The 2012 Tajikistan Demographic and Health Survey (TjDHS) provides up-to-date information on the population and health situation in Tajikistan. The 2012 TjDHS is the first national demographic and health survey conducted in the country. The 2012 TjDHS included questions on fertility, fertility preferences, use of family planning, and experience with abortion.

**Fertility, Family Planning, and Abortion: Results from the 2012 TjDHS**

The 2012 Tajikistan Demographic and Health Survey (TjDHS) provides up-to-date information on the population and health situation in Tajikistan. The 2012 TjDHS is the first national demographic and health survey conducted in the country. The 2012 TjDHS included questions on fertility, fertility preferences, use of family planning, and experience with abortion.

**Tajik women have an average of 3.8 births.**

**Total Fertility Rate**
Average number of births per woman

Tajikistan - 3.8

---

**Age at First Marriage, Sex, and Birth**
Median age in years among women age 25-49

- First marriage: 20.2
- First sex: 20.3
- First birth: 21.8

---

**Current use of Contraception**
Percent distribution of married women age 15-49

- Not using any method: 72%
- IUD: 19%
- Pill, 2%
- Male condom, 2%
- Injectables, 2%
- Other modern method, 1%
- Traditional method, 2%

---

**Use of Modern Methods of Contraception**
Percent of married women currently using a modern method

- More than 1 in 5 Tajik women have an unmet need for family planning—that is, they want no more children or want to wait at least 2 years before another child but are not using contraception.

---

**Fertility in Central and Southern Asia**
Average number of births per woman

- Afghanistan 2010: 5.1
- Pakistan 2006-07: 4.1
- Tajikistan 2012: 3.8
- Azerbaijan 2006: 2.0
- Armenia 2010: 1.7

---

**Modern Method Use by Education**
Percent of married women 15–49 using a modern method

- None/primary: 20%
- General basic: 20%
- General secondary: 28%
- Professional/primary: 30%
- Higher: 37%

---

**Unmet Need for Family Planning by Education**
Percent of married women 15–49 with an unmet need for family planning

- None/primary: 28%
- General basic: 26%
- General secondary: 21%
- Professional/primary: 22%
- Higher: 20%
10% of Tajik women have ever had an abortion.

For additional information on the results of the 2012 Tajikistan Demographic and Health Survey, please contact:

In Tajikistan:
Statistical Agency under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan
17 Bokhtar Street
Dushanbe, Tajikistan
Telephone: 992-372-23-02-45
Fax: 992-372-21-43-75
Email: stat@tojikiston.com

In USA:
MEASURE DHS, ICF International
11785 Beltsville Drive
Calverton, MD 20705 USA
Telephone: 301-572-0200
Fax: 301-572-0999
Website: www.measuredhs.com

The 2012 Tajikistan Demographic and Health Survey (TjDHS) was conducted by the Statistical Agency under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan (SA) and the Ministry of Health (MOH) of the Republic of Tajikistan from July 2012 through September 2012. ICF International provided technical assistance for the survey through the USAID-funded MEASURE DHS program. Funding for the TjDHS was received from USAID/Tajikistan, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)/Tajikistan.