



# Nutrition Collective Action Plan

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Reflecting on Progress to Sustain  
Nutrition Impact

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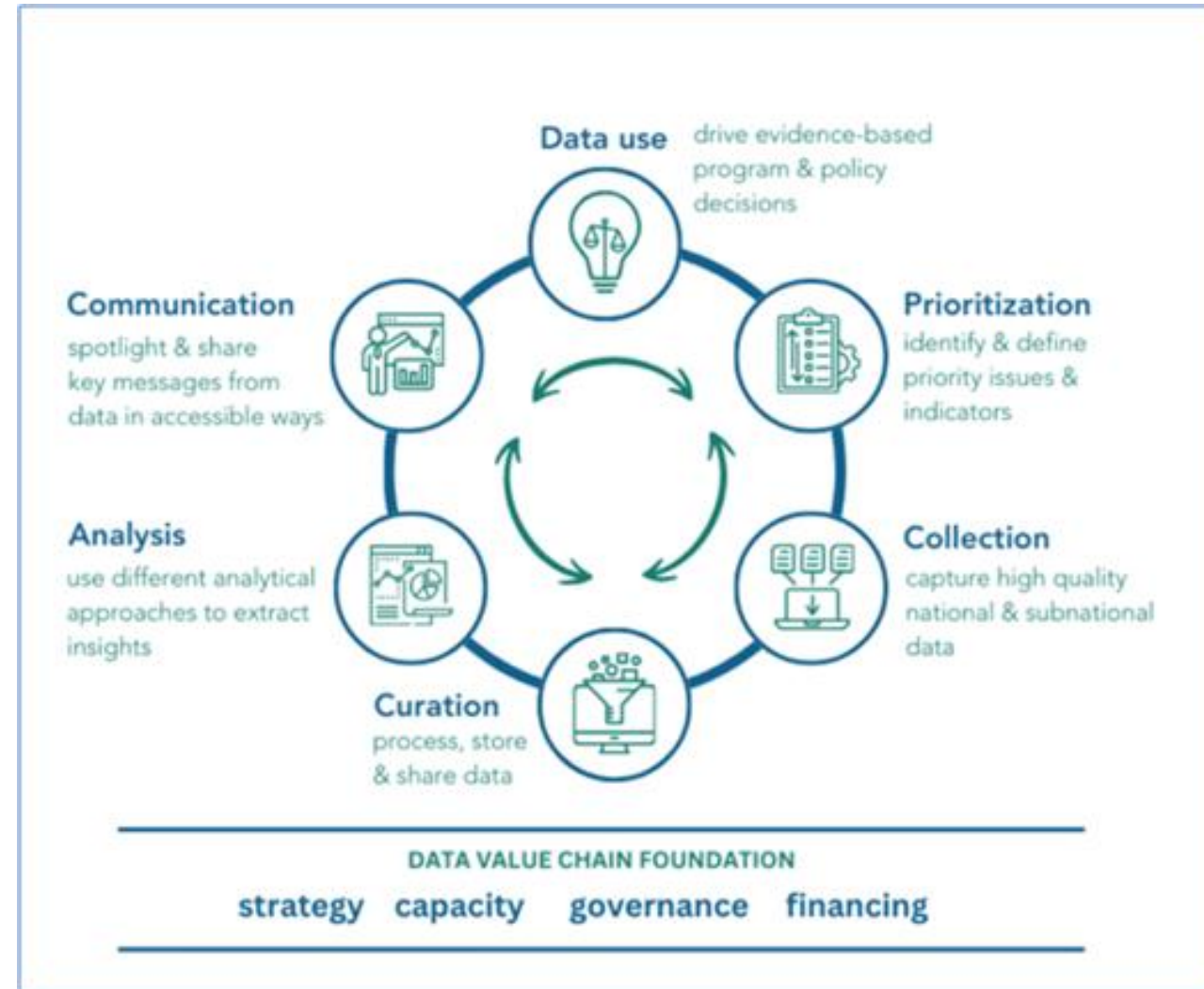
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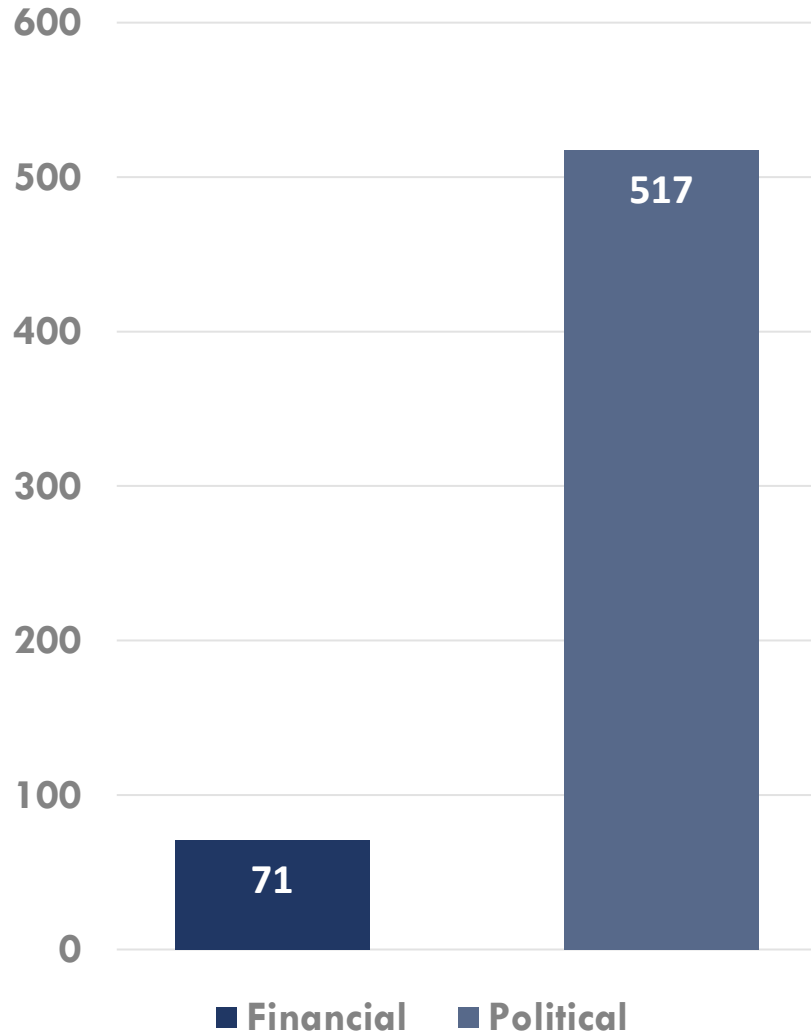
# Importance of Filling the Data Gap

