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IMPACT BRIEF: Haiti



Saving Lives and Improving Health Outcomes in Haiti through Increased Access to Contraceptives

Access to voluntary family planning and reproductive health (FP/RH) services is vital for safe motherhood and healthy families. Having a choice of modern contraceptives allows couples to plan and space births, ensuring families have the means to properly care for their children. USAID ensures an uninterrupted supply of quality FP/RH commodities worldwide through the USAID Global Health Supply Chain Program-Procurement and Supply Management (GHSC-PSM) project.¹

With a population of 11.5 million²—compared to 7 million in 1990 the average woman in Haiti gives birth to 2.9 children in her lifetime.³ In 2022, approximately 37.2 percent of married women in Haiti had an unmet need for FP—meaning they wanted to avoid pregnancy but were not using a modern method of birth control.⁴

The maternal mortality ratio in Haiti is 480 per 100,000 live births, compared to 74 for Latin America and the Caribbean, on average.⁵ The child mortality rate is 60 deaths among children under 5 per 1,000 live births, compared to 16 for the Latin American and Caribbean region.⁶

To address Haiti's maternal and child health needs, the Government of Haiti is collaborating with USAID and other partners. This includes increasing investment in FP/RH to reach a projected modern contraceptive prevalence rate of 35.2 percent among married women aged 15 to 49 by 2022.⁷

ESTIMATED HEALTH IMPACTS FROM USAID PROCUREMENT INVESTMENTS



- ¹ Unless otherwise noted, all figures reported in this brief are over the life of the GHSC-PSM project and do not reflect USAID's contraceptive investment prior to FY 2017. The figures reflect delivered commodities, not shipped commodities, and may not be comparable to figures reported in previous materials.
- World Bank Population, total. Haiti (2021). <u>https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SPPOP.TOTL?locations=HT</u>. Accessed December 21, 2022.
- ³World Bank, Fertility rate, total (births per woman). Haiti (2020). <u>https://data.worldbank.org/</u> <u>indicator/SP.DYN.TFRT.IN?locations=HT</u>. Accessed December 3, 2020.
- ⁴ Family Planning 2030 Indicator Summary Sheet: 2022 Measurement Report. <u>Haiti 2022 Indicator</u> <u>Summary Sheet.pdf (track20.org)</u>. Accessed December 23, 2022.
- ⁵Trends in maternal mortality 2000 to 2017: estimates by WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, World Bank Group and the United Nations Population Division. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2019. Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO.
- ⁶ United Nations Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (UN IGME), 'Levels & Trends in Child Mortality: Report 2021. Estimates developed by the United Nations Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation', United Nations Children's Fund, New York, 2021.
- ⁷ Family Planning 2030. Country Fact Sheet-2022 (Haiti) <u>https://www.track20.org/Haiti</u> Accessed December 23, 2022.

USAID Contraceptive Investment

In partnership with the Government of Haiti and other in-country stakeholders, USAID has supported the procurement and distribution of over 12 million FP/RH products to USAID-supported facilities and organizations in Haiti from FY 2017- 2022. The contraceptives, when combined with proper counseling and correct use, are estimated to provide approximately 2.3 million couple years protection⁸ and to help prevent:

- 855,000 unintended pregnancies
 437,000 abortions
- 1,300 maternal deaths
 10,000 child deaths⁹

These investments in contraceptives have the potential of saving approximately **\$38 million** in direct spending on healthcare¹⁰— resources that can be reinvested in Haiti's health system. Through its investments in contraceptives and supply chains, USAID, in collaboration with other global and in-country partners, is helping Haiti meet its people's FP/RH needs.

Countries that partner with USAID to invest in FP/RH can achieve greater self-reliance by improving their overall health systems and empowering families to plan for their futures.



Methodology

To measure the impact of FP/RH programs, the indicators presented in this brief were calculated using the Impact 2 model¹¹, a sociodemographic mathematical model, using procurement data from the GHSC-PSM project database¹².

The FP/RH impact indicators, as reported in this brief, estimate the demographic, health, and economic impact of USAID's support of contraceptives to Haiti's health programs.

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- ⁸ CYP is the estimated protection provide by contraceptive methods during a one-year period, based upon the volume of all contraceptives sold or distributed free of charge to clients during that period. https://www.usaid.gov/global-health/health-areas/family-planning/couple-years-protection-cyp
- ⁹ This indicator only estimates reduction in deaths as a result of improved birth spacing. The data linking the contraceptive prevalence rate, birth spacing and child mortality is currently limited.
 ¹⁰ The figures are not adjusted for inflation and based on the costs of services from 2011.
- ¹¹ https://www.mariestopes.org/what-we-do/our-approach/our-technical-expertise/impact-2/. Accessed November 30, 2022. The number of preventable deaths, abortions and unintended pregnancies averted is calculated by entering into the model the number of FP/RH commodities delivered by GHSC-PSM across a selected time period.
- ¹² GHSC-PSM's Automated Requisition Tracking Management Information System (ARTMIS) is used to enter, manage, process and track orders throughout the supply chain.
- ¹³ Units of measurement for contraceptives: combined oral (cycle); implantable (implant); standard days (piece); injectable (device); condoms (piece); progestin only pills (cycle); copper-bearing intrauterine (device); emergency oral (package)



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Health worker provides FP method to a client in Haiti. Photo credit: GHSC-PSM

"Every Women has the right to control her power of giving birth"

-Anonymous woman of child-bearing age in Port-au-Prince, Haiti

CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS ¹³	TOTAL PRODUCTS DELIVERED FY 2017-2022*
Combined oral contraceptives	5M
Implantable contraceptives	86K
Injectable contraceptives	6.8M
Copper intrauterine device	2.4K
TOTAL NUMBER OF CONTRACEPTIVES DELIVERED	12M
TOTAL VALUE OF COMMODITIES	\$7.6M*

*This figure represents solely the calculation of the value of commodities and does not include shipment or other associated costs.

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