



# SAHEL CONTEXT

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DSSR AND PF IN A COVID 19 SITUATION

# DESCRIPTION

The western Sahel region in Africa lies between the Sahara Desert in the north and the Sudanese savannah in the south presents the following data:

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- the highest fertility rate (6.5 per woman) in the world,
- a very low contraceptive prevalence,
- an extremely strong total fertility rate.
- A maternal mortality estimated at about two hundred and twenty-five (225) women per day,
- high morbidity rate: For every woman who dies, approximately thirty (30) others are infirm.



**Resulting in nearly five billion dollars in lost productivity.**

**Paradoxically, this population will double to 450 million by 2050 if nothing is done**

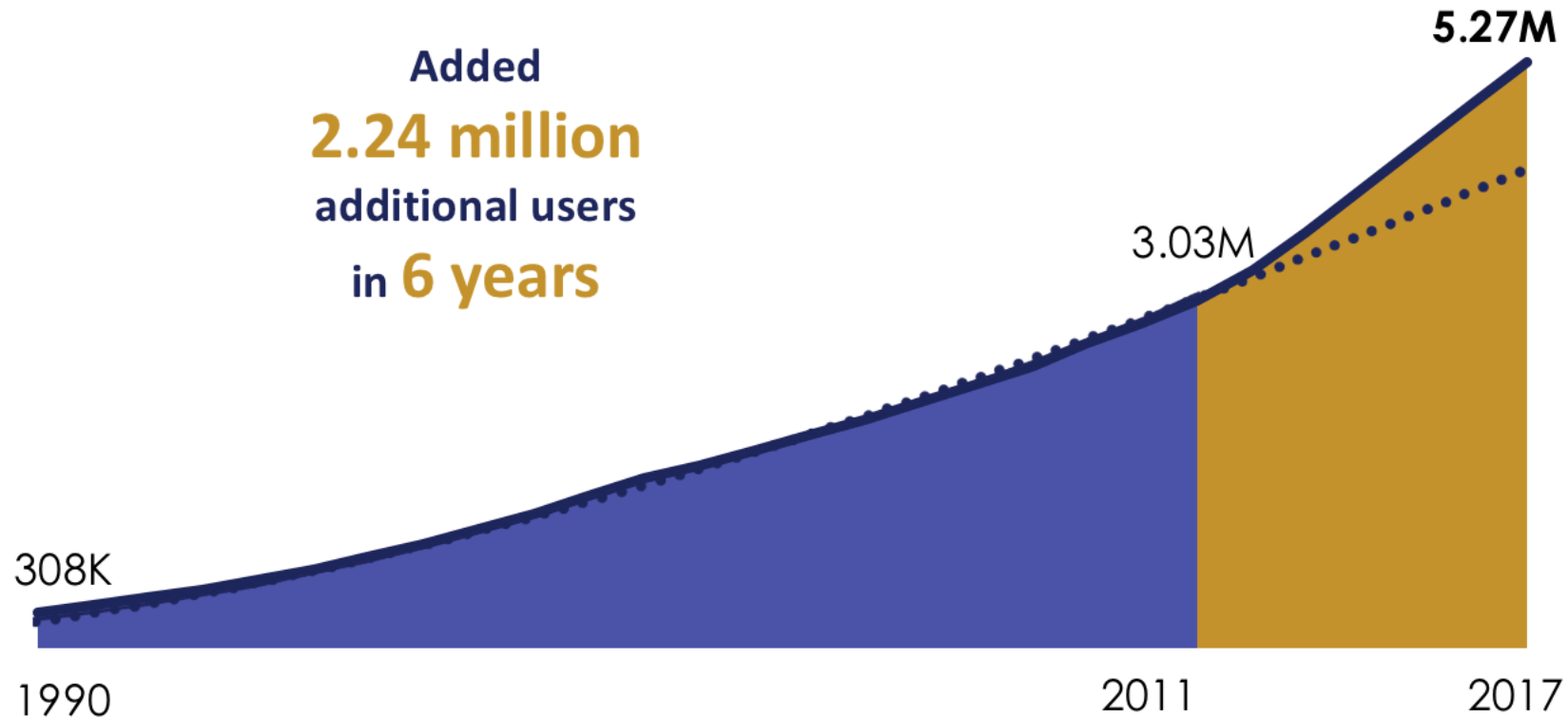
# The challenges of rapid population growth

