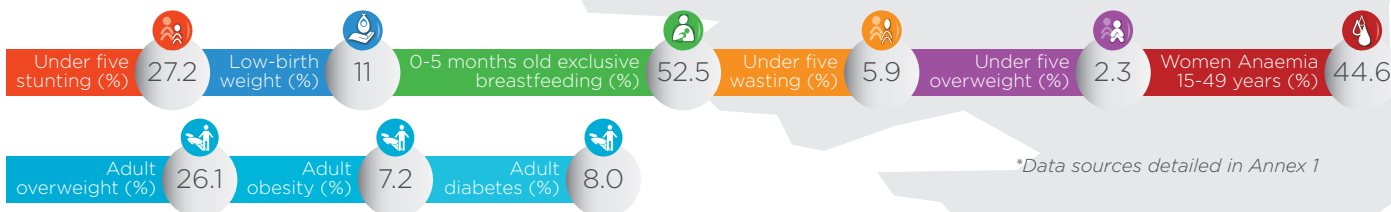




Joined: March 2014  
Population: 1.77 million

# Guinea-Bissau



\*Data sources detailed in Annex 1

## Institutional transformations in 2016-2017

Not available for 2014\*

2015 34%

2016 22%

2017 57%

Not available for 2014\*

2015 48%

2016 32%

2017 22%

Not available for 2014\*

2015 29%

2016 20%

2017 4%

Not available for 2014\*

2015 0%

2016 4%

2017 38%

2017 total weighted 30%

### Bringing people together into a shared space for action

The multi-stakeholder platform (MSP) is functioning, with relevant stakeholders mobilised and engaged, and common results are being achieved – through stakeholder interactions. At the December 2016 Cabinet meeting, the Prime Minister officially recognised the Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Committee and the SUN Government Focal Point. The new United Nations SUN network (comprising UNICEF, FAO, WHO, UNFPA, WFP and the World Bank) is led

by the WFP representative. The sectoral ministry, civil society, donor and United Nations focal points have been appointed and are actively involved in the platform. The relevant national authorities support platform decision-making, with a view to building consensus and producing joint recommendations to enable local dialogue. The nutrition committee's annual workplan for 2017 is currently being drafted.

### Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework

The national authorities have approved the national nutrition policy, and the school canteen policy is awaiting signature by the National Assembly. Various stakeholders promote the inclusion of nutrition into sectoral policies and development programmes. The United Nations has made contact with Members

of Parliament, following a communication from the Inter-Parliamentary Union calling for the convening nutrition-specific meetings. There are also plans for a national dialogue on nutrition and a national nutrition day. The United Nations network is willing to support the newly appointed SUN government focal point.

### Aligning actions around a common results framework

The budget for the Strategic Plan for Nutrition is currently being finalised, and will contain a common results framework.

There are plans to hold a roundtable event, to this end.

### Financing tracking and resource mobilisation

Twice a year, the United Nations monitors funds allocated to nutrition programmes, as stipulated in the UN Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for Guinea-Bissau. Public investment into

nutrition was analysed in 2016 and the Ministry of Finance subsequently published a report. There are plans to hold a donor roundtable event in 2017 to mobilise funds for nutrition.

## 2017-2018 PRIORITIES

- Advocate with the authorities (Parliament and Council) to approve pending documents (breast-milk substitute and marketing bill, school canteen policy);
- Prevent malnutrition among vulnerable groups throughout the lifecycle, and promote appropriate treatment for cases of acute malnutrition, including tackling micronutrient deficiencies;
- Promote food security for families and the community and building resilience to dietary variety;
- Strengthen inter-sectoral coordination of information systems, nutrition research, and behaviour change communication.