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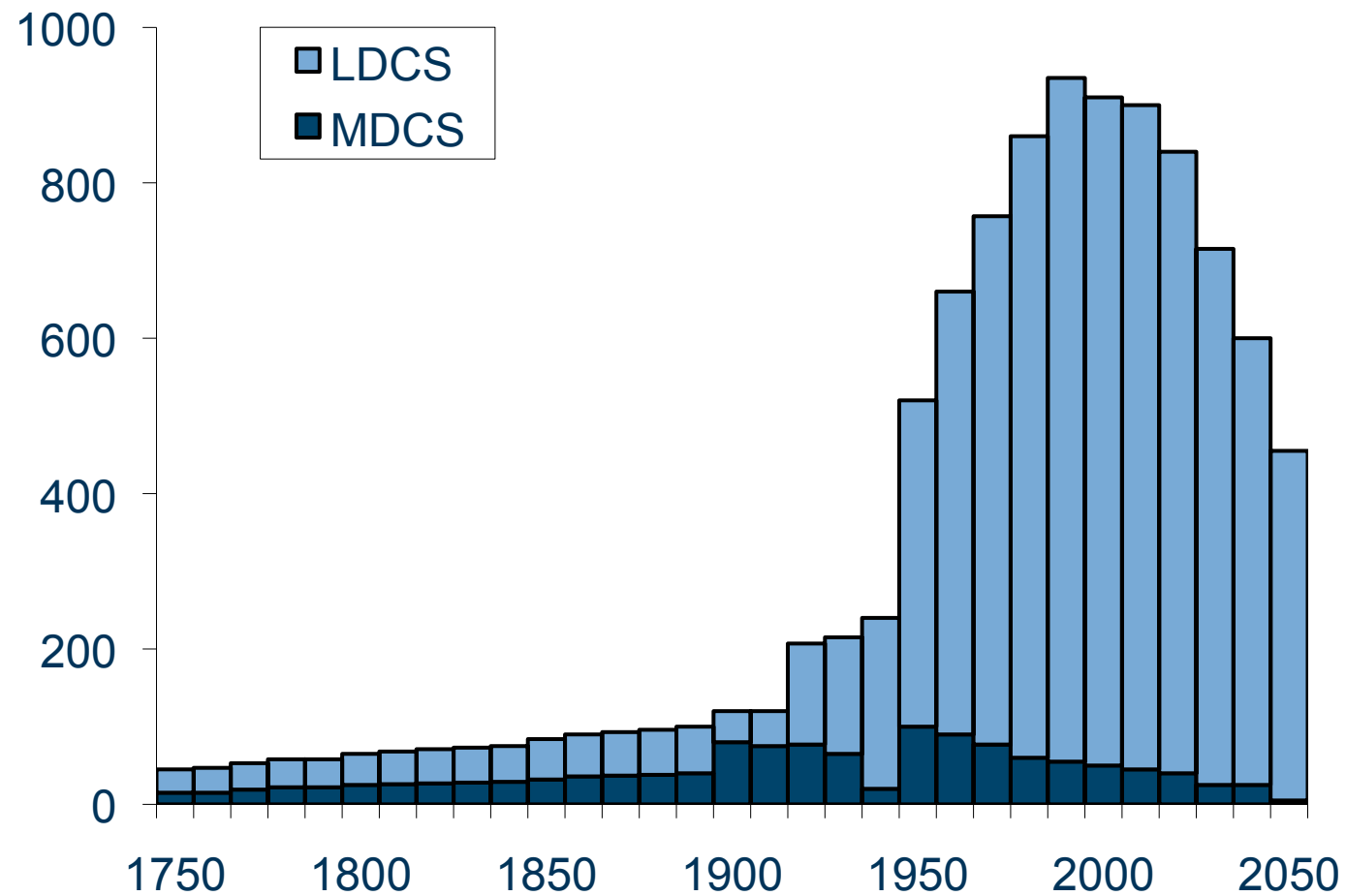
Increasing access to family planning needs to be done now