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**The people have a strong ancestry over the land and its resources:**

- strong pressure on natural resources: gaz, water
- negative influence on the climate: action of global warming with risk of disappearance of certain species or certain regions
- resurgence of diseases (old as new)
- desertification caused by man through his development actions
- mismatch between resource and population

Since 2011, the Ouagadougou Partnership helped increase family planning use in West Africa



Data source: UN Population Division



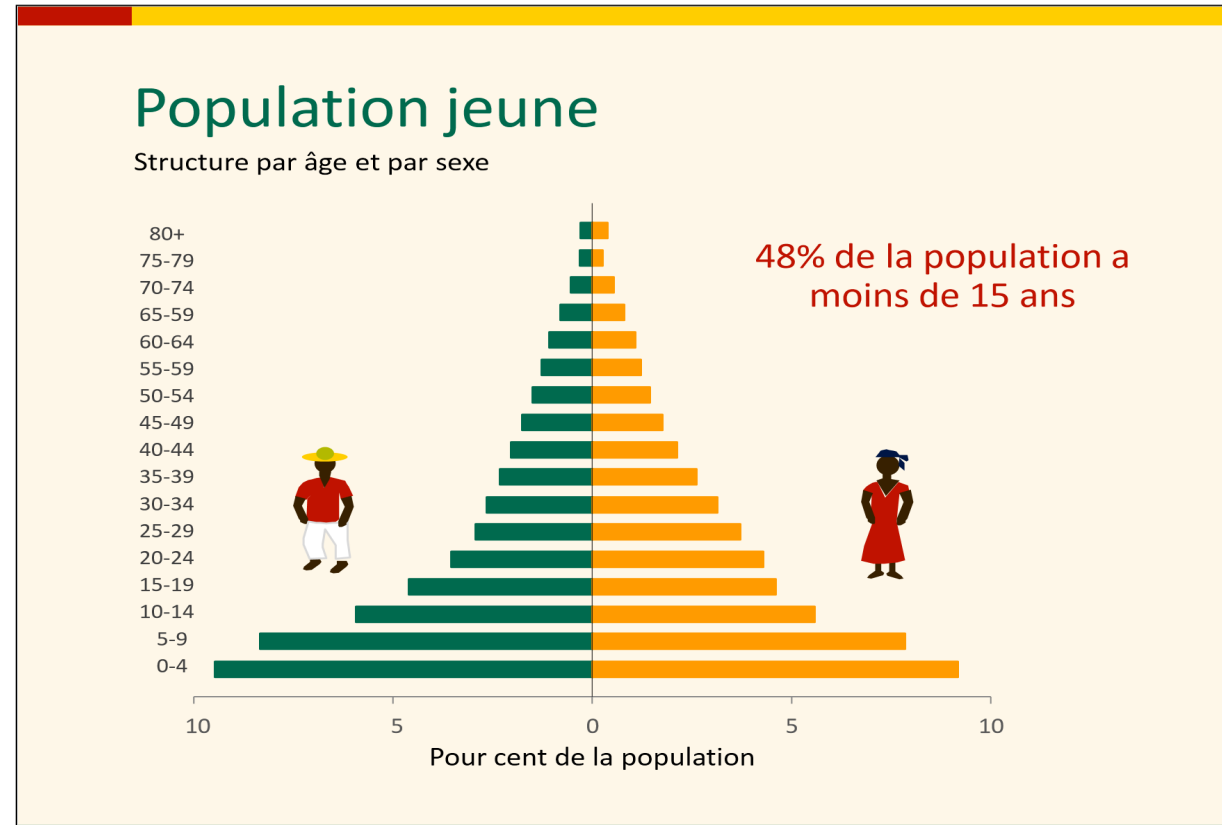
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# Case of Burkina Faso: Population structure

Observation: Burkina Faso's population shows that it is very young, with 48% of people under 15 years old.

