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## FOREWORD



**M**auri and Welcome to the Kiribati National Statistics Office (KNSO) gender statistics publication, presenting key Census 2020 statistics disaggregated by sex; following on from our publication based on Census 2015 indicators and data. I am very proud to say that the KNSO is the only statistics office in the Pacific to produce a 'snapshot' of this kind, using out national statistics to 'shine the light' on our gender and social inclusion development. The statistics presented in this publication reflect challenges, issues and questions including similarities in lived realities and situations of men and women, girls and boys in key areas of life in Kiribati. The statistics highlight progress made and challenges to address in our shared efforts to achieve our Kiribati 20-year Vision that everyone reaches their potential in economic, political and social life.

This statistical evidence and facts in this publication highlight differences and similarities in all aspects of women's and men's, boy's and girl's, lives such in thematic areas such as health and related services, education, work and employment, leadership, gender based violence and so on. Gender statistics promote understanding of the real situation and 'lived experiences' of all our people, whatever their age, sex, ability and across our atolls and islands. Gender equality is everyone's business, women's and girl's rights are human rights, and equally important are the rights of men's and boy's because we must leave no one behind.

Gender statistics provide researchers and analyst with the quantitative evidence from quality data to assess gender gaps in all areas of life, to understand the interlinkages between cultural, social and economic factors that are at the basis of gender inequality and their dynamics over time. The indicators and statistical tabulations in this publication are derived from the data holdings of the KNSO, notably the Census 2020 data to derive United Nations (UN) Minimum Set of Gender Indicators and Sustainable Development Goal indicators focusing on the population composition and key demographic indicators, education, health, human rights of women and girl children, public life and decision making and economic structures, participation in productive activities and access to resources from a gender perspective.

This report contains indicators from Census, 2018–2019 Kiribati Social Development Indicator Survey and other administrative data sources. It is framed around the five thematic domains from the UN Minimum Set of Gender Indicators as well as additional information on population size and composition. It provides the evidence based for developing and monitoring policies and programmers oriented towards increased investment in our human capital including access to education and health. The dissemination of gender statistics to all our people is crucial in reducing both gender stereotypes and the misinterpretation of the roles of women and men, girls and boys and their contribution to society. These statistics highlight areas to promote gender balance in the distribution of roles within the family, at the workplace and in positions of decision-making.

**Honorable Dr Teuea Toatu**

**Vice President and Minister of Finance & Economic Development**

## INDICATOR SUMMARY



**119,438**  
total population



**52%**  
of the female population lives in the urban<sup>1</sup> area (31,675 females)



**29%**  
of females aged 15+ are unemployed<sup>2</sup> (5,363 females)



**55%**  
of young females aged 15–24 are unemployed



**61%**  
of HHs headed by a female have access to mass media (1,737 HHs have radio)



**34%**  
of females aged 10+ are using internet<sup>4</sup>



<sup>3</sup>



Net enrolment rate in primary education, per 100 girls

**93%**



**19%**  
of women aged 15+ currently smoke (7,100 women)



**9%**  
of seats in parliament<sup>5</sup> are held by women (4 out of 46 seats)



**51%**  
of the total population are females (60,534 females)



**60%**  
of people aged 60+ are females (4,554 females)



Labour force participation rate, females aged 15+  
**50%**



**27%**  
of households are headed by a female



**7%**  
of females aged 25+ have a post-secondary educational qualification (non-tertiary/vocational, 385 females)



Youth literacy rate in English, per 100 females aged 10–24  
**87%**



**54%**  
of girls aged 12–18 are attending secondary school (5,718 girls)



**33%**  
of men aged 15+ consume alcohol (11,375 men)



**8%**  
of Cabinet Ministers are held by women (1 out of 12 seats)



<sup>1</sup> Urban areas include South Tarawa, Betio and Kiritimati.

<sup>2</sup> ILO definition as reflected in the questionnaire.

<sup>3</sup> Highlights SDG indicators throughout this publication.

<sup>4</sup> Some 2020 data is not comparable with that from the 2015 Census of Population and Housing or was not collected in 2015.

<sup>5</sup> 43 members are directly elected and 3 are appointed.

The population of Kiribati continues to grow, however the proportion of males and females living in urban areas is unchanged between 2015–2020. Half the female population participate in the labour force, either working for pay or profit, or are unemployed seeking and available for work. A significant proportion of women, especially young women, in the labour force are unemployed (55%). The proportion of households (HHs) headed by a woman increased from 23% in 2015 to 27% in 2020, with an increase of 27% of these HHs having access to mass media (radio and/or the internet).

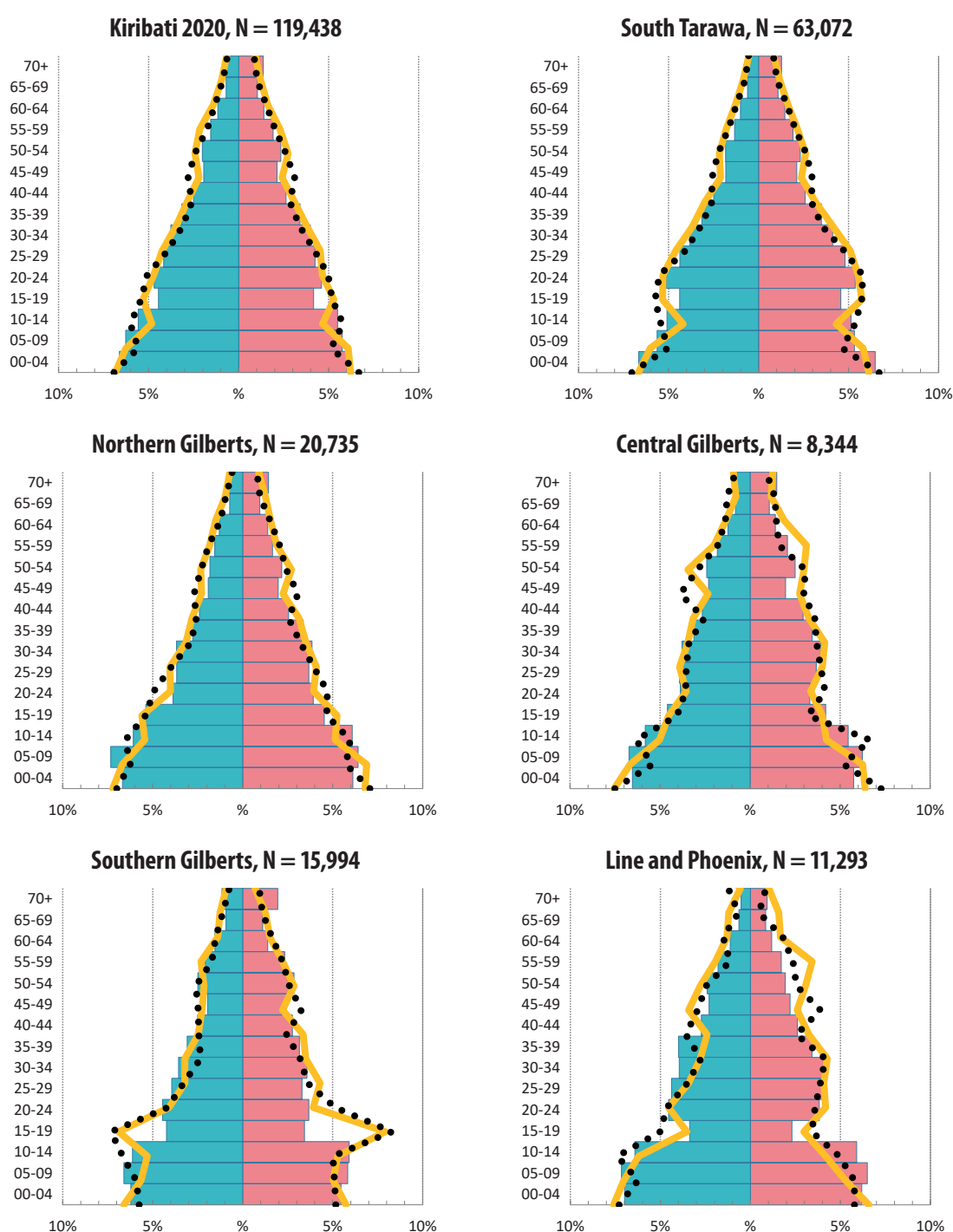
The Census data suggests that there is a decrease in secondary school attendance rates for girls, however the proportion of women aged 25+ with a post-secondary educational qualification has increased, as has the net enrolment rate for primary level education.

