



Progress Report on the Implementation of the Ethiopia's Annual Work Plan

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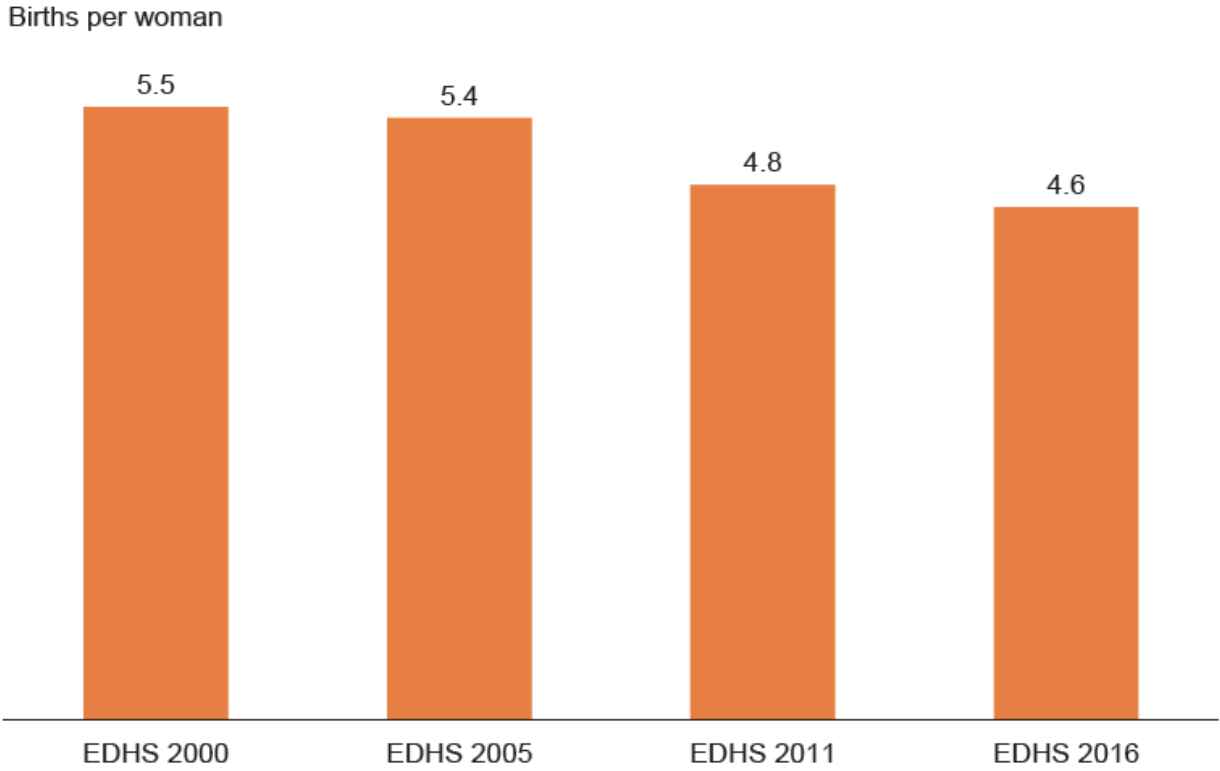
Introduction

- The Government of Ethiopia is committed to improve Reproductive Health situation for all people in the country.
- To materialize this, the government has formulated Health Sector Transformation Program (HSTP) that aligns with the five year National plan, the Growth and Transformation Plan (GTP-2).
- HSTP in relation to Reproductive Health mainly focuses on three key strategic issues: maternal and child health, family planning, and adolescent and youth reproductive health
- This country specific report gives an overview of the progress on the implementation of the country annual plan based on EARHN strategy.

