706 | CHECK 303: USING A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD? | CURRENTLY <br> USING $\square$ | $\rightarrow 711$ |
| 707 | CHECK 704: | '00-23' MONTHS <br> OR '00-01'YEAR | $\rightarrow 711$ |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 713 | In the last three months have you: <br> a) Heard about birth spacing on the radio? <br> b) Seen anything about birth spacing on the television? <br> c) Read about birth spacing in a newspaper or magazine? <br> d) Received a voice or text message about birth spacing on a mobile phone? <br> e) Have you read about birth spacing on internet or social media? <br> f) Have you heard about birth spacing from a health care worker/in the health facility? |  |  |
| 714 | CHECK 303: USING A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD? <br> CURRENTLY <br> USING <br> NOT <br> ASKED $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOT } \\ & \text { ENTLY } \\ & \text { USING } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \longrightarrow 716 \\ & \longrightarrow 717 \end{aligned}$ |
| 715 | Would you say that using contraception is mainly your decision, mainly your husband's decision, or did you both decide together? |  | $\rightarrow 717$ |
| 716 | Would you say that not using contraception is mainly your decision, mainly your husband's decision, or did you both decide together? |  |  |
| 717 | Does your husband want the same number of children that you want, or does he want more or fewer than you want? |  |  |

SECTION 8. HUSBAND'S BACKGROUND AND WOMAN'S WORK

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 801 | CHECK 119 \& 120: <br> CURRENTLY MARRIED $\square$ | NOT IN <br> UNION |  | $\rightarrow 809$ |
| 802 | How old was your husband on his last birthday? <br> IF 95 OR MORE, RECORD '95' | AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS ........DON'T KNOW AGE $\quad . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$DO |  |  |
| 803 | Did your husband ever attend school? |  |  | $\rightarrow 806$ |
| 804 | What was the highest level of school he attended: primary, secondary, or higher? |  |  | $\longrightarrow 806$ |
| 805 | What was the highest [GRADE/FORM/YEAR] he completed at that level? <br> IF COMPLETED LESS THAN ONE YEAR AT THAT LEVEL, RECORD '00'. | [GRADE/FORM/YEAR] <br> DON' KNOW |  |  |
| 806 | Has your husband done any work in the last 7 days? |  |  | $\longrightarrow 808$ |
| 807 | Has your husband done any work in the last 12 months? |  |  | $\rightarrow 809$ |
| 808 | What is your husband's occupation? That is, what kind of work does he mainly do? <br> NB- REFER TO THE INTERVIEWER'S MANUAL FOR THE CODES ON OCCUPATION |  |  |  |
| 809 | Aside from your own housework, have you done any work in the last seven days? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 2 |  | $\longrightarrow 813$ |
| 810 | As you know, some women take up jobs for which they are paid in cash or kind. Others sell things, have a small business or look after animals or work on the family farm or in the family business. In the last seven days, have you done any of these things or any other work? |  |  | $\rightarrow 813$ |
| 811 | Although you did not work in the last seven days, do you have any job or business from which you were absent for leave, illness, vacation, maternity leave, or any other such reason? |  |  | $\rightarrow 813$ |
| 812 | Have you done any work in the last 12 months? |  |  | $\longrightarrow 817$ |
| 813 | What is your main occupation? That is, what kind of work do you mainly do? <br> NB- REFER TO THE INTERVIEWER'S MANUAL FOR THE CODES ON OCCUPATION | $\square$ |  |  |

SECTION 8. HUSBAND'S BACKGROUND AND WOMAN'S WORK

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 814 | Do you do this work for a member of your family, for someone else, or are you self-employed? |  |  |
| 815 | Do you usually work throughout the year, or do you work seasonally, or only once in a while? |  |  |
| 816 | Are you paid in cash or kind for this work or are you not paid at all? |  |  |
| 817 | CHECK119\&120: <br> CURRENTLY <br> MARRIED | NOT IN UNION $\square$ | $\rightarrow 825$ |
| 818 | CHECK 816: $\begin{array}{r} \text { CODE '1'OR '2' } \\ \text { CIRCLED } \end{array}$ | OTHER $\square$ | $\rightarrow 821$ |
| 819 | Who usually decides how the money you earn will be used: you, your husband, or you and your husband jointly? |  |  |
| 820 | Would you say that the money that you earn is more than what your husband earns, less than what he earns, or about the same? |  | $\rightarrow 822$ |
| 821 | Who usually decides how your husband's earnings will be used: you, your husband, or you and your husband jointly? |  |  |
| 822 | Who usually makes decisions about health care for yourself: you, your husband, you and your husband jointly, or someone else? |  |  |
| 823 | Who usually makes decisions about making major household purchases? |  |  |

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| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 824 | When you are going out, who do you usually ask permission? |  |  |
| 825 | Do you own this or any other house either alone or jointly with someone else? |  | $\longrightarrow 828$ |
| 826 | Do you have a title deed for any house you own? |  | $\xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} 828$ |
| 827 | Is your name on the title deed? |  |  |
| 828 | Do you own any agricultural or non-agricultural land either alone or jointly with someone else? |  | $\longrightarrow 901$ |
| 829 | Do you have a title deed for any land you own? |  | $\rightarrow 901$ |
| 830 | Is your name on the title deed? |  |  |


