


MATERNAL DEATH SURVEILLANCE AND RESPONSE (MDSR)

Country Profile for MDSR Implementation

Demographics*

Botswana 

Total Population (in thousand)  2262

Total Births (in thousand)  55

Total Fertility Rate  2.8

Total Maternal Deaths  72



Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR)
Per 100 000 live births

1990  243

2000  311

2015  129

National Policy

Maternal Death Notification

National policy to notify all maternal deaths	Yes
Year of adoption	2012
Zero reporting	Yes
Mechanism for reporting maternal deaths	Notifiable Disease Reporting System

Maternal Death Review

National policy to review all maternal deaths	Yes
Year of adoption	2005
Level of implementation (national/subnational)	Nationally
Involvement of civil society	Yes

Implementation

Existence of a national death review committee	Yes
How often does the national committee meet?	Quarterly
Production of annual report with recommendations (national)	Yes
Existence of a sub-national committee	Yes
Production of annual report with recommendations (sub-national)	Yes
Community representation in sub-national death review committee	No
Existence of a national MDSR plan	Yes



Global Estimates of Maternal Deaths

1990  532 000

2015  303 000

Sources:

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WHO Global MDSR implementation Survey 2015
*For demographics, the reference year is 2015



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