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West and Central Africa Region

COVID-19 Situation Report No. 5

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Regional Highlights

- The total number of COVID-19 positive cases has reached over 100,000 in all 23 countries in West and Central Africa, four months after the first case was reported in Nigeria. By the end of June, there were nearly 2,000 deaths, a mortality rate of about 1.9 per cent. Two of every five patients were still hospitalized, while 55% had recovered.
- The pandemic continues to spread at an average rate of 2,206 new cases per day over the last 7 days. Three countries leading with caseloads are Nigeria (25,133), Ghana (17,351) and Cameroon (12,592).
- Chad (90%) and Burkina Faso (87%) have the highest percentage of recovery, while Chad (8.5%) and Niger (6.2%) have highest case fatality rates.
- UNFPA Country Offices continue making strategic interventions, in collaboration with partners, to support governments to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic across the region.
- About 15,000 safe deliveries were recorded in UNFPA-supported facilities in Senegal (7,779), Benin (3,647), Togo (2,588), Sierra Leone (818).
- Over 108,775 women and youth have utilised integrated sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services in UNFPA-support facilities in the region.
- About 2,260 contact-tracers were trained and deployed with UNFPA support, and 1,500 women and girls subjected to violence, including those with disabilities, accessed essential services (health, social, police and justice).

Situation in Numbers

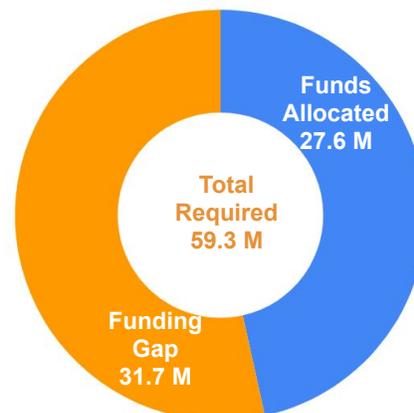


Source: WHO 2 July 2020

Key Population Groups



Funding Status for Region (US\$)



Regional Response Summary

Regional coordination and partnerships

The UNFPA response in the region aligns with the [2030 Agenda](#), [WHO global strategic preparedness and response plan](#), [UN-coordinated global humanitarian response plan](#), the [UN framework for socio-economic response to COVID-19](#), and the [UNFPA COVID-19 global response plan](#).

UNFPA chaired its last weekly meeting of the Regional UN Sustainable Development Group for West and Central Africa. The UN Human Rights Office now chairs the weekly meetings of the Regional Directors Group aimed at coordinating UN response to the pandemic. The health, humanitarian and socio-economic challenges, brought about by the pandemic, require solidarity for a global response. There are three critical and complementary components of the UN's efforts to save lives, protect people and rebuild better:

- The humanitarian response, as detailed in the OCHA-led COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan, responding to immediate health and multi-sectoral humanitarian needs in especially vulnerable countries.
- The health response, led by WHO and detailed in the Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan (SPRP), to support public health measures to stop the transmission of the virus and care for those affected. The SPRP was adapted in the region with six pillars of the public health response: 1) Country-level coordination, planning and monitoring; 2) Risk communication and community engagement; 3) Surveillance, laboratories and points of entry; 4) Rapid response teams; 5) Infection prevention and control and case management; and 6) Operational support and logistics.
- The UN Framework for the immediate socio-economic response to COVID-19, to mitigate the social and economic impacts of COVID-19. The framework focuses on supporting governments and communities through five work streams: 1) Protecting health services and systems; 2) Social protection and basic services; 3) Protecting jobs and small- and medium-sized enterprises; 4) Macroeconomic choices and international cooperation and multilateralism; and 5) Social cohesion and community resilience.
- The UNFPA regional office published [a practical guide and lessons learned from a 20-year review of pandemics](#). The findings provide guidance on ensuring the continuity of reproductive, maternal, neonatal and adolescent health in times of pandemics. The review looked at past pandemics including SARS-CoV, HIV/AIDS, Ebola Virus Disease, Zika and MERS-CoV.