| SECTION 9. HIV/AIDS \& STIS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COdING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| 901 | Now I would like to talk about something else. Have you ever heard of HIV or AIDS? | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & . . \\ \text { NO } & . . \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \end{array}$ | $\longrightarrow 918$ |
| 902 | HIV is the virus that can lead to AIDS. Can people reduce their chance of getting HIV by having just one uninfected wives who has no other wives? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{cc} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 903 | Can people get HIV from mosquito bites? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \quad . . . . . . . \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \text { DONT KNOW } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \ldots . . . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| 904 | Can people reduce their chance of getting HIV by using a condom every time they have sex? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{cc} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 905 | Can people get HIV by sharing food with a person who has HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \cdots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 906 | Can people get HIV because of witchcraft or other supernatural means? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \ldots \ldots . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| 907 | Is it possible for a healthy-looking person to have HIV? | YES <br> No DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \ldots \ldots . & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots . & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| 908 | Can HIV be transmitted from a mother to her baby: <br> a) During pregnancy? <br> b) During delivery? <br> c) By breastfeeding? | a) DURING PREGNANCY .. 1 <br> b) DURING DELIVERY..... 1 <br> c) BREASTFEEDING ..... 1 | NO DK <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 |  |
| 909 | CHECK 908: <br> AT LEAST $\square$ ONE 'YES | other |  | $\rightarrow 911$ |
| 910 | Are there any special drugs that a doctor or a nurse can give to a woman infected with HIV to reduce the risk of transmission to the baby? | Yes <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 911 | Would you buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper or vendor if you knew that this person had HIV? | ```YES NO DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND``` | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 912 | Do you think children living with HIV should be allowed to attend school with children who do not have HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 913 | Do you think people hesitate to take an HIV test because they are afraid of how other people will react if the test result is positive for HIV? |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 914 | Do people talk badly about people living with HIV, or who are thought to be living with HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEN | $\begin{array}{ll} \cdots \cdots \cdots & 1 \\ \cdots \cdots \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 915 | Do people living with HIV, or thought to be living with HIV, lose the respect of other people? | ```YES NO DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND``` | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 916 | Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I would be ashamed if someone in my family had HIV. | AGREE DISAGREE DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |


| SECTION 9. HIV/AIDS \& STIS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| 917 | Do you fear that you could get HIV if you come into contact with the saliva of a person living with HIV? |  |  |
| 918 | CHECK 901: <br> HEARD ABOUT HIV OR AIDS <br> a) Apart from HIV, have you heard about other infections that can be transmitted through sexual contact? <br> NOT HEARD ABOUT HIV OR AIDS $\square$ <br> b) Have you heard about infections that can be transmitted through sexual contact? |  |  |
| 919 | CHECK 918: HEARD ABOUT OTHER SEXUALLY TRAN <br> YES $\square$ | MITTED INFECTIONS? <br> No $\square$ | $\rightarrow 926$ |
| 920 | Now I would like to ask you some questions about your health in the last 12 months. During the last 12 months, have you had a disease which you got through sexual contact? |  |  |
| 921 | Sometimes women experience a bad-smelling abnormal genital discharge. During the last 12 months, have you had a bad-smelling abnormal genital discharge? |  |  |
| 922 | Sometimes women have a genital sore or ulcer. During the last 12 months, have you had a genital sore or ulcer? |  |  |
| 923 | CHECK 920, 921, AND 922: <br> HAS HAD AN INFECTION (ANY 'YES') | HAS NOT HAD AN $\square$ INFECTION OR DOES NOT KNOW | $\rightarrow 926$ |
| 924 | The last time you had (PROBLEM FROM 920/921/922), did you seek any kind of advice or |  | $\longrightarrow 926$ |
| 925 | Where did you go? <br> Any other place? <br> PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE. <br> IF UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. | ```PUBLIC SECTOR GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL . .................. A referral health centre............... B MCH/HC .................................. C PRIMARY HEALTH UNIT (PHL. .............. D MOBILE CLINIC ............................. E OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR``` $\qquad$ ```NoneNone ``` $\qquad$ ```None \\ OTHER ``` $\qquad$ ```None ``` |  |
| 926 | If a wife knows her husband has a disease that she can get during sexual intercourse, is she justified in asking that they use a condom when they have sex? |  |  |

SECTION 10. OTHER HEALTH ISSUES

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1001 | Now I would like to ask you some other questions relating to health matters. Have you had an injection for any reason in the last 12 months? <br> IF YES: How many injections have you had? <br> IF NUMBER OF INJ ECTIONS IS 90 OR MORE, OR DAILY FOR 3 MONTHS OR MORE, RECORD '90'. IF NON-NUMERIC ANSWER, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE. | NUMBER OF INJECTIONS <br> NONE | $00$ | $\rightarrow 1004$ |
| 1002 | Among these injections, how many were administered by a doctor, a nurse, a pharmacist, a dentist, or any other health worker? <br> IF NUMBER OF INJ ECTIONS IS 90 OR MORE, OR DAILY FOR 3 MONTHS OR MORE, RECORD '90'. IF NON-NUMERIC ANSWER, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE. | NUMBER OF INJECTIONS <br> NONE | 00 | $\longrightarrow 1004$ |
| 1003 | The last time you got an injection from a health worker, did he/she take the syringe and needle from a new, unopened package? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . & 1 \\ \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots . & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1004 | Do you currently smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all? | EVERY DAY <br> SOME DAYS <br> NOT AT ALL | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots . . & 2 \\ \ldots . . & 3 \end{array}$ | $\rightarrow 1006$ |
| 1005 | On average, how many cigarettes do you currently smoke each day? | NUMBER OF CIGARETTES |  |  |
| 1006 | Do you currently smoke or use any other type of tobacco every day, some days, or not at all? | EVERY DAY <br> SOME DAYS <br> NOT AT ALL | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots . . & 2 \\ \ldots . . & 3 \end{array}$ | $\longrightarrow 1008$ |
| 1007 | What other type of tobacco do you currently smoke or use? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | KRETEKS <br> PIPES FULL OF TOBACCO <br> CIGARS, CHEROOTS, OR CIGARILLOS <br> WATER PIPE <br> SNUFF BY MOUTH <br> SNUFF BY NOSE <br> CHEWING TOBACCO <br> BETEL QUID WITH TOBACCO <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & A \\ \ldots \ldots & B \\ \ldots \ldots & C \\ \ldots \ldots & D \\ \ldots \ldots & E \\ \ldots \ldots & F \\ \ldots \ldots & G \\ \ldots \ldots & H \\ & \\ & \\ & \end{array}$ |  |
| 1008 | Many different factors can prevent women from getting medical advice or treatment for themselves. When you are sick and want to get medical advice or treatment, is each of the following a big problem or not a big problem: <br> a) Getting permission to go to the doctor? <br> b) Getting money needed for advice or treatment? <br> c) The distance to the health facility? <br> d) Not wanting to go alone? | a) PERMISSION TO GO $\qquad$ <br> b) GETTING MONEY ........ 1 <br> c) DISTANCE $\qquad$ <br> d) GO ALONE ............... 1 | NOT A BIG PROBLEM <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 |  |

