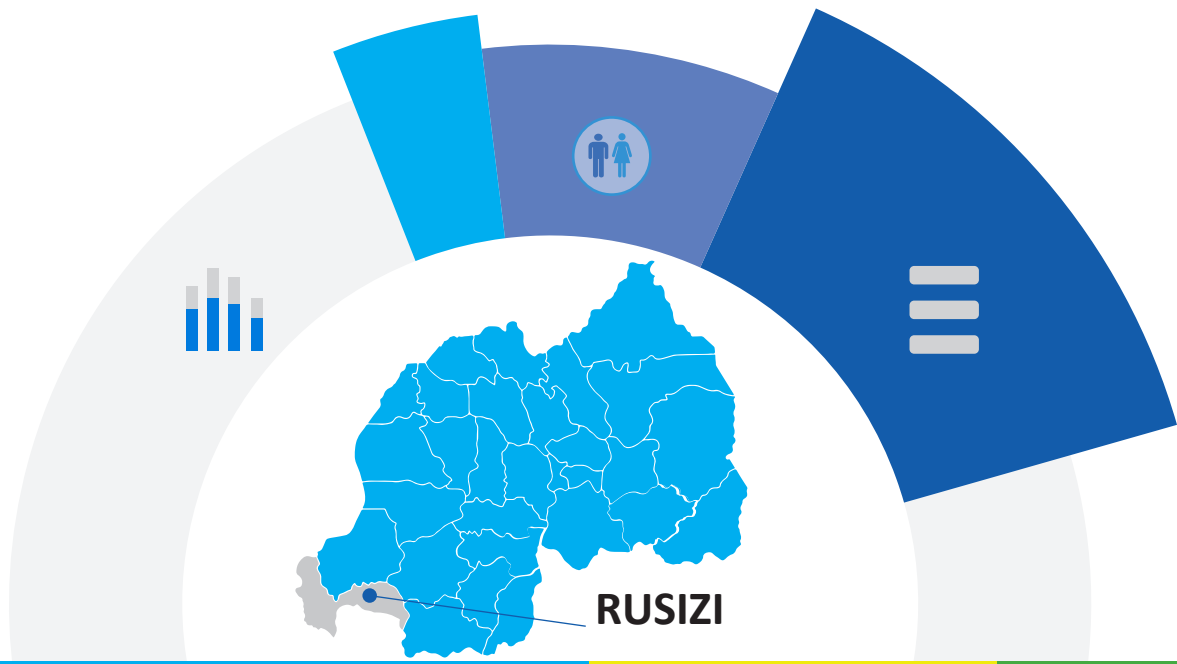




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Foreword

This is the second edition of the Gender Statistics District Profile Report that provides the updated sex-disaggregated data in the key areas of life such as poverty and social protection, education, health, violence against women, economy, decision making, ICT and media, and Environment. These fields are classified under the three pillars of the National Strategy for transformation (NST1) namely; economic transformation, social transformation, and transformational Governance. The report also takes into account some quantitative indicators of the United Nations Minimum Set of Gender Indicators (UNMSGI) as developed by the United Nations Statistical Division (UNSD) and some approved quantitative Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with indicators related to gender.

In this context, the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR) in collaboration with the Gender Monitoring Office (GMO), central and decentralized entities, undertook to establish and strengthen a comprehensive Gender Statistics Framework (GSF) which has resulted in the Gender Statistics District Profile Reports reflecting the status of gender equality in key development sectors at district level. The aim of the report is to encourage policy debates around gender gaps and provide quantitative evidence for planning, monitoring, and evaluation of programs. Achieving development for all requires formulation of policies that recognize the role of gender equality. Therefore, production and dissemination of timely and reliable sex-disaggregated and gender-responsive data is crucial in facilitating evidence-based policies and decision making that consider both women and men.

The report shows differences and inequalities between women and men and acts as a timely databank containing useful information on Rwanda's development. NISR looks forward to continuing its good collaboration with the European Union (EU), UN Women and all other interested partners.



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Acronyms and Abbreviations

AFR	Access to Finance Rwanda
AHS	Agriculture Household Survey
ARI:	Acute Respiratory Infection
DHS:	Demographic and Health Survey
EICV:	Integrated Household Living Conditions Survey
GBV:	Gender Based Violence
GMO:	Gender Monitoring Office
HH:	Household
HHS	Household Survey 2019/20
ICT:	Information Communication Technology
MIGEPROF:	Ministry of gender and family Protion
MINAGRI:	Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources
MINECOFIN:	Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning
MINEDUC:	Ministry of Education
MMI:	Military Medical Insurance
NEET:	Neither in Employment, nor in Education or Training
NISR:	National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda
RAMA:	La Rwandaise d'Assurance Maladie
RDHS	Rwanda Demography and Health Survey
RPHC:	Rwanda population Housing Census
SACCO:	Savings and Credit Co-operative
VUP:	Vision 2020 Umurenge Programme happiness

Glossary of key terms:

KEY WORDS	DEFINITION
Sex ratio	Number of males per 100 females in a population
Crude Birth Rate	The number of live births per 1,000 persons in a population per year
Crude Death Rate	Number of deaths per 1,000 populations in a given year.
Life Expectancy at Birth	The average number of years a newborn is expected to live given the prevailing deaths rates.
Annual Population growth Rate	The average rate of population changes per year over a ten-year period
Population Density	Population per unit area (usually square meter)
Birth Registration	Percentage of children under age 5 whose births are reported/registered with the civil authorities.
Gross Enrolment Rate	Total number of students enrolled in a specific level of education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the official school-age population corresponding to the same level of education in given school year.
Net Enrolment Rate	Enrolment of the official age-group for a given level of education expressed as a percentage of the corresponding population. $NER = \frac{\text{Number of pupils of specified age in the cycle}}{\text{Population of related school age}} \times 100$
Primary school net attendance ratio	Number of children of primary school age currently attending primary school.
Secondary school net attendance ratio	Number of children of secondary school age currently attending secondary school or higher.
Gender Parity Index for primary	Gender parity index (Ratio of girls to boys) in primary is the ratio of the number of female students enrolled at primary level of education to the number of male students in the same level.
Gender Parity Index for secondary	Gender parity index (Ratio of girls to boys) in secondary is the ratio of the number of female students enrolled at secondary level of education to the number of male students in the same level.
Total Fertility Rate	The expected number of children a woman who survives to the end of the reproductive age span (15-49 years) would have during her lifetime if she experiences the given age at specific rate.
Contraceptive Prevalence rate	Percentage of women of reproductive age who are using (or whose partner is using) a contraceptive method.
Infant mortality rate	Probability of infants' death before celebrating their first birthday per 1,000 live births.
Neo-natal mortality rate	Probability of infants' death before celebrating the 28th day after their birthday per 1,000 live births.
Post neo-natal mortality	Probability of infants' death between the 29th and 360th days after their birthday per 1,000 live births.
Under 5 age mortality	Probability of dying of infants before celebrating the 5 birthdays per 1,000 live births.
Maternal Mortality Ratio	Probability of women's deaths that occur during pregnancy, child birth, or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy because of any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management but not from accidental or incidental causes, expressed per 100,000 live births.
Economic activity	Covers all market production and certain types of non-market production, including production and processing of primary products for own consumption, own-account consumption (owner occupied dwellings) and other production of fixed assets for own use
Employment	This refers to the act that engages or occupies; that which consumes time or attention; office or post of business; service; agricultural employment; mechanical employments and public employments. This may be part time or full time, permanent or temporary.
Employed persons	Persons in paid employment who work for wage or salary in cash or in kind or both and have a formal job attachment.
Employment status	Refers to the status of an economically active person with respect to his/her position at his/her place of work and his/ her mode of
Establishment	This is an economic unit engaged in one or predominantly economic activity under single ownership or control and is situated at a single physical location.

KEY WORDS	DEFINITION
Occupation	Refers to the nature of task and duties performed during reference period preceding interview by persons in paid employment, unpaid family work or self – employment jobs.
Underemployment	Refers to persons who work less than 40 hours per week but were willing and available to work additional hours within the last seven days.
Financially included	People who have/use financial products and/or services – formal and/or informal.
Financially excluded	People who do not have/use any financial products and/or services – neither formal nor informal.
Formally served	People who have/use financial products and/or services provided by a formal financial institution (bank and/or non-bank). A formal financial institution is governed by a legal precedent of any kind and bound by legally recognized rules.
Informally served	People who have/use financial products and/or services which are not regulated and operate without legal governance that would be recognized, e.g. tontine or moneylenders.
Banked	People who have/use financial products/ services provided by a bank, regulated by the Central Bank.
Served by other formal financial institutions	People who have/use financial products/services provided by other regulated (non-bank) financial institutions, e.g. remittances services or insurance products
Banking and Payments	About 26% (around 1.5 million) adults in Rwanda are banked (meaning they have bank accounts in their names or joint accounts and/or are using banking channels or services to manage their finances). The proportion of the banked adults varies considerably across the districts
Savings	Savings are the leading product type and one of the main drivers of financial inclusion for Rwanda. This is encouraging as savings enables adults to create wealth, pay for household furniture and equipment and most importantly, can be used as collateral for accessing credit.



CHAPTER 1

Background, introduction and methodology



This is the second edition of District profile report on Gender Statistics following the Gender statistics District profile reports produced by NISR in close collaboration with MIGEPROF, GMO, UN WOMEN for all 30 Districts in 2012/13 FY.

The report reveals the differences and inequalities in the situation of women and men (girls and boys) in all spheres of life with reference to the twelve areas of the 1995 Beijing Declaration and platform for action's areas of priorities.

To better highlight the progress made in line with national priorities, these twelve areas are classified under the NST1 pillars of economic transformation, social transformation and transformational governance. It takes into account part of the quantitative indicators of the United Nations Minimum Set of Gender Indicators (UNMSGI) developed by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), some of the approved quantitative gender indicators of the SDGs and administrative indicators.

The content of this report is based on data sourced from census and surveys-based publications made by NISR and data collected from published and unpublished sources. Published sources consulted include but are not limited to: Population and Housing census, Establishment census, Enquete integrale sur les Conditions de vie des menages (EICV), Agriculture Households Survey (AHS), Rwanda Demographic and Health Survey (RDHS), Rwanda Labour force Survey (RLFS), Rwanda Statistical yearbook, Education statistics yearbook and, the FINSCOPE report.

Since the publication of statistical results is often based on the main indicators with limited disaggregation levels, we proceeded with the use of census and surveys-based datasets to compute required indicators disaggregated at sub-national levels whenever such indicators could not be found in the officially published reports. Therefore, given the sampling limitations that may induce doubt to the level of precision for some surveys-based indicators once disaggregated to sub-national levels, indicators whose values are mentioned in parentheses are to be used with caution.

The report compilation engaged central level staff coming from NISR, GMO, MIGEPROF, MINAGRI, MINALOC, RWAMREC, Provinces and, District staff concerned with planning and gender, namely the District statistician, Director of planning and a staff in charge of gender at each District. In order to harmonize the production of the report and minimize errors, 30 teams were formed, each consisting of at least three district staff and one central level staff member. These teams were then provided with the following references to guide the compilation of the report:

- Soft copies of all NISR surveys and census published reports from which required sex disaggregated data might be sourced.
- An excel file containing a list of indicators to be used for the report compilation, arranged in accordance with the chapters of the report.
- The model of District profile report to refer to for compiling respective Districts profiles. This model report has been developed by NISR in collaboration with GMO and was based on the situation of Karongi District.

The reports compilation was preceded by a training of trainer (ToT) workshop gathering central level staff to have a common understanding of the model report content and structure and, to well understand gender statistics concepts, analysis, interpretation, and use. The training has indeed been a good opportunity to agree on the methodology to be used for coaching and mentoring Districts' teams in a harmonized manner. The ToT was followed by a training workshop with District staff in which participants managed to compile respective Districts profile reports under the supervision and mentorship of the central level staff. Each

District’s team had at least one central level staff to support in this regard.

The above-mentioned workshop schedule was divided into three periods: (1) time to learn the theoretical aspects of gender statistics and to understand the content and structure of the district profile report template; (2) time to compile the respective district profile reports based on the report template and reference documents provided to produce a draft report; and (3) time to proofread the compiled draft reports. To this end, each district team was allocated time to review and proofread the district profile report produced by another district team to obtain the final drafts. Once the final drafts had been produced, the central level team took the time to review the reports again in order to minimize errors as much as possible and produce the final reports for publication.

Figure 1: Administrative map for Rusizi District



Source: National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda, 2023

The world's populations are in varying stages of a demographic transition from high to low rates of mortality and fertility (Bongaarts, 2009). In this process, the age structure gradually shifts toward older ages. Fertility is the principal component driving population dynamics, the other two being mortality and migration. A youth bulge results when decreases in fertility reduce the share of children in the population at a relatively fast rate while the proportion of elderly is still relatively small. Nations undergoing this transition can capitalize on the resulting high labour supply and low dependency rates. There is the potential to boost economic growth and poverty reduction as there are fewer dependents to support, savings are accumulated, and a relatively young population is likely to enhance investments in human capital and technology in the economy as a whole (Ashford, 2007; Bloom et al., 2003).

Reaping the benefits from this phase of the demographic transition requires, however, the right policy, economic and social environment. First and foremost, the growing youth population has to be absorbed into the labour market and enterprising young people have to be enabled to invest. They must have the opportunity to access high-quality education, matching the type of skills needed in the labour market. Also, young people will only be encouraged to save if there are efficient and trustworthy financial mechanisms to allow them to do so. Finally, investments in public health are necessary to allow a youthful population to maximize its productivity. In return, if the appropriate policy environment is not in place, unemployment and instability may result, and health, education, and social welfare systems may undergo considerable strain (Gribble and Bremner, 2012; Bloom et al., 2003).

