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Results from Phase 1 baseline survey

December 2020 - April 2021

OVERALL KEY FINDINGS



Over three in ten women (35%) have their contraceptive demand satisfied by a modern method.



Only 39% of contraceptive users were prepared to deal with side effects and informed on their choice to switch method.

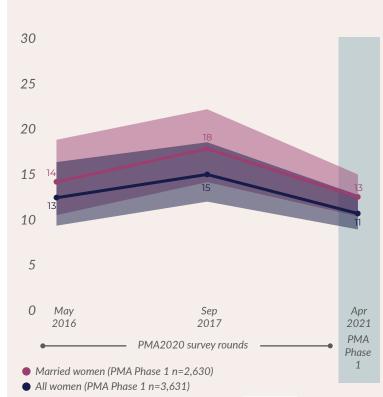


The median age at first contraceptive use is practically the same regardless of residence (23.2 in urban areas, and 23.5 in rural areas).

SECTION 1: CONTRACEPTIVE USE, DYNAMICS, AND DEMAND

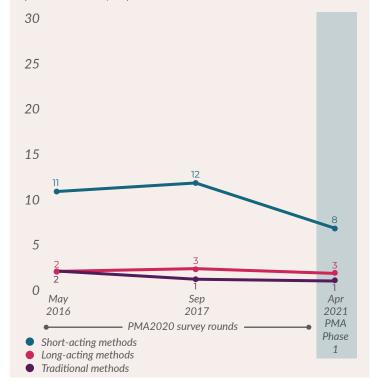
MODERN CONTRACEPTIVE PREVALENCE

Percent of women age 15-49 currently using modern contraception (mCPR) by marital status



CONTRACEPTIVE PREVALENCE BY **METHOD TYPE**

Percent of women age 15-49 currently using contraception by method type $(PMA \ Phase \ 1 \ n=3,631)$





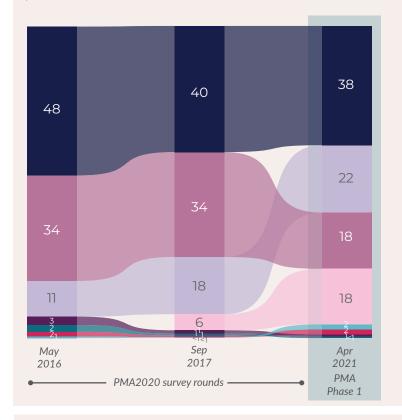






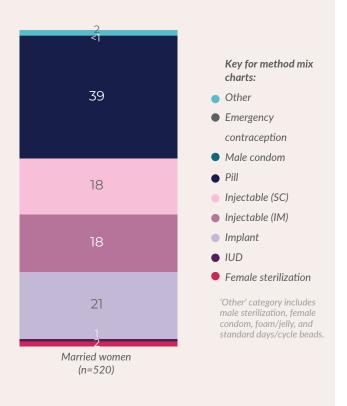
TRENDS IN MODERN CONTRACEPTIVE MIX

Percent distribution of modern contraceptive users age 15-49 by method and year (PMA Phase $1\,n=537$)



MODERN CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD MIX

Percent distribution of modern contraceptive users age 15-49 by method and marital status



METHOD USE, UNMET NEED, AND DEMAND SATISFIED BY A MODERN METHOD

Percent of women age 15-49 using contraception by method type, unmet need, and demand satisfied by a modern method (PMA Phase 1 n=3,631)



Demand satisfied by a modern method is use of modern contraceptive methods divided by the sum of unmet need plus total contraceptive use.



12-MONTH DISCONTINUATION RATE

Among women who started an episode of contraceptive use within the two years preceding the survey, the percent of episodes discontinued within 12 months (n=535 episodes)

12% discontinued to become pregnant 21% discontinued for other reasons

Reasons for discontinuation:

experienced method failure

other method-

related reasons

6% were concerned over

side effects or health

wanted a more

effective method

had other fertility

related reasons

6% other/don't know



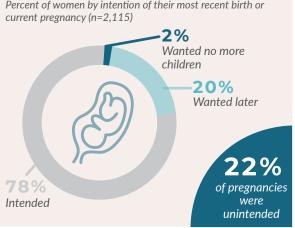


KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 1: CONTRACEPTIVE USE, **DYNAMICS, AND DEMAND**

- The vast majority (78%) of recent births or current pregnancies were intended.
- Among modern contraceptive methods, the use of the pill and the intramuscular injectable (IM) has decreased, while the use of subcutaneous injectables (SC) and implants has increased from September 2017 to April 2021.
- The pill remains the most commonly used modern contraceptive method among married women (39%), followed by the implant (21%).