UNFPA leadership on data and evidence for better informed decisions

- UNFPA WCARO held a webinar to discuss the [impact of the Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) pandemic on the processes and conduct of General of Population and Housing Census \(GPHC\) in West and Central Africa](#). The meeting provided the opportunity for countries engaged in census processes, in particular, the National Statistical Institutes (NSIs) to take stock of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their operations, three months after the first COVID-19 positive case surfaced in the region. Participants analyzed the pandemic situation in their respective countries to understand better its impact on the operations of the NSIs and more specifically, on censuses.
- **Cape Verde:** UNFPA supported the adaptation of the District Health Information Software 2 (DHIS2) for the integration of a COVID-19 module aimed at adequately managing COVID-19 data, and strengthening Risk Communication and Community Engagement. This is done through support to the National Institute of Public Health, NGOs, youth associations and networks of people and women living with HIV/AIDS.
- UNFPA is supporting the National Institute of Statistics in adapting and simplifying procedures to design surveys adapted to the new context of the COVID 19 pandemic to enable rapid surveys (establishment of the Call Centre to enable online surveys and staff capacity building).

1. Continuity of SRH services and interventions, including protection of health workforce

- In 17 countries in the region, UNFPA is leading life-saving SRH services through the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) for reproductive health in emergencies.
- 108,775 women and youth utilised integrated SRH services in UNFPA-supported facilities in Benin (1,141), Guinea-Bissau (2,002), Senegal (42,832) and Liberia (62,800).
- In nine countries, there is functional emergency obstetric and newborn care coverage, per international recommended minimum standards (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Gambia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal and Togo).
- In 8 countries, UNFPA is leading national contact-tracing and case monitoring (Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Liberia, Mali, Niger and Senegal).
- 14,946 safe deliveries were facilitated in UNFPA-supported facilities in Benin (3,647), Guinea-Bissau (114), Senegal (7,779), Sierra Leone (818) and Togo (2,588).
- 2,260 contact-tracers were trained and deployed with UNFPA support in Cabo Verde (60), Liberia (447), Niger (92) and Senegal (1,661).
- 2,662 contacts were traced with UNFPA support in Gambia (789) and Liberia (1873).

Country examples:

- **Burkina Faso:** UNFPA provided technical support for the elaboration and reproduction of a booklet on obstetric gynecology and neonatology in the period of the coronavirus pandemic for maternity care providers. Twenty vocational training and learning centres have been equipped with a COVID-19 protection kit to facilitate the resumption of learning after the closure of training centres. 75 providers in nursing school were oriented on what to do in the context of COVID-19. Financial and technical support was provided to 7 health districts for the training of 700 maternity hospital providers on the prevention of COVID-19.
- **Cabo Verde:** UNFPA is working with the Government and civil society organizations to ensure continuity of sexual and reproductive Health (SRH), maternal and neonatal health, and adolescent services. This is through the provision of reproductive health (RH) commodities - modern contraceptives and condoms- to strengthen community engagement, supporting i) the development of Official Guidelines on Essential SRH Services to avoid dysfunction of RH services; (ii) revision/adaptation of the Prenatal/Birth and Postpartum Protocols in the context of COVID-19; and (iii) procurement of the 9 million male condoms. UNFPA is promoting the empowerment of young people and youth leaders to strengthen their participation and commitment as agents of change in the context of COVID-19, through training packages on leadership skills online at national level, so they can work in their communities.
- **Cameroon:** UNFPA conducted a sensitisation campaign on television on the contribution of midwives in the prevention and care of COVID-19. Continuous advocacy and follow-up on SRH targets (pregnant women and GBV survivors) in the National COVID-19 Situation Report. UNFPA did the “2020 Year of the Midwife social Media Campaign” under the national theme, “the contribution of the midwives in response to Covid 19 in Cameroon” for two days, reaching 11,000 persons
- **Ghana:** UNFPA supported the Pentecost Convention Centre, which has the capacity to host over 1000 people in mandatory quarantine, with over 7,000 dignity kits and other hygiene products. To ensure the continuation of education and continuous education on SRH/GBV, amidst COVID-19, a Youth Impact Series was established, which creates a virtual platform for over 250 participants to discuss and find solutions to various issues, including disruption of SRH information, disruption to education, and how to leverage technology to disseminate information, including on COVID-19. About 700 COVID-adapted dignity kits were donated to the Ghana Federation of Disability Organisations for distribution to the nine sub groups of persons living with disabilities. The aim was to provide continuity in the provision of family planning/SRH/COVID/GBV information amidst COVID and to protect people living with disabilities from contracting the virus. Seven hundred (700) dignity kits were provided to young people living with HIV and 300 for young people in detention. 590 PPEs were provided to support health care workers in the maternity wards of two health facilities to ensure the continuity of maternal health services amidst COVID-19. Dignity kits, which included hand sanitisers and face masks, were also provided to women and girls in these two facilities. Estimated numbers reached are 5,160 adolescent girls including teenage mothers and Kayayei head-porters from 10 to 19 years-old, 980 women and 430 men.