The result is a very high child dependency ratio which weighs heavily on the working population and basic social services (education, health, etc.).

This has important implications for the socio-economic development of the country.



# Building resilience in the Sahel in the era of forced displacement

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In the face of jihadist violence, 2 million people have been internally displaced in the Sahel region (according to a press release on January 22, 2021).

April 2021 Burkina Faso has 1 million Burkinabè have been displaced: the number of people in need of assistance in one year has increased by 60% (3.5 million people). (Statement from Wilson Center manager Mark Green in April 2021 discussion)

# Offer of FP Services / Burkina Faso: State of play in during the covid

In a COVID 19 pandemic, the government has taken action to combat:

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- on demonstrations involving more than fifty people;
- establishment of a curfew;
- quarantine of towns affected by this disease;
- compulsory wearing of masks;
- establishment of a coordination unit;
- revision of the response plan;
- development of an orientation guide for the continuity of healthcare and health services in the context of the covid-19 pandemic, etc.

**Instruction to CPCS officials: maintain essential health services in the early hours of this health crisis.**

# EVALUATION OF THE PRECOVID REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (RH) SERVICES

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A cross-sectional quantitative study carried out from 12 to 28 October 2020 by Britannic NGO “**OPTION**” at the level of 73 health facilities highlights certain aspects

This collection concerned the months of March, April, May, June, July and August 2019 and 2020



# Study objectives

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## **Main Objectives**

Assess the capacities of to sanitary training respond not only to Covid19 but also to maintain the continuity of reproductive health services.

## **Specific objectives**

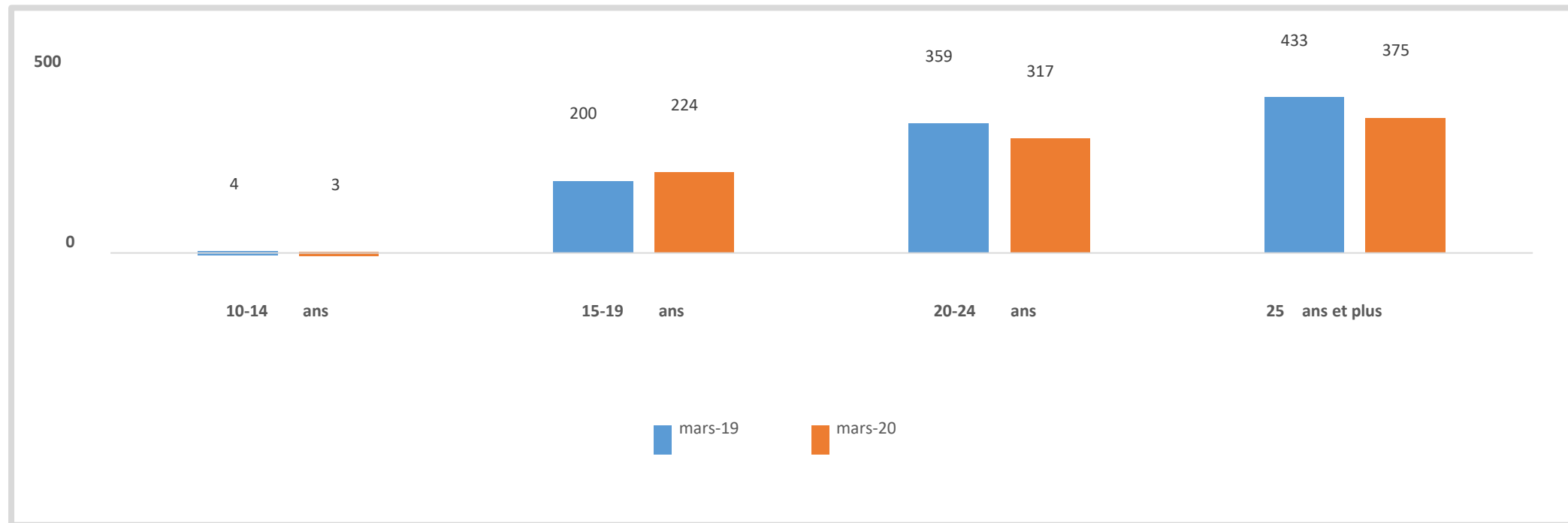
- examine the availability of material and human resources necessary for the provision of family planning and abortion care and services in the context of covid-19;
- assess the use of family planning and abortion care and services in the context of covid19;
- make recommendations for the development of an operational guide for health providers and an advocacy plan for maintaining the continuity of essential human resources services in the context of Covid-19

