

**ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION****March 2017 Report****Highlights**

- Two (02) new complaint files opened this month
- AC hotline received **32** calls this month
- Health Corruption hotline received **15** calls this month

**General**

The AC hotline phone received 32 calls this month of March. Eleven (11) corruption and corruption related offences were registered through the hotline phone as well as six (06) non corruption complaints registered.

Two (02) new case files were opened this month

A new case file on bribery, oppression and extortion was opened this month. A student who is also the owner of a herd of cows reported the brigade commander of the gendarmerie unit of Ngaoui in Ngaoundere for misappropriating 2.5million francs CFA paid to him in return for his stolen cows. When AC got in contact with the brigade commander, he denied receiving any money from the suspects and said they were detained and released when their guilt could not be proven. Investigations are still ongoing as AC needs to interrogate the suspects to find out whether they deposited money before their release.

Another case file on undue demand and oppression was opened this month. A petty roadside vendor reported council workers of the Douala, Bonaberi council for billing her 1,000 francs CFA for a ticket that cost 100 francs. When she reported to the nearest police station, the police officers doubled it to 2,000 francs CFA. AC was able to get an officer of police on phone and the matter was resolved.

Brochure distribution and poster pasting were the activities carried out this month to recruit more victims of corruption. 11 posters were pasted and 25 brochures distributed in corruption hotspots in Yaounde, in and around the Essos and Mvog Ada markets resulting to the collection of two non corruption complaints.

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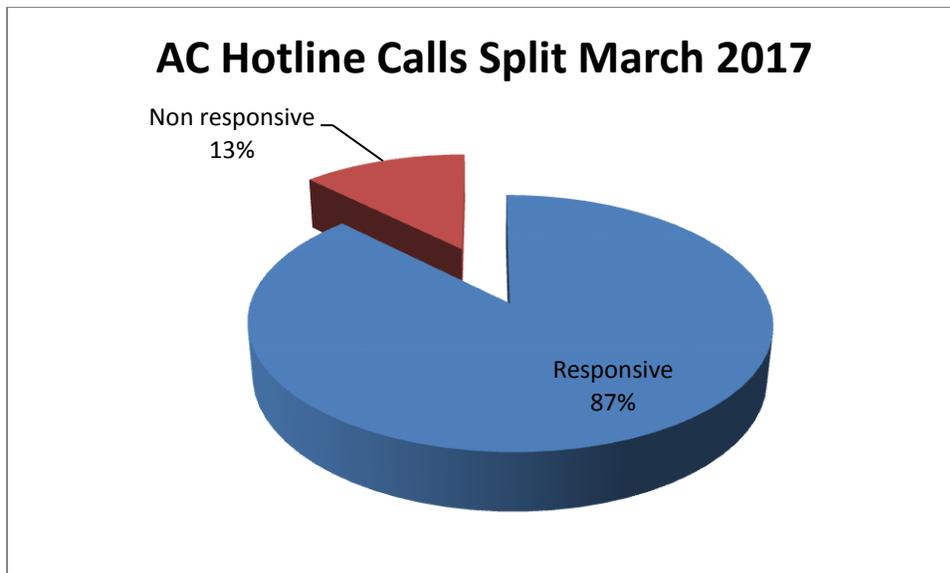
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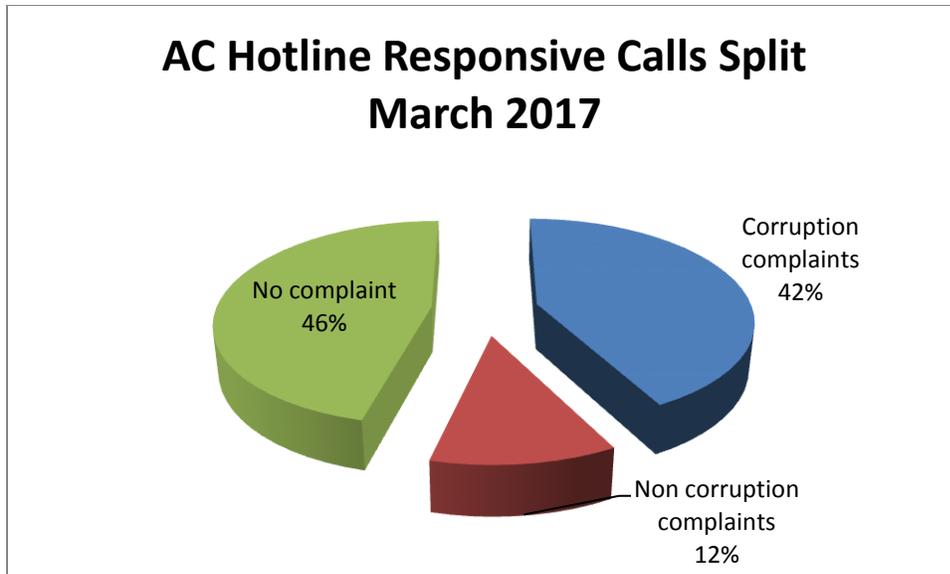
Legal follow-up continued this month for the corruption case on many counts with about three hundred victims opened in the month of October 2016. A veteran lawyer is presently studying the case file with the bailiff’s declarations already registered at the taxation office including the certified report of the site of offense, the report auditioning the victims and the summons that summoned the commissioner to restitute the goods seized from victims. He is also auditioning the victims to prepare them to testify in court.