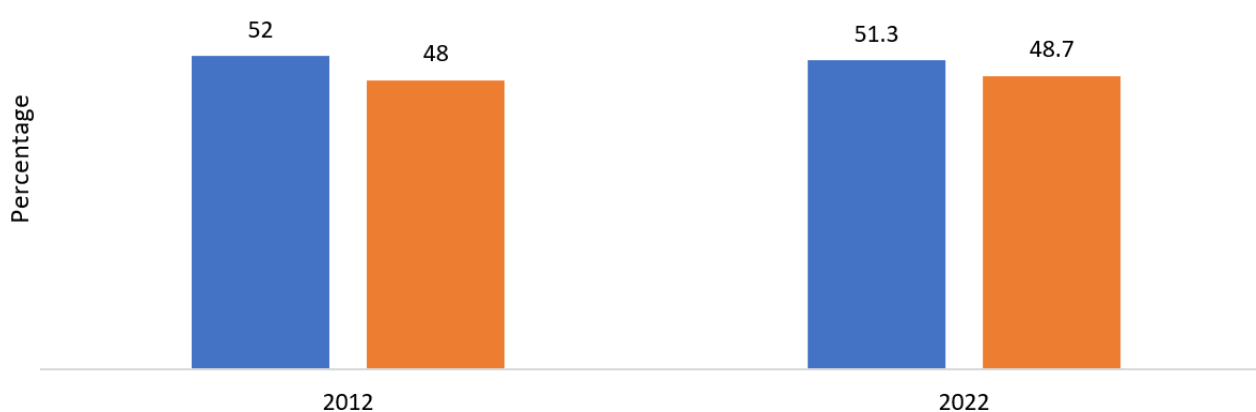
Sub-Saharan Africa is still in the early stages of demographic transition and gender equality is seriously affected by current demographic trends in countries and regions. While mortality has been reduced in recent decades, fertility has remained high in most countries and such a status quo has implications and is affected by the way gender equality between women and men behaves.

Despite the trend toward gender mainstreaming and inclusive data systems manifested in the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, gender data does not regularly inform present-day political decision-making. Women and girls and their living conditions are either underrepresented or not always prioritized in data production, leading to policy designs that inadequately address (or in some cases reinforce) existing inequalities. Even when data is available, too often gender data use is hindered by limited analysis and dissemination of existing information. The COVID-19 pandemic shed a new light on these pre-existing gaps, renewing a call for more timely and granular information on the impact of the crisis on women and girls in areas such as education, livelihoods, unpaid care work, mental health, and gender-based violence.

3.1 Age sex structure of the resident population

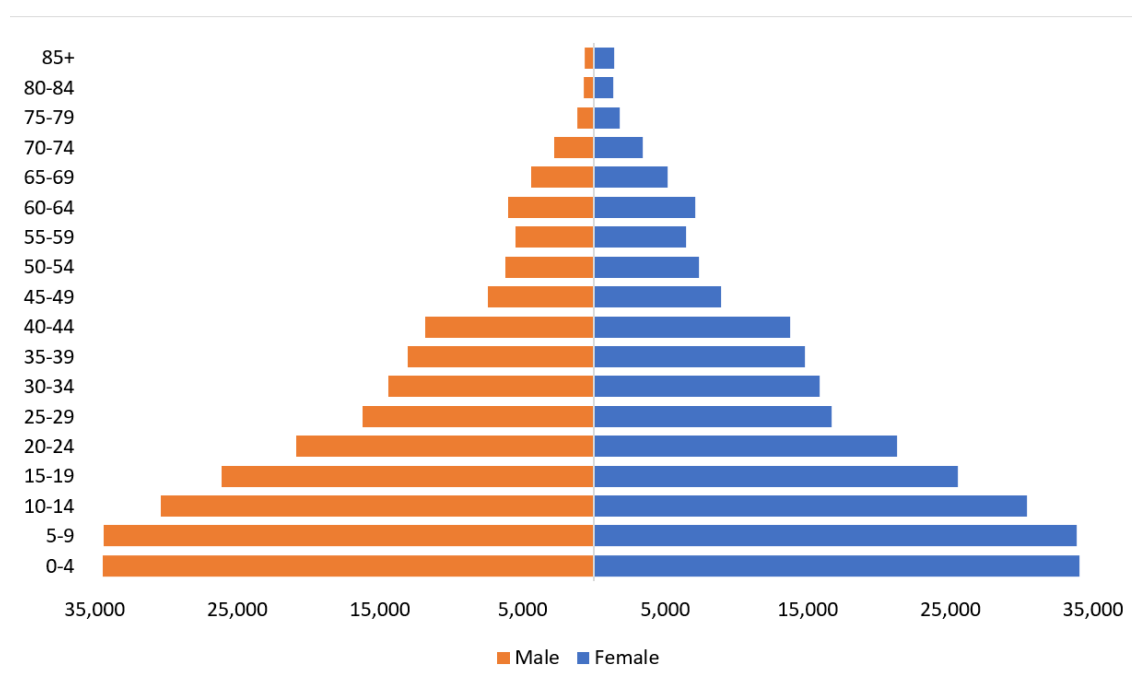
The disparities among resident population by sex are quite high in Rusizi district compared to the national level situation, females are more than males and represent 51.5% compared to 48.5% for males at national level. In Rusizi District, the results from RPHC 2022 reveal that females represent 51.3% while males are 48.7% and reflect high females proportion compared to males' where a sex ratio showing 95 males for every 100 females while the national level result shows 94 males for each 100 females. In RPHC 2012, the sex ratio was 92 in Rusizi, implying 92 males for each 100 females. Such information is displayed in figure 2 below.

Figure 2: Proportions (in %) of resident population of Rusizi District by sex



Source: Rwanda population and Housing census 2012 and 2022 (NISR)

By age, the results show that Rwandan residents' population is mostly young where the population aged 0-24 represent 55.2% of the total population, while elderly people aged 65 and above represent only 4.2%. Elderly females represent 2.5% while males represent 1.7% (RPHC-5, Main indicators report). The youth aged 16-30 represent 27.1% of the total population at National level, of which females represent 13.3% while males represent 13.8%. With respect to international standard, youth aged 15-24 represent 20.3% of total population of which females in this age range represent 10.3% while males represent 10%. Children aged 0-17 represents 44.5% of the total population of which females and males' shares are 22.2% and 22.3%, respectively. The population aged 0-30 in represent 66.9% of the total population.

Figure 3: Population pyramid of Rusizi District in 2022

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

The results of the fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census show that Rwandan residents' population is mostly young where the population aged 0-24 represent 55.2% of the total population, while elderly people aged 65 and above represent only 4.2%. Elderly females represent 2.5% while elderly males represent 1.7% of the total population. The youth aged 16-30 represent 27.1% of the total population at National level, of which females represent 13.3% while males represent 13.8%. With respect to international standard, youth aged 15-24 represent 20.3% of total population of which females in this age range represent 10.3% while males represent 10%. Children aged 0-17 represents 44.5% of the total population of which females and males' shares are 22.2% and 22.3%, respectively. The population aged 0-30 represent 66.9% of the total population. Table 1 below shows the numbers and shares of resident population of Rusizi District following some specific intervention targeted age groups.

Table 1: Distribution (Count and Population share) of some specific intervention's targets group by sex of Rusizi District in 2022

	Count			Percentage		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Total population	485,529	236,426	249,103	100.0	48.7	51.3
<1	13,859	7,038	6,821	2.9	1.4	1.4
<5	68,504	34,451	34,053	14.1	7.1	7.0
1-4	54,645	27,413	27,232	11.3	5.6	5.6
3-5	43,116	21,693	21,423	8.9	4.5	4.4
3-6	57,301	28,837	28,464	11.8	5.9	5.9
0-14	197,462	99,222	98,240	40.7	20.4	20.2
0-15	208,299	104,732	103,567	42.9	21.6	21.3
0-17	229,264	115,440	113,824	47.2	23.8	23.4

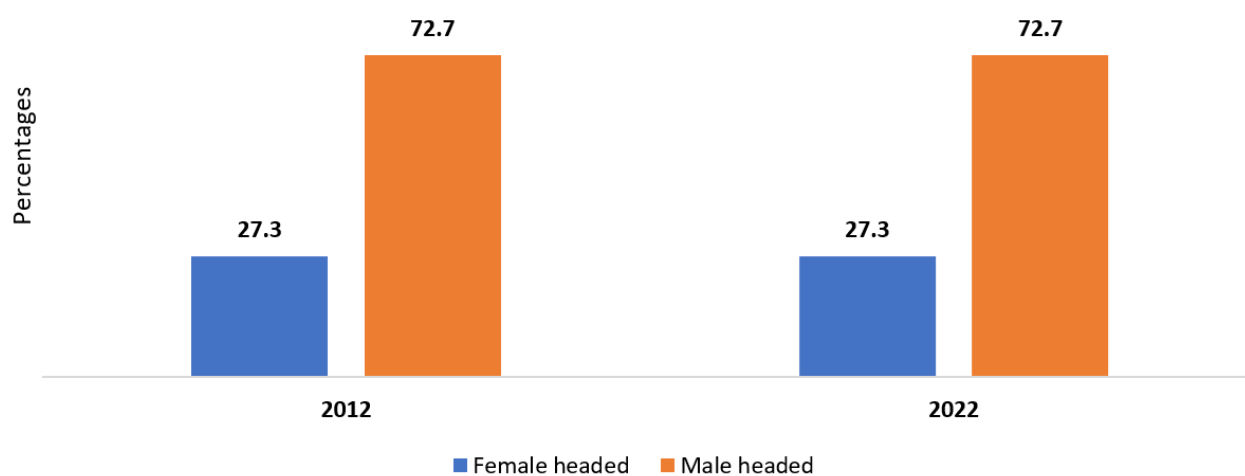
	Count			Percentage		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
6-11	78,176	39,379	38,797	16.1	8.1	8.0
7-12	76,793	38,599	38,194	15.8	7.9	7.9
12-17	67,701	34,076	33,625	13.9	7.0	6.9
13-18	64,976	32,800	32,176	13.4	6.8	6.6
14-35	173,920	85,733	88,187	35.8	17.7	18.2
16-30	122,794	60,957	61,837	25.3	12.6	12.7
15-24	93,664	46,927	46,737	19.3	9.7	9.6
15-49	226,620	109,834	116,786	46.7	22.6	24.1
15-64	265,313	127,567	137,746	54.6	26.3	28.4
16-64	254,476	122,057	132,419	52.4	25.1	27.3
16-59	241,306	116,025	125,281	49.7	23.9	25.8
14+	299,375	142,756	156,619	61.7	29.4	32.3
16+	277,230	131,694	145,536	57.1	27.1	30.0
18+	256,265	120,986	135,279	52.8	24.9	27.9
21+	226,484	106,005	120,479	46.6	21.8	24.8
60+	35,924	15,669	20,255	7.4	3.2	4.2
65+	22,754	9,637	13,117	4.7	2.0	2.7

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

3.2 Household headship

According to Rwanda population and housing census 2022, the percentage of household headed by female is 28.9% against 71.1% headed by males at national level. In rural areas, HHs headed by females represent 29.9% against 70.1% headed by males, while in urban areas females headed HHs represent 26.4% compared to 73.6% headed by males. The figure 4 below shows in general that in Rusizi District, the percentage of households headed by females equal to 27.3% and male headed 72.7% in 2012, did not change in 2022.

Figure 4: Households headship (in %) in Rusizi District by sex of household head



Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

3.3 Marital Status

Information on marital status was collected on the resident population aged 12 and above. Seven categories constituted the question on marital status:

- Married to one wife/husband officially: An individual who was in legally accepted marital union with one partner at the moment of the Census.
- Married to one wife/husband not officially: An individual who was in marital union with one partner, but that was not legally officiated at the moment of the Census.
- Live in a polygamous union: An individual is said to be in polygamous union when he is married with more than one spouse. People living in polygamous union in the context of this census were men having more than one wife or wife living in a marital union with such men. A polygamous man may be simultaneously in legal union with one of his wives and in consensual union with another wife or other wives.
- Divorced: An individual who has been separated from his or her spouse through a court decision, according to the legislation.
- Separated: An individual who has separated temporarily from his/her spouse with or without intention to be back in marital union with him/her but without any court decision on the case.
- Never married: An individual who has never been in a marital union.
- Widowed: a man or a woman who has lost his or her spouse by death, not yet remarried.

The distinction between consensual union and monogamous union does not cover all types of unions. Moreover, the concept of monogamy is applicable in regard to legal unions as well as consensual ones.

Unofficial monogamy: An individual is said to be monogamous when he or she is married with one spouse and polygamous in the contrary situation (Louis Henry, 1981). In the context of this census, unofficial monogamy refers to the marital union where a man or woman is married unofficially to one spouse.

Table 2: Percentage of resident's population aged 12 and above in Rusizi District by marital status and by sex.

Marital status	Male	Female	Both sexes
Never married	49.6	42.5	45.9
Married to one wife/husband officially	38.3	35.8	37
Married to one wife/husband not officially	9.9	10.5	10.2
Living in polygamous union	0.7	1.5	1.1
Divorced	0.1	0.3	0.2
Separated	0.5	1.9	1.2
Widowed	0.9	7.7	4.4

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

According to the RPHC 2022, the Percentage of female population aged 12 and above by marital status in Rusizi District were dominant compared to male in Married to one wife/husband not officially, Living in polygamous union, divorced, separated and Widowed with respectively (10.5 Vs 9.9%), (1.5 Vs 0.7%), (0.3 Vs 0.1%), (1.9 Vs 0.5%), (7.7 Vs 0.9%) while male are dominant compared to female in the following categories: Married to one wife/husband officially and never married with respectively (38.3 Vs 35.8%) and (49.6 Vs 42.5)

3.4 Mean age at first marriage

The mean age at first marriage may be defined as the average number of years lived in the celibacy status by those who marry before the age of 50 (Hajnal, 1953). It is estimated from the proportions that are single in each age group. The fifth Rwanda population and housing census show that on average, males get married at late age compared to females (28.2 years for male compared to 25.3 years for females). Table 3 below shows the variations in mean age at first marriage in Rusizi District among females and males.

Table 3: Mean age at first marriage among resident population of Rusizi District by sex in 2022

Residence Districts & sectors	Male	Female
Rwanda	28.2	25.3
Rusizi	28.4	26.4
Bugarama	27.8	25.3
Butare	26.3	25.7
Bweyeye	27.9	26.3
Gashonga	29	26.7
Giheke	29.1	27.8
Gihundwe	29	25.7
Gikundamvura	26.2	25.2
Gitambi	27.6	26.7
Kamembe	30.3	26.5
Muganza	27.5	25.7
Mururu	28.8	26
Nkanka	29.5	29.3
Nkombo	28	26.5
Nkungu	27.3	26.8
Nyakabuye	27	26.8
Nyakarenzo	28.7	26.5
Nzahaha	28.7	27.1
Rwimbogo	29.6	27.6

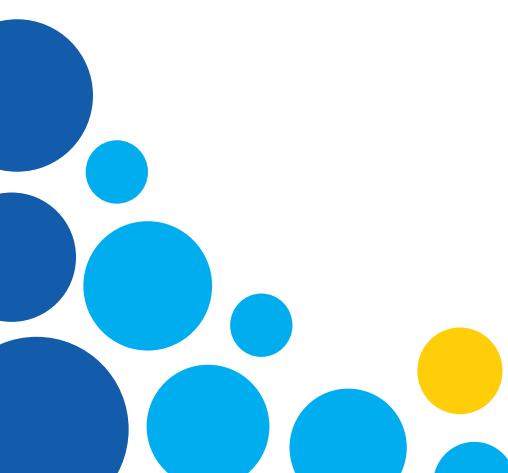
Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)



CHAPTER 2

Gender and the pillars of national strategy for transformation (nst1)

This chapter provides the updated sex-disaggregated data in the key areas of life such as Poverty and social protection, Education, health, violence against women, Economy, Decision making, Human rights, ICT and media, Environment, etc. These fields are arranged under the three pillars of NST1 namely: Economic transformation, social transformation, and Transformational Governance under which the above-mentioned areas appear as the subchapters.



