

**ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION****August 2019 Report****Highlights**

- Two (02) new complaint files opened this month
- AC hotline received 17 calls this month
- Health Corruption hotline received 05 calls this month

**General**

The AC hotline phone received 17 calls this month of August, registering 7 complaints. 05 corruption and corruption assimilated offences and 02 non-corruption related complaints

**(02) new case files was opened this month**

A new complaint file on bribery and corruption was opened this month. The complainant wanted to deposit a complaint at the 6<sup>th</sup> police district here in Yaounde, Etoudi and 10,000 F CFA was solicited from him before he could be allowed to deposit the complaint. He was also demanded additional money for fuel before they could follow up to verify on the facts of the case he was reporting. AC got in contact with the commissioner of police who was on seat and he claimed they sometimes demand money for fuel from complainants with cases that needed urgent intervention since they usually do not have fuel in their patrol vehicles. He said this can permit them to act fast and try to capture the culprits in *flagrante delicto*, but refused they have ever solicited money from complainants reporting a crime.

Another complaint file on oppression and extortion was opened this month. The complainant reported a police officer working with the 2<sup>nd</sup> police district of Maroua, Barmaré for acts of oppression and extortion. According to him, this inspector of police uses his position to harass citizens and collect money ranging from 5,000 F CFA to 10,000 F CFA for no just cause. He reported that this police officer forcefully threatened to lock him up if he does not give him 5,000 for smoking cigarettes in front of his compound. Investigations are ongoing.

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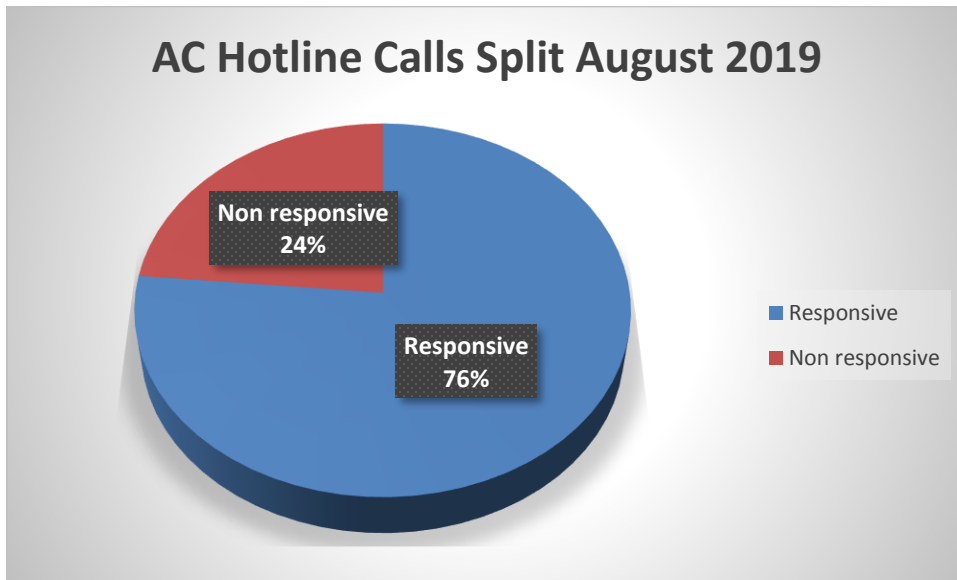
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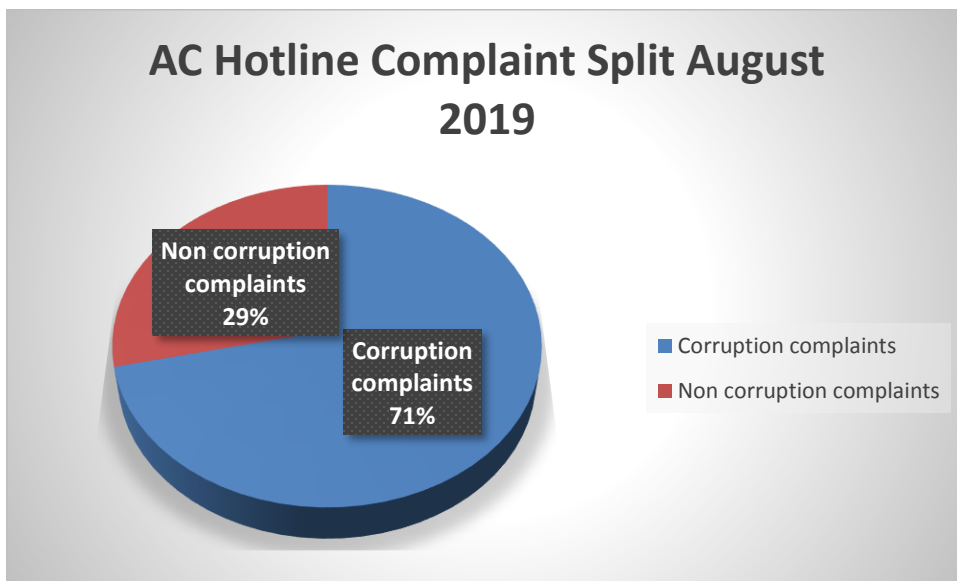
### AC Hotline Phone