**AC Hotline Phone**

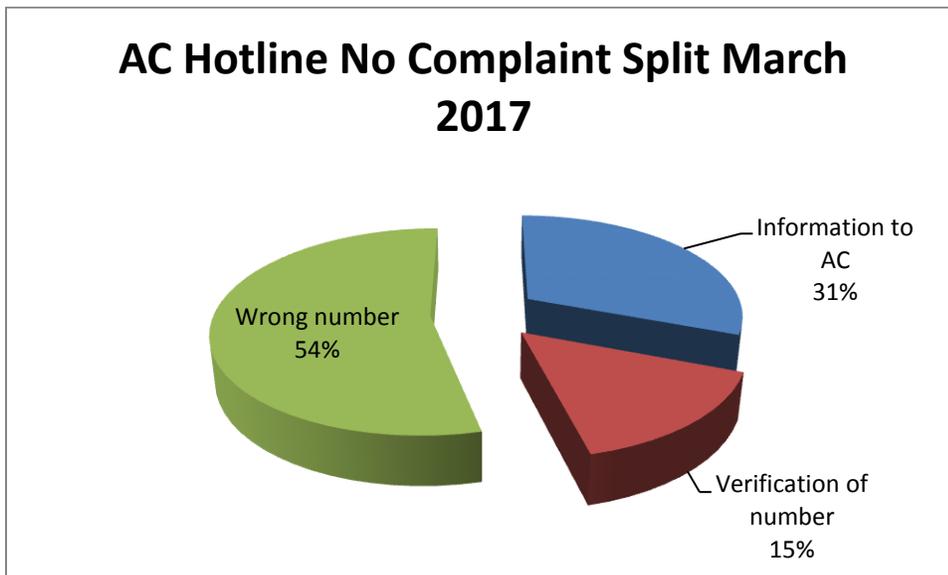
The AC hotline phone registered 32 calls this month of March 2017 with 11 corruption and corruption assimilated offences and 6 non-corruption related complaints. The calls have been analyzed and represented on charts as seen below.