This section provides sex disaggregated information on a part of the twelve areas mentioned above. It focuses on the areas related to economic situation of the country to depict gender equality status using statistics. The areas covered under this section are Agriculture and livestock; Income and access to finance; Infrastructure, ICT and media; Industry and processes; Employment and, Environment and natural resources.

1.1 Agriculture and livestock & forestry

1.1.1. Agriculture

This section focuses on the agriculture sector and provides detailed insights into the living conditions of the Rwandan population with regard to agricultural production. Agriculture is the backbone of Rwanda's economy and the majority of households in Rwanda are currently engaged in some sort of crop or livestock production activity.

In recent years, the Government of Rwanda implemented several ambitious programs to increase the productivity of the agriculture sector. The motivation behind these actions is reflected in the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources' (MINAGRI) vision: 'Our Vision is to modernize Agriculture and Livestock to achieve food security. One of the key pillars of this vision is the transformation of Agriculture from subsistence to a productive high-value, market-oriented farming that is environmentally friendly and has an impact on other sectors of the economy.

At the national level, the results of Agriculture Household survey (AHS) 2020 show that 78.1% of HH have been engaged in crop production while 61.3% have been engaged in livestock production. The same results show that 94.3% of HHs have access to the agriculture land, 44.6% of HH used improved seeds, 39.1% used chemical fertilizers, 83.7% used organic fertilizer, and 27% used pesticides. The table below shows the shares of households engaged in agricultural activities in Rusizi District by sex of household head.

Table 4: Percentage of agricultural households engaged in agricultural activities by activity type and sex of HH head in Rusizi District.

Indicator	Male	Female	Both sex
Agricultural HH with access to agricultural land	99.3	100	99.5
Agricultural HH with access to land used for fodder cultivation	4.0	4.1	4.1
Agricultural HH who belong to Twigire muhinzi /mworozi group	36.2	27.8	-
Agricultural HH who belong to Farmer field school	30.0	24.4	-
Percentage of crop producing HH who used pesticides	26.3	13.2	22.8
Percentage of crop producing HH who used improved seeds	49.4	34.8	45.6
% Of Agricultural HH incurring expenditure on chemical fertilizers through Crop Intensification program	69.6	48.8	64.0
% Of Agricultural HH incurring expenditure organic fertilizers through Crop Intensification program	90.6	83.1	88.6

Source: Agriculture Household Survey, 2020 (NISR)

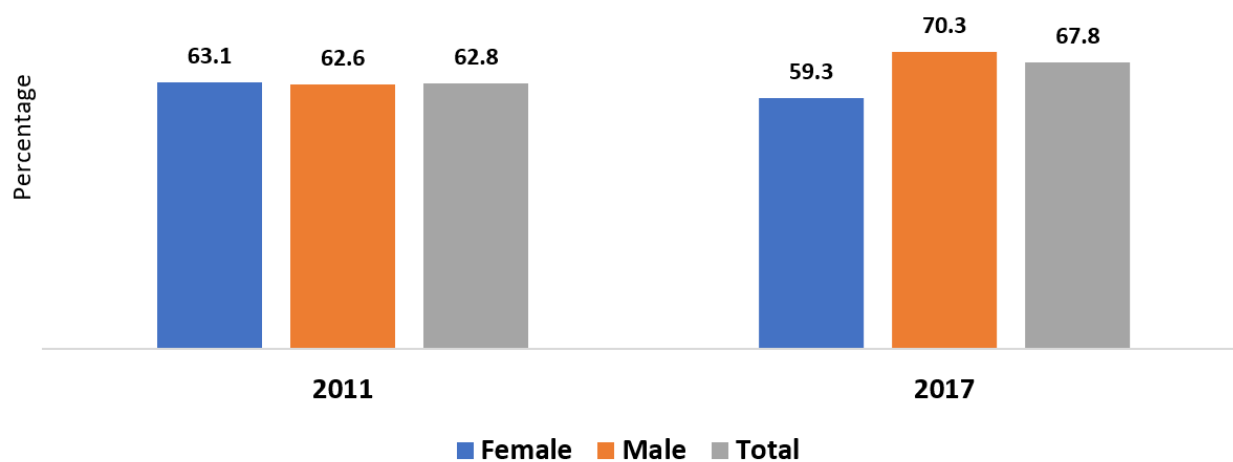
According to the results of RPHC 2022, the number of Agriculture households headed by male is 57,557 (75.5%) in Rusizi District against 20,482 (71.4%) HH headed by female. Table 4 here above shows that, in Rusizi

District, the percentage of Female headed Agricultural households with access to land was 100% for females headed HHs compared to 99% for male headed HHs. Female headed Agricultural HH who belong to Twigire muhinzi/mworozzi group was 27.8% compared to 36.2% of male headed households; the percentage of HH female headed who used pesticides was 13% compared to 26% for male Headed households. Percentage of female headed HH which used improved seeds was 35% compared to 49% of male headed households.

1.1.2. Livestock

In addition to crops production, livestock is another important source of income and food for agricultural households. At the national level, the percentage of Agriculture HHs which are engaged in livestock represent 61.3% in 2022. Figure 5 shows the situation in Rusizi District.

Figure 5: Percentage of households that raised any livestock in Rusizi District by sex of household head.



Source: EICV, 2010 and 2017 (NISR)

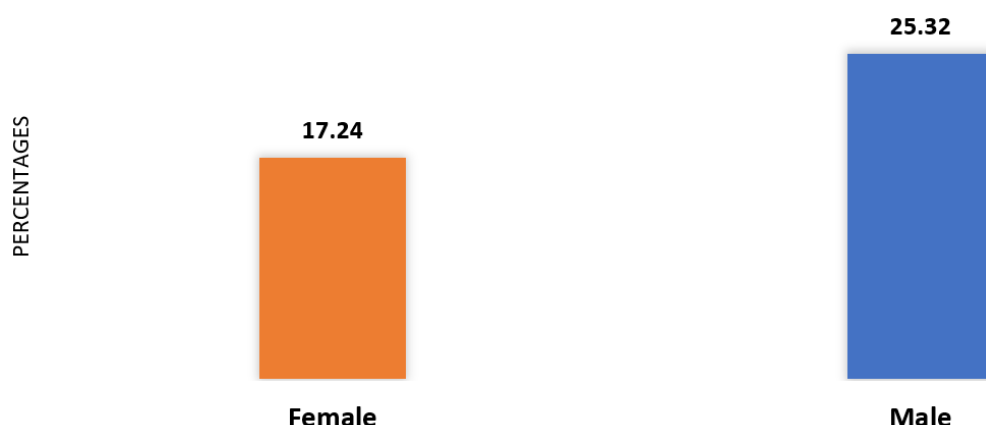
In Rusizi District, the percentage of female headed households raising any type of livestock has been lower compared to male headed households in both 2011 (63.1% for female headed HHs Vs 62.6% for male headed HHs) and 2017 (59.3% for female headed HHs Vs 70.3% for male headed HHs). These percentages also show a general decrease in shares of households raising any type of livestock across both males and females headed households.

1.2 Income & access to finance

The concept of 'financial inclusion' is core to the Fin Scope methodology and is based on the extent to which individuals (i.e. percentage of the adult population) currently have/use financial products/services both formal and/or informal (including banking, savings and investments, borrowing and credit, insurance and risk management, remittance). This section summarizes overall levels of financial inclusion following the analytical framework illustrated below and further explores the uptake of banking, savings, credit, insurance, and remittance products/services.

1.2.1 Banking Status

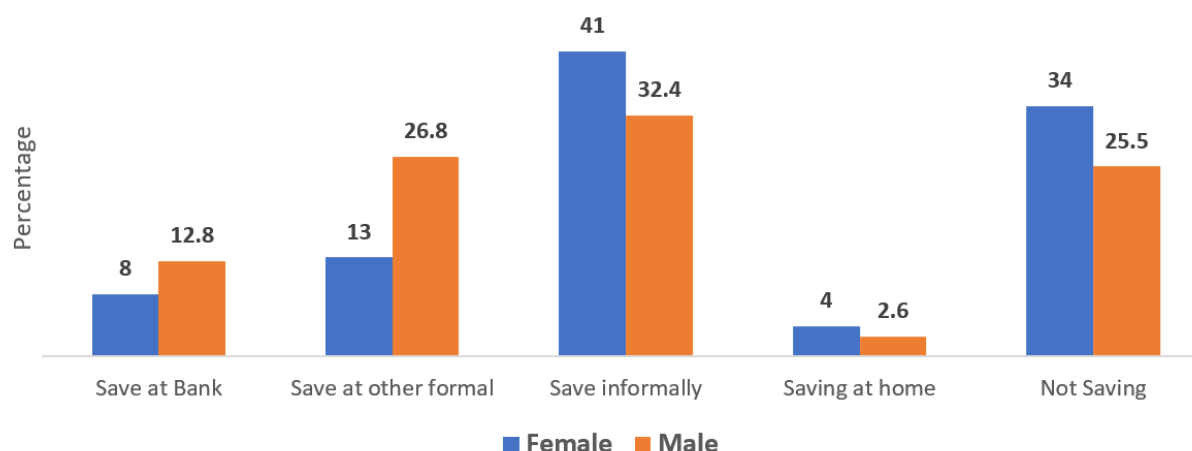
At national level, 34% of female population use Bank services compared to 39% of male in 2020. 19% of female have accounts in commercial banks compared to 26% of male. According to the Figure 4 below, the percentage of female Banked population aged 16 and above in Rusizi District was at 17.2 % compared to 25.3% of male.

Figure 6: Percentage of banked population aged 16 and above in Rusizi District by sex in 2020.

Source: Finscope dataset, 2020 (AFR)

1.2.2 Saving

At National level, 19% of female adult population aged 16 and above, proceed to the saving at Bank compared to 25% for male. For other formal institutions, 44% of females used other formal ways of saving compared to 54% for males. On other side, 66% of female adult population saved informally compared to 61% for males. People who do saving at home in Rwanda were 15% for females against 11% for males. With regard to the proportion of people who do not save, females were 14% in 2020 against 13% for males.

Figure 7: Percentage of resident population in Rusizi District aged 16 and above who save by financial institution and sex.

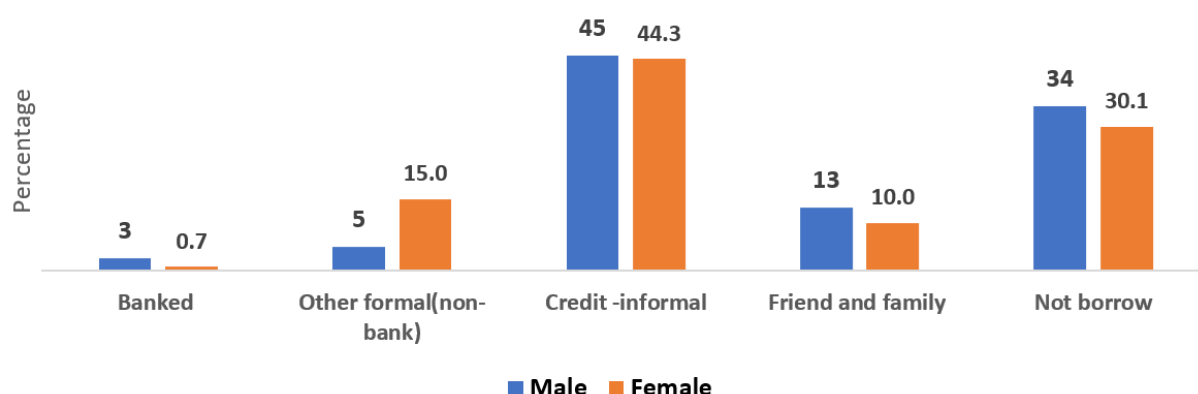
Source: Finscope Dataset, 2020 (AFR)

In Rusizi district majority of population saves informally, 41% for female and 32.4% for male, Those who save at Bank, 8% for female compared to 12.8% for male; other formal ways of saving, female represents 13.2% compared to 26.8% for male; Saving at Home, 4% of female and 2.6% of male; those who do not save, the percentage of female (34%) is above that of male (25.5%).

1.2.3. Credit

According to Finscope report 2020, 7% of female got credit from Banks compared to 10% of men; 15% of female and 22% for male got credit in other formal ways; 63% of female and 58% for male got credit informally, 30% of female and 31% for male got credit from family and friends, 23% female and 24% male didn't borrow.

Figure 8: Percentage of population aged 16 and above who have received a loan from financial institution in Rusizi District



Source: Finscope Dataset, 2020 (AFR)

In Rusizi district, 0.7% of female got credit from Banks compared to 3% of men; 15 % female and 5% male got credit in other formal ways; 44.3% female and 45% male got credit informally, 10% female and 13.2% male got credit from family and friends, 30 % female and 34.4% male didn't borrow.

1.3 Infrastructure, ICT and media

1.3.1. Human settlement and waste management

The impact of humans on environmental degradation can be mitigated by modern technologies (e.g. integrated pest management in agriculture or recycling/composting in waste management), but equally so by simple behavioral patterns such as the proper treatment of waste or use of sustainable fuels. Traditionally, rural habitat in Rwanda has been made up of scattered and isolated dwellings. Such settlements make it difficult to develop accessible rural infrastructure and provide basic services for sustainable use of natural resources and treatment of the environment. However, the data show a clear trend away from the traditional isolated habitat towards Imidugudu or other clustered forms of habitat.