INTENTION OF MOST RECENT **BIRTH/CURRENT PREGNANCY**

Percent of women by intention of their most recent birth or



SECTION 2: QUALITY OF FP SERVICES AND COUNSELING

METHOD INFORMATION INDEX PLUS (MII+)

Percent of women who were told about side effects, what to do about side effects, of other methods, and the possibility of switching methods (n=531)

When you obtained your method were you told by the provider about side effects 52 48 or problems you might have? Were you told what to do if you 87 13 experienced side effects or problems? Were you told by the provider about methods of FP other than the method you 29 71 received? Were you told that you could switch to a 63 37 different method in the future? NoYes

Percent of women who responded "Yes" to all four MII+ questions



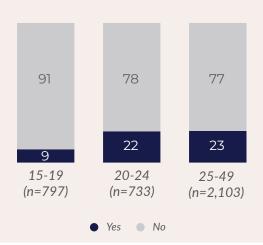
answered "No" to at least one MII+ question

answered "Yes" to all four MII+ questions



DISCUSSED FP IN THE PAST YEAR WITH PROVIDER/CHW

Percent of women who received FP information from a provider or community health worker (CHW), by age



CLIENT EXIT INTERVIEWS

Percent of female clients age 15-49 who said yes to the following questions

During today's visit, did the provider tell you the advantages/disadvantages of the FP method? (n=677)



During today's visit, did you obtain the method of FP you wanted? (n=683)



Were you satisfied with FP services you received today at this facility?
(n=683)

Yes

No



Clients were interviewed immediately following their health facility visit to obtain FP counseling or services.

Neither (follow-up visit)

KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 2: QUALITY OF FP SERVICES AND COUNSELING

- Over half (**52%**) of women received advice on the side effects of contraception.
- The majority (98%) of women who were seen by a provider on the day of the survey were satisfied with the family planning (FP) services they received on that day.
- Younger women talk about FP with their providers at a much lower rate than older women (9% of women aged 15-19 vs. 23% of women aged 25-49).

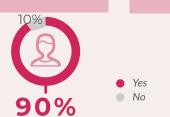
SECTION 3: PARTNER DYNAMICS

PARTNER INVOLVEMENT IN FP DECISIONS

Percent of women who are currently using modern, female controlled methods and agree with the following statements (n=537)

Does your partner know that you are using this method?

Before you started using this method had you discussed the decision to delay or avoid pregnancy with your partner?



Modern, female controlled methods includes all modern methods except male sterilization and male condoms

Percent of women who are currently using FP and agree with the following statements (n=577)

Would you say that using FP is mainly your decision?



Percent of women who are not currently using FP and agree with the following statements (n=2,518)

Would you say that not using FP is mainly your decision?



- Joint decision
- Mainly respondentMainly partner
- Other

KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 3: PARTNER DYNAMICS

- Among women who did not use any contraceptive method at the time of the survey, **62%** had made this decision alone.
- Among women using a contraceptive method at the time of the survey, **51%** had made this decision jointly with their partners.
- Among women using a contraceptive method at the time of the survey, **83%** had talked with their partners about the decision to delay or avoid a pregnancy.