# Results: Operational capacity index

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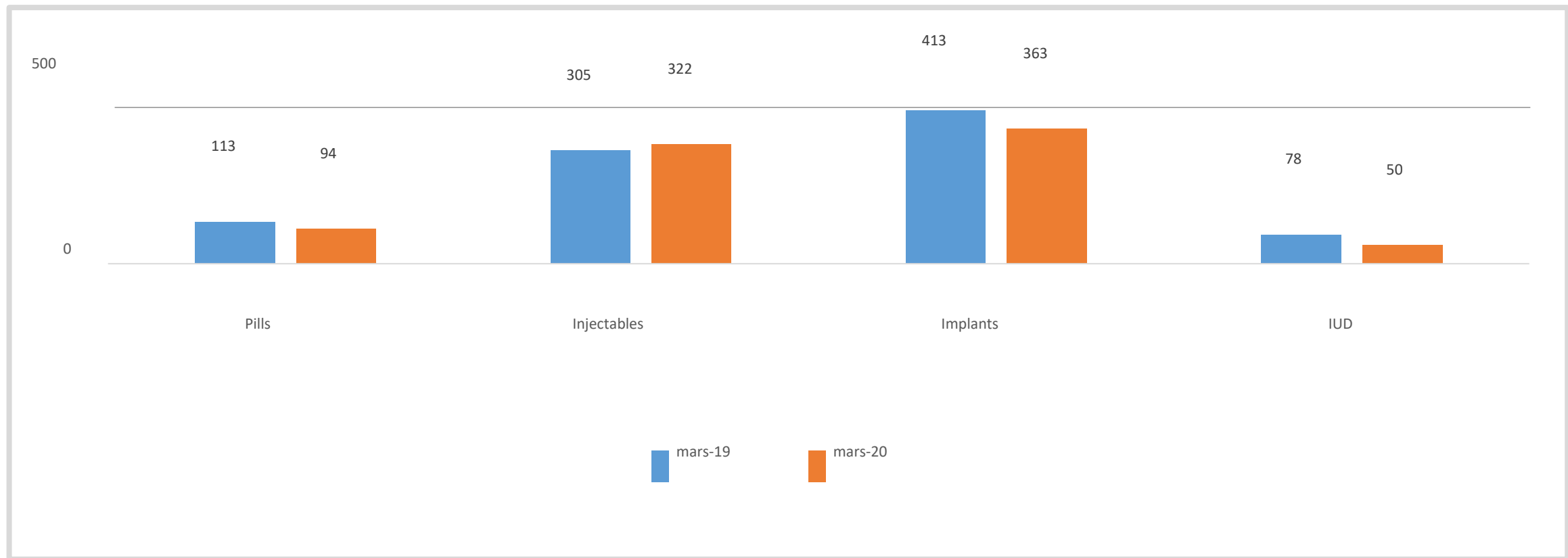
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Result in percentage%</b>
Family Planing data management guidelines and tools	62.7
Health personnel trained in Family Planing	20
Minimum equipment for Family Planing	89.7
Drugs and methods needed for Family Planing	67.1
Measures taken to make Family Planing accessible	28.3
<b>Index</b>	<b>49.6</b>

