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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 1

Population Matters is proud and delighted to have worked with CISLAC/TI-Nigeria and other Nigerian partners to launch the ground-breaking survey detailed in this report. For the first time, to our knowledge, people across the whole of the country have been able to share their views and knowledge on the vital questions connected with Nigeria's population growth. It is no surprise to learn that they are concerned, with the majority surveyed believing that this growth does not bring benefits - more than three times the number who thought it was beneficial.

Importantly, the survey also helps to identify solutions. For instance, almost two-thirds of people surveyed identified low birth control measures as a key driver of population growth, while the importance of education in empowering women and girls was prioritized above all other options by both males and female respondents. The wealth of data in this survey will, we hope, prove immensely useful in understanding the challenges and mapping out a positive path forward.

We hope and believe that this survey will spark a 'Population Conversation' across Nigeria. It is for Nigerians, not organisations like Population Matters, to map out their challenges and identify how best to tackle them. Our goal is to help to catalyse that discussion, and offer what help and support we can.

What is clear already from this survey is that the solutions which present themselves are positive ones, which will empower people, tackle gender discrimination, improve health and economic prospects, and help protect Nigeria's environment. We wish our Nigerian friends and partners all the best in promoting these benefits and securing the changes that are needed. If we can help, we will.

Finally, we give our heartfelt thanks to our friends and partners at CISLAC/TI-Nigeria for their amazing work on this project.


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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 2

The Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre (CISLAC)/Transparency International in Nigeria (TI-Nigeria) is delighted to have partnered with Population Matters UK on the Nigeria Population Conversation Project, the 1st of its kind.

While population affects every facet of societal development and Nigeria's population, depicted as a demographic nightmare to be, is projected to reach 400 million by 2050, doubling the current estimate. Yet open, deliberate discussion around population remains uncommon in Nigeria.

We cannot conceal the fact that with the current inadequate awareness on consequences of population at citizenry and policy levels as well as the unattended impact on national planning, Nigeria has not efficiently harnessed its population to achieve development goals.

This fact has been buttressed by multiplier effects of youth unemployment, insecurity, inaccessible healthcare services, food insecurity, education inequality and other challenges that undermine socio-economic development of Nigeria.

As a result, the Nigeria Population Conversation project is necessitated by the need to engender people-oriented participation and harvest perception on population to shape policy direction for well-informed national planning to achieve the overall demographic advantage.

More importantly, wide gap has been observed in population literacy at individual levels; and this poses further challenges to demographic accountability, as the main stakeholders in Nigeria Population Conversation.

It is worthy of a note that active participation by Nigerians across the six geo-political zones in the Population Perception Survey that led to the production of this report is a clear indication of citizens' readiness for constructive conversation on population and its impacts on their wellbeing as well as living standards. This without doubt will serve as a baseline for further conversation on population at all levels in Nigeria and beyond.

We are hopeful that fact-findings from this report would be leveraged by relevant state and nonstate actors in amplifying conversation on population, while shaping policy decision and direction towards inclusive planning and development in Nigeria.

Our appreciation goes to the Population Matters for this unique opportunity to open inclusive conversations on population in Nigeria.

## OVERVIEW

Population is one of the most controversial and least talked-about issues yet should be top on the list of themes flagged in development context in Nigeria. Nigeria conducted her last census seventeen (17) years ago (2006). ${ }^{1}$ Till date, the Nigerian population size has just been based on estimates and projections. At some point the National Population Commission admitted that they do not have the accurate figure of Nigerian Population. ${ }^{2}$

The last official census conducted in Nigeria was 2006 and the figures stood at 140,431,791 ( $71,345,488$ males: $69,086,308$ females) spread across $28,197,085$ households ${ }^{3}$ with a projected growth rate of $2.5 \%$. The current population of Nigeria is $225,894,664$ based on projections of the latest United Nations data. The UN estimates the July 1, 2023, population at 223,804,632. ${ }^{4}$ It is important to state at this point there are different data to this effect. ${ }^{5678}$

Nigeria is ranked the 6th largest country in the world contributing $2.77 \%$ of the world's total population, with a population density of 244.3persons/km2.

Without doubt, population growth impact governance, socio-economic, political, health, education spheres of Nigeria, including the fast-eroding standards of living of the citizens.

Of equal concern and impact is the global environment and climate change crisis, attributed to overconsumption of the global north, and the earth cannot provide for us all and the natural world is paying the price, i.e., biodiversity loss, climate change, pollution, deforestation, water, and food shortage, however the consumeristic culture is gradually fast catching up in the global south (with Nigeria largely impacted) ${ }^{9}$ where and when disposable income improves, as well as other factors such as urbanisation and an unplanned population.

In order to clearly understand the extent of these disparities, the Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre (CISLAC)/Transparency International in Nigeria (TI-Nigeria) in collaboration with Population Matters, engaged a critical field survey that harvested citizens' population perception across the six geo-political zones of Nigeria.

From 750 sample size, CISLAC received 723 responses ( 381 male, 334 female, 3 both sex, and 5 gender neutral) to some carefully selected series of questions to understand and document citizens' knowledge about Population of Nigeria; citizens' belief about Nigeria's Population as it stands today; Nigeria Population regarding gender and other impact; citizens perception on

[^0]Population and the environment; Population, health, socio-economic empowerment; Elderly groups; beliefs around Sexual Reproductive Health Rights.

Others are factors that influence and impacts Nigerian Population; Agencies and Institutions relevant to Nigeria's Population Management; Population Awareness ambassador.

## Citizens' knowledge about Population:

Assessing the citizens' knowledge about Population of Nigeria, only 122 respondents ( 51 female, 61 male and 1 gender neutral) representing approximately $17 \%$ of the respondents were within the range of the correct estimate of the Nigerian population figures. When the respondents were asked of their opinion on why the Nigerian population is the way it is, "Low birth control measures" and "High birth rate" came out as the major reason as outlined by the respondents. The respondent through their answers indicated that the causes of high population rate in Nigeria is not beneficial as 442 respondents ( 204 females; 237 males and 1 both gender) representing $61.1 \%$ of the respondents answered to this in the negative.

## Effect of Population on Gender:

The result of the survey shows that out of 723 persons interviewed, 452 persons (female 211, male 236, 2 both sexes gender neutral 3) representing $62.5 \%$ of the population sample believe that the Nigerian population has direct effect on the gender and as such allays concerns on the population.

Responding to a question if Nigerian female gender should have autonomy to their bodies, 212 respondents representing $29.32 \%$ of the study population strongly agrees that Nigerian female gender should have the right of autonomy to their bodies. 196 (27.11\%) agree; 114 (15.77\%) are neutral on the issue while 104 ( $14.38 \%$ ) strongly disagree and 87 (12.03\%) disagree. 10, which is $1.38 \%$ out of the 723 did not respond to the question.

Similarly, 470 ( 251 females, 215 males, 2 both sexes and 2 neutral) respondents are of the view that Nigerian females should have the right to the number of children they want to have and how often to have them.

In contrast, 163(44 females, 116 males, 1 both sexes and 2 gender neutral) representing 22.54\% said NO that they should not have the right to the number of children they want to have and how often to have them. 77 (10.65\%) of them do not know if they should have it or not whereas 13 (1.80) did not respond to the question.

## Population impact on environment:

Testing the citizens' knowledge and view of the impact of population on the environment and climate change, 250 ( 109 females, 139 males and 2 both sexes) respondents, which represents $34.58 \%$ of the study population agree that population has an impact on the environment. 237 representing 32.78 disagrees that population impacts the environment. 14 ( $1.94 \%$ ) of the respondents did not provide any response. 222 (30.71\%) has no knowledge of the population impacting the environment. Whereas a higher number of the population said YES to population impacting the environment and 222 saying they have no knowledge, this calls for greater information sharing/awareness creation among the citizens.

Also, 321 (females 157, male 161, both sexes 2, gender neutral 1) by conversion $44.39 \%$ of the demography agree that the Nigerian population directly affects the environment through open defecation. This in essence leads to environmental degradation.

## Population impact on food security:

Of the 723 ( 334 females, 381 males, 3 both sexes and 5 gender neutral) study population, 479 which is $66.25 \%$ ( 228 females, 246 males, 2 both sexes and 3 gender neutral) believe that the rate of population in Nigeria affects agriculture, for food security, biodiversity, and the sea. 120 (56 females and 64 males) respondents, $16.60 \%$ say it has no effect. 108 , that is $14.94 \%$ stated they have no idea if it will have any effect or not. This implies that a greater number of the study population have the knowledge that the rate of population in Nigeria affects agriculture for food security, biodiversity, and the sea.

## Population and the elderly:

$13.13 \%$ of the respondents perceived the elderlies as being patriotic. The rest of the population has different perceptions, cutting across the viewpoints when it comes to the elderly in their locality; while 99 constituting of $13.69 \%$ registered no data entry.

The survey reveals that 435 (60.16\%) of the survey size distributed as follows (222 males, 209 females, 2 both sexes and 2 gender neutral persons) do not have knowledge of any empowerment program for the elderly existing within their locality. This in turn suggests that there is a need for more awareness of the existence of these programs. $54.91 \%$ of the survey size (397: male 199, female194, both sexes 3, gender neutral 1) says YES to the fact that the Nigerian population has a direct impact on the planning and care for the elderly.

## Population impact on socio-economic:

On the socio-economic impact of population, 369 ( $51 \%$ ) of the statistics sum are of the opinion that the Nigerian population directly affects the access to health and other socio-economic amenities. Evidently this calls for an improved health system as well as economic policies.

## Population and economic planning:

The total survey data compiled reveals that $76.34 \%$ ( 552 response: male 276, female 271, both sexes 3 , gender neutral 2) strongly suggests that the population of Nigeria should be planned hence curbing the adverse effect of the population increase. The survey indicates that $54.63 \%$ (395: Male 223, female 170, both sexes 1, gender neutral 1) of the distribution size are aware of the Nigerian budget.

From the survey data, 478 (male 243, female 229, both sexes 2, gender neutral 4) by conversion $66.11 \%$ of the survey population are ignorant of any economic framework/plan whether or present. This figure raises concern over the level of apathy among the populace with regards to government economic plans. Using the inference above 435 responses (male 222, female 209, both sexes 2, gender neutral 2) out of the total 723 have never been involved in budget discussion before. Working with this representation, this goes further to point out that about $60.16 \%$ of the Nigerian population have never been involved in budget discussion.