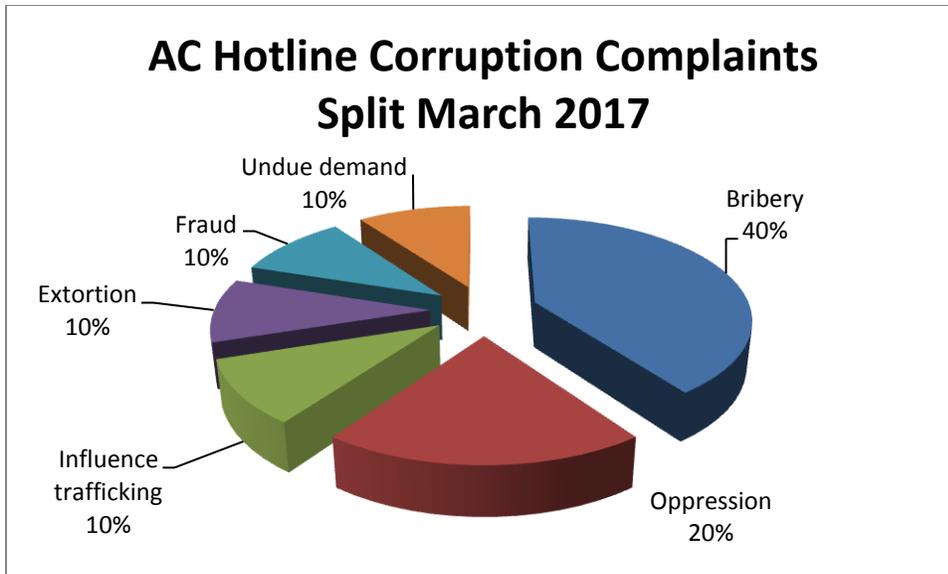
87% of calls were responsive while 13% were non responsive



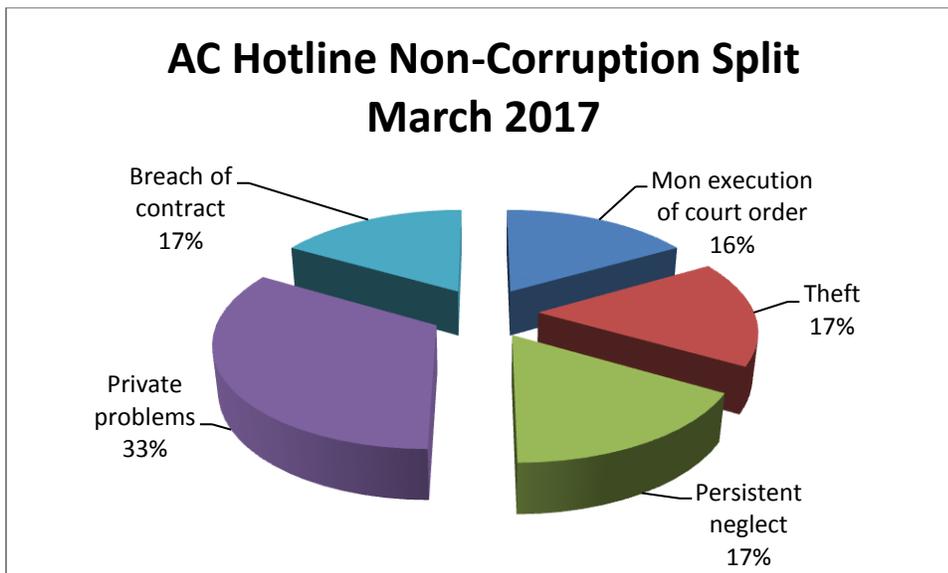
46% of calls this month were calls that reported no complaints, followed by corruption complaints with 42% and lastly, non-corruption complaints with 12%.



54% of callers who reported no complaint this month claimed to have dialed the hotline by mistake, 31% of the callers wanted more information about AC’s work and 15% of the callers with no complaint wanted to verify the authenticity of the number.