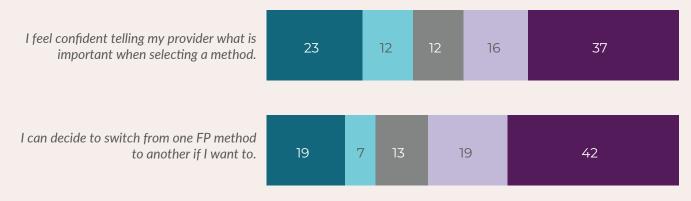


SECTION 4: WOMEN AND GIRLS' EMPOWERMENT

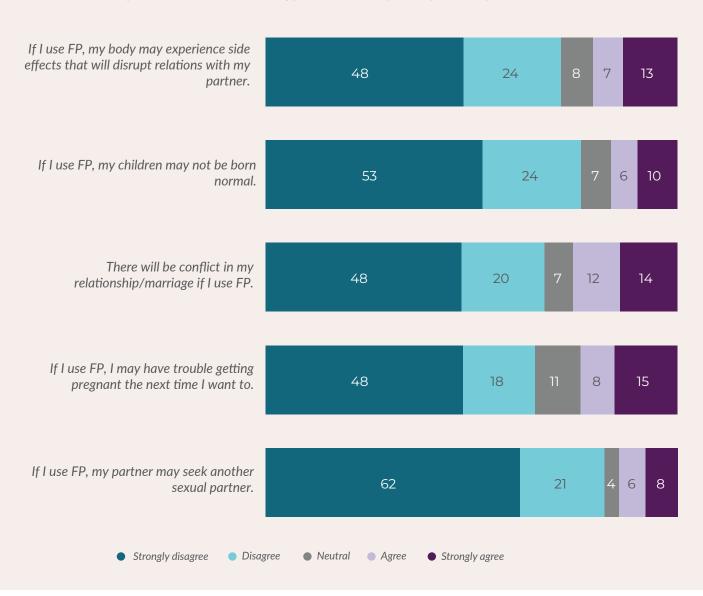
AGREEMENT WITH CONTRACEPTIVE EMPOWERMENT STATEMENTS

Percent of married/in union women who strongly agree to strongly disagree with each statement

Exercise of choice (self-efficacy, negotiation) for contraception (n=2,515)



Existence of choice (motivational autonomy) for contraception (n=2,367)





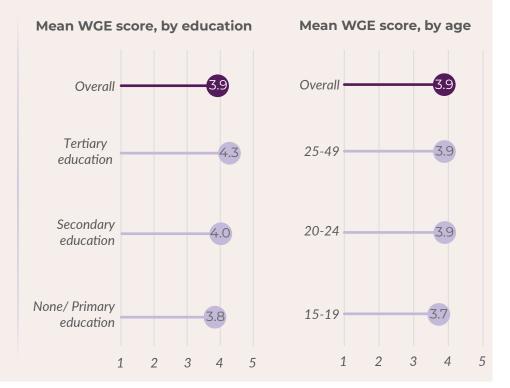
WOMEN AND GIRL'S EMPOWERMENT (WGE) SUB-SCALE FOR CONTRACEPTION

The Women and Girls' Empowerment (WGE) Index examines existence of choice, exercise of choice, and achievement of choice domains across pregnancy, contraception, and sex outcomes in married/in union women.

Presented results are only for the existence of choice and exercise of choice domains for contraception.

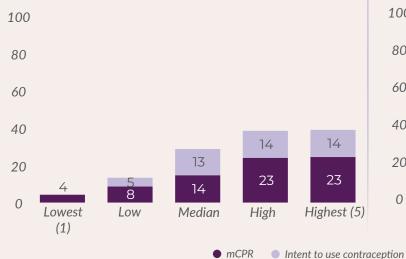
Scores from each contraceptive empowerment domain were summed and divided by number of items per domain (existence of choice=5 items; exercise of choice=3 items). Domains were then combined and equally weighted.

Range for the combined WGE contraception score is 1-5, with a score of 5 indicating highest empowerment.



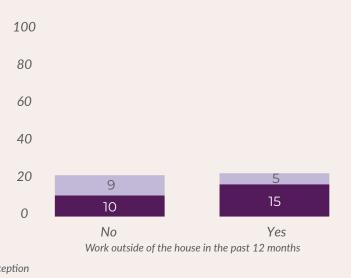
mCPR and intent to use contraception, by categorical WGE score

Percent of married/in union women using a modern method of contraception and percent of married/in union women who intend to use contraception in the next year by categorical WGE score (n=2,069)



mCPR and intent to use contraception, by employment status

Percent of all women using a modern method of contraception and percent of all women who intend to use contraception in the next year by employment status (n=3,228)



KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 4: WOMEN AND GIRLS' EMPOWERMENT

