NICARAGUA

Population: 5 991 733
Gross national income per capita: US$ 1 690
Income group: Middle
Income inequality: 40.47

National action plans

- Interpersonal violence
- Youth violence
- Sexual violence
- Firearms

Legal age of marriage (male/female) – / –
Against elder abuse in institutions YES
Laws to regulate civilian access YES
Mandatory background check YES
Handguns/long guns/automatic weapons YES
CARRYING FIREARMS IN PUBLIC
Programmes to reduce civilian firearm possession and use YES

National social and educational policies

- Incentives provided for high-risk youth to complete schooling YES
- Housing policies to de-concentrate poverty YES

Alcohol

Adult (15+) per capita consumption (litres of pure alcohol) 5
Patterns of drinking score LEAST RISKY 0 @ @ MOST RISKY
Excise taxes Beer: YES Wine: YES Spirits: YES

Youth violence laws

- Against statutory rape YES
- Against female genital mutilation YES
- Ban on corporal punishment (all settings) YES (NO)

Child maltreatment laws

- Legal age of marriage (male/female) – / –
- Against child marriage YES
- Against statutory rape YES
- Against female genital mutilation YES
- Ban on corporal punishment (all settings) YES (NO)

Youth violence laws

- Against weapons on school premises YES
- Against gang or criminal group membership YES

Mechanism of homicide

- Firearm 48%
- Sharp force 38%
- Other 14%

Reported homicides (2011) N= 738, Rate= 12/100 000 (83% M, 17% F)

LAWS AND PREVENTION PROGRAMMES BY TYPE OF VIOLENCE

Child maltreatment laws

- No response/don’t know – Limited 1
- Enforced ✔

- Intimate partner violence laws
- Against rape in marriage YES
- Allowing removal of violent spouse from home YES

- Sexual violence laws
- Against rape
- Against contact sexual violence without rape
- Against non-contact sexual violence

- Elder abuse laws
- Against elder abuse
- Against elder abuse in institutions

KEY No response/ don’t know – Once/ few times ✔ Larger scale ≥

Child maltreatment prevention programmes

- Home visiting YES
- Training to recognise / avoid sexually abusive situations YES

Youth violence prevention programmes

- Pre-school enrichment YES
- Life skills and social development training YES
- Mentoring YES
- After-school supervision YES

Intimate partner violence prevention programmes

- Dating violence prevention in schools YES
- Microfinance and gender equity training YES
- Social and cultural norms change YES

Sexual violence prevention programmes

- School and college programmes YES
- Physical environment changes YES
- Social and cultural norms change YES

Elder abuse prevention programmes

- Professional awareness campaigns YES
- Public information campaigns YES
- Caregiver support NO
- Residential care policies YES

VICTIM LAWS

- Providing for victim compensation YES
- Providing for victim legal representation YES

VICTIM SERVICES

- Adult protective services NO
- Child protection services YES
- Medical-legal services for sexual violence YES
- Mental health services YES

DATA ON VIOLENCE

National prevalence surveys for non-fatal violence

- Child maltreatment NO
- Youth violence NO
- Intimate partner violence YES
- Sexual violence YES
- Elder abuse NO

Mechanism of homicide

Trends in homicides

Rate per 100 000 population

Source: Police

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