## KIRIBATI POPULATION PYRAMIDS, 2010, 2015 AND 2020

### Population and island group of residence



Source: Kiribati Statistics Office

•••• 2010 — 2015 ■ 2020 (Males, Females)



# I. ECONOMIC STRUCTURES, PARTICIPATION IN PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES AND ACCESS TO RESOURCES

## INDICATORS

MEN 	WOMEN 	
54%	40%	Labour force participation rate, aged 15+ <sup>5</sup> (ILO definition)
63%	50%	Labour force participation rate, aged 15+ <sup>7</sup> (Kiribati definition)
38%	27%	Labour force participation rate aged 15–24 (ILO definition)
49%	40%	Labour force participation rate aged 15–24 (Kiribati definition)
10%	12%	Unemployment rate, aged 15+ (ILO definition)
22%	29%	Unemployment rate, aged 15+ (Kiribati definition)
25%	33%	Unemployment rate, aged 15–24 (ILO definition)
43%	55%	Unemployment rate, aged 15–24 (Kiribati definition)
41%	43%	Youth aged 15–24 not in education, employment or training
45%	43%	Urban youth aged 15–24 not in education, employment or training
34%	43%	Rural youth aged 15–24 not in education, employment or training
1%	1%	Employee who are employers, aged 15+
-	43%	Female share of employers, aged 15+
39%	36%	Employee who are own-account workers, aged 15+
35%	8%	Employee working in agriculture, aged 15+
5%	7%	Employee working in industry, aged 15+
60%	85%	Employee working in services, aged 15+
44%	43%	Individuals using the Internet, aged 15–64
59%	61%	HHs with access to mass media (radio and/or Internet) by sex of HH head



<sup>5</sup> Labour force participation rate defined as employed plus unemployed population including potential workers over working-age population.

<sup>6</sup> Kiribati Labour force participation rate defines the unemployed population to include all job seekers and those willing to work if a job was available.



## KEY GENDER INSIGHTS

- Gender gaps in labour force participation between men and women persist with little change since Census 2015; with the notable exception of gender parity in public sector (government) employment (include key table/figure ref for all these insights?).
- Women living in rural areas and men living in urban areas aged 15–24 years are most likely to not be in education, employment or training (NEET).
- Compared to Census 2015, more women are operating businesses and employing staff (classified as employers), increasing from 73 to 145 in Census 2020; however, the increase was larger for men as employers (from 70 to 192 from Census 2015 to Census 2020).
- Slightly more women than men are employed in the public service (government sector) – the largest sector of employment; and more men than women work in the private sector.
- Women employed in the public sector comprise 61% of senior positions (occupations of managers, professionals, and technicians), compared with 47% of senior positions in the private sector.
- Both the ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployment show that, women, especially young women, are more likely to be unemployed than men, and women's relatively high rate of unemployment inflates their labour force participation rate.
- Women outnumber men in professional, clerical and craft occupations, about the same proportion of women and men work in services and sales, while men outnumber women in traditional male technical, skilled agriculture and elementary occupations.
- Employed women and men are most likely to work in the service sector, with a slightly higher proportion of women working in the industry than men; including women working in manufacturing (handcrafts, bakeries etc) as well as women working clerical and professional roles, not in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

## STATISTICAL TABULATIONS

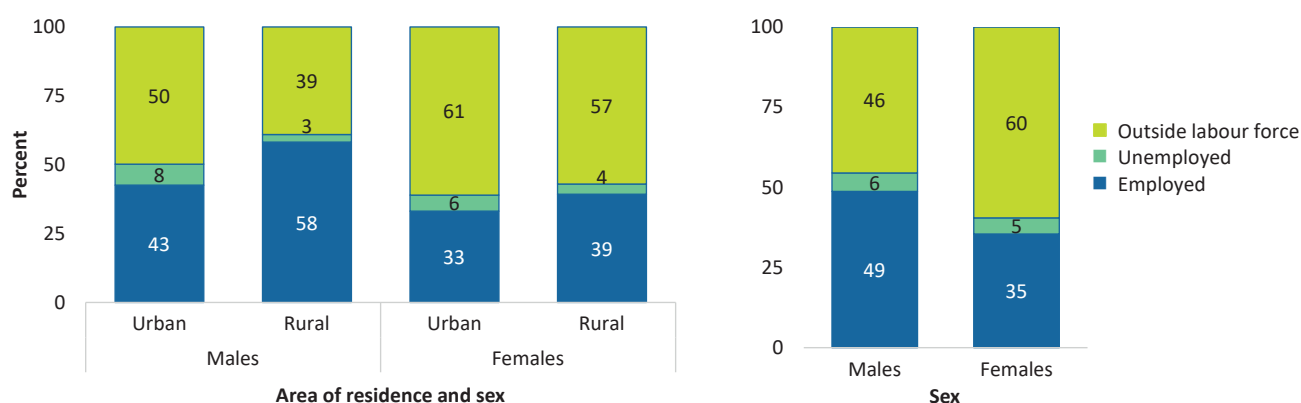
**Table 1. Labour force status by sex, age group and area of residence, population aged 15+, Census 2020**

Labour force status	Males				Females				Total
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	
Employed	2,741	13,293	888	16,922	1,650	10,811	884	13,345	30,267
Urban	1,257	7,299	336	8,892	997	6,442	409	7,848	16,740
Rural	1,484	5,994	552	8,030	653	4,369	475	5,497	13,527
Unemployed	909	1,045	24	1,978	799	1,062	33	1,894	3,872
Urban	717	857	18	1,592	594	764	20	1,378	2,970
Rural	192	188	6	386	205	298	13	516	902
Outside labour force	6,062	7,654	2,078	15,794	6,750	12,139	3,519	22,408	38,202
Urban	4,292	4,932	1,181	10,405	4,875	7,439	2,125	14,439	24,844
Rural	1,770	2,722	897	5,389	1,875	4,700	1,394	7,969	13,358
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,712</b>	<b>21,992</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>9,199</b>	<b>24,012</b>	<b>4,436</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>



55%

of young females are unemployed



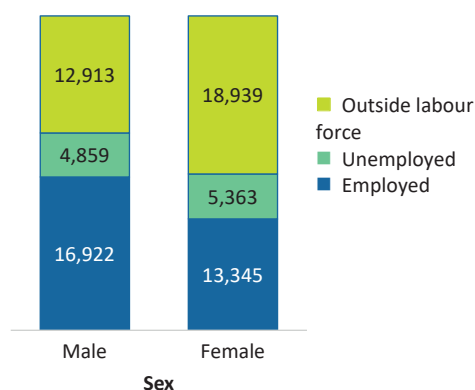
**Figure 1.** Labour force status by area of residence and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

**Table 2.** Labour force status by age group and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Age group	Employed			Unemployed			Labour Force			Working age population		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
15–24	909	799	1,708	2,741	1,650	4,391	3,650	2,449	6,099	9,712	9,199	18,911
25–59	1,045	1,062	2,107	13,293	10,811	24,104	14,338	11,873	26,211	21,992	24,102	46,004
60+	24	33	57	888	884	1,772	912	917	1,829	2,990	4,436	7,426
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,978</b>	<b>1,894</b>	<b>3,872</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>13,345</b>	<b>30,267</b>	<b>18,900</b>	<b>15,239</b>	<b>34,139</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**Table 3.** Labour force status (ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployment) by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Labour force status – ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployed	Sex		
	Male	Female	Total
Employed	16,922	13,345	30,267
Unemployed – ILO definition	1,978	1,894	3,872
Unemployed – Kiribati additional categories	2,881	3,469	6,350
Seeking, not available (Unavailable jobseekers)	105	186	291
Not seeking, available (Available potential jobseekers)	2,628	3,028	5,656
Not seeking, not available, willing (Willing non-jobseekers)	148	255	403
<i>Total unemployed – Kiribati definition</i>	<i>4,859</i>	<i>5,363</i>	<i>10,222</i>
<i>Total labour force – Kiribati definition</i>	<i>21,781</i>	<i>18,708</i>	<i>40,489</i>
Outside labour force	12,913	18,939	31,852
Not seeking, not available, not willing	12,909	18,932	31,841
Not elsewhere classified	4	7	11
<i>Labour force participation rate – Kiribati definition</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>56%</i>
<i>Unemployment rate – Kiribati definition</i>	<i>22%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>25%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>



**Figure 2.** Labour force status (Kiribati definition of unemployment) by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

**Table 4.** Labour force status (ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployment) by age group and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

