#### PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR ACTION

### PMA KENYA

Results from COVID-19 phone survey

June 2020

#### **OVERALL KEY FINDINGS**



**Eighty-six percent** of women have heard about a COVID-19 related call center.



**One hundred percent** of women have adopted a behavior to protect themselves from COVID-19.

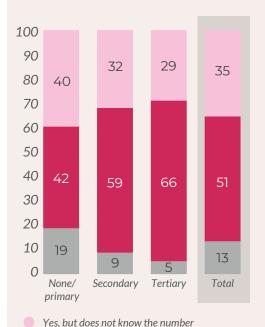


Ninety-one percent of women report that their household experienced complete or partial loss of income since COVID-19 restrictions were imposed.

#### **SECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE AND USE OF COVID-19 CALL CENTERS**

### HEARD OF COVID-19 CALL CENTER

Percentage of women who have heard of a COVID-19-related call center, by education (n=5,972)



# TRUST THE COVID-19 CALL CENTER

Percent of respondents who trust the emergency/call center number (n=5,262)



#### KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE AND USE OF COVID-19 CALL CENTERS

- **Eighty-six percent** of women have heard about the call center and among those, **93**% trust the call center for accurate information.
- Knowledge of the call center number is lowest among women with no or primary-only education (42%) and highest among those with tertiary education (66%).

#### HAVE TRIED TO CALL THE COVID-19 CALL CENTER

Among the women who have heard of the COVID-19 call center, percentage who tried calling the number, by age (n=5,262)

	No	Yes
Total	89	11
35-49	92	8
25-34	91	9
20-24	86	14
15-19	87	13



No

Yes, and knows the number











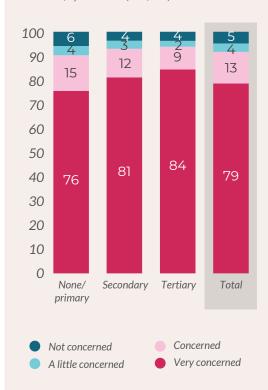


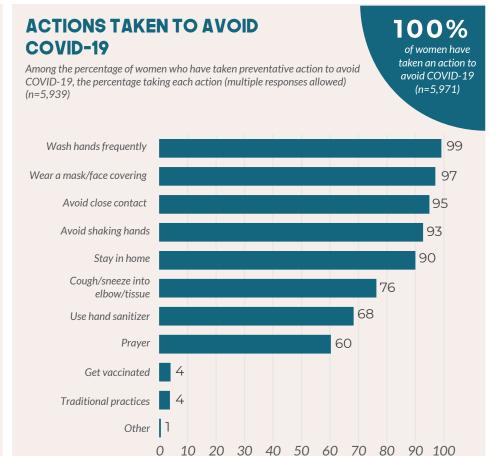


#### **SECTION 2: CONCERN ABOUT COVID-19 AND PREVENTION MEASURES**

### CONCERN ABOUT COVID-19

Percentage of women who are concerned about getting COVID-19, by education (n=5,970)





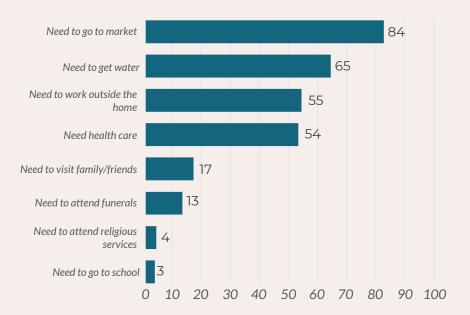
#### **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Percentage of women who are able to avoid contact outside of the household, by age (n=5,971)



#### **UNABLE TO SOCIAL DISTANCE**

Among the percentage of women who are unable to avoid contact with people outside their household, the percentage reporting each reason (multiple responses allowed) (n=1,708)



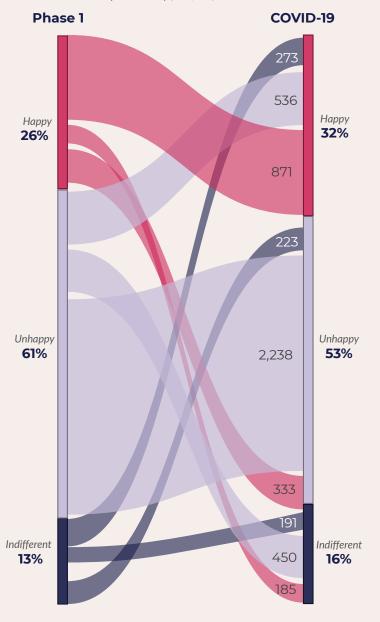
#### KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 2: CONCERN ABOUT COVID-19 AND PREVENTION MEASURES

- **Seventy-nine percent** of women are very concerned about getting COVID-19. Women with tertiary education are more likely to be very concerned than women with less education.
- One hundred percent of women have taken action to prevent becoming infected, and 72% report that they are able to avoid contact with people outside their household.
- Of those who are not able to avoid contact, the most mentioned reasons are need to go the market, get water, work outside the home, and seek health care.

