

Tajikistan



Overview

Demographics in Tajikistan are characterized by rapid growth with a young population. Although the total fertility rate has reduced from 5.7 births per woman in 1980 to 3.8 births per woman, it remains high resulting in a 23% natural population growth between 2000 and 2010ⁱ.

Tajikistan's maternal mortality ratio is among the highest in the region (64 per 100,000 live birthsⁱⁱ) and it is estimated that 12% of women give birth without a skilled birth attendantⁱⁱⁱ.

HIV incidence in the general population has significantly increased over the past decade, particularly in the 20-39 year old age group.

The country's large migrant workforce also influences many of the country's issues as a significant volume of its population - particularly men of working age - is working abroad.

UNFPA Country Programme Focus and Priorities

The UNFPA country programme aims to reduce poverty in Tajikistan and is aligned with country priorities. HIV / STI prevention remains a high priority in the country along with issues such as family planning, safe motherhood and adolescent sexual and reproductive health.

Informing policy makers on the importance of reliable data and its use for decision-making is also a key focus, as well as building national capacity to gather statistics and supporting district health managers in the collection and use of locally-generated reproductive health information.

UNFPA in Tajikistan also works to combat and prevent gender-based violence, a significant issue in the country, and contribute to improve social services and assistance provided to vulnerable groups, particularly women.

Partnerships

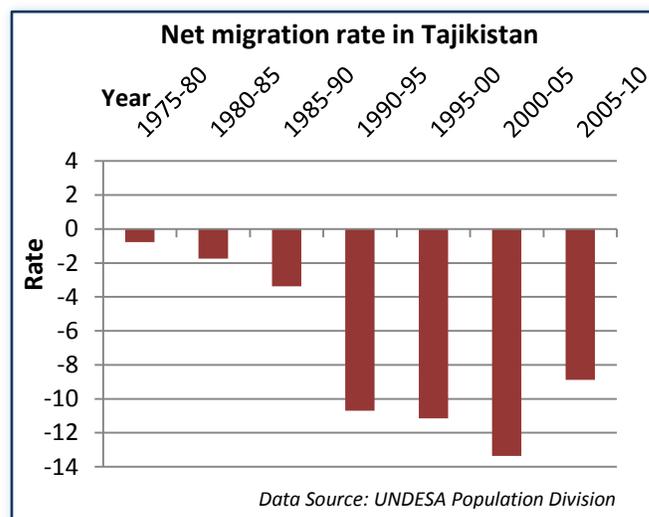
UNFPA promotes and coordinates strategic partnerships through collaboration with government institutions including the Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Health, Agency on Statistics and the State Women's and Family Committee. UNFPA also works closely with other UN agencies in the country in the areas of gender-based violence, HIV and youth.

UNFPA in Tajikistan has pioneered cooperation with faith-based organizations and capacity-building of religious leaders. The country office has focused on institutionalizing knowledge on family planning, HIV / STIs and gender equality among faith-based organizations. These efforts are also strengthened by the establishment of a Training Faculty under the Islamic Institute in 2013. Notably, almost 40 female religious leaders were trained in 2012. In addition, UNFPA supports the development of information materials for religious leaders on population and development issues.

i) Demographic health survey 2012

ii) WHO/MMEIG/2010

iii) Ministry of Health Annual Report



UNFPA supports the country address population demographic issues in Tajikistan; the country experiences high migration rates abroad, particularly of working age

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Indicators

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POPULATION	1990	Most recent	
Total population in thousands	5 303	6 879	2010
Total population in thousands, male	2 634	3 385	2010
Total population in thousands, female	2 669	3 494	2010
Total population, 0-14, %	43.2	37.0	2010
Total population, 15-59, %	50.6	58.1	2010
Total population, 60+, %	6.2	4.9	2010
Total Fertility Rate (TFR)	5.41	3.45	2010
Life expectancy at birth, male, years	60.97	63.3	2010
Life expectancy at birth, female, years	66.2	69.9	2010
Total dependency ratio (0-14+65+/15-64)	88.6	68.0	2010
Net migration rate, per 1000 population	- 3	- 9	2010

Data Source: UNDESA Population Division



UNFPA supports Maternal Health programmes across Tajikistan; maternal mortality is decreasing in the country



UNFPA supports training of midwives in Tajikistan; over 83% of births are now attended by a skilled attendant

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH	1990	Most recent	
Births attended by skilled health personnel%	79	88.4	2007
Maternal deaths per 100 000 live births	97.7	46.5	2009
Abortion rate per 1000 live births	99.5	51.2	2009
Antenatal care at least 1 visit, % ^	-	88.8	2007
Antenatal care at least 4 visits, % ^	-	49.4	2007
Unmet need for family planning, % #	-	-	
Contraceptive prevalence rate, all, % #	33.9	37.1	2007
Contraceptive prevalence rate, modern, % #	27.3	31.7	2007

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

GENDER	1990	Most recent	
Seats held by women in national parliament%	2.8	19.0	2012
Share of women in wage employment (non-agricultural sector)	36.5	37.1	2006
Gender parity index in secondary enrolment	0.86	0.87	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	0.2	2009
Percentage of sex workers in capital city who are HIV infected	-	2.8^	2008
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	-	17.6	2008
Percentage of sex workers reporting the use of a condom with their most recent client	75^	84^	2009
Percentage of men reporting condom use the last time they had anal sex with a male partner	-	-	
Percentage of sex workers with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	41^	31	2009
Percentage of men who have sex with men with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	-	-	
Percentage of people who inject drugs with correct knowledge of HIV transmission	46	55	2009
Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	1.6	5.8	2010
Congenital Syphilis incidence per 100,000 #	0	0.14	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	-	-	
Percentage of young people (15-24) who have had sexual intercourse before the age of 15	1	0	2008
Percentage of all live births to mothers aged under 20 #	5.9	13.7	2009
Adolescent abortions per 1000 live births (aged under 20) #	111.2	18.8	2009

Data Source: UNGASS

WHO (HFA-DB)