The AC hotline phone received 17 calls this month with 5 corruption complaints and corruption assimilated offences. Two (02) non-corruption related complaints were also registered making a total of 7 complaints that came in through the AC hotline phone this month.

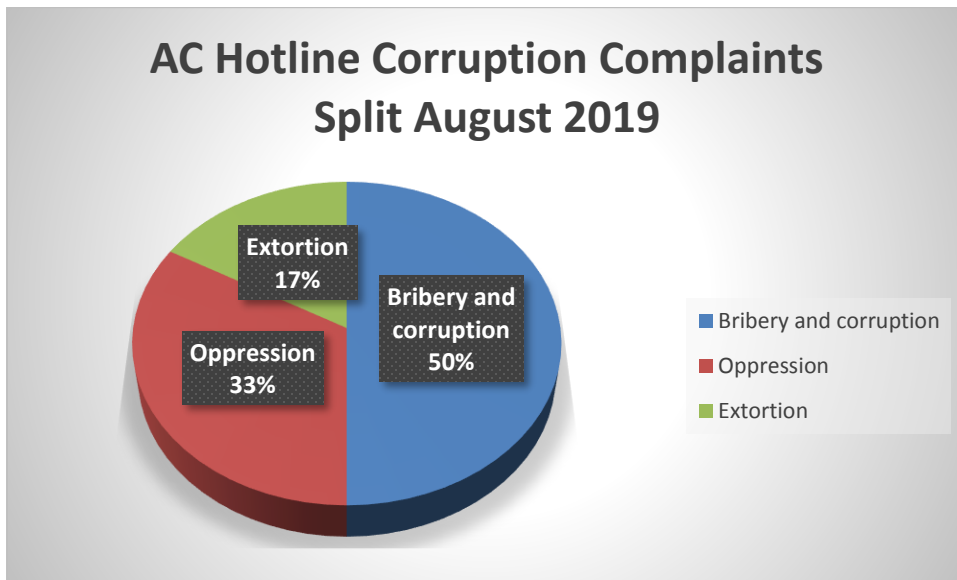
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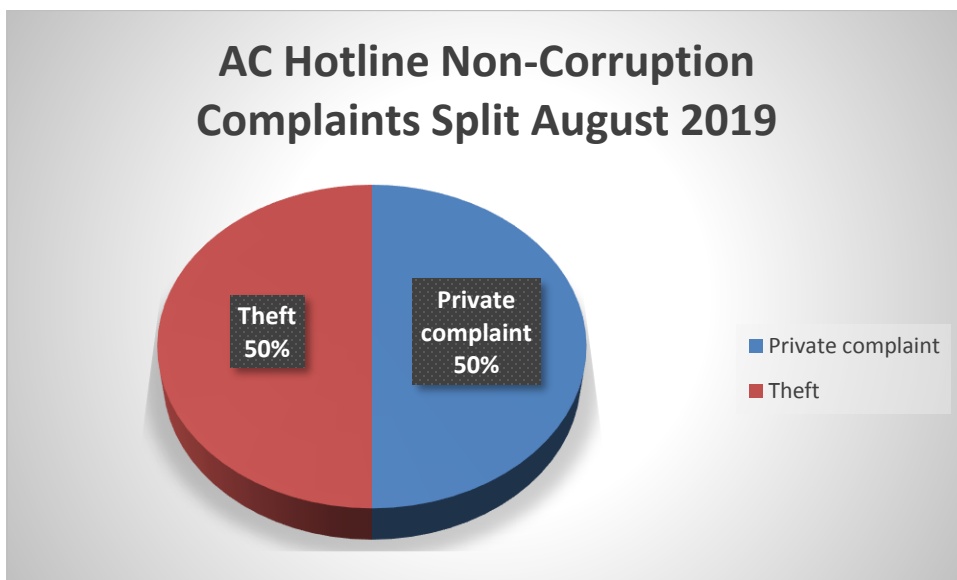
Responsive calls represented 76% of total calls while non responsive calls represented 24% of total calls this month of August 2019



