

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO - KEY COUNTRY STATISTICS



FGM PREVALENCE RATE

The estimated prevalence of FGM in girls and women (15-49 years) is 5% (WHO 1998).

The DRC government to date has not passed legislation that specifically prohibits the practice of FGM; however articles 46-48 of the penal code on intentional bodily injury could be applied to FGM (No Peace Without Justice; UNHCR).

POPULATION

75,507,308 (July 2013 est.)

Median age: 17.6 Years

Growth rate: 2.579% (2012 est.) (World Factbook)

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Rank: 186 out of 186 in 2012 (UNDP)

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth (years): 48.7 (UNDP) or 55.74 years (World Factbook)

Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births): 76.63 deaths

Maternal mortality rate 540 deaths/100,000 live births (2010); country comparison to the world: 17

Fertility rate, total (births per women): 4.95 (2013 est.)

HIV/AIDS – adult prevalence rate: N.A

HIV AIDS – people living with HIV/AIDS: N.A ; country comparison to the world: N.A

HIV/AIDS – deaths: N.A (World Factbook)

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

Total population: 66.8%

Female: 57%; male: 76.9% (2010 Census) (World Factbook)

Total Youth Population: 65%

Female youth (15-24 years): 61.8%; male youth: 68.3% (2010) (World Bank)

GDP

GDP (official exchange rate): \$17.7 billion (2012 est.)

GDP per capita (PPP): \$400 (2012 est.)

GDP (real growth rate): 7.1% (2012 est.)

URBANISATION

Urban population: 35% of total population (2010)

Rate of urbanisation: 4.5% annual rate of change (2010-15 est.)

ETHNIC GROUPS

over 200 African ethnic groups of which the majority are Bantu; the four largest tribes - Mongo, Luba, Kongo (all Bantu), and the Mangbetu-Azande (Hamitic) make up about 45% of the population

RELIGIONS

Roman Catholic 50%, Protestant 20%, Kimbanguist 10%, Muslim 10%, other (includes syncretic sects and indigenous beliefs) 10%

LANGUAGES

French (official), Lingala (a lingua franca trade language), Kingwana (a dialect of Kiswahili or Swahili), Kikongo, Tshiluba

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