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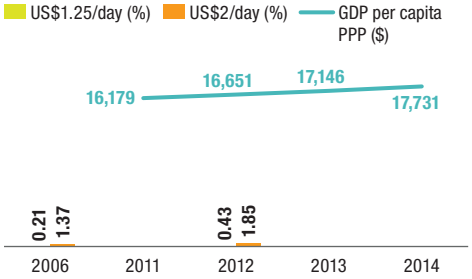
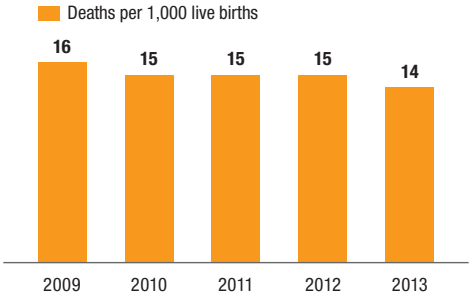
ECONOMICS AND DEMOGRAPHY

POVERTY RATES AND GDP



Source: World Bank 2015.
Note: PPP = purchasing power parity.

UNDER-5 MORTALITY RATE



Source: UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation 2014.

INCOME INEQUALITY

Gini index score*	Gini index rank†	Year
36	61	2012

Source: World Bank 2015.
Notes: *0 = perfect equality, 100 = perfect inequality. †The countries with a Gini index are ranked from most equal (#1) to most unequal (#145).

POPULATION

Population (000)	1,254	2015
Under-5 population (000)	71	2015
Urban (%)	42	2015
> 65 years (%)	19	2015

Source: 2015 projections from UNPD 2013.

CHILD ANTHROPOMETRY

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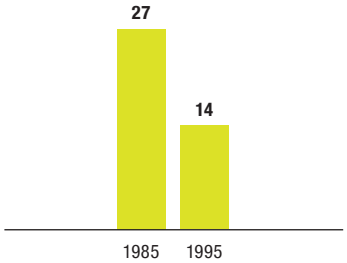
Number of children under 5 affected (000)		
Stunting[a]	NA	NA
Wasting[a]	NA	NA
Overweight[a]	NA	NA
Percentage of children under 5 affected		
Wasting[a]	NA	NA
Severe wasting[a]	NA	NA
Overweight[a]	NA	NA
Low birth weight[b]	14	2003

Sources: [a]UNICEF/WHO/WB 2015; [b]UNICEF 2015.
Note: NA = not available.

PREVALENCE OF UNDER-5 STUNTING (%)



Source: UNICEF/WHO/WB 2015.

CHANGES IN STUNTING PREVALENCE OVER TIME, BY WEALTH QUINTILE

Data not available

Source: DHS surveys 1990–2011 adapted from Bredenkamp et al. 2014.

ADOLESCENT AND ADULT NUTRITION STATUS

ADOLESCENT AND ADULT ANTHROPOMETRY (% POPULATION)

Adolescent overweight[a]	21	2011
Adolescent obesity[a]	6	2011
Women of reproductive age, thinness[b]	NA	NA
Women of reproductive age, short stature[b]	NA	NA

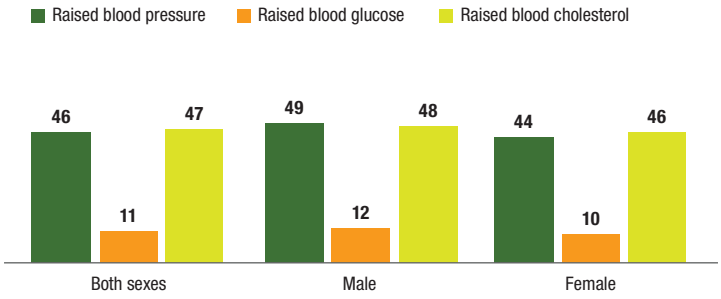
Sources: [a]WHO 2015; [b]DHS 2015.
Note: NA = not available.