SECTION 10. OTHER HEALTH ISSUES

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1009 | Are you covered by any health insurance? | YES <br> NO | $\rightarrow 1011$ |
| 1010 | What type of health insurance are you covered by? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | MUTUAL HEALTH ORGANIZATION/ <br> COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH <br> INSURANCE <br> HEALTH INSURANCE THROUGH <br> EMPLOYER <br> SOCIAL SECURITY <br> OTHER PRIVATELY PURCHASED <br> COMMERCIAL HEALTH INSURANCE <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 1011 | FISTULA <br> Sometimes a woman can have a problem of constant leakage of urine or stool from her vagina during the day and night. This problem usually occurs after a difficult childbirth, but may also occur after a sexual assault or after pelvic surgery. <br> Have you ever experienced a constant leakage of urine or stool from your vagina during the day and night? | YES <br> NO | $\longrightarrow 1013$ |
| 1012 | Have you ever heard of this problem? | YES <br> NO | $\xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} 1101$ |
| 1013 | Did this problem start after you delivered a baby or had a stillbirth? | AFTER DELIVERED BABY AFTER HAD STILLBIRTH NEITHER | $\longrightarrow 1016$ |
| 1014 | Did this problem start after a normal labor and delivery, or after a very difficult labor and delivery? | NORMAL LABOR/DELIVERY VERY DIFFICULT LABOR/DELIVERY ........... |  |
| 1015 | How many days after delivery did the leakage start? <br> ENTER '90' IF 90 DAYS OR MORE. | NUMBER OF DAYS AFTER DELIVERY/OTHER EVENT $\square$ |  |
| 1016 | Have you sought treatment for this condition? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow 1018$ |
| 1017 | Why have you not sought treatment? <br> PROBE AND RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | DO NOT KNOW CAN BE FIXED <br> DO NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO <br> TOO EXPENSIVE <br> TOO FAR <br> POOR QUALITY OF CARE <br> COULD NOT GET PERMISSION <br> embarrassment <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow_{1101}$ |
| 1018 | From whom did you last seek treatment? | HEALTH PROFESSIONAL <br> DOCTOR $\qquad$ <br> CLINICAL OFFICER <br> NURSE/MIDWIFE <br> OTHER PERSON <br> COMMUNITY/VILLAGE <br> HEALTH WORKER ........................ <br> HERBALIST <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 1019 | Did you have an operation to fix the problem? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 1020 | Did the treatment stop the leakage completely? <br> IF NO: Did the treatment reduce the leakage? | YES, STOPPED COMPLETELY <br> NOT STOPPED BUT REDUCED <br> NOT STOPPED AT ALL. <br> DID NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT |  |

SECTION 11. FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1101 | Now I would like to ask some questions about a practice known as female circumcision. Have you ever heard of female circumcision? |  | $\rightarrow 1103$ |
| 1102 | In some countries, there is a practice in which a girl may have part of her genitals cut. Have you ever heard about this practice? |  | $\rightarrow 1201$ |
| 1103 | Have you yourself ever been circumcised? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $\rightarrow 1109$ |
| 1104 | What type of circumcision did you undergo? |  |  |
| 1105 | Please describe what was exactly done <br> CIRCLE ONLY ONE OPTION <br> a) Excision of the clitoral hood (prepuce), with or without excision of part or all of the clitoris <br> b) Excision of the clitoris with partial or total excision of the labia minora <br> c) Excision of part or all of the external genitalia and stitching/ narrowing of the vaginal opening <br> d) All other procedures that involve pricking, piercing, stretching or incising of the clitoris and/or labia; introduction of corrosive substances into the vagina to narrow it |  |  |
| 1106 | How old were you when you were circumcised? <br> IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW THE EXACT AGE, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE. |  |  |
| 1107 | Who performed the circumcision? |  |  |
| 1108 | CHECK 213, 215 AND 216: <br> HAS ONE OR MORE LIVING DAUGHTERS BORN IN 2007 OR LATER | AS NO LIVING DAUGHTERS $\square$ N IN 2007 OR LATER | $\rightarrow 1116$ |

