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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

School meal programs¹ — in which students are provided with snacks, meals, or other foods in or through schools — are common throughout the world. The Global Child Nutrition Foundation (GCNF)² 2019 Global Survey of School Meal Programs[©] established a unique global database of standardized information on school meal programs, covering all related sectors and activities.

The 2019 Global Survey drew responses from 103 countries representing 78% of the world's population. Of these, 85 countries had at least one large-scale school feeding program and provided data for their most recently completed school year. The remaining 18 countries reported that they had no relevant program. Complete survey results and additional information can be found at www.survey.gcnf.org. It is GCNF's intention to update the Global Survey periodically (e.g., every two to three years) in order to track changes and identify trends in school feeding programs over time.

This 2021 survey will gather updated information regarding:

- The scope of school feeding in each country in the most recently completed school year
- Government financing of, and involvement in, school feeding
- Nutrition-, education-, and gender-related aspects of school feeding
- Agricultural and private sector engagement
- Related health and sanitation topics
- The impact of emergencies

There are a few important changes to the 2019 survey. These changes address issues encountered in the first survey, adding some new questions (e.g., questions relevant to the COVID-19 pandemic) and removing some questions deemed less relevant.

Each country that participated in the 2019 survey has access to a Country Report produced from the survey results. Country Reports are succinct and attractively designed 3-4 page program brochures with program descriptions organized in a standard format. These can serve as excellent advocacy tools and allow quick comparisons between countries and programs. Country Reports will again be made available to countries participating in the 2021 survey.

In addition to the Country Reports, the survey database enables a participating country to:

- Share information about its school meal programs with stakeholders and researchers around the world
- Identify strengths, weaknesses, and needs within programs

While aware of distinctions that may exist between the terms school meal, school feeding, and school nutrition (programs), we use school feeding throughout this survey as we aim to capture core information regarding all such programs.

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- Recognize and remedy gaps in program data collection
- Learn from the successes and challenges of other countries' school feeding programs
- Invest in school nutrition with deeper knowledge of the sector globally, including trends, gaps, and opportunities
- Direct training, education, research, and funding efforts to the areas of greatest need

GCNF is particularly interested in national government involvement with school feeding and hosts an annual conference, the Global Child Nutrition Forum, as well as virtual and in-person workshops and events to encourage learning and sharing within and across countries and between officials responsible for school meal programs and other stakeholders. Because of the focus on national government ownership and involvement, this survey is designed to be answered by a government representative — a survey Focal Point — who is involved with school feeding in their country.

SURVEY OVERVIEW

This survey asks about national or large-scale school feeding programs (or school meal or school nutrition programs). This includes programs that are managed or administered by the national, regional, or local government, as well as large-scale school-based feeding programs that are managed by a non-governmental entity but in coordination with the national government. It also includes programs that do not involve the government but reach a substantial proportion of students in the country. Please refer to the survey glossary for additional information.

The survey includes 11 sections. Four sections contain national-level questions, meaning that they only need to be completed once for your country. The remaining seven sections contain program-level questions, meaning that they will be completed separately for each large-scale school feeding program in your country.

NATIONAL-LEVEL SECTIONS Complete once per country

- A. National context I
- B. National context II

PROGRAM-LEVEL SECTIONS

Complete once for each large-scale school feeding program in the country

- C. Program overview
- D. Design and implementation
- E. Food sourcing
- F. Governance and leadership
- G. Funding and budgeting
- H. Agriculture, employment, and community participation
- I. School feeding operations and COVID-19

NATIONAL-LEVEL SECTIONS

Complete once per country

- J. Education system and infrastructure
- K. Successes and challenges

Given its global scope, this survey addresses a wide range of topics around school feeding. We are grateful for your patience in answering all relevant questions and contributing your knowledge and expertise to this global database.

The survey can be completed in stages, and we expect many respondents will opt to complete the survey gradually over the course of 1-2 weeks.

