

USAID ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT

DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH SURVEY



OVERVIEW

USAID's Demographic and Health Survey provides technical assistance to the Government of Nepal for implementing high quality surveys on health service outcomes at the population level and preparedness of facilities to provide healthcare. This data supports continued evidence-based health programming in Nepal.

HIGHLIGHT

Under USAID's Demographic and Health Survey, two national surveys are conducted every five years in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Population of Nepal. The Nepal Demographic and Health Survey was first implemented in 1996 and the Nepal Health Facility Survey began in 2015.

USAID Supports Evidence-based Policy Formulation:

USAID supports the Nepal Demographic and Health and Nepal Health Facility surveys as major data sources that inform the development of national health policies, strategies, and health programs. USAID further supports the Government of Nepal with the data collected from public and private health facilities to inform policy decisions about Nepal's most pressing health concerns. Both of these surveys are implemented every five years and have provided baseline or endline estimates for National Health Sector Strategies.

USAID Partners with the Private Sector to Build Data Collection Capacity:

USAID builds the capacity of local research partners to identify data needs for survey design, management, and collection. The survey results then inform government policy decisions based on the data analysis, sampling, and report writing by Nepali professionals.

USAID is Committed to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility:

USAID estimates are disaggregated by population characteristics such as wealth quintiles, caste/ethnicity, age, sex, and education level. The results measure client satisfaction towards the health services, and the degree to which the care provided by health facilities was respectful. The surveys further provide estimates by provinces, ecological region, and urban-rural areas. USAID uses this data to target programs for marginalized and disadvantaged populations and is a major source for tracking USAID's progress in advancing social inclusion and federalism.

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