

2003 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey (2003 NDHS)

The 2003 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey provides up-to-date information on the population and health situation in Nigeria. It is the third national Demographic and Health Survey conducted in Nigeria.

The survey is based on a nationally representative sample to produce estimates for the rural and urban segments of the country as well as each of six geopolitical regions.

Households interviewed	7,225
Women (age 15–49) interviewed	7,620
Men (age 15–64) interviewed	2,346

2003 NDHS response rates

Household interview	99%
Women's interview	95%
Men's interview	91%

Topics covered in 2003 NDHS questionnaires

- Socioeconomic information
- Housing characteristics
- Full birth history
- Fertility
- Childhood mortality
- Family planning
- Antenatal and delivery care
- Child health and vaccinations
- Breastfeeding and nutrition
- Awareness and behaviour regarding HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections
- Female genital cutting
- Malaria

Background Characteristics

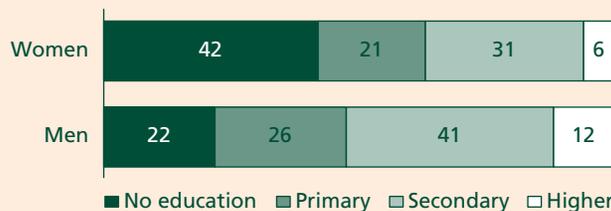
Socioeconomic characteristics

Percentage of households that have:

	Total	Urban	Rural
Electricity	52	85	34
Flush toilet	15	29	7
Piped water in yard/dwelling	7	14	2
Radio	73	85	66
Television	31	59	15
Refrigerator	18	36	8
Telephone or cell phone	6	12	2
Car or truck	10	18	5

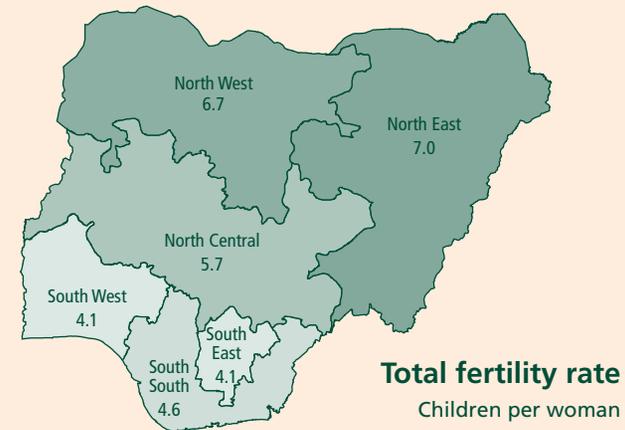
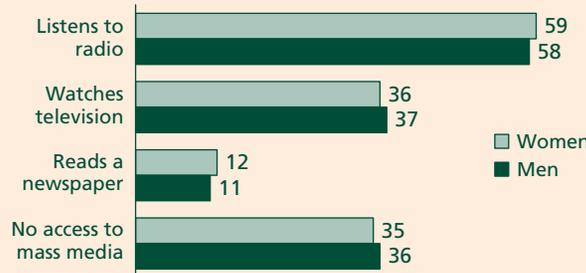
Education level

Percent distribution of respondents by highest level of education attended



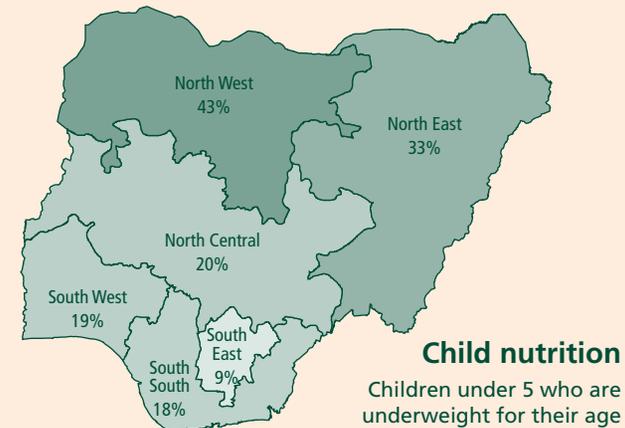
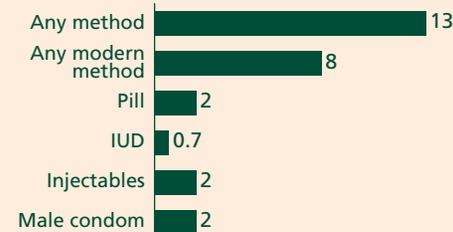
Access to mass media