MICRONUTRIENT STATUS OF POPULATION

Women of reproductive age with anemia[a]		
Total population affected (000)	85	2011
Total population affected (%)	23	2011
Vitamin A deficiency in children 6–59 months old (%)[b]	29	2013
Population classification of iodine nutrition (adults)[c]	Optimal iodine nutrition	1995

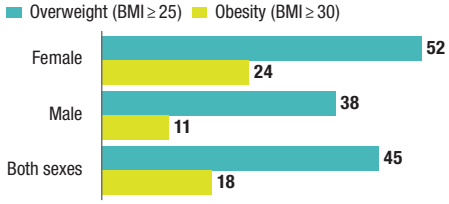
Sources: [a]WHO 2015; [b]Stevens et al. 2015; [c]WHO 2004.

METABOLIC RISK FACTORS FOR DIET-RELATED NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES, 2008 (%)



Source: WHO 2014.

PREVALENCE OF ADULT OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY, 2014 (%)



Source: WHO 2015.
Note: BMI = body mass index.

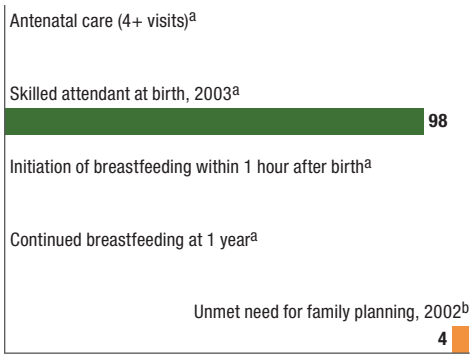
WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY INDICATORS: PROGRESS AGAINST GLOBAL WHA TARGETS

Under-5 stunting[a]	Under-5 wasting[b]	Under-5 overweight[a]	WRA anemia, 2011[b]	EBF[a]
NA	NA	NA	Off course	NA

Sources: [a]Definitions of progress developed by GNR's Independent Expert Group with guidance from WHO/UNICEF; [b]WHO 2014.
Notes: Currently it is only possible to determine whether a country is on or off course for five of the six WHA targets. The year refers to the most recent data available; on/off-course calculation is based on trend data. WRA = women of reproductive age. EBF = exclusive breastfeeding. NA = not available.

INTERVENTION COVERAGE AND CHILD-FEEDING PRACTICES

CONTINUUM OF CARE (%)



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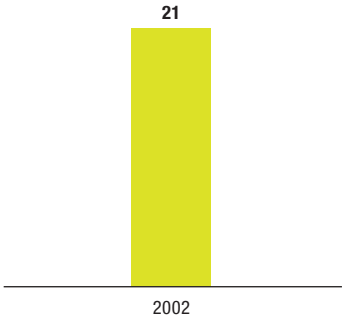
RATE OF EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING OF INFANTS UNDER 6 MONTHS (%)



Source: UNICEF 2015.

INTERVENTION COVERAGE (%)

Severe acute malnutrition, geographic coverage[a]	NA	NA
Vitamin A supplementation, full coverage[b]	NA	NA
Children under 5 with diarrhea receiving ORS[b]	NA	NA
Immunization coverage, DTP3[b]	98	2013
Iodized salt consumption[b]	NA	NA

Sources: [a]UNICEF/Coverage Monitoring Network/ACF International 2012; [b]UNICEF 2015.
Notes: ORS = oral rehydration salts; DTP3 = 3 doses of combined diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis vaccine. NA = not available.

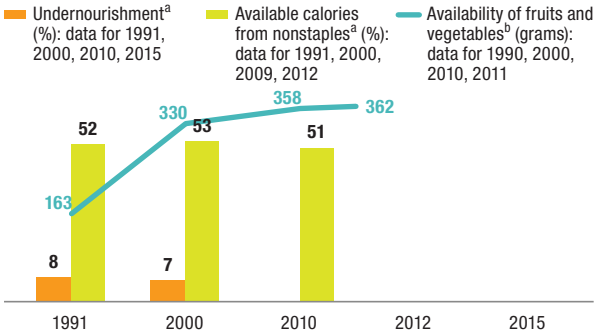
INFANT AND YOUNG-CHILD FEEDING PRACTICES (% 6–23 MONTHS)

Minimum acceptable diet	NA	NA
Minimum dietary diversity	NA	NA

Source: UNICEF 2015.
Note: NA = not available.

