

# Kyrgyz Republic



## Overview

The Kyrgyz Republic is a parliamentary republic with a population of 5.5 million people<sup>i</sup>. The country has a young demographic profile; young people aged 14 - 28 years represent 30.2% of the total population<sup>i</sup>. Maternal mortality is one of the highest in the region with 47.6 deaths per 100,000 live births in 2011<sup>ii</sup>. The infant mortality rate is 21.1 per 1,000 live births in 2011<sup>ii</sup>. Of all people living with HIV, 32% are young people aged 15 - 29 years<sup>iii</sup>.

Pervasive gender stereotypes, customs and practices are the root cause of female disadvantage and the inequality of the status of women and girls. The level of economic activity of working-age women has decreased from 81.6% in 1999 to 42.3% in 2009<sup>iv</sup>.

### UNFPA Country Programme Focus and Priorities

The UNFPA programme in the Kyrgyz Republic aims to: increase access to and utilization of quality maternal and newborn health services; improve access to sexual and reproductive health services and sexuality education for young people; and improve data availability and analysis resulting in evidence-based decision-making and policy formulation around population dynamics, sexual and reproductive health (including family planning) and gender equality.

Activities are focused on improving maternal health, and increasing access to reproductive health services in order to accelerate progress towards achieving Millennium Development Goal (MDG) 5. Supporting emergency preparedness and response measures to adequately address reproductive health needs during emergencies are top priorities for the UNFPA and special attention is also given to the needs of young people.

<sup>i</sup> National Statistics Committee, NSC

<sup>ii</sup> Republican Medical Information Center, RMIC

<sup>iii</sup> Republican AIDS Center

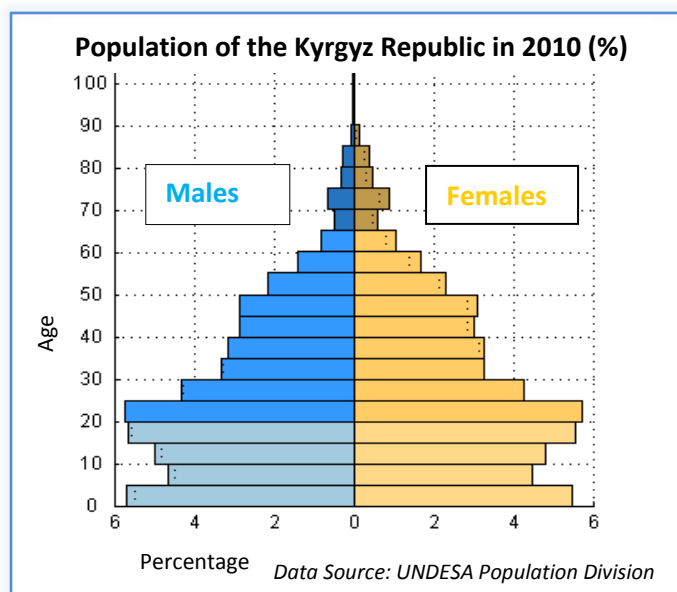
<sup>iv</sup> 'Women and Men in the Kyrgyz Republic' 2010

### Partnerships

The UNFPA collaborates closely with the Kyrgyz Parliament to advocate and promote ICPD issues and engage decision makers in the discussions of population issues in the country. The National Statistics Committee is also a key and sustainable partner in efforts to improve data collection, dissemination and analysis for effective policy formulation.

Under the sector-wide approach of health care reform UNFPA is an active member of the maternal and child health and HIV thematic groups and works to ensure reproductive health and HIV issues are adequately addressed. A network of faith based organizations is a long-standing partner to successfully promote reproductive health issues including family planning and prevention of gender-based violence.

The Y-PEER youth network is another strong partner with UNFPA in the Kyrgyz Republic to promote reproductive health issues and sexuality education, family planning and HIV prevention among youth and young people.



The Kyrgyz Republic has a young demographic profile

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## Indicators

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POPULATION	1990	Most recent	
Total population in thousands	4 395	5 334	2010
Total population in thousands, male	2 149	2 632	2010
Total population in thousands, female	2 245	2 702	2010
Total population, 0-14, %	37.6	30	2010
Total population, 15-59, %	54.1	63.6	2010
Total population, 60+, %	8.3	6.3	2010
Total Fertility Rate (TFR)	4.0	2.7	2010
Life expectancy at birth, male, years	62.0	62.6	2010
Life expectancy at birth, female, years	69.8	71.0	2010
Total dependency ratio (0-14+65+/15-64)	74.1	52.6	2010
Net migration rate, per 1000 population	- 7	- 5	2010

Data Source: UNDESA Population Division



UNFPA educates young people in Kyrgyz Republic in an effort to improve sexual and reproductive awareness



UNFPA assists the Kyrgyz Republic to improve the availability of accurate data for effective policy

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH	1990	Most recent	
Births attended by skilled health personnel, %	98.1	1997 98.5	2008
Maternal deaths per 100 000 live births	62.9	50.1	2010
Abortion rate per 1000 live births	416.4	96.4	2010
Antenatal care at least 1 visit, % ^	-	96.6	2006
Antenatal care at least 4 visits, % ^	-	-	
Unmet need for family planning, % #	-	11.8	1997
Contraceptive prevalence rate, all, % #	59.5	1997 47.8	2006
Contraceptive prevalence rate, modern, % #	48.9	1997 45.5	2006

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

GENDER	1990	Most recent	
Seats held by women in national parliament %	1.4	1997 23.3	2012
Share of women in wage employment (non-agricultural sector)	48.5	1996 50.6	2009
Gender parity index in secondary enrolment	1.02	1991 0.99	2010

Data Source: Official UN Millennium Development Goals

HIV and other STIs	1990	Most recent	
Percentage of adults aged 15-49 years who are HIV infected	<0.1	2001 0.3	2009
Percentage of sex workers in capital city who are HIV infected	-	1.6^	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men in capital city who are HIV infected	-	-	
Percentage of people who inject drugs in capital city who are HIV infected	-	14.3	2009
Percentage of sex workers reporting the use of a condom with their most recent client	81	2005 94^	2009
Percentage of men reporting condom use the last time they had anal sex with a male partner	68	2005 81	2007
Percentage of sex workers with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	1	2005 89	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	7	2005 89	2007
Percentage of people who inject drugs with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	64	2007 51	2009
Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	2.0	16.4	2010
Congenital Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	0	1.1	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	32	2006 35	2009
Percentage of young people (15-24) who have had sexual intercourse before the age of 15	5	2007 3	2009
Percentage of all live births to mothers aged under 20 #	7.6	6.6	2010
Adolescent abortions per 1000 live births (aged under 20) #	338.7	1991 143.6	2010

Data Source: UNGASS

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