Corruption complaints were the highest complaints received this month of August 2019 representing 74% of complaints while complaints not related to corruption represented 29%

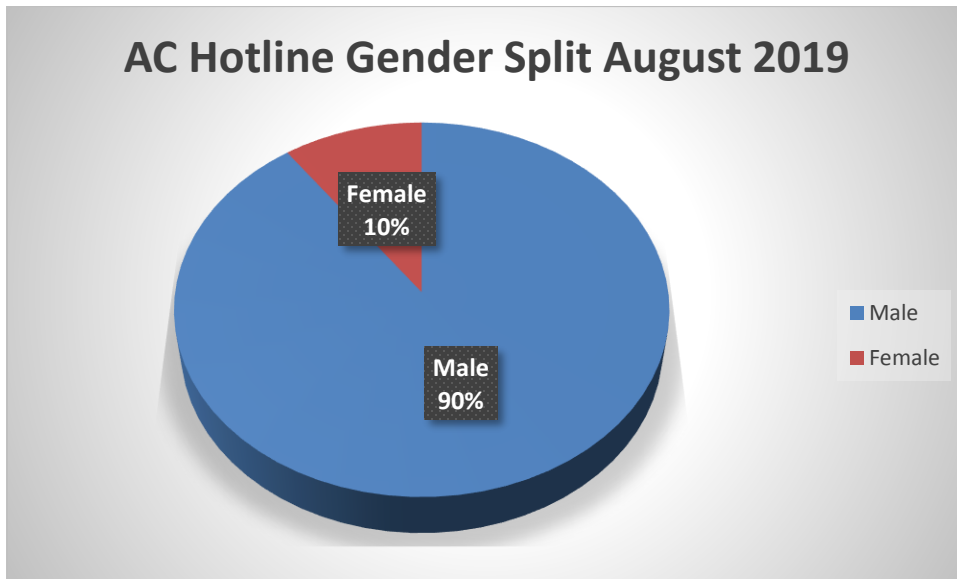


As is the usual trend with corruption complaints in AC, complaints against bribery and corruption were the highest reported this month of August 2019 representing 50% of corruption complaints, followed by complaints of oppression representing 33% and lastly, complaints of extortion representing 17%