If you have questions or comments, please be in touch and we will do our best to respond quickly. Email: globalsurvey@gcnf.org; Website: www.survey.gcnf.org; Address: P.O. Box 99435 Seattle, WA 98139 USA.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. **Survey Associates** are available to answer questions and assist throughout the survey experience. If you do not know the Survey Associate assigned for your country and would like to contact them, please email globalsurvey@gcnf.org. We look forward to hearing from you!
- 2. All questions in this survey refer to the most recently completed school year in your country, unless otherwise noted. This is also referred to as the school year that began in 2020. For most countries, the most recently completed school year will be the 2020-2021 school year.
- 3. Definitions of key terms are provided in a glossary. If a word is green, the definition is available.
- 4. Please try to answer every question. At the close of each survey section, space is available to comment, explain, or clarify any responses or questions you could not answer.
- 5. Sections A, B, J, and K collect country-level information. The headers of these sections are **purple**. These will be completed once.
- 6. Sections C, D, E, F, G, H, and I collect information that is specific to a given school feeding program. In the survey, the headers of these sections are **blue**. These will be completed for each large-scale school feeding program that was operating in your country in the most recently completed school year. If your country had one such program in place, these will be completed once. If your country had three programs, sections C–I will be completed three times.
- 7. In the survey, the main document includes one copy of sections C–I for the first school feeding program. If you have multiple programs, please submit a copy of your survey responses (sections C–I) for each program. This can be found at www.survey.gcnf.org/2021-global-survey/. (See page 12.)
- 8. You, the survey **Focal Point**, are not expected to know answers to all of the survey questions. To answer some questions, you will likely need to gather information from other government representatives or school feeding partners who are more familiar with a certain topic. In other cases, you will be asked to indicate that the question does not apply to the program(s) and move on to the next question or section.
- 9. Whether or not you have consulted with a **Survey Associate** in the process of completing the survey, once a survey is submitted, it will be reviewed by a GCNF **Survey Associate**. The Survey Associate may contact you if they need clarification regarding your responses.
- 10. The **Focal Point** will be responsible for gaining any necessary approval for the information to be made available in a public database. Submission of a completed survey is understood to indicate that government approval has been received.
- 11. Your name and contact information will not be public and will not be made available to any data users.

We are deeply appreciative of the work of the survey **Focal Points** who make this initiative successful.

Thank you!

FOCAL POINT CONTACT INFORMATION

The below Focal Point contact information is collected for administrative purposes only and will not be made publicly available.

Country:
Date of survey start:
Name:
Institution/Department/Office:
Job title:
Email:
Telephone:
Other contact option:
Information on school feeding activities in this country is available at:
Ministry/Agency:
Contact information (e.g., website or general email address):
contact information (c.g., website of general email address).
To be completed by GCNF
Was a Survey Associate involved? Yes No
Survey Associate:
Survey language:
Survey submission date:
Survey verification date:

SECTION A: NATIONAL CONTEXT I

1	During the most recently completed school year, did your country have a national or large-scale school feeding program? Yes No
	A1.1 If A1 = yes, what were the names of the school feeding programs in this country? If a program did not have an official name, please apply a name to be used in this survey.
	School feeding program 1:
	School feeding program 2:
	School feeding program 3:
	School feeding program 4:
	School feeding program 5:
	Sections C-I will be repeated for each school feeding program listed in A1.1.

A2 Number of children

These questions refer to any and all school feeding programs. If exact number is not known, please estimate.

	Pre-school (Early childhood education)	Primary	Secondary
How many children of this age range are there in total in this country?			
Please report the latest available data. The age range of pre-school students is often considered to be 36-59 months (3-5 years of age).			
How many children are enrolled in school?			
How many children received food in the most recently completed school year (i.e., the school year that began in 2020)?			
How many children received food <u>one school year prior</u> to the most recently completed school year? If the most recently completed school year is 2020-2021, this refers to 2019-2020.			
How many children received food three school years prior to the most recently completed school year? If the most recently completed school year is 2020-2021, this refers to 20170-2018.			

A

A3 What was the most recently completed school year in this country?

Start month		Start year	End month		End year
January	July	2020	January	July	2020
February	August		February	August	2021
March	September		March	September	
April	October		April	October	
May	November		May	November	
June	December		June	December	
A4 How many sch	nool days are in the	school year?			

A5 Over the school year that began in 2020, when were <u>most</u> schools open or closed? Select the most relevant status for each month.

				STAT	U S	
Month	Year (2020 or 2021)	Open	Closed for holiday	Closed because of COVID-19 or other emergency —but operating remotely*	Closed because of COVID-19 or other emergency—and <u>not</u> operating	Some schools open and other schools operating remotely*
January						
February						
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						

^{*}Operating remotely is also referred to as "distance learning" or "remote learning."

