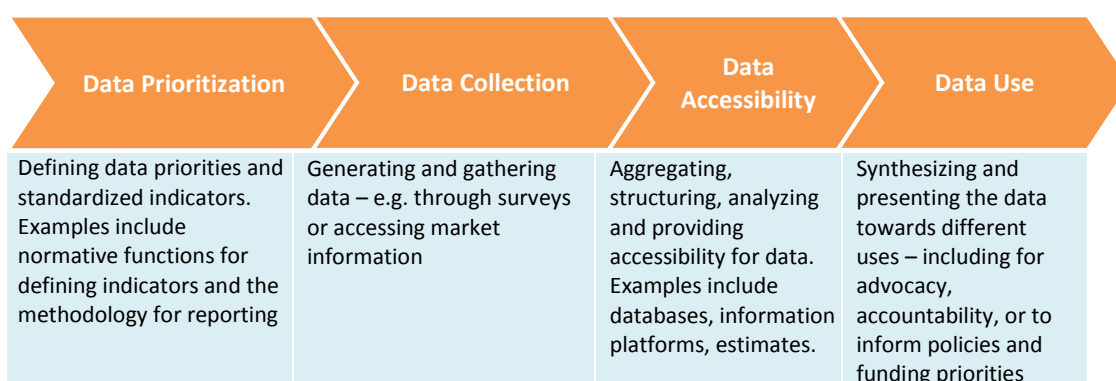


Updated overview of global data & accountability initiatives for nutrition

This document presents an updated overview of the mapping exercise on global data and accountability initiatives for nutrition commissioned by the SUN Donor Network with the financial support from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation¹. The update is prepared in the context of the work the Micronutrient Initiative and the Scaling Up Nutrition Secretariat are conducting towards the identification of countries' priorities around data gaps in nutrition and the assessment of the response capacity from global and regional facilities/actors.

Data Value Chain

The figure below shows a data value chain proposed by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation² that can be utilized to map initiatives working on global data and accountability in nutrition.



Global and Regional Initiatives

Data Prioritization

Initiative / Implementing organization	Description	Status	Update (Nov 2016)
Global Monitoring Framework on Maternal, Infant and Young Child Nutrition <i>WHO with partners</i>	Framework for monitoring progress on the <i>Comprehensive Implementation Plan on Maternal, Infant and Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN)</i> and the “WHA Targets.”	Core set of indicators approved at 67 th and 68 th WHAs, with 21 indicators. Further work is on-going, including on the monitoring and reporting guidelines.	No update.
WHO/UNICEF Technical Advisory Group on Nutrition Monitoring (TEAM) <i>WHO & UNICEF with partners</i>	Providing advice on how to enhance nutrition monitoring at all levels, identify emerging research questions and needs related to nutrition monitoring, and recommend actions to develop indicators and methods. The TEAM is – amongst other tasks – taking forward the completion of the	Established in 2015, with two meetings convened to date. Work is on-going.	No update.

¹ Kim D. Mapping Exercise Global Data and Accountability Initiatives for Nutrition. June, 2016.

² Taken from: Rawat R and Piwoz, E. Strengthening nutrition data and information systems: A blueprint for action. Initiatives to Address Data Gaps in Nutrition. Micronutrient Forum Pre-conference Symposium. Cancun, Mexico. October 23, 2016.

Compendium of Indicators for Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture <i>FAO</i>	Will describe a range of indicators that can be used to monitor and evaluate the nutrition-related impacts of investments in agriculture and rural development.	Planned for publication in 2016.	Published. Can be downloaded at: http://www.fao.org/3/a-i6275e.pdf
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Data Creation and Collection