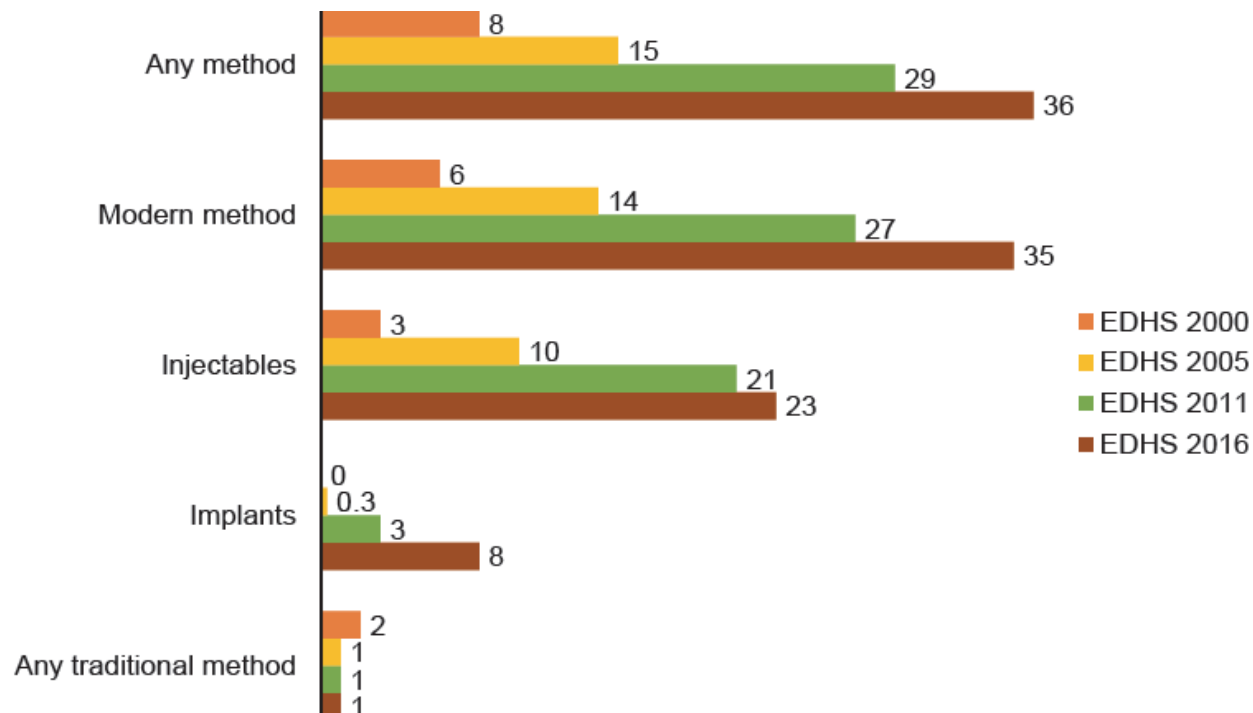
Selected Population and RH indicators

- Total population projected 2019 is 98.663 million
 - Male -48.499 million
 - Female- 48.163
 - Urban population – only 20.881 million
 - Adolescent and youth accounts 42% of the total population

