



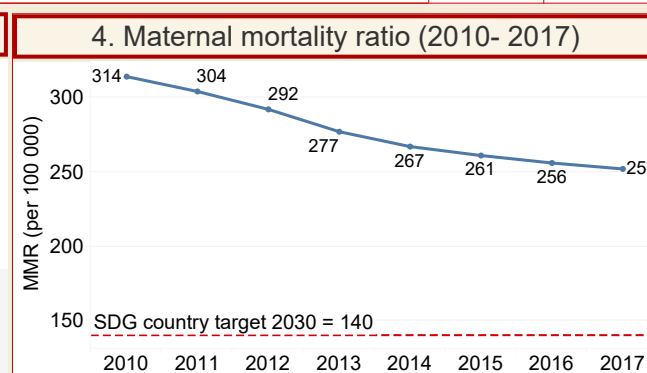
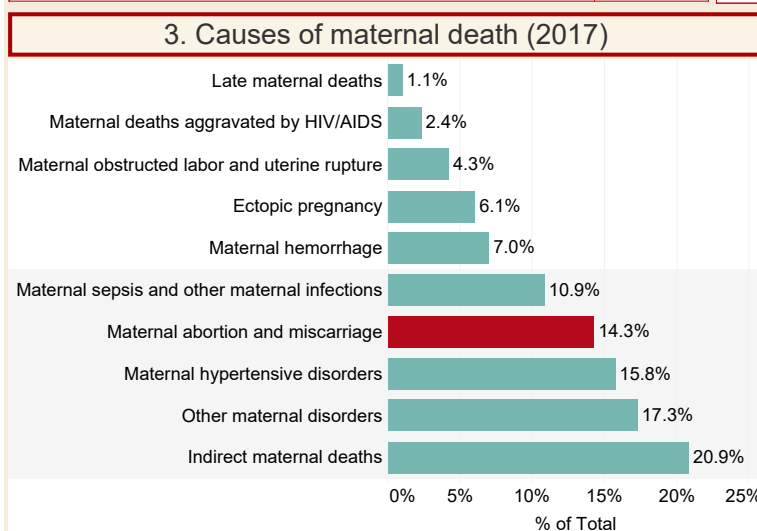
ABORTION HEALTH PROFILE

GABON 2019



1. General Statistics	
Total population (000's), 2019	2,173
Total female population (15 - 49 years) (000's), 2019	542
Unintended pregnancies (000's), 2019	
Adolescent birth rate (per 1000 women aged 15-19 years), 2012	91
Proportion of women who make their own informed decisions regarding sexual relations (% of women aged 15-49 years), 2012	86
Total fertility rate 15-49 (births per woman), 2012	4

2. Legal status of abortion		
	Not specified	No
On request		×
For economic or social reasons		×
In cases of foetal impairment		×
In cases of incest		×
In cases of intellectual/cognitive disability of woman		×
In cases of rape		×
To preserve a woman's health		×
To preserve a woman's mental health		×
To preserve a woman's physical health		×
To save a woman's life		×
Other	○	



5. Annual average rate of reduction: 2010-2017 vs 2010-2030

Current AARR in MMR	3.1%
Expected AARR to reach MMR target 2030	5.5%



7. Available in National Essential Medicines List - (Null)

Misoprostol	×
Mifepristone	×
Misoprostol + Mifepristone combination	×



Legend

- Contraceptive prevalence - modern methods (%)
- Demand satisfied for modern contraception (%)
- Unmet need for family planning (%)
- Unsafe abortions averted (000's)

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For further information:
 Reproductive Maternal Health & Ageing(RMH) Programme (afgofhrwh@who.int), Universal Health Coverage/Life course Cluster

Definitions and abbreviations

Unsafe abortions averted due to modern contraceptive use: Number of unsafe abortions that did not occur during a specified reference period as a result of the protection provided by modern contraceptive use during the reference period.

Contraceptive prevalence - Modern Methods: Percentage of women of reproductive age who are using (or whose partner is using) a modern contraceptive method at a particular point in time

Unmet need: percentage of fecund women of reproductive age who want no more children or to postpone having the next child, but are not using a contraceptive method, plus women who are currently using a traditional method of family planning

FP - Family planning, **MMR** - Maternal Mortality Ratio