## Population planning and reproductive health:

Analysis of the survey data shows that the main factor that affects the population growth as stated by the respondents is majorly around non-control on childbirth and reproduction. This corroborates the objectives of this study showing that birth control is very central to controlling the population of Nigeria. 233 out of 723 respondents believe that contraceptives serve as birth control measure. This number is $32.23 \%$ of the entire study population. It calls for increased education and awareness creation among the citizens.

Others in the group believe that contraceptive when it relates to reproductive rights should be made accessible, be encouraged, restricted, and monitored, discouraged among girls, has some negative health implication, must be made mandatory, there are religious and cultural bias.

## Population and women's reproductive right:

163 participants representing $22.55 \%$ of the study population did not respond to the question on access to contraceptives by Nigerian girls and women. 136 (18.81\%) are of the view that contraceptives are very accessible to Nigerian girls and women. The rest had different recommendations as how they consider the accessibility: make contraceptives, restricted and monitored, affordable, encouraging use of contraceptives, discouraged among girls.

## Provision/accessibility of contraceptives:

On the role of government in making contraceptives accessible to the people, 264 persons responded YES to the question. This is $36.51 \%$ of the total respondents. 258 , (35.68\%) do not know if they want the government to make it accessible or not, whereas 172 (23.79\%) said outright NO to the idea of the government ensuring access to contraceptives. 22 persons did not respond to the question.

## Population and education equality/accessibility:

Studying participants knowledge on access to education for the boys and girls, $63.76 \%$ which is 461 said YES to boys and girls having access to education. 134 (18.53\%) are of the opinion that boys and girls do not have access to education. 106 (14.66\%) do not have any idea if girls and boys have access to education while 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question.

The cost of education is considered inaccessible by the respondents. A total of 408 respondents, which represent $60.58 \%$ of the study population consider education inaccessible due to the high cost of it. 178 which is $24.62 \%$ consider it accessible; while 85 ( $17.76 \%$ ) do not know if it is accessible or not and 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question. Summarily, education is considered inaccessible.

## Citizens' knowledge on local Population intervention:

Awareness level on any intervention in the locality is very low as 59.61\% (431 respondents) indicated that there are NO interventions in the locality. 206 (28.49) do not have an idea of any intervention in the locality. 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question.

A few interventions exist in the states, but none directly address population or Sexual reproductive Rights Issues. It is therefore important that population or Sexual reproductive Rights Issues are either mainstreamed into the intervention programmes or are strategically implemented as stand-alone intervention programmes.

The survey shows that level of engagement by both state and non-state actors is very low. This can also affect the knowledge level of the citizens, uptake of population services and access to information on population issues.

## Regulatory responsibility:

The survey data reveals 373 respondents ( 177 female, 196 male), representing over $50 \%$ of the respondents, stated that it is the responsibility of the government and its responsible personnel or entities to regulate the issues around population control within the different levels of government.

The perception of the participants on the role of government includes providing facilities, laws and policy enactment, channeling resources to family planning, getting the people involved in the planning, birth control, education, and awareness programmes on population control, ban early marriage, conduct census, create job opportunities, utilizing the population to create wealth.

## Specific call for Population literacy:

Respondents called for education (formal and informal), awareness creation and any other means that will be useful in sharing information on population issues. 591 (81.74\%) says YES to ordinary Nigerians needing population literacy/awareness creation. 55 (7.61\%) said it is not important while 57 ( $7.88 \%$ ) said they do not know. 20 (20.77\%) did not respond to the question.

## Citizens' participation in population awareness:

Lastly, $65.56 \%$ (474) participants indicated interest to be community population champions implying that peer education and community-based activities could be part of the strategies in engaging the society on population issues. 143 (19.78\%) said NO to becoming community population champions without further reasons stated. 18 (2.49\%) did not respond whereas 85 ( $11.76 \%$ ) said they do not know if they would want to be community population champions (CPCs).

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## METHODOLOGY

The data collection method used in this study involved a perception survey, where a structured questionnaire with pre-coded responses was used to collect quantitative data samples. Specifically, with 750 sample size, questionnaires were targeted at 25 respondents from five (5) selected states in each of the six (6) geo-political zones of Nigeria. The data collection process also involved the use of key informant interviews during which qualitative data were collected and documented from the respondents. The study explores desk review including the examinations of project documents, relevant past reports and important secondary data that were made available and others that were accessible online. Survey data was collected through pre-designed questionnaire with extensive inputs and validation by stakeholders. Enumerators were selected from the six geo-political zones in Nigeria and trained on the processes and procedures of the survey data collection. After data was gathered, it was analysed by the means of descriptive statistics to summarise, organise, and present data meaningfully and concisely. Stakeholders' validation of the report was held to ensure the accuracy and quality of data collected and analysed.

## FINDINGS FROM THE STUDYSHOW THAT:

- From 750 sample size, CISLAC received 723 responses ( 381 males, 334 females, 3 both sex, and 5 gender neutral) to some carefully selected series of questions to understand and document citizens' knowledge about Population of Nigeria.
- Only 122 respondents ( 51 female, 61 male and 1 gender neutral) representing approximately $17 \%$ of the respondents were within the range of the correct estimate of the Nigerian population figures.
- The respondent through their answers indicated that the causes of high population rate in Nigeria is not beneficial as 442 respondents ( 204 females; 237 males and 1 both gender) representing $61.1 \%$ of the respondents answered to this in the negative.
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- $264(36.51 \%)$ persons responded acknowledged provision of contraceptives by the government; while 258 , (35.68\%) do not know if they want the government to make it accessible or not
- $134(18.53 \%)$ are of the opinion that boys and girls do not have access to education.
- A total of 408 respondents, which represent $60.58 \%$ of the study population consider education inaccessible due to the high cost of it.
- $59.61 \%$ ( 431 respondents) indicated that there are NO population interventions in their locality.
- 591 ( $81.74 \%$ ) says YES to ordinary Nigerians needing population literacy/awareness creation.
- $65.56 \%$ (474) participants indicated interest to be community population champions implying that peer education and community-based activities could be part of the strategies in engaging the society on population issues.


## KEY RECOMMENDATION

1. A call for an immediate national census to ascertain Nigeria's action population and made official to all as well as a need for an urgent, proactive national population framework to be the new status quo.
2. Consistent conversation on population growth and its impact on environment, education, health, food security and socio-economic development should be encouraged at all levels in Nigeria, to engender inclusive national planning.
3. Active Citizens' participation in population conversation and planning must be encouraged and supported and across the geopolitical and subnational levels
4. Towards sustainable population and demographic accountability there is the urgent need for population literacy in Nigeria and this should be incorporated in the education curriculum in earnest.
5. Gender Equality and Girls Education should be a top priority at all tiers of government; the national, subnational and local government.
6. Sexual reproductive health rights must be adequately budget for at all levels of government.

## Gender Disaggregation

| Table 1 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Total <br> respondents | 723 |
| Male | 381 |
| Female | 334 |
| Gender neutral | 5 |
| Both sex <br> indication | 3 |



The table and chart indicate that a total of 723 persons participated in the survey, out of which 381 are male and 334 are female; 5 respondents were indicated to be recognized as gender neutral and will subsequently be referred to as "both sexes" for the purpose of this analysis, while 3 wanted to be recognised as both sexes (a male and a female at the same time) and will be referred to as "gender neutral" for the purpose of this analysis.

## Disability status:

| Table 2 - Respondents <br> by disability status | Column <br> $\mathbf{1}$ | Column <br> $\mathbf{2}$ | Column <br> $\mathbf{3}$ | Column <br> $\mathbf{4}$ | Column <br> $\mathbf{5}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Males | Females | Both <br> Sexes | Neutral |  |  |
| Yes | 37 | 19 | 18 |  |  |
| No | 619 | 328 | 285 | 3 | 3 |
| Neutral | 67 | 34 | 31 |  | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Respondents | $\mathbf{7 2 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 8 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |

Table 2 shows the number of respondents and their disability status.
Out of 723 respondents, 619 ( 327 males, 285 females, 3 both sexes and 3 gender neutral) indicated that they do not have any form of disability. 37 respondents ( 19 males and 18 female) said they have one form of disability or the other while 67 respondents (34 males, 31 female and 2 gender neutral ) choose not to indicate any status at all.


## Disaggregation of study group by age bracket:

| Table 3 | Males | Females | Both Sexes | Neutral | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1825 | 57 | 82 |  |  | 139 |
| $26-35$ | 162 | 157 | 2 | 3 | 324 |
| $36-45$ | 104 | 62 | 1 |  | 167 |
| $46-55$ | 36 | 21 |  |  | 57 |
| $56-65$ | 18 | 7 |  | 25 |  |
| 66 and above | 3 | 2 |  | 2 | 6 |
| age not <br> disclosed | 1 | 3 |  | 5 | 723 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 |  | 5 |

Table 3 shows the analysis of the respondents by age bracket. 139 respondents (82 females; 57 males) are between the ages of $18-25$ years. 324
 respondents ( 157 females; 162 males; 2 both sexes and 3 gender neutral) are between the ages of $26-35$ years. 167 respondents ( 104 males; 62 females and 1 both sexes) are within the ages of $36-45$ years. 57 respondents ( 36 males and 21 females) are within the ages $46-55$ years. 25 respondents ( 18 males and 7 females) are within the age range of 56 65 years. 5 respondents ( 3 males; 2 females) are from the age of 66 and above. 6 of our respondents ( 1 male; 3 females and 3 gender neutral) did not disclose their age. It is worthy of note that 630 out of the 723 respondents representing $87 \%$ are within the reproductive ages (1845). This is significant within the context of this conversation.

## Respondents Occupation:

| TABLE 4 | Males | Females | Both Sexes | Neutral | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students | 46 | 82 |  |  | 128 |
| Public servants | 68 | 57 |  |  | 125 |
| Businesspersons | 115 | 86 | 1 |  | 202 |
| unemployed | 12 | 34 |  |  | 46 |
| professionals | 32 | 14 |  |  | 46 |
| no data | 4 | 0 |  | 2 | 6 |
| care giver | 0 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Non-state Actors | 4 | 4 |  |  | 8 |
| Apprentice | 2 | 1 |  |  | 3 |
| Artisans | 46 | 28 | 2 | 2 | 78 |
| Senior citizens | 6 | 1 |  |  | 7 |
| Farmer | 32 | 7 |  | 1 | 40 |
| Self Employed | 14 | 19 |  |  | 33 |

Respondents' employment status is as shown in Table 4 and the chart below.