Table 5: Percentage of private household by type of habitat and by sex of HH head in Rusizi District

Indicator	Female headed HH	Male headed HH	Total
HH living in Planned rural settlement (Imidugudu)	85.3	85.5	85.4
HH living Integrated Model Village	1.5	0.9	1.1
HH in Old settlement	0.8	0.7	0.7
HH in Dispersed/Isolated housing	7.6	7.4	7.4
HH living in Modern Planned urban housing	0.3	0.9	0.7
HH in Spontaneous/squatter housing	4.4	4.6	4.6

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

Table 5 above shows the type of habitat in Rusizi district by sex of household head. The percentage of females headed households is higher than males headed households among residents living in HH Integrated model village (1.5% Vs 0.9%), dispersed/isolated housing (7.6% Vs 7.4%), and HH in Old settlement (0.8% Vs 0.7%), while males headed households are more than females headed households among residents living in HH

living in Planned rural settlement (85.5% for male headed Vs 85.3% for female headed), spontaneous/squatter housing (4.6% for males headed HHs Vs 4.4% for females headed HHs) and modern planned urban housing (0.9% Vs 0.3%).

With regard to waste management, the census 2022 data show that at national 4.7.% dispose waste through Public Compost dumping 51.2% through Household compost dumping, 10% through Waste collection companies and 32.4% through Thrown in the household's fields or Bushism, the Table below shows the mode of waste disposal in Rusizi district.

Table 6: Mode waste disposal in Rusizi District by sex of HH head

Indicator	Female HH headed	Male HH headed	Total of HH
Public Compost dumping	9.7	9.5	9.5
Household compost dumping	48.8	58.5	55.8
Waste collection companies	2.3	3.3	3
Thrown in the household's fields or bushes	36.5	26.5	29.3
Burnt	0.7	0.6	0.6
In a River/ Stream/ Drain/ Gutter/ lacs	0.2	0.1	0.1
Other	1.8	1.4	1.5

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

Table 6 above shows different modes of waste disposal in Rusizi district, 55.8% of HH use Household compost dumping on which 48.8% are for HH female headed and 58.5% for HH male headed, 29.3% of HH use Thrown in the household's fields or bushes and 36.5% are for HH female headed while 26.5% for HH male headed, 9.5% of HH use Household compost dumping with 9.5% of HH male headed and 9.7% for HH female headed, and 3% of HH use Waste collection companies with 2.3% of female HH headed against 3.3% of HH male headed.

1.3.2 Ownership of dwellings and main materials of the housing units

The 2022 census results show that 74.1% of the housing units are covered by metal sheets on the roof while 25.8% are covered by local or industrial tiles at the national level. The percentage of housing units whose walls are made of sun-dried mud bricks is 67% while 60.4% possess earth as floor materials. Table 7 below shows the distribution of main materials of dwellings in Rusizi District by sex of household head.

Table 7: Main materials of the housing units by sex of HH head in Rusizi District

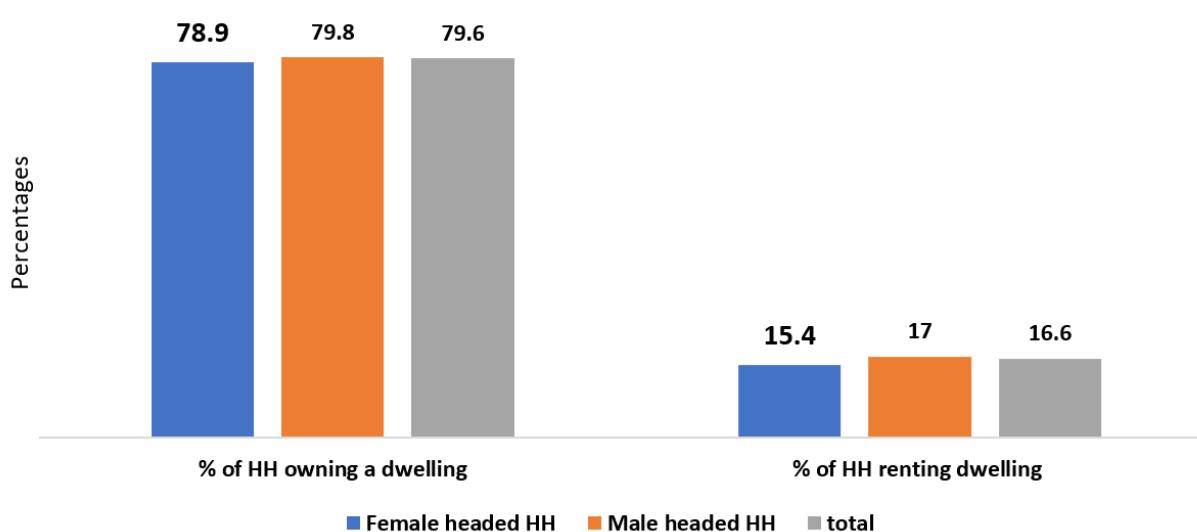
Indicator	Female headed HH	Male headed HH	Total
Private HHs with metal sheets used as roofing material of the dwelling	98.6	98.8	98.8
Private households possessing local and industrial tiles as roofing materials	1.2	1.0	1.1
Private households possessing Sun-dried bricks with cement as wall materials	2.9	3.1	3.1
Private households possessing Sun dried mud bricks without cement as wall materials	24.5	21.1	22.0
Private households possessing Wood with mud with cement as wall materials	5.3	6.7	6.3
Private households possessing Wood with mud without cement as wall materials	50.4	44.0	45.8
Private households possessing earth as floor materials of the dwelling	82.4	75.2	77.2
Private households possessing Dung hardened as floor materials of the dwelling	0.1	0.1	0.1
Private households possessing Wooden floor as floor materials of the dwelling	0.1	0.1	0.1
Private households possessing cement as floor materials of the dwelling	15.7	21.0	19.5

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census, 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, metal sheets as the main roofing materials represent 98.8% of the total housing units. Among female headed HH such materials represent 98.8% while they represent 98.8% among male headed HHs. The percentage of households possessing earth as floor of the dwelling is high among female headed HHs (82.5%) compared to male headed HHs (75.1%). The same situation is observed to households possessing sun dried mud brick as the main materials of the wall where female headed households represent 24.5% while male headed households represent 21.1%.

With regard to ownership of dwellings, at national level, 71.6% of households in Rwanda live in owned accommodation while 22.2% live in rented accommodation and 4.4% live in Free lodging. Figure 9 below shows that in Rusizi District, 79.6 % have their own dwellings while 16.6% live in rented dwellings. By sex of HH head, the census results show that the percentage of female headed households owning dwellings is slightly lower than males headed HH percentage (78.9% Vs 79.8%). The percentage of rented dwelling was higher for male compared to the female HH headed (17% Vs 15.4%).

Figure 9: Dwelling ownership status in Rusizi District by sex of household head.

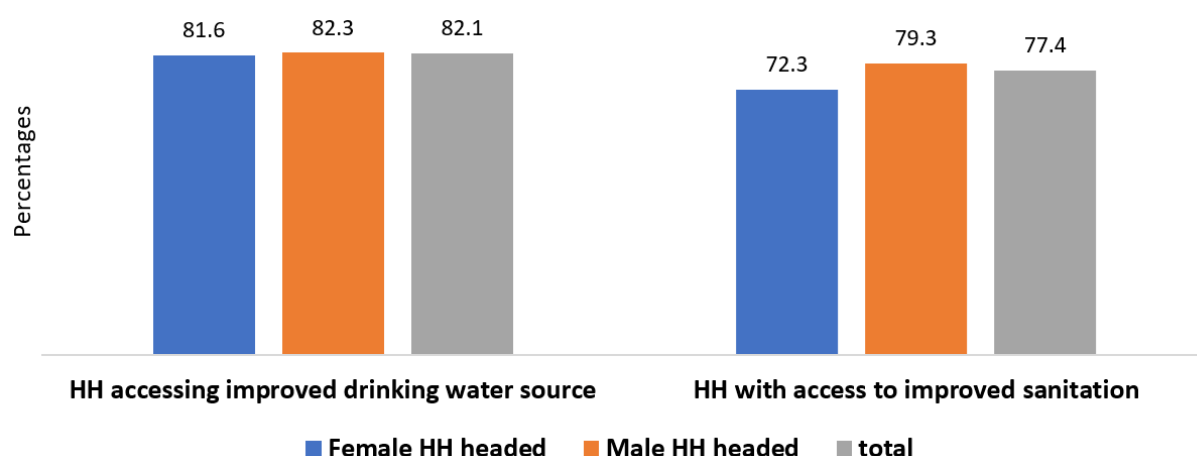


Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census, 2022 (NISR)

1.3.3 Access to improved water sources and sanitation facilities

The 2022 census results show that in Rwanda, 82% of households have access to an improved water source, with urban households having much better access (95.8 %) than rural households (76.9%). In Rural areas, the percentage of female headed households with access to improved sources of drinking water is 81% while that percentage is 83% among male headed households. Regarding access to improved sanitation facilities, the results show that nearly three quarters (72.9 %) of households in Rwanda have access to an improved sanitation facility where female headed HHs represent 68.2% while male headed HHs represent 75.2 %. Access to improved sanitation facilities is higher in rural (73.1%) than urban (71.2 %) areas. The Figure 10 below depicts the situation in Rusizi District.

Figure 10: Percentage of HH with access to improved unshared sanitation and with access to improved drinking water source by head of HH in Rusizi District



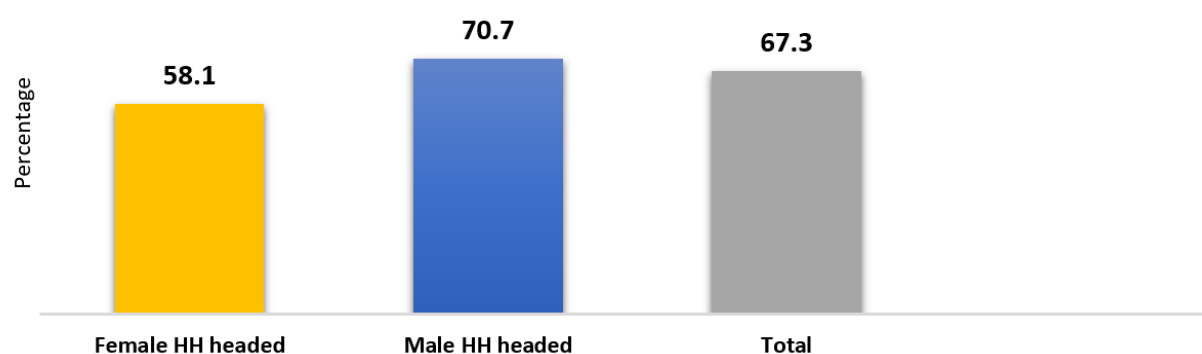
Source: RPHC-5 Main indicators report, 2022 (NISR)

The Figure 10 above shows that, in Rusizi District, the percentage of male headed HHs accessing improved source of drinking water was 82.3% among male headed HHs against 81.6% among female Headed HHs in 2022. The percentage of female headed HH with unshared improved toilet facility / sanitation was 72.3% among female headed HHs and 79.3% among male headed households.

1.3.4 Electricity for lighting

According to the results of RPHC 2022, 61% of private HHs in Rwanda use electricity as the main source for lighting (including Solar energy). Figure 11 below shows that in Rusizi district, the percentage of female headed households is 58.1%, less than the same percentage for male headed households (70.7%).

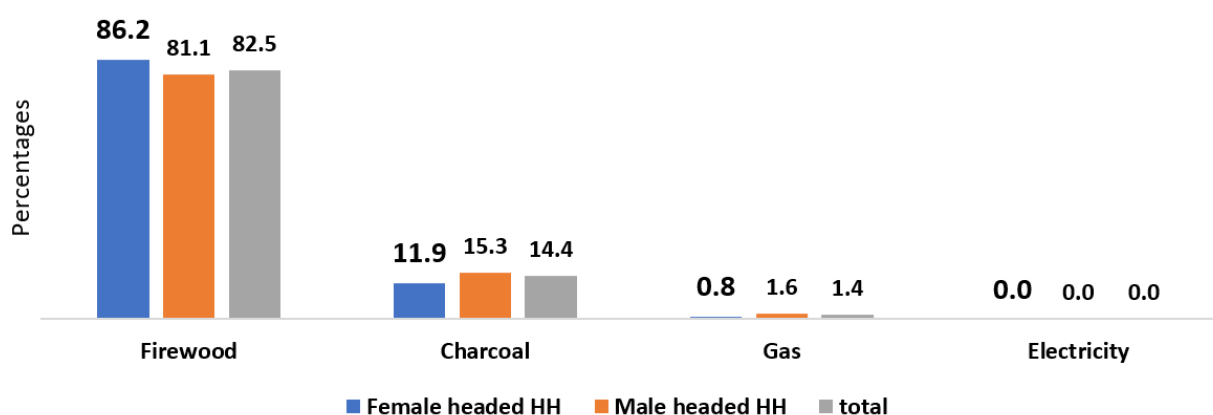
Figure 11: Percentage of HH using electricity as primary fuel for lighting by sex of HH head in Rusizi District



Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census, 2022 (NISR)

1.3.5 Main source of energy for cooking

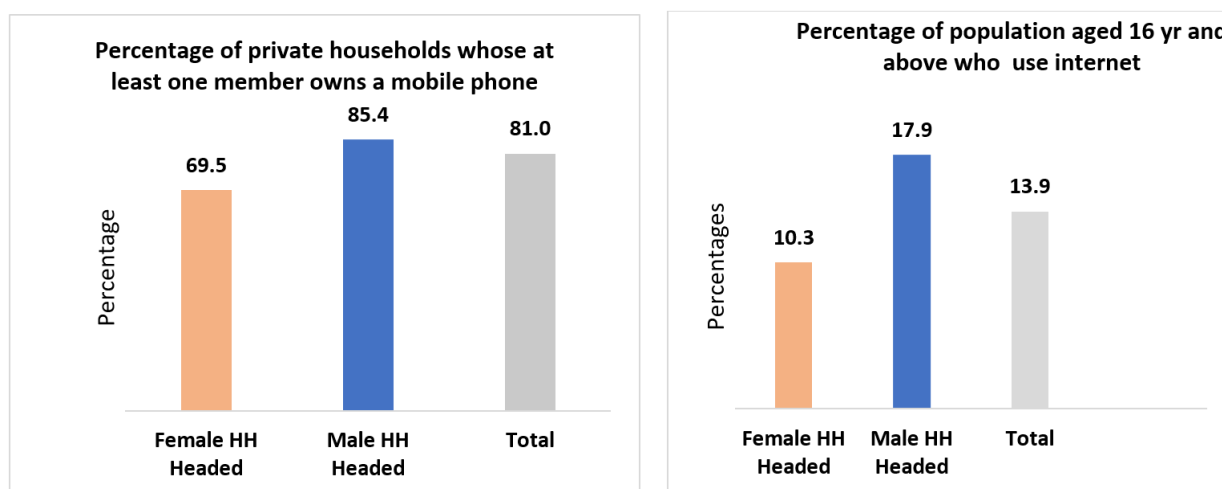
The mainly used source of energy for cooking at national level was firewood and using by 76.1% of HH, followed by charcoal with 17.3%, and gas occupied 4.6%. In Rusizi District, the most used source of energy for cooking are firewood with 82.5% of the total number of households. Among female headed households, such source of cooking energy represented 86.2% while it represented 81.1% among male headed households, the charcoal is used by 14.4% of total HH with 11.9 female head HH compared to 15.3% of HH male headed. The figure 12 below shows more details.