#### **SECTION 3: PREGNANCY ATTITUDES**

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Percentage of non-pregnant women who changed their attitude toward pregnancy between Phase 1 and the COVID-19 phone survey (n=5,299)



Percentage of non-pregnant women who have changed their mind about wanting to become pregnant because of COVID-19 concerns, by age (n=5,607)

	No	Yes
Total	86	14
35-49	90	10
25-34	82	18
20-24	85	15
15-19	89	11

### KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 3: PREGNANCY ATTITUDES

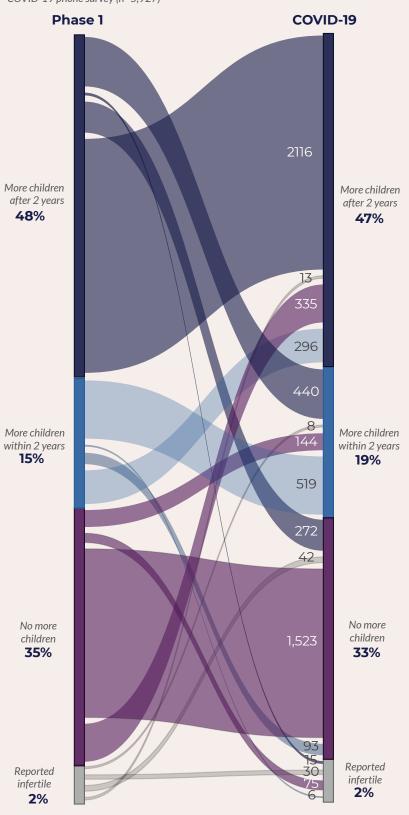
- A larger percentage of women reported that they would be happy if they became pregnant in the COVID-19 survey compared to the baseline survey, and smaller percentage said they would be unhappy.
- Fourteen percent of women changed their minds about wanting to become pregnant due to COVID-19 concerns. This change was highest in the 25-34 age group.



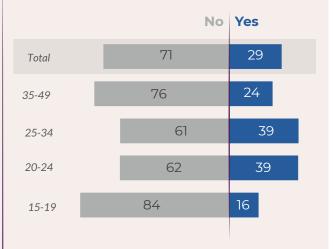
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Percentage of women whose desire for more children changed between Phase 1 and the COVID-19 phone survey (n=5,927)



Percentage of women whose desire for more children changed between Phase 1 and the COVID-19 phone survey, by age (n=5,927)

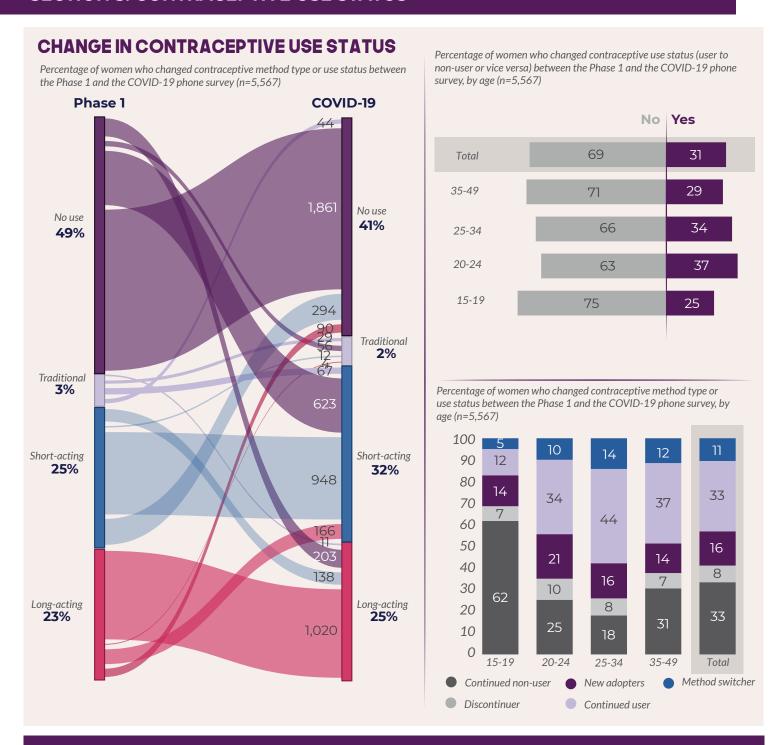


### **KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 4: FERTILITY INTENTIONS**

- Overall, about **a third** of women changed their desire to have more children, with observed differences by age.
- Desire to have more children in the next 2 years increased from **15%** at baseline (November-December 2019) to **19%** after COVID-19 restrictions were in place.