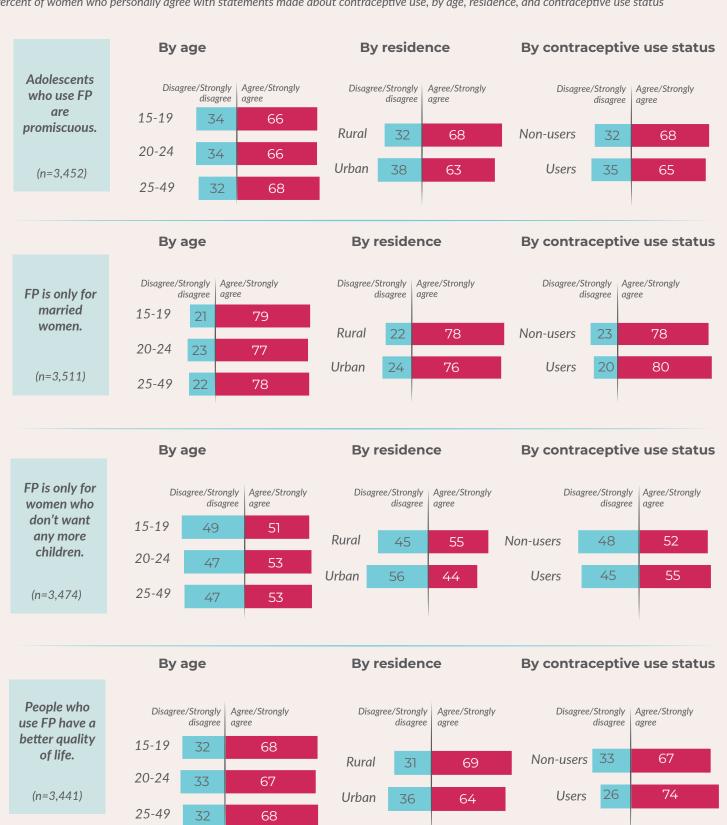
- 42% of women of reproductive age reported that they could switch their contraceptive methods whenever they wanted.
- 62% of women strongly disagree with the fact that their partners could look for another sexual partner if they use a contraceptive method.
- The higher women and girls' education level, the higher their average empowerment index (4.3 for women with higher education vs. 3.8 for women without education).



SECTION 5: ATTITUDES TOWARDS CONTRACEPTION

PERSONAL ATTITUDES

Percent of women who personally agree with statements made about contraceptive use, by age, residence, and contraceptive use status

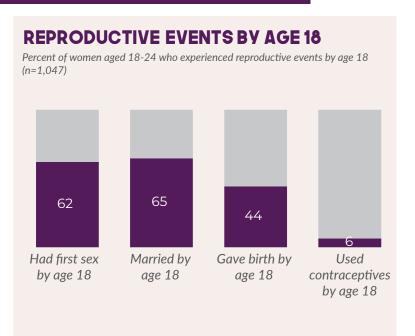


KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 5: ATTITUDES TOWARDS CONTRACEPTION

- Among women who use a contraceptive method, **65%** agree or strongly agree that adolescents using FP are promiscuous.
- Over half (55%) of women in rural areas believe that FP should only be for women who do not wish to have any more children.
- Regardless of age, residence, or status of contraceptive use, over **76%** of women believe that FP should only be for married women.

SECTION 6: REPRODUCTIVE TIMELINE

REPRODUCTIVE TIMELINE Median age at reproductive events, by residence (urban vs. rural) **Urban women Rural women** SV **2.2** average children at **3.0** average children at first use first use First contraceptive 23.2 23.5 First contraceptive use use First birth 20.8 19.8 First birth First marriage 19.0 First sex 17.6 -17.0 First marriage -15.8 First sex Median age Note: median age at first sex and first contraceptive use calculated among women 15-49 years; median age at first marriage and first birth calculated



KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 6: REPRODUCTIVE TIMELINE

- Median age at first sex is **15.8 years** in rural areas and **17.6 years** in urban areas.
- Over six in ten women (65%) are married before the age of 18.
- Women in rural areas have three (3) children on average when they first start using a contraceptive method.

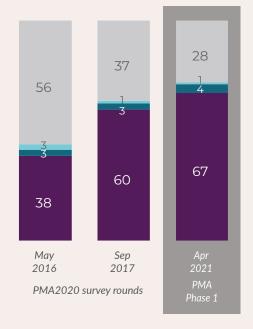


among women 25-49 years.

