A politically stable upper middle-income country, Namibia faces continuing challenges. HIV and sexually transmitted infections rates are high, and maternal mortality and the unmet need for family planning have risen. Since 1972, UNFPA supports strengthening sexual and reproductive health services, promoting gender equality and bolstering national capacities to prevent and respond to gender-based violence. Programmes help expand high-quality, emergency obstetric and newborn care and family planning services. UNFPA also encourages young people to advocate for sexual and reproductive care and forge links to HIV services. It also helps to produce high-quality demographic data.

KEY RESULTS ACHIEVED IN 2018

NATIONAL PLAN FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH
A costed, integrated national plan was developed for sexual and reproductive health, which prioritizes access for key groups

LIFE SKILLS PROGRAMMES FOR GIRLS
364 marginalized girls were reached with health, social and economic asset-building programmes

SCHOOL-BASED COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION
A comprehensive sexuality education curriculum was operationalized in accordance with international standards

OUT-OF-SCHOOL COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION
A national mechanism or strategy was in place to deliver out-of-school comprehensive sexuality education in accordance with international standards

ADVOCACY PLATFORMS AGAINST HARMFUL SOCIAL NORMS
2 Advocacy platforms were developed to eliminate discriminatory gender and sociocultural norms which affect women and girls

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PLATFORM
A national mechanism to engage multiple stakeholders to prevent and address gender-based violence was in place

CHILD, EARLY AND FORCED MARRIAGE
188 girls received, with support from UNFPA, prevention, protection services, and/or care related to child, early, and forced marriage

ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE SURVIVORS
6,873 women and girls who were subjected to violence have accessed the essential services package

CENSUS DISAGGREGATION
Census results disaggregated by age and sex were available and publicly accessible online

ADOLESCENT FRIENDLY SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES
89 health facilities are providing integrated youth-friendly services according to national guidelines (up from 62 in 2017)

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
Long-acting reversible contraceptives were included in the public health system in Namibia for the first time, reaching up to 140,000 users

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PLATFORM
22,692 community members sensitized to address sociocultural barriers perpetuating gender-based violence
Every woman, adolescent and youth everywhere, especially those furthest behind, has utilized integrated sexual and reproductive health services and exercised reproductive rights, free of coercion, discrimination and violence.

Gender equality $188,517 (18.1%)
Gender equality, the empowerment of all women and girls, and reproductive rights are advanced in development and humanitarian settings.

Organizational effectiveness $0 (0.0%)
Organizational effectiveness and efficiency, with improved programming for results and partnership coordination.

Analysis on population dynamics $149,703 (14.4%)
Everyone, everywhere, is counted, and accounted for, in the pursuit of sustainable development.