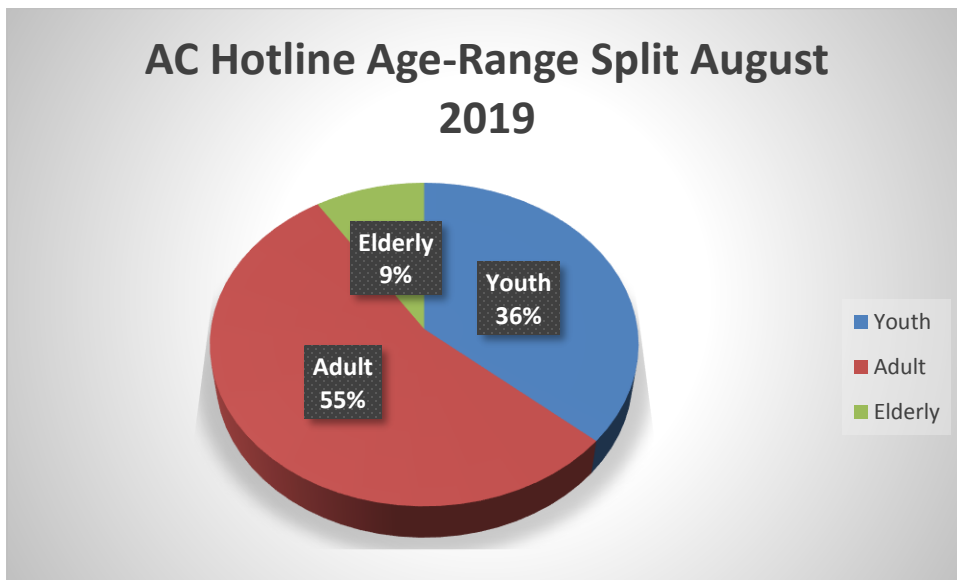


This month of August 2019, just two non corruption complaints were reported, complaints of theft and private complaints each represented by 50%

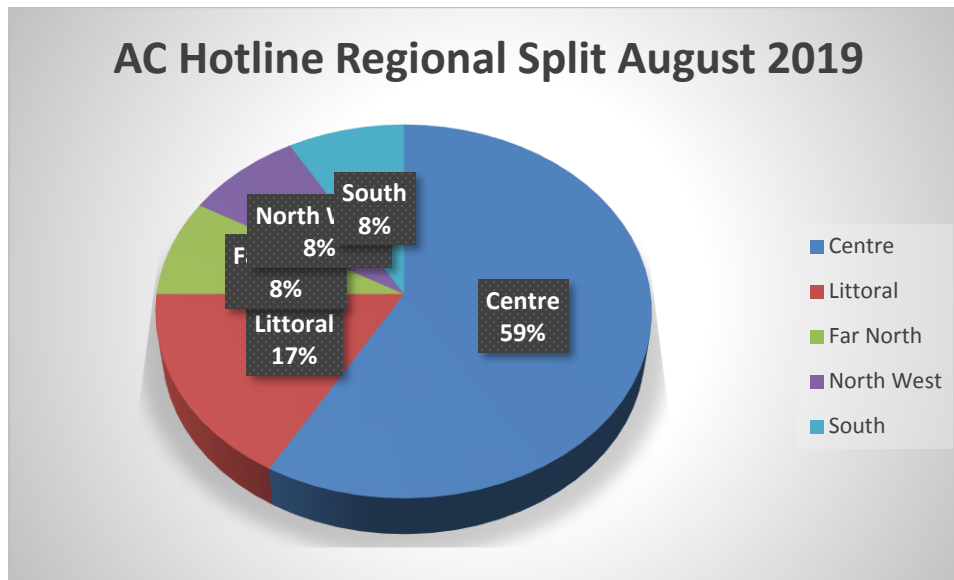
### Gender



The male gender as usual participated with the most calls represented by 90% while the female gender participated with just 10% of calls



The adult age group participated with the highest number of calls represented by 55%, followed by the youth age group which participated with 36% of calls and lastly, the elderly age group which participated with just 9% of calls



The Centre region participated with the highest number of callers represented by 59% of calls, followed by the littoral region represented by 17% of calls, while the North West, the South and the Far North each participated with 8% of callers

## Investigations

Interventions were necessary in a new complaint file opened this month on bribery and corruption. The complainant called AC to report that he had just been assaulted by bandits in his shop located at the Etoudi market early in the morning as he was one of the first open his shop. The bandits made away with goods and money worth 1million francs CFA after assaulting him. He ran to the 6<sup>th</sup> police district nearby to report the incident so that the bandits can be apprehended before they all left the scene but was shocked that they asked him to pay 10,000 FCFA before his report will be taken into consideration.

He explained that he did not have money on him but will pay later if they just take down his statement and follow him to the scene because he was sure they could still find some of the boys or some of the stolen articles in the market vicinity. But the police officers on duty refused to attend to him without him paying the solicited amount and giving additional money for fuel. Feeling frustrated, he left and called AC later from a nearby phone booth to report the matter.

AC got in contact with the police station and got the commissioner of police who was on seat but he refuted the fact that the complainant was asked money in order to deposit his complaint. He claimed that they did not have fuel in their patrol car which is why money was solicited from the complainant in order to permit them act fast and try to capture the culprits on the scene or with some of the stolen articles. He informed AC that if the complainant doesn't give the money for

fuel, they will have to wait until funds for fuel is released to them, which is quite a procedure before they can follow-up on the complaint. They went to the scene two hours later but not much could be done then because everyone had left the scene and there wasn't much to do to pursue their investigations.