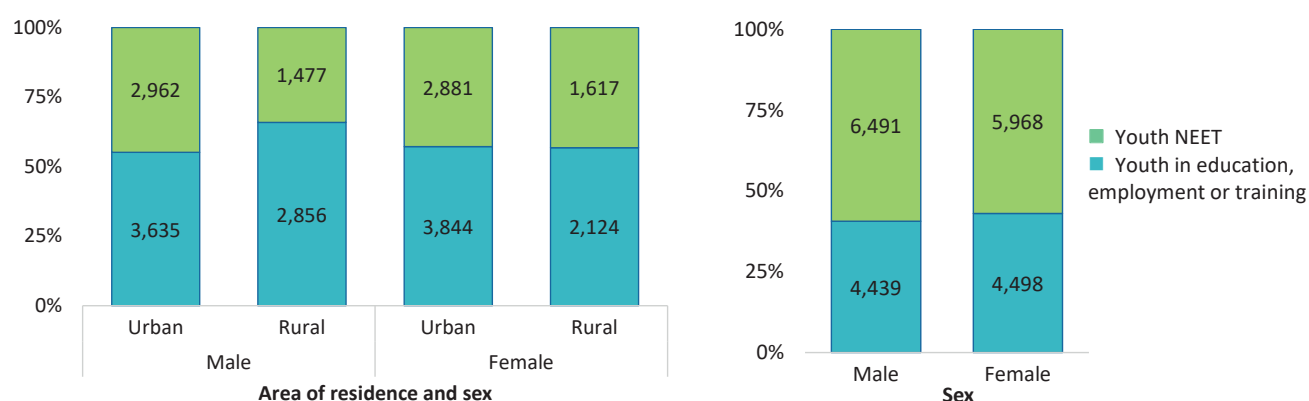
Labour force status - ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployed	Age group and sex									
	15–24			25–59			60+			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Employed	2,741	1,650	4,391	13,293	10,811	24,104	888	884	1,772	30,267
Unemployed – ILO definition	909	799	1,708	1,045	1,062	2,107	24	33	57	3,872
Unemployed – Kiribati additional categories	1,135	1,196	2,331	1,661	2,198	3,859	85	75	160	6,350
Seeking, not available (Unavailable jobseekers)	37	38	75	58	126	184	10	22	32	291
Not seeking, available (Available potential jobseekers)	1,050	1,081	2,131	1,521	1,911	3,432	57	36	93	5,656
Not seeking, not available, willing (Willing non-jobseekers)	48	77	125	82	161	243	18	17	35	403
Total Unemployed – Kiribati definition	2,044	1,995	4,039	2,706	3,260	5,966	109	108	217	10,222
Total labour force – Kiribati definition	4,785	3,645	8,430	15,999	14,071	30,070	997	992	1,989	40,489
Outside labour force	4,927	5,554	10,481	5,993	9,941	15,934	1,993	3,444	5,437	31,852
Not seeking, not available, not willing	4,926	5,552	10,478	5,991	9,937	15,928	1,992	3,443	5,435	31,841
Not elsewhere classified	1	2	3	2	4	6	1	1	2	11
Labour force participation rate – Kiribati definition	49%	40%	45%	73%	59%	65%	33%	22%	27%	56%
Unemployment rate – Kiribati definition	43%	55%	48%	17%	23%	20%	11%	11%	11%	25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,712</b>	<b>9,199</b>	<b>18,911</b>	<b>21,992</b>	<b>24,012</b>	<b>46,004</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>4,436</b>	<b>7,426</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**Table 5.** Labour force status (ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployment) by residence and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Labour force status - ILO and Kiribati definitions of unemployed	Residence and sex						
	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Employed	8,892	7,848	16,740	8,030	5,497	13,527	30,267
Unemployed - ILO Definition	1,592	1,378	2,970	386	516	902	3,872
Unemployed - Kiribati additional categories	2,031	2,419	4,450	850	1,050	1,900	6,350
Seeking, not available (Unavailable jobseekers)	70	128	198	35	58	93	291
Not seeking, available (Available potential jobseekers)	1,864	2,108	3,972	764	920	1,684	5,656
Not seeking, not available, willing (Willing non-jobseekers)	97	183	280	51	72	123	403
Total Unemployed – Kiribati definition	3,623	3,797	7,420	1,236	1,566	2,802	10,222
Total labour force – Kiribati definition	12,515	11,645	24,160	9,266	7,063	16,329	40,489
Outside labour force	8,374	12,020	20,394	4,539	6,919	11,458	31,852
Not seeking, not available, not willing	8,373	12,015	20,388	4,536	6,917	11,453	31,841
Not elsewhere classified	1	5	6	3	2	5	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,889</b>	<b>23,665</b>	<b>44,554</b>	<b>13,805</b>	<b>13,982</b>	<b>27,787</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**Table 6.** Labour force status according to education, employment and training activities by sex and urban/rural residence, population aged 15–24, Census 2020

Current status	Male	Female	Total
Youth not in education, employment, or training	4,439	4,498	8,937
Urban	2,962	2,881	5,843
Rural	1,477	1,617	3,094
Youth in education, employment, or training	6,491	5,968	12,459
Urban	3,635	3,844	7,479
Rural	2,856	2,124	4,980
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,930</b>	<b>10,466</b>	<b>21,396</b>

**Figure 3.** Labour force status by sex and area of residence, population aged 15+, Census 2020



**Table 7.** Employment status by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Employment status	Male	Female	Total
Employee	8,853	7,207	16,060
Paid apprentice, internship	243	182	425
Employer (with hired employees)	192	145	337
Own-account worker (without hired employees)	6,529	4,810	11,339
Helper (without pay) in a family business	1,104	1,001	2,105
Not stated	1	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>13,345</b>	<b>30,267</b>

**Table 8.** Employment status by sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Employment status	Male				Female			
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total
Employees	1,146	7,639	301	9,086	975	6,244	164	7,383
Employers	10	150	32	192	6	125	14	145
Own-account workers	1,214	4,833	482	6,529	424	3,782	604	4,810
Members of producers' cooperatives	1	9		10		6		6
Contributing family workers	370	661	73	1,104	245	654	102	1,001
Workers not classifiable by status	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,741</b>	<b>13,293</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>10,811</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>13,345</b>

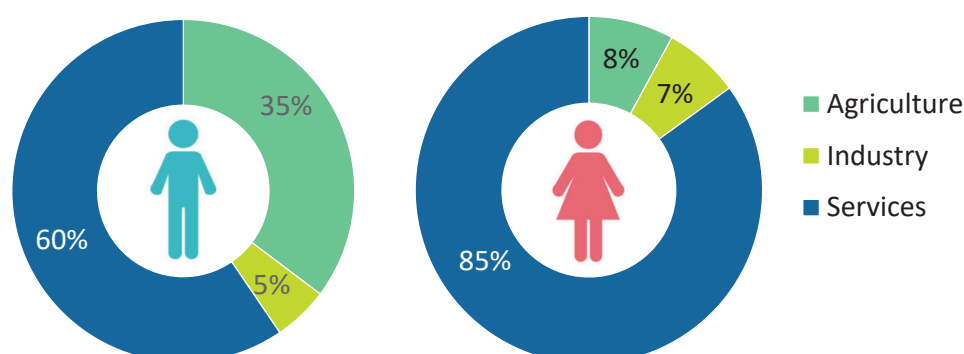
**Table 9.** Employees<sup>A</sup> by sector of employment, sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Sector of employment	Male				Female			
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total
Public	414	4,176	137	4,727	547	4,155	78	4,780
Private	732	3,469	163	4,364	428	2,092	85	2,605
Not Stated	1	3	1	5	-	3	1	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>7,648</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>9,096</b>	<b>975</b>	<b>6,250</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>7,389</b>

<sup>A</sup> Employees include employees and members of producers' cooperatives.