## SurveyScope

Which State in Nigeria is this survey conducted?

| Table 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GEOPOLITICAL ZONE | FEMALE | MALE | GENDER NEUTRAL | BOTH SEXES | TOTAL | STATE |
| SOUTH-EAST | 13 | 15 |  |  | 28 | ABIA |
|  | 12 | 14 |  |  | 26 | ANAMBRA |
|  | 8 | 22 |  |  | 30 | EBONYI |
|  | 13 | 13 |  |  | 26 | ENUGU |
|  | 11 | 13 |  |  | 24 | IMO |
| SOUTH-SOUTH | 23 | 23 |  |  | 46 | CRS |
|  | 0 | 2 | 2 |  | 4 | AKS |
|  | 12 | 8 |  |  | 20 | EDO |
|  | 12 | 14 |  |  | 26 | DELTA |
| SOUTH-WEST | 18 | 9 | - |  | 27 | LAGOS |
|  | 17 | 8 |  |  | 25 | OGUN |
|  | 15 | 10 |  |  | 25 | ONDO |
|  | 13 | 6 |  | 1 | 20 | EKITI |
|  | 13 | 12 | - |  | 25 | OYO |
| NORTH-EAST | 11 | 11 |  |  | 22 | ADAMAWA |
|  | 11 | 14 |  |  | 25 | BAUCHI |
|  | 3 | 0 |  |  | 3 | BORNO |
|  | 6 | 9 |  | 1 | 16 | GOMBE |
|  | 3 | 4 |  |  | 7 | TARABA |
|  | 8 | 17 |  |  | 25 | YOBE |
|  | 9 | 11 |  |  | 20 | KOGI |
|  | 8 | 19 |  |  | 27 | KWARA |
|  | 15 | 13 |  |  | 28 | NASARAWA |
|  | 7 | 18 |  | 1 | 26 | NIGER |
|  | 6 | 18 |  |  | 24 | PLATEAU |
| NORTH-WEST | 9 | 8 |  |  | 17 | KADUNA |
|  | 2 | 8 |  |  | 10 | KATSINA |
|  | 12 | 12 |  |  | 24 | KANO |
|  | 19 | 16 | 1 |  | 36 | KEBBI |
|  | 7 | 18 |  |  | 25 | JIGAWA |
| FCT | 14 | 11 |  |  | 25 | ABUJA |
| NO DATA | 4 | 5 | 2 |  | 11 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GRAND TOTAL | 334 | 381 |  |  | 723 |  |



The analysis of the respondents by their states and geo-political zones are as illustrated below. Please note that there were no respondents from the following states: Bayelsa, Rivers, Osun, Benue, Sokoto and Zamfara states. This also has implications on the balance of the opinions from these zones especially where 2 states were left out from some of the zones respectively (South-south and North-west).

## A. Citizens Knowledge about Population of Nigeria

What is Nigeria's human population in your view?


| Table 6 | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender Neutral |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 55 | 66 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{1 0 1 m} \mathbf{- 2 0 0 m}$ | 43 | 98 | 1 |  |
|  | 51 | 61 |  | 1 |
| $\mathbf{3 0 1 m} \mathbf{- 4 0 0 m}$ | 11 | 14 |  | 1 |
|  | 25 | 21 | 1 | 3 |
| No specific data | 112 | 91 |  |  |
|  | 37 | 29 | 1 |  |

The table 6 above is an analysis of the knowledge of the respondents on what the population of Nigeria is. In conclusion, only 122 respondents ( 51 female; 61male and 1 gender neutral) representing approximately $17 \%$ of the respondents were within the range of the correct estimate of the Nigerian population figures.

## B. Citizens Belief about Nigeria's Population as it stands today.

Why do you think Nigeria's population is the way it is?

| Table 7 | FEMALES | MALES | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INSECURITY | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| MIGRATION | 5 | 9 |  |  |
| RELIGION | 17 | 17 | 1 |  |
| CULTURE | 20 | 26 | 1 | 1 |
| GOVERNANCE | 31 | 30 |  |  |
| EDUCATION | 27 | 39 |  |  |
| SEVERAL FACTORS | 6 | 2 |  |  |
| ECONOMIC ISSUES | 9 | 9 |  |  |
| POVERTY | 10 | 6 |  | 1 |
| LOW BIRTH CONTROL | 66 | 93 |  |  |
| MEASURES | 5 | 10 |  | 1 |
| EARLYMARRIAGE | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| EFFECTS OF MEDICAL <br> SERVICES | 7 | 6 |  |  |
| UNEMPLOYMENT <br> HIGH BIRTH RATE | 82 | 66 |  | 1 |
| NO DATA | 20 | 30 |  | 1 |
| NO KNOWLEDGE | 27 | 32 |  | 1 |



## Opinion on why the Nigerian population is the way it is:

When the respondents were asked of their opinion on why the Nigerian population is the way it is, these issues listed above were the summary of the possible causes. It came out glaringly that "low birth control measures" and "High birth rate" came out as the major reason as outlined by the respondents. This speaks a lot of volumes on what the perspective of population control should be about.

Do you perceive Nigeria's population to be beneficial to Nigerians the way it is or not?

| TABLE 8 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL | Column1 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YES | 67 | 72 | 1 | 1 | 141 |
| NO | 204 | 237 | 1 |  | 442 |
| NO DATA | 58 | 67 | 1 | 1 | 127 |
| NO KNOWLEDGE | 5 | 5 |  | 3 | 13 |



From the table 8 above, the respondent through their answers indicated that the causes of high population rate in Nigeria is not beneficial as 442 respondents ( 204 females; 237 males and 1 both gender) representing $61.1 \%$ of the respondents answered to this in the negative. This entails that there should be a deliberate effort to initiate processes or interventions that will be addressing high birth rate and low birth control measures in Nigeria.

## Effects Of Population on The Lives of Ordinary Nigerians:

| Table 9 | FEMALE | MALE | GENDER NEUTRAL | ВОТН <br> SEXES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Inequitable distribution of resources; Poor access to basic amenities and services | 24 | 28 |  |  |
| Poor access to basic amenities and services; Low standard of livings | 15 | 15 | 1 |  |
| Inequitable distribution of resources; Low standard of livings | 5 | 2 |  |  |
| I don't know | 14 | 20 |  |  |
| None of the above | 9 | 5 |  |  |
| Inequitable distribution of resources | 26 | 34 |  |  |
| Poor access to basic amenities and services | 32 | 46 |  |  |
| All of the above | 177 | 177 | 2 | 3 |
| Low standard of livings | 28 | 44 | 1 |  |
| No data | 4 | 10 | 1 |  |



## Gender Population and Its impact:

Does it affect the boy child and men differently from girls and women?


From the table above, the analysis drawn shows that out of 723 persons interviewed, 452 persons (female 211, male 236, 2 both sexes gender neutral 3) representing $62.5 \%$ of the population sample believes that the Nigerian population has direct effect on the gender and as such allays concerns on the population.

Does the Nigerian population affect the boy child and men differently from girls and women?

| Table 11 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 57 | 85 |  | 1 |
| NO | 154 | 157 | 1 | 2 |
| YES | 119 | 133 | 2 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 4 | 6 |  | 1 |



The illustration above shows that the respondents don't see a significant difference in how the population affect the boy and the man differently from the female counterparts.

## Female empowerment:

In your view what are the local solutions you can think of to empower girls and women in this regard?

| Table 12 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL | Column2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EDUCATION | 82 | 90 |  | 1 | 173 |
| SKILL ACQUISITION | 53 | 57 | 1 |  | 111 |
| ENTREPRENEURSHIP | 25 | 20 |  |  | 45 |
| NO DATA | 29 | 52 |  | 2 | 83 |
| NO SPECIFIC DETAIL | 59 | 43 |  |  | 102 |
| FINANCING | 20 | 19 |  | 1 | 40 |
| EMPLOYMENT | 24 | 24 |  | 1 | 49 |
| CREATE CENTERS | 19 | 30 |  |  | 49 |
| ACCESS TO LAND | 1 | 4 |  |  | 5 |
| COOPERATIVES | 3 | 2 |  |  | 5 |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT | 4 | 5 |  |  | 9 |
| HEALTH CARE | 0 | 3 | 1 |  | 4 |
| FAMILY PLANNING | 3 | 6 |  |  | 9 |
| NO KNOWLEDGE | 10 | 10 |  |  | 20 |
| INCLUSION | 1 | 9 | 1 |  | 11 |
| VARIOUS | 0 | 7 |  |  | 7 |
| MARRIAGE | 1 | 0 |  |  | 1 |



From the result of the survey conducted, 359 ( 177 male, 177 females, 2 gender neutral, 3 both sexes) persons representing $49.23 \%$ of the entre sample population agrees that all the above listed factors are resultant effects from the population of Nigeria on the lives of ordinary Nigerians. To this effect, an improved infrastructure /system that alleviates these effects is recommended.

Do you know of any of such empowerment programs already existing in your locality?

| Table 13 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YES | 59 | 53 |  |  | 112 |
| NO | 179 | 206 | 3 | 2 | 390 |
| I DON'T KNOW | 93 | 115 |  | 2 | 210 |
| NO DATA | 3 | 7 |  | 1 | 11 |



In responding to the question on the local solutions to empower girls and women, 112 (59 females, 53 males), $15.49 \%$ of the study population said YES that there are, 390 ( 179 females, 2-6 males. 3 both sexes and 2 gender neutral respondents) representing 53.94 responded NO while 210 ( 93 females, 115 males and 2 gender neutral respondents), 29.04 do not know of any local solutions and 11 ( 3 females, 7 males and 1 gender neutral) representing $1.52 \%$ did not respond at all. The following solutions were identified by the respondents: Community based cooperative organizing, non-governmental interventions and projects, Computer training Institutes, Political participation, Agricultural businesses, Entrepreneurship and training centers, Government initiatives and programs, Microfinance institutions, Thrift, and loan schemes (informal), Personal relationships.