SECTION B: NATIONAL CONTEXT II

B1 Are there national law Yes No	s, policies, or standards related to school feeding?
B1.1 If B1 = yes, pleas	se fill in the table below:
Торіс	Name of national law/policy/standard(s)
National school feeding	policy
Nutrition	
Health	
Food safety	
Agriculture	
Private sector involveme	nt
	rnment contribute financially to any school feeding program(s) in this country ompleted school year?
B2.1 If B2 = yes, what	was the total actual government financial contribution to these programs?
B2.1.1 What is	the currency used in question B2.1? Please spell out.
	there a separate line item in the national budget for school feeding? No

B

B3 Are any food items prohibite Yes No	ed in school feeding p	rograms?	
B3.1 If B3 = yes, what food	items are prohibited?		
B3.2 If B3 = yes, for what re Cultural reasons Religious reasons	Health-r	tems prohibited? <i>Che</i> cerelated reasons	
B4 What is the lead agency in g this country?	overnment that is re	sponsible for school fe	eeding programs in
B4.1 Has this changed in th	e most recently comp	oleted school year bed	cause of COVID-19?
B4.1.1 If B4.1 = yes, p	lease describe what o	changed.	
B5 Is there an inter-sectoral cod	ordination body or co	mmittee for school fe	eding at the national level?
B5.1 If B5 = yes, please desc	cribe.		
B6 Is there a country-wide syste	em for monitoring scl	nool feeding program	s?
If B6 = yes, please fill out the follow	wing table.		
B6.1 Does the system include the following components? <i>Check all that apply.</i>	B6.2 How freque	ently does this monito	ring occur?
School visits	MonthlyQuarterly	Bi-annually Annually	Other
Electronic reporting	Monthly Quarterly	Bi-annually Annually	Other
Paper-based reporting	Monthly Quarterly	Bi-annually Annually	Other
Other:	Monthly Quarterly	Bi-annually Annually	Other

B

B7	Are there community-led, non-governmental food banks in this country? Yes No
	B7.1 If B7 = yes, do food banks receive government support? Yes No
	B7.2 If B7 = yes, is there any link between food banks and the school feeding programs? Yes No
	B7.2.1 If B7.2 = yes, please describe this link.
B8	Does this country have government food reserves? Yes No
	B8.1 If B8 = yes, is there any link between government food reserves and the school feeding programs?YesNo
	B8.1.1 If B8.1 = yes, please describe this link.
В9	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SECTIONS C-I

Sections C, D, E, F, G, H, and I (C–I) contain questions about a specific school feeding program. These sections will be completed separately for each program in this country.

For the first program, please complete sections C–I below. If additional school feeding programs were operating in this country in the most recently completed school year, please complete sections C–I again for each additional program. An additional PDF (titled "Global Survey — Sections C–I") is available for download at www.survey.gcnf.org/2021-global-survey/. Please submit completed copies of section C–I for each additional program.

Examples:

Country A has just **one** feeding program. Country A will complete sections C–I **once**. This is found within the main survey document.

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Country B has **two** school feeding programs. They each have distinct funding sources, distinct implementers or implementing partners, distinct means of receiving or procuring food, and distinct menus. Country B will complete sections C-I *twice*. For the first program, Country B will fill in sections C-I in the main survey document. For the second program, Country B will download and fill in a separate PDF document ("Global Survey — Sections C-I"). Both parts of the survey will be submitted together.

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SECTIONS C-I

SECTION C: PROGRAM OVERVIEW

CI	List the name of this school reeding pr	ogram. (<i>1111</i> 15 (.orresponas to	trie program	i listeu iii A1	.1)
C2	In what year did this school feeding pr	ogram begin (operating in t	this country?	•	
C 3	Was there a government agency with preding program? Yes No			·		
	C3.1 If C3 = yes, what government agreeding program?	ency was resp	onsible for m	nanaging this	s school	
	C3.2 If C3 = no, who was responsible	for managing	this school fe	eeding progra	am?	
C4	How much money was spent in total b NGO, or private entity) on this school is year? If exact number is not known, plea	eeding progra				
	C4.1 What is the currency used in que	estion C4? <i>Plea</i>	ise spell out.			
	C4.2 Has this amount increased or de COVID-19?				, because o	f
	No change Amount i	ncreased	Amount	decreased		
C5	With consideration of <u>all</u> the money are program, what portion comes from the			at support th	nis school fe	eding
		None/Not applicable	A small amount	Some	Most	All
Ν	ational program implementer					
	on-governmental program nplementer					
(e	ub-national government e.g., state, province, region, district, or ocal government)					
	tudents' families and other ommunity members					
Р	rivate sector					
O	ther:					