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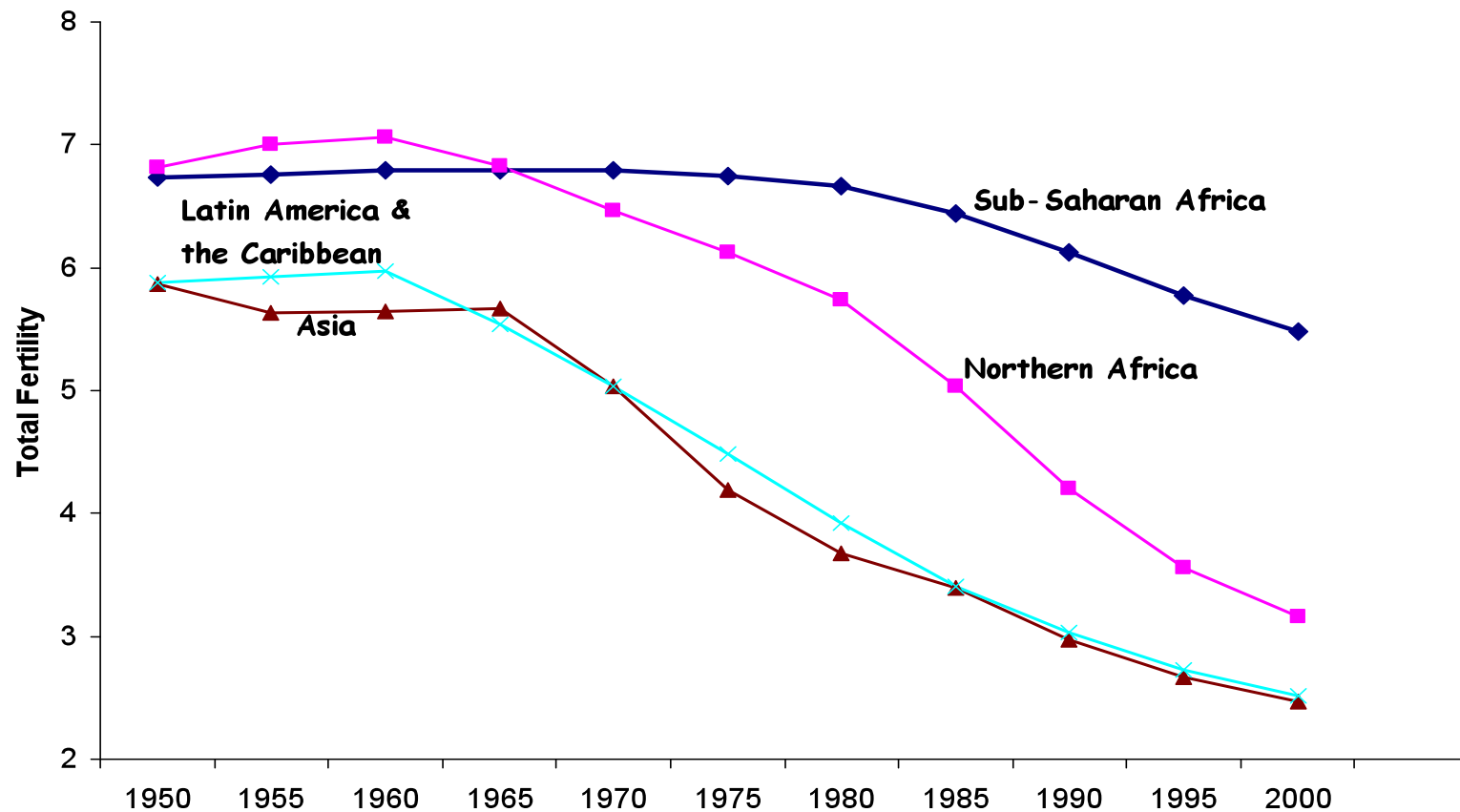
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Increase in population by decade, in millions



