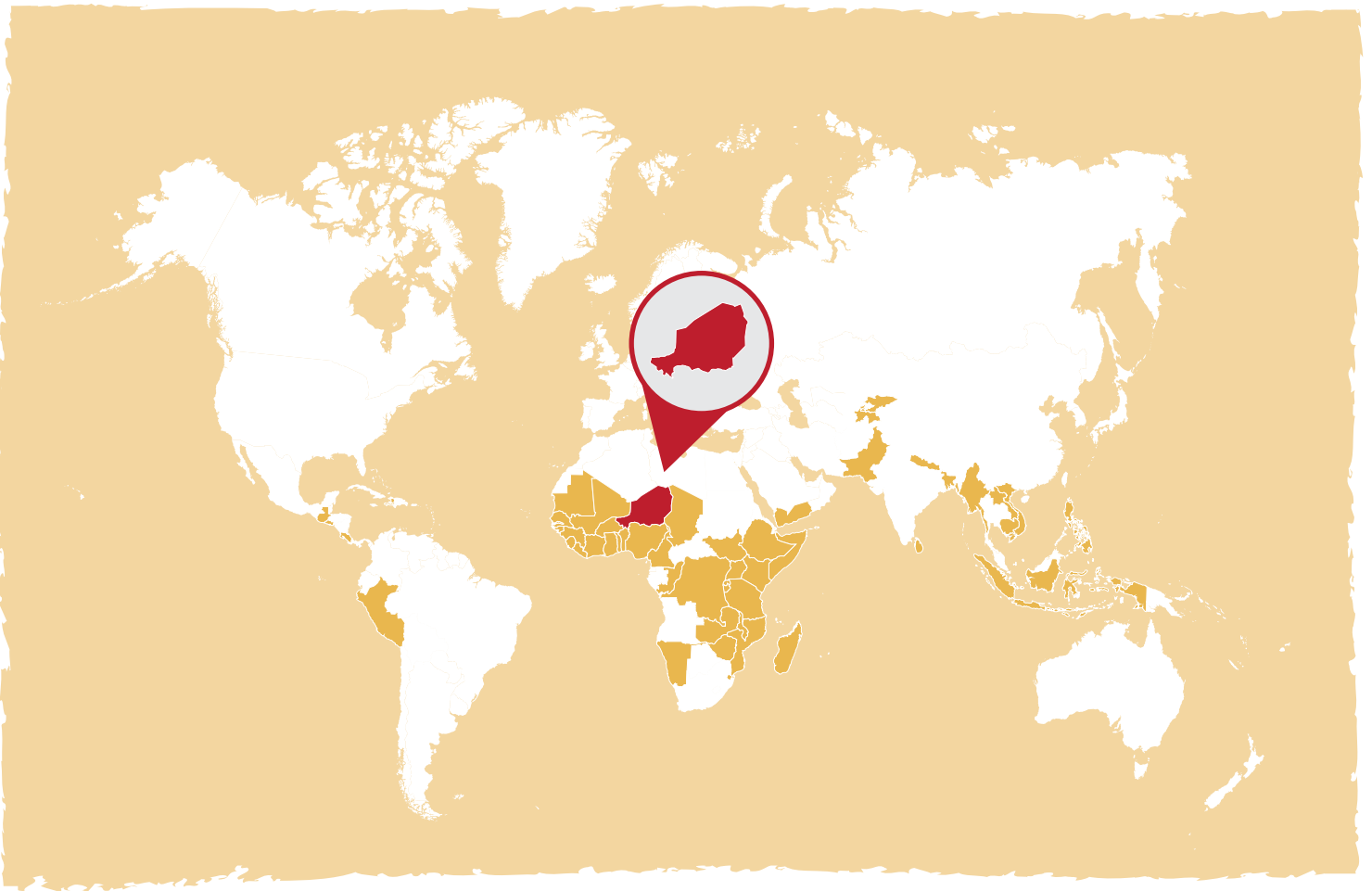


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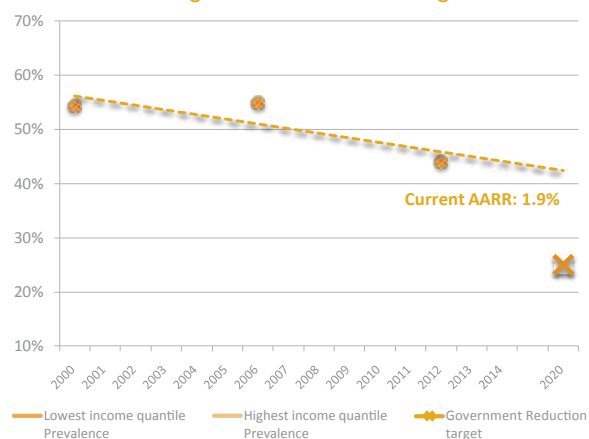