Investigations were also carried out in a new complaint file on oppression and extortion opened this month. The complainant reported a police officer of the 2nd police district of Maroua, Bamare for acts of oppression and extortion. He explained that this officer of the law has taken upon himself to harass citizens of the town of Maroua in order to extort money from them illegally. According to him, this inspector of police is notorious for acts of corruption which is why after numerous complaints were received against him in his former post of work, he was transferred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> police district of Bamare.

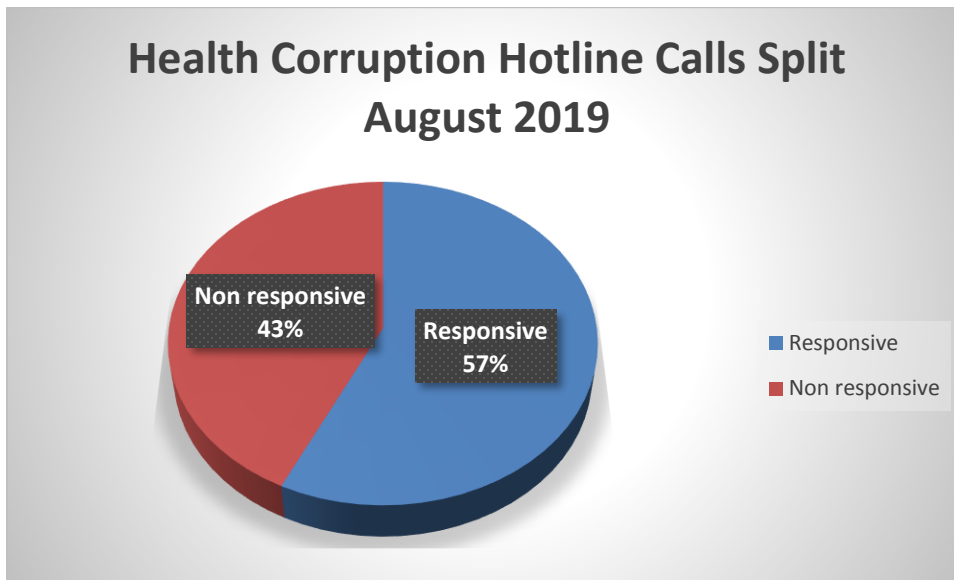
AC asked to work with the complainant to gather more evidence against the police officer and replicate the case to deposit a complaint in court. AC also intends to copy the National Delegation of Public Security as the organ competent to handle this complaint to call the offender to order.

### **Legal follow-up**

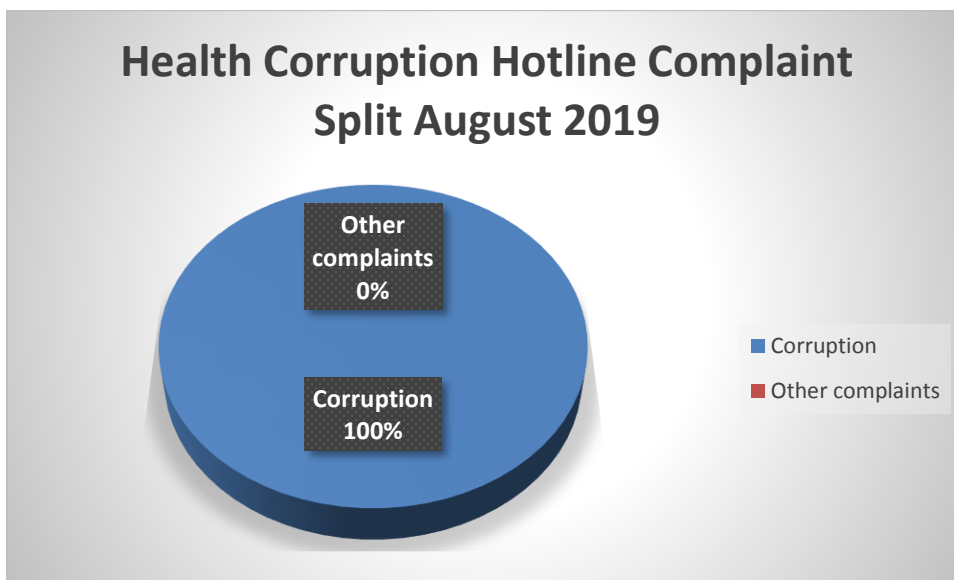
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### **Health Corruption Hotline**