Regional Response Summary *continued*

- **Guinea:** UNFPA supported the health structures of the Labé administrative region through the mentoring of midwives and monitoring. In addition, training of community relays in the localities of Labé, Kankan and Nzérékoré and home visits by these same agents were conducted to strengthen the knowledge of citizens on the prevention of COVID-19.
- **Guinea Bissau:** Through partnership of UNFPA and ADPP, a national organization operating in the country since 1981 with interventions focused on rural areas, the most vulnerable and those most affected by poverty, PPE kits made of 50 plastic visors and 1000 face masks were distributed to 300 health professionals (doctors, midwives and nurses) working in maternities in Gabu, Bafata and Cacheu health regions of Guinea-Bissau for their protection against the covid19 in their daily work. Also, an additional amount of \$3,256 was availed to the Implementing Partner, ADPP, to set up a Youth based website aiming at raising awareness on COVID-19 prevention and key issues concerning Adolescent and Youth Sexual Reproductive Health. About 362 people (122 men and 240 women) were sensitized on COVID-19 prevention and SRH services utilization, while 288 condoms were distributed in Bissau.
- **Liberia:** The previously planned rapid EmONC needs assessment has resumed following delays resulting from COVID-19. 100 high burdened health facilities, including 23 hospitals and health facilities, have been targeted. The roving reproductive health team supported by UNFPA has conducted a random monitoring of routine SRH services in the epicenter of the COVID-19 response. There is evidence of decreased maternal health service utilization. In collaboration with partners, health facilities were identified to be reinforced with supplies and human resources in an effort to continue service delivery. The maternity center in the nation's epicenter has been completed by UNFPA and is in use. A total of 50 women, including seven pregnant women, have been managed at the treatment and precautionary units. Four COVID-19 pregnant women were discharged while 2 are currently at the treatment center and one death of suspected COVID-19 is under investigation.
- **Mali:** UNFPA supports the crisis committee for coordination through the provision of two public health doctors, who regularly participate in the various meetings and provide advice and guidance. Primary prevention through the acquisition of individual and collective protective equipment (hand washing equipment, masks, etc... for NGO Agir schools health center, health workers and the population in the intervention regions. Reinforcement of epidemiological surveillance and response is provided through support for case follow-up and contact tracing, collection of COVID-19 data through the provision of logistics (vehicle, computer equipment ongoing) in the regions of Bamako, Mopti, Koulikoro and Timbuktu. UNFPA provided internally displaced women in Bamako with dignity kits and provided care for pregnant women. UNFPA supported the efforts of the Ministry of Health with the supply of reproductive health products and prevention materials. UNFPA contributed to the Virtual Parade of Awareness Agency Leaders with key messages on COVID-19.
- **Sao Tome & Principe:** UNFPA supports the crisis committee for coordination through the provision of a staff who regularly participates in the various meetings and provides advice and guidance. UNFPA has engaged in the acquisition and provision of 5,000 protective and reusable community/social masks to be distributed to clients of reproductive health services and 800 protective and reusable caps for the protection of health professionals, namely RH providers and midwives. UNFPA continues to participate in the risk communication group for Covid-19 and is engaged in the recovery and operation of 5 community radios. Three new wash basins were placed in health posts with the support of UNFPA. UNFPA continues to support the Ministry of Health in the distribution of contraceptive methods up to the last mile, as well as in equipment and materials for the provision of reproductive health care.
- **Senegal:** With funding from Canada and Luxembourg, UNFPA disbursed funding to the Ministry of Health to support the COVID-19 response through the reprogramming of the activities of the 2020 annual work plans of the implementing partners to ensure the continuity of reproductive, maternal, neonatal, child and adolescent health services. UNFPA provided support for the development of the Contingency Plan for the continuity of reproductive, maternal, neonatal, child and adolescent health services. About 110 million FCFA was allocated to the Ministry of youth to strengthen community mobilization to break the transmission and ensure the continuity of adolescent sexual reproductive health services (ASRH). 1,500 protective masks were distributed to youth organizations as part of the COVID-19 digital communication campaign targeting young people