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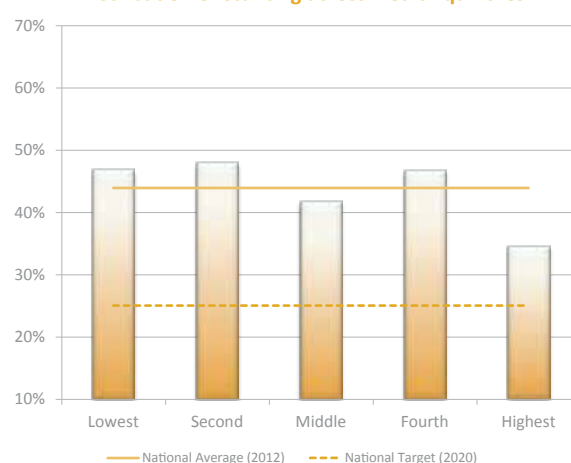


Demographic data	
National Population (million, 2010)	15.9
Children under 5 (million, 2010)	3.3
Adolescent Girls (15-19) (million, 2010)	0.80
Average Number of Births (million, 2010)	0.70
Population growth rate (2010)	3.74%
WHA nutrition target indicators (DHS 2012)	
Low birth weight	12.0%
0-5 months Exclusive Breastfeeding	23.3%
Under five stunting	43.0%
Under five wasting	18.7%
Under five overweight	3.0%
Coverage of Nutrition-relevant Factors	
Infant and young child feeding practice	
6-23 months with Minimum Acceptable Diet	5.6%
6-23 months with Minimum Diet Diversity	9.8%
Programs for vitamin and mineral deficiencies	
Zinc Supplementation for Diarrhea	10.3%
Pregnant Women Attending 4 or more Antenatal Care Visits	32.8%
Vitamin A supplementation (6-59 months)	98.0%
Households Consuming Adequately Iodized Salt	58.5%
Women's Empowerment	
Female literacy	14.0%
Female employment rate	29.2%
Median age at first marriage	15.8
Access to skilled birth attendant	18.0%
Women who have first birth before age 18	40.4%
Fertility rate	7.6
Other Nutrition-relevant indicators	
Rate of urbanization	17.20%
Income share held by lowest 20%	8.09%
Calories per capita per day (kcal/capita/day)	2,306.4
Energy from non-staples in supply	22.91%
Iron availability from animal products (mg/capita/day)	2.2
Access to Improved Sanitation Facilities	9.3%
Open defecation	81.0%
Access to Improved Drinking Water Sources	66.5%
Access to Piped Water on Premises	2.9%
Surface Water as Drinking Water Source	1.1%
GDP per capita (current USD, 2013)	413.00
Exports-Agr Products per capita (current USD, 2012)	0.73
Imports-Agr Products per capita (current USD, 2012)	0.82

