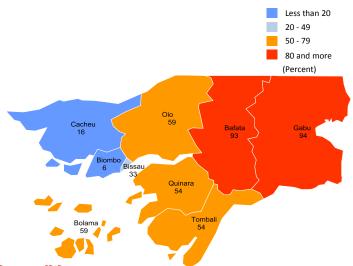
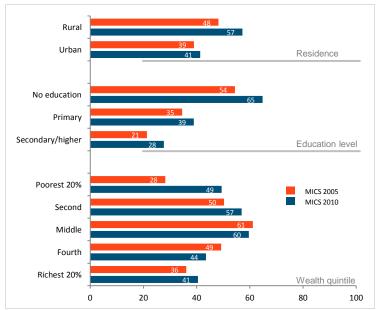
## FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION/CUTTING COUNTRY PROFILE

## Prevalence of Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting (FGM/C) among Women Aged 15-49

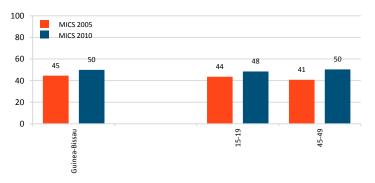


**Inequalities**: Human rights violations affect women and girls differently. Girls who are the least educated and living in rural areas are at the greatest risk of FGM/C.



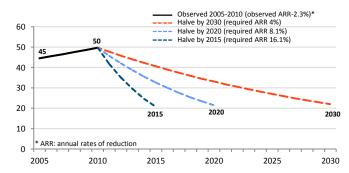
Levels: currently, 50% of women aged 15-49 in Guinea-Bissau have undergone some form of FGM/C

**Trends:** prevalence of FGM/C has increased by **12%** between 2005 and 2010; FGM/C is less common among girls 15-19 than women 45-49

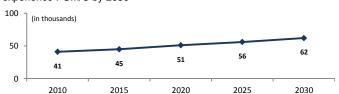


#### **Projections**

To meet the target of reducing the FGM/C rate by half, more intensive interventions and resources are needed

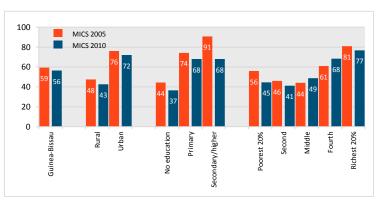


If present trends continue, 62,000 girls born between 2010-2015 will experience FGM/C by 2030



### Opposition to FGM/C

#### About 56 percent of women believe FGM/C should be discontinued



### **Key Indicators**

| Population size, female age 15-49 (in thousands), 2010             | 376          | World<br>Population<br>Prospects 2012 |
|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Prevalence of FGM/C among women 15-49 (%)                          | 50           | MICS 2010                             |
| Prevalence of FGM/C among girls 15-19 (%)                          | 48           | MICS 2010                             |
| Ethnic group with the highest prevalence in the country (%)        | -            | -                                     |
| Existence of national policies and laws banning FGM/C; Year passed | Yes;<br>2011 | FGM/C programme data                  |

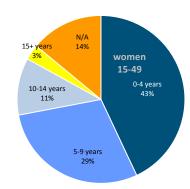


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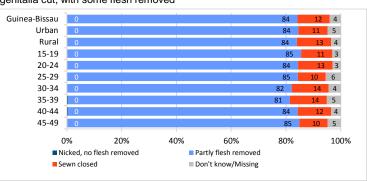
#### Age at FGM/C Type of FGM/C and Performers of FGM/C About 84% of girls and women who have undergone FGM/C have had their genitalia cut, with some flesh removed Nearly half of the women who have undergone FGM/C were

cut before age 5

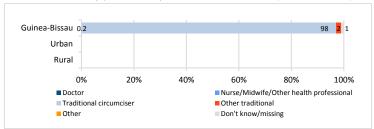


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FGM/C is essentially performed by traditional circumcisers (more than 95%)



### Monitoring the UNFPA-UNICEF Joint Programme on FGM/C

Community leaders and stakeholders committed to FGM/C abandonment

Religious leaders that make public declarations delinking FGM/C from religion

**Cumulative number of villages** declaring the abandonment of FGM/C

Health facilities integrating FGM/C prevention in their antenatal and postnatal care

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