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- **Sierra Leone:** UNFPA continued to distribute mama and baby packs to health facilities in Freetown, Bo, Makeni and Lunsar, with about 803 packs distributed to date. These packs are being distributed to encourage mothers to deliver in health facilities with skilled support. A media campaign on maternal health and family planning was undertaken. Messages are crafted to encourage women and adolescents to access maternal health and family planning services during the COVID-19 pandemic, and disseminated to the general public through four radio stations with national coverage.
- **Togo:** UNFPA continues to monitor COVID-19 positive pregnant women, seven of whom were healed with zero maternal deaths. As part of the fight against COVID-19, the UNFPA office has mobilized a total of 1.7 million dollars from two financial partners. UNFPA launched a Youth Against COVID campaign to raise awareness among young people about their role in the fight against COVID-19. For the continuity of family planning services, 70,000 pairs of gloves, 35,000 bibs, 6,000 hair caps, 351 plastic aprons, 3,000 bottles of alcohol, 25 flash thermometers, 4 tents, 2 Doppler echoes, and 43 hand washing devices were offered to health facilities in the Maritime and Savannah regions, the Togolese Association for Family Welfare ATBEF, and the Association for Support to Community Health Activities 3ASC. Also, seven hand washing devices, 500 boxes of masks and 50 litres of hydro-alcohol gel were donated to the youth-friendly listening centres and CSOs of the CSO-HIV/AIDS platform. The main objective is to ensure the continuity of Sexual and Reproductive Health/HIV services to adolescents, young people and sex workers in compliance with the COVID-19 prevention measures. A plan to sensitize midwives by other seniors is underway, under the implementation of the Association of Midwives of Togo (ASSAFETO). There are about 600 midwives in the healthcare system in Togo who benefit from psychological support that strengthens their coping mechanisms in the difficult work of the COVID-19 context.

2. Addressing Gender-Based Violence

- In 16 countries, UNFPA is leading GBV prevention and response coordination.
- In 13 countries, there is an alert mechanism in place to identify and report cases of GBV.
- 1,415 women and girls subjected to violence, including those with disabilities, have accessed essential services (health, social, police and justice) in Burkina Faso (117), Cabo Verde (58), Cameroon (217), Chad (590) and Togo (433).

Country examples:

- **Burkina Faso:** 3,827 adolescents and young people aged 10-24 years are receiving skills training on sexual and reproductive health and life skills in 140 safe spaces/clubs. The establishment is underway of 120 husbands' clubs and 30 husbands-to-be clubs with 1689 husbands in husbands' clubs. UNFPA facilitated the integration of COVID-19, PSEA and family planning themes in the training of 40 members of women's groups on advocacy and sensitization on peace education, and prevention of violent extremism and radicalization.
- **Cameroon:** UNFPA mainstreamed COVID-19 response in the GBV referral pathway in South West and North West regions where UNFPA participates in humanitarian response. UNFPA developed an orientation guide on mainstreaming COVID-19 in the GBV sub-cluster and working group. A social media campaign labelled "14 jours sauvent ta vie", which was jointly conducted with youth association leaders, reached more than 74 000 people including women, .
- **Ghana:** UNFPA continues to support the Domestic Violence and Victims Support Unit (DOVVSU) of the Ghana Police Service, with technical support and logistics in responding to reports on abuses on the dedicated hotline.
- **Guinea:** UNFPA supports data collection related to cases of gender-based violence during this period of COVID-19 in the regions of Conakry, Labé, Kankan and Nzérékoré.
- **Guinea Bissau:** UNFPA supported REMPSECAO (Women Peace and Security Network in ECOWAS) in safety measures for markets that will be part of the three intervention areas of the project "Empowering women and citizenship associations to raise public awareness on COVID-19 and GBV". To prepare, 100 buckets with water taps, detergent boxes, 400 batteries for megaphones, fuel, bleach and banners were delivered on 9 June to reinforce the COVID-19 response in 3 local markets (Pefine Market, Bairro Militar Market and Caracol Market). <https://t.co/UVgLWvcky4https://twitter.com/UNFPAGuineBxo/status/1270414130822946817>