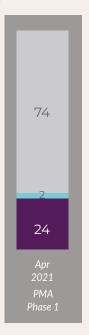
SECTION 7: SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS

TRENDS IN METHOD AVAILABILITY: IUD

Public facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=203)



Private facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=42)



Currently in stock and no stockout in last 3 months
 Currently in stock but stockout in last 3 months
 Currently out of stock
 Not offered

TRENDS IN METHOD AVAILABILITY: IMPLANT

Public facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=203)



Private facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=42)

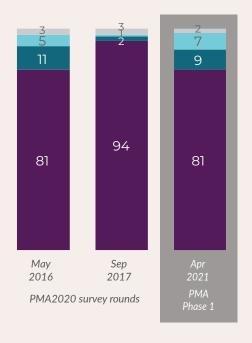


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TRENDS IN METHOD AVAILABILITY: INJECTABLES

Public facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=203)

Private facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=42)





Currently in stock and no stockout in last 3 months
 Currently in stock but stockout in last 3 months
 Currently out of stock
 Not offered

TRENDS IN METHOD AVAILABILITY: PILLS

Public facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=203)

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Private facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=42)



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TRENDS IN METHOD AVAILABILITY: MALE CONDOM

Public facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=203)

Private facilities (PMA Phase 1 n=42)

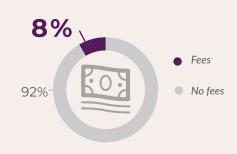


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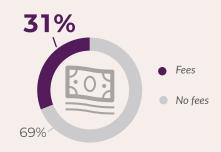
FEES FOR SERVICES

Percent of facilities where FP clients have to pay fees to be seen by a provider even if they do not obtain FP

Public facilities (n=203)

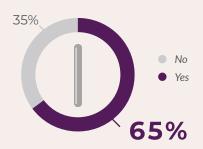


Private facilities (n=36)

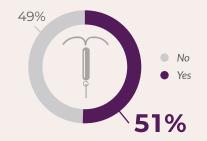


FACILITY READINESS

Percent of facilities that provide implants and have a trained provider and instruments/supplies needed for implant insertion/removal (n=199)



Percent of facilities that provide IUDs and have a trained provider and instruments/supplies needed for IUD insertion/removal (n=158)



95%

of women obtained their current modern method from a public facility (n=533)

KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 7: SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS

- Over six in ten public health facilities (67%) had the IUD in stock without any stockouts.
- 65% of health facilities provided ed implants had a trained provider er and the necessary instruments/supplies needed for implant insertion/removal.
- Over nine in ten modern contraceptive users (95%) received their method from a public health facility.



TABLES: CONTRACEPTIVE PREVALENCE AND UNMET NEED

ALL WOMEN				CPR				mCPR				Unmet need for family planning			
Data source	Round/ Data Phase collection		Female sample	CPR%	SE	95% CI		mCPR%	SE	95% CI		Unmet need (%)	SE	95% CI	
PMA 2020	R2	Feb-May 2016	3,031	14.69	1.86	11.37	18.76	12.63	1.78	9.50	16.60	20.02	1.55	17.11	23.28
PMA 2020	R4	June-Sep 2017	3,020	15.93	1.69	12.86	19.57	15.21	1.67	12.19	18.82	17.60	1.55	14.72	20.90
PMA	Phase 1	Dec 2020- Apr 2021	3,631	12.17	1.04	10.26	14.37	10.86	0.97	9.09	12.93	18.55	1.10	16.47	20.83

WOMEN IN UNION				CPR				mCPR				Unmet need for family planning			
Data source	Round/ Data Phase collection		Female sample	CPR%	SE	95% CI		mCPR%	SE	95% CI		Unmet need (%)	SE	95% CI	
PMA 2020	R2	Fev-May 2016	2,214	16.87	2.25	12.86	21.81	14.39	2.11	10.69	19.10	23.92	1.96	20.24	28.03
PMA 2020	R4	June-Sep 2017	2,161	18.88	2.06	15.14	23.30	18.08	2.05	14.36	22.50	21.02	1.84	17.60	24.90
PMA	Phase 1	Dec 2020- Apr 2021	2,630	14.27	1.28	11.92	16.99	12.71	1.18	10.55	15.23	21.59	1.26	19.19	24.20

PMA Niger collects information on knowledge, practice, and coverage of family planning services in 103 enumeration areas selected using a multi-stage stratified cluster design. The results are representative at the regional level. Data were collected between December 2020 and April 2021 from 3,515 households (98.8% response rate), 3,633 females age 15-49 (95.4% response rate), 287 facilities, and 684 client exit interviews. For sampling information and full data sets, visit www.pmadata.org/countries/niger.

Percentages presented in this brief have been rounded and may not add up to 100%.

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