

ZAMBIA FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET SCORECARD

INDICATORS (FY2018)

ADEQUACY/SUFFICIENCY: Government Budget Allocation for Family Planning as a Percentage of the Total Funding Need	Allocation		Total Funding Need	Percentage
	FP Program	802,220	45,488,162	1.76%
	Contraceptives	18,000,000	126,225,351	14.26%
PRIORITY: Government Budget Allocation for Family Planning as a Percentage of the Total Government Budget Allocation to Health	Allocation		Total Health Budget	Percentage
	FP Program	802,220	6,781,558,820	0.01%
	Contraceptives	18,000,000	6,781,558,820	0.27%
TIMELINESS: Percentage of the Government Family Planning Budget Disbursed as Scheduled	Disbursements		Allocation	Percentage
	FP Program	No data	802,220	No data
	Contraceptives	No data	18,000,000	No data
BUDGET EXECUTION: Percentage of Expenditure of Government Family Planning Budget Allocation	Expenditure		Allocation	Percentage
	FP Program	802,220	802,220	100%
	Contraceptives	18,486,000	18,000,000	103%
COVERAGE: Annual Government Expenditure on Family Planning per Woman of Reproductive Age (WRA)	Expenditure		Number of WRA	Expenditure per WRA
	FP Program	802,220	4,005,150	ZMK 0.20
	Contraceptives	18,486,000	4,005,150	ZMK 4.62
PERFORMANCE AND OWNERSHIP: Government Expenditure on Family Planning as a Percentage of Total Funding Need	Expenditure		Total Funding Need	Percentage
	FP Program	802,220	45,488,162	1.76%
	Contraceptives	18,486,000	126,225,351	14.65%

TRANSPARENCY OF FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET DATA (FY2018)

BUDGET DATA	SOURCE	LEVEL OF TRANSPARENCY	LEVEL OF DETAIL (DISAGGREGATION)
FUNDING NEED			
FP Program	Family Planning Services Integrated Family Planning Scale-up Plan 2013-2020		Sufficient
Contraceptives	Ministry of Health Annual Forecasting and Quantification Executive Summary Report for Essential Medicines, Medical Supplies and Family Planning Commodities from 2018-2020		Sufficient
BUDGET ALLOCATION			
FP Program	Yellow Book for the 2018 Budget		Sufficient
Contraceptives	Ministry of Health Annual Report 2018		Sufficient
Total Health Budget	Yellow Book for the 2018 Budget		Sufficient
DISBURSEMENTS			
FP Program	Ministry of Health Annual Report 2018		Insufficient (no quarterly data)
Contraceptives	Ministry of Health Annual Report 2018		Insufficient (no quarterly data)
EXPENDITURE			
FP Program	Yellow Book for the 2019 Budget		Insufficient (no quarterly data)
Contraceptives	Ministry of Health Annual Report 2018		Insufficient (no quarterly data)

KEY FOR TRANSPARENCY SCORES:

SCORE	COLOR
1. Official Data, publicly available	
2. Official data, produced but made available only upon request, in hard or soft copy (not available online)	
3. Official data, produced for internal purposes/use only	
4. Data not produced	

COMMENDATIONS:

The government of Zambia is commended for spending all allocated family planning funds, assuming over 14 percent of the total funding needed for contraceptives and having an adolescent health budget line.

FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET:

Observations

- Family Planning Program costs are hugely donor dependent.
- Annual spending per WRA on family planning programs is ZMK 0.20 (USD 0.02) and ZMK 4.62 (USD 0.38) for contraceptives. It is impossible to know how these measure up to other countries' program and contraceptives spending since there are no established benchmarks.

Recommendations

The government of Zambia should prioritize the following actions to strengthen government ownership of family planning:

- Increase government funding for Family Planning Commodities.
- Increase government funding for Family Planning Programs to meet the funding need.

TRANSPARENCY:

Observations

- Since there are no publicly available data on disbursements, it is impossible to know whether disbursements are being made in a timely manner throughout the budget year.
- The lack of publicly available quarterly data on expenditures means that it is impossible to know how funds are being spent throughout the budget year.

Recommendations

The government of Zambia should prioritize the following actions to improve the transparency of family planning budget information:

- Publish the total funding need for Family Planning Commodities in a publicly available document, preferably online. It is currently in a document that is not publicly available.
- Provide a separate budget line for Family Planning Commodities in the Yellow Book. It is currently combined with the Reproductive Health Commodities line.
- Make publicly available quarterly disbursement data on family planning programs and contraceptives, preferably online.
- Make Ministry of Health quarterly expenditure reports available to the public, preferably online.
- Publish the *Integrated Family Planning Scale-up Plan 2013-2020* on the Ministry of Health website. It is currently only available on a nongovernment website (Family Planning 2020).
- Keep previous years' Yellow Books on the Ministry of Finance website.

Note on Methodology:

- *The data collection methodology for this scorecard prioritized use of the most accurate data as opposed to publicly available data. In certain cases, there are more public sources of data—such as the Yellow Book for the Family Planning Commodities allocation—but that figure is slightly different than what we know to be the best data (because it is combined with the reproductive health commodities budget line).*