Datasource:

Demographic and Health Survey

Period:

February, 2005 to July, 2005

A total of 10,644 households were selected in the sample for the third Rwandan Demographic and Health survey (RDHS-III), and 10,307 of these were contacted at the time of the survey. The survey teams were able to interview individuals in 10,272 households, for a response rate of nearly 100 percent. In the 10,272 households surveyed, 11,539 women between 15 and 49 years of age were considered eligible for individual interviews and 11,321 were successfully interviewed.

Analysis of the 2005 RDHS-III data indicates that the fertility rate of Rwandan women remains high. The Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is 6.1 children for all women, 4.9 for urban women, and 6.3 for ru ral women.

For Nutritional Status, overall, more than four out of ten children under age five (45 percent) suffer from chronic malnutrition and nearly one out of five (19 percent) suffer from its most severe form. Levels of stunting rapidly increase with age; the highest proportion is found among children age 12-23 months (55 percent), but remains fairly high (51 to 53 percent) among older children.

Reference documents (PDF)

- Rwanda_DHS_Report_2005.pdf (pdf, 1.4 MB)
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