



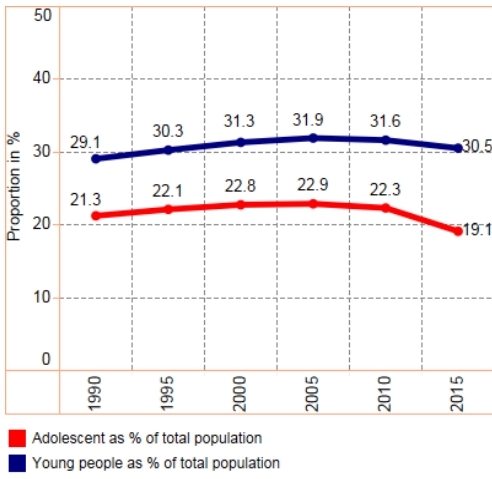
# ADOLESCENT HEALTH IN GABON

## 2018



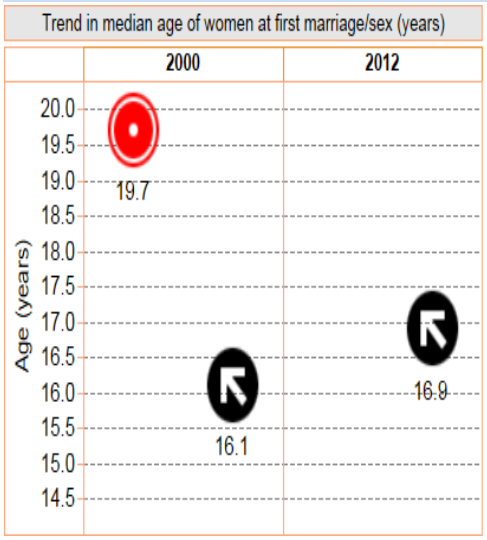
### Country profile: An adolescent is a person between 10-19 years of age

Total surface area (million square km)	0.2677
Total population (000's)	1,978
Population density (persons/ square km)	7.5
Urbanized population (%)	87.4
Adolescent population (000's)	378.6
Adolescent as % of total population	19
Young people (10-24 years) (000's)	527.9
Young people as % of total population	30.5
Annual average growth rate of population (%)	1.9
Crude birth rate (births/1,000 population)	29.5
Life expectancy at birth (years)	66.1
Median age in total population (years)	22.6
Birth rate per 1000 girls 15-19 years olds	115



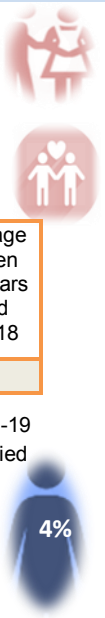
- ✓ National standards for delivery of quality health services to adolescents
- ✓ National strategies for adolescent health
- ✗ No Roadmaps for accelerating HIV prevention testing, treatment and care for adolescents
- ✗ No Adolescent health interventions within the HPV vaccination
- ✗ No Specific target group in national policies for injury prevention among adolescents