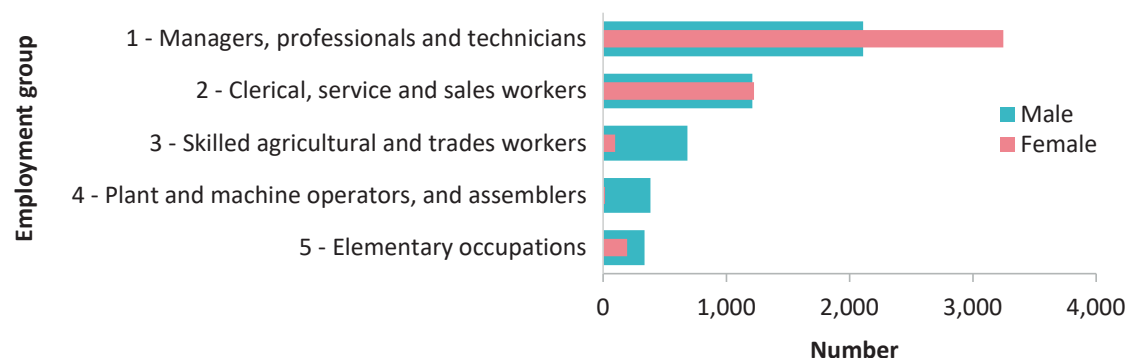
**Table 11.** Employee by sector of employment and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Sector of employment	Male	Female	Total
Agriculture	5,970	1,059	7,029
Industry	880	944	1,824
Services	10,072	11,342	21,414
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>13,345</b>	<b>30,267</b>

**Figure 4.** Employee by sector of employment and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

**Table 12. Sector of employment and employees occupation by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020**

Sector of employment and occupation group	Male	Female	Total
Public	4,727	4,780	9,507
1. Managers, professionals and technicians	2,111	3,247	5,358
2. Clerical, services and sales workers	1,211	1,225	2,436
3. Skilled agricultural and trades workers	684	98	782
4. Plant and machine operators, and assemblers	385	16	401
5. Elementary occupations	336	194	530
Private	4,364	2,605	6,969
1. Managers, professionals, and technicians	745	668	1,413
2. Clerical, services and sales workers	1,181	1,399	2,580
3. Skilled agricultural and trades workers	857	212	1,069
4. Plant and machine operators, and assemblers	486	60	546
5. Elementary occupations	1,095	266	1,361
Not Stated	5	4	9
1. Managers, professionals, and technicians	3	4	7
2. Clerical, services and sales workers	1	-	1
3. Skilled agricultural and trades workers	1	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,096</b>	<b>7,389</b>	<b>16,485</b>

**Figure 5. Employment group by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020****Table 13. Employed population by occupation, sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020**

Occupation (major group)	Male				Female				Total
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	
Managers	28	716	112	856	26	588	41	655	1,511
Professionals	71	1,095	93	1,259	206	2,516	68	2,790	4,049
Technicians and associates professionals	112	961	35	1,108	94	656	13	763	1,871
Clerical support workers	86	317	5	408	237	774	6	1,017	1,425
Services and sales workers	354	1,971	114	2,439	471	1,936	79	2,486	4,925
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fishery workers	89	323	33	445	38	165	10	213	658
Craft and related trades workers	242	1,745	102	2,089	219	2,085	503	2,807	4,896
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	80	815	14	909	6	167	22	195	1,104
Elementary occupations	1,679	5,350	380	7,409	353	1,924	142	2,419	9,828
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,741</b>	<b>13,293</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>10,811</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>13,345</b>	<b>30,267</b>

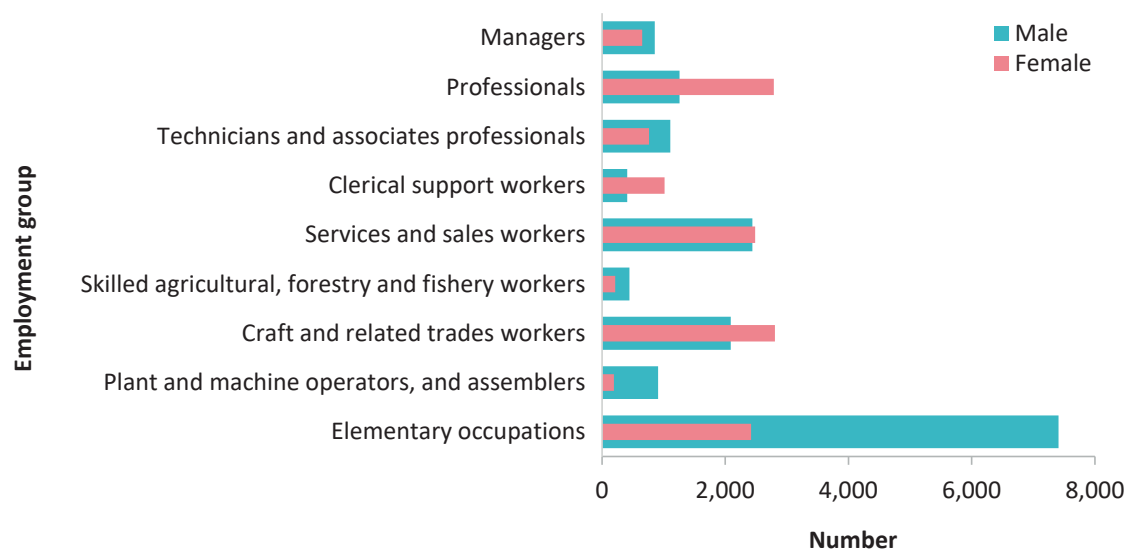


Figure 6. Employed population by occupation, sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Table 14. Individuals using the internet by sex, population aged 15–64, Census 2015 and 2020

Use the internet	2015			2020		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
No	26,338	27,272	53,610	18,523	19,859	38,382
Yes	6,473	7,610	14,083	14,515	14,974	29,489
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,811</b>	<b>34,882</b>	<b>67,693</b>	<b>33,038</b>	<b>34,833</b>	<b>67,871</b>

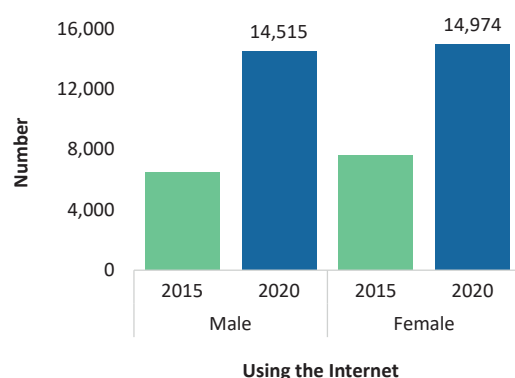


Figure 7. Individuals using the internet by sex, population aged 15–64, Census 2015 and 2020

Table 15. Individuals using the internet by residence and sex, population aged 15–64, Census 2020

Use the internet	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
No	9,931	11,105	21,036	8,592	8,754	17,346	38,382
Yes	10,117	10,981	21,098	4,398	3,993	8,391	29,489
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,048</b>	<b>22,086</b>	<b>42,134</b>	<b>12,990</b>	<b>12,747</b>	<b>25,737</b>	<b>67,871</b>

Table 16. Proportion of households with access to mass media (radio) by sex of household head, Census 2020

Access to mass media	Male	Female	Total
Has access (yes)	5,175	1,737	6,912
<b>Total HHs</b>	<b>14,956</b>	<b>5,398</b>	<b>20,354</b>

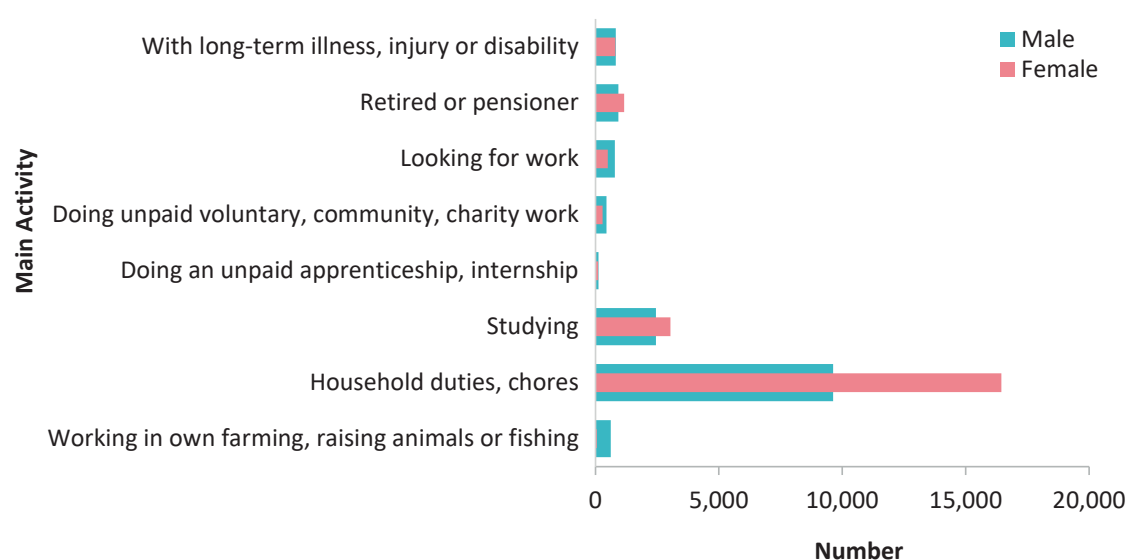


**61%**

of HHs headed by a female have access to mass media (1,737 HHs have radio)