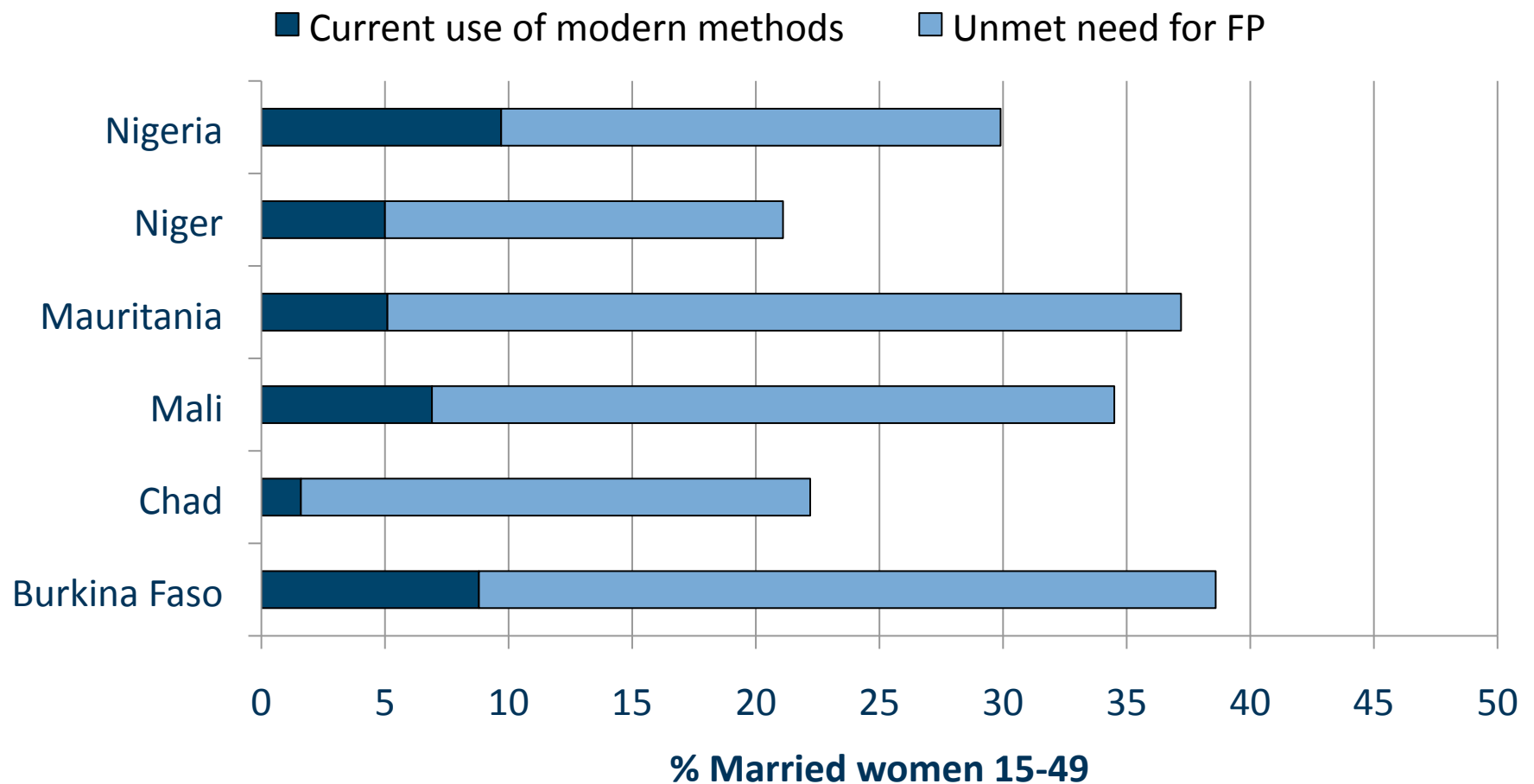
Fertility Trends, 1950-2005: Selected Developing Regions