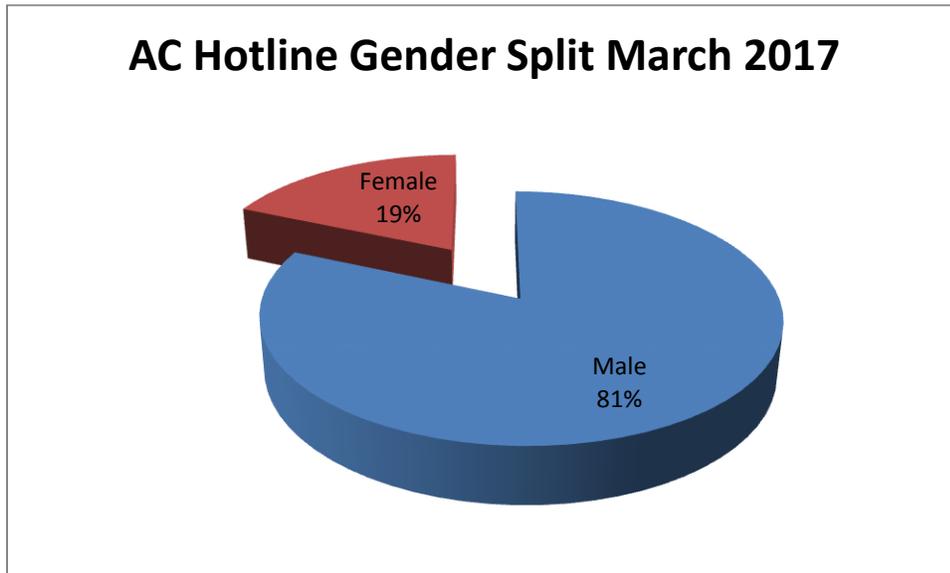


Bribery complaints were the highest corruption complaints reported this month showing 40% of total corruption complaints, followed by complaints of oppression with 20%, while complaints of extortion, fraud, influence trafficking and undue demand had 10%.



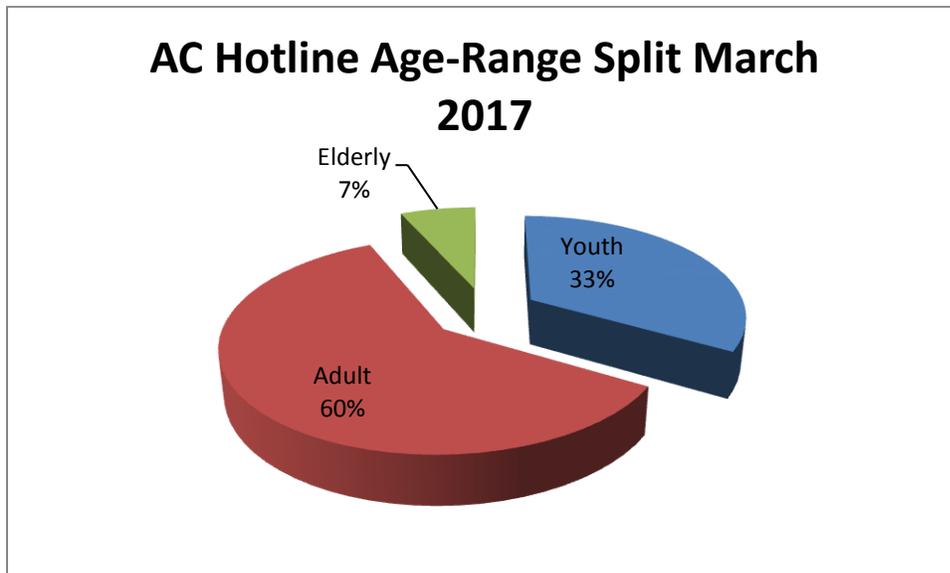
Callers with private problems had the highest number of non corruption complaints with 33%, followed by callers with complaints on persistent neglect, theft and breach of contract with 17% each, and lastly, callers with complaints on the non execution of court order with 16%