## Name such empowerment programs already existing in your locality?

| Table 14 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INTERVENTIONS | STATES | Female | Male |
| Access to school | Abia | 2 | 1 |
| Adult education | FCT | 2 | 1 |
| Community based cooperative organizing | Adamawa | 3 | 3 |
| Non-Governmental interventions and projects | Anambra | 2 | 1 |
| Computer training Institutes | Bauchi | 3 | 2 |
| Political participation | Borno | 1 |  |
| Agricultural businesses | Cross River state | 4 | 2 |
| Entrepreneurship and training centres | Delta | 2 | 2 |
| Government initiatives and programs | Ebonyi | 1 | 4 |
| Microfinance institutions | Edo | 2 |  |
| Thrift and loan schemes (informal) | Ekiti | 1 | 1 |
| Personal relationships | Enugu | 3 | 2 |
|  | Gombe | 1 | 1 |
|  | Imo | 3 | 3 |
|  | Jigawa | 1 | 4 |
|  | Kaduna | 3 | 1 |
|  | Katsina |  | 1 |


| Kano | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Kebbi | 2 | 2 |  |
| Kogi | 1 | 1 |  |
| Kwara | 1 | 2 |  |
| Lagos |  | 2 |  |
| Nasarawa | 3 |  |  |
| Niger | 1 | 3 |  |
| Ogun | 3 | 2 |  |
|  | Ondo | 2 | 2 |
| Oyo | 2 | 2 |  |
| Plateau | 1 | 1 |  |
| Taraba |  | 2 |  |

The table above shows the distribution across the 36 states and FCT, detailing feedback from across the country using the sample size of those who identifies or are aware of any of the preexisting intervention programs in their locality totaling 105 persons.
( 55 male, 50 female); that is $14.52 \%$ of the sampled population. The implication of this is that while the programs might exist, the knowledge of its existence is still very uncommon among the supposed beneficiaries.

## Should Nigerian female gender have the right of autonomy to their bodies?

| Table $\mathbf{1 5}$ | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender neutral | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Agree | 93 | 100 | 1 | 2 | 196 |
| Disagree | 24 | 63 |  |  | 87 |
| Neutral | 48 | 66 |  | 2 | 114 |
| Strongly Agree | 121 | 88 | 1 | 212 |  |
| Strongly disagree | 44 | 59 | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| No data | 4 | 5 |  | 5 | 10 |
|  | 334 | 381 | 3 | 723 |  |



The chart above is a representation of how much the study group agrees or disagrees to the question if Nigerian female gender should have autonomy to their bodies. 212 respondents representing $29.32 \%$ of the study population strongly agrees that Nigerian female gender should have the right of autonomy to their bodies. 196 (27.11\%) agree; 114 (15.77\%) are neutral on the issue while 104 ( $14.38 \%$ ) strongly disagree and 87 ( $12.03 \%$ ) disagree. 10 , which is $1.38 \%$ out of the 723 did not respond to the question.

From the statistics drawn from the table and chart above;212(females 121, male 88, both sexes 1, gender neutral 2) of the total distribution, strongly agrees that the Nigerian female gender should have the right of autonomy to their bodies. This in essence entails a strong standpoint driven towards the right of female gender body autonomy in Nigeria, using the stand of $29.32 \%$ of the sampled population as gathered.

Nigerian Female Gender Have the Right to The Number of Children They Want to Have and How of The to Have Them

| Table $\mathbf{1 6}$ | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender Neutral | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes | 251 | 215 | 2 | 2 | 470 |
| No | 44 | 116 | 1 | 2 | 163 |
| I don't know | 36 | 41 |  | 1 | 77 |
| No data | 3 | 9 |  | 13 |  |



470 ( 251 females, 215 males, 2 both sexes and 2 neutral) respondents are of the view that Nigerian females should have the right to the number of children they want to have and how often to have them. This represents $65.01 \%$ of the study population. 163 (44 females, 116 males, 1 both sexes and 2 gender neutral) representing $22.54 \%$ said NO that they should not have the right to the number of children they want to have and how often to have them. 77 (10.65\%) of them do not know if they should have it or not whereas 13 (1.80) did not respond to the question.

In Your View and From Now on What Can Be Done to Engage the Nigerian Youth on Its Population Matters

| Table 17 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AWARENESS CREATION | 151 | 141 | 1 | 1 |
| INCLUSION IN DECISION MAKING | 42 | 30 |  | 2 |
| ENFORCING BIRTH CONTROL MEASURES | 17 | 8 | 1 |  |
| CONDUCT CENSUS | 3 | 3 |  |  |
| CREATION OF VARIOUS PROGRAMS | 21 | 21 | 1 |  |
| VARIOUS STRATEGIES | 4 | 5 |  |  |
| CREATE EMPLOYMENT AND EMPOWERMENT | 54 | 60 |  |  |
| I don't know | 13 | 14 |  |  |
| ESTABLISH AND MONITOR YOUTH PROGRAMS | 0 | 1 |  |  |
| FIGHT FOR THE RIGHT OF GIRLS | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| NO DATA | 41 | 38 |  | 2 |
| CONDUCT RESEARCH ON ISSUE | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| SELF MOTIVATION AND LEADERSHIP | 0 | 1 |  |  |
| STOP ABORTION | 0 | 2 |  |  |
| NO SPECIFIC DETAILS | 23 | 6 |  |  |
| CREATE POLICIES ON EDUCATION AND HEALTH |  | 2 |  |  |
| CREATE MOBILE APP TO ENGAGE |  | 7 |  |  |
| STOP EARLY MARRIAGE |  | 1 |  |  |



Several actions that can be taken towards engaging the youths meaningfully were identified by 588 respondents, which represents $81.33 \%$ of the study population. These include awareness creation, including women in decision making, enforcing birth control measures, conducting census, creation of various programs, various strategies, create employment and empowerment, establish and monitor youth programs, fight for the right of girls, conduct research on issue conduct research on issue, self-motivation and leadership, stop abortion stop abortion, create policies on education and health, create mobile app to engage, stop early marriage. 27 (3.73) had no idea of what could be done; 29 (4.01\%) provided information that was not specific, whereas 79 , which represent $10.92 \%$, did not provide any information. This implies that strategic actions could be taken to end early marriage, which contributes to a rise in population and awareness creation is believed to be key.

## Citizens Perception on Population and The Environment:

Does the Nigerian population impact the environment and climate change in your view?

| Table 18 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YES | 109 | 139 | 2 |  |
| NO | 112 | 124 | 1 |  |
| NO DATA | 5 | 8 |  | 1 |
| I DONT KNOW | 108 | 110 |  | 4 |



This chart speaks to the knowledge and view of the study population on the impact of population on the environment and climate change. 250 ( 109 females, 139 males and 2 both sexes) respondents, which represent $34.58 \%$ of the study population agree that population has an impact on the environment. 237 representing 32.78 disagrees that population impacts the environment. 14 (1.94\%) of the respondents did not provide any response. 222 (30.71\%) has no knowledge of the population impacting the environment. Whereas a higher number of the population said YES to population impacting the environment and 222 saying they have no knowledge, this calls for greater information sharing/awareness creation among the citizens.

Though the response seems to be evenly distributed among the options provided, however a relative $34.59 \%$ (250: females 109 , male 139 , 2both sexes) of the sampled size are of the opinion that yes, the Nigerian population directly reflects on its climate change. On the other hand, 237 (female 112, male 124 , both sexes 1 ) which is $32.78 \%$ of the survey statistics, vehemently disagrees. Which is to say that the Nigerian population does not by any means have an impact on the climate. Moreso, 222 out of the statistics
which represents $30.70 \%$ : (female 108, male 110, gender neutral 4) aren't sure if the Nigerian has an impact or not on climate change)

## If yes, how does it impact your locality?

| Table 19 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 6 | 7 |  |  |
| CLIMATE CHANGE | 31 | 40 | 1 |  |
| IRRELEVANT | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| ECONOMIC | 6 | 8 | 1 |  |
| FOOD SECURITY | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| SEVERAL FACTORS | 3 | 5 |  |  |
| HEALTH | 34 | 36 |  |  |
| ACCESS TO NATURAL | 10 | 7 |  |  |
| RESOURCES |  |  |  |  |
| NO SPECIFIC DETAIL | 5 | 9 |  |  |
| SECURITY | 6 | 8 |  | 248 |
| MIGRATION | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| POVERTY | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| SOCIAL | 1 | 2 |  |  |
| INFRASTRUCTURE | 0 | 7 |  |  |
| NO DATA | 2 | 8 |  |  |



The table and chart above show the different variables which the respondents think affects the environment and in different dimensions as well.

| Table 20 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH | GENDER |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NEGATIVE | 87 | 113 | 2 |  |
| SOSITIVE | 6 | 2 |  |  |



The respondent's resolve is further classified into negative and positive effects as shown above.

In your view do you think population impacts on your immediate environment?

| Table 21 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 71 | 89 |  | 3 |
| NO | 121 | 132 |  |  |
| YES | 135 | 152 | 3 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 7 | 8 |  | 1 |
|  | 334 | 381 | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |

Population impact on immediate environment


## If yes, how does it impact your locality?

\(\left.\begin{array}{|lcccc|}\hline Table 22 \& MALE \& FEMALE \& BOTH \& GENDER <br>

SEXES\end{array}\right]\)| NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |



The rate of population in Nigeria affect agriculture for food security, biodiversity, and the seas.

| Table 23 | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender Neutral |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 228 | 246 | 2 | 3 |
| Yes | 56 | 64 |  |  |
| No | 44 | 63 |  | 1 |
| I don't Know | 6 | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| No data |  |  |  |  |



Of the 723 ( 334 females, 381 males, 3 both sexes and 5 gender neutral) study population, 479 which is $66.25 \%$ ( 228 females, 246 males, 2 both sexes and 3 gender neutral) believe that the rate of population in Nigeria affect agriculture, for food security, biodiversity, and the seas. 120 ( 56 females and 64 males) respondents, $16.60 \%$ say it has no effect. 108 , that is $14.94 \%$ stated they have no idea if it will have any effect or not; while 16 , which is $2.21 \%$, did not respond to the question. This implies that a greater number of the study population have the knowledge that the rate of population in Nigeria affects agriculture for food security, biodiversity, and the sea.

Drawing inference from the above data as summarized on the chart and table. 479 out of 723 which translates to $66.25 \%$ of the total sample, suggests that the Nigerian population rate affects its agricultural sector on food security biodiversity and the seas. As a result, measures must be put in place to militate against the adverse effect of the population growth in Nigeria for sustainability.