Initiative / Implementing organization	Description	Status	Update (Nov 2016)
Primary data collection tools			
Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) <i>USAID program, implemented by a consortium led by ICF</i>	Nationally representative household surveys that collect and provide access to data for a wide range of monitoring and impact evaluation indicators in the areas of population, health and nutrition.	On-going. Surveys have been carried out in over 90 countries.	No update.
Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS) <i>UNICEF</i>	Surveys implemented by countries under a program developed and managed by UNICEF to provide internationally comparable, statistically rigorous data on the situation of women and children.	On-going. Surveys carried out in over 109 countries to date. Current round (MICS5) was launched in 2012. MICS6 round will be launched in 2016.	MICS6 is currently in the phase of survey design. Surveys will be conducted in 2017-18 in the following countries: Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Argentina, Costa Rica, Suriname, Iraq, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gambia, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Togo, Chad and
Standardized Monitoring and Assessment of Relief and Transitions (SMART survey) <i>Hosted by ACF Canada</i>	A standardized, simplified household-level survey methodology that provides representative and accurate nutrition and mortality data for effective decision-making and resource allocation. Initially developed for emergency settings, but are now also for use in non-emergency environments, where there is a lack of nutrition information, or a lack of focus on chronic malnutrition.	Launched in 2002. On-going.	No update.
Food balance sheets <i>FAO</i>	Provide estimates of the quantities of food available for human consumption in a country, using data on food supply and their nutritional and caloric content.	On-going.	New beta version: http://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#data/FBS
Voices of the Hungry / Food Insecurity Experience Scale (FIES) <i>FAO</i>	Utilizes an experience-based tool that is incorporated into the <i>Gallup World Poll</i> to help measure food insecurity worldwide. Will be used as the basis for reporting against SDG indicator 2.1.2 (prevalence of moderate and severe food insecurity).	Launched in 2013. The FIES has been incorporated into the Gallup World Poll since 2014.	No update.

Agricultural and Rural Integrated Survey (AGRIS) <i>FAO</i>	A farm-based modular multi-year survey program, designed as a cost-effective way for national statistical agencies to accelerate the production of quality disaggregated data on the technical, economic, environmental and social dimensions of agricultural holdings. Will serve as one of the primary means for collecting data on SDG indicators 2.3.1 (on smallholder farm productivity), 2.3.2 (on smallholder incomes) and 2.4.1 (on sustainable agricultural practices).	On-going.	No update.
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Global Databases			
Global Database on Child Growth and Malnutrition <i>WHO</i>	A compilation of standardized child growth and malnutrition data from nutritional surveys conducted around the world.	On-going	No update.
Nutrition Landscape Information System (NLIS) <i>WHO</i>	Brings together all existing WHO Global Nutrition Databases dynamically, as well as other existing food and nutrition-related data from partner agencies into a web-based tool.	On-going	No update.
Global database on the Implementation of Nutrition Action (GINA) <i>WHO</i>	Compiles information on nutrition policies and actions, including commitments made, actions taken and lessons learned.	Initiated in 2010, and currently on-going	No update.
Other WHO-maintained nutrition databases <i>WHO</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global Database on Body Mass Index Vitamin and Mineral Nutrition Information System (VMNIS) Global Data Bank on Infant and Young Child Feeding 	WHO may discontinue maintenance of the Databank on Infant and Young Child Feeding (with UNICEF retaining the lead role in maintaining the database on this topic)	VMNIS currently being expanded and updated
UNICEF global databases <i>UNICEF</i>	UNICEF maintains a series of global databases and offers access to global datasets on malnutrition, infant and young child feeding, iodized salt consumption, low birth weight and vitamin A supplementation.	On-going.	No update.
NutriDash <i>UNICEF</i>	A web-based database that collates country-level program output data to help improve the availability of information on the reach and progress of programs.	On-going. Access to the 2013 data is available to UNICEF staff. A Global Report from the 2013 pilot year is publicly available.	No update.
Global Individual Food consumption data Tool (GIFT) <i>FAO/WHO</i>	Will contain individual quantitative food consumption data from countries, made accessible online through an interactive web platform.	Initiated as a pilot in 2014. Dissemination platform expected to be available as a global tool by 2018.	No update.