SECTION C: PROGRAM OVERVIEW

C6 How many total children received food through school year?	this program	in the most r	ecently comp	oleted
C7 To what extent did this school feeding program categories?	achieve its pl	lanned target	ts in the follo	wing
	Targets achieved	Mostly achieved	Slightly achieved	Not achieved
Number of students receiving food				
Feeding frequency				
Ration size				
Level of food basket variety				
Number of schools receiving food				
Number of school <i>levels</i> receiving food (e.g., primary, secondary)				
C8 How many children does this school feeding pro upcoming) school year? If exact number is not kn	-	_	the current ((or
C9 If you had difficulty answering any questions in explanation.	this section,	please use th	is space to pr	ovide a brief

SECTION D: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION

D1	What were the main objective(s) of this school feeding program? Check all that apply.
	To meet educational goals
	To provide a social safety net
	To meet nutritional and/or health goals
	To prevent or mitigate obesity
	To meet agricultural goals
	Other:
D2	Which feeding modality/modalities did this school feeding program employ? Check all that apply.
	In-school meals
	In-school snacks
	Take-home rations
	Other:
	D2.1 If D2 = In-school meals, which meals were served? Breakfast Lunch (mid-day meal) Evening meal
D3	What was the cost per student per year? Note that this value should be per student per year. If only the per-meal costs are known, please multiply this by an estimate of how many meals are consumed in the year by each student.
	Breakfast
	Lunch (mid-day meal)
	Evening meal
	Snack
	Take-home rations
	Other
	D3.1. What is the currency used in D32 Please shall out

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D

D4 Grades/age levels

D4.1 Did students in this level receive food through this school feeding program?	D4.2 How many students in this level received food through this school feeding program?			
Check if "yes".	Girls	Boys	Total	
Pre-schools (Early childhood education)				
Primary schools				
Secondary schools				
Vocational/trade schools				
Other:				
D5 Types of schools				
D5 Types of schools D5.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? Check if "yes".	D5.2 How man	ıy schools particip	pated?	
D5.1 Did this type of school participate in this	D5.2 How man	ny schools particip	pated?	
D5.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes"</i> .	D5.2 How man	ny schools particip	pated?	
D5.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes"</i> . Public schools	D5.2 How man	ny schools particip	pated?	

IN-SCHOOL MEALS OR SNACKS

	nis school feeding program served in-school meals or snacks, answer questions D6–D11. If not, skip question D12.
D6	 During which portions of the year were in-school meals or snacks provided? Check all that apply. During the school year Outside the school year
D7	Did the in-school meals or snacks reach all students in the targeted age range or school level in the whole country? Yes No
	D7.1 If D7 = no, what percent was reached? 75–99% 50–75% 25–50% 0–25%
	 D7.2 If D7 = no, how were students targeted to determine who received school feeding? Check all that apply. Geographic Individual student characteristics Other: D7.2.1 What criteria were used in targeting?
D8	Grades/age levels Fill in this table only if the numbers differ from D4. Otherwise, skip to question D9.
D	8.1 Did students in this level receive in-school D8.2 How many students in this level received

D8.1 Did students in this level receive in-sch meals or snacks through this school feeding program?	in-school meals	D8.2 How many students in this level received in-school meals or snacks through this school feeding program?		
Check if "yes".	Girls	Boys	Total	
Pre-schools (Early childhood education)				
Primary schools				
Secondary schools				
Vocational/trade schools				
Other:				

D9 Frequency and time interval of in-school meals or snacks

	were in-sch	D9.2 Over what months of the school year were in-school meals or snacks provided?			
D9.1 How frequently were in-school meals or snacks provided?		Year	Check	if "yes".	
	Month	(2020 or 2021)	Yes, all schools	Yes, some schools	
7 times per week	January				
6 times per week	February				
5 times per week	March				
4 times per week	April				
3 times per week	May				
2 times per week	June				
1 time per week	July				
Biweekly	August				
Monthly	September				
Other:	October				
	November				
	December				
D10 What categories of food items were include	ded in in-school m	eals or snack	s? Check all	that apply.	
Grains, cereals	Green, leafy v	vegetables			
Roots, tubers	Other vegeta	bles			
Legumes, pulses, nuts	Fruits				
Dairy products	Oil				
Eggs	Salt				
Meat	Sugar				
Poultry	Other:				
Fish					



D11 What categories of beverages were served with the in-school meals or snacks? *Check all that apply.*

UNSWEETENED	SWEETENED
Dairy milk	Dairy milk
Yogurt drink	Yogurt drink
Fruit juice	Fruit juice
Tea	Tea
Water	Water
Other:	Other:

TAKE-HOME RATIONS

If this school feeding program distributed **take-home rations**, answer questions D12–D16. If not, skip to question D17.