## How many times do you eat a day?

| Table 24 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| ONCE | 13 | 19 |  | 1 |
| FWICE | 131 | 162 |  | 1 |
| THRICE | 146 | 140 | 2 | 1 |
| OUR TIMES | 14 | 10 |  | 1 |
| FIVE TIMES | 1 | 4 |  |  |
| NCONSISTENT | 19 | 25 | 1 |  |
| NO DATA | 10 | 21 |  | 1 |



The chart above is the summary of information given by 723 respondents to the question on the number of times they eat in a day. Of these 723 respondents, 334 females, 381 males, 3 that represent both sexes and 5 that are gender neutral. 33 ( 13 females, 19 males and 1 gender neutral) $4.56 \%$ of the respondents eat once a day; 294 ( 131 females, 162 males and 1 gender neutral), $40.66 \%$ respondents eat twice daily; 289 ( 146 females, 140 males, 2 both sexes and one gender neutral), $39.97 \%$ of the study population eat thrice daily; 25 ( 14 females, 10 males and 1 gender neutral), $3.46 \%$ respondents eat four times daily; 5 ( 1 female and 4 males), $0.69 \%$ eat five times daily; 45 which represent $6.22 \%$ responses from the study population were inconsistent, more than one answer was provided by each of these 45 respondents; 32 respondents (4.43\%) did not respond to the question and were represented with NO DATA. This indicates that majority of the study population eat twice daily with the males topping the figure.

The survey above shows that a greater percentage of the respondents have indicated that they eat twice or thrice daily. Summarily there are more persons eating twice daily with 294 representing $40.6 \%$ of the sample size (female 131, male 162, gender neutral 1) edging above those that eats thrice 289 (39.9\%) distributed among 146 females, 140 males, 2 both sexes and 1 gender neutral. Using the data above it simply means that more than $80 \%$ of the Nigerian populace have access to food at least twice daily yet this can be improved on

## Choices On the Frequency of Feeding Daily

| Table 25 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YES | 140 | 157 | 2 | 2 |
| NO | 186 | 216 | 1 | 2 |
| NO DATA | 8 | 8 |  | 1 |



The interpretation from the above chart and table implies that 405 of the 723 -sample distribution which represents $56 \%$ of the statistics did not decide to limit themselves to the number of times they eat daily.

In other words, there are variables contributing to the limit of times that they eat, and these identified factors should be dealt with.

Do you think the Nigerian population affects the environment and climate change in terms of: Waste disposal:

| Table 26 | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender Neutral |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YES | 174 | 185 | 3 | 2 |
| NO | 78 | 88 |  |  |
| NO DATA | 5 | 6 |  | 1 |
| I DONT | 77 | 102 |  | 2 |
| KNOW | 334 | 381 | 3 | 5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |



Explain why you think the Nigerian population affects the environment and climate change in terms of: Waste disposal:

| Table 27 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL | $\underset{2}{\text { Column }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RECYCLING DEFICIENCY | 0 | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| NON-DEGRADABLE NATURE OF WASTE | 1 | 4 | 1 |  | 6 |
| NO SPECIFIC DETAIL | 17 | 18 |  |  | 35 |
| IMPROPER WASTE DISPOSAL | 37 | 33 |  |  | 70 |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUES | 19 | 14 |  |  | 33 |
| ENLIGHTENMENT | 0 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| POLLUTION | 34 | 37 |  |  | 71 |
| HIGH WASTE GENERATION | 11 | 21 |  | 2 | 34 |
| PLANNING ISSUES | 2 | 8 |  |  | 10 |
| HEALTH HAZARDS | 12 | 11 |  |  | 23 |
| VARIOUS | 4 | 10 |  |  | 14 |
| LACK OF FACILITY | 11 | 6 |  |  | 17 |
| NO DATA | 18 | 20 | 1 |  | 39 |
| SANCTION | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |
| ECONOMIC CAPACITY | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |
| EROSION | 3 |  |  |  | 3 |
| FLOODING | 1 |  | 1 |  | 2 |
|  | 174 | 185 | 3 | 2 | 364 |



## Do you think the Nigerian population affects the environment in terms of open defecation:

| Table 28 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 81 | 112 |  | 3 |
| NO | 90 | 103 |  |  |
| YES | 157 | 161 | 2 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 334 | 381 | 3 | 5 |



From the submission above 321(females 157 , male 161, both sexes 2 , gender neutral 1) by conversion $44.39 \%$ of the demography agree that the Nigerian population directly affects the environment through open defecation. This in essence leads to environmental degradation.

## Explain how the Nigerian population affects the environment in

 terms of open defecation:| Table 29 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 15 | 16 |  | 31 |
| ACCESS TO SEWAGE FACILITY | 43 | 46 | 1 | 91 |
| HEALTH IMPLICATIONS | 41 | 9 |  | 50 |
| POLLUTION | 31 | 50 | 1 | 82 |
| OPEN DEFECATION DUE TO HABITS | 3 | 2 |  | 5 |
| VARIOUS REASONS | 4 | 7 |  | 11 |
| LAND DEGRADATION | 1 | 0 |  | 1 |
| LACK OF GOVERNMENT | 2 | 3 |  | 5 |
| RESPONSIBILITY | 1 | 0 |  | 1 |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUES |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| LIMITED SPACE FOR BUILDING | 7 | 1 | 8 |  |
| EROSION OF SOIL DIVERSITY |  |  |  | $\mathbf{2 8 7}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |

How the Nigerian population affects the environment
in terms of open defecation

Do you think the Nigerian population's consumption/lifestyle impacts the environment?

| Table 30 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 100 | 122 |  | 3 |
| NO | 125 | 145 | 1 | 1 |
| YES | 104 | 104 | 2 | 1 |



From the 723 data statistics tabulated, 271 representing $37.48 \%$ of the population sample are of the opinion that the Nigerian population consumption/lifestyle does not have any effect on the environment and this conclusion by implication suggests the viewpoint of the greater population surveyed as against other options.

Explain how the Nigerian population's consumption/lifestyle impacts the environment?

| Table 31 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No production | 2 | 0 |  |
| Job availability | 2 | 1 |  |
| No data | 31 | 22 | 1 |
| I don't know | 2 | 0 |  |
| No specific data | 16 | 4 |  |
| Increased demand for food | 6 | 0 |  |
| Inequality of resource allocation | 2 | 3 |  |
| Wasteful society | 1 | 0 |  |
| scarcity of resources | 17 | 16 |  |
| Health implications | 2 | 1 |  |
| Climate change issues | 3 | 10 |  |
| Lifestyle | 6 | 18 | 1 |
| Increased population size | 1 | 0 |  |
| Standard of living | 5 | 4 |  |
| Economic growth | 1 | 2 |  |
| High cost of living | 4 | 17 |  |
| Inability to plan | 1 | 0 |  |
| Sustainability issues | 0 | 0 |  |
| Poor access to resources | 2 | 0 |  |
| Various issues |  | 1 |  |
| Government policies |  | 1 |  |
| Low Standard of Living |  | 2 |  |
| Environmental Pollution |  | 2 |  |



211 which is $20.18 \%$ of the sample size opines that the Nigerian population consumption/lifestyle impacts on the environment and the above statistics shows the distribution among the identified options by the sample piece.

Do you think climate change in your locality affects the girl child and women differently from boys and men?

| Table 32 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 91 | 127 |  | 2 |
| NO | 162 | 184 | 1 | 2 |
| YES | 74 | 65 | 2 |  |
| NO DATA | 7 | 5 |  | 1 |



Explain how climate change in your locality affects the girl child and women differently from boys and men?

| Table 33 | MALE | FEMALE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOTH } \\ & \text { SEXES } \end{aligned}$ | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Increased stereotypes and gender role discrimination | 9 | 10 |  |  |
| Disadvantages due to body physique and strength | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Exposure to risk | 6 | 9 |  |  |
| Health implications | 16 | 18 |  |  |
| No specific relevant detail | 8 | 12 | 1 |  |
| Competing for available resources | 10 | 6 |  |  |
| Early Mariage | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Increased violence and abuse | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| Increased polygamy | 2 | 0 |  |  |
| Economic deficiency | 1 | 2 |  |  |
| Various factor | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| No data | 8 | 10 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 65 | 74 |  |  |

Explain how climate change in your locality affects the girl child and women differently from boys and men?


What are the local solutions you can think of to empower girls and women in this regard?

| Table 34 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Government creation of enabling laws | 7 | 8 |  |  |
| Education programs | 56 | 37 |  |  |
| No specific detail | 30 | 12 |  |  |
| Awareness creation | 10 | 14 | 2 |  |
| Various programs and support system | 19 | 18 |  |  |
| Various forms of empowerment programs | 164 | 166 |  | 1 |
| Capacity building programs | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| Gender mainstreaming interventions | 2 | 0 |  |  |
| No knowledge | 14 | 10 |  | 2 |
| No information | 75 | 49 |  | 2 |
| Creation of health interventions | 2 | 6 |  |  |
| I am involving local authorities | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Employing psychological strategies |  | 9 | 1 |  |
| Give them Palliatives |  | 3 |  |  |
| Provide child sponsorship scheme |  | 1 |  |  |



Among the many locally identified solutions, $47.78 \%$ of the distribution population (331: female 166, male 164, gender neutral 1) identifies various forms of empowerment programs as local solutions for girls and women empowerment.

Do you know of any empowerment solutions already available to girls and women in your local area?

| Table 35 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T | 92 | 123 |  | 3 |
| KNOW |  |  |  |  |
| NO | 194 | 215 | 3 | 1 |
| YES | 37 | 31 |  | 1 |



The chart above shows that 413 (female 194, male 215, both sexes 3, gender neutral 1) of the entire survey population that is, $57.12 \%$ unaware of any existing empowerment solutions within their locality. In other words, the level of awareness and promotion for these programs is low.

Name the empowerment solutions already available to girls and women in your local area.

| Table 36 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MALE |  | FEMALE |  |
| SUMMARY OF EXISTING INTERVENTIONS | STATES | SUMMARY OF EXISTING INTERVENTIONS | STATES |
| Various women empowerment programs | Abia | Various women empowerment programs | Abia |
| School employment programs | Adamawa | Agricultural business opportunities | Abuja |
| Agricultural business opportunities | Anambra | Government and nongovernmental interventions | Adamawa |
| Government and nongovernmental interventions | Bauchi | Cooperatives | Anambra |
| Family planning programs | Delta | Micro finance institutions | Bauchi |
| National Directorate of Employment | Ebonyi | Computer training services | Cross River |
|  | Ekiti | Health facilities | Ebonyi |
|  | Enugu |  | Edo |
|  | Imo |  | Enugu |
|  | Jigawa |  | Gombe |
|  | Kebbi |  | Imo |
|  | Kogi |  | Kaduna |
|  | Kwara |  | Kano |
|  | Lagos |  | Kebbi |
|  | Ogun |  | Kwara |
|  | Oyo |  | Niger |
|  | Plateau |  | Ogun |
|  | Taraba |  | Ondo |
|  | Yobe |  | Oyo |
|  |  |  | Plateau |

The table above lists the existing empowerment solutions programs as identified in various states of the country.