Global Repository on Food Fortification Co-led by GAIN, IGN, FFI and Micronutrient Forum	GAIN, IGN, FFI and Micronutrient Forum are leading a process to agree common indicators for fortification among all major partners and establishing a process for regular collection and reporting, applicable to multiple nutrients and food vehicles, at national and global levels. This will be stored in an interactive, online global repository for the sector.	Only started in March 2016	Indicators developed in 2016, data compilation from all four agencies completed and backend software development initiated. Plans are to launch database by June 2016.
Tracking tools, reports and accountability tools			
UNICEF-WHO-World Bank Joint Child Malnutrition Estimates	Provide joint global and regional estimates on child stunting, underweight, overweight, wasting and severe wasting. An inter-agency team regularly updates estimates, and the underlying datasets are available publicly.	On-going, with new estimates provided on an annual basis.	The inter-agency team released new joint estimates of child stunting, overweight, underweight, wasting and severe wasting in September 2016 (2016 edition). http://www.who.int/nut assessment/estimates2016
Tracking tool for WHA targets <i>WHO, in collaboration with UNICEF and EC</i>	Web-based tool to track progress against WHA targets, with 1) country indicator profiles; 2) indicator mapping and 3) global and regional overviews.	On-going.	Most recent version released November 2016: https://extranet.who.int/sree/Reports?op=vs&path=%2FWHO_HQ_Report_s/G16/PROD/EXT/Target_s_Menu&VSPARAM_varLanguage=F&VSPARAM_v
State of Food Insecurity in the World (SOFI) <i>FAO, IFAD and WFP</i>	An annual report that presents updated estimates of undernourishment in the world, and progress towards MDG1 and 1996 World Food Summit hunger targets.	On-going. Discussions currently underway with UNICEF and WHO to potentially broaden the scope of SOFI, which had previously focused on food security, to also cover nutrition.	No update.
Scaling up Nutrition (SUN) Movement Annual Progress Reports <i>SUN Movement</i>	To date, these have compiled self-reported assessments from countries around four areas: 1) bringing people together into a shared space for action; 2) ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework; 3) aligning actions around a Common Results Framework; and 4) financial tracking and resource mobilization.	Will continue with some changes as the SUN Country Joint Assessment of Progress and Priority Setting Exercise (as part of a broader process to develop the Movement's monitoring system for the 2016-2020 monitoring framework).	SUN Movement Progress Report 2016: http://docs.scalingupnutrition.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/SUN_Report_20161129_web_All.pdf
Global Nutrition Report (GNR) <i>IFPRI et al</i>	Assesses the progress of the 193 UN member states in meeting global nutrition targets established by the WHA, and documents how well countries, donors, NGOs, businesses and others are meeting commitments made at the N4G summit in 2013.	First launched in 2013, with annual reports since then. 2016 report scheduled for release autumn 2016.	2016 report released on June, 2016: http://www.ifpri.org/cdmref/p15738coll2/id/130354/filename/130565.pdf
Global Hunger Index (GHI) <i>IFPRI, with Welthungerhilfe and Concern Worldwide</i>	Designed to comprehensively measure and track hunger globally and by country and region. Tracks 117 countries against 4 component indicators (malnourishment, child wasting, child stunting and child mortality. Aim is to draw attention and stimulate political discussion on hunger.	First published in 2006 and published annually one week before World Food Day (16 October).	2016 report released on October 2016: http://www.ifpri.org/cdmref/p15738coll2/id/130707/filename/130918.pdf Interactive map: http://ghi.ifpri.org

Access to Nutrition Index (ATNI) <i>Access to Nutrition Foundation</i>	Seeks to stimulate dialogue about how food and beverage manufacturers can improve their nutrition practices by benchmarking their approach to nutrition against peers, and by identifying areas for improvement.	Originally developed by GAIN, and managed by the Access to Nutrition Foundation since 2013. Index published every 2 years.	2016 Global Index report released on January 2016: https://www.accesstonutrition.org/sites/2016.atni-index.org/files/atni-global-index-2016_2.pdf 2016 Index: https://www.accesstonutrition.org/files/2016
SDG2 Accountability Framework Working Group <i>GODAN, ONE et al</i>	Developing a tool to track the progress of global, regional and national commitments from different stakeholders, in the areas of agriculture, food security and nutrition. Will also look at the data, policy and financing gaps required to achieve SDG2 by 2030.	Discussions initiated in 2016 by ONE, and currently taken forward as a GODAN Working Group.	No update.
Initiatives to improve data collection and accessibility			
International Dietary Data Expansion Project (INDDEx) <i>Tufts University with FAO and IFPRI</i>	Developing new technologies and methodologies to 1) standardize and streamline the collection and analysis of individual-level dietary data; 2) improve the design and use of the food data collected in HCESs; 3) demonstrate how to appropriately use fit-for-purpose indicators and analyses; and 4) develop guidance and tools to facilitate adoption of the advancements and new methodologies developed under the INDDEx project.	Initiated in January 2015, with a current project timeline and budget through 2018.	No update.
Accelerating Nutrition Improvements in Sub-Saharan Africa (ANI) <i>WHO</i>	Supporting sub-Saharan African countries to improve nutrition surveillance activities through strengthening health information systems.	Initiated in 2012, with activities taking place in 11 countries. Potential scale-out to further countries (TBD).	No update.
Fortification Assessment Coverage Tool (FACT) <i>GAIN</i>	A survey instrument for carrying out coverage assessments of both population-based (e.g. staple food) and targeted (e.g. point-of-use fortificants or supplements) fortification programs. The tool was developed to assist stakeholders in achieving greater program impact by assessing coverage and identifying program barriers and potential ways to address them.	Initiated in 2013. Data collected in over ten countries to date. An extensive dissemination is planned over the coming year, and a final FACT toolkit will be made publicly available.	No update.