UNDERLYING DETERMINANTS

FOOD SUPPLY



Source: [a]FAOSTAT 2015; [b]FAOSTAT 2014.

GENDER-RELATED DETERMINANTS

Early childbearing: births by age 18 (%)[a]	NA	NA
Gender Inequality Index (score*)[b]	0.375	2013
Gender Inequality Index (country rank)[b]	72	2013

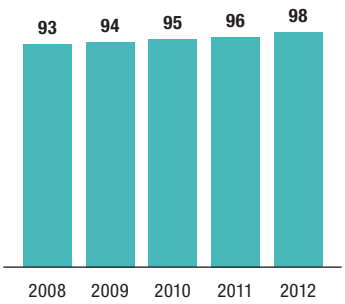
Sources: [a]UNICEF 2015; [b]UNDP 2014.
Notes: *0 = low inequality, 1 = high inequality. NA = not available.

POPULATION DENSITY OF HEALTH WORKERS PER 1,000 PEOPLE

Physicians	1.057	2004
Nurses and midwives	3.734	2004
Community health workers	0.191	2004

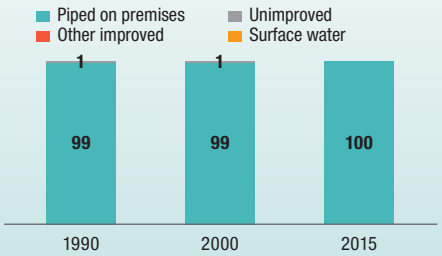
Source: WHO 2015.

FEMALE SECONDARY EDUCATION ENROLLMENT (%)



Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics 2015.

IMPROVED DRINKING WATER COVERAGE (%)



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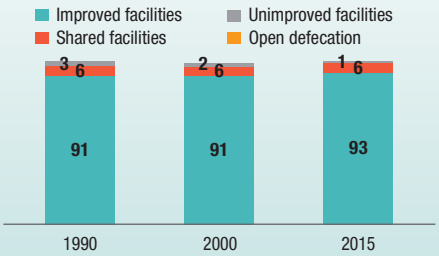
IMPROVED SANITATION COVERAGE (%)



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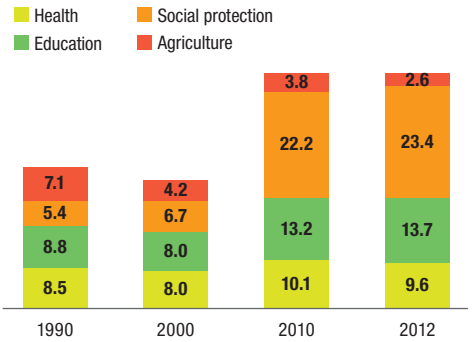
GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES (%)



Source: IFPRI 2015.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND POLICY, LEGISLATION, AND INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

SCALING UP NUTRITION (SUN) COUNTRY INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS, 2014 (%)

Data not available

Source: SUN 2014.

POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

National implementation of the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes[a]	Some provisions voluntary	2014
Extent of constitutional right to food[b]	NA	NA
Maternity protection (Convention 183)[c]	Partial	2011
Wheat fortification legislation[d]	No fortification	2015
Undernutrition mentioned in national development plans and economic growth strategies[e]	Rank: 126/126	2015–2019
Overnutrition mentioned in national development plans and economic growth strategies[e]	Rank: 116/116	2015–2019

Sources: [a]UNICEF 2014; [b]FAO 2003; [c]ILO 2013; [d]FFI 2015; [e]IDS 2015.
Note: NA = not available.

AVAILABILITY AND STAGE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF GUIDELINES/PROTOCOLS/STANDARDS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF NCDs

Diabetes	Available, partially implemented	2010
Hypertension	Available, partially implemented	2010

Source: WHO 2014.
Note: NCDs = noncommunicable diseases.

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