D12	During which portions of the year were take-home rations provided? Check all that apply. During the school year									
	Outside the school year									
D13	Did the take-home rations reach all stu whole country? Yes No	idents in	the targeted ago	e range or school (level in the					
	D13.1 If D13 = no, what percent was reached? 75–99% 50–75% 25–50% 0–25%									
D14	D13.2 If D13 = no, how were students targeted to determine who received school feeding? Check all that apply. Geographic Individual student characteristics Other: D13.2.1 What criteria were used in targeting? D14 Grades/age levels Fill in this table only if the numbers differ from D4. Otherwise, skip to question D15.									
tak	4.1 Did students in this level receive e-home rations through this school ding program? <i>Check if "yes"</i> .			any students in thi nome rations throum?						
			Girls	Boys	Total					
_	-schools rly childhood education)									
Pri	Primary schools									
Sec	condary schools									
Voc	cational/trade schools									
Oth	ner:									

D15 Frequency and time interval of take-home rations

D15.1 How frequently were take-home	D15.2 Over what months of the school year were take-home rations provided?			
rations provided?		Year	Check if	f "yes".
	Month	(2020 or 2021)	Yes, all schools	Yes, some schools
7 times per week	January			
6 times per week	February			
5 times per week	March			
4 times per week	April			
3 times per week	May			
2 times per week	June			
1 time per week	July			
Biweekly	August			
Monthly	September			
Quarterly	October			
Biannually	November			
Other:	December			
D16 What categories of food items were include	ded in the take-hor	me rations? C	heck all that c	ipply.
Grains, cereals	Green, leafy v	egetables		_
Roots, tubers	Other vegetal	oles		
Legumes, pulses, nuts	Fruits			
Dairy products	Oil			
Eggs	Salt			
Meat	Sugar			
Poultry	Other:			
Fish				

D17	Yes No						
	D17.1 If D17 = yes, what food ite	ems v	were fortified? <i>Check all that</i>	apply.			
	Grains, cereals		Meat	Fruits			
	Roots, tubers		Poultry	Oil			
	Legumes, pulses, nuts		Fish	Salt			
	Dairy products		Green, leafy vegetables	Sugar			
	Eggs		Other vegetables	Other:			
D17.2 If D17 = yes, what additional micronutrients were used in the fortified foods? Check all that apply.							
	Iron		Thiamine	Selenium			
	Vitamin A		Riboflavin	Fluoride			
	lodine		Niacin	Vitamin D			
	Zinc		Vitamin B6	Other:			
	Folic acid		Vitamin C				
	Vitamin B12		Calcium				
D18	oly.						
	Iron beans		Vitamin A banana/plantain	Zinc maize			
	Iron cowpea		Vitamin A cassava	Zinc rice			
	Iron Irish potato		Vitamin A maize	Zinc sorghum			
	Iron lentils		Vitamin A sweet potato	Zinc wheat			
	Iron pearl millet		(Orange flesh sweet potatoes–OFSP)	Other:			

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)19	progra		ncronutrient powders included	in this school feeding
	D19.1	If D19 = yes, what supplements	were provided? Check all that a	pply.
		Iron	Folic acid	
		Vitamin A	Calcium	
		lodine	Vitamin D	
		Zinc	Other:	
	D19.2	If D19 = yes, how was the suppl In the food To	ement provided? <i>Check all that</i> o the students	apply.
D20	Were r school Ye		hool feeding program in the mo	ost recently completed
	D20.1	If D20 = yes, how many nutrition	nists were involved?	
	D20.2	If D20 = yes, who paid the nutrit National government Regional government Local government School feeding program imp Nutritionists were not paid Other:	plementing partner	
D21	Or Of Of No	were school meals/snacks prepares: n-site (on school grounds) f-site in centralized (not private) f-site in private facilities (caterer of applicable (purchased in proce of applicable (purchased and dist wher:	kitchens (s) ssed form) ributed in unprocessed form)	
	D21.1	If D21 = on-site or off-site, approschool feeding program had on-		ols participating in this

	D21.2	If D21 = on-site or schools? <i>Check all 1</i>		amenities were present i	n typical kitchens in participating
		Open cooking	g area	Storage	Gas stove
		Closed cooking	ng area	Electricity	Electric stove
		On-site water	r (not piped)	Refrigeration	Serving utensils
		Piped water		Charcoal or wood	stove
		D21.2.1 If D21.2 =	charcoal or w	ood stove, were student:	s expected to provide fuel?
D22	Was th	nere a mechanism fo s No	r limiting food	l waste?	
	D22.1	Sealed food sto Fumigation/pe Use of nearly-e Processes for u	orage st control in st expired food sing usable bu paign to reduce	en? Check all that apply. corage area ut "imperfect" commodit ce how much food stude	•
D23	Ye. D23.1	If D23 = yes, what s Re-use of bags Recycling	steps were tak /containers	en? <i>Check all that apply.</i> Use of compos Other:	table materials ipients in the school feeding
		m? Check all that ap		ovided to <u>most of da</u> fee	
	Handw	ashing with soap	Eye testi	ng/eyeglasses distribution	on Water purification
	Height	measurement	Hearing	testing/treatment	Other:
	Weight	t measurement	Dental c	leaning/testing	None
	Testing	g for anemia	Menstru	al hygiene	
	Dewor	ming treatment	Drinking	water	