SECTION 11. FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

| 1109 | CHECK 213, 215 AND 216: ENTER IN THE TABLE THE BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER AND NAME OF EACH LIVING DAUGHTER BORN IN 2007 OR LATER. ASK THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL OF THESE DAUGHTERS. BEGIN WITH THE YOUNGEST DAUGHTER. (IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 3 DAUGHTERS, USE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONNAIRES). <br> Now I would like to ask you some questions about your (daughter/daughters). |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1111 | BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER AND NAME OF EACH LIVING DAUGHTER BORN IN 2007 OR LATER. | YOUNGE <br> DAUG <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER. <br> NAME | NEXT-TO-Y LIVING D <br> BIRTH <br> HISTORY <br> NUMBER. <br> NAME |  | SECOND-T LIVING D BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER NAME | T |
| 1112 | Is (NAME OF DAUGHTER) circumcised? | YES $\qquad$ <br> NO <br> (GO <br> IN NEXT C <br> OR IF N DAUG GO | YES <br> NO <br> (GO <br> IN NEXT <br> OR IF N <br> DAU <br> GO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & \end{aligned}$ | YES $\qquad$ <br> NO <br> (GO <br> IN FIRST C <br> QUESTIONNAIR NO MORE DAUG GO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 1113 | How old was (NAME OF DAUGHTER) when she was circumcised? <br> IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW THE AGE, PROBE TO GET AN <br> RECORD '00' IF LESS THAN A YEAR | AGE IN COMPLETED YRS. <br> DON'T KNOW | AGE IN COMPLETED YRS. <br> DON'T KNOW |  | AGE IN COMPLETED YRS. DON'T KNOW | $98$ |
| 1114 | W as her genital area sewn closed? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1115 | Who performed the circumcision? | TRADITIONAL <br> TRADITION CIRCUM <br> TRAD. BIR <br> ATTEN <br> OTHER TR <br> HEALTH PRO <br> DOCTOR <br> CLINICAL <br> NURSE/MID <br> OTHER HE PROFE <br> (SP <br> DON'T KNOW | TRADITIONAL <br> TRADITION <br> CIRCUM <br> TRAD. BIR <br> ATTEND <br> OTHER TR <br> HEALTH PRO <br> DOCTOR <br> CLINICAL <br> NURSE/MID <br> OTHER HE <br> PROFE <br> (SP <br> DON'T KNOW |  | TRADITIONAL <br> TRADITION CIRCUM <br> TRAD. BIR <br> ATTEND OTHER TR <br> HEALTH PRO <br> DOCTOR <br> CLINICAL <br> NURSE/MID <br> OTHER HE <br> PROFE <br> (SP <br> DON'T KNOW | 11 <br> 12 <br> 16 <br> 21 <br> 22 <br> 23 <br> 26 <br> 98 |
| 1115 |  | GO BACK TO NEXT COLUM NO MORE DA GO TO 1116) | GO BACK TO NEXT COLUM NO MORE DA GO TO 1116) |  | GO TO 1111 IN FIRST COLUM QUESTIONNAI NO MORE DAU GO TO 1116) |  |
| 1116 | Do you believe that female circ required by your religion? | cision is |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1117 | Do you think that female circum continued, or should it be stopp | sion should be d? |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |

SECTION 12. MATERNAL DEATHS

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  |  | CODING CATEGORIES |  |  | SKIP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1201 | Now I would like to ask you some questions about your brothers and sisters, that is, all of the children born to your natural mother, including those who are living with you, those living elsewhere and those who have died. How many children did your mother give birth to, including you? |  |  | NUMBER OF BIRTHS TO NATURAL MOTHER |  |  |  |  |
| 1202 | CHECK 1201:TWO OR MOREBIRTHS $\square \begin{array}{r}\text { ONLT ON }\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1301 |
| 1203 | How many births did your mother have before you were born? |  |  | NUMBER OF PRECEDING BIRTHS |  |  |  |  |
| 1204 | What was the name given to your (oldest/ next oldest) brother or sister? | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |  |
| 1205 | Is (NAME) male or female? | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1206 | Is (NAME) still alive? |  | $\begin{array}{lr}\text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \\ & \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & \\ \text { DK } & \\ \text { DK }\end{array}$ |  |  |  | YES 1 <br> NO 2 <br>  $\downarrow$ <br>  $\downarrow$ <br>  (SKIP TO <br>  $1208)$ <br> DK 8 <br>  $\downarrow$ <br>  $\downarrow$ <br>   <br> (GO TO 7 |  |
| 1207 | How old is (NAME)? <br> RECORD ' 00 ' IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR |   <br> (GO TO 2)  |   |   |   <br> (GO TO 5)  |   <br> (GO TO 6)  |   |  |
| 1208 | How many years ago did (NAME) die? <br> RECORD ' 00 ' <br> IF LESS <br> THAN ONE <br> YEAR |  | $\square$ |  |  | $\square$ | \| |  |
| 1209 | How old was (NAME) when (he/she) died? | (IF MALE OR DIED BEFORE 12 YRS OR AFTER 49 YRS GO TO 2) | $\|l\|$${ }^{\text {(IF MALE OR }}$DIED BEFORE12 YRS ORAFTER 49YRS GO TO 3) | (IF MALE OR <br> DIED <br> BEFORE 12 <br> YRS OR <br> AFTER 49 <br> YRS GO TO <br> 4) | $\square$ <br> (IF MALE OR <br> DIED <br> BEFORE 12 <br> YRS OR <br> AFTER 49 <br> YRS GO TO <br> 5) | (IF MALE OR DIED BEFORE 12 YRS OR AFTER 49 YRS GO TO 6) | (IF MALE OR DIED BEFORE 12 YRS OR AFTER 49 YRS GO TO 7) |  |
| 1210 | Was (NAME) pregnant when she died? | $\begin{array}{lr} \hline \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213 \text { ) } \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |  |