Percentage of respondents with access to mass media on a weekly basis



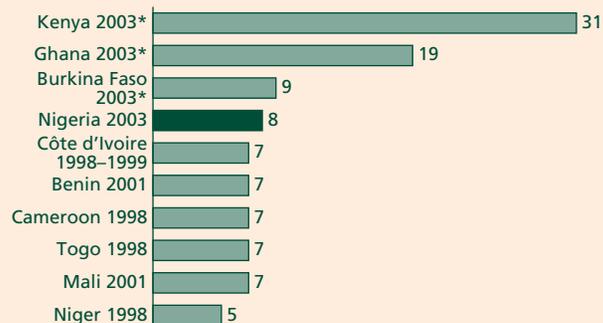
Family planning

Percentage of married women who are currently using family planning



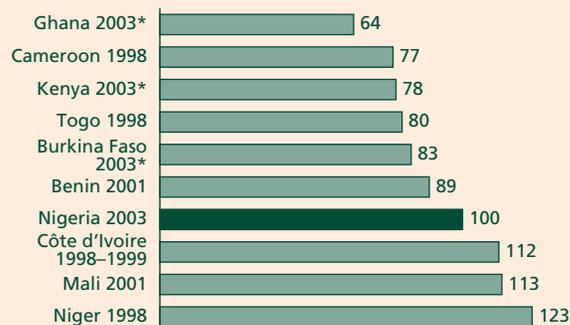
How does Nigeria compare...

...in terms of family planning?



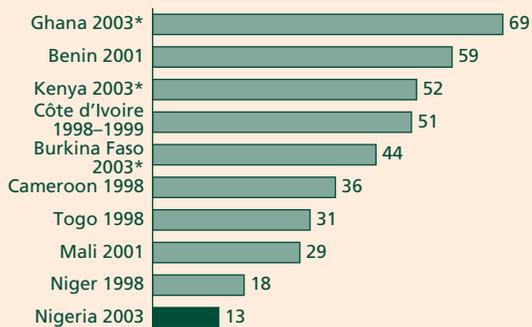
Current use of modern family planning among married women

...in terms of infant mortality?



Five years preceding survey, deaths per 1,000 live births

...in terms of vaccination coverage?



Percentage of children 12-23 months with all basic vaccinations

* All data from the Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Kenya 2003 DHS surveys are preliminary.

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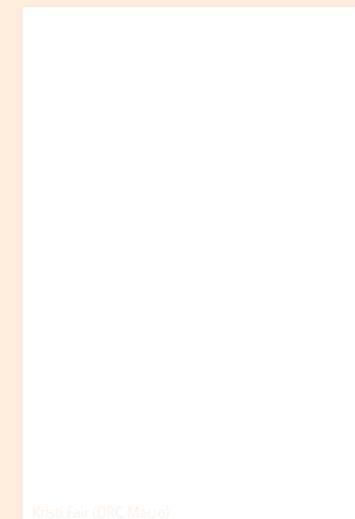
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Fact Sheet