The Health Corruption hotline phone received a total of seven (07) calls, registering 4 complaints. All complaints were on ARV shortages reported in some health facilities around the country. The lack of calls is explained by the lack of field work in the project. The calls have been analyzed and represented on charts as seen below;



57% represented responsive Health Corruption Calls this month of August 2019 while non-responsive calls were represented by 43% of calls



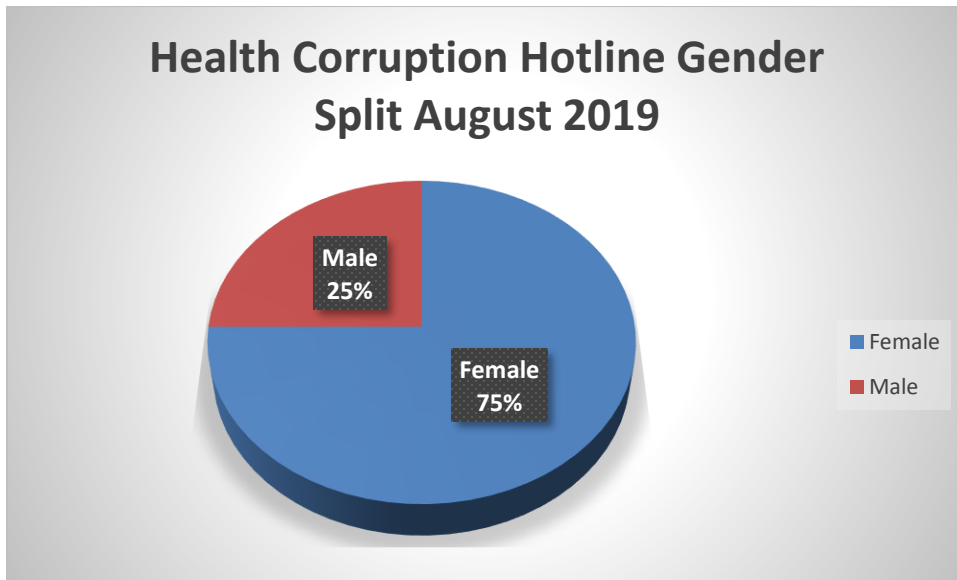
This month of August 2019, corruption complaints of ARV shortages represented 100% while no other complaints were reported. It is understandable that complaints of ARV shortages are coming up this month because there is a general shortage of ARVs in the country since last month. Some foreign news organs like the BBC News Africa have broadcasted that the Cameroon government is behind payments to the fund that allows free supplies of the medicine to persons living with HIV/AIDS. The Ministry of Health is yet to make an official statement regarding these claims.

