

Government costs	Notes
Modern contraception costs (annualized)	
Direct cost per contraceptive user (Sully et al. 2020) [46]	\$5.00 [46] LMICs
Indirect cost per contraceptive user (Sully et al. 2020) [46]	\$5.10 [47] LMICs
Total cost per contraceptive user (Sully et al. 2020)	\$10.10 CMC
Total cost per contraceptive user (Siddiqui et al. 2012)	\$14.67 [48] LMICs
Total cost per contraceptive user (Black et al. 2015)	\$10.80 [49] Low-income countries over 2010-2035 period, cost of eliminating unmet need for all women who desire to prevent a pregnancy
Average total cost per contraceptive user	\$12.62 [29] CMC
Savings from avoided pregnancies (annualized)	
Average fertility rate	4.5 [51] Low-income countries
Years of reproductive age	25 [52]
Percentage of births delivered in government facilities	75% [53] LMICs
Average births to government facilities per year of reproductive age	8.10 CMC
Government cost per pregnancy	\$87 [54] Uganda 2012, proxy for LMIC cost
Government cost savings per couple/year of production per woman with unmet need for contraception who wants to stop having children	\$8.10 CMC
Of women of reproductive age with unmet need for contraception, % who want to stop having children	50% [55] LMICs
Government annual cost savings per woman with unmet need for contraception requiring modern contraception	\$4.05 CMC
Overall cost:	
Annual net cost per woman with unmet need for contraception	\$6.56 CMC

	Burkina Faso	5 West African countries	Guinea	Benin	Togo	Sierra Leone	Niger	Notes
Women reached	3,819,749	10,763,131	1,931,532	2,624,950	1,781,751	1,400,273	3,024,624	See "Sample costs and coverage" sheet
From 2020 WB data	5.0 [56]	5.1 [57]	4.6 [58]	4.7 [59]	4.2 [60]	4.1 [61]	6.7 [62]	From 2020 WB data
Modern contraceptive use (%)	31% [63]	14% [64]	10% [65]	12% [66]	22% [67]	21% [68]	11% [69]	From UN World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset
Unmet need for family planning (%)	23% [70]	24% [71]	18% [72]	32% [73]	34% [74]	25% [75]	15% [76]	From UN World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset
Radio ownership (% households), year varies by country	70% [77]	61% [78]	52% [79]	73% [80]	73% [81]	55% [82]	52% [83]	Year varies by country, see cell notes

C group mean (%) [29.50%	
T group effect (pp) [5.90%	
T group effect (%)	20%	Calc
T group SE [86]	0.03	
95% CI lower limit	0.02%	Calc
95% CI upper limit	11.78%	Calc

[1] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021, Pg 3.

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[9] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021, Pg 3.

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[11] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021, Pg 3.

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[16] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021, Pg 3.

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[17] A couple-year of protection (CYP) represents a year during which a couple is protected against unintended pregnancies.

<https://www.usaid.gov/global-health/health-areas/family-planning/couple-years-protection-cyp>

[18] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 did not ask respondents about the duration of their contraceptive use, so we assume respondents currently using contraception is equivalent to 1.5 years of contraceptive use. This is a guess based loosely on ~6 months for the mass media campaign to result in initial contraceptive take-up and subsequent protection for an average of 1.5 years during and/or following the intervention. We are highly uncertain about this.

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[19] The estimated units of value assigned to one couple-year of protection are derived from preliminary work done by GiveWell staff members. This work is not currently public and is highly uncertain.

[20] We view the evidence's internal validity as medium and apply a 50% downward adjustment. The primary reason for this is that the current evidence base relies on one high-quality RCT. This RCT was pre-registered and appears to be adequately powered. However, the researchers redefined their primary outcome and their current analysis is limited to a working paper.

[21] We apply a 25% downward adjustment. We adjust downwards by 40 percentage points since our evidence is based on a one-country RCT, but adjust upwards by 15 percentage points with the expectation that this program would usually be replicated in secure areas in which the modern contraceptive prevalence rate would increase more than in insecure areas due to uninterrupted implementation, more reliable health services, and larger demand effects.

We are highly uncertain about our upward adjustment for replications in secure contexts, but believe this is a reasonable guess since 1 of 8 (i.e., 12.5%) treatment clusters stopped receiving treatment after six months (Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021, Pg. 12). We have 80% confidence this adjustment should be between 5% and 50%, but this is not based on any analysis.

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[22] The government would provide additional funding to fully cover the intervention. The philanthropic donation therefore funges with the government and value of donating is equivalent to the marginal value of government funds.

We believe there is a small probability that government costs would replace philanthropic costs. However, we would guess there is some probability government costs would replace philanthropic costs.

[23] The government would continue funding the program at the same level as it currently does. Government financial costs are neither leveraged nor funged.

[24] The program would not happen without the donation. So a charity's funding leverages all other actors' funding.

[25] Estimates from similar programming, based on information internal to GiveWell, December 2020.

Exchange rate calculation using average of range: $=\text{average}(1.5,2.5)*2.7$

Uses Google exchange rate 2020-12-29

[26] Based on fixed vs variable costs for Burkina Faso, scaled. Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 49 Table 8.

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[29] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 49 Table 8.

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[30] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 49 Table 8.