**Table 17.** Main daily activity of those not in the labour force by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Main activity	Male	Female	Total
Working in own farming, raising animals or fishing	617	55	672
Household duties, chores	9,625	16,439	26,064
Studying	2,455	3,030	5,485
Doing an unpaid apprenticeship, internship	115	113	228
Doing unpaid voluntary, community, charity work	450	289	739
Looking for work	790	506	1,296
Retired or pensioner	928	1,163	2,091
With long-term illness, injury or disability	814	813	1,627
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,794</b>	<b>22,408</b>	<b>38,202</b>

**Figure 8.** Main daily activity of those not in the labour force by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020**Table 18.** Main daily activity of those not in the labour force by sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Main activity	Male				Female				Total
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	
Working in own farming, raising animals or fishing	158	414	45	617	3	43	9	55	672
Household duties, chores	2,997	5,690	938	9,625	3,471	10,975	1,993	16,439	26,064
Studying	2,342	112	1	2,455	2,845	180	5	3,030	5,485
Doing an unpaid apprenticeship, internship	46	60	9	115	39	62	12	113	228
Doing unpaid voluntary, community, charity work	100	313	37	450	57	211	21	289	739
Looking for work	342	434	14	790	250	247	9	506	1,296
Retired or pensioner	5	202	721	928	8	132	1,023	1,163	2,091
With long-term illness, injury or disability	72	429	313	814	77	289	447	813	1,627
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,062</b>	<b>7,654</b>	<b>2,078</b>	<b>15,794</b>	<b>6,750</b>	<b>12,139</b>	<b>3,519</b>	<b>22,408</b>	<b>38,202</b>



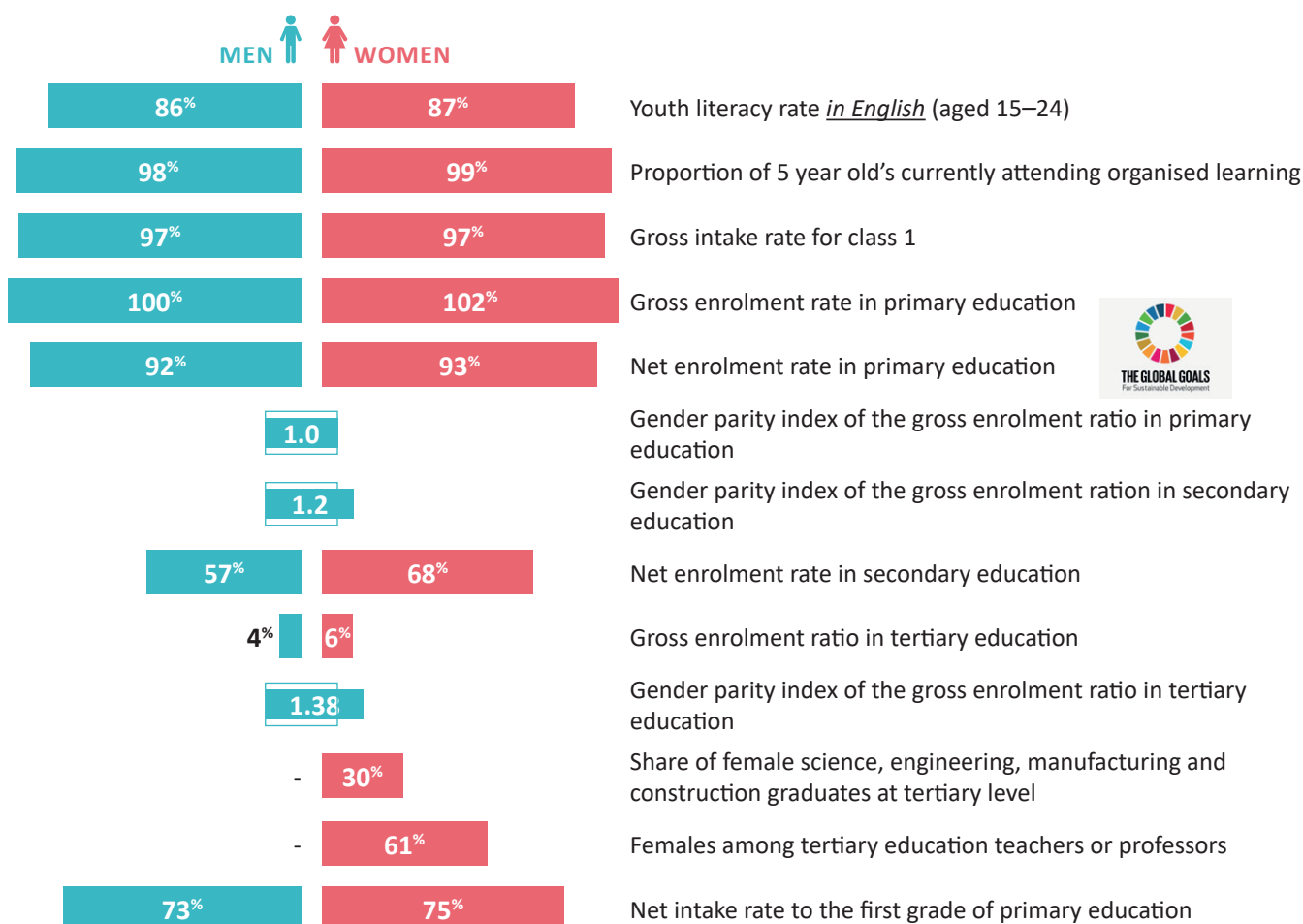
**Table 19.** Main daily activity of those not in the labour force by residence and sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Main activity	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Working in own farming, raising animals or fishing	77	6	83	540	49	589	672
Household duties, chores	6,142	9,861	16,003	3,483	6,578	10,061	26,064
Studying	2,059	2,633	4,692	396	397	793	5,485
Doing an unpaid apprenticeship, internship	91	96	187	24	17	41	228
Doing unpaid voluntary, community, charity work	252	188	440	198	101	299	739
Looking for work	703	440	1,143	87	66	153	1,296
Retired or pensioner	675	811	1,486	253	352	605	2,091
With long-term illness, injury or disability	406	404	810	408	409	817	1,627
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,405</b>	<b>14,439</b>	<b>24,844</b>	<b>5,389</b>	<b>7,969</b>	<b>13,358</b>	<b>38,202</b>



## II. EDUCATION

### INDICATORS



### STATISTICAL TABULATIONS

**Table 20.** All students attending ECE/Kindergarten, Census 2020

Level of school attending	Male	Female	Total
Pre-school Year 1	661	593	1,254
Pre-school Year 2	1,374	1,284	2,658
Pre-school Year 3	1,992	1,850	3,842
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>3,727</b>	<b>7,754</b>

**Table 21.** Students aged 3–5 attending ECE/Kindergarten, Census 2020

Level of school attending	Male	Female	Total
Pre-school Year 2	1,372	1,284	2,656
Pre-school Year 3	1,748	1,669	3,417
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,780</b>	<b>3,544</b>	<b>7,324</b>

**Table 22.** Students aged 5 currently attending ECE/Kindergarten by residence and sex, Census 2020

Currently attending	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Yes	752	685	1,437	622	578	1,200	2,637
No	20	14	34	6	4	10	44
Don't Know	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>1,471</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>2,682</b>

**Table 23.** All students attending primary school by sex, Census 2020

School Level	Male	Female	Total
Class 1	1,727	1,539	3,266
Class 2	1,431	1,312	2,743
Class 3	1,560	1,490	3,050
Class 4	1,535	1,379	2,914
Class 5	1,433	1,375	2,808
Class 6	1,330	1,359	2,689
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,016</b>	<b>8,454</b>	<b>17,470</b>

**Table 24.** Students aged 6–11 attending primary school by sex, Census 2020

School Level	Male	Female	Total
Class 1	1,670	1,488	3,158
Class 2	1,431	1,312	2,743
Class 3	1,560	1,490	3,050
Class 4	1,529	1,375	2,904
Class 5	1,388	1,340	2,728
Class 6	634	697	1,331
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,212</b>	<b>7,702</b>	<b>15,914</b>

**Table 25.** Persons aged 6–11 by sex, Census 2020

Age	Male	Female	Total
6	1,506	1,387	2,893
7	1,450	1,320	2,770
8	1,492	1,383	2,875
9	1,591	1,468	3,059
10	1,572	1,422	2,994
11	1,364	1,303	2,667
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,975</b>	<b>8,283</b>	<b>17,258</b>

