

Uzbekistan



Overview

More than 29 million people live in Uzbekistanⁱ making the country the most populous in Central Asia. Uzbekistan's demographic profile is predominantly young, with children under 15 comprising about 40% of the nationⁱ. Young people under the age of 24 years account for nearly two-thirds of the total populationⁱ.

The government has made substantial efforts in advancing reproductive and maternal health and improving access to family planning services. According to national data, the modern methods contraceptive prevalence rate has increased by a factor of four since 1991ⁱⁱ. Additionally, maternal mortality has decreased significantly during recent yearsⁱⁱ.

Challenges remain, however, to ensure reproductive rights of couples in Uzbekistan are duly observed. In addition, there is also a need to improve professional knowledge and skills of medical personnel working in reproductive health, especially in rural areas.

UNFPA Country Programme Focus and Priorities

The UNFPA has been supporting the government's efforts to improve the welfare of citizens since 1993. Under its third country programme (2010-2015), the UNFPA country office in Uzbekistan continues to focus on promoting reproductive health and rights, ensuring full implementation of women's and men's rights, opportunities, and responsibilities, and advancing national capacities to use population data for development programmes.

The UNFPA has assisted the Uzbek government to strengthen healthcare policies and frameworks, provide essential equipment, and also build the capacity of medical personnel through training more than 10,000 healthcare providers on different aspects of reproductive health and rights.

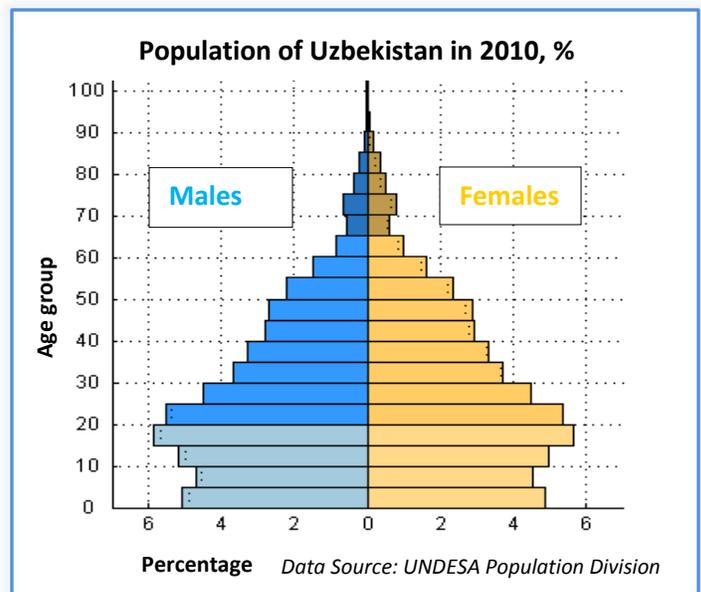
The UNFPA remains one of the major donors of modern contraceptive methods in Uzbekistan, having supplied contraceptives worth more than \$6 million USD in recent years, and helped establish a new contraceptive logistics management information system in the country.

Partnerships

After almost two decades of experience in Uzbekistan, the UNFPA has established close partnerships with many development stakeholders in the country including government bodies, civil society representatives, academia, the private sector and the international community. In the spirit of 'delivering as one' the UNFPA is fully committed to UN inter-Agency cooperation, and supports several joint UN programmes and initiatives that serve to improve the health and wellbeing of the people of Uzbekistan.

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ii Ministry of Health



Uzbekistan has a young demographic profile with a total fertility rate of 2.46 (2010)

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Indicators

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POPULATION	1990	Most recent	
Total population in thousands	20 515	27 445	2010
Total population in thousands, male	10 141	13 641	2010
Total population in thousands, female	10 374	13 804	2010
Total population, 0-14, %	40.9	29.4	2010
Total population, 15-59, %	52.6	64.4	2010
Total population, 60+, %	6.5	6.2	2010
Total Fertility Rate (TFR)	4.4	2.46	2010
Life expectancy at birth, male, years	64	64.33	2010
Life expectancy at birth, female, years	70.45	70.66	2010
Total dependency ratio (0-14+65+/15-64)	81.5	50.9	2010
Net migration rate, per 1000 population	- 5	- 4	2010

Data Source: UNDESA Population Division



UNFPA works with young people in Uzbekistan to improve sexual and reproductive health awareness, including HIV



UNFPA supports maternal health in Uzbekistan; over 98% of births in the country are now attended by a skilled attendant

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH	1990	Most recent	
Births attended by skilled health personnel%	97.5 1996	99.9	2006
Maternal deaths per 100 000 live births	34.12	21.42	2010
Abortion rate per 1000 live births	309.61	61.81	2010
Antenatal care at least 1 visit, % ^	-	98.7	2006
Antenatal care at least 4 visits, % ^	-	-	
Unmet need for family planning, % #	-	13.7	1996
Contraceptive prevalence rate, all, % #	55.6 1996	64.9	2006
Contraceptive prevalence rate, modern, % #	51.3 1996	59.3	2006

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

GENDER	1990	Most recent	
Seats held by women in national parliament %	6.0 1997	22.0	2012
Share of women in wage employment (non-agricultural sector)	37.0 1991	39.4	2007
Gender parity index in secondary enrolment	0.98 1999	0.98	2011

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	-	2.2^	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men in capital city who are HIV infected	-	6.8	2009
Percentage of people who inject drugs in capital city who are HIV infected	-	11	2009
Percentage of sex workers reporting the use of a condom with their most recent client	65^ 2007	81^	2009
Percentage of men reporting condom use the last time they had anal sex with a male partner	61 2007	87	2009
Percentage of sex workers with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	36	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	47	2009
Percentage of people who inject drugs with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	46	2009
Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	1.78	7.34	2011
Congenital Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	0.005 1991	0.016	2001

Data Source: UNGASS

WHO (HFA-DB)

^Females only

YOUTH	1990	Most recent	
Percentage of young people (15-24) with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	13	2009
Percentage of young people (15-24) who have had sexual intercourse before the age of 15	-	1	2009
Percentage of all live births to mothers aged under 20 #	5.87 1999	3.29	2010
Adolescent abortions per 1000 live births (aged under 20) #	113.5 1999	88.45	2010

Data Source: UNGASS

WHO (HFA-DB)