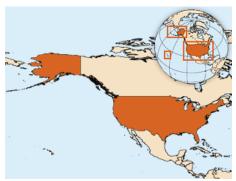


## **United States of America**



This country profile should be read in conjunction with the "How to use the country profile" document which can be found at <u>unfpa.org/sowmy</u>

Map is an approximation of actual country borders.

Estimated population	2019	329,064,917
Women of reproductive age (aged 15-49)	2019	75,078,844
Adolescents (aged 10-19)	2019	42,398,071
Total fertility rate (births per woman)	2015-2020	1.78
Live births	2019	3,954,880
Pregnancies	2019	6,170,975
Adolescent birth rate (births per 1,000 women aged 15-19)	2017	18.8
Maternal mortality ratio (maternal deaths per 100,000 live births)	2017	19
Neonatal mortality rate (deaths within 28 days per 1,000 live births)	2018	4
Stillbirth rate (per 1,000 total births)	2019	3
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)	2018	99%
Modern contraceptive prevalence rate (% using modern method)	2019	57%
Unmet need for family planning (% of women of reproductive age)	2019	5%
Caesarean section rate (% of live births)	2,015	32%
Coverage for 4+ antenatal care visits (% of live births)	2011	97%

Data sources: see "How to use the country profile" document.

#### **FULL SRMNAH WORKFORCE AVAILABILITY**

Occupation group	Year	Headcount (A)	Percentage of time on SRMNAH (B)	Dedicated SRMNAH Equivalent (DSE) (A*B)	<b>Grad</b> Year	uates Number	Density per 10,000 population
Midwifery professionals	2017	10,781	100%	10,781	nr	nr	0.3
Midwifery associate professionals	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Midwives not further defined	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Nursing professionals	2018	4,052,625		1,221,717	2017	281,893	123.2
with midwifery training	2017	10,781	85%	9,164	nr	nr	0.3
without midwifery training	2018	4,041,844	30%	1,212,553	2017	281,893	122.8
Nursing associate professionals	2018	1,077,882		431,153	nr	nr	32.8
with midwifery training	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
without midwifery training	2018	1,077,882	40%	431,153	nr	nr	32.8
Nurses not further defined	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Community health workers	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Paramedical practitioners	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Medical assistants	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
General medical practitioners	2018	103,267	20%	20,653	nr	nr	3.1
Obstetricians & gynaecologists	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Paediatricians	nr	nr	na	nr	nr	nr	nr
Total SRMNAH workforce		5,244,555		1,684,304			159.4

 $Source: National\ Health\ Workforce\ Accounts\ (NHWA)\ data\ platform,\ accessed\ Dec\ 2020,\ most\ recent\ available\ year.$ 

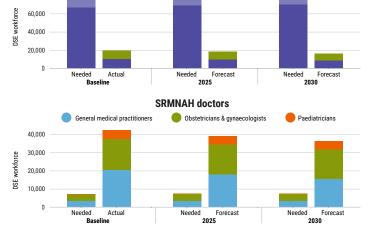
Midwives and nurse-midwives

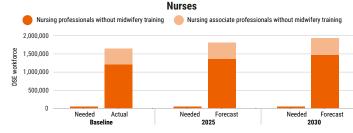
Midwifery associate professionals

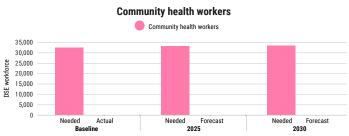
80,000

#### PROJECTIONS TO 2030, DEDICATED SRMNAH EQUIVALENT (DSE) WORKFORCE

Associate nurse-midwives







# Age distribution 55+ 40% 35-54 48% <35 12% 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Source: National Health Workforce Accounts (NHWA) data platform, accessed Dec-2020, most recent available year.

# Gender distribution



nr men



#### **ENABLING ENVIRONMENT**

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National policy guideline that recommends midwife-led care for pregnancy and/or childbirth and/or postnatal period for mother only, or both mother and newborn? *	Pregnancy	Childbirth	Postnatal
	<b>nr</b>	<b>nr</b>	<b>nr</b>
Number of midwives in leadership roles in national MoH / sub-national	National	Sub-national	Regulatory
	MoH	MoH	authorities
MoH / regulatory authorities	dk	dk	dk

#### Education

National policy / guideline on education of midwifery care providers based on ICM competencies? *		nr	
Midwifery education pathway (direct entry / post-nursing /	Direct entry	Post-nursing	Combined
combined)?	no	yes	no
Duration of direct entry / post-	Direct entry	Post-nursing	Combined
nursing / combined education programme (months)	na	dk	na
% of midwifery educators who are midwives		100	

## Regulation

National policy sets a competency framework for maternal and/or

requirement for relicensing?

newborn care? *			
National policy on regulation of midwifery care providers based on ICM competencies? *		nr	
Regulatory body for midwifery practice?		yes	
Is licensing compulsory prior to practise? / Is there periodic relicensing? / Is continuing	License compulsory	Periodic relicensing	Continuing development requirement
professional development a	yes	yes	yes

nr

Association		
Is there a professional association specifically for midwives? Is there	Association specifically for midwives	Other association open to midwives
another professional association open to midwives?	yes	yes

Source: 2020 ICM survey, except those marked \* which are from 2018-2019 WHO SRMNCAH policy survey

### POTENTIAL TO MEET NEED AND DEMAND, 2019 AND 2030

Potential to meet **NEED =**Workforce time available
Workforce time needed for universal coverage of essential SRMNAH interventions

SoWMy 2014<sup>§</sup> SoWMy 2021 2030

nr 96% 91%

Potential to meet **DEMAND** = Supply of health workers

Health workers system can support

2030 supply

exceeds

capacity to employ

§ or most recent regional SoWMy report: East & Southern Africa 2017 or Pacific States 2019

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

The information provided in the ICM survey about midwife education programmes relate only to those accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME).

Some direct-entry midwife education programmes exist, but some are accredited by the Midwifery Education Accreditation Council rather than ACME, and some are not accredited at all.

The duration of the post-nursing education programme varies between 16 and 34 months, depending on the programme and the prior degree held by the student.

ACME-accredited programmes are required to be led by a qualified midwife and have the majority of the programme taught by midwives. On other programmes there are midwife educators who are not midwives.

Regulation of midwives is a state-level function, so systems vary by state.

Licensing is compulsory only for certified nurse-midwives (CNMs) (in all states) and certified midwives (CMs) (in the 6 states where the CM credential is recognized). Some states require licensing for other categories of midwife.

Continuing professional development is only required by the American Midwifery Certification Board for relicensing.

Source: Additional information provided by national stakeholders during data collection and validation.