### Early marriage

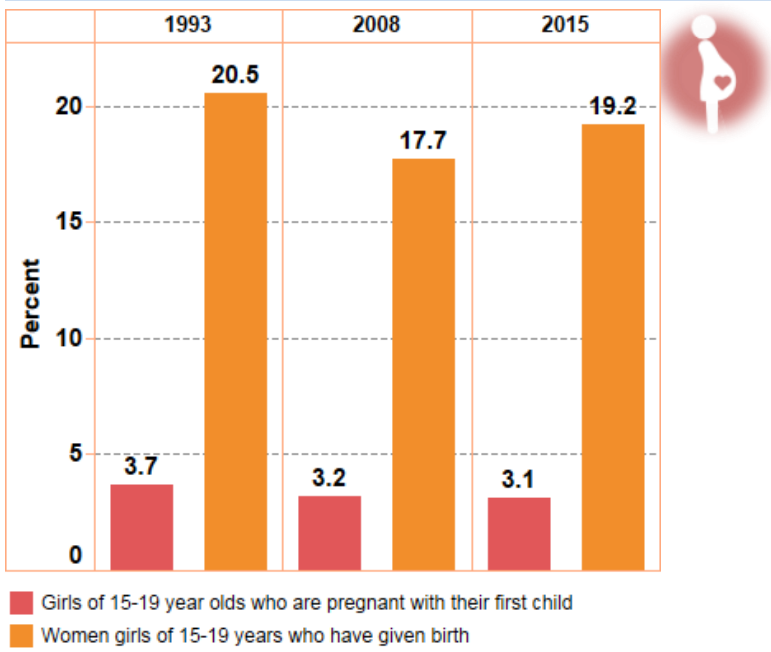


Percentage of women 20-24 years married by age 18  
22%

Women 15-19 years married by age 15  
4%

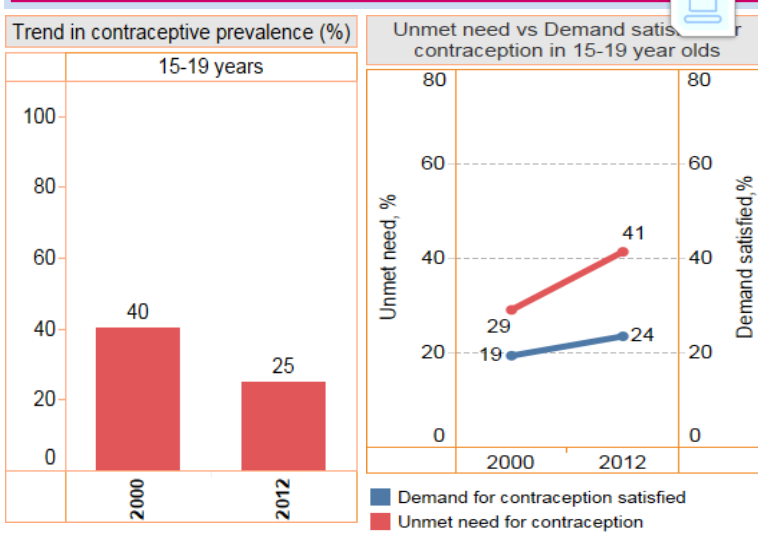


### Pregnancy



Percentage of 15-19 year olds currently married or in union (%)	F	M
	14	1

### Contraception



### HIV/STIs

Year	Comprehensive knowledge of HIV				Prevalence (%) of HIV in 15-19 year olds
	15-19 years		20-24 years		
	Female	Male	Female	Male	
2012	28.8	34.8	30.9	37.7	1.5 (Female), 0.4 (Male)

Year	Condom use among sexually active during premarital sex (%)				Prevalence (%) of STIs among 15-19 year
	15-19 years		20-24 Years		
	Female	Male	Female	Male	
2000	32.3	46.8	34.7	51.0	22 (Female), 4 (Male)
2012	63.9	156.2	122.2	156.6	

Data source: 2000-2015 DHS; UNICEF-SOWC 2017; UN DESA, Population Division, WPP 2017; The joint mission from UNICEF and WHO Africa Regional Office June 2017; <http://aidsinfo.unaids.org/#>; WHO-Global health observatory 2018; The World Bank 2018; WHO Global health estimates 2015, Geneva 2016.

For further information: Child and Adolescent Health & Nutrition Programme ([afgrhrcan@who.int](mailto:afgrhrcan@who.int)) Family & Reproductive Health (FRH) cluster





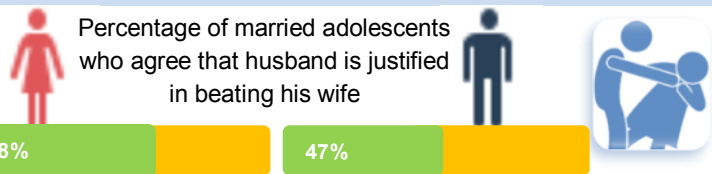
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## Malnutrition

	Year	15-19 years		20-24 years	
		Female	Male	Female	Male
Prevalence (%) of chronically malnourished (thin, BMI<18.5)	2000	9.0		9.4	
	2012	16.9		9.4	
Prevalence (%) of overweight (BMI between 25.0-29.9)	2000	10.6		14.4	
	2012	12.7		18.6	
Prevalence (%) of iron deficiency anemia (Hgb<12.0 g/dl for non-pregnant women and Hgb<11.0 g/dl for pregnant women)	2012	63.5	42.0	60.3	20.4

## Violence



## Substance use

	Year	Age Group	Female	Male
Total alcohol consumption among 15-19 year olds (litres of pure alcohol)	2010	15-19 years	4.7	17.7
		20-24 years		
Prevalence cigarette or any other tobacco product use (%)	2012	15-19 years	3.7	9.2
		20-24 years	3.3	22.6

## Injuries and traffic accidents

Adolescent household members injured and unable to carry out normal daily activities of >6 months (%)	...
Adolescent household members injured or killed in accidental fall (%)	...
Adolescent household members injured or killed in road traffic accident (%)	...

## Mental health

	Female	Male
Prevalence of childhood mental illness among 15-19 year olds (%)	...	...
Felt seriously worthless/hopeless or wishes to be dead among 15-19 year olds (%)	...	...

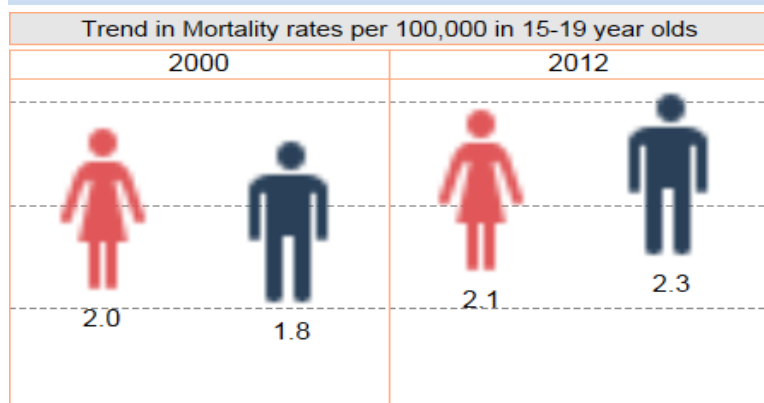
## Immunization

Proportion of adolescent girls vaccinated for HPV to prevent cervical cancer (%)	...
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## Socioeconomic determinants of health

	Year	Female	Male
Literacy rate among 15-19 year olds (%)	2012	93.5	92.8
Percent 15-19 year currently employed (%)	2000	8.9	10.2
	2012	10.7	22.0
Information media use at least once/week among adolescents (%)	2016	94.2	94.8

## Adolescent Mortality



## Leading causes of girls' death

Rank, cause name, number of deaths and death rate, age 10-19

Rank	Cause name	Number of deaths	Death rate/100, 000 pop
1	HIV/AIDS	31.78	17.0
2	Lower respiratory infections	20.09	10.7
3	Maternal conditions	14.60	7.8
4	Tuberculosis	12.82	6.8
5	Road injury	12.40	6.6

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1	HIV/AIDS	35.00	18.3
2	Road injury	26.08	13.6
3	Lower respiratory infections	22.37	11.7
4	Self-harm	22.05	11.5
5	Drowning	19.32	10.1