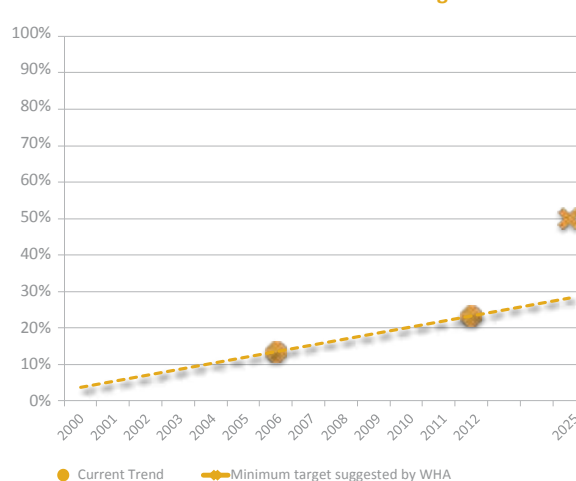
Stunting Reduction Trend and Target



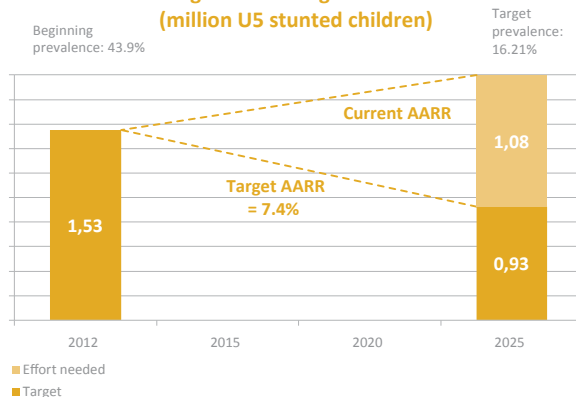
Distribution of stunting across wealth quintiles



Trend of Exclusive Breastfeeding Rate



Targeted Stunting Reduction (million US stunted children)



Bringing people together into a shared space for action

The Nigerien authorities now understand that nutrition is a development issue and have included it in the political agenda. It is Priority 3 of the Prime Minister's General Policy Declaration (DPG), operationalized by the Economic and Social Development Plan (PDES). In this PDES, food and nutritional security is specifically coordinated by a High Commission responsible for implementing a strategy broken down into 5 strategic programs, the 4th of which is entitled "Improving the Nutritional Status of Nigerians".

The implementation of each program is monitored by a Multi-sectoral Steering Committee (CMPS) chaired by the Minister whose office is the most relevant.

The Health Ministry, which implements most of the 10 direct nutrition interventions, chairs CMPS4, with the support of other technical ministries implementing nutrition interventions (Agriculture, Livestock, Education, Environment, Hydropower, Population) and UNICEF (leader of technical and financial partners in the health sector) acting as vice-chair.

CMPS resolutions are notified to the Interministerial Orientation Council (CIO), chaired by the President of the Republic and seconded by the Prime Minister.

The last CMPS4 meeting approved a number of important resolutions, including revising the ministerial order setting it up, in order to bring in more participants including the European Union and USAID. The composition of CMPS4 is in line with the SUN platform.

Aligning actions around a Common Results Framework

Reinforcing the Secretariat to support CMPS4 and the need to accelerate the finalization and adoption of all nutrition policy and/or strategy documents is one of the important resolutions of CMPS4. The directory of national policies and strategies to be updated and submitted for adoption is currently being drawn up and will be presented at forthcoming CMPS4 sessions.

Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework

The single overarching framework for nutrition interventions remains Initiative 3N, known as "Nigeriens feeding Nigeriens" (I3N).

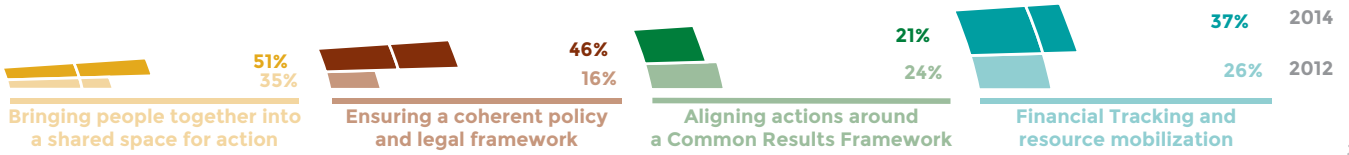
An innovative approach bringing all sectors together in the same place and at the same time with the Commune as an entry point has been implemented. 35 communes known as convergence communes are identified for this purpose (11 in 2014, 12 in 2015 and 12 in 2016). This approach is implemented in the 11 communes scheduled in 2014, and will be rolled out in the other 12 where participatory planning with the relevant local authorities is already under way. This recognizes the program harmonization implemented in accordance with I3N.

Financial Tracking and resource mobilization

A proposed Budgeted Multi-sectoral Action Plan will be presented at the next CMPS4 session to assess contribution from other sectors and improve understanding of the nutrition financing in Niger.