Note: Complementary programs may be available to school feeding recipients, even if the program was not part of this school feeding program package.

Food and nutrition education	Reproductive health education
Agriculture education	HIV prevention education
School gardens	Physical education
Hygiene education	Other:
Health education	None
Sold Other:	
Other:	of the following approaches to prevent or mitig
Did this school feeding program use any overweight/obesity? Check all that apply.	of the following approaches to prevent or mitig
Other: Did this school feeding program use any	of the following approaches to prevent or mitig
Did this school feeding program use any overweight/obesity? Check all that apply. Nutritional requirements for food b	of the following approaches to prevent or mitig
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D27 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

SECTION E: FOOD SOURCING

E1	Food	

E1.1 What % of the value of food in this school feeding program was obtained through each method?	In-kind food donations (Domestic)	In-kind food donations (Foreign)	Purchased (Domestic)	Purchased (Foreign)			
This row should sum to 100%.	%	%	%	%			
E1.2 What were the sources of food items obtained through each method? <i>Check all that apply.</i>							
Local							
Regional							
Elsewhere within country							
From nearby countries							
From faraway countries							
From national food reserves (government food stocks)							
E1.3 Who provided the in-kind food don	ations?						
Parents/Families							
Private businesses							
Bilateral aid (foreign governments)							
Multinational or multilateral aid (for example, WFP or Save the Children)							
Other:							
If food was purchased for this school feeding program (E1.1), and some was purchased from local sources (E1.2), what percent of the value of purchased food was procured from local sources?							

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SECTION E: FOOD SOURCING

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E 3	If food was purchased for this school feeding program (E1.1), were there open-bid (competitive tendering) procedures?
	Yes No
	E3.1 If E3 = yes, please select the option(s) that describe the procurement process(es) for this school feeding program. <i>Check all that apply.</i>
	Competitive, and small-scale farmers/small farmer organizations/small companies did not successfully compete
	Competitive and small-scale farmers/small farmer organizations/small companies <u>did</u> successfully compete
	Competitive, with preferential treatment for small-scale farmers/small farmer organizations/small companies
	Other:
E4	Did this school feeding program use packaged, processed foods?
	Yes, all
	Yes, most
	Yes, some
	Yes, very few
	□ No
E 5	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

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SECTION F: GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP

F1	How was this school feeding p	rogram <mark>managed</mark> at the na	ational level?
	The national government r	managed the program (Ce	ntralized decision-making)
	Regional governments man	naged the program (Decer	ntralized decision-making)
	Local governments manag	ed the program (Decentra	lized decision-making)
	In transition between cent	ralized and decentralized	decision-making (Semi-decentralized)
	An international donor age	ency or other <mark>implementin</mark>	g partner managed the program
	The program was managed private schools)	by a private company or	a group of private companies (including
	Other:		
F2	Has the management of the pr Yes No		
F3	F2.1 If F2 = yes, please described How are funds (resources) for t		nges occurred.
7	Resource distribution is co		
	Funds are given to local go		cts) to buy food
	Funds are distributed to sc	•	,
	Other (please describe):	•	
	,		
F4		-	or other entities were involved in this oviding technical support or resources?
	Education	Gender Affairs	Regional government
	Agriculture	Youth/Sport	Local government
	Health	Trade/Industry	Implementing partner
	Finance	Labor	Other:
	Social Protection		

F5 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

SECTION G: FUNDING AND BUDGETING

G1.1 Which of the following were sources of funding in the most recently completed school year? <i>Check all that apply.</i>	G1.2 What was the amount of funding from this source?	G1.3 What is the currency used in G1.2? <i>Please spell out</i> .
National government		
Regional government		
Local government		
Private sector		
External (International)		
Other:		
 McGovern-Dole Food for Education pr Other: In the most recently completed school year, who (from all sources) was used for the following ca 	at portion of the total cost	
Food costs	_	
Handling, storage, and transportation	_	%
One-time fixed costs (e.g., kitchen constructio	n and equipping)	%
All other costs	_	%
All other costs Was funding for this school feeding program pa Yes No G3.1 If G3 = yes, who decided the amount? Office of the President/Prime Minister Parliament/Congress/Legislative body Ministry/Department of Finance		%

