

GUINEA-BISSAU - KEY COUNTRY STATISTICS



FGM PREVALENCE RATE

The estimated prevalence of FGM in girls and women (15-49 years) is 44.5% (MICS 2006). This appears to have decreased from 50% in 1998 (WHO 1998).

The prevalence of FGM in girls and women within the 15-19 age group is estimated at 43.5%, which appears to be 5.1% less than FGM prevalence in the 35-39 age group which is estimated at 48.6% (MICS 2006).

Figures also suggest a 9.2% difference in FGM prevalence between girls and women (15-49 years) who live in urban and rural areas with estimated FGM prevalence at 39% and 48.2% respectively (MICS 2006).

The most prevalent type of FGM practised in Guinea-Bissau is 'flesh removed' (Types I and II) (91.7%), with 3.2% having Type III (MICS 2006).

The government of Guinea-Bissau has not to date passed legislation that specifically prohibits the practice of FGM, however existing general provisions of criminal codes could be applied to FGM (MICS 2006).

POPULATION

1,660,870 (July 2013 est.)

Median age: 19.6 years

Growth rate: 1.971% (2012 est.) (World Factbook)

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX

Rank: 176 out of 186 in 2012 (UNDP)

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth (years): 48.6 (UNDP) or 49.11 years (World Factbook)

Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births): 94.4 deaths

Maternal mortality rate 790 deaths/100,000 live births (2010); country comparison to the world: 6

Fertility rate, total (births per women): 4.37 (2013 est.)

HIV/AIDS – adult prevalence rate: 2.5% (2009 est.)

HIV AIDS – people living with HIV/AIDS: 22,000 (2009 est.); country comparison to the world: 75

HIV/AIDS – deaths: 1,200 per annum (2009 est.)

(World Factbook)

LITERACY (AGE 15 AND OVER THAT CAN READ AND WRITE)

Total population: 54.2%

Female: 40.6%; male: 68.2% (2010 est.) (World Factbook)

Total Youth Population: 72.1%

Female youth (15-24 years): 65.3%; male youth: 78.9% (2010) (World Bank)

GDP

GDP (official exchange rate): \$884 million (2012 est.)

GDP per capita (PPP): \$1,100 (2012 est.)

GDP (real growth rate): -2.8% (2012 est.)

URBANISATION

Urban population: 30% of total population (2010)

Rate of urbanisation: 3% annual rate of change (2010-15 est.)

ETHNIC GROUPS

African 99% (includes Balanta 30%, Fula 20%, Manjaca 14%, Mandinga 13%, Papel 7%), European and mulatto less than 1%

RELIGIONS

Muslim 50%, indigenous beliefs 40%, Christian 10%

LANGUAGES

Portuguese (official), Crioulo, African languages

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