| 1211 | Did (NAME) die during childbirth? | YES 1 <br>  $\downarrow$ <br>  SKIP TO <br>  <br> NO <br> NO |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { (SKIP TO } \\ \text { NO } & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1212 | Did (NAME) die within six weeks after the end of a pregnancy or childbirth? | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2\end{array}$ |
| 1213 | How many live born children did (NAME) give birth to during her lifetime? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1214 | IF NO MORE BR | Thers Or Sis | ERS, GO TO 1301 |  |  |  |  |
| 1204 | What was the name given to your (oldest/ next oldest) brother or sister? | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
| 1205 | Is (NAME) male or female? | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | MALE 1 FEMALE 2 | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { MALE } & 1 \\ \text { FEMALE } & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 1206 | Is (NAME) still alive? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1207 | How old is (NAME)? <br> RECORD '00' IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1208 | How many years ago did (NAME) die? <br> RECORD '00' IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 1209 | How old was (NAME) when (he/she) died? | (IF MALE OR DIED <br> BEFORE 12 <br> YRS GO TO <br> O) | (IF MALE OR DIED BEFORE 12 YRS GO TO n) |  | (IF MALE OR DIED BEFORE 12 YRS GO TO 11) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1210 | Was (NAME) pregnant when she died? |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ \text { NO } & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 1211 | Did (NAME) die during childbirth? |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213 \text { ) } \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & (\mathrm{SKIP} \text { TO } \\ & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text { (SKIP TO } \\ \text { NO } & 1213 \text { ) } \\ \text { NO } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & 1 \\ & \downarrow \\ & \downarrow \\ \text { (SKIP TO } \\ & 1213) \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 1212 | Did (NAME) die within six weeks after the end of a pregnancy or childbirth? | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { YES } & 1 \\ \text { NO } & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 1213 | How many live born children did (NAME) give birth to during her lifetime? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1214 | IF NO MORE BR | Thers Or Sis | RS, GO TO 130 |  |  |  |  |

SECTION 13. GENDER BASED VIOLENCE (GBV)

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIE |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1301 | CHECK FOR PRESENCE OF OTHERS: <br> DO NOT CONTINUE UNTIL PRIVACY IS ENSURED. <br> PRIVACY <br> OBTAINED.......... 1 NOT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ACY } \\ & \text { BLE ........... } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\longrightarrow 1331$ |
| 1302 | READ TO THE RESPONDENT: <br> Now I would like to ask you questions about some other important aspects of a woman's life. You may find some of these questions very personal. However, your answers are crucial for helping to understand the condition of women in in your country. Let me assure you that your answers are completely confidential and will not be told to anyone and no one else in your household will know that you were asked these questions. If I ask you any question you don't want to answer, just let me know and I will go on to the next question. |  |  |  |
| 1303 | First I am going to ask you about your understanding of domestic violence. What does domestic violence mean to you? <br> Does it mean: <br> a) Physical abuse? <br> b) No participation in decision-making for household? <br> c) No participation in decision-making for children? <br> d) Better treatment of males than females? <br> e) Failing to meet basic living costs? <br> f) Denial of education? <br> g) Forced marriage? <br> h) Rape? <br> i) Sexual harassment? <br> j) Denial of inheritance? <br> k) Other |  | NO DK <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2  <br> 2  |  |
| 1304 | Who is the person who commits the most violent acts against women in the community? | HUSBAND <br> MOTHER/STEP-MOTHER <br> FATHER/STEP-FATHE <br> SISTER/BROTHER <br> DAUGHTER/SON <br> OTHER RELATIVE <br> IN-LAWS <br> TEACHER <br> EMPLOYER/SOMEONE AT WOR <br> POLICE/SOLDIER <br> OTHER | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots & A \\ \ldots & \text { B } \\ \ldots & B \\ \ldots & C \\ \ldots & D \\ \ldots & E \\ \ldots & F \\ \ldots & G \\ \ldots & \text { H } \\ \ldots & \text { I } \\ \ldots & \text { J } \end{array}$ |  |
| 1305 | Where do most violent acts take place? | AT HOME <br> WORKPLACI. <br> STREET <br> SCHOOL <br> WATER POINT <br> RURAL/GRAZING AREAS <br> MARKET PLACE <br> NEIGHBOURHOOD <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots . & 3 \\ \ldots . & 4 \\ \ldots . & 5 \\ \ldots . & 6 \\ \ldots . & 7 \\ \ldots . . & 9\end{array}$ <br> 96 |  |
| 1306 | CHECK 119 \& 120 <br> CURRENTLY MARRIED OR DIVORCED/ABANDONED | WIDOWED |  | $\rightarrow 1318$ |