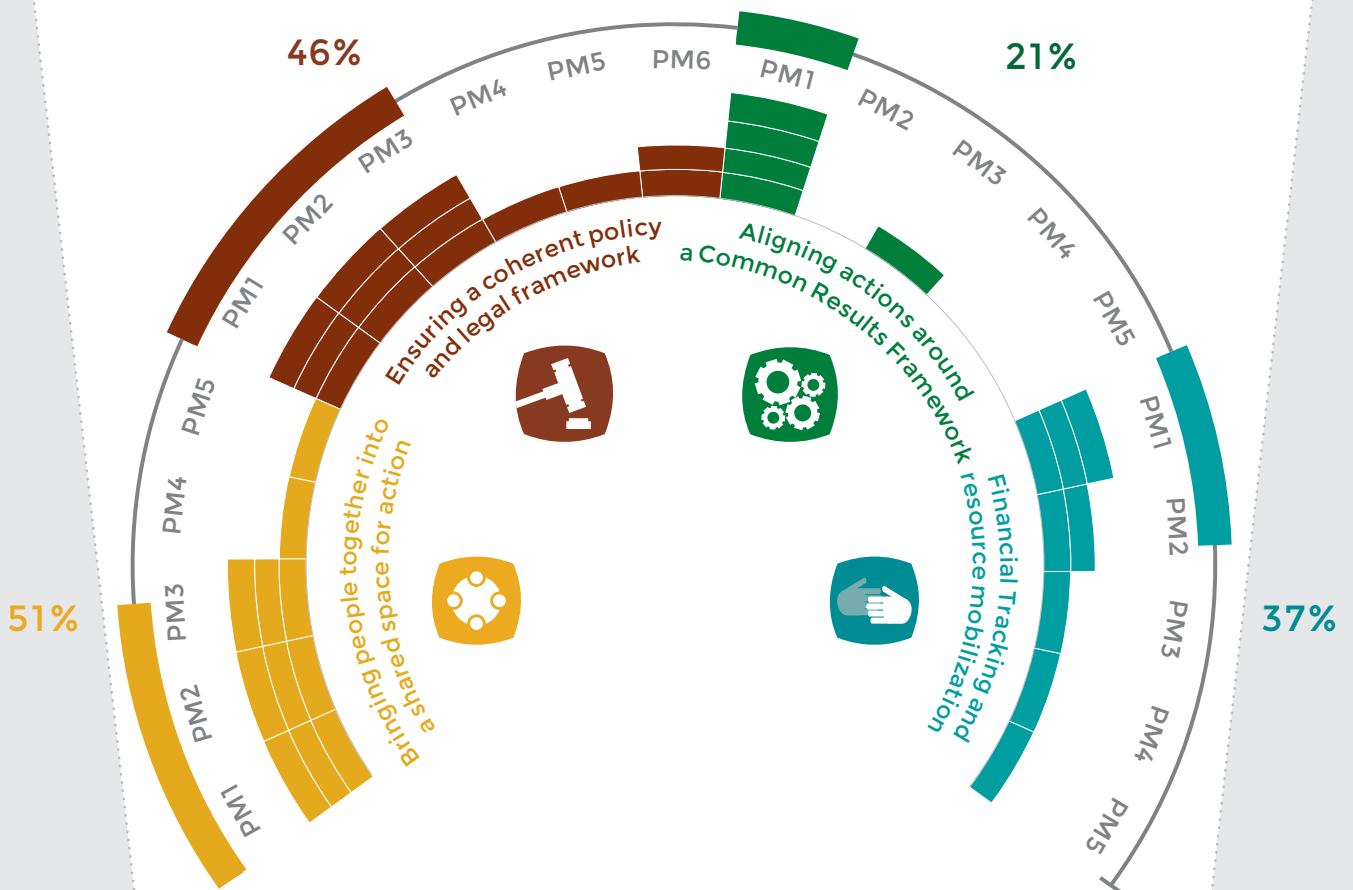
Progress Across Four SUN Processes Niger

2012¹ and 2014² Scoring of Progress Markers



2014 Dashboard for Progress Markers

Stage of Preparedness



¹Externally assessed by the SUN Movement Secretariat

²Internally assessed by in-country self-assessment exercise