**Table 26.** All students attending secondary level of school by sex, Census 2020

School level	Male	Female	Total
Form 1	1,040	1,153	2,193
Form 2	1,117	1,269	2,386
Form 3	1,025	1,109	2,134
Form 4	468	522	990
Form 5	350	519	869
Form 6	352	456	808
Form 7	242	331	573
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,594</b>	<b>5,359</b>	<b>9,953</b>

**Table 27.** Students aged 12–18 attending secondary level of school by sex, Census 2020

School level	Male	Female	Total
Form 1	968	1,075	2,043
Form 2	1,117	1,269	2,386
Form 3	1,025	1,109	2,134
Form 4	468	522	990
Form 5	337	509	846
Form 6	303	410	713
Form 7	66	103	274
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,284</b>	<b>4,997</b>	<b>9,281</b>



**54%**  
of girls aged 12–18 are  
attending secondary school  
(4,997 girls)

**Table 28.** Persons aged 12–18 by sex, Census 2020

Age	Male	Female	Total
12	1,338	1,332	2,670
13	1,182	1,225	2,407
14	1,205	1,284	2,489
15	1,222	1,131	2,353
16	1,114	1,038	2,152
17	942	921	1,863
18	1,056	958	2,014
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,059</b>	<b>7,889</b>	<b>15,948</b>

**Table 29.** All students attending tertiary level of education by sex, Census 2020

Tertiary level	Male	Female	Total
Certificate	167	288	455
Diploma	57	100	157
Degree	57	89	146
Masters	2	1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>758</b>

**Table 30.** Students aged 19–24 attending tertiary level of education by sex, Census 2020

Tertiary level	Male	Female	Total
Certificate	92	184	276
Diploma	25	40	65
Degree	28	57	85
Masters	0	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>428</b>



**Table 31.** Persons aged 15+ currently attending formal and non-formal education and training by residence and sex, Census 2020

Education level currently attending	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Junior secondary school (Form 1–3)	369	326	695	335	288	623	1,318
Senior secondary school (Form 4–7)	1,264	1,664	2,928	132	138	270	3,198
Post-Secondary (non-tertiary/vocational)	383	553	936	26	34	60	996
Tertiary	214	407	621	14	30	44	665
Other	7	14	21	1	-	1	22
Not stated	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,237</b>	<b>2,965</b>	<b>5,202</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>6,200</b>

**Table 32.** Persons aged 19–24 by sex, Census 2020

Age	Male	Female	Total
19	991	927	1,918
20	1,068	1,004	2,072
21	1,087	1,103	2,190
22	1,154	1,101	2,255
23	1,177	1,136	2,313
24	1,119	1,147	2,266
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,596</b>	<b>6,418</b>	<b>13,014</b>

**Table 33.** Number and proportion of lecturers by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Economic activity (ISCO-08) – main occupation	Male	Female	Total
University and higher education teachers	14	25	39
% of University lecturers	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%

**Table 34.** Highest educational attainment by sex, population aged 15–24, Census 2020

Highest level attended	Male	Female	Total
Pre-school	41	15	56
Primary school	946	297	1,243
Junior secondary school	3,918	2,687	6,605
Senior secondary school	4,397	5,797	10,194
Post-Secondary (non-tertiary/vocational)	111	166	277
Tertiary	98	126	224
Other	12	22	34
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,523</b>	<b>9,110</b>	<b>18,633</b>

**Table 35.** Students aged 15–24 educational status, Census 2020

Age	Attending school	Not attending school	Never attending school	Total
15	1,919	28	0	1,947
16	1,524	25	0	1,549
17	1,365	23	0	1,388
18	1,594	32	2	1,628
19	1,672	24	0	1,696
20	1,944	26	2	1,972
21	2,081	28	2	2,111
22	2,155	20	1	2,176
23	2,207	32	2	2,241
24	2,172	27	4	2,203
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,633</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18,911</b>

**Table 36.** Highest educational attainment by sex, population aged 25+, Census 2020

Highest level attended	Male	Female	Total
Pre-school	41	43	84
Primary school	3,133	3,348	6,481
Junior secondary school	10,052	10,445	20,497
Senior secondary school	9,167	11,653	20,820
Post-Secondary (non-tertiary/vocational)	386	385	771
Tertiary	1,281	1,440	2,721
Other	143	193	336
Not Stated	2	2	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,205</b>	<b>27,509</b>	<b>51,714</b>



7%

of female aged 25+ have a post-secondary educational qualification  
(non-tertiary/vocational, 385 women)

**Table 37. Students aged 3–5 by educational status and sex, Census 2020**

Age	Male	Female	Total
Attending school	3,937	3,687	7,624
3	1,242	1,189	2,431
4	1,295	1,216	2,511
5	1,400	1,282	2,682
Not attending school	358	280	638
3	251	206	457
4	65	55	120
5	42	19	61
<b>Total students*</b>	<b>4,295</b>	<b>3,967</b>	<b>8,262</b>
3	1,493	1,395	2,888
4	1,360	1,271	2,631
5	1,442	1,301	2,743

\* this excludes 'Don't know' and no response.

**Table 38. Students aged 6–11 by educational status and sex, Census 2020**

Age	Male	Female	Total
Attending school	8,773	8,097	16,870
6	1,456	1,347	2,803
7	1,411	1,290	2,701
8	1,459	1,353	2,812
9	1,562	1,439	3,001
10	1,549	1,393	2,942
11	1,336	1,275	2,611
Not attending school	106	75	181
6	27	29	56
7	25	13	38
8	14	6	20
9	15	7	22
10	14	11	25
11	11	9	20
Never attending school	1	2	3
7	-	1	1
10	-	1	1
11	1	-	1

Total students*	8,880	8,174	17,054
6	1,483	1,376	2,859
7	1,436	1,304	2,740
8	1,473	1,359	2,832
9	1,577	1,446	3,023
10	1,563	1,405	2,968
11	1,348	1,284	2,632

\* this excludes 'Don't know' and no response.

**Table 39. Students aged 12–14 by educational status and sex, Census 2020**

Age	Male	Female	Total
Attending school	3,546	3,707	7,253
12	1,296	1,304	2,600
13	1,134	1,186	2,320
14	1,116	1,217	2,333
Not attending school	55	18	73
12	13	8	21
13	17	4	21
14	25	6	31
Never attending school	2	-	2
12	2	-	2
<b>Total students</b>	<b>3,601</b>	<b>3,727</b>	<b>7,328</b>
12	1,309	1,314	2,623
13	1,151	1,190	2,341
14	1,141	1,223	2,364

**Table 40. Students aged 15–18 by educational status and sex, Census 2020**

Age	Male	Female	Total
Attending school	3,406	2,996	6,402
15	1,027	892	1,919
16	831	693	1,524
17	702	663	1,365
18	846	748	1,594
Not attending school	71	37	108
15	18	10	28
16	18	7	25
17	14	9	23
18	21	11	32
Never attending school (aged 18)	2	-	2
<b>Total students</b>	<b>3,479</b>	<b>3,033</b>	<b>6,512</b>
15	1,045	902	1,947
16	849	700	1,549
17	716	672	1,388
18	869	759	1,628



**Table 41.** Students aged 19–24 by educational status and sex, Census 2020

Age	Male	Female	Total
Attending school	6,117	6,114	12,231
19	865	807	1,672
20	985	959	1,944
21	1,018	1,063	2,081
22	1,087	1,068	2,155
23	1,104	1,103	2,207
24	1,058	1,114	2,172
Not attending school	109	48	157
19	20	4	24
20	19	7	26
21	16	12	28
22	12	8	20
23	25	7	32
24	17	10	27
Never attending school	7	4	11
20	2	-	2
21	-	2	2
22	1	-	1
23	-	2	2
24	4	-	4
<b>Total students</b>	<b>6,233</b>	<b>6,166</b>	<b>12,399</b>
19	885	811	1,696
20	1,006	966	1,972
21	1,034	1,077	2,111
22	1,100	1,076	2,176
23	1,129	1,112	2,241
24	1,079	1,124	2,203



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**Table 42.** Persons aged 15–24 not in education, employment or training (NEET) and highest level attended by residence and sex, Census 2020

Highest level attended (UNESCO ISCED-11)	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Early childhood ed.	14	6	20	14	7	21	41
Primary ed.	366	151	517	221	87	308	825
Lower secondary education	1,063	737	1,800	711	579	1,290	3,090
Upper secondary ed.	1,460	1,921	3,381	524	923	1,447	4,828
Post-secondary non-tertiary ed.	19	30	49	5	13	18	67
Short-cycle tertiary ed.	27	24	51	2	5	7	58
Bachelor's or equivalent level	6	4	10	-	-	-	10
Not elsewhere classified	7	8	15	-	3	3	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,962</b>	<b>2,881</b>	<b>5,843</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>3,094</b>	<b>8,937</b>