|  | e) Try to choke you or burn you on purpose? <br> f) Threaten or attack you with a knife, gun, or other weapon? <br> g) Physically force you to have sexual intercourse with him when you did not |  $\downarrow$ <br> YES 1 <br> NO 2 <br>  $\downarrow$ <br> YES 1 <br> NO 2 <br>  $\downarrow$ <br> YES 1 <br> NO 2 <br>  $\downarrow$ |  | 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | $3$ $3$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1311 | CHECK 1310 (a-g): <br> AT LEAST ONE 'YES' |  |  | NGLE $\square$ <br> 'YES' |  |  | $\rightarrow 1314$ |
| 1312 | How long after you first got married with you (this/any of these things) first happen? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR, RECORD '00'. | husband did |  | R OF YEAR <br> E MARRIA |  |   <br> $\ldots . .$.  |  |
| 1313 | Did the following ever happen as a result of husband did to you: <br> a) You had cuts, bruises, or aches? <br> b) You had eye injuries, sprains, dislocation <br> c) You had deep wounds, broken bones, bro other serious injury? | ur (last) <br> rns? <br> eth, or any | YES <br> NO <br> YES <br> NO <br> YES <br> NO |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 2 \\ & \\ \ldots \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 1 \\ \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1314 | Have you ever hit, slapped, kicked, or done physically hurt your (last) husband at times w already beating or physically hurting you? | gelse to was not | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . . . & 1 \\ \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}$ | $\longrightarrow 1316$ |
| 1315 | In the last 12 months, how often have you do (last) husband: often, only sometimes, or not | to your |  | IMES |  | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots . & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1316 | Are (W ere) you afraid of your (last) husband: sometimes, or never? | f the time, |  | OF THE TI <br> IMES AFR <br> AFRAID | AFRAID <br> D | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1317 | CHECK121: <br> MARRIED MORE $\square$ MAR THAN ONCE <br> A. So far we have been talking about the be (current/last) husband. Now I want to ask behavior of any previous husband. <br> a) Did any previous husband ever hit, slap, kick, or do anything else to hurt you physically? <br> b) Did any previous husband physically force you to have intercourse or perform any other sexual acts against your will? | ONCE $\square$ <br> of your out the | B. | long ago 0-11 MONTHS AGO 1 1 | this last hap <br> 12+ MONTHS <br> AGO <br> 2 <br> 2 | pen? <br> DON'T <br> REMEMBER <br> 3 <br> 3 | $\rightarrow 1318$ |



| 1319 | Who has hurt you in this way? <br> Anyone else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1320 | In the last 12 months, how often has (this person/have these persons) physically hurt you: often, only sometimes, or not at all? |  |  |
| 1321 | CHECK 201, 226, AND 230: $\begin{gathered} \text { EVER BEEN } \\ \text { PREGNANT } \\ (\text { (YES'ON 201 } \\ \text { OR } 226 \text { OR 230) } \downarrow \end{gathered}$ | NEVER BEEN PREGNANT $\square$ | $\rightarrow 1324$ |
| 1322 | Has any one ever hit, slapped, kicked, or done anything else to hurt you physically while you were pregnant? | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { YES } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \end{array}$ | $\rightarrow 1324$ |
| 1323 | Who has done any of these things to physically hurt you while you were pregnant? <br> Anyone else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | CURRENT HUSBAA. MOTHER/STEP-MOTHER FATHER/STEP-FATHE SISTER/BROTHER DAUGHTER/SON other relative former husbani. mother-IN-LAW father-IN-LAW OTHER IN-LAW NEIGHBOUR. <br> teAcher <br> EMPLOYER/SOMEONE AT WORI..... POLICE/SOLDIER .................. MILITIA/GANGS ....................... 0 <br> other $\qquad$ x |  |



## Never-married Woman's Questionnaire

## SHDS

SOMALI HEALTH \&
DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY
2017-2019
SOMALI MINISTRIE'S OF PLANNING AND HEALTH




## INTRODUCTION AND CONSENT

Hello. My name is
I am working with [NAME OF ORGANIZATION]. We are conducting a survey about health and related topics all over [NAME OF COUNTRY]. The information we collect will help the government to plan health and other services. Your household was selected for the survey. I would like to ask you some questions about your household. The questions usually take about 45 to 60 minutes. All of the answers you give will be confidential and will not be shared with anyone other than members of our survey team. your participation in the survey is voluntary, but we hope you will agree to answer the questions since your views are important. If I ask you any question you don't want to answer, just let me know and I will go on to the next question or you can stop the interview at any time. In case you need more information about the survey, you may contact the ministry of interior/planning and/or health.

Do you have any questions?
May I begin the interview now?

| SIGNATURE OF INTERVIEWER | DATE |
| :---: | :---: |
| RESPONDENT AGREES TO BE INTERVIEWED .. $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ \downarrow\end{array}$ | RESPONDENT DOES NOT AGREE TO BE INTERVIEWED .. $2 \longrightarrow$ END |

SECTION 1. RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101 | RECORD THE START TIME. | HOURS <br> MINUTES |  |
| 102 | In what month and year were you born? |  |  |
| 103 | How old were you at your last birthday? <br> COMPARE AND CORRECT 102 AND/OR 103 IF INCONSISTENT. | AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS .......\begin{tabular}{\|l|l|l|}
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\end{tabular} |  |
| 104 | Have you ever attended school? |  | $\longrightarrow 108$ |
| 105 | What is the highest level of school you attended: primary, secondary, or higher? |  |  |
| 106 | What is the highest [GRADE/FORM/YEAR] you completed at that level? <br> If COMPLETED LESS THAN ONE YEAR AT THAT LEVEL, RECORD '00'. |  |  |
| 107 | CHECK 105: $\begin{array}{r} \text { KORANIC, } \\ \text { PRIMARY OR } \\ \text { SECONDARY } \end{array}$ | GHER $\square$ | 110 |
| 108 | Now I would like you to read this sentence to me. <br> SHOW CARD TO RESPONDENT. <br> IF RESPONDENT CANNOT READ WHOLE SENTENCE, <br> PROBE: Can you read any part of the sentence to me? |  |  |