## E. Elderly groups

How do you perceive the elderly in your locality?

| Table 37 | Female | Male | Both Sexes | Gender Neutral | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No specific details | 32 | 37 |  |  | 69 |
| Deserve to be taken care of | 36 | 38 |  |  | 74 |
| Welcoming and kind | 6 | 32 |  |  | 38 |
| Active contributors to the society | 2 | 4 |  |  | 6 |
| Patriotic leaders | 51 | 43 | 1 |  | 95 |
| Deserve respect | 26 | 13 |  |  | 39 |
| They have a wealth of knowledge | 20 | 41 |  |  | 61 |
| Restive age group | 3 | 8 |  |  | 11 |
| Marginalized and vulnerable | 35 | 41 |  |  | 76 |
| Fewer in number | 24 | 12 |  |  | 36 |
| Most lack education | 0 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Indifferent | 8 | 7 |  |  | 15 |
| Unpatriotic leaders | 0 | 5 |  | 1 | 6 |
| Neglected by society and the government | 13 | 13 | 1 |  | 27 |
| They do not speak out | 0 | 3 |  |  | 3 |
| Prone to health challenges | 2 | 1 |  |  | 3 |
| Have low economic prowess | 12 | 1 |  |  | 13 |
| Presumed to be greedy | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 3 |
| No data | 40 | 57 | 1 | 1 | 99 |
| No Knowledge | 20 | 20 |  | 2 | 42 |
| AGE | 3 |  |  |  | 3 |



Prominent among the survey summary responses is the 99 constituting of $13.69 \%$ that registered no data entry. However, there are $13.13 \%$ who perceive the elderlies as being patriotic. The rest of the population has different perceptions, cutting across the viewpoints when it comes to the elderly in their locality.

## Do you know of any programs for the elderly in your locality?

| Table 38 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 102 | 78 |  | 2 |
| NO | 222 | 209 | 2 | 2 |
| YES | 44 | 37 | 1 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 13 | 10 |  | 1 |



That data above reveals that 435(60.16\%) of the survey size distributed as follows ( 222 males, 209 females, 2 both sexes and 2 gender neutral persons) do not have knowledge of any empowerment program for the elderly existing within their locality. This in turn suggests that there is a need for more awareness of the existence of these programs.

In your view do you think Nigeria population rate affects national planning and care for the elderly?

| Table 39 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 90 | 68 |  | 2 |
| NO | 78 | 64 |  | 1 |
| YES | 199 | 194 | 3 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 14 | 8 |  | 1 |



The summary above shows that the $54.91 \%$ of the survey size that is (397: male 199, female194, both sexes 3 , gender neutral 1) says yes to the fact that the Nigerian population has a direct impact on the planning and care for the elderly.

## F. Population, Health, Socio Economic empowerment

In your view does the Nigerian population affect the access to health, socio economic amenities?

| Table 40 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 94 | 66 |  | 2 |
| NO | 98 | 73 |  | 2 |
| YES | 179 | 187 | 3 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 10 | 8 |  | 1 |

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-IDONTKNOW =NO ■YES ■NODATA


From the conclusion drawn from the above data expressed, 369 (51\%) of the statistics sum are of the opinion that the Nigerian population directly affects the access to health and other socio-economic amenities. Evidently this calls for an improved health system as well as economicpolicies.

How does the Nigerian population affect the access to health, socio economic amenities?

| Table 41 | Male | Female | Both <br> Sexes | Gender <br> Neutral |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High burden on available <br> resources | 47 | 42 |  |  |
| High cost of services | 5 | 4 |  |  |
| I do not know | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Limited access to facilities | 22 | 22 | 1 |  |
| Low quality services | 12 | 4 |  |  |
| No specific details | 5 | 7 | 1 |  |
| Brain drains effect | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| No inclusive plan | 6 | 7 |  |  |
| Government strategic planning | 9 | 0 |  |  |
| Insufficient services | 36 | 35 |  |  |
| Insufficient capital/human | 13 | 31 |  |  |
| resources | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| Increased health risk | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Misuse of available resources | 8 | 17 |  |  |
| Unemployment and Poverty | 12 | 13 | 1 |  |
| No data |  | 2 |  |  |
| Prevalence of crime and social |  |  |  |  |
| vices |  |  |  |  |



Out of the 369 that agreed to the impact of the Nigerian population to health and socioeconomic amenities, 89 (male 47, female 42) being $24.11 \%$ of the distribution believe that the touch is felt more when it comes to high burden on available resources as compared to other areas. In this case, provision of more resources to ease off on the burden is highly recommended.

As a result, in your view should Nigeria's population be planned.

| Table 42 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 53 | 27 |  | 2 |
| NO | 39 | 29 |  |  |
| YES | 276 | 271 | 3 | 2 |
| NO DATA | 13 | 7 |  | 1 |



From the total survey data compiled, $76.34 \%$ ( 552 response: male 276, female 271, both sexes 3, gender neutral 2) strongly suggests that the population of Nigeria should be planned hence curbing the adverse effect of the population increase.

Are you aware of Nigeria's yearly national budget?

| Table 43 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| NO | 147 | 157 | 2 | 3 |
| YES | 223 | 170 | 1 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 11 | 7 |  | 1 |



The above data summary indicates that $54.63 \%$ (395: Male 223, female 170, both sexes 1 , gender neutral 1) of the distribution size are aware of the Nigerian budget. Through this, one can deduce the general state of awareness as regards Nigerian budget by the populace is a marginal majority.

Are you aware of your state's budget?

| Table 44 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| NO | 156 | 152 | 1 | 3 |
| YES | 215 | 177 | 2 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 9 | 5 |  | 1 |



Are you aware of the monthly allocation of your government budget?

| Table 45 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |
| NO | 207 | 205 | 2 | 4 |
| YES | 122 | 163 | 1 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 7 | 10 |  | 1 |



Are you aware of any past or current Nigeria Economic Plan/ Policy Framework?

| Table 46 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |
| NO | 243 | 229 | 2 | 4 |
| YES | 128 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| NO DATA | 10 | 7 |  | 1 |



From the statistics presented 478 (male 243, female 229, both sexes 2, gender neutral 4) by conversion $66.11 \%$ of the survey population are ignorant of any economic framework/plan whether or present.

This figure raises concern over the level of apathy among the populace with regards to government economic plans.

## Have you participated previously in a budget discussion?

| Table 47 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 102 | 78 |  | 2 |
| NO | 222 | 209 | 2 | 2 |
| YES | 44 | 37 | 1 | 1 |



Using the inference above 435 responses (male 222, female 209, both sexes 2, gender neutral 2) out of the total 723 have never been involved in budget discussion before. Working with this representation, this goes further to point out that about $60.16 \%$ of the Nigerian population have never been involved in budget discussion.

In your view, as a population management strategy, should all the above be regular citizens town hall engagements across Nigeria, where citizens can be made aware and have a say in the planning and budgeting of their state and country?

| Table 48 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I DON'T KNOW | 64 | 57 |  | 2 |
| NO | 53 | 37 |  |  |
| YES | 254 | 234 | 3 | 2 |
| NO DATA | 10 | 6 |  | 1 |



From the above summary $68.18 \%$ of the survey size (493: male 254, female 234, both sexes 3 , gender neutral 2) favours the engagement of citizens on a regular townhall discussion as regards to their state and country's budgeting and planning hence making them stakeholders.

## G. Other Factors that influence and Impacts Nigeria's Population Growth

Inyourviewwhat otherfactor's influence the Nigeria population figures and growth?

| Table 49 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unemployment | 4 | 6 |  |  |
| Various other factors | 9 | 14 |  |  |
| Access to medical care | 1 | 3 | 1 |  |
| Social vices | 1 | 0 |  | 2 |
| High and uncontrolled birth rate | 84 | 74 |  | 2 |
| No data | 72 | 79 |  |  |
| Conflict and Insecurity | 3 | 4 |  |  |
| Government policies and <br> regulations | 14 | 33 |  |  |
| Corruption | 7 | 8 | 1 |  |
| Cultural and Religious | 5 | 40 | 1 |  |
| influences | 13 | 11 |  |  |
| High death rate | 15 | 14 |  |  |
| I do not know | 8 | 13 |  |  |
| Early marriage | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| Climate change factors | 13 | 10 |  |  |
| Unverifiable data | 4 | 0 |  |  |
| High fertility rate | 12 | 16 |  |  |
| Low education | 8 | 17 |  |  |
| Migration | 26 | 7 |  |  |
| Lifestyle | 1 | 0 |  |  |
| Landmass distribution | 26 | 27 |  |  |
| Economic prowesss | 7 | 5 |  |  |
| Access to human and | 334 | 381 |  |  |
| Infrastructural amenities |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |



The analysis above shows that the major Fcator that affects the population growth as stated by the respondents is majorly around non-control on childbirth and reproduction. This corroborates the objectives of this study showing that birth control is very central to controlling the population of Nigeria.

## Beliefs around Sexual Reproductive Health Rights

What is your view on contraceptives?

| Table 50 | Female | Male | Both sexes | Gender Neutral |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Should be made accessible | 6 | 3 | 1 |  |
| No data | 60 | 80 | 1 | 2 |
| Should be encouraged | 46 | 63 | 1 | 1 |
| Should be restricted and monitored | 13 | 7 |  |  |
| I do not know | 28 | 39 |  |  |
| Should be discouraged among girls | 16 | 23 |  |  |
| Has some negative health implication | 12 | 6 |  |  |
| Serves as birth control measure | 116 | 117 |  |  |
| Must be made mandatory | 9 | 9 |  | 1 |
| There are religious and cultural bias | 5 | 4 |  |  |
| Prefer to be neutral about it | 3 | 5 |  |  |
| More awareness is needed | 6 | 10 |  | 1 |
| Self-health | 14 | 15 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 334 | 381 | 3 | 5 |



233 out of 723 respondents believe that contraceptives serve as birth control measure. This number is $32.23 \%$ of the entire study population. This is not up to half of the respondents. It calls for increased education and awareness creation among the citizens. Others in the group believe that contraceptive when it relates to reproductive rights should be made accessible, be encouraged, restricted, and monitored, discouraged among girls, has some negative health implication, must be made mandatory, there are religious and cultural bias. 216, which represent $29.86 \%$ of the study group were not specific with their responses which ranged from not knowing what to say, preferred to be neutral to no response at all. The fact remains that a greater number of the study group had one belief or another and any intervention would require a close study of this survey analysis to provide structured materials for intervention.