Trends in total fertility rate, 2000-2016

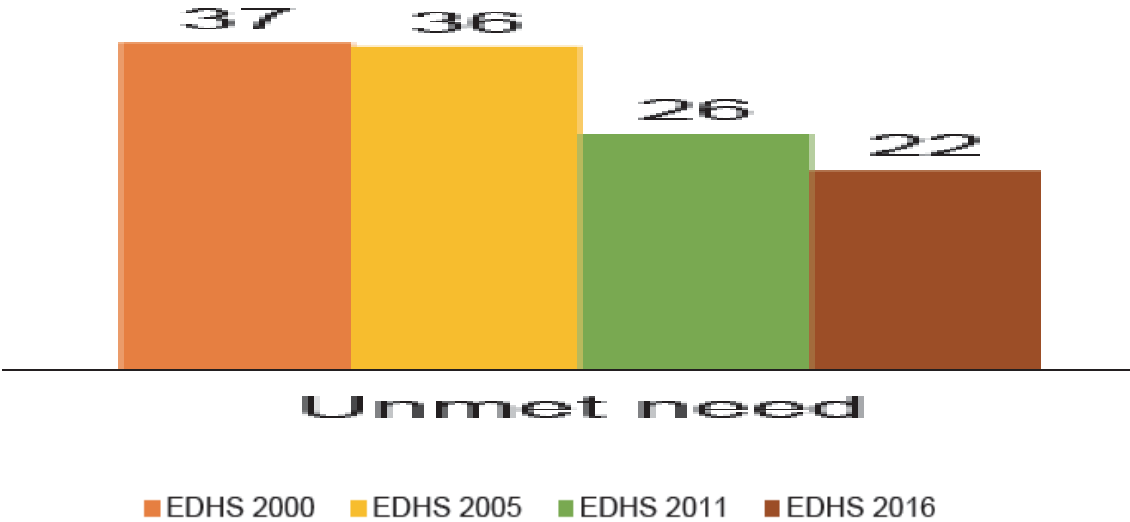


Trends in the use of family planning, 2000-2016



Trends in unmet need

Percent



Progress on implementation of the EARHN Strategic Plan

Strategic Focus 1	Strategic Intervention	Achievement
Advocacy and Strategic Partnerships		
<p><u>Objective 1:</u> <i>To increase awareness and support for RH/FP among key policy and decision makers in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 1. Organize advocacy workshop for parliamentarian, government and CSO leaders on DD opportunities and challenges in Ethiopia</p>	<p>Sensitization workshop on “Pathways to Harnessing Demographic Dividend in Ethiopia” held on 21 March 2019 as one major session of National annual SRH conference organized by CSO(CORHA) in collaboration with MOH,UNFPA and Packard Foundation. Presentations were made on country specific issues related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Population structure</i> focusing on fertility and mortality reductions, • <i>Educational attainment and health status of young people</i> • Good governance, and • Migration and job opportunities to young people <p>After thorough discussion on the issues strategic direction were forwarded for next steps.</p>

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<p>Objective 1: <i>To increase awareness and support for RH/FP among key policy and decision makers in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 3. Mark RH/FP related events to accelerate the provision of RH/FP</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The 20th Annual Review Meeting (ARM) of the health sector development program held from 24-26 October 2019 in Mekele. One of the major focus of the review meeting is the annual performance of MCH programs. Government sector ministries, civil societies and donors were engaged in the review meeting 2. The World contraceptive day was also celebrated on 9 October 2018 at Hawassa town to improve awareness of contraceptive users about all contraceptive methods and make informed choices about their sexual and reproductive health 3. High level discussion with parliamentarian on benefits of RH/FP and prioritizing MCH/RH as a next agenda 4. State of world pop report launched in collaboration with UNFPA on 8th may 2019. The theme of the year “UNFINISHED BUSINESS THE PURSUIT OF RIGHTS AND CHOICES FOR ALL”

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<p><u>Objective 1:</u> <i>To increase awareness and support for RH/FP among key policy and decision makers in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 4. Conduct National consultation conference on comprehensive population policy assessment.</p>	<p>The Ethiopian Academy of Sciences (EAS), in partnership with the National Planning and Development Commission, conducted a Comprehensive Assessment of the Implementation of the National Population Policy of Ethiopia.</p> <p>The objective of the assessment is to review the implementation of the policy with a view to come up with challenges, success story & drawing recommendations for policy revision.</p> <p>As part of the assessment, EAS convened a consultative meeting with key stakeholders including government, civil society, donors and media on 18 February 2019 in Addis Ababa.</p> <p>The results of the assessment with recommendations will be communicated with all stakeholders advocacy workshops will be held for the revision of the population policy.</p>