SECTION 1.RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 109 | CHECK 108: $\begin{array}{r} \text { CODE '2', '3' } \\ \text { OR '4' } \\ \text { CIRCLED } \end{array}$ | OR '5' <br> RCLED $\square$ | $\rightarrow 111$ |
| 110 | Do you read a newspaper or magazine at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? |  |  |
| 111 | Do you listen to the radio at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? |  |  |
| 112 | Do you watch television at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? |  |  |
| 113 | Do you own a mobile telephone? |  |  |
| 114 | Do you use a mobile phone for any financial transactions? |  |  |
| 115 | Do you have an account in a bank or other financial institution that you yourself use? |  |  |
| 116 | Have you ever used the internet? |  | $\longrightarrow 201$ |
| 117 | In the last 12 months, have you used the internet? <br> IF NECESSARY, PROBE FOR USE FROM ANY LOCATION, WITH ANY DEVICE. |  | $\rightarrow 201$ |
| 118 | During the last one month, how often did you use the internet: almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week, or not at all? |  |  |

SECTION 2. HIV/AIDS AND VACCINATION

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 201 | Now I would like to talk about something else. Have you ever heard of HIV or AIDS? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots . . & 1 \\ \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}$ | $\longrightarrow 218$ |
| 202 | HIV is the virus that can lead to AIDS. Can people reduce their chance of getting HIV by having just one uninfected spouse who has no other relations? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 203 | Can people get HIV from mosquito bites? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 204 | Can people reduce their chance of getting HIV by using a condom every time they have sex? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 205 | Can people get HIV by sharing food with a person who has HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 206 | Can people get HIV because of witchcraft or other supernatural means? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 207 | Is it possible for a healthy-looking person to have HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll}  \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 208 | Can HIV be transmitted from a mother to her baby: <br> a) During pregnancy? <br> b) During delivery? <br> c) By breastfeeding? | YES <br> a) DURING PREGNANCY.. 1 <br> b) DURING DELIVERY..... 1 <br> c) BREASTFEEDING ..... 1 | NO DK <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 <br> 2 8 |  |
| 209 | CHECK 208: <br> AT LEAST <br> ONE 'YES' | OTHER |  | $\rightarrow 211$ |
| 210 | Are there any special drugs that a doctor or a nurse can give to a woman infected with HIV to reduce the risk of transmission to the baby? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 211 | W ould you buy fresh vegetables from a shopkeeper or vendor if you knew that this person had HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 212 | Do you think children living with HIV should be allowed to attend school with children who do not have HIV? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 213 | Do you think people hesitate to take an HIV test because they are afraid of how other people will react if the test result is positive for HIV? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 214 | Do people talk badly about people living with HIV, or who are thought to be living with HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 215 | Do people living with HIV, or thought to be living with HIV, lose the respect of other people? | YES <br> NO <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 216 | Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I would be ashamed if someone in my family had HIV. | AGREE DISAGREE DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots \ldots \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots \ldots \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 217 | Do you fear that you could get HIV if you come into contact with the saliva of a person living with HIV? | YES <br> NO <br> SAYS SHE HAS HIV <br> DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/DEPEND |   <br> $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 <br> $\ldots \ldots .$. 2 <br> $\ldots . .$. 3 <br> $\ldots$  |  |

SECTION 2. HIVIAIDS AND VACCINATION


SECTION 3. FEMALE CIRCUMCISION


SECTION 4. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 401 | Now I am going to ask you about your understanding of domestic violence. What does domestic violence mean do you? Does it mean: <br> a) Physical abuse? <br> b) No participation in decision-making for household? <br> c) No participation in decision-making for children? <br> d) Better treatment of males than females? <br> e) Failing to meet basic living costs? <br> f) Denial of education? <br> g) Forced marriage? <br> h) Rape? <br> i) Sexual harassment? <br> j) Denial of inheritance? <br> k) Other |  |  |
| 402 | Who is the person who commits the most violent acts against women? |  |  |
| 403 | Where is the place with most violent acts? |  |  |
| 404 | Does any form of violence cause damage? | YES $\ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ 1 <br> NO 2 | $\longrightarrow 406$ |
| 405 | What is the most serious damage caused by violence? |  |  |
| 406 | In your opinion, is a husband justified in hitting or beating his wife in the following situations: <br> a) If she goes out without telling him? <br> b) If she neglects the children? <br> c) If she neglects household duties including cooking? <br> d) If she argues with him? <br> e) If she wastes resources? <br> f) If she does not respect his family? |  YES NO DK <br> GOES OUT ............ 1 2 8 <br> NEGL. CHILDREN ..... 1 2 8 <br> NEGL. OTHER HH DUTIES 1 2 8 <br> ARGUES ................. 1 2 8 <br> WASTE RESOURCES ... 1 2 8 <br> NOT RESP. FAMILY.... 1 2 8 |  |
| 407 | A. Has anyone ever done any of the following things to you, while you were at the water point, grazing areas, at the school, at the house, at work, ETC : | B. How often did this happen during the last 12 months: often, only sometimes, or not at all? |  |
|  |  EVER  <br>  a) <br> a) <br> was slapped, pushed, shaken, or thrown <br> something at? YES <br> sol 1  <br>  NO 2 |  OFTEN SOME- <br> TIMES NOT IN LAST <br> 12 MONTHS <br> $\longrightarrow$ 1 2 3 |  |




## COMMENTS ABOUT INTERVIEW:

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COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:
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ANY OTHER COMMENTS:

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EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS
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## Maternal Mortality Questionnaire

SOMALI HEALTH \& DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY 2018-2019