#### **SECTION 5: CONTRACEPTIVE USE STATUS**



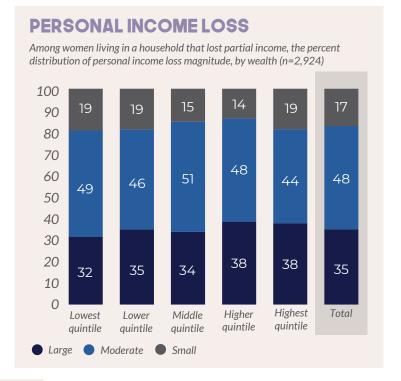
#### **KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 5: CONTRACEPTIVE USE STATUS**

- **Thirty-one percent** of women changed their contraceptive status (user to non-user or vice versa).
- Though **41**% of women are currently not using any contraceptive method, there is a decrease from **49**% reported during the Phase 1 survey 6 months earlier.
- Differences by age occur among the women who discontinued, with highest reported (21%) among women aged 20-24 years.



#### **SECTION 6: ECONOMIC IMPACT OF COVID-19**

#### **HOUSEHOLD INCOME LOSS** Percentage of women whose household experienced loss of income since COVID-19 restrictions, by wealth (n=5,971)100 8 9 11 90 80 70 51 45 51 51 57 54 60 50 40 30 44 20 40 40 41 37 36 10



#### **FOOD INSECURITY**

Lower

quintile

Partial

0

Lowest

quintile

Complete

Percentage of women who reported that at least one member of their household went without food since COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, by wealth (n=5,971)

Middle

quintile

None

Higher

quintile

Highest

quintile

Total

	No	Yes
Total	70	30
Highest quintile	78	22
Higher quintile	73	27
Middle quintile	71	29
Lower quintile	65	35
Lowest quintile	66	34

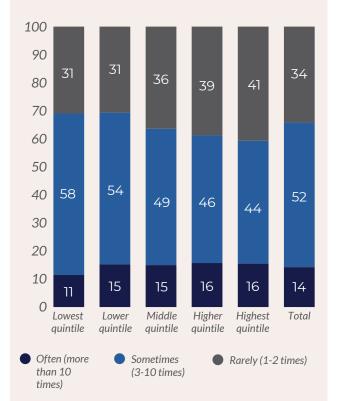
#### **CHANGE IN FOOD INSECURITY**

Among women who reported recent food insecurity, the percentage who said that it was more common now compared to before the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, by wealth (n=1,737)

wealth (n=1,737)	No	Yes	
Total	28	72	
Highest quintile	23	77	
Higher quintile	23	78	
Middle quintile	29	72	
Lower quintile	31	69	
Lowest quintile	29	72	

### FREQUENCY OF FOOD INSECURITY

Among women whose households experienced food insecurity during COVID-19 restrictions, percent distribution of the number of times per week food insecurity was reported, by wealth (n=1,737)





#### **ECONOMIC RELIANCE ON PARTNER**

Percentage of currently married women who are economically reliant on their husband, by wealth (n=4,063)

	No	Yes	
Total	40	60	
Highest quintile	35	65	
Higher quintile	39	61	
Middle quintile	41	60	
Lower quintile	43	57	
Lowest quintile	42	58	

### CHANGE IN ECONOMIC RELIANCE ON PARTNER

Among currently married women who report being economically reliant on their husband, the percentage who say they are more reliant now compared to before the COVID-19 restrictions, by wealth (n=2,437)

	No	Yes
Total	17	83
Highest quintile	18	83
Higher quintile	15	85
Middle quintile	18	82
Lower quintile	20	80
Lowest quintile	16	84

#### **FINANCIAL WORRY**

Percentage of women who are worried about the impact of COVID-19 on their household's future finances, by wealth (n=5,970)

	No	Yes
Total	5	95
Highest quintile	4	97
Higher quintile	4	96
Middle quintile	5	95
Lower quintile	6	94
Lowest quintile	7	93

### **KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 6: ECONOMIC IMPACT OF COVID-19**

- Households in the lower wealth quintiles were more likely to report complete loss of income.
- Ninety-one percent of women reported that their household experienced at least partial loss of income since COVID-19 restriction started, with 40% reporting a complete loss.
- Thirty percent of women reported that at least one member of their household went without food since COVID-19 restrictions began. Among these households, 72% reported that this was more common during COVID-19 restrictions than before.