**Table 43.** Persons aged 15–24 NEET and main activity by residence and sex, Census 2020

Main activity	Urban			Rural			Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Working in own farming, raising animals or fishing	15	-	15	148	4	152	167
HH duties, chores	2,101	2,286	4,387	1,107	1,435	2,542	6,929
Studying (own direction, NEC)	136	110	246	33	16	49	295
Doing an unpaid apprenticeship, internship	42	34	76	8	11	19	95
Doing unpaid voluntary, community, charity work	71	45	116	43	20	63	179
Looking for work	567	380	947	116	105	221	1,168
Retired or pensioner	4	6	10	1	2	3	13
With long-term illness, injury or disability	26	20	46	21	24	45	91
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,962</b>	<b>2,881</b>	<b>5,843</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>3,094</b>	<b>8,937</b>

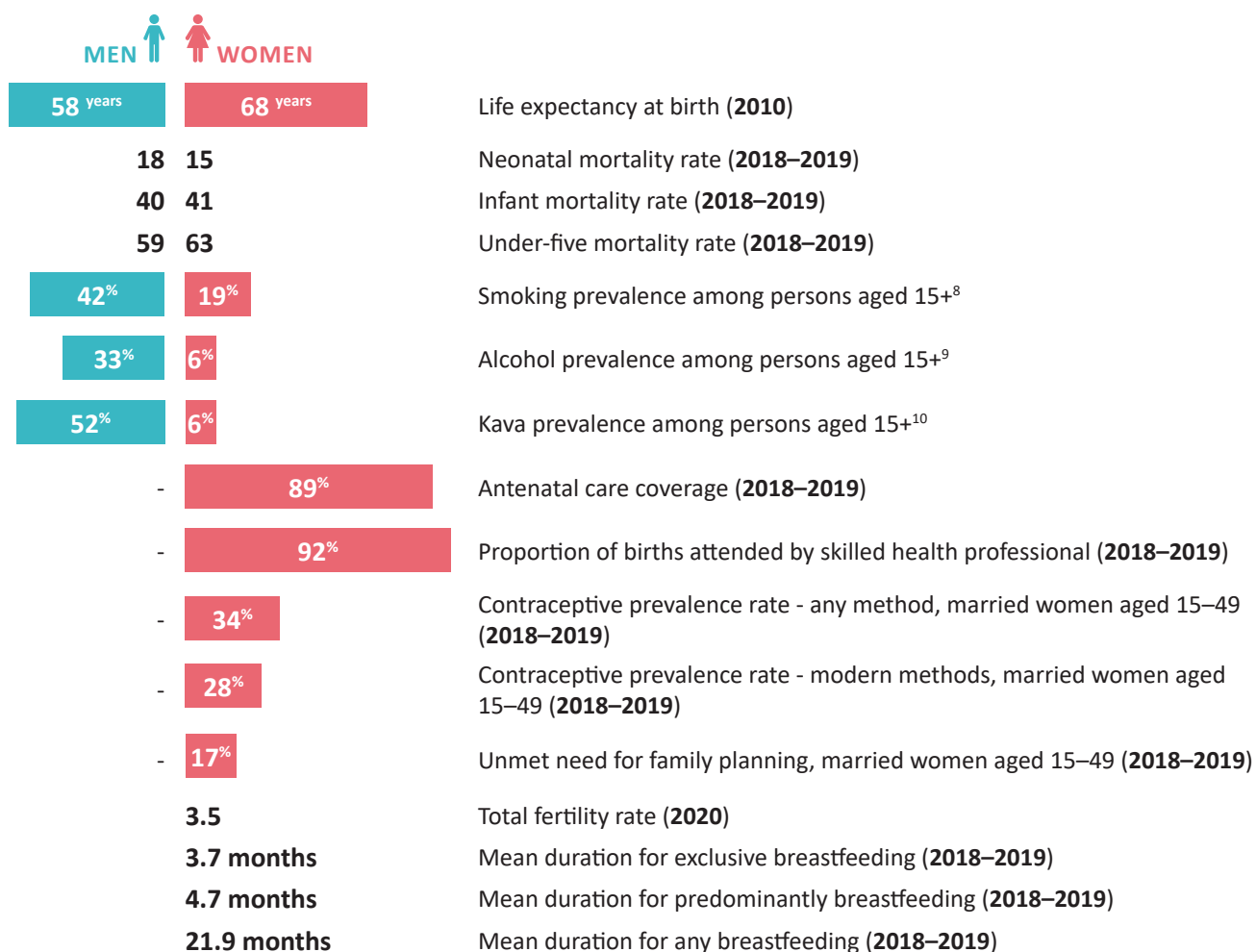
Note: NEET shouldn't be studying ... so added 'own direction' – this could also be 'not otherwise classified'.

**Table 44.** Purpose of internet use by sex and age group, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Purpose of Internet use (multiple response)	Male				Female				Total
	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	15–24	25–59	60+	Total	
Education	902	408	13	1,323	1,494	642	13	2,149	3,472
Shopping/product info	15	105	11	131	19	97	6	122	253
Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Viber, Instagram, Messenger etc.)	3,911	7,767	396	12,074	4,185	7,829	247	12,261	24,335
Online games	861	1,087	38	1,986	357	587	31	975	2,961
Online movies	1,148	2,312	102	3,562	798	1,431	47	2,276	5,838
Readings	295	679	59	1,033	485	768	22	1,275	2,308
Work/Business	122	1,503	68	1,693	184	1,664	29	1,877	3,570
Communication (including email)	1,351	3,618	206	5,175	1,627	3,894	113	5,634	10,809
Information gathering	303	889	63	1,255	457	882	31	1,370	2,625
Other	17	41	1	59	7	18	3	28	87
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>10,930</b>	<b>22,811</b>	<b>3,089</b>	<b>36,830</b>	<b>10,466</b>	<b>24,668</b>	<b>4,554</b>	<b>39,688</b>	<b>76,518</b>

### III. HEALTH AND RELATED SERVICES

#### INDICATORS



The findings shows that 18% (7,100) of women aged 15+ currently smoke compared to at 42% (14,437) of men. 33% (11,375) of men aged 15+ consume alcohol and 52% (18,111) drink kava compared to women at 6% (2,251).

<sup>8</sup> Percentage of men and women age 15+ who smoked cigarettes or used smoked at any time.

<sup>9</sup> Percentage of men and women age 15+ who had at least one alcoholic drink at any time.

<sup>10</sup> Percentage of men and women age 15+ consumed kava at any time.

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**Table 45.** Whether the person smokes or not by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Smoke or not	Male	Female	Total
No	20,257	30,547	50,804
Yes	14,437	7,100	21,537
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>



**19%**

**of women aged 15+ currently smoke**  
(7,100 women)

**Table 46.** Whether the person drinks alcohol or not by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Drink alcohol	Male	Female	Total
No	23,319	35,565	58,884
Yes	11,375	2,082	13,457
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**33%****of men aged 15+ consume alcohol**  
(11,375 men)**Table 47.** Whether the person drinks kava or not by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Drink Kava	Male	Female	Total
No	16,583	35,396	51,979
Yes	18,111	2,251	20,362
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>37,647</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**Table 48.** Population by age group by health risks, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Age group	Smoking			Drinking Alcohol			Drinking Kava		
	No	Yes	Total	No	Yes	Total	No	Yes	Total
15–19	7,772	436	8,208	6,572	1,636	8,208	7,442	766	8,208
20–24	9,172	1,531	10,703	7,566	3,137	10,703	7,595	3,108	10,703
25–29	7,451	2,330	9,781	7,303	2,478	9,781	6,151	3,630	9,781
30–34	6,049	2,924	8,973	7,081	1,892	8,973	5,583	3,390	8,973
35–39	4,608	3,005	7,613	6,224	1,389	7,613	4,758	2,855	7,613
40–44	3,424	2,531	5,955	4,976	979	5,955	3,828	2,127	5,955
45–49	2,572	2,116	4,688	4,063	625	4,688	3,203	1,485	4,688
50–54	2,761	2,234	4,995	4,476	519	4,995	3,648	1,347	4,995
55–60	2,246	1,753	3,999	3,658	341	3,999	3,163	836	3,999
60–64	1,694	1,262	2,956	2,705	251	2,956	2,444	512	2,956
65–69	1,234	778	2,012	1,882	130	2,012	1,804	208	2,012
70–74	901	398	1,299	1,241	58	1,299	1,225	74	1,299
75–79	546	166	712	697	15	712	695	17	712
80–84	245	52	297	292	5	297	291	6	297
85–89	102	15	117	115	2	117	116	1	117
90–94	24	2	26	26	0	26	26	0	26
95+	3	4	7	7	0	7	7	0	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,804</b>	<b>21,537</b>	<b>72,341</b>	<b>58,884</b>	<b>13,457</b>	<b>72,341</b>	<b>51,979</b>	<b>20,362</b>	<b>72,341</b>