Accessibility to contraceptives by Nigerian girls and women:

| Table 51 | MALE |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Should be made accessible | 64 | 47 |  | GEMALE | BOTH SEXES |
| Go data | 99 | 64 | 2 | 2 |  |
| Should be encouraged | 20 | 37 | 1 |  |  |
| Should be restricted and monitored | 7 | 21 |  |  |  |
| I do not know | 45 | 27 |  |  |  |
| Should be discouraged among girls | 12 | 6 |  |  |  |
| There is low level access | 23 | 35 |  |  |  |
| Serves as birth control measure | 13 | 5 |  |  |  |
| No specific or unrelated data | 5 | 3 |  |  |  |
| Should be controlled by government | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |
| More awareness is needed | 17 | 8 |  |  |  |
| It's expensive | 6 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Religious and cultural bias | 3 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Very accessible | 66 | 70 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 381 | 334 |  | 3 |  |



163 participants did not respond to the question on access to contraceptives by Nigerian girls and women. This is $22.55 \%$ of the study population. 136 (18.81\%) are of the view that contraceptives are very accessible to Nigerian girls and women. The rest had different recommendations as how they consider the accessibility: make contraceptives, restricted and monitored, affordable., encouraging use of contraceptives, discouraged among girls. Low level access, serves as birth control Measures, be controlled by government, more awareness needed. 8 persons said contraceptives are expensive, whereas another 8 talked about religious and cultural bias.

Is your state government making contraceptives accessible to all who need it?

| Table 52 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 14 | 7 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 142 | 116 | 1 | 4 |
| NO | 96 | 76 | 1 |  |
| YES | 129 | 135 | 1 | 5 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 |  |



This chart speaks to the role of government in making contraceptives accessible to the people. The responses ranged from No knowledge to yes and No response at all. 264 persons responded YES to the question. This is $36.51 \%$ of the total respondents. $258,35.68^{\wedge}$ do not know if they want the government to make it accessible or not, whereas 172 (23.79\%) said outright NO to the idea of the government ensuring access to contraceptives. 22 persons did not respond to the question. the margin between YES and no knowledge if the government should make contraceptive accessible is very slim which could mean that there is low knowledge about what role the government should play in making contraceptives accessible and when added to the NO responses, it becomes clear that the role of government needs to be clearly defined in access to contraceptives.

Should your state government make contraceptives accessible to all who need it?

| Table 53 | MALE | FEMALE |  | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 13 | 11 |  | 1 |  |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 52 | 34 | 1 | 2 |  |
| NO | 63 | 45 |  |  |  |
| YES | 253 | 244 | 2 | 2 |  |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 | 5 |  |



On the question if the state government should make contraceptives accessible, 501 persons said YES, meaning a greater number of the survey size, $62.29 \%$ is of the opinion that the state government should make contraceptives accessible to the people especially girls and women. However, 108 (14.94\%) out of the study population said NO to state government making contraceptives accessible. 24 of the participants did not respond to the question while 89 were not sure if they would want government to make contraceptives accessible. In all, a greater number of the participants would want the government to make contraceptives accessible.

## I. Education

## In your view is education accessible to boys and girls in your locality?

| Table 54 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 14 | 7 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 61 | 43 |  | 2 |
| NO | 72 | 61 | 1 |  |
| YES | 234 | 223 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 | 5 |



Study participants knowledge on access to education for the boys and girls, $63.76 \%$ which is 461 said YES to boys and girls having access to education. 134 (18.53\%) are of the opinion that boys and girls do not have access to education. 106 (14.66\%) do not have any idea if girls and boys have access to education while 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question. From the response, the participants are of the view that girls and boys have access to education.

Things that should be in place to make universal basic education accessible to all especially to the girl child in your locality.

| Table 55 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investment in Education infrastructure | 55 | 53 |  |  |
| Addressing Religious and Traditional issues/barriers | 17 | 7 | 1 | 1 |
| Localized control | 3 | 3 |  |  |
| Accessible and affordable (free) education | 105 | 94 | 1 |  |
| Improved human capital | 13 | 12 |  |  |
| No specific detail | 28 | 27 |  |  |
| Improve government policies | 10 | 20 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 4 | 15 |  | 1 |
| Improved Economic capacity | 5 | 5 |  |  |
| Addressing stereotypes | 14 | 25 |  |  |
| Various factors | 3 | 2 |  |  |
| Ensure secure educational facilities | 16 | 25 |  |  |
| No data | 61 | 79 |  | 2 |
| Learning pattern and environment |  | 14 | 1 |  |
|  | 334 | 381 | 3 | 5 |



## AWARENESS ON ANY INTERVENTION IN THE LOCALITY ALREADY?

| \|able 56 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 14 | 7 |  | 1 |
| YES | 28 | 36 |  |  |
| I DO NOT K NOW | 110 | 93 |  | 3 |
| NO | 229 | 198 | 3 | 1 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 | 5 |



Awareness level on any intervention in the locality is very low as 59.61\% (431 respondents) indicated that there are NO interventions in the locality. 206 (28.49) do not have an idea of any intervention in the locality. 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question.

The intervention in various states as listed by the study group:

| Table 57 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FEMALE RESPONDENTS |  | MALE RESPONDENTS |
| Available interventions |  | Available interventions |
| Female respondents |  | Male respondents |
| Universal Basic Education project |  | World Bank sponsored AGILE project |
| Girl child targeted programs |  | Government interventions in schools |
| Grants for women |  | Universal Basic Education project |
| Empowerment programs and skill acquisition |  | Free education initiatives |
| Apprenticeship programs |  | Non-Governmental interventions and projects |
| Government interventions (school infrastructural projects) |  | Voluntary teachers |
| Non-governmental initiatives |  | Policies on anti-child trafficking |
| School feeding programs |  | State policies on LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND Initiative |
| Campaign against child trafficking |  | Pad-up a child initiative |
| SGBV projects |  |  |
| Free education initiatives |  |  |
| STATES | FEMALE | MALE |
| FCT Abuja | 9 | 5 |
| Bauchi | 1 | 1 |
| Cross river |  | 3 |
| Delta | 1 |  |
| Ebonyi | 2 | 1 |
| Edo | 1 |  |
| Ekiti | 1 | 2 |
| Enugu | 1 |  |
| Gombe |  | 1 |
| Imo |  | 1 |
| Jigawa |  | 1 |
| Kaduna |  | 3 |
| Kogi | 1 | 1 |
| Kwara | 1 | 2 |
| Katsina |  | 1 |
| Lagos | 6 | 2 |
| Nasarawa | 2 | 1 |
| Ondo | 3 | 2 |
| Oyo | 3 |  |
| Taraba | 1 |  |
| Yobe |  | 1 |



A total of 21 states including FCT participated in the survey. They responded on the available interventions in their various states to include; responses from females: Universal Basic Education project, Girl child targeted programs, Grants for women, Empowerment programs and skill acquisition, Apprenticeship programs, Government interventions (school infrastructural projects), School feeding programs, Non-governmental initiatives, Campaign against child trafficking, SGBV projects, Free education initiatives; responses from males: World Bank sponsored AGILE project, Government interventions in schools. Universal Basic Education project, Free education initiatives, non-governmental interventions and projects, Voluntary teachers, Policies on anti-child trafficking, State policies on LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND Initiative, Pad-up a child initiative.

A few interventions exist in the states, but none directly address population or Sexual reproductive Rights Issues. It is therefore important that population or Sexual reproductive Rights Issues are either mainstreamed into the intervention programmes or are strategically implemented as stand-alone intervention programmes.

## Is the cost of education making it inaccessible to all?

| Table 58 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 14 | 7 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 44 | 39 |  | 2 |
| NO | 94 | 82 | 1 | 1 |
| YES | 229 | 206 | 2 | 1 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 | 5 |



The cost of education is considered inaccessible by the respondents. A total of 408 respondents, which represent $60.58 \%$ of the study population consider education inaccessible due to the high cost of it. 178 which is $24.62 \%$ consider it accessible; while 85 (17.76\%) do not know if it is accessible or not and 22 (3.04\%) did not respond to the question. Summarily, education is considered inaccessible.

What in your view, should be in place to enable universal basic education accessible to all especially the girl child in your locality?

Table 59

| Responses | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Make it compulsory | 6 | 5 |  | 1 |
| Investment in Education infrastructure | 44 | 48 |  |  |
| Addressing Religious and Traditional <br> issues/barriers | 3 | 3 |  |  |
| Localized control | 0 | 1 |  |  |
| Accessible and affordable (free) education | 117 | 124 | 1 |  |
| Improved human capital | 4 | 7 |  |  |
| No specific detail | 27 | 17 | 1 |  |
| Improve government policies | 8 | 7 |  | 1 |
| I do not know | 4 | 19 |  | 1 |
| Improved Economic capacity | 4 | 13 |  |  |
| Addressing stereotypes | 4 | 12 |  |  |
| Various factors | 2 | 0 |  | 2 |
| Ensure secure educational facilities | 9 | 24 |  |  |
| No data | 74 | 74 |  |  |
| Learning parttern | 16 | 11 |  |  |
| Creation of more awareness | 7 | 11 | 1 |  |
| Create alternate education models | 5 | 5 |  |  |



From the illustration above, 242 respondents ( 117 female, 124 male and 1 both sexes) affirmed that the major contributor to lack of education among the girl child is not affordable education among other factors that might also significantly affect this concept. Judging from the fact that there is Universal Basic Education Scheme which is supposed to give every child of basic school age the privileged to attend basis education. But what we see here translates to a conclusion that either they are not aware that basic education is free or that the implementation is not very effective.

## HB. Agencies and Institutions relevant to Nigeria Population Management

## 1. Have you ever been engaged on Nigeria population matters?

| Table 60 | MALE | FEMALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 19 | 10 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |
| NO | 326 | 291 | 3 | 4 |
| YES | 36 | 33 |  | 5 |
|  | 381 | 334 | 3 |  |



69 ( $9.54 \%$ ) accepted to have been engaged in population matters, but a greater percentage, $86.31 \%$ (624) said they have not been engaged. 30 (4.15\%) participants did not respond to the question.