Figure 12: Proportion of Households in Rusizi District by Main source of Energy used for cooking and by sex of HH head.

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census, 2022 (NISR)

1.3.6 Ownership of ICT devices and the use of internet

At national level, Percentage of households with at least one member owns mobile phone, according the RPHC 2022, was 67.4 % for female headed HHs compared to 82.4% of males headed HH. The percentage of population aged 16 years and above who use internet in 2022 was 12.9 % for females compared to 19.9 % for males in Rwanda. Figure 13 below shows the situation in Rusizi District.

Figure 13: Percentage of households owning ICT devices and using of internet.

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing census, 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi district, in 2022, the percentage of Female headed HH with at one member has a mobile phone was 69.5% compared to 85.4% for male headed HH. The female population aged 16 years and above who use internet was 10.3% compared to 17.9% of male.

1.4 Industry and processing

1.4.1 Establishment by Institutional Sector in Rusizi District

To get information on establishment's institutional sector, the following categories are identified:

Private sector: It is a business establishment owned and run by one or a group of people. The private sector is categorized into the following components: Companies, Associations, Individual businesses.

Public sector: It is an establishment whose capital is totally owned by any governmental organization.

Mixed sector (Public and private partnership): It is an establishment for which the Government contributes to its capital with another body, whether national or foreign.

Cooperative: A cooperative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common, economic, social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly- owned and democratically controlled enterprise, according to internationally recognized co-operative values and principles.

Local Non-Governmental Organization-LNGO: A local NGO is an organization that is neither a part of a government nor a conventional for-profit business for which the organization of its operations doesn't go beyond Rwanda. It is an establishment that does not seek profits against the activities it performs. Examples of such establishments are political parties; Sports and social clubs; and unions and syndicates.

At National level, the results of establishment census 2020, show that the number of establishments by institutional sector are: 222,159 establishments are for private sector 3,277 are cooperatives; 2,331 are for public sector; 2,033 are for public private partnership; 2,173 are for Rwandan NGO and 310 are for International NGO.

Table 8: Number of establishments by institutional sector and in Rusizi District

Indicator	2011	2017	2020
Private sector	4709	6,332	7,294
Cooperative	64	194	176
Public sector	4	36	59
Public-Private partnership	4	111	110
NGO (Rwanda)	80	97	60
NGO (International)	0	17	7
total	4861	6,787	7,706

Source: Establishment Census 2017 & 2020

According to the results of Establishment Census, the change in number of establishments by institutional sector in Rusizi District during 3 years from 2017 to 2020 is high in Private sector where it was 6332 in 2017 and increased to 7294 in 2020. NGO (Rwanda) decreased from 194 in 2017 to 176 in 2020 and NGO (International) decreased also from 17 in 2017 to 7 in 2020. For Public sector, it increased from 36% to 59% in 2017 to 2020.

Table 9: Number of formal and informal enterprises in 2020 by sex of managers in Rusizi District

Type	Sex of Manager	2020	%
Informal enterprises	Female	1,900	28.8
	Male	4,699	71.2
	Total	6,599	100

Type	Sex of Manager	2020	%
Formal enterprises	Female	133	27.3
	Male	354	70.8
	Total	487	100

Source: Establishment Census, Gender Thematic Report 2020/21

According to Gender thematic report from Establishment 2020, enterprises were 83977, and 37.1% of them are managed by females compared 62.8% managed by males at National level. Table 9 above shows that in Rusizi District, the number of formal enterprises was 487 where those managed by women were 27.3%, less than the enterprises managed by men 70.8%. Informal enterprises were 6599 where the percentage of those managed by women was lower (28.8%) compared to those managed by men (71.2%).

1.5 Employment

The labour force participation rate, i.e., the ratio of the labour force to the working age population expressed in percentage terms, is an indicator of the level of labour market activity. It measures the extent of the working age population who is in the labour force. The breakdown of the labour force participation rate by sex and age group gives a profile of the labour force participation.

Persons in employment are defined as all those of working age who, during a short reference period, were engaged in any activity to produce goods or provide services for pay or profit. They comprise (a) employed persons “at work”, i.e. who worked in a job for at least one hour; (b) employed persons “not at work” due to temporary absence from a job, or to working time arrangements (such as shift work, flexitime and compensatory leave for overtime)¹

Unemployment is a particular form of labour underutilization. It reflects the pressure on the labour market as it is measured in terms of the number of persons without employment, actively seeking and available for employment. Labour underutilization is a more general concept. It refers to mismatches between labour supply and demand, which translate into an unmet need for employment among the population. Labour underutilization includes unemployment, time-related underemployment, and the potential labour force referring to persons not in employment who express an interest in this form of work but for whom existing conditions limited their active job search and/or their availability. The unemployment rate, defined as the ratio of the number of unemployed persons to the total labour force, is the most commonly used indicator of the labour market. It is sometimes used in a general sense as an indicator of the health of the economy, not just the labour market.

1.5.1 Labor force, employment, and unemployment rates

At National level, Labour force survey 2022 results show that the labour force participation rate for female was 48.8 % compared to 64.1% for men aged 16y and above. The employment rate stood at 37.3% for female and 52.7% for male, while unemployment rate remained high among women (23.7%) compared to men (17.9%).

Table 10: Trend of labour force, employment, and unemployment among the resident population of Rusizi District

Indicators	2021		2022	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Employment rate	40.7	32.0	46.5	33.2
LFPR	53.6	40.6	57.6	44.1
Unemployment rate	24.1	21.2	19.4	24.7

Source: Rwanda Labor force Survey, 2021& 2022 (NISR)

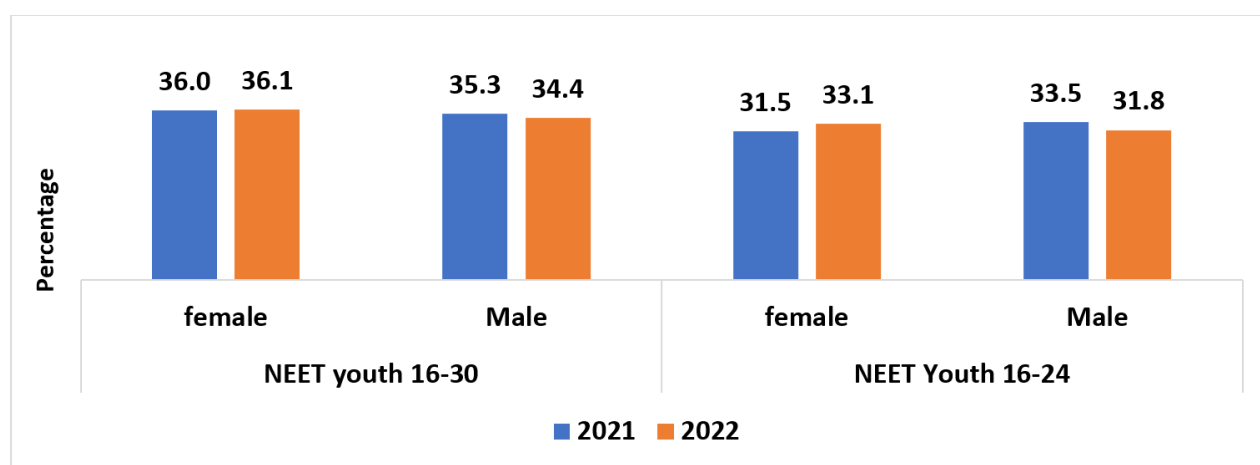
The table above shows the trend of labour force, employment, and unemployment rate from 2021 to 2022 in Rusizi District. Employment rate and labour force participation have increased from 40.7% to 46.5% and from 53.6% to 57.6% respectively for male while for female unemployment rate increased from 21.2% to 24.7%.

1.5.2 Youth (16-30 years) not in education, not in employment and not in training (NEET)

A full accounting of the labour market situation of young people is important for the formulation of employment policies regarding the youth. This provides a measure of the youth who are outside the educational system and not in employment (NEET). The NEET rate is an ILO decent work indicator and serves as a broader measure of potential youth labour market entrants than youth unemployment.

The rate of youth aged 16-24 in 2022 not in employment nor in education or training was 41% for females while for males it was 29.9% at national level.

Figure 14: Percentage of Youth not in education, not in employment and not in training (NEET)



Source: LFS Dataset, 2021 & 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, Youth (16-30 years) not in education, not in employment and not in training (NEET) is generally high among females compared to males. For females, it slightly increased from 36% in 2021 to 36.1% in 2022 while the percentage decreased from 35.3% to 34.4% among males during the same period. Among the Youth aged 16-24, the NEET percentage increased from 31.5 % in 2021 to 33.1% in 2022 for females and decreased from 33.5% to 31.8% for males during the same period.

1.6 Environment and natural resources

Rwanda has a fast-growing population which totaled 13,246,394 people in 2022. The population growth contributes to environmental degradation due to its increased pressure on the assimilative capacity of the environment.

In addition to the overall population growth of 2.3% in Rwanda, the population density of 503 people per square kilometer is a crucial indicator in relation to the environment. The current density levels are already

regarded as a major driver of internal migration as well as stress to the physical environment, and density is bound to further increase. However, such effects can be mitigated through modern technologies or awareness programs.

At National level, 80 percent of female headed agricultural households practiced erosion control measures compared to 85.2 percent of male headed households; whereas 39.6 percent of female headed agricultural households practiced agroforestry trees in their plot compared to 48.8 percent of male headed households. 10.2 percent of female headed agricultural households practiced irrigation as control measure compared to 16.3 percent of male headed households. Mechanical equipment is still not a common agricultural practice in Rwanda for both female and male headed agricultural households.

Table 11: Percentage of HHs that have land protected against soil erosion or, planted agroforestry trees or, practiced irrigation or used mechanical equipment in 2020 by sex of HH head.

Indicator	HH headed by Male	HH Headed by female
Have land protected soil against erosion.	78.8	77.7
Planted agroforestry trees in their plots	69.2	77.7
Practiced irrigation	17.9	17.0
Used mechanical equipment.	0.0	1.1

Source: AHS Dataset 2020 (NISR)

Agriculture Household Survey (AHS) results show that in Rusizi District, 78% of households headed by females protected their land against erosion compared to 79% of male headed HH; 17% of Female headed households practiced irrigation compared to 18% of male headed households while 78% of female headed HH planted agroforestry trees in their plots compared to 69% of their male counterparts. The percentage of female headed HHs who used mechanical equipment is almost unsignifying for Male and female headed HHs (1.1% for female against 0.03% for male headed HH).

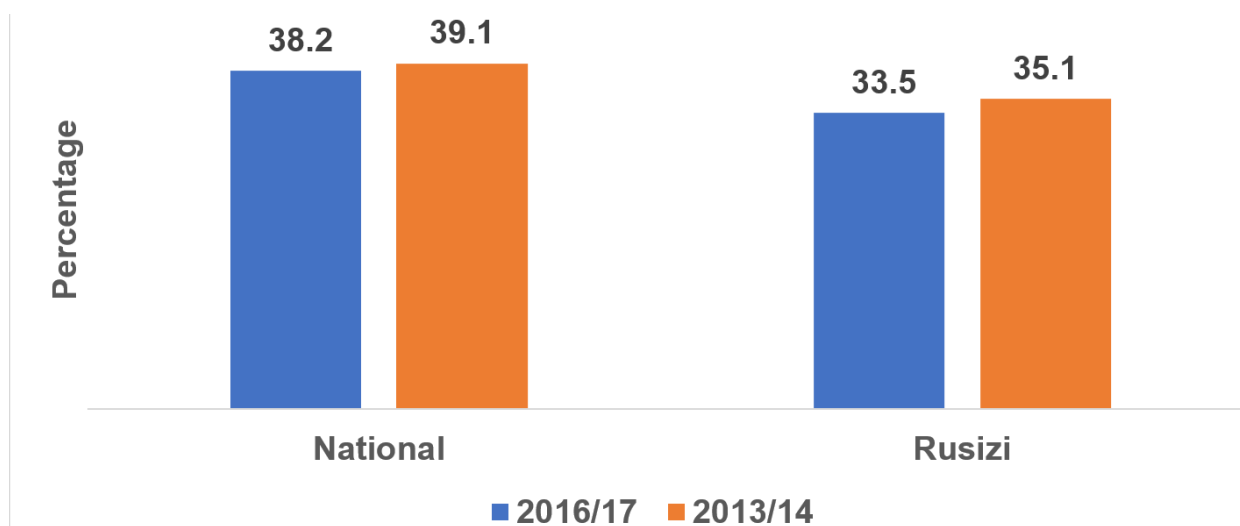
This section provides sex disaggregated information focusing on the areas related to social status of the country and depicts the status of gender equality using social statistics. The areas covered under this section are poverty, disability and social protection, health and nutrition and education.

2.1 Poverty, Orphanhood, Disability and Social protection

2.1.1 Poverty

EICV5 /Findings show at National level, poverty levels among female headed households declined to 39.5% in 2016/2017 from 47% in 2010/2011 while among male headed households, it declined to 37.8% from 44.3% in the same period. Extreme poverty rate was 17.8% among female headed households in 2016/2017, down from 26% in 2010/2011 while among male headed households, it declined to 15%, down from 23.6% in the same period.