#### **SECTION 7: HEALTH SERVICE ACCESS BARRIERS**

#### **NEED TO VISIT HEALTH FACILITY**

Percent of women who needed to visit a health facility since COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, by age (n=5,972)

	No	Yes
Total	52	49
35-49	55	45
25-34	43	57
20-24	48	53
15-19	62	38

### DIFFICULTY ACCESSING HEALTH FACILITY

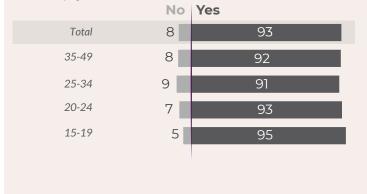
Among women who needed to visit a health facility since the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, the percentage who reported any difficulties in access, by age (n=2,962)

	No	Yes
Total	34	66
35-49	37	63
25-34	34	66
20-24	40	61
15-19	27	73



### SUCCESS IN ACCESSING HEALTH SERVICES

Among women who needed to visit a health facility since the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, the percentage who were able to access those services, by age (n=2,962)



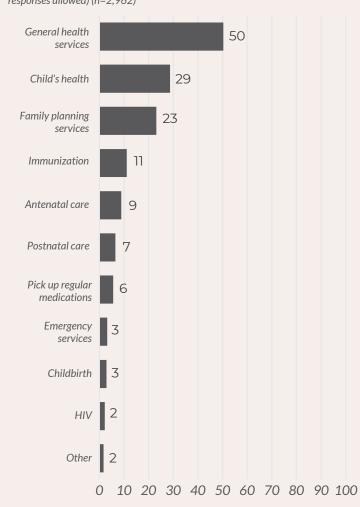
## DIFFICULTY ACCESSING HEALTH SERVICES DUE TO FEAR OF COVID-19

Among women who needed to visit a health facility since the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed and were afraid of COVID-19 at facility, the percentage who were able to access those services, by age (n=1,599)

	No	Yes
Total	8	92
35-49	9	92
25-34	11	89
20-24	8	92
15-19	3	97

### REASONS FOR VISITING A HEALTH FACILITY

Among women who needed to visit a health facility since the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed, the percentage reporting each reason (multiple responses allowed) (n=2,962)



### DIFFICULTY ACCESSING HEALTH SERVICES DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Among women who needed to visit a health facility since the COVID-19 restrictions were imposed and experienced difficulties because of government restrictions, the percentage who were able to access those services, by age (n=418)

	No	Yes
Total	15	85
35-49	17	83
25-34	17	84
20-24	11	89
15-19	12	88

### KEY FINDINGS FOR SECTION 7: HEALTH SERVICE ACCESS BARRIERS

- Nearly half of women reported that they had a need to visit a health facility since COVID-19 restrictions were imposed.
- Of these women, **66%** reported encountering difficulties in accessing services, although **93%** were successfully able to access the services.
- Among the women who reported fear of COVID-19 at the facility, **92%** were able to access health services.

PMA Kenya collects nationally and county-level representative data on knowledge, practice, and coverage of family planning services in 308 enumeration areas selected using a multi-stage stratified cluster design with urban-rural strata. The COVID-19 phone survey was conducted in 11 counties among females aged 15-49 at the time of the COVID-19 Survey who were interviewed at the baseline survey between November and December 2019, consented to follow-up and owned or had access to a phone (68% of the baseline population). Of the 6,377 eligible respondents, 5.1% were not reached. Of those reached, 98.9% completed the survey for a response rate of 94% among contacted women.

COVID-19 survey weights were generated for women aged 15-49 at the time of the COVID-19 survey, who completed the baseline survey, consented to follow-up, provided a valid phone number, and completed the COVID-19 survey. These weights were calculated using the female weight from baseline, adjusting for loss-to-follow-up weight, that is, the inverse of predicted probability of having a completed COVID-19 survey. The log odds of having completed the COVID-19 survey was modeled as a linear combination of age, education, marital status, wealth, and residence at baseline. The COVID-19 survey weight was further adjusted for selectivity due to phone number ownership using a similar inverse probability weighting approach.

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Link to questionnaire and PMA COVID-19 website: https://www.pmadata.org/technical-areas/covid-19