SOMALI MINISTRIE'S OF PLANNING AND HEALTH
QUEStionnaire SERIAL NUMBER


MATERNAL MORTALITY QUESTIONNAIRE


Hello. My name is
I am working with [NAME OF ORGANIZATION]. We are
conducting a survey about health and related topics all over [NAME OF COUNTRY]. The information we collect will help the
government to plan health and other services. Your household was selected for the survey. I would like to ask you some questions
about your household. The questions usually take about 15 to 20 minutes. All of the answers you give will be confidential and will not
be shared with anyone other than members of our survey team. your participation in the survey is voluntary, but we hope you will agree to answer the questions since your views are important. If I ask you any question you don't want to answer, just let me know and I will go on to the next question or you can stop the interview at any time. In case you need more information about the survey, you may contact the ministry of interior/planning and/or health

Do you have any questions?
May I begin the interview now?

SIGNATURE OF INTERVIEWER $\qquad$ DATE $\qquad$



SECTION 1: HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE


CODES FOR Q. 103: RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD
$01=$ HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD $08=$ BROTHER OR SISTER
$02=$ SPOUSE
03 = SON OR DAUGHTER
$04=$ SON-IN-LAW OR
DAUGHTER-IN-LAW
$05=$ GRANDCHILD
$06=$ PARENT
07
$08=$ BROTHER OR SIS
$09=$ NEPHEW
$10=$ BROTHER/SISTER-IN-LAW
$11=$ OTHER RELATIVE
$12=$ ADOPTED/FOSTER
STEPCHILD
$13=$ NOT RELATED
$13=$ NOT RELATED
$98=$ DONT KNOW

SECTION 1: HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE




MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF FINLAND

Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft Confédération suisse
Confederazione Svizzera
Confederaziun svizra

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC


[^0]:    $1 \quad$ CSWeb is a web application that facilitates the secure transfer of questionnaires or files between a user's tools (with CSEntry) and a web server.
    2 CSPro is a public domain software package that allows users to enter, edit, tabulate and disseminate census and survey data.

[^1]:    Extensive training and competitive recruitment of survey personnel- given the national execution of the survey, UNFPA put in place an extensive training programme for survey personnel that worked on a "cascade"

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Completed $8^{\text {th }}$ grade at the primary level
    ${ }^{2}$ Completed $12{ }^{\text {th }}$ grade at the secondary level

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ Includes water piped to a neighbor and those reporting a round trip collection time of zero minutes
    ${ }^{2}$ Defined as drinking water from an improved source, provided either water is on the premises or round-trip collection time is 30 minutes or less Includes safely managed
    ${ }^{3}$ Drinking water from an improved source, provided round-trip collection time is more than 30 minutes"

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ Defined as use of improved facilities that are not shared with other households. Includes safely managed sanitation service, which is not shown separately.
    ${ }^{2}$ Defined as use of improved facilities shared by 2 or more households

[^5]:    1 According to these estimates the TFR for 2015-20 was highest in Niger -- 6.95, followed by Somalia, the Democratic Republic of the with 5.95 , and Mali with 5.92 (United Nations 2019)

[^6]:    Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

[^7]:    ${ }^{1}$ Based on either a written record or the mother's recall

[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ Symptoms of ARI (cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing which was chest-related and/or by difficult breathing which was chest-related) is considered a proxy for pneumonia

    Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

[^9]:    in this table are NOT comparable to those based on the previously used 1977 NCHS/CDC/WHO Reference.
    Table is based on children with valid dates of birth (month and year) and valid measurement of both height and weight.
    
    children.
    ${ }^{2}$ Includes children who are below -3 standard deviations (SD) from the WHO Growth Standards population median
    ${ }^{3}$ Excludes children whose mothers were not interviewed
    ${ }^{4}$ First-born twins (triplets, etc.) are counted as first births because they do not have a previous birth interval
    ${ }^{5}$ Includes children whose mothers are deceased
    ${ }^{6}$ Excludes children whose mothers were not weighed and measured. Mother's nutritional status in terms of BMI (Body Mass Index) is presented in Table 11.10 .
    ${ }^{7}$ For women who are not interviewed, information is taken from the Household Questionnaire. Excludes children whose mothers are not listed in the Household Questionnaire.

[^10]:    Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

[^11]:    ${ }^{1}$ Two most common local misconceptions: [mosquito, supernatural means ]
    ${ }^{2}$ Comprehensive knowledge means knowing that consistent use of condom during sexual intercourse and having just one uninfected
    faithful partner can reduce the chance of getting the AIDS virus, knowing that a healthy-looking person can have the AIDS virus, and rejecting the two most common local misconceptions about transmission or prevention of the AIDS virus."

[^12]:    ${ }^{1}$ Percentage who do not think that children living with HIV should be able to attend school with children who are HIV negative and/ or would not buy fresh.

[^13]:    1 The SHDS questionnaires referred to visual and hearing impairments, speech/communication challenges, mobility impairment, learning challenges, self-care challenges and mental health challenges as disabilities.

[^14]:    2 Khat (also spelt 'Qat') is a plant found in the Horn of Africa and the Arabian Peninsula. Khat leaves are chewed as a stimulant and are said to cause euphoric effects.

[^15]:    Rates for age group 45-49 may be slightly biased due to truncation. Rates are for the period 1-24 months prior to interview.
    TFR: Total fertility rate expressed per women
    GFR: General fertility rate expressed per 1,000 women age 15-49
    PRMR Pregnancy-related mortality ratio
    Pregnancy-related mortality ratio Confidence interval