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[32] http://ghdx.healthdata.org/sites/default/files/record-attached-files/IHME_GBD_2019_POP_2010_2019_0.zip

[33] http://ghdx.healthdata.org/sites/default/files/record-attached-files/IHME_GBD_2019_POP_2010_2019_0.zip

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[37] Based on estimate for Burkina Faso scale-up reaching 83% of the population, further adjusted for country radio ownership rates.

"When the program was scaled-up nationally, the number of radio stations broadcasting the campaign increased from 8 to 39. We use data on each radio broadcasting area (computed by DMI) to calculate that approximately 83% of the population of Burkina Faso is reached by the national campaign." Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 29.

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[42] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 49 Table 8.

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[43] Glennerster, Murray, and Pouliquen 2021 Pg 49 Table 8.

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[44] "Direct costs are estimated using a bottom-up ingredients approach, meaning that the costs of resources required to provide a given service are added together to produce a total cost. These costs include personnel time; contraceptive commodities; medications, diagnostic tests and consumable supplies (referred to as drugs and supplies); and food costs during hospital stays. Personnel time includes the provision of information and counseling...Most of the sources we use to estimate direct costs for contraceptive commodities, drugs and supplies reflect public-sector prices." Sully et al 2020 Pg 9.

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[45] Sully et al. 2020 Pg 16 Table 2.1 (Annual costs of contraceptive services in LMICs, 2019)

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[46] "Indirect costs, referred to as programs and systems costs, are estimated by applying region-specific markup rates to direct costs. Programs and systems costs cover 10 categories: program management, staff supervision, monitoring and evaluation, human resources development, transport and telecommunications, health education and outreach, advocacy, infrastructure and equipment, commodity supply systems and health information systems." Sully et al 2020 Pg 9.

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[47] [Total costs minus direct costs] Sully et al. 2020 Pg 16 Table 2.1 (Annual costs of contraceptive services in LMICs, 2019)

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[48] Babigumira et al. 2012. "Potential Cost-Effectiveness of Universal Access to Modern Contraceptives in Uganda." Pg 4 Table 3.

<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0030735>

[49] "we also estimated the cost of eliminating unmet need for all women who desire to prevent a pregnancy, but do not currently use effective contraceptive methods, by 2035 (Stenberg and others 2014). In this scenario, 208 million additional users are reached during this period at a total cost of US\$2.9 billion or US\$14.0 per additional user (US\$15.8 per additional user for low-, US\$10.0 for lower-middle-, and

US\$24.4 for upper-middle-income countries)" Black et al. 2012 Table 1.5 (Average Additional Modern Contraceptive Users, Cost per Additional User, and Incremental Costs over the Period 2013–35 (2012 U.S. dollars))

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK361907/pdf/Bookshelf_NBK361907.pdf

[50] \$14.67 cost from Babigumira et al. 2012 Pg 4 Table 3.

<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0030735>

[51] World Bank data 2020 (most recent available) <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.DYN.TFRT.IN?locations=XM>

[52] "women of reproductive age (15–49)" Sully et al. 2020 Pg 4.

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[53] "Across LMICs, about three-fourths of women deliver their babies in a health facility." Sully et al. 2020 Pg 20.

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[54] Babigumira et al. 2012 Pg 4 Table 3

<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0030735>

[55] "In LMICs as a whole, women with an unmet need for modern contraception are divided nearly evenly between women who want to postpone (or space) births and those who want to stop having children or avoid childbearing altogether" Sully et al 2020 Pg 12.

https://www.guttmacher.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/adding-it-up-investing-in-sexual-reproductive-health-2019.pdf

[56] World Bank data: <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.DYN.TFRT.IN>

[57] Weighted average

[58] World Bank data: <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.DYN.TFRT.IN>

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[62] World Bank data: <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.DYN.TFRT.IN>

[63] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

[64] Weighted average

[65] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

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[72] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

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[74] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

[75] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

[76] World Contraceptive Use 2020 dataset: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/data/world-contraceptive-use>

[77] Data year: 2007

UN International Telecommunication Union World Telecommunication/ICT Database 2020. Data extraction: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1klI8wDzKAB2uehcnmG5I6jYPfXfD13I7>

[78] Weighted average

[79] Data year: 2014

UN International Telecommunication Union World Telecommunication/ICT Database 2020. Data extraction: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1klI8wDzKAB2uehcnmG5I6jYPfXfD13I7>

[80] Data year: 2006

UN International Telecommunication Union World Telecommunication/ICT Database 2020. Data extraction: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1klI8wDzKAB2uehcnmG5I6jYPfXfD13I7>

[81] Data year: 2006

UN International Telecommunication Union World Telecommunication/ICT Database 2020. Data extraction: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1klI8wDzKAB2uehcnmG5I6jYPfXfD13I7>

[82] Data year: 2019

"The second most common household possession is a radio (55%)" Sierra Leone DHS survey <https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FR365/FR365.pdf>

[83] Data year: 2012

"Tableau 2.4 Biens possédés par les ménages. Radio, ensemble, 51.9%" Niger 2012 DHS Report Pg 18
Table 2.4

<https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FR277/FR277.pdf>

[84] "...modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR)...relative to the control group prevalence rate of 29.5%." Glennerster, Murray, and Poulouen 2021 Pg 3.

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[85] "The campaign led to a 5.9 percentage point increase (p-value=0.046) in modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR), the primary pre-registered outcome of the study, a 20% increase relative to the control group rate of 29.5%"

Glennerster et al. 2021 Pg. 3 & Pg. 44 Table 3.

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[86] Glennerster et al. 2021 Pg 44 Table 3.

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