SECTION G: FUNDING AND BUDGETING

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G4	Did student families contribute to this school feeding program?
	Yes No
	G4.1 If G4 = yes, how did student families contribute? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
	Paid full price
	Paid partial price
	Mandatory in-kind contributions
	Other:
G5	In the most recently completed school year, was the funding adequate to achieve program targets? Yes No
	G5.1 If G5 = no, please describe the shortfall and its impact on this school feeding program.
G6	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

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H1		farmers involved with this school feeding prograication) to the program or the schools?	am by selling direc	tly (or through their	farmer
	Ye	es, small-scale farmers only			
	Y	es, medium- and large-scale farmers only			
	Ye	es, both small and medium/large-scale farmers			
	N	o, <u>no</u> farmers were directly involved			
	H1.1	If H1 = yes, what products did farmers supply? (Theck all that apply.		
		Grains, cereals	Green, leafy v	regetables	
		Roots, tubers	Other vegeta	bles	
		Legumes, pulses, nuts	Fruits		
		Dairy products	Oil		
		Eggs	Salt		
		Meat	Sugar		
		Poultry	Other:		_
		Fish			
	H1.2	If H1 = yes, were any of the following types of s	upport provided to	farmers? Check if "ye	?s".
			Small-scale farmers	Medium or large-scale farmers	
		Agriculture subsidies (including inputs)			
		Agriculture extension efforts			
		Mobile or electronic payments			
		School feeding-specific training			
		Purchase agreements set prior to harvest (forward contracts)			
		Other:			



H2	How was the private sector involved in school feeding? Check all that apply.			
	Not involved at all			
	Food trading			
	Food processing			
	Transport			
	Catering			
	Supplies (utensils)			
Н3	How many cooks/caterers were involved with this school feeding program?			
	If H3 = 0, skip to question H4.			
	H3.1 Approximately what percentage of cooks/caterers were women?			
	☐ 0-25% ☐ 35 50%			
	25-50%			
	50-75% 75_400%			
	75–100%			
	H3.2 In practice, how many cooks/caterers were paid?			
	None			
	<u> </u>			
	25–50%			
	50-75%			
	75–100%			
	H3.2.1 If H3.2 is not "none", what was the form of payment? <i>Check all that apply.</i>			
	Cash			
	In-kind			
	H3.2.2 If H3.2 is not "none", who paid the cooks/caterers? <i>Check all that apply.</i>			
	National government			
	Regional government			
	Local government			
	School feeding program implementing partner			
	Local community			
	Other:			



	13.3 Were there any special training or certification programs required for cooks/caterers? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
	Nutrition
	Portions/measurements
	Menu planning
	Food safety/hygiene
	Business/management
	Other:
	None
H4	How many paid jobs existed in this school feeding program in the most recently completed chool year? If exact number is not known, please estimate.
	Cooks and food preparers
	Transporters
	Off-site processors
	Food packagers and handlers
	Monitoring
	Food service management
	Safety and quality inspectors
	Other:
H5	Has there been a purposeful focus on creating jobs or income-generating opportunities for women Yes No 15.1 If H5 = yes, please describe.
Н6	las there been a purposeful focus on creating leadership positions (paid or unpaid) for women? Yes No
	16.1 If H6 = yes, please describe.



H7	Has there been a purposeful focus on creating jobs or income-generating opportunities for youth? Yes No
	H7.1 If H7 = yes, please describe.
Н8	Has there been a purposeful focus on creating jobs or income-generating opportunities for any other group? Yes No
	H8.1 If H8 = yes, please describe.
Н9	Was there any community engagement (by parents or others) in this school feeding program? Yes No
	H9.1 If H9 = yes, was community engagement required? Yes No
	H9.2 If H9 = yes, was community engagement voluntary but encouraged? Yes No
	H9.3 If H9 = yes, please describe.
H10	In practice, did the students participate in the preparation, serving, and/or cleaning-up in this school feeding program? Yes No
H11	Was civil society involved in this school feeding program? Yes No
	H11.1 If H11 = yes, please describe.
H12	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

SECTION I: SCHOOL FEEDING OPERATIONS AND COVID-19

Most countries were directly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic that began in late 2019/early 2020.

How did your school feeding operations change when (or if) they were disrupted in the most recently completed school year?