### Gender



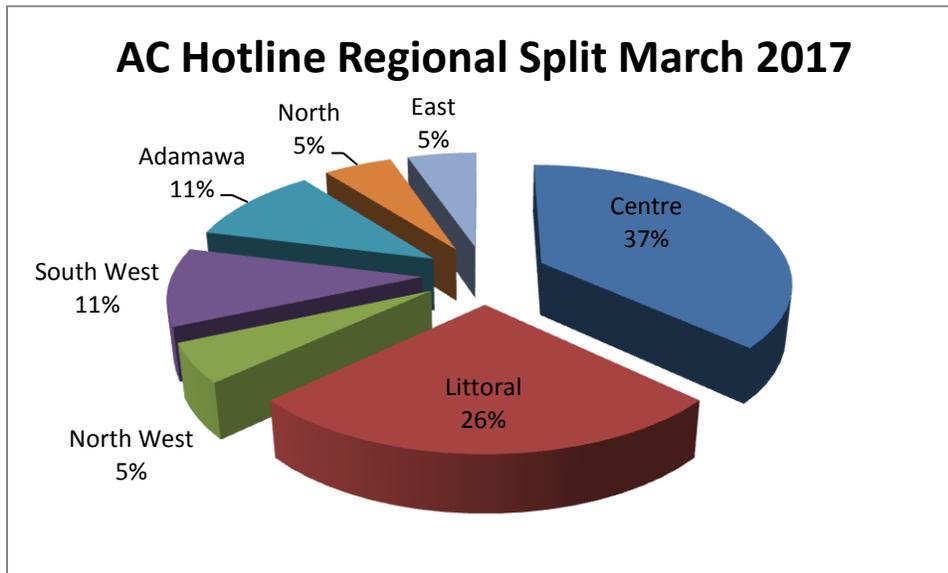
81% of participants in calls this month of March were the male gender while the female gender participated with just 19% of calls

### Age Range of Callers



The adult age range participated with most calls showing 60% of total calls, followed by the youth age range with 33% and lastly, the elderly age range with 7% of calls

## Regional representation



The Centre region registered the highest number of calls showing 37%, followed by the Littoral region with 26%, the South west and Adamawa with 11% each, then the North West, North and East regions with 5% each

## Investigations

Investigations were carried out on a new case file on bribery, oppression and extortion opened this month. According to a young herd's boy, 14 of his cows were stolen, he made a report at the gendarmerie post and the thieves were apprehended and detained in the gendarmerie cell room of Ngaoui for 10 days and were only released when they deposited 2.5million for their conditional release, promising to bring the remaining sum. The victim explained that the brigade commander asked him to pass by the gendarmerie post in two days to collect the money because he was travelling out of town. He only returned a week later but refused to give the victim the money claiming that the money deposited was investigation fees. When AC got in contact with the brigade commander, he denied receiving any money from the suspects and said they were released when their guilt could not be proven. He added that investigations have proven difficult in this case because the suspects are foreigners from the Central Africa Republic who illegally get into Cameroon and commit acts of theft and he does not have the competence to carry out investigations in their territory. Investigations are still ongoing as AC needs to interrogate the suspects to find out whether money was deposited before their release.

Investigations were also carried out on a new case file of undue demand and oppression opened this month. A petty roadside vendor reported council workers of the Douala, Bonaberi council

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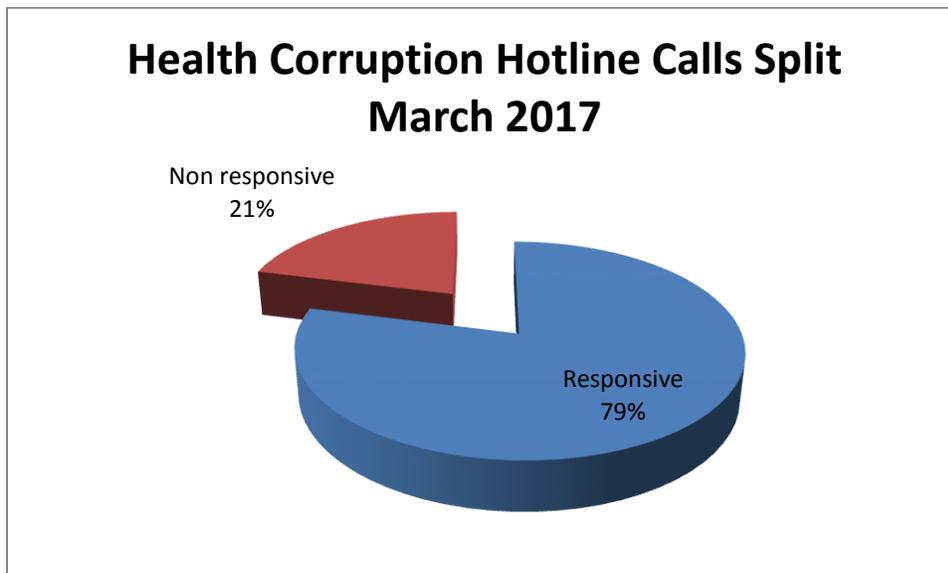
for billing her 1,000 francs CFA for a ticket that cost 100 francs. As she explained, 2 council workers of the Bonaberi commune in Douala met her while she was on her way to her stall and presented her a ticket of 100 francs CFA. She asked them for a few minutes to settle in while she looked for the money. Six minutes later when she went to pay the money which they refused and asked that she pays 1,000 francs instead of 100 francs for wasting their time. They got into an argument because she refused to pay the solicited 1,000 francs and decided to report to the nearest police station, the Bonaberi police station. The police officers on duty instead of resolving the issue doubled the sum to 2,000 francs CFA. AC was able to get in contact with one of the officers on duty who claimed they were just joking with the victim. They claimed they wanted to teach her a lesson for arguing with the council workers and that is how the case was resolved with the victim paying the standard fee of 100 francs cfa.