Figure 15: Poverty levels among households in Rusizi District, 2013/14 - 2016/17

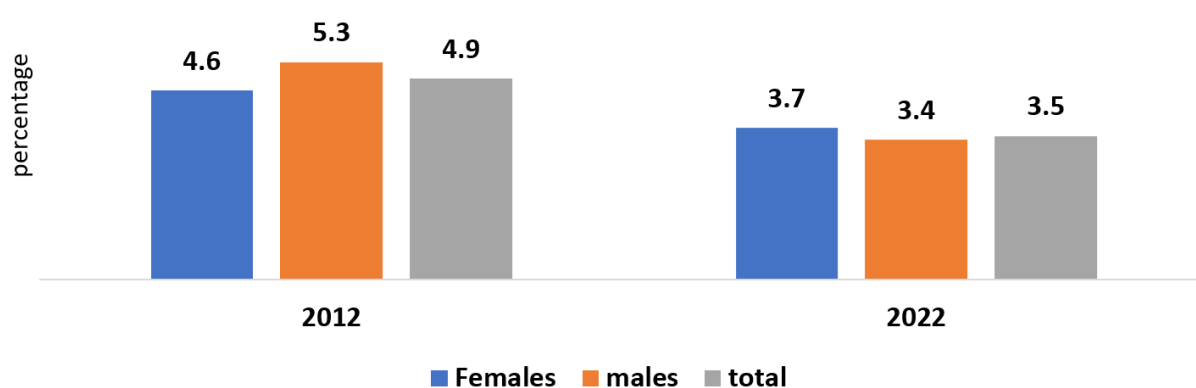


Source: EICV, 2013/14 & 2016/17 (NISR)

2.1.2 Disability

The 2019-20 RDHS included the disability module, a series of questions based on the Washington Group on Disability Statistics (WG) questions (Washington Group on Disability Statistics, 2020) which in turn are based on the framework of the World Health Organization's International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health. The questions address six core functional domains—seeing, hearing, communication, cognition, walking, and self-care—and provide basic necessary information on disability comparable to that being collected worldwide via the WG disability tools.

At the national level, 14% of household members aged 5 or above have some level of difficulty in at least one functional domain while 6% have a lot of difficulty or cannot function at all in at least one domain. The results of RPHC 2022 show that the prevalence of disability among population aged 5 and above is 3.4% for both sexes while it is 3.6% and 3.1% among females and males, respectively. Figure 16 below shows the situation in Rusizi District.

Figure 16: Percentage of population aged 5 and above with disability in Rusizi District

Source: Rwanda population and Housing Census, 2012 & 2022 (NISR)

As shown by figure 16 above, the population aged 5 and above with disability in Rusizi District decreased among males and females. Across sex, the results show that in 2012, males' percentage was greater than females' (5.3% Vs 4.6%) while in 2022, females' percentage is greater than males' (3.7% Vs 3.4%).

2.1.3 Children's orphanhood and survivorship of parents

At national level, the 2022 census results show that 91.3% of children still have both parents alive; 6.0% have lost their father only; 1.9% (112,665 children) have lost their mother only, and less than 1% (45,637) are double orphans, i.e. both mother and father are deceased. Table 12 below shows the number of children in Rusizi District by survivorship of parents and by sex.

Table 12: Number of Children by survivorship of parents and by sex in Rusizi District

	Mother alive, Father alive		Mother Alive, Father died/unknown		Mother died/unknown, Father alive		Mother died/unknown, Father died/unknown		Survivorship for one or both not stated		Total	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Female	105,784	92.9	5569	4.9	1,854	1.6	599	0.5	7	0.0	113813	100
Male	107,042	92.7	5,626	4.9	2,109	1.8	639	0.6	6	0.0	115,422	100
total	212,826	92.8	11195	4.9	3963	1.7	1238	0.5	13	0.0	229235	100

Source: Fifth Rwanda population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

According to the results of Population and Housing Census 2022, the percentage of children whose both mother and father are alive in Rusizi District is 92.9% for female and 92.7% for male children. The percentage of children whose only mother is alive is slightly the same for both (4.9%). The percentage of children whose only father is alive is also low among female children (1.6%) compared to males (1.8%).

2.1.4 Social protection

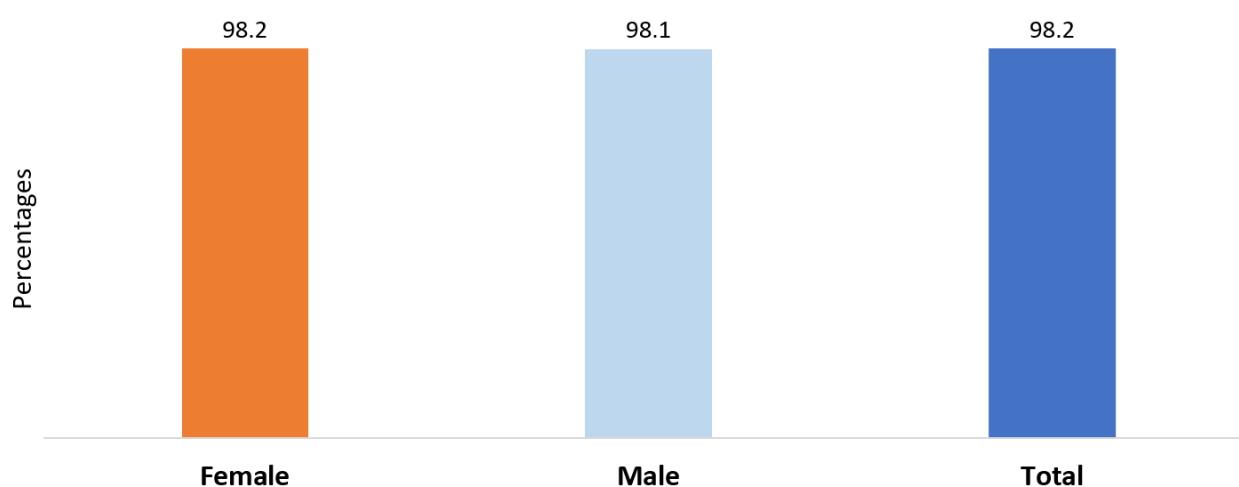
In the past two decades, Rwanda invested heavily in the healthy, skilled population, strong families as well as effective social protection programmes to ensure a dignified standard of living for all citizens. This section provides highlights of key achievements in social support programs in Rusizi District.

2.2. Health and nutrition

2.2.1. Health insurance

Health insurance improves access to health care, thus promoting good health. Reasonable access to health care encourages individuals to seek health maintenance services more regularly than they otherwise would, thereby preventing potentially serious illnesses. Additionally, health insurance protects individuals from financial hardships that may result from large or unexpected medical bills. The RPHC 2022 collected information about the percentages of women and men with any health insurance. At national level, the percentage of women and men who have any form of health insurance has increased since 2014-15 to 2019-20, from 74% to 97.6% among women and from 73% to 97.1% among men.

Figure 17: Percentage of HH with at least one member covered by health insurance in Rusizi District

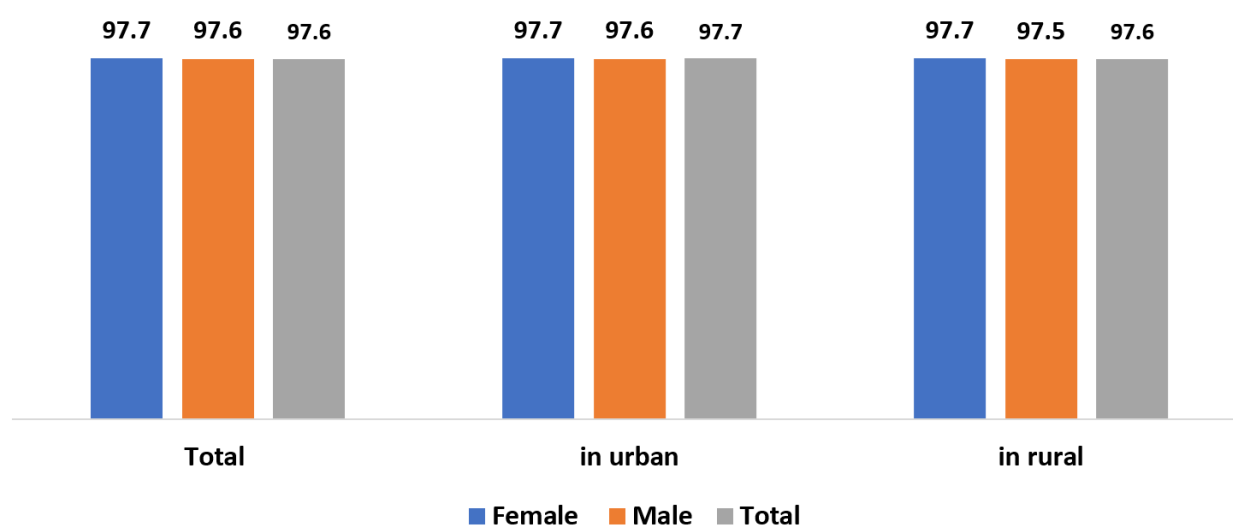


Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

The census results show that in 2022, 98.2% of female headed households in Rusizi District had at least one member covered by Health Insurance compared to 98.1 % of male headed households.

2.2.2 Births registration with the civil authorities

Birth registration constitutes the basis for legal rights and is an important prerequisite for administrative service delivery. At National level, according to RPHC 2022, the percentage of female births registered equals 94.3% and is the same for male births. Figure 18 below shows the situation in Rusizi District.

Figure 18: Births registration rate among children aged under 18 in Rusizi District

Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, main indicators report, 2022 (NISR)

Figure 18 above shows birth registration status among children aged under 18. At District level, the figure shows a insignificant difference in birth registration between urban (97.7%) and rural (97.6%) but, between males and females, the differences are small in both urban (97.7% Vs 97.7%) and rural (97.7% Vs 97.5%).

2.2.3 Childhood mortality

This section presents information on levels, trends, and differentials in neonatal, post neonatal, infant, and under-5 mortality rates for the ten-year period preceding the survey, according to Rwanda DHS 2019-20. Overall, boys are slightly more likely than girls to die in childhood. For example, the under-5 mortality rate among boys is 47 deaths per 1,000 live births, as compared with 43 deaths per 1,000 live births among girls. The under-5 mortality rate has decreased from 50 to 45 deaths per 1000 live births from 2014/15 to 2019/20 and it is higher in rural areas (48 deaths per 1,000 live births) than in urban areas (35 deaths per 1,000 live births).

About the Neonatal mortality, the rate decreased of one death, from 20 deaths per 1000 live births in 2014/15 to attend 19 deaths per 1000 children in 2019/20 while the post neonatal mortality rate increased from 13 to 14 deaths per 1000 live births in the same period. During a period of 5 years the infant mortality rate, has also increased from 32 to 33 deaths per 1000 live births at national level. Table 17 shows the childhood mortality status in Rusizi District. Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases Computed as the difference between the infant and neonatal mortality rates.

Table 13: Early childhood mortality rates in Rusizi District, 2011 to 2020

Kind of mortality	2010/2011	2014/2015	2019/2020
Neonatal mortality (NN)	28	31	16
Post neonatal mortality (PNN) ¹	31	10	9
Infant mortality (1q0)	59	41	24
Under-5 mortality (5q0)	84	61	(40)

Source: RDHS 2010/11, 2014/15 & 2019/20 (NISR)

Almost, in the Rusizi district, as shown in table 17 above, during 5 years from 2011 to 2014/15, all types of mortality for children have been decreased except for neonatal mortality which it has increased from 28 to 31 deaths for 1000 live births. During the last 5 years, 2014/15 to 2019/20, all types of mortality for children have also decreased.

2.2.4 Nutritional status of children

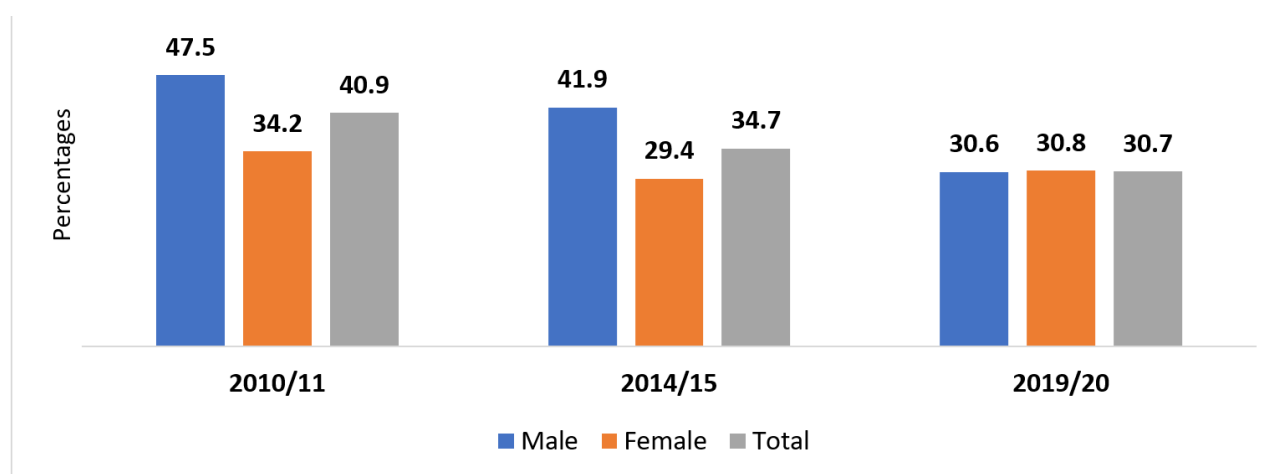
The distribution of height and weight among children under age 5 was compared against the WHO Child Growth Standards reference population (WHO 2006). A well-nourished population will be similar to the reference population, while a poorly nourished population will differ from the reference population.

Three indices—height-for-age, weight-for-height, and weight-for-age can be expressed in standard deviation units (Z-scores) from the median of the reference population, with values greater than two standard deviations from the median of the WHO Child Growth Standards used to define malnutrition.

Stunting, or low height-for-age, is a sign of chronic undernutrition that reflects failure to receive adequate nutrition over a long period of time. The most direct causes of stunting are inadequate nutrition (not eating enough or eating foods that lack growth-promoting nutrients) and recurrent infections or chronic diseases that cause poor nutrient intake and absorption. Wasting, or low weight-for-height, is a measure of acute undernutrition and represents the failure to receive adequate nutrition in the period immediately before the survey. Wasting may result from inadequate food intake or from a recent episode of illness or infection causing weight loss.

