



# Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on CRVS and Planning for the Future in Sierra Leone

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# Data Comparison for Death Registration

- We have data for up to April 2020

- There is a 61 % reduction (variance of 6,643) in Death Registration from 2019 for the same period

Year	Deaths Recorded (NCRA)	Deaths Registered	Registration Rate
2019	22,577	10,820	48%
2020	4,785	4,177	87%

# Data Comparison for Birth Registration

YEAR	BIRTHS RECORDED (DHIS)	BIRTHS REGISTERED	REGISTRATION RATE
2019	72,928	25,571	35%
2020	66,399	27,276	41%

- We have data for up to April 2020.
- There is 7% increase (variance of 1,705) in registration from 2019 for the period Jan – April 2020.

Data  
Comparison  
for Marriage  
Registration

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Data for 2020 not available for comparison, due to COVID-19 restrictions on social gatherings.

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For 2019, there were 4,076 marriages in the country (not disaggregated by age, sex and date).

# CRVS Statistics by Date of Occurrence and Date of Registration

- This is possible for all vital events as the registration forms require both date of occurrence and date of registration.
- However we only have data for birth and death registration
- **2019 (Jan - April)**
- Birth Registration:
  - Current BR (0-90 days)= 24,754
  - Late BR (91 days – 12 months)= 341
  - Delayed BR ( after 12 months) = 476  
( for 2019, 3.2 % of all BR accounted for late and delayed birth registrations)
- Death Registration:
  - Current DR (0-90 days)= 2394
  - Late DR (91 days- 12 months)= 1774
  - Delayed DR (after 12 months)= 6652  
(77.9 % of deaths were registration after the 90 days)
- **2020 (Jan – April)**
- Birth Registration:
  - Current BR = 26,530
  - Late BR= 177
  - Delayed BR= 569  
(2.7 % of births were registered after 90 days)
- Death registration:
  - Current = 4023
  - Late = 109
  - Delayed = 45  
(3.7 % of deaths were registered after 90 days)

## CRVS Digitisation

Current system is paper based.  
However we have started  
digitising past records since 1900.

Going forward we will set up  
electronic infrastructure system  
for e registration of births and  
deaths.



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