### Legal follow-up

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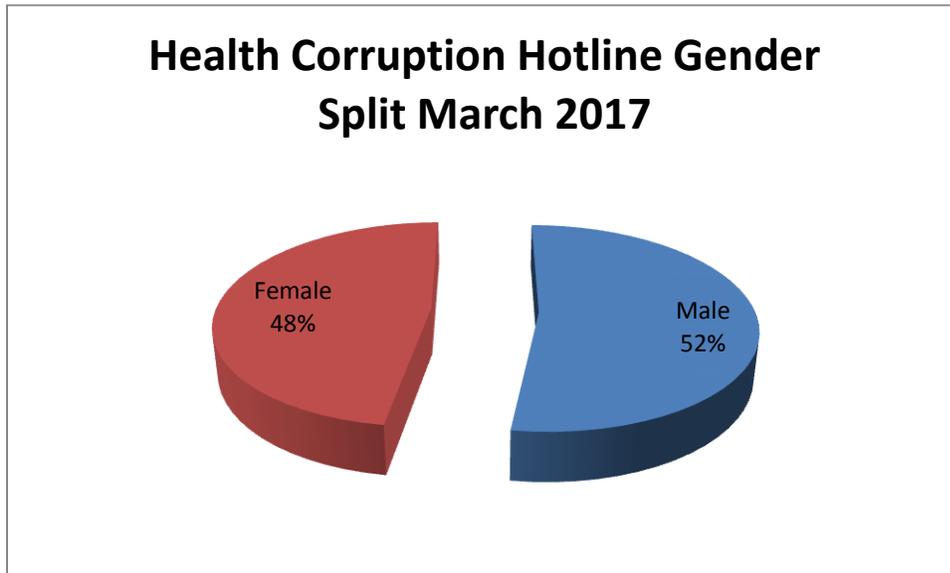
### Health Corruption Hotline

The Health Corruption hotline received 15 calls this month of March with no complaint registered. Data from the calls has been analyzed as represented on charts below.



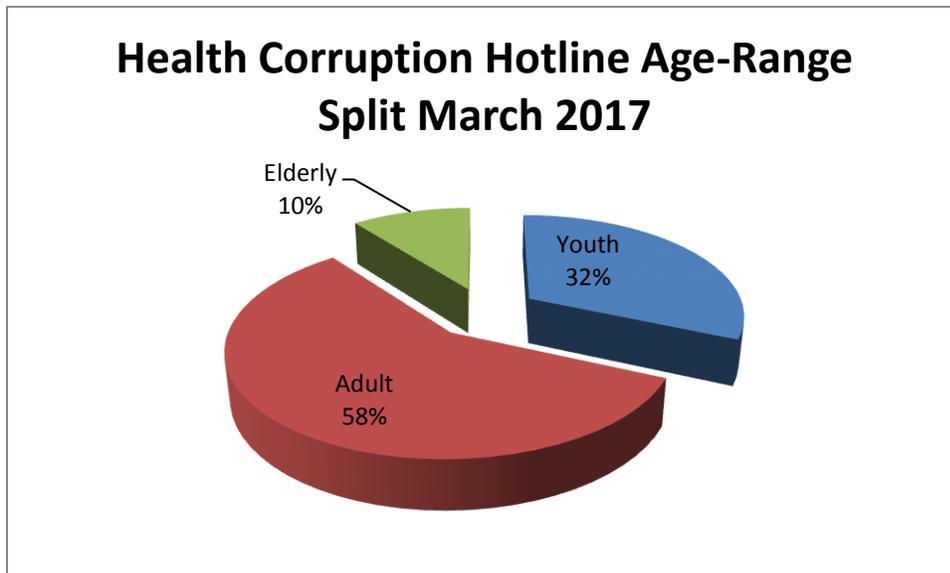
79% of health corruption calls were responsive while 21% were non responsive