At national level, results of RDHS 2019/20 show that in total, 33% of children under age 5 are stunted (too short for their age). The stunting is more pronounced among boys compared to girls (37% Vs 29.2%, respectively). The results also show that one percent are wasted (too thin for their height). Contrary to stunting, wasting is more pronounced among girls (1.4%) compared to boys (0.9). In total, eight percent (6.3% of girls and 9.0% for boys) of children are underweight (too thin for their age), with 1% being severely underweight. Six percent of children are overweight in general: 5% of girls and 6 percent of boys are overweight. Figure 19 below shows the status of stunting and underweight among children aged under 5 in Rusizi District.

Figure 19: Percentage of children under age 5 who are stunted in Rusizi District by sex.



Source RDHS 2010/11, 201/15 & 2019/2020 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, the percentage of children aged 6 to 59 months who were stunted decreased from 2010/11 to 2014/15, from 40.9% in 2010/11 to 34.7% in 2014/15 according to Rwanda demographic and health survey and kept a decreasing pace up to 30.7% in 2019/20. However, by sex, Stunting continuously decreases from 47.5% in 2010/11 to 30.6% in 2019/20 for male and from 34.2% in 2010/11 to 30.8% in 2019/20 for female.

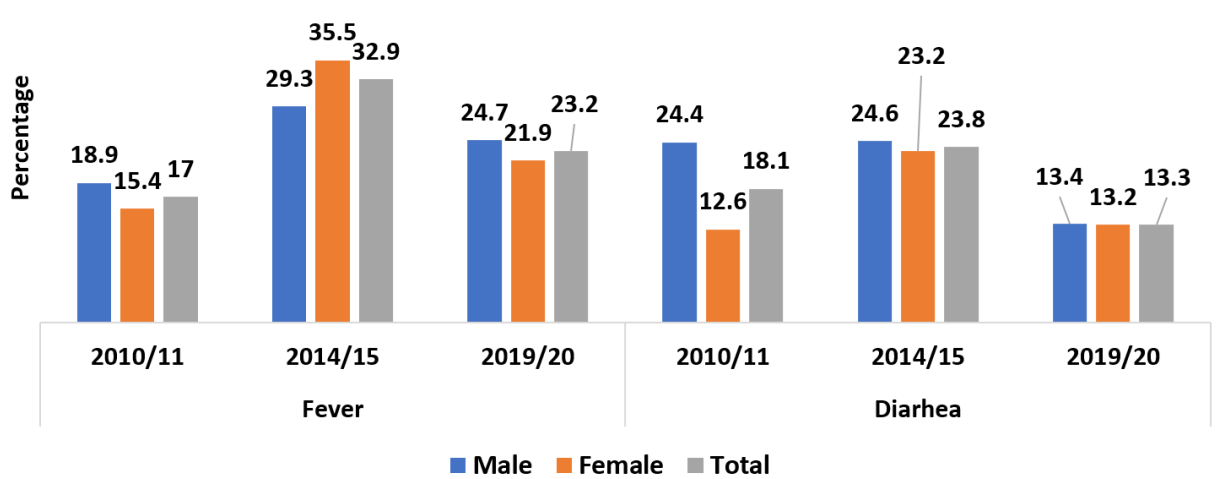
2.2.5 Prevalence of fever and diarrhea among children under five years old

This section presents information on the prevalence of two common childhood illnesses: symptoms of fever and diarrhea. Fever is a major manifestation of malaria and other acute infections in children. Malaria contributes to high levels of morbidity and mortality in young children. While fever can occur year-round, malaria is more prevalent after the end of the rainy season. Rwanda has changed its policy from presumptive treatment of fever as malaria to confirming malaria with a rapid diagnostic test before treatment with artemisinin-based combination therapy (ACT).

At the national level, the percentage of children under age 5 with a fever during the 2 weeks preceding the survey was 19% in 2019/20. Advice or treatment was sought the same or next day for 34% of these children, while 40% took antibiotic drugs.

Diarrhea remains a leading cause of childhood morbidity and mortality in developing countries, including Rwanda. Dehydration caused by diarrhea is a major cause of illness and death among young children, even though the condition can be easily treated with oral rehydration therapy (ORT), the results of RDHS 2019/20 show that 14% of children under age 5 were reported to have had diarrhea in the 2-week period before the survey. Advice or treatment was sought for 52% of children who had diarrhea in the 2 weeks before the survey. Figure 20 below shows the prevalence of fever and diarrhea among children aged under 5 in Rusizi District.

Figure 20: Prevalence of Fever and Diarrhea among children under five years old in Rusizi District by sex

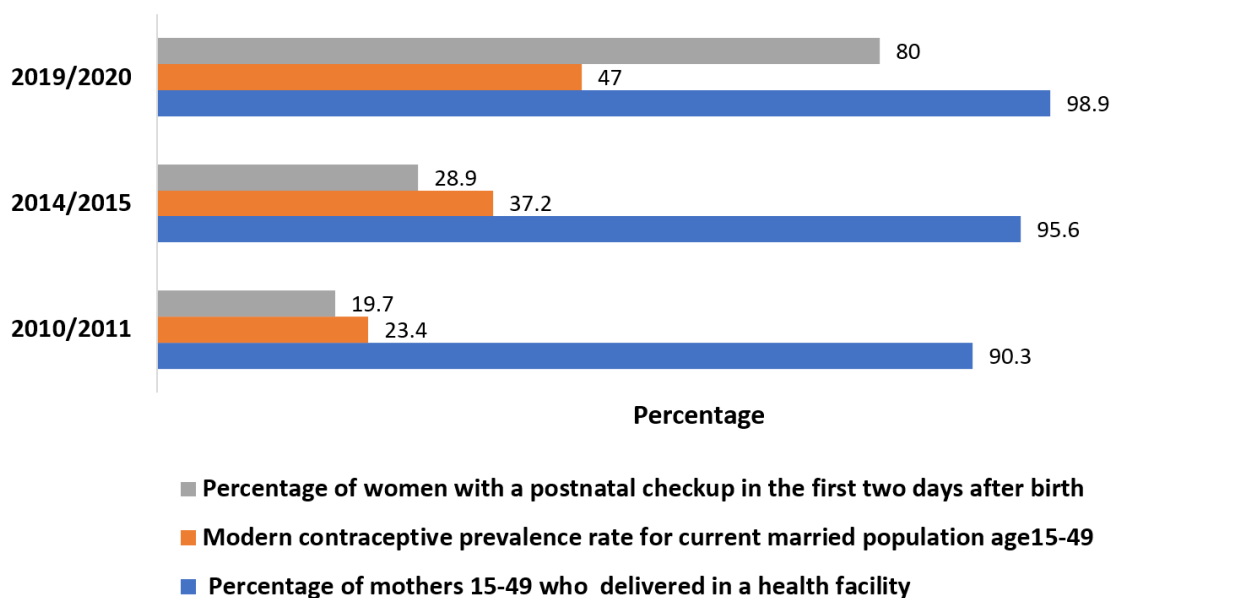


Source: RDHS 2010/11, 2014/15 & 2019/2020 (NISR)

In the Rusizi District, the prevalence of fever among children under 5 ages increased from 16.5% in 2010/11 to 32.9% in 2014/15 and decreased thereafter to 23.2% in 2019/20. On other side, the prevalence of diarrhea for children under 5 dramatically increased, from 18.1% in 2010/11 to 23.8% in 2014/15 and decreased to 13% in 2019/20.

2.2.6 Family planning among female aged 15-49

Couples can use contraceptive methods to limit or space the number of children they have. At the national level, Modern contraceptive use is higher among currently married women (58%) than among sexually active unmarried women (48%). The contraceptive prevalence rate for any method is 64% among currently married women. The figure 21 below shows that women aged 15-49 using modern contraceptive method increased from 23.4% in 2011 to 47% in 2019/20 in Rusizi District.

Figure 21: Women aged 15-49 who use modern contraceptive method and who delivered at health facilities.

Source: RDHS 2010/11, 2014/15 & 2019/2020 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, figure 21 above shows that the female users of modern contraceptive method for family planning increased from 23.4% in 2010/11 to 47% in 2019/20. Women aged 15-49 who delivered at health facility increased from 90.3% in 2010/11 to 95.6% in 2014/15 to 98.9% in 2019/20 while women with a postnatal checkup in the first two days after birth increased from 19.7% in 2010/11 to 28.9% in 2014/15 and to 80% in 2019/20.

2.2.7 Maternal health

At national level, 93% of live births in the 5 years preceding the survey took place in a health facility according to RDHS 2019/20. 94% of births were assisted by a skilled provider, 15% of health facility births in the 5 years before the survey were delivered via caesarean section. Among women who gave birth in the 2 years preceding the survey, 70% received a postnatal check in the first 2 days after birth.

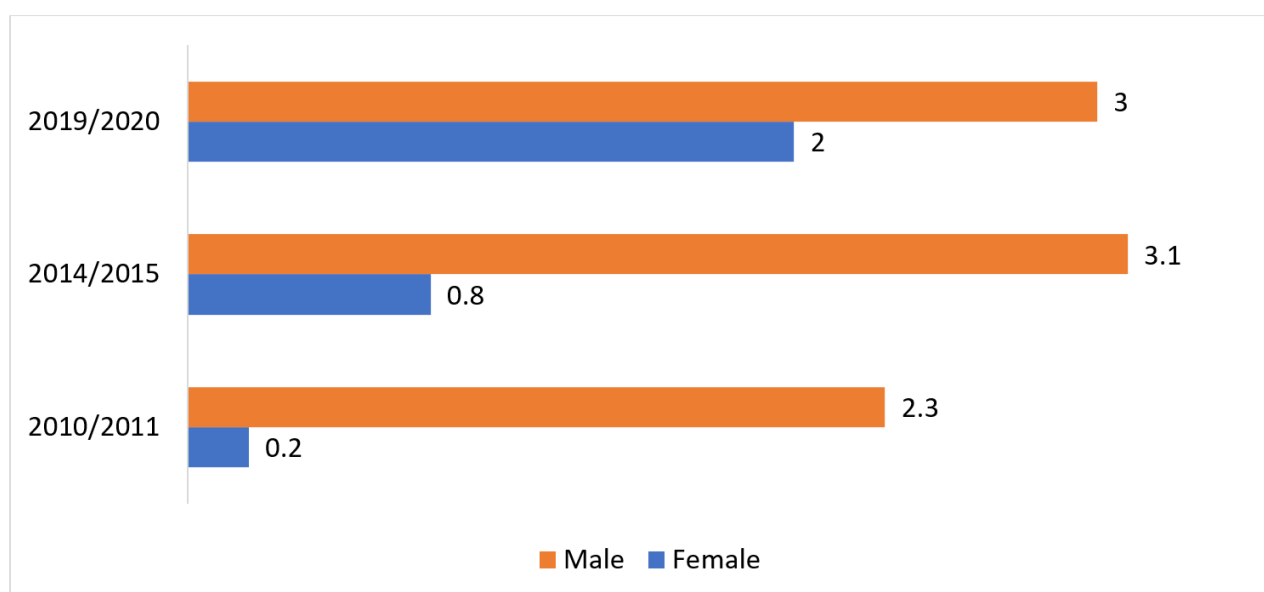
In Rusizi District, the figure 21 from the above section shows also the percentage of women aged 15-49 whose delivery took place at health facility (health center, hospital, etc..) increased during last ten years from 90.3% in 2010/11 to 98.9% in 2019/20. The percentage of women with a postnatal checkup in the first 2 days after birth, increased from 19.7% in 2010/11 to 80% in 2019/20.

2.2.8 Multiple Sexual Partners

At national level, RDHS 2019/20 shows that young men aged 15-24 are more likely than their female counterparts to have had more than one partner in the 12 months before the survey; 2% of men had more than one partner in the previous 12 months, as compared with 1% of women. Among all women and men aged 15-49, the percentage who had sexual intercourse with more than one sexual partner in the past 12 months are respectively 1.3% for women against to 5.5% for men.

The figure below for Rusizi District shows that the percentage of men and women aged 15-49 who have had sexual intercourse with more than one partner in the past 12 months preceding the survey increased for women from 0.8% in 2014/15 to 2% in 2019/20, while for men this percentage has never changed and remained 3% in the same period.

Figure 22: Percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who had sexual intercourse with more than one partner in the past 12 months in Rusizi District.

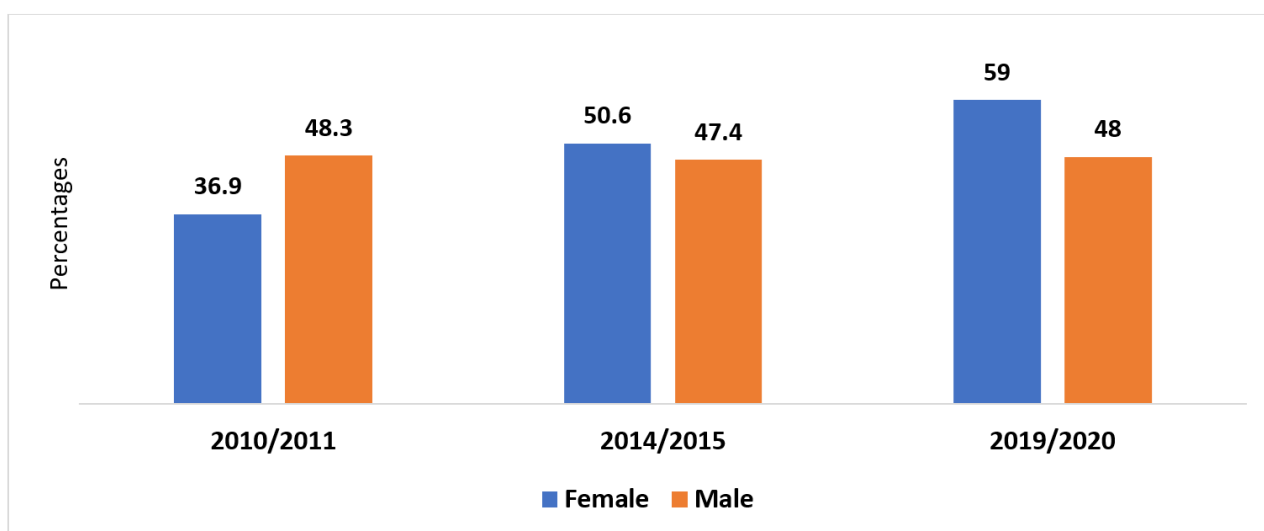


Source RDHS 2010/11, 2014/15 & 2019/2020 (NISR)

2.2.9 Comprehensive knowledge of HIV

At national level, the percentage of women and men aged 15-49 who have comprehensive knowledge about HIV do not differ significantly (75.6% for women against 75.1% for men).