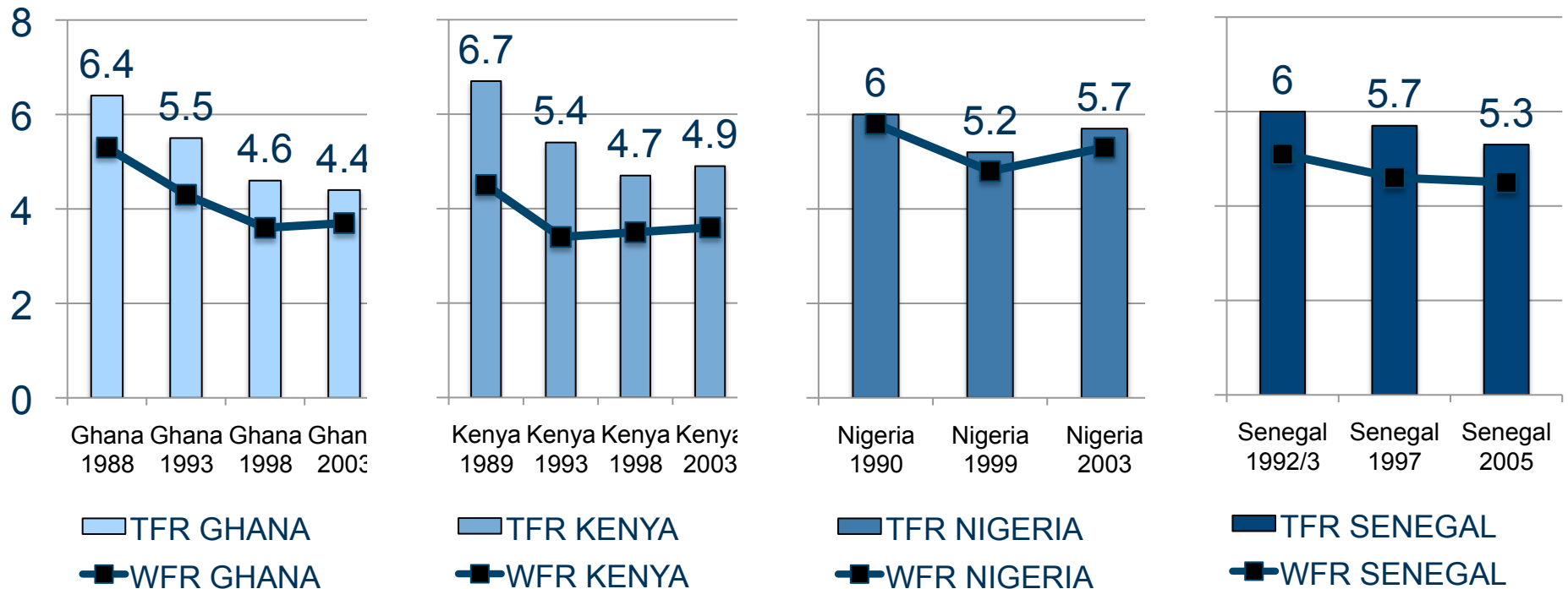
Trends in modern contraceptive use among married women

Country	% using modern methods by period						Policy to Reduce Fertility
	1980 -84	1985 -89	1990 -94	1995 -99	2000 -04	2005 +	
Burkina Faso			4	5	9		✓
Chad				1	2		
Mali		1		5	6	7	✓
Mauritania					5		
Niger			2	5		5	✓
Nigeria	1		4	9	8	10	✓

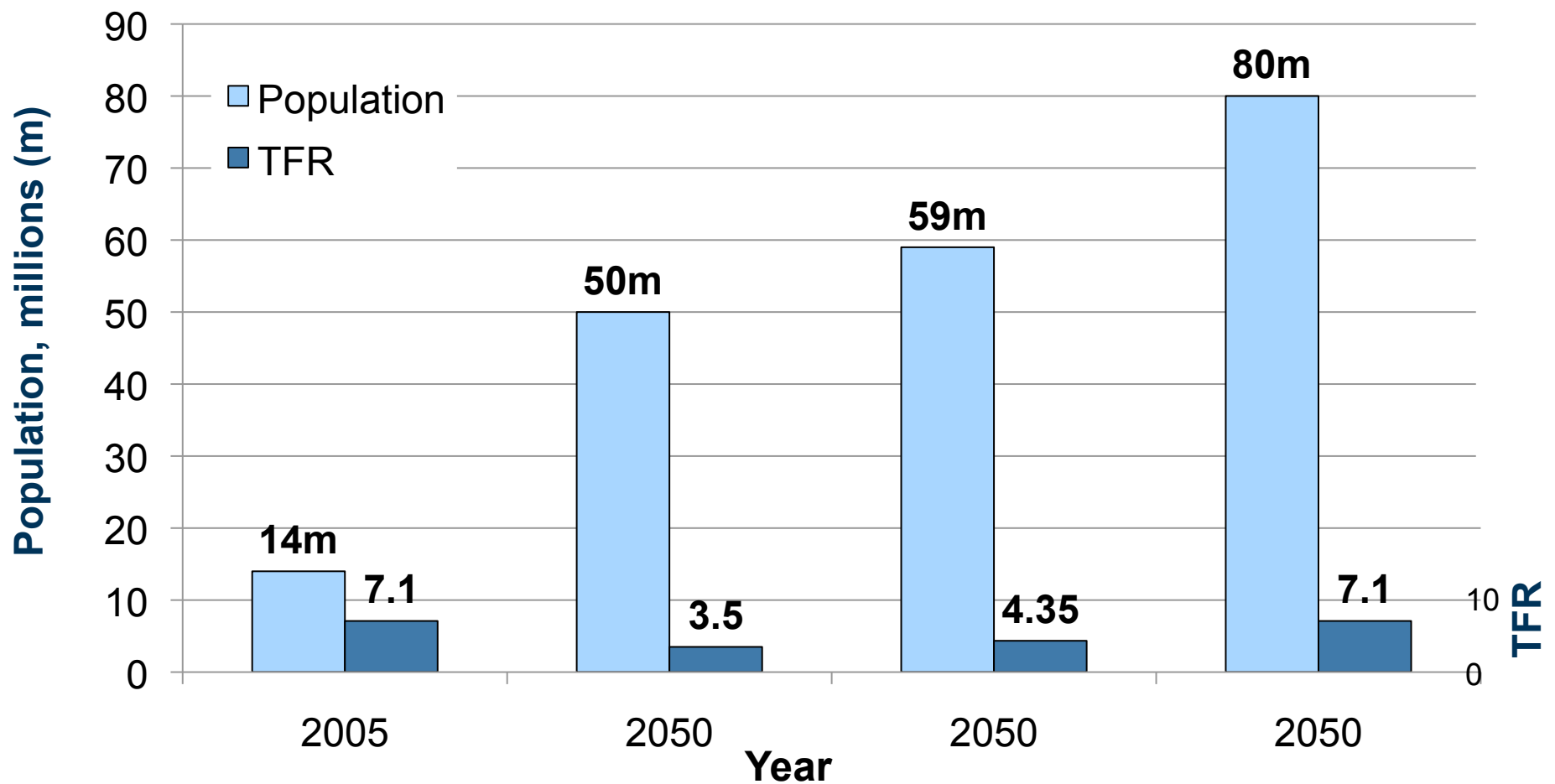
Current use of modern methods and unmet need for family planning among married women 15-49. Latest DHS data.