# New users of family planning by age



**Graphique**

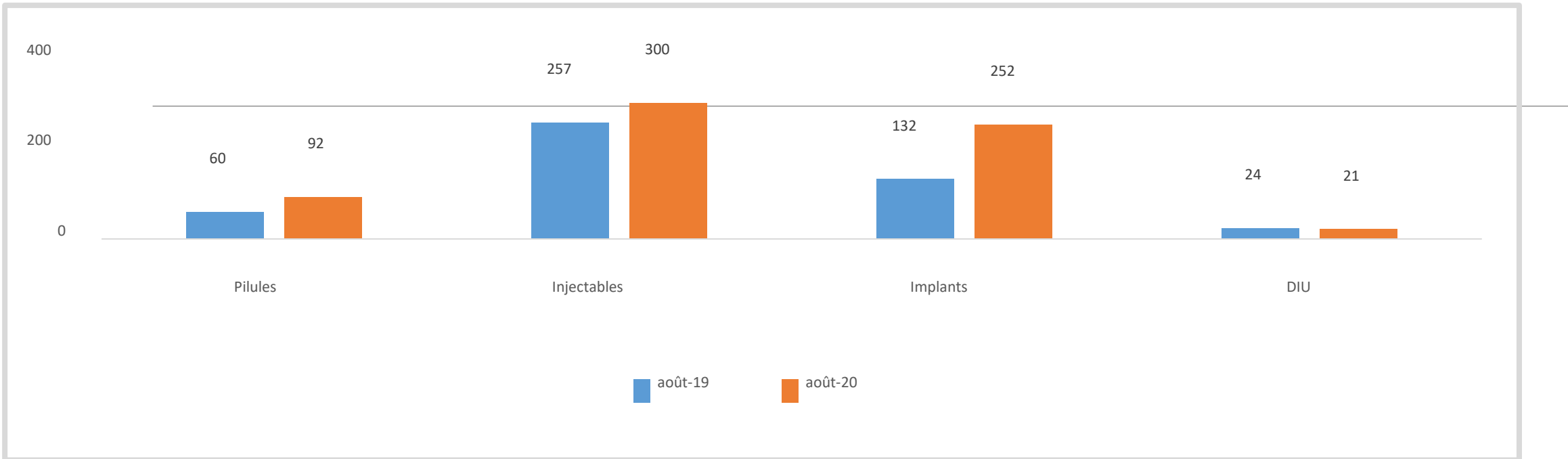
**1** : Breakdown of new users of FP methods of the surveyed health workers



Graphique

2 Distribution of new users of FP methods of FS

Least Used Contraceptives for March 2019 to March 2020



**Graphique** : Répartition des nouvelles utilisatrices des méthodes PF des FS enquêtées par

Increase in new users of the pill, injectable and implants

# Use of safe pregnancy termination care and services

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- 10% of sanitary training surveyed have guidelines and tools for managing elective abortion data and only
- 2.8% have health personnel trained for elective abortion.
- 6% of these sanitary training have a minimum of equipment,
- 3% of all drugs needed for abortion care and services less than
- 1% have taken steps to make healthcare and elective abortion service.



**4% of the sanitary training surveyed have the necessary operational capacities required to maintain elective abortion care and services in a covid-19 situation.**

# CONCLUSION

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The main objective of the study, which was to assess the capacity of 73 health facilities to offer quality care during the COVID period, demonstrated that health care providers do not have the operational capacities necessary to respond to covid-19 and continually provide family planning and elective abortion care and services.



**direct consequence, the under use of family planning training and elective abortion care services**



**hence the urgency to act to maintain the gains made by the Ouagadougou Partnership and hope to achieve the goal for each country in 2030( 1 million for Burkina Faso and 6.500000 new users family planning and abortion service for 9 gouvernement of Ouagadougou Partnership )**



