FERTILITY AND NUPTIALITY IN MOZAMBIQUE

Total Fertility Rate

- Children per Women (2007): 6
- Children per Women (2017): 5

Women in rural areas will have, on average, 1 more child than those living in urban settings.

Childbirth and age

- More than half of births occur amongst women aged 15-24.
- 15-19: >25%
- 20-24: >29%
- 25-29
- 30-34

Fertility rates in urban vs. rural areas

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Total Fertility Rate

- Niassa: 5.3
- Cabo Delgado: 4.9
- Nampula: 5.1
- Zambezia: 5.4
- Sofala: 5.4
- Manica: 5.6
- Gaza: 4.5
- Inhambane: 4.4
- Maputo City: 3.1
- Maputo Province

2017 Census Thematic Fact Sheet
Nationally, by the age of 17, 4 in 10 girls are married

Girls in Cabo Delgado are 7x more likely to marry by the age of 18 than girls in Maputo City.

Recommendations:

1. Increased access and availability of contraception, particularly amongst youth who have low prevalence

2. Ensure the availability of antenatal and obstetric care and promote institutional deliveries to reduce high-risk maternal mortality and morbidities.

Estimates includes the girls age 12-17 years old.