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<p><u>Objective 1:</u> <i>To increase awareness and support for RH/FP among key policy and decision makers in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 5. Organize national conference on the integration of population dynamics into the long term national plan of the country</p>	<p>The National Planning Commission organized a one day consultative meeting on 15 August 2018 to discuss on the study report on Population Dynamics and Priority Issues for Ethiopia's 15 Years Perspective Development Plan (2015/16 - 2029/30) prepared by EAS. Pertinent government and non government actors participated the consultative meeting.</p>

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<p><u>Objective 2:</u> <i>To strengthen strategic linkages with like-minded partners for RH/FP advocacy and resource mobilization in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 1. Conduct National consultative meeting on multispectral response to AYRH issues</p>	<p>Two advocacy workshops held focusing on response to AYRH issues.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advocacy workshop to revitalize Multisectoral Partnership Forum held on 1 March 2019 to coordinate the AYRH related programs and project implements by different actors. The Partnership Forum is now revitalized and functional. 2. High level consultative meeting on youth development was organized with presence of parliamentarians, high government officials from 11-12 March 2019 at Bishoftu town to reaffirm the overseeing role of the parliamentarians.

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Coordination, Exchange and South-South Learning		
<p><u>Objective 2:</u> <i>To offer a bench-marking platform aimed at improving the RH/FP commodity supply chain as well as strengthening the system</i></p>	<p>Intervention 1. Review of Costed Implementation Plan (CIP) of family planning</p>	<p>Team established to review the CIP. A discussion was made among the team members.</p>
	<p>Intervention 2. Undertake annual monitoring and evaluation of RH/FP activities planned in HSTP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MOH organized Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Children and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAH-N) annual meeting with all partners on 4-6 September 2018 to review the implementation of reproductive, maternal and child health and recommend the way forwards. • ISS was conducted in collaboration with key partners including PM office, parlementerian

Challenges and Recommendations

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High regional disparity in FP/RH information and service provision	Improve access to hard to reach areas to narrow regional disparities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Expand services to pastoralist and remote areas ➤ Address myths & misconceptions & create more demand
High unmet need for FP among Adolescent girls, aged 15 – 19 years (33% EDHS 2016)	Refocus on adolescent and youth health. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Expand youth friendly services
The long standing traditional, cultural and religious attitudes towards childbearing have challenged the contraceptive use particularly in some regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Advocacy WS with community & religious leaders and value clarification for HWF
Availability of method mix in health facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Expand access to long acting and permanent methods ➤ Ensure the availability of contraceptive commodity at all level

Next plan

Strategic Focus 1: Advocacy and Strategic Partnerships	Interventions(PLANED)
<p><u>Objective 1:</u> <i>To increase awareness and support for RH/FP among key policy and decision makers in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 1. Organize advocacy workshop for highly influential leaders focusing on RH/FP</p>
	<p>Intervention 2. Organize national consultative meeting on population policy revision</p>
	<p>Intervention 3. Organize national consultative meeting to track the progress of FP2020 commitment</p>
	<p>Intervention 4. Mark RH/FP related events to accelerate the provision of quality services</p>

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<p><i>Objective 2:</i> <i>To strengthen strategic linkages with like-minded partners for RH/FP advocacy and resource mobilization in the country</i></p>	<p>Intervention 1. Conduct RMNCAH-N annual meeting to harmonize the RH/FP activities and mobilize resources</p>
	<p>Intervention 2. Prepare PPP implementation guide to strengthen the strtegic partnership</p>

Strategic Focus 2: Coordination, Exchange and South-South Learning	Interventions(PLANED)
<i>Objective 1: To promote integration of RH/FP in all member country policy frameworks and development strategies</i>	Intervention 1. Conduct consultative WS on integration of POPn related issues in a national and sectoral development plan
	Intervention 2. Integrated RH/FP activities in SRH visioning document
	Intervention 3. Undertake annual monitoring and evaluation of RH/FP activities planned in HSTP

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Thank You!