

Azerbaijan



Overview

The Republic of Azerbaijan has a population of nearly 9.2 million peopleⁱ. Poverty rates have seen serious decline over the last decade, dropping from 49% in 2001 to 7.6% in 2011ⁱ.

The contraceptive prevalence rate (for modern methods) has increased from 11.8% in 2001 to 14.3% in 2006ⁱⁱ. The latest maternal mortality rate estimates are 38 deaths per 100,000 birthsⁱⁱⁱ. According to the State Statistical Committee, in 2011, the number of abortions was 10.3 per 1,000 womenⁱ, while the Azerbaijan Demographic Health Survey in 2006 suggested an estimate of 71 per 1,000ⁱⁱ.

The issue of gender equality and gender-based violence is an area for concern in Azerbaijan. The 2010 Gender Survey indicated that 13.3% of women surveyed had experienced physical violence at least once in their lives^{iv}.

UNFPA Country Programme Focus and Priorities

The UNFPA is implementing its third Country Programme for 2011-2015.

In the area of population and development, the country office focuses on enhancing the national capacity to improve the availability and use of population data, disaggregated by sex and age, as a basis for formulating, implementing and monitoring national policies and programmes.

Increasing access to quality reproductive health services for women, men and young people with paying particular attention to the needs of vulnerable populations has been among the key priorities of UNFPA. Special attention is given to improving national mechanisms for gender equality, women's empowerment, and prevention of gender-based violence.

Partnerships

The UNFPA has well-developed partnerships with numerous state institutions in the country including the Ministry of Health, State Committee on Family, Committee on Women and Children's Affairs, State Statistical Committee, Ministry of Labor, NGO's and research institutions.

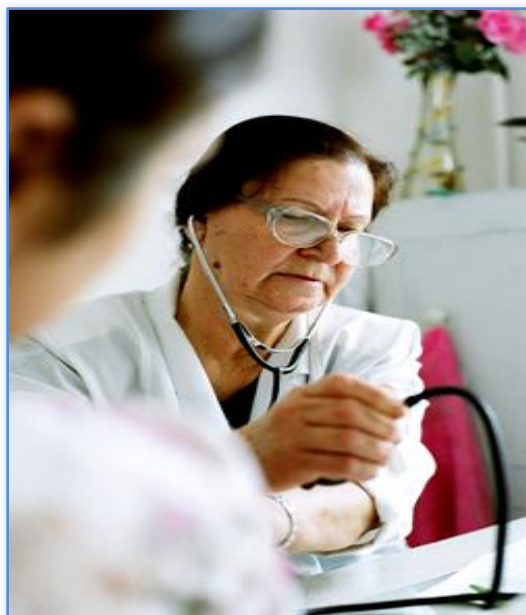
Pooling their resources, expertise and supporting the governmental entities to achieve key Program objectives, UNFPA is also providing the multilateral technical and institutional assistance for successful realization of the National Goals and priorities for securing sustainable development in Azerbaijan. The UNFPA also closely cooperates with international institutions such as the Institute for Population Studies in Hacettepe University in Turkey and the Moscow State University in Russia.

i State Statistical Committee

ii Azerbaijan Demographic Health Survey 2006

iii Trends in Maternal Mortality: 1990 to 2008, WHO/UNICEF/UNFPA/World Bank

iv Gender Survey 2010



UNFPA provides support to Azerbaijan in implementing national strategies on reproductive health and family planning

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POPULATION	1990	Most recent	
Total population in thousands #	7 212	9 188	2010
Total population in thousands, male #	3 529	4 544	2010
Total population in thousands, female #	3 683	4 644	2010
Total population, 0-14, % #	34.3	20.9	2010
Total population, 15-59, % #	58.4	70.3	2010
Total population, 60+, %	7.4	8.8	2010
Total fertility rate (TFR) #	2.95	2.16	2010
Life expectancy at birth, male, years	62.2	67.1	2010
Life expectancy at birth, female, years	69.8	73.1	2010
Total dependency ratio(0-14+65+/15-64)	62.6	37.8	2010
Net migration rate, per 1000 population	- 4	1	2010

Data source: UNDESA Population Division



UNFPA assists in developing youth-sensitive policies and empowers youth to be responsible for their health



UNFPA helps to strengthen national capacity in collecting accurate data to address demographic challenges.

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH	1990	Most recent	
Births attended by skilled health personnel, %	99.8 1998	88	2006
Maternal deaths per 100 000 live births	9.3	15.7	2010
Abortion rate per 1000 live births	134.5	161.8	2010
Antenatal care at least 1 visit, % ^	-	76.6	2006
Antenatal care at least 4 visits, % ^	-	45.2	2006
Unmet need for family planning, % #	31 2001	22.7	2011
Contraceptive prevalence rate, all, % #	55.1 2000	51.1	2011
Contraceptive prevalence rate, modern, % #	15.8 2000	13.2	2011

Data Source: WHO (HFA-DB) ^WHO (GHO-DR) # UNDESA

GENDER	1990	Most recent	
Seats held by women in national parliament %	12.0 1997	16.0	2012
Share of women in wage employment (non-agricultural sector)	47.5 1997	43.9	2010
Gender parity index in secondary enrolment	1.01 1991	0.98	2010

Data Source: Official UN Millennium Development Goals Indicators website

HIV and other STIs	1990	Most recent	
Percentage of adults aged 15-49 years who are HIV infected	<0.1 2001	0.1	2009
Percentage of sex workers in capital city who are HIV infected	-	1.7^	2008
Percentage of men who have sex with men in capital city who are HIV infected	-	1.0	2008
Percentage of people who inject drugs in capital city who are HIV infected	-	10.3	2008
Percentage of sex workers reporting the use of a condom with their most recent client	-	75^	2009
Percentage of men reporting condom use the last time they had anal sex with a male partner	-	57	2009
Percentage of sex workers with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	43	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	36	2009
Percentage of people who inject drugs with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	33	2009
Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	2.68	5.2	2011
Congenital Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	0.096 1992	0.1	2004

Data Source: UNGASS

WHO (HFA-DB)

^Females only

YOUTH	1990	Most recent	
Percentage of young people (15-24) with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	5	2006
Percentage of young people (15-24) who have had sexual intercourse before the age of 15	-	-	
Percentage of all live births to mothers aged under 20 #	11.3 1998	11.9	2010
Adolescent abortions per 1000 live births (aged under 20) #	69.8 1998	59.1	2010

Data Source: UNGASS

WHO (HFA-DB)