**Table 49.** Disability by the severity of functional domain and sex, population aged 6–18, Census 2020

Functional domain	Severity	Male	Female	Total
Seeing	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,652	14,712	30,364
	Yes, some difficulty	243	172	415
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	51	36	87
	Cannot do at all	14	14	28
Hearing	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,459	14,516	29,975
	Yes, some difficulty	409	336	745
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	58	65	123
	Cannot do at all	34	17	51
Walking/Climbing	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,712	14,710	30,422
	Yes, some difficulty	154	144	298
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	40	39	79
	Cannot do at all	54	41	95
Remembering	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,591	14,640	30,231
	Yes, some difficulty	280	221	501
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	60	48	108
	Cannot do at all	29	25	54
Communicating	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,251	14,387	29,638
	Yes, some difficulty	530	389	919
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	91	87	178
	Cannot do at all	88	71	159
Self-care	Total	15,960	14,934	30,894
	No, no difficulty	15,534	14,584	30,118
	Yes, some difficulty	322	260	582
	Yes, a lot of difficulty	58	44	102
	Cannot do at all	46	46	92





## IV. PUBLIC LIFE AND DECISION-MAKING

### INDICATORS



#### WOMEN'S SHARE OF GOVERNMENT MINISTERIAL POSITIONS

9%

Proportion of seats held by women in national parliament 2020  
(43 members are directly elected and 3 are appointed)

8%

Women share of ministerial position

41%

Women's share of managerial positions<sup>11</sup>

11%

Percentage of female police officers

38%

Percentage of female judges

63%

Women's share of Secretary of Ministry positions<sup>12</sup>

18%

Women's share of Chief Executive Officer positions in State Owned Enterprises



9%

of seats in parliament  
are held by women  
(4 out of 46 seats)



The findings show the Women's share of government women actively engaged in public life and decision-making in which 9% (4) of seats in parliament are held by women compared to men at 91% (42 seats occupied by men). Also, the data above depicts the disaggregation of appointed and elected members of parliament in which 3 of the seats in parliament are occupied by appointed members such as the Speaker, Chief Justice, Attorney General while the rest of the seats were occupied by 43 directly elected members.

<sup>11</sup> 2020 Kiribati Housing and Population Census.

<sup>12</sup> Government shortlist, 2021.

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**Table 50.** Main occupation by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Economic activity (ISCO-08) – main occupation	Male	Female	Total
Legislators	56	16	72
Senior government officials Minister	38	31	69
Traditional chiefs and heads of village Kaupule	172	21	193
Senior officials of special-interest organizations Consulate	31	47	78
Managing directors and chief executives	67	67	134
Finance managers	17	13	30
Human resource managers	18	40	58
Advertising and public relations managers	1	0	1
Research and development managers	7	7	14
Agricultural and forestry production managers	4	3	7

Economic activity (ISCO-08) – main occupation	Male	Female	Total
Aquaculture and fisheries production managers	14	7	21
Manufacturing managers	1	2	3
Mining managers	0	1	1
Construction managers	7	1	8
Supply, distribution and related managers	21	13	34
Information and communications technology service managers	5	1	6
Childcare services managers	2	2	4
Health services managers	4	2	6
Social welfare managers	8	21	29
Education managers Principal	28	64	92
Financial and insurance services branch managers	9	9	18
Professional services managers not elsewhere classified	9	3	12
Hotel managers	6	5	11
Restaurant managers	4	3	7
Retail and wholesale trade managers	201	203	404
Sports, recreation and cultural center managers	1	1	2
Services managers not elsewhere classified	30	18	48
Others	16,066	12,690	28,756
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>13,345</b>	<b>30,267</b>

**Table 51.** Police and correction services employees by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Economic activity (ISCO-08) – main occupation	Male	Female	Total
Police inspectors and detectives	80	14	94
Police officers	470	56	526
Prison guards	22	2	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>644</b>

**Table 52.** Magistrate judges by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Economic activity (ISCO-08) – main occupation	Male	Female	Total
Judges	33	20	53
Legal professionals not elsewhere classified	2	5	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>60</b>

**Table 53.** Gender of the head of government ministries, SOEs and statutory bodies

Government body	Male	Female	Total
Ministries	5	11	69%
SOEs	14	3	18%
Statutory Bodies	0	1	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>44%</b>

**Table 54.** Cabinet Ministers by sex, population aged 15+, Census 2020

Cabinet Ministers	Male	Female	Total
Ministries	11	1	12
Cabinet Ministers	92%	8%	100%



8%

of Cabinet Ministers are held by women  
(1 out of 12 seats)



## V. HUMAN RIGHTS OF WOMEN AND GIRL CHILDREN

### INDICATORS



#### WOMEN

53%

Proportion of ever-partnered women (aged 15–49) subjected to physical and/or sexual violence by a current or former intimate partner, in the last 12 months (2018–2019)

67%

Proportion of ever-partnered women (aged 15–49) subjected to physical and/or sexual violence by a current or former intimate partner, in their lifetime (2018–2019)

21%

Proportion of women (aged 15–49) subjected to sexual violence by persons other than an intimate partner, since age 15 (2018–2019)

19%

Childhood sexual abuse, aged 5–17 (2018–2019)

18%

Percentage of women (aged 20–24) who were married or in union before age 18 (2018–2019)

51%

Adolescent birth rate (2018–2019)



67%

of ever-partnered women aged 15–49 have experienced physical and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime



Based on the Kiribati Social Development Indicator survey findings 2018–2019, it shows that 67% women are experiencing physical or sexual violence by current or former intimate partner, in their lifetime. Of all 5–17 years old, 19% are subjected to childhood sexual abuse.

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**Table 55.** Total fertility rate and fertility rate, and the crude birth rate for the 3 years preceding the survey, by residence, Kiribati

Age Group	Urban	Rural	Total
Total fertility rate	4	3	-
General fertility rate	115	102	-
Crude birth rate	-	-	28

## VI. POPULATION SIZE AND COMPOSITION

### STATISTICAL TABULATIONS

**Table 56.** Number of people by broad age-group and sex, Kiribati 2020

Age Group	Male	Female	Total	% Male	% Female	% Total Male	% Total Female	% Total
0–14	22,074	20,846	42,920	51.4	48.6	37.5	34.4	35.9
15–24	10,930	10,466	21,396	51.1	48.9	18.6	17.3	17.9
25–59	22,811	24,668	47,479	48.0	52.0	38.7	40.8	39.8
60+	3,089	4,554	7,643	40.4	59.6	5.2	7.5	6.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,904</b>	<b>60,534</b>	<b>119,438</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>50.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: Kiribati Statistics Office, Census of Population and Housing 2018–2019

**Table 57.** Number of people by island and sex, Kiribati 2020

Island	Male	Female	Total	% Male	% Female
Banaba	183	150	333	55.0	45.0
Makin	968	946	1,914	50.6	49.4
Butaritari	1,626	1,624	3,250	50.0	50.0
Marakei	1,350	1,388	2,738	49.3	50.7
Abaiang	2,972	2,843	5,815	51.1	48.9
North Tarawa	3,443	3,575	7,018	49.1	50.9
South Tarawa	30,281	32,791	63,072	48.0	52.0
Maiana	1,193	1,152	2,345	50.9	49.1
Abemama	1,614	1,641	3,255	49.6	50.4
Kuria	605	585	1,190	50.8	49.2
Aranuka	624	597	1,221	51.1	48.9
Nonouti	1,415	1,334	2,749	51.5	48.5
North Tabiteuea	2,081	2,100	4,181	49.8	50.2
South Tabiteuea	674	682	1,356	49.7	50.3
Beru	1,117	1,097	2,214	50.5	49.5
Nikunau	1,089	966	2,055	53.0	47.0
Onotoa	732	685	1,417	51.7	48.3
Tamana	514	514	1,028	50.0	50.0
Arorae	512	482	994	51.5	48.5
Teeraina	994	899	1,893	52.5	47.5
Tabuaeran	1,060	930	1,990	53.3	46.7
Kiritimati	3,837	3,532	7,369	52.1	47.9
Kanton	20	21	41	48.8	51.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,904</b>	<b>60,534</b>	<b>119,438</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>50.7</b>





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