2. Addressing Gender-Based Violence cont.

- **Liberia:** To date 470 GBV cases have been reported in the epicenter of the response from March to May 2020. More than 60 per cent of cases were reportedly identified and treated within 72 hours of the incident. Adolescents and children still constitute more than half of cases. GBV one-stop treatment centers have remained open to provide services, with some challenges with supplies. UNFPA has planned a distribution of medical supplies through the national supply chain system, expected to kick off shortly. UNFPA and partners have embarked on the training of more than 70 psychosocial counselors, initiated in two of the nation's epicenters. Training has been completed in both locations with staff already deployed.
- **Mali:** UNFPA Mali led a study on the impact of COVID-19 on gender-based violence (GBV) in Mali, to gather evidence on the effects of COVID-19 on GBV to inform decision-making, conduct advocacy, and support GBV programming during the current situation. UNFPA provided support in preventive measures materials for one-stop centres and women's homes to ensure the protection of service providers and survivors of GBV attending these centers. UNFPA Mali is supporting the Ministry for the Promotion of Women, Children and the Family to ensure awareness and communication on the impacts of COVID-19 on GBV and reproductive health and the exacerbation of economic insecurity for girls and women. The coordination mechanisms led by UNFPA, the PSEA network and GBV sub-cluster, continue to meet virtually. The GBV sub-cluster mapping shows a decrease in service provision for survivors of GBV, while GBV cases are on the rise. The standard of practice (SoP) document for PSEA information sharing was finalised and submitted to the Humanitarian Country Team for endorsement.
- **Senegal:** With funding from Canada, UNFPA allocated 170 million XOF to the the Ministry of Women, Family, Gender and Child Protection, to support the programme, "Strengthening the Resilience of Vulnerable Families: Women are part of the Solution", for the "household basket" initiative (rice, cereals, oil, sugar, soap) and the provision of individual protection and handwashing kits, and reusable menstrual hygiene kits. To strengthen the implementation of activities for the prevention and management of gender-based violence (GBV), UNFPA and Plan International Senegal signed, on 05 June 2020, a partnership agreement to promote the rights of children and young people and equality between girls and boys. Some 2,500 reusable masks, 500 liters of bleach and 1,000 pieces of soap made by vulnerable girls at UNFPA scholarship training centers in Kédougou and Salémata, were distributed with the support of Kédougou and Salémata Women's Groups. In addition, 18,000 alternative masks produced by the Kolda Professional Training Center were produced, with 55 sewing machines offered by UNFPA with funding from Canada. The Committee to Combat Violence Against Women and Girls in Tambacounda supported by UNFPA and Canada provided to fifteen women victims of fistulas and GBV dignity/protection kit and basic food to reinforce resilience of vulnerable families
- **Sierra Leone:** A media campaign on gender-based violence was enhanced, especially to respond to a reported case of sexual assault on a 5-year-old resulting in her death. Messages were broadcast on four radio stations with national coverage. About 286 dignity kits were distributed to people with disabilities, returning migrants and healthcare workers.
- **Togo:** UNFPA provided 13 centres with materials and equipment consisting of 26 hand-washing devices, 156 litres of liquid soap, 156 litres of hydro-alcoholic gel and 15,000 bibs to enable staff to carry out their work in the COVID-19 context.

3. Ensuring the supply of modern contraceptives and other reproductive health commodities

- There is a significant risk of a contraceptive stockouts in four countries (Cameroon, Gabon, Gambia and Mauritania).
- 645,930 couple-years of protection for contraceptives were procured by UNFPA, including condoms in Benin (41,152), Chad (203,583), Senegal (281,195) and Sierra Leone (120,000)

Country examples:

- **Burkina Faso:** UNFPA supported the development of strategies for continuity of RH/FP services in the context of COVID. UNFPA continued the implementation of the mobile, advanced, and self-injection strategies with the following results 9492 new users were recruited: for mobile strategy (2976), advanced (347) and youth centre/school health centres and school infirmaries (3225), DBC (2944), and DBC (2945).
- **Ghana:** UNFPA supported the government with the procurement of 40% of contraceptives needed for public sector FP provision. Couple Years of Protection provided is estimated at 1,863,305; and 357,688 unintended pregnancies averted, 125,992 unsafe abortions averted with an estimated GBP14,101,515 in direct health care cost savings. To avert stock out situations and ensure continuity in the provision of FP services during the pandemic, CO engaged the services of a private logistics firm to distribute contraceptives from central medical stores to sub national levels to the last mile to ensure that Clients had access to their preferred method of choice. 144,000 pieces of condoms were distributed through various integrated outreaches to vulnerable populations during the pandemic. Populations reached included 600 market head porter girls (kayayei), prisoners and persons with disabilities.
- **Liberia:** Routine Community based distribution of family Planning services have continued with over 30,000 clients reached by UNFPA's flagship CBD for FP. Additionally UNFPA initiated in collaboration with the national response team, FP outreach interventions targeting 16 communities in the nation's highest epicenter in the past week. Approximately, 3500 women and girls have been reached in just 6 communities.
- **Mali:** in order to maintain continuity of Family Planning services until the Last Mile, CO has been given more than USD 1,300, 000 contraceptive methods, commodities and condoms to MoH and NGOS. Among 230 health workers are overseen to deliver FP, and while respecting COviD 19 preventive measures. In addition 340 hairdressers have been trained in the distribution of contraceptive methods to clients coming to their salon. After training they have been equipped with Covid 19 protective materials, counseling tools and methods.



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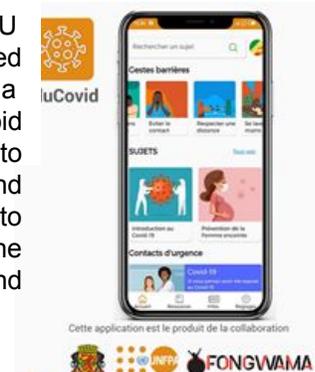
Media & Communications

UNFPA raises awareness, shares guidance and showcases achievements through media outreach.

The Regional Office continues to participate in regional working group on Risk Communications and Community Engagement, with UNICEF as lead and WHO as co-lead. The group is running a media campaign to raise awareness on COVID-19 response through a multilingual website. The website includes some local languages mostly spoken by people across the region. It is also undertaking a social research aimed at generating quality information and insights into how risk communication and community engagement activities could be better framed, packaged and delivered to enhance the response to COVID-19 pandemic.

Country examples:

- **Senegal:** As part of the digital campaign targeting young people #JOGCICOVID19 in Senegal, UNFPA distributed over 1,500 masks to youth organisations through the National Youth Council.
- **Congo:** UNFPA is running awareness campaign by young people of the ROJALNU network, seen by over 10,000 people on social media networks. They also launched the #TossaMibeko (follow the rules in Lingala) campaign. UNFPA is also supporting a mobile app, EduCovid, (right) that is free and can be downloaded from an android phone. It is available to the public, especially young people and adolescents, to provide them with reliable information on the coronavirus, the national response and regular reminders to observe physical distancing measures. The user will be able to find instructions in case of suspicion of COVID-19. The app was presented on 10 June in Brazzaville in the presence of the Ministers in charge of Health and Telecommunications, the UN Resident Coordinator and the UNFPA Representative.



Benin

- [Coronavirus hors de ce monde!!](#)
- [Le Bénin mobilise un réseau de 100 acteurs de l'innovation et entrepreneurs pour renforcer la lutte contre la pandémie de COVID-19](#)
- <https://coronavirus.mysemecity.com/taskforce/>

Burkina Faso

- [Lutte contre le COVID-19 : UNFPA contribue au déploiement de 750 volontaires](#)
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Côte d'Ivoire

- [UNFPA accompagne une campagne de communication des jeunes contre le covid-19 en Côte d'Ivoire](#)

Ghana

- [2020-international-day-end-obstetric-fistula-commemorated-ghana-amidst-covid-19](#)
- [Unfpa-marks-international-day-family-health-workers-pentecost-isolation-centre](#)
- <https://ghana.unfpa.org/en/videos>
- <https://www.facebook.com/ghanaunfpa>

Guinea-Bissau

- [UNFPA and Ubuntu Guinea-Bissau Academy launch remote awareness campaign via telephone against COVID-19](#)
- [UNFPA supports Guinea-Bissau's response to COVID-19](#)
- <https://mobile.twitter.com/unfpaguinebxo/status/1264982430454353925>

Liberia

- [UNFPA Donates US\\$400K Assorted Medical Supplies and Equipment to Liberian Government](#)
- [Epi-surveillance and contact tracing key to breaking COVID-19 transmission in Liberia](#)

Country examples:

Mali

- [COVID-19 ET VIOLENCES CONJUGALES](#)
- [BULLETIN UNIS DANS L'ACTION SPÉCIAL COVID-19](#)