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Number of students fed	Increased	Decreased	No change
Frequency of school feeding	Increased	Decreased	No change
Size of rations	Increased	Decreased	No change
Level of food basket variety	Increased	Decreased	No change
Amount of funding	Increased	Decreased	No change
Change in beneficiaries (e.g., switching from targeting students to targeting families)	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No change
Change in venue (location) of distributing/receiving food	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No change
Change in feeding modality (e.g., switching from in-school meals to take-home rations)	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No change
Change in the sourcing of food	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No change
Change in source of funding	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No change
Ceased feeding operations	Yes, temporarily	Yes, to this day	No
I1.1 If there was a change in mode Check all that apply.	dality or point of food di	stribution, what chang	ed?
Meals/snacks were prepare	ed at school, but		
together at the same t	in a very different way t ime). o be picked up by studer		_
Meals were no longer prep	ared at school, but som	e ingredients were	
delivered to students'	homes to prepare and ea	at at home.	
	r their parents to pick u _l		
No meals were provided at monetary support or vouch	*	ts' families were provid	ed with cash/
	ments or electronic vou or physical vouchers (pa		

	I1.2 If there was a change in the source of funding for school feeding activities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, please describe what changed.
12	Please describe any ways in which your school feeding program could have reacted differently to the COVID-19 pandemic.
13	What actions or policies can the government take to better support getting food to children in you country during a pandemic?
14	In what ways, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic generated positive developments for this school feeding program?
15	Were any other entities involved in helping to reach school children with food during the COVID-1 pandemic? Check all that apply. Food banks Charities (NCOs
	Charities/NGOs Private sector
	Other:
	None
	If I5 is not "none", what was the nature of their involvement? In partnership with this school feeding program Independent of this school feeding program
16	In the most recently completed school year, was your country affected by any other emergency (besides COVID-19)? Check all that apply.
	Slow-onset emergency (e.g., drought) Health epidemic
	Natural disaster (excluding slow-onset emergencies) Other:
	Economic/financial crisis None
	Conflict
	I6.1 If I6 is not "none", please describe how efforts to respond to these other emergencies were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

17	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.
18	Did your country have another school feeding program for which you have not already provided information? Yes No

If I8 = yes, please repeat sections **C-I** for the next school feeding program. These are available (at www.survey.gcnf.org/2021-global-survey/) in a separate document that can be completed for each school feeding program, saved separately, and included in the survey submission. If you have any questions, please contact a Survey Associate at global-survey.gcnf.org.

SECTION J: EDUCATION SYSTEM AND INFRASTRUCTURE

J1	Is student enrollment recorded in this country's education system? Yes No
	J1.1 If J1 = yes, is enrollment disaggregated by gender? Yes No
J2	Is student attendance recorded? Yes No
	J2.1 If J2 = yes, is attendance disaggregated by gender? Yes No
J3	Do schools/does government track student achievement over time? Yes No
	J3.1 If J3 = yes, are records of achievement disaggregated by gender? Yes No
	J3.2 If J3 = yes, using what metrics? Check all that apply. Achievement tests Progression from one grade to the next
	Graduation rates Other:
	 Does this country have a way to link the following indicators to an individual student who received school feeding? Check if "yes". Attendance Achievement Graduation rate
J4	Does this country's school system include pre-school? Yes No
J5	In this country, approximately what percent of enrolled students at each school level are enrolled in private schools?
	Pre-school/Early childhood education (if applicable) %
	Primary %
	Secondary %

J6	How many	schools	in this	country	have th	e fol	lowing 1	features?
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	All	Most	Some	Very few	None
Electricity					
Piped water					
Clean water					
Latrines					
Flush toilets					
Dedicated eating spaces/cafeterias					
Kitchens					
J7 How many latrines/toilets are gende	er-nrivate?				

J7	How many latrines/toilets are	gender-private?		
	All			

All

Most

Some

Very few

None

J8 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

SECTION K: SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

KI	country in the past five years.
K2	Please describe any challenges or major setbacks related to school feeding in the past five years.
K3	Please describe any concerns related to corruption/mismanagement in school feeding programs.
K4	Have any major studies of the school feeding program(s) been conducted? Yes No
	K4.1 If K4 = yes, please describe any evidence of impacts of school feeding on students.
	K4.2 If K4 = yes, please describe any evidence of impacts of school feeding on families/communities.
	K4.3 Please use this space to provide reference information for these studies (for example, titles, authors, and years). Provide links if possible.
K5	What research/studies related to school feeding would be helpful for this country?
К6	If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

Thank you!

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