Trends in Total and Wanted Fertility Rates (TFR & WFR) in selected countries, 1988-2006.



Niger: 2005 vs. 2050



How to make family planning access easier



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1. Remove barriers to family planning methods
2. Ensure supply of contraceptives
3. Ensure contraceptive affordability
4. Implement sound policies supporting distribution systems that increase access



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Social Marketing:

- Increase awareness
- Provide methods
- Address misinformation
- Campaign: MCH benefits of family planning; economic benefits of smaller families



* *Duka la dawa (chemical seller) dispense contraception, Tanzania*

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Community-based distribution:

- Create awareness: importance of family planning
- Reinforces messages from social marketing campaign
- Provides services closer to home
- Provides confidentiality
- Involves communities



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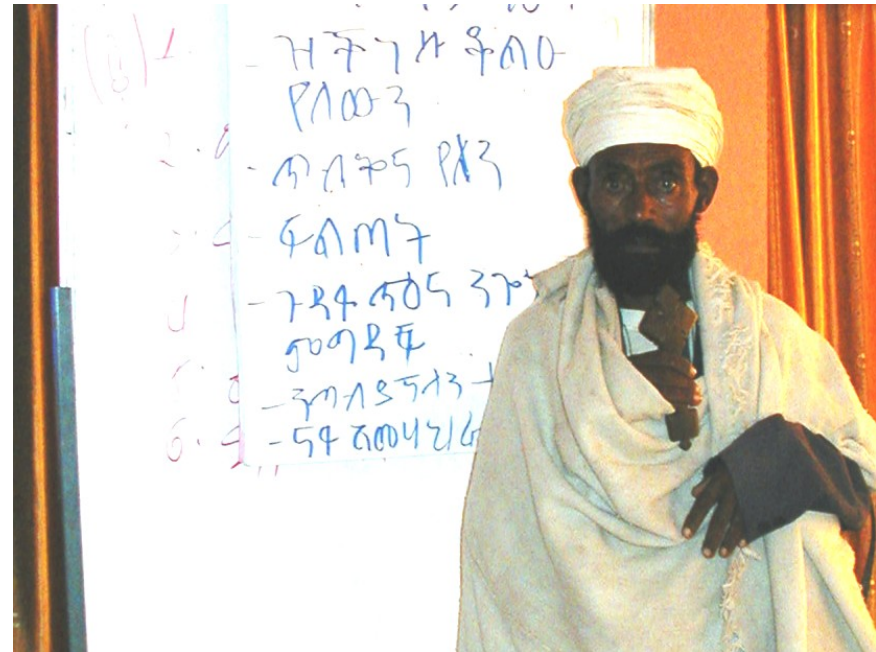
Other mechanisms:

- Mobile clinics
- Vouchers
- Social Franchising
- Combination



What needs to be done

- Decrease unmet need
- Let women use methods they want
- Private sector involvement
- Community involvement
- Task shifting



THANK YOU