Figure 23: Percentage of population aged 15–49 who have comprehensive knowledge of HIV in Rusizi District.



Source: RDHS 2010/11, 2014/15 & 2019/2020 (NISR)

The figure 23 above reveals that from 2010/11 to 2019/20, the percentage of male who have comprehensive knowledge of HIV transmission in Rusizi District is generally high. Percentage of males who have comprehensive knowledge of HIV was 48.3 % compared 37% for females in 2010/11, while it was 48% for male and 59% in 2019/20.

2.2.10 HIV Prevalence

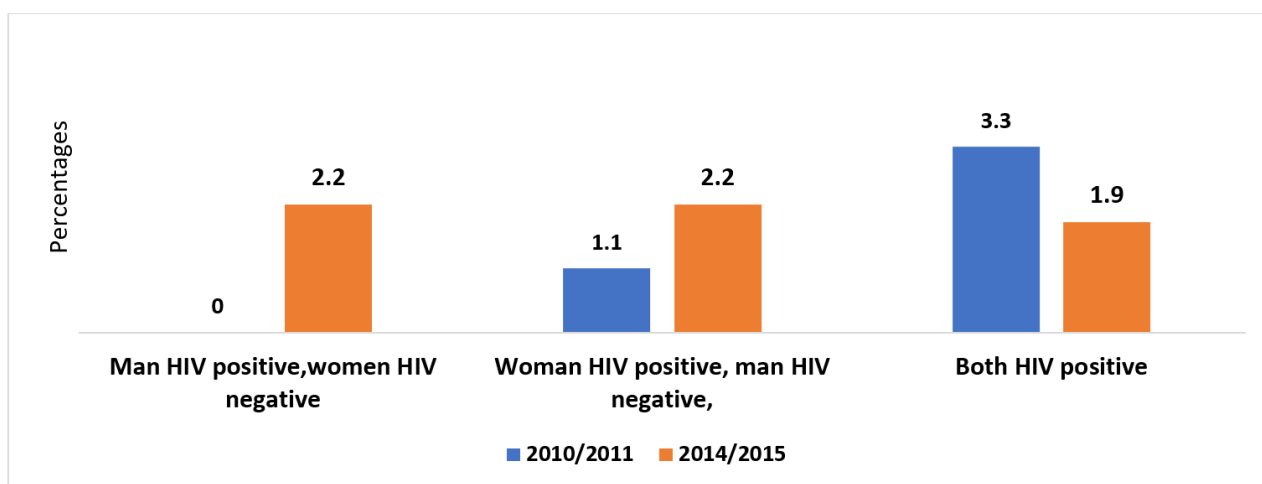
According to the RDHS 2014/15 results 3 percent of adults aged 15-49 in Rwanda are living with HIV. The HIV prevalence rate is 4 percent among women and 2 percent among men. In general, HIV prevalence rises with age. Among women, the HIV prevalence increases from 1 percent at age 15-19 to 8 percent at age 40-44 before decreasing rapidly to 6 percent at age HIV Prevalence 45-49. Among men, the prevalence increases from less than 1 percent at age 15-19 to 4 percent at age 40-44 and 9 percent at age 45-49.

The results of 2014-15 RDHS, show that 95 percent of couples in union, both partners are HIV negative; in 2 percent of couples, both partners are HIV positive. About 3 percent of couples in union are discordant (i.e., one partner is infected and the other is not). Discordant couples are almost evenly divided between those in which the male partner is infected, and the female partner is not and those in which the female partner is infected, and the male partner is not.

The percentage of couples in which both partners are HIV positive is higher in couples in which women aged 30-39 (3 percent) and men aged 50-59 (4 percent). The percentage of couples in which both partners are HIV positive is also higher (7 percent) when men is 10-14 years older than women as compared to 1 percent when couples are for the same age/man older 0-4 years. This is true when the male partner is infected, and female partner is not. The percentage of couples in which both partners are HIV positive is high in urban (6 percent) areas, especially in the City of Kigali (5 percent) than in rural (1.3 percent).

According to the results of RDHS 2019/20, the percentage of HIV when both positive was 1.3%, while it was 1.0% when Man HIV positive, woman HIV negative, and it was 1.9% when Woman HIV positive, man HIV negative.

Figure 24: Prevalence of HIV among Couple in Rusizi District



Source RDHS 2010/11 & 201/15 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, the prevalence of HIV among couple, when both were HIV positive, it has decreased from 3.2% in 2010/11 to 1.9% in 2014/15. For men HIV positive and women HIV negative, the prevalence increased from 0% in 2010/11 to 2.2% in 2014/15; For women HIV positive and men HIV negative, it increased from 1.1% in 2010/11 to 2.2% in 2014/15 in Rusizi District.

2.3 Education

At national level, according to the Population and Housing census 2022 results, residents population aged 6-11 who attained primary and resident population aged 12-17 who attained secondary, in 2022, gross and net attendance rate in Primary were respectively 141.7% and 89.3% for both, while female represents 141.4% and 90.3% compared to 142% and 88.4% for male, in Secondary, gross and net attendance rate were respectively 39.9% and 22.3% for both sex, 43.8% and 25.8% for females against 36.1% and 18.8% for male.

2.3.1 Gross attendance rates

Gross attendance rate is defined as the number of students attending a given level of education at any time during the reference academic year, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the official school-age population corresponding to the same level of education. Table 18 below shows gross attendance rate in Rusizi District outsourced from the 2022 census results.

Table 14: Gross attendance rates in Rusizi District by sex

	Gross Attendance Rates / GAR (%)		
	Both sexes	Male	Female
Pre- primary for residents' population aged 3-5	19.6	18.9	20.3
Primary for residents' population aged 6-11	137.0	137.1	136.9
Lower secondary for residents' population aged 12-14	51.6	48.1	55.0
Secondary residents' population aged 12-17	42.3	39.2	45.5

Source: Rwanda fifth Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, Gross attendance rate (GAR) for females is high compared to males in pre-primary and primary level of education while in secondary, it is high among males compared to females. Following education levels, GAR is 20.3% for females and 18.9% for males in pre-primary; 136.9% for females Vs 137.1% for males in primary; and 45.5% for females Vs 39.2% for males in secondary.

2.3.2 Net attendance rates

Net attendance rate (NAR) is defined as the number of pupils in the official age group for a given level of education who attend school at that level expressed as a percentage of the population in that age group. Table 19 below shows Net attendance rates in Rusizi District sourced from the 2022 census results.

	Net Attendance Rates / NAR (%)		
	Both sexes	Male	Female
Pre- primary for residents' population aged 3-5	19.5	18.8	20.1
Primary for residents' population aged 6-11	86.6	85.6	87.5
Lower secondary for residents' population aged 12-14	7.9	6.5	9.2
Secondary residents' population aged 12-17	22.1	19.4	24.8

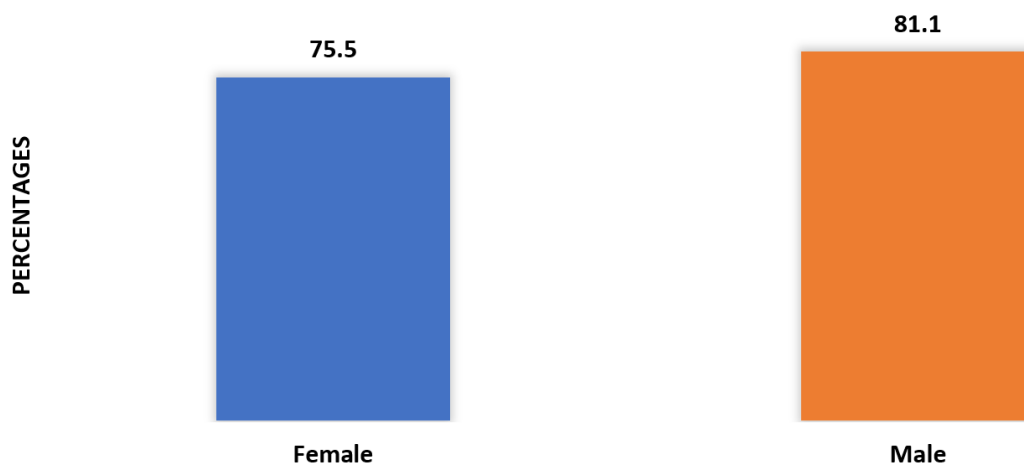
Source: Rwanda fifth Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, Net attendance rate (NAR) for females is high compared to males across all levels of education. Following education levels, NAR is 20.1% for females and 18.8% for males in pre-primary; 87.5% for females Vs 85.6% for males in primary; and 24.8% for females Vs 19.4% for males in secondary.

2.3.3 Adults' literacy

According to RPHC 2022, literacy rate among the population aged 15 and above rate stands at 78.8 % at national level. Females' literacy rate is 76.7. %; against 81 % for males among population aged 15 and above. Among the youth population aged 15-24, literacy rate is 87.6 % among females against 82.6% for males. The following figure reflects the levels of literacy among the population aged 15 and above in Rusizi District.

Figure 25: Literacy rate for people aged 15 years and above in Rusizi District



Source: Fifth Rwanda Population and Housing Census, 2022 (NISR)

The figure 25 above shows that literacy rate among population aged 15 and above was high among males than females in 2022. Males' literacy rate was 81.1% in 2022 while females' literacy rate was 75.5 % in the same period.

This section provides sex disaggregated information focusing on the areas related to governance and justice. The areas covered under this section are governance and decentralization, gender-based violence and justice.

3.1 Governance and decentralization sector

Transformational Governance includes the role of men and women and their participation in governance and justice to build a secure and stable nation, which provides a platform for economic and social transformation.

The government of Rwanda has set legal and institutional measures to continue ensuring women's equal access to, and full participation in power structures and decision-making. The constitution maintains the 30% quota of minimum representation of women in decision making positions at all decision-making organs. The law No 10/20/2013/OL of 11/07/2013 regulating political party organizations and politicians prohibits any form of discrimination based on gender, sex, race, and religion in political parties and each political party organization shall have at least 30% of women in decision-making positions. This has increased the number of women in decision-making positions generally in appointed, elective and positions occupied through recruitment process.

Table 16: Number of people in decision making organs by sex in Rusizi District in 2022

INDICATOR	COUNT			Sex Distribution (%)		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
Members of District Councils	8	9	17	47	53	100
Members of district's executive committee	1	2	3	33.	67	100

Source: District administrative records, 2022 (Rusizi District)

Above table shows the numbers and proportions of women and men with decision making powers in different spheres of life including governance, there females represent 47 against 53% for males in District councils.

3.2 Violence

Rwanda has a robust legal and policy framework as well as, institutional mechanisms to create and sustain a peaceful and conflict-free nation. In addition, Rwanda has developed a National Action Plan (NAP) 2009-2012 and 2018-2022 to implement the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) on women peace and security, as a practical step to sustain and expand registered gains in the women, peace, and security agenda. A lot has also been achieved by the Government of Rwanda in promoting and protecting the human rights of women. The principle of equality between women and men and the prohibition of discrimination based on sex are enshrined in the constitution and other legal instruments.

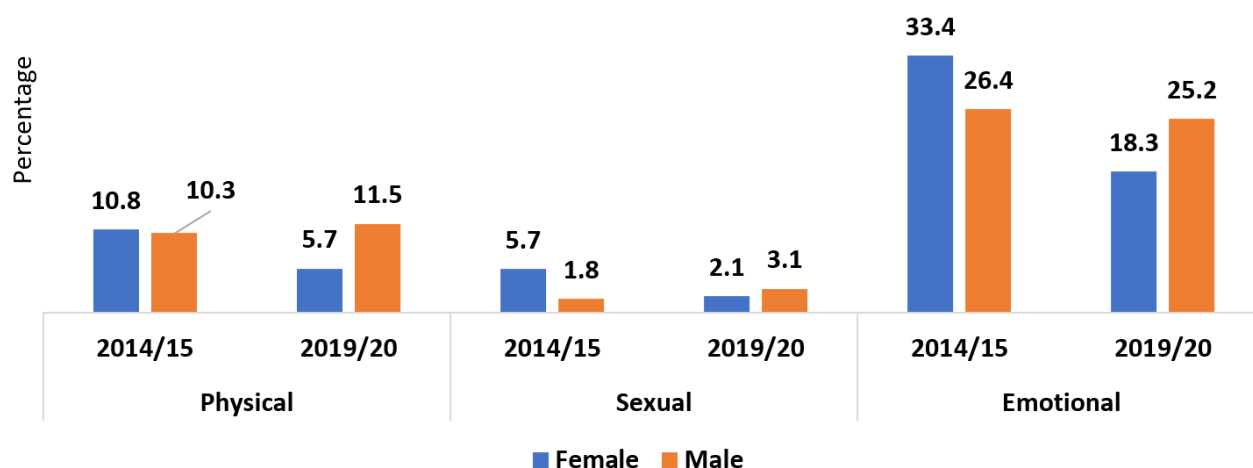
3.2.1 Forms of domestic violence

Gender-based violence is defined by the United Nations as any act of violence that results in physical, sexual, or psychological harm or suffering to women, girls, men, and boys, as well as threats of such acts, coercion, or the arbitrary deprivation of liberty.

In Rwanda, domestic violence is widely acknowledged to be of great concern not just from a human rights

perspective but also from an economic and health perspective. Nationally representative data on the prevalence of different forms of violence can help monitor progress towards the elimination of violence against persons. According to RDHS 2019/20, 37% of women aged 15-49 in Rwanda have experienced physical violence since age 15 while 23% have ever experienced sexual violence. The corresponding proportions among men are 30% and 6%, respectively. The results also show that 46% of ever-married women and 18% of ever-married men have experienced spousal physical, sexual, or emotional violence. Figure 26 below shows the prevalence of domestic violence under different forms among women and men in Rusizi District.

Figure 26: Trends (in %) of Women and Men who experienced physical, sexual, and emotional violence in 12 months preceding survey in Rusizi District



Source: RDHS2014/15 & RDHS 2019/2020 Dataset, 2022 (NISR)

In Rusizi District, physical violence among females decreased significantly from 10.8 % in 2014/15 to 5.7% in 2019/20 while for men, it increased from 10.3% to 11.5% in the same period. Regarding sexual violence, it slightly decreased from 5.7% in 2014/15 to 2.1% in 2019/20 for women while for men, it increased from 1.8% to 3.1% in the same period. Emotional violence for Women and men, it decreased significantly from 33.4% in 2014/15 to 18.3% in 2019/20 for women and from 26.4% to 25.2% in the same period.

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