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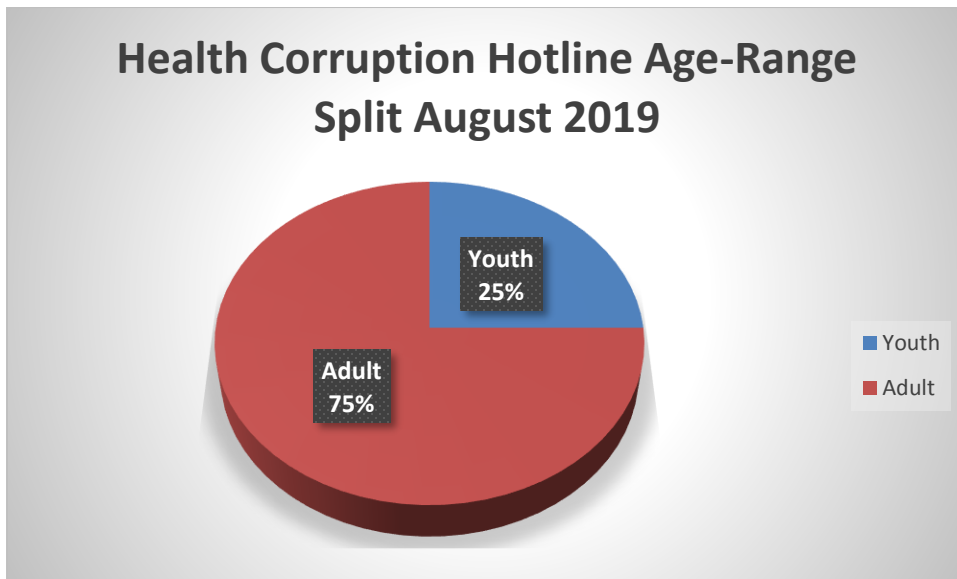
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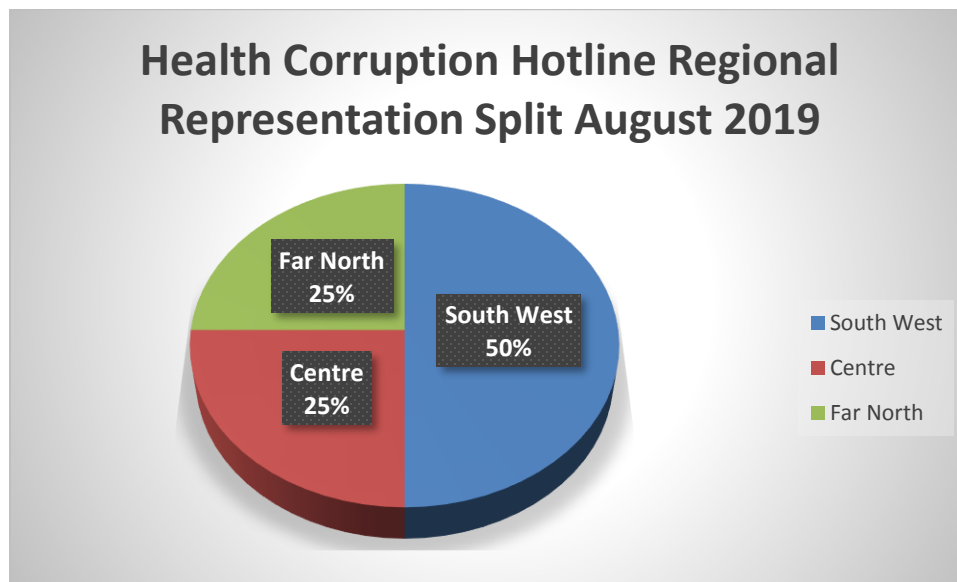
The female gender participated with the highest number of calls represented by 75% while the male gender participated with 25% of calls

### Age Range of Callers



This month of August 2019, just age groups participated in Health Corruption calls. The adult age group which participated with the most number of calls represented by 75% while the youth age group participated with just 25% of calls.





The South West region participated with the most number of callers represented by 50% of total calls while both the Far North and the Centre region each participated with 25% of callers

**Finance****AC received funds this month from NEU FOUNDATION****Rate: \$586.5**

<b>Amount in Francs CFA</b>	<b>Use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount in USD</b>
20,000	AC Hotline	17 calls received	<b>\$34.1</b>
10,000	HC Hotline	7 calls received	<b>\$17.0</b>
0	Investigations	0	<b>\$00.0</b>
0	Legal	02 case follow-up	<b>\$00.0</b>
0	Media	0	<b>\$00.0</b>
362,750	Management	Co-ordination	<b>\$618.4</b>
0	Office	Office materials	<b>\$00.0</b>
<b>392,750</b>	<b>TOTAL Expenditure August 2019</b>		<b>\$669.6</b>

**Donor Financial Report August 2019**

<b>Amount in FCFA</b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Amount in USD</b>
<b>3,404</b>		<b>Balance from July</b>	<b>\$5.8</b>
<b>390,000</b>	<b>NEU FOUNDATION</b>	<b>Received in August</b>	<b>\$664.9</b>
<b>392,750</b>		<b>Used in August</b>	<b>\$669.6</b>
<b>654</b>		<b>Carried forward to September</b>	<b>\$1.11</b>