Data Analysis, Translation & Dissemination and Decision Making

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Initiatives to build in-country information platforms and capacity			
National Evaluation Platforms (NEP) <i>Johns Hopkins University, with national partners</i>	Working with countries to systematically compile and rigorously analyze data from different sources and utilize these towards answering critical evaluation questions regarding their nutrition programs and needs.	Work in four countries (Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania and Mali) commenced in 2014 and will likely be complete in mid-2017, with additional work late 2017 to complete the packaging of tools and materials.	In 2016, all four countries are embarking on Cycle 2 of NEP.

<p>National Information Platforms for Nutrition (NIPN)</p> <p><i>EU project implemented by Agrinatura EEIG and national partners</i></p>	<p>Providing support to countries in the SUN Movement to strengthen their capacity to bring together existing information on nutritional status with information on factors that influence nutritional outcomes, including policies, programs and investments. In doing so, it aims to help countries to track progress against global targets, analyze data to better understand how malnutrition can be prevented and to inform national policies and improve programs and outcomes.</p>	<p>Original project timeline 2015-2019. Work initiated in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Kenya, Laos, Niger and Uganda.</p>	<p>No update.</p>
<p>Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC)</p> <p><i>Hosted by FAO, implemented by a multi-stakeholder partnership</i></p>	<p>Uses a set of standardized tools to provide a common approach for classifying the severity and magnitude of food security and malnutrition in countries. IPC's tools are intended to help improve the ability to analyze and make decisions on food security and nutrition, and to promote effective and accessible communication for decision-makers based on the analyses.</p>	<p>Current 2014-2018 IPC Action Plan has the aim of supporting implementation of the IPC in 51 target countries.</p>	<p>No update.</p>
Partnership and innovation platforms			
<p>Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition (GODAN)</p> <p><i>Network of partners, facilitated by a secretariat hosted by CABI</i></p>	<p>Facilitates and convenes partners to tackle the various dimensions of the obstacles facing open data. GODAN provides platforms for partners to collaborate share ideas and experiences and to find ways forward on how open data can be used to solve key issues and challenges in the agriculture and nutrition sectors.</p>	<p>Operational since 2015, with a recently approved 5- year work plan covering 2016-2020.</p>	<p>In 2016 first global conference (GODAN Summit 2016) to discuss the role of open data for agriculture and nutrition.</p>
<p>Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD)</p> <p><i>Multi-stakeholder partnership with a secretariat hosted by UN Foundation</i></p>	<p>A global network of governments, NGOs and businesses working together to support data-driven decision- making towards the SDGs, by making data more open, accessible and usable, and by helping to fill data gaps.</p>	<p>UN Foundation selected to host partnership in November 2015. Secretariat and working groups currently in process of being set up.</p>	<p>No update.</p>
<p>Global Pulse</p> <p><i>Secretariat connected to the office of the UNSG, working with UN agencies and multi-stakeholder partners</i></p>	<p>An innovation initiative of the UNSG to accelerate discovery, development and scaled adoption of big data innovation for sustainable development and humanitarian action.</p>	<p>Launched in 2009, with on-going projects. Set-up potentially to be revisited under new SG.</p>	<p>No update.</p>