### Gender



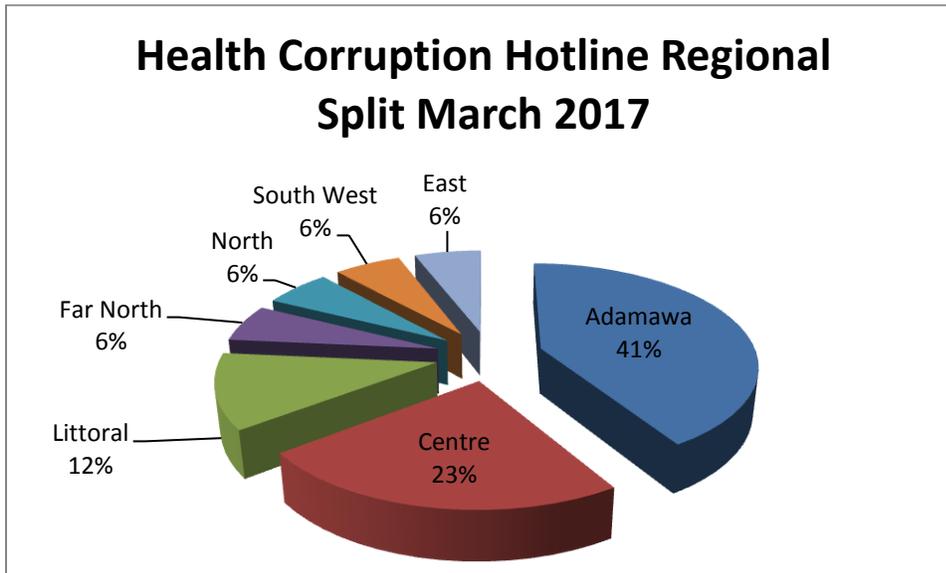
The male gender participated with 55% of calls this month of March while the female gender participated with 45% of calls, a slight increase from last month's participation.

### Age Range of Callers



The adult age range as usual participated with the highest number of calls representing 58% of total calls, followed by the youth age range with 32% and lastly, the elderly age range with 10%.

## Regional representation



The Adamawa region participated with the highest number of calls this month representing 41% of total calls. The health corruption project was widely disseminated in the Northern parts of the country reason why most calls originate from that region. The Center region followed with 23% of calls, the Littoral region with 12%, while the Far North, the North, the South West and the East regions all had 6% each.

**Finance****AC received funds this month from NEU FOUNDATION**

| <b>Amount in Francs CFA</b> | <b>Use</b>                          | <b>Details</b>               | <b>Amount in USD</b> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 20,000                      | AC Hotline                          | 32 calls received            |                      |
| 5,000                       | HC Hotline                          | 15 calls received            |                      |
| 0                           | Investigations                      |                              |                      |
| 0                           | Legal                               | 2 case follow-up             |                      |
| 0                           | Media                               | 0                            |                      |
| 239,610                     | Management                          | Co-ordination                |                      |
| 30,000                      | Office                              | 02 office hotline telephones |                      |
| <b>309,610</b>              | <b>TOTAL Expenditure March 2017</b> |                              |                      |

**Donor Financial Report March 2017**

| <b>Amount in FCFA</b> | <b>Donor</b>          | <b>Month</b>         | <b>Amount in USD</b> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>307,000</b>        | <b>NEU FOUNDATION</b> | <b>Used in March</b> |                      |
|                       |                       | <b>March</b>         |                      |