

UGANDA FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET SCORECARD

INDICATORS (FY 2017/18)

ADEQUACY/SUFFICIENCY: Government Budget Allocation for Family Planning as a Percentage of the Total Funding Need	Allocation		Total Funding Need	Percentage
	FP Program	7,170,000,000	72,611,300,000	9.87%
	Contraceptives*	8,000,000,000	93,743,889,702	8.53%
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	7,170,000,000	1,824,100,000,000	0.39%
	Contraceptives*	8,000,000,000	1,824,100,000,000	0.44%
TIMELINESS: Percentage of the Government Family Planning Budget Disbursed as Scheduled	Disbursements		Allocation	Percentage
	FP Program	No data	7,370,000,000	No data
	Contraceptives**	0	8,000,000,000	0%
BUDGET EXECUTION: Percentage of Expenditure of Government Family Planning Budget Allocation	Expenditure		Allocation	Percentage
	FP Program	No data	7,170,000,000	No data
	Contraceptives**	0	8,000,000,000	0%
COVERAGE: Annual Government Expenditure on Family Planning per Woman of Reproductive Age (WRA)	Expenditure		Number of WRA	Expenditure per WRA
	FP Program	No data	9,054,881	No data
	Contraceptives**	0	9,054,881	UGX 0
PERFORMANCE AND OWNERSHIP: Government Expenditure on Family Planning as a Percentage of Total Funding Need	Expenditure		Total Funding Need	Percentage
	FP Program	No data	72,611,300,000	No data
	Contraceptives**	0	93,743,889,702	0%

* This is the Reproductive Health Items allocation, which includes both maternal health and family planning commodities
 ** There was no expenditure on contraceptives in 2017/18 due to adequate existing stocks, primarily from donors

TRANSPARENCY OF FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET DATA (FY 2017/18)

BUDGET DATA	SOURCE	LEVEL OF TRANSPARENCY	LEVEL OF DETAIL (DISAGGREGATION)
FUNDING NEED			
FP Program	Uganda Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan 2015-2020		Sufficient
Contraceptives	Ministry of Health FY 2017/18 National Quantification Report for Public Health Facilities in Uganda		Sufficient
BUDGET ALLOCATION			
FP Program	Ministry of Health Approved Reproductive Health Division Workplan FY 2017/18		Insufficient (no budget line)
Contraceptives	Vote Performance Report, Vote 116 National Medical Stores, FY 2017/18, Quarter 1		Insufficient (no budget line)
Total Health Budget	National Budget Framework Paper FY 2018/2019-2022/23, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development		Sufficient
DISBURSEMENTS			
FP Program	No data		N/A
Contraceptives	Vote Performance Report, Vote 116 National Medical Stores, FY 2017/18, Quarter 2*		Sufficient
EXPENDITURE			
FP Program	No data		N/A
Contraceptives	Vote Performance Report, Vote 116 National Medical Stores FY 2017/18, Quarter 2*		Sufficient

* Vote 116 Performance Reports for Quarters 3 and 4 of FY 2017/18 are not yet available on the government's budget website (budget.go.ug)

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 Uganda is commended for allocating nearly 10 percent of the total funding need for family planning programs and for having sufficient stocks of contraceptives to meet the country's annual need. It is also commended for publishing key documents online, such as the National and Health Sector Budget Framework Papers, Vote Performance Reports and the *National Quantification Report for Public Health Facilities in Uganda*. This last document, which provides the annual contraceptives funding need, is noteworthy given that many governments do not make it publicly available.

FAMILY PLANNING BUDGET:

Observations

- The Reproductive Health Items allocation, which combines maternal health and family planning commodities, is 8.5 percent of the total funding need for contraceptives. If half of this budget were allocated to contraceptives, it would mean less than five percent of the total funding need was met.
- The Family Planning Program and Reproductive Health Items allocations are mere fractions of the total health budget, at about 0.4 percent each.
- Since there was no spending on contraceptives due to existing stocks, it is not possible to determine government spending per WRA.

Recommendations

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

- Increase funding for both family planning programs and contraceptives.
- Create a Family Planning Program budget line within the Reproductive Health Division in the Ministry of Health budget.
- Create a Family Planning Commodities budget line separate from maternal health commodities, within the Reproductive Health Division in the Ministry of Health budget.

TRANSPARENCY:

Observations

- The Family Planning Program budget allocation is found in a document produced for internal use only, and the allocation is not clearly identified in the document.
- Due to the lack of Family Planning Program disbursement data, it is impossible to independently verify whether disbursements were made in the correct amounts and in a timely manner throughout the budget year.
- The lack of Family Planning Program expenditure data means that it is impossible to validate how funds were spent throughout the budget year. It's also not possible to calculate how much the government spent per WRA.
- Although FY 2017/18 ended nearly a year ago, the National Medical Stores Vote Performance Reports for Quarters 3 and 4 are not available on the government's budget website.

Recommendations

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

- Make publicly available online quarterly disbursement and expenditure data for family planning programs.
- Publish quarterly Vote Performance Reports on the government's budget website in a timely manner.