Niger

- [Riposte contre COVID-19 - UNFPA Niger](#)
- [Production de Bavette ou cache-nez made in Niger](#)

Nigeria

- [Implementing planned activities during COVID-19](#)
- [I am staying home for you. Are you doing the same? – Covid19 is real and the best prevention is to stay at home.](#)

Senegal

- [Fistula "je n'ai qu'une seule envie guérir de la fistule](#)
- [Plaidoyer-pour-la-protection-des-sages-femmes-face-au-covid-19](#)
- [USD 745.000 de FAO, ONUFEMMES et UNFPA pour soutenir l'initiative conjointe « le panier de la ménagère »](#)

Sao Tome and Principe

- [UNFPA soutient l'installation de lavabos à l'entrée du PMI](#)
- [UNFPA soutient la concrétisation du plan d'action du ministère de la Jeunesse](#)
- [l'hôpital de campagne en opération](#)

Sierra Leone:

- [UNFPA Sierra Leone celebrates midwives on the International Day of the Midwife](#)
- [UNFPA supports the Ministry of Health and Sanitation to preposition contraceptives & life-saving maternal health medicines](#)

Togo:

- [eConvivial: Une Application sponsorisée par UNFPA Togo dans la lutte contre le COVID-19 au Togo](#)

The Gambia:

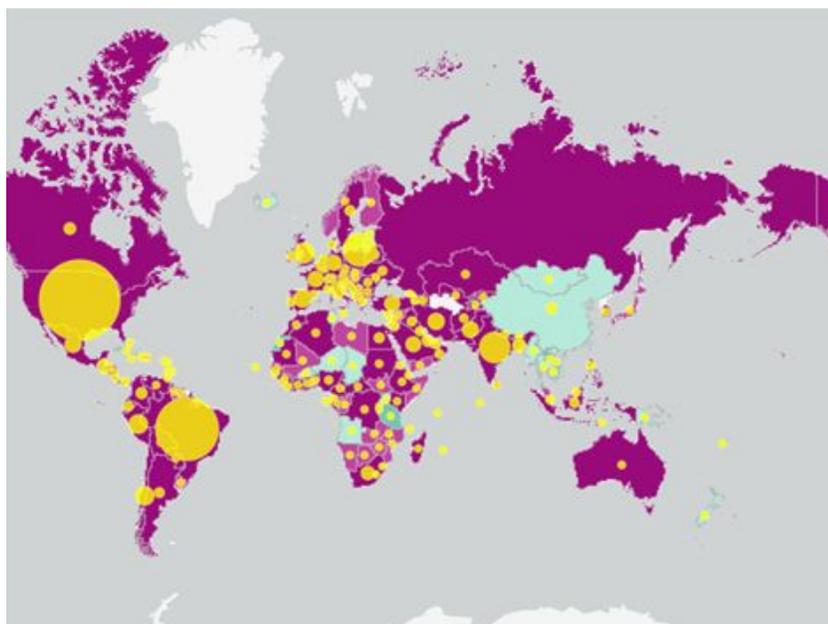
- [UNFPA supports quarantined individuals and recognises efforts frontline health workers](#)
- [Dignity kits improve wellbeing and meet hygiene needs of women and girls amid COVID-19](#)
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A donation of protection kits to ensure the protection of health workers for the continuity of the supply of care and health services. © UNFPA Ghana

Confirmed Cases and Deaths (UNFPA programme countries) WHO, 2 July 2020

Country	Confirmed cases	Deaths
Benin	1,199	21
Burkina Faso	962	53
Cameroon	12,592	313
Cabo Verde	1,267	15
Central African Republic	3,745	47
Chad	866	74
Congo Republic	1,443	42
Côte d'Ivoire	9,499	68
Equatorial Guinea	1,043	12
Gabon	5,394	42
Gambia	49	2
Ghana	18,134	117
Guinea	5,404	33
Guinea-Bissau	1,710	24
Liberia	804	37
Mali	2,303	118
Mauritania	4,705	129
Niger	1,082	68
Nigeria	28,167	634
Sao Tome and Principe	399	11
Senegal	7,272	129
Sierra Leone	1,533	62
Togo	661	14
TOTAL	110,233	2,065



See UNFPA's [COVID-19 Population Vulnerability Dashboard](#) for real-time updates