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	National			Region					
	Total	Urban	Rural	North Central	North East	North West	South East	South South	South West
Fertility									
Total fertility rate (children per woman)	5.7	4.9	6.1	5.7	7.0	6.7	4.1	4.6	4.1
Women age 15–19 who are mothers or now pregnant (%)	25	17	30	16	44	45	6	14	5
Median age at first intercourse for women age 25-49 (years)	16.2	17.8	15.7	17.3	15.0	14.7	18.8	17.0	19.4
Median age at first marriage for women age 25-49 (years)	16.6	18.9	15.9	17.7	15.0	14.6	21.8	19.2	21.3
Married women (age 15–49) wanting no more children (%)	18	22	17	24	16	7	32	32	30
Mean ideal number of children per woman	6.7	6	7	6.2	7.8	8.6	5.3	5.5	4.8
Family Planning (married women, age 15–49)									
Knowledge									
Any method (%)	78	91	73	77	64	75	87	94	97
Any modern method (%)	76	91	70	76	61	72	85	93	97
Current use									
Any method (%)	13	20	9	13	4	5	23	25	33
Any modern method (%)	8	14	6	10	3	3	13	14	23
Contraceptive pills (%)	2	3	1	2	0.7	0.6	2	4	5
Injectables (%)	2	2	2	4	0.9	0.8	0.6	5	3
IUD (%)	0.7	2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.7	5
Male condom (%)	2	4	1	2	0.2	0.1	9	2	7
Any traditional method (%)	4	6	4	3	1	2	10	12	10
Unmet need for family planning									
Total unmet need (%)	17	17	17	22	18	11	19	25	17
For spacing (%)	12	12	12	15	13	10	9	13	11
For limiting (%)	5	6	5	7	5	1	10	12	6
Maternal and Child Health									
Maternity care									
Women giving birth who received:									
Antenatal care from a health professional (%)	60	83	51	74	53	39	96	73	93
Two doses or more of tetanus toxoid injection (%)	40	61	32	45	31	20	77	62	74
No dose of tetanus toxoid injection (%)	47	25	57	33	56	73	7	27	9
Percentage of births assisted by a health professional	36	59	27	50	22	13	88	56	82
Percentage of births delivered in a health facility	33	54	24	45	17	10	84	53	78
Child immunization									
Children 12–23 months fully vaccinated (%)	13	25	7	12	6	4	45	21	33
Children 12–23 months with no vaccinations (%)	27	17	31	21	31	41	15	7	5
Treatment of childhood illnesses									
Percentage of children who were taken to a health facility, among children under 3 years who recently experienced:									
Acute respiratory infection (ARI) or fever	31	40	28	50	20	33	37	25	53
Diarrhoea	22	30	19	40	8	30	(25)	(27)	(39)
Children under 5 years who slept under a bednet (%)	6	4	7	9	7	5	4	9	0
Nutrition in Women and Children									
Children under 5 years who are stunted (%)	38	29	43	31	43	55	20	21	25
Children under 5 years who are wasted (%)	9	8	10	6	8	13	5	11	9
Children under 5 years who are underweight (%)	29	22	32	20	33	43	9	18	19
Women who are too thin (BMI < 18.5) (%)	15	13	16	7	23	20	8	11	17
Women who are overweight (BMI ≥ 25) (%)	21	28	17	23	14	15	34	25	21
Median duration of any breastfeeding (months)	18	17	19	19	21	20	13	16	16
Childhood Mortality									
(Figures are for the ten-year period before the survey, except for the national rate, in italics, which represents the five-year period before the survey)									
Number of deaths per 1,000 births:									
Infant mortality (between birth and first birthday)	<i>100</i>	81	121	103	125	114	66	120	69
Under-five mortality (between birth and fifth birthday)	<i>201</i>	153	243	165	260	269	103	176	113
AIDS-related Knowledge, Attitudes and Behaviour									
Has heard of HIV/AIDS:									
Women (age 15–49) (%)	86	95	82	85	76	87	96	90	90
Men (age 15–49) (%)	97	99	96	97	97	99	99	92	98
Among those who have heard of AIDS:									
Has had an HIV test and received the results:									
Women (age 15–49) (%)	6	12	4	5	1	1	23	9	10
Men (age 15–49) (%)	14	16	12	19	13	4	25	14	18
Knows ways to avoid AIDS:									
Having one sex partner (women age 15–49) (%)	60	73	53	56	51	60	77	58	67
Having one sex partner (men age 15–49) (%)	80	83	78	84	80	83	85	68	83
Using condoms (women age 15–49) (%)	45	58	38	35	35	49	44	49	56
Using condoms (men age 15–49) (%)	63	71	59	68	48	70	79	50	74
Female Circumcision									
Prevalence among women age 15–49 (%)	19	28	14	10	1	0.4	41	35	57
Percentage of women favoring an end to the practice	66	65	68	64	79	71	67	74	46
Percentage of men favoring an end to the practice	63	60	66	76	74	64	46	64	53
									Figures in parentheses are unreliable due to small number of children.