By who? i.e., if you had been engaged on population matters.

| Table 61 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Responses | Female | Male |
| An agent | 6 | 3 |
| An educationist | 1 |  |
| By my guardian | 1 |  |
| Elders | 1 |  |
| Federal government | 1 | 3 |
| Friends /Colleagues | 1 | 3 |
| I can't remember | 1 |  |
| I don't know their names | 1 |  |
| My (Course) adviser | 2 |  |
| My Lecturer/teacher | 3 | 2 |
| National population commission (authority) | 10 | 18 |
| My course of study | 1 |  |
| Youth Leaders | 1 | 1 |
| Social media handles |  | 1 |
| This particular exercise |  | 1 |
| NGOs and civil society organization |  | 1 |



The respondents identified the following organizations, persons and offices as those that engaged them on population matters; An agent, an educationist, by my guardian, Elders, Federal government, Friends /Colleagues, I can't remember, I don't know their names, My (Course) adviser, My Lecturer/teacher, National population commission (authority), My course of study, Youth Leaders, Social media handles, This particular exercise, NGOs and civil society organization. It is established from the responses that most of the respondents were engaged by Non-State Actors which means that any effective engagement on population issues should involve peers. Family members and educational institutions.

| Table 62 | FEMALE | MALE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 12 | 4 |
| Abuja | 3 | 4 |
| Anambra | 1 |  |
| Bauchi State | 1 | 2 |
| Cross River | 1 |  |
| Delta | 1 | 1 |
| Ebonyi | 1 | 2 |
| Edo State | 1 |  |
| Kaduna State | 1 | 2 |
| Kebbi state. | 6 |  |
| Kogi |  | 3 |
| Ogun |  | 1 |
| Oyo |  | 2 |
| Adamawa |  | 1 |
| Ekiti |  | 1 |
| Imo |  | 7 |
| Plateau |  | 1 |
| Kano |  | 2 |
| Kwara |  | 1 |
| Nasarawa |  | 1 |
| Oyo |  | 1 |
| Plateau |  |  |
| Taraba |  |  |
| Yobe |  |  |



This chart speak to where the respondents that identified the groups that engaged them on population issues. Top on the list is Abuja, the Federal Capital Territory with 16 respondents with the least respondents were from Bauchi, Plateau, Ekiti, Nasarawa Kano, Ogun and Delta. Out of 723 study population, 66 of them responded. This is $9.13 \%$ of the entire study population. This implies that level of engagement by both state and non-state actors is very low. This can also affect the knowledge level of the citizens, uptake of population services and access to information on population issues.

## How were you engaged in population matters?

| Table 63 | Female | Male |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Informal medium | 4 | 4 |
| Targeted project/non-governmental <br> intervention | 16 | 3 |
| Population census process | 8 | 8 |
| Course of study | 1 | 1 |
| During the course of work | 1 | 3 |
| As a respondent | 1 |  |

How respondents were engaged on population matters


Means and level of engagement included Informal medium, Targeted project/nongovernmental intervention, population census, course of study, during the course work and as a respondent. 19 out of 50 respondents were engaged through targeted projects/nongovernmental intervention.

Last time of engagement:

| Table 64 | Male | Female |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1 9 9 1}$ | 1 |  |
| 2004 | 1 |  |
| 2005 | 2 | 2 |
| 2006 | 2 | 5 |
| 2007 |  | 1 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ |  | 1 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ |  | 2 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ |  | 6 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |  | 7 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |  | 5 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ |  |  |
| During population census | 2 |  |
| I can't remember | 1 | 2 |
| Now | 1 |  |
| Some years ago, | 6 |  |
| Subsequently | 1 |  |
| No data | 12 | 2 |
|  | 36 | 33 |



A greater number engaged 9 was in 2019 while 14 did not respond to the question on when he/she was engaged last.

Number of times engaged

| Table 64 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Frequency | Female | Male |
| Once | 17 | 20 |
| Twice | 8 | 8 |
| Thrice | 3 | 2 |
| Four times | 2 |  |
| Five times | 1 |  |
| No data | 2 | 2 |
| Six times |  | 1 |
| Can't recount |  | 1 |
| Few times |  | 1 |
| Many times, |  | 1 |



Most of the respondents 37 were engaged once. 16 engaged twice, 5 engaged thrice the rest were engaged five or six times.

This also shows that there is no frequent engagement on the issue as less than $10 \%$ of the respondents have had any form of engagement at any frequency at all.

In your view, who should plan for Nigeria's population?

| Table 65 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Government and its agencies | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| All citizen | 26 | 29 | 1 |  |
| Authorized/responsible government entity | 177 | 196 |  | 2 |
| Both Government and citizens | 29 | 33 |  |  |
| Religious and traditional leaders | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| No specific detail | 11 | 7 |  |  |
| Health care system | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |
| Ido not know | 7 | 11 |  |  |
| Let nature take its course | 1 | 2 |  | 1 |
| Nobody | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |
| Research outfits | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| subject matter Experts | 73 | 0 |  | 1 |
| No data |  | 1 |  |  |
| Nobody | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Government and non-governmental <br> institutions | 1 | 4 |  |  |
| Government and Traditional leaders |  | 1 |  |  |
| International bodies |  | 1 |  |  |
| Government and private sector | 334 | 381 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

RESPONSIBLEENTITYFOR PLANNING POPULATION IN NIGERIA
$\simeq$ FEMALE $\simeq$ MALE $\quad$ - BOTHSEXES $\quad$ GENDERNEUTRAL


From the analysis above, 373 respondents ( 177 female, 196 male), representing over $50 \%$ of the respondents, stated that it is the responsibility of the government and its responsible personnel or entities to regulate the issues around population control within the different levels of government.

## What do you perceive to be the role of the government in Nigeria's population management?

| Table 66 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Government and its agencies | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| All citizen | 26 | 29 | 1 |  |
| Authorized/responsible government entity | 177 | 196 |  | 2 |
| Both Government and citizens | 29 | 33 |  |  |
| Religiuos and traditional leaders | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| No specific detail | 11 | 7 |  |  |
| Health care system | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| I do not know | 7 | 11 |  | 1 |
| Let nature take its course | 1 | 2 |  |  |
| Nobody | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Research outfits | 3 | 3 |  |  |
| subject matter Experts | 1 | 0 |  | 1 |
| No data | 73 | 88 | 1 | 1 |
| Nobody |  | 1 |  |  |
| Government and Non-Governmental institutions | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Government and Traditional leaders | 1 | 4 |  |  |
| International bodies |  | 1 |  |  |
| Government and private sector |  | 1 |  |  |



The perception of the participants on the role of government includes providing facilities, laws and policy enactment, channeling resources to family planning, getting the people involved in the planning, birth control, education, and awareness programmes on population control, ban early marriage, conduct census, create job opportunities, utilizing the population to create wealth. $188(26.00 \%)$ participants did not respond to the question, while responses from 13 are not relevant to the study. 84 (11.62\%) which is the topmost in the list perceive that the government should have laws and policies in place. This is followed by 69 ( $9.54 \%$ ) which is ( 38 females and 31 males) education and awareness creation. This means that having adequate laws and policies in place with sustained education and awareness creation will to a great extend address population issues.

Population awareness ambassador: how have you found participating in this Nigerian population survey?

| Table 67 | Female | Male | Both sexes | Gender neutral |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A waste of time | 7 | 14 |  |  |
| Enlightening | 262 | 300 | 3 | 3 |
| Nothing I did not know before | 32 | 33 |  |  |
| No difference | 27 | 24 | 1 |  |
| No Data | 6 | 10 | 1 |  |



Considered very important to the survey is the thought of the participants in the survey. The responses include a waste of time, enlightening, nothing (I do not know), No difference, No data. The respondents on enlightening are 562 (77.73\%) of the study group. It therefore informs that most of the people will be interested in information on population matters. The remaining 161 ( $22.27 \%$ ) is significant to be ignored and considered an important group to be engaged strategically to understand the importance of population and its impact on the society.

Do you think ordinary nigerians need nigerian population literacy/awareness generally?

| Table 68 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 9 | 10 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 25 | 30 |  | 2 |
| NO | 28 | 27 |  | 2 |
| YES | 272 | 314 | 3 | 2 |



The YES responses to the question on the table above is a call to education (formal and informal), awareness creation and any other means that will be useful in sharing information on population issues. 591 ( $81.74 \%$ ) says YES to ordinary Nigerians needing population literacy/awareness creation. 55 ( $7.61 \%$ ) said it is not important while 57 ( $7.88 \%$ ) said they do not know. 20 (20.77\%) did not respond to the question.

What points are you taking away from participating in this survey?

| Table 69 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH <br> SEXES | GENDER <br> NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| More active involvement | 7 | 5 |  |  |
| Various lessons | 10 | 4 |  |  |
| Taking gender issues more seriously | 7 | 9 |  |  |
| The importance of population | 28 | 16 |  |  |
| Birth control and population growth | 15 | 7 |  |  |
| Education and Awareness programmes <br> on population control | 82 | 74 | 1 | 1 |
| Positive impression | 10 | 37 |  |  |
| I do not know | 5 | 9 |  | 1 |
| Indifferent | 5 | 4 |  |  |
| Population effect on economy | 17 | 16 | 1 |  |
| Social infrastructure and population | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| Inclusion and impact | 3 | 4 |  |  |
| No data | 134 | 160 | 1 | 3 |
| Population planning is inevitable | 10 | 27 |  |  |
| Population and Climate change issues |  | 4 |  |  |
| Negative impression |  | 2 |  |  |
|  | 334 | 381 | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |

Commitment fo follow on engagement on population matters



More active involvement, Various lessons, taking gender issues more seriously, the importance of population, Birth control and population growth, Education and Awareness programmes on population control, Positive impression, Population effect on economy, social infrastructure and population Inclusion and impact, Population planning is inevitable. Population and Climate change issues Negative impressions were taken away from the participants in the survey. Some said they had a bad impression, and yet others did not respond. 294 (40.66\%), which is a significant number, did not respond. 2 ( $0.28 \%$ ) males had negative impressions about the survey that were not mentioned. I do not know. 15 had "NO IDEA" of what to say.

Given the opportunity, would you like to be a community population champion?

| Table 70 | FEMALE | MALE | BOTH SEXES | GENDER NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NO DATA | 6 | 11 |  | 1 |
| I DO NOT KNOW | 43 | 42 |  | 3 |
| NO | 59 | 84 |  |  |
| YES | 226 | 244 | 3 | 1 |
|  | 334 | 381 | 3 | 5 |


$65.56 \%$ (474) participants indicated interest to be community population champions implying that peer education and community-based activities could be part of the strategies in engaging the society on population issues. 143 (19.78\%) said NO to becoming community population champions without further reasons stated. 18 (2.49\%) did not respond whereas 85 (11.76\%) said they do not know if they would want to be community population champions (CPCs).

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