# **MOZAMBIQUE**

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#### **IN 2020**

For Mozambique, 2020 was a year marked not only by the Covid-19 pandemic, but also by a tragic increase in attacks in Cabo Delgado Province in the north of the country, where the number of internally displaced persons rose to an alarming 600,000 out of a population of 1.2 million. Doctors with Africa CUAMM organised a humanitarian response that included maintaining its own development programmes (especially in the areas of maternal and child health, sexual and reproductive health and chronic diseases), while also taking into account the acute needs linked to the cholera outbreaks (through awareness-raising activities and the distribution of chlorine) detected at the reception sites of the displaced population in the southernmost

Programmes were then launched to respond to the emergency of displaced persons, through sociosanitary support actions in the IDP camps.

Mozambique was not immune to cyclones in 2020: on 30 December 2020, Sofala Province was hit by Cyclone Eloise, which caused damage to civil and state infrastructures, to which Doctors with Africa CUAMM responded with rehabilitation work in collaboration with the local authorities. Indeed, it was in 2020 that the rehabilitation work was completed on the neonatology department of Beira Central Hospital, which was tragically destroyed by Cyclone Idai in March 2019; the department will open in early 2021.

Projects are still underway in Tete in the area of sexual and reproductive health for adolescents, as well as the programme to combat chronic noncommunicable diseases (diabetes, cervical cancer and hypertension) in Maputo, Sofala, Zambezia and Cabo Delgado.

Doctors with Africa CUAMM coauthored the '2020-2029 **Multisectoral Strategic Plan for the Prevention and Control of** Noncommunicable Diseases' drawn prepared by the Ministry of Health of Mozambique.

Lastly, as part of the management of the Covid-19 pandemic, Doctors with Africa CUAMM implemented a series of programmes throughout the country to respond to the epidemic through prevention and community mobilisation, by participating in the technical discussions of the Ministry of Health of Mozambique, which led to the development of guidelines and protocols which Doctors with Africa CUAMM coauthored.

### 2020 SNAPSHOT

37

health facilities supported

5.948.725 € invested in projects

### **COUNTRY PROFILE**

**Maputo** Capital

30,366,036 million Population

786,380 km<sup>2</sup>

Area

**17.6 years** Average age of

the population

Life expectancy (m/f)4.7

Average number of children per women

out of 189 countries Human Development Index

181st

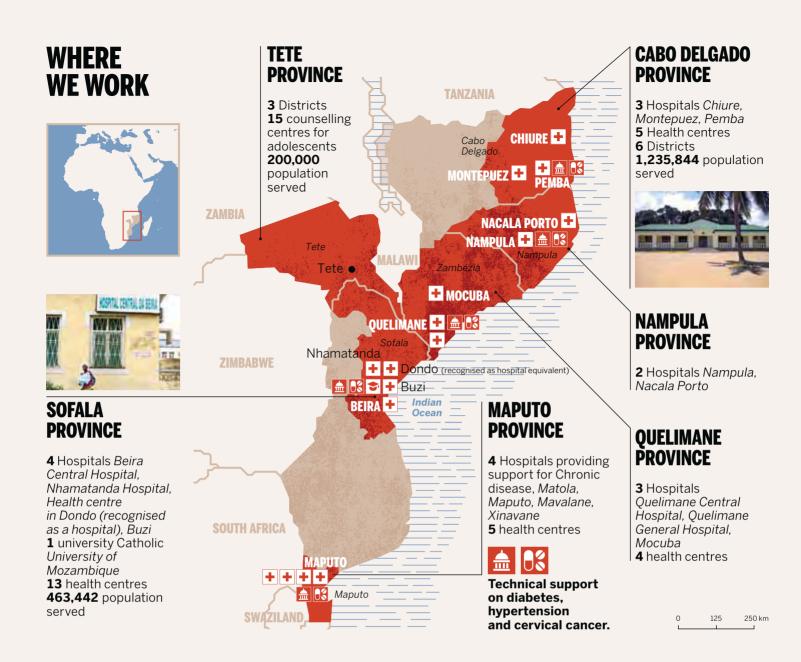


live births Maternal mortality rate



54 per 1,000 live births Neonatal mortality rate





## **RESULTS ACHIEVED**

CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH	<b>52,364</b> prenatal visits	<b>23,744</b> attended births		
NUTRITION	<b>100</b> children treated for severe acute malnutrition			
INFECTIOUS DISEASES	<b>121,169</b> adolescents educated about HIV/AIDS	<b>41,131</b> adolescents tested for HIV	<b>691</b> adolescents tested positive	<b>60,982</b> patients treated for malaria including <b>28,516</b> < age 5
ONGOING TRAINING	<b>22</b> students graduated from the University of Beira			
CHRONIC DISEASES	<b>11,269</b> visits for diabetes	<b>26,631</b> visits for hypertension	<b>663</b> patients with heart disease	