- Nutrition data tells us what we should start, continue, and stop
- Recent funding cuts make an already limited nutrition data landscape even more vulnerable
- Need to work together to take action to strengthen the nutrition data value chain



# N4G Paris 2025 Commitments

Types of Commitments



**About 31% of commitments were self labeled as data and research commitments**





# Taking Stock: Nutrition Data in DHS

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## Nutrition Status

- Anthropometry
- **Anemia**
- **Micronutrient status (select countries)**
- Blood Pressure (select countries)
- Blood Glucose (select countries)

## Food Security & Diet

- Food Insecurity Experience Scale (module)
- **Minimum Dietary Diversity (women and children)**
- **Infant and Young Child Feeding practices**

## Intervention Coverage

- Counselling (Diet, Breastfeeding)
- Food/Cash transfers
- **Supplementation (Fe, VA)**
- Deworming
- **Salt Iodization**
- BF referral (module)
- Rooming-in (module)
- ***Food fortification coverage (proposed for DHS 9)***

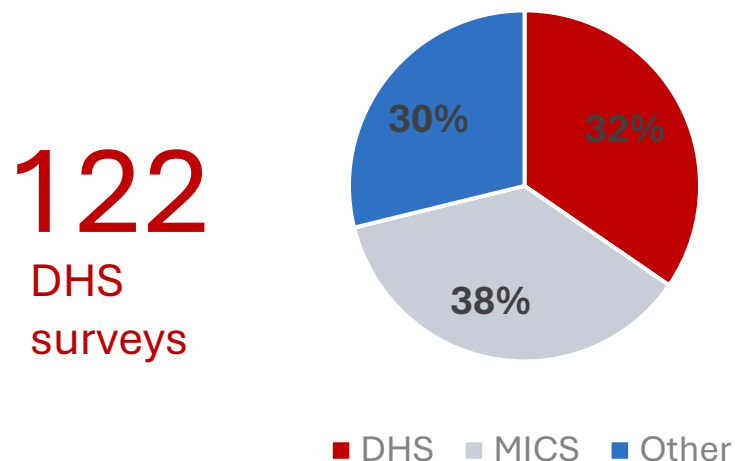
**Household characteristics:** Demographics, Wealth Index

**Other:** Records or self report of Birth weight, Diabetes, Hypertension, Cancer, C-section, Hemorrhage

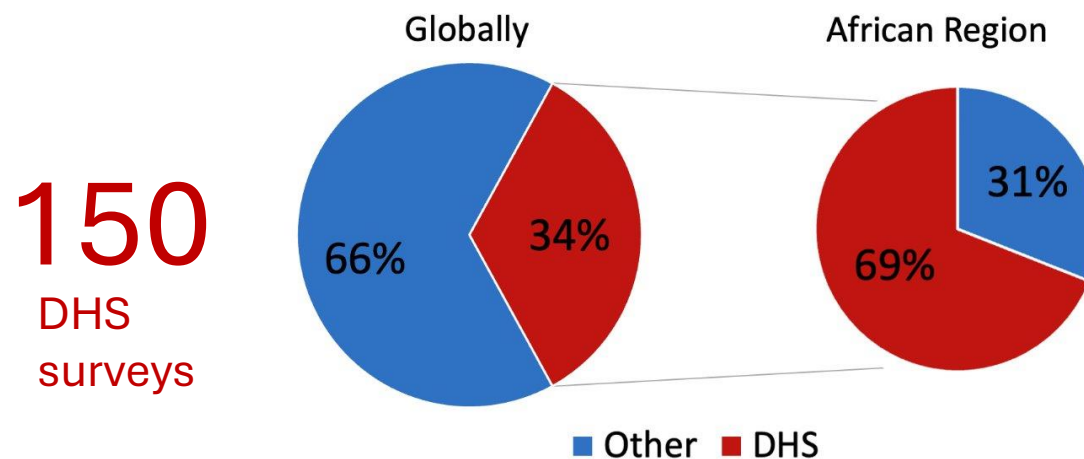


# Contribution of Micronutrient Data from DHS

### Salt Iodization Coverage (2000 -2022)



### Anemia Data Availability (2000 – 2022)



### Vitamin A Supplementation – Children (2004 -2022)

**143** DHS surveys

### Iron/MMS Supplementation – Pregnant women (2004 -2022)

**145** DHS surveys



# Micronutrient Data in a Changing Landscape: Impacts, Opportunities, and a Collective Way Forward

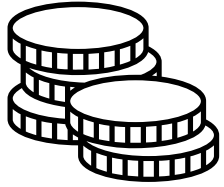
- Hybrid meeting convened by DInA/MNF and DataDENT in June 2025
- Thirty-eight participants attended, including country actors, UN, technical stakeholders, and donors
- Side meeting to workshop sponsored by the EU-JRC and others: *"Breaking Down Silos: Unifying Humanitarian and Development Efforts through Nutrition Information Systems."*



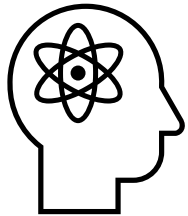


# Meeting Outputs

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- The impact of funding cuts across the micronutrient data value chain



- Ideas on innovative, cost-effective, and sustainable approaches to support the micronutrient data value chain



- Reached consensus on the need for a collective action plan to strengthen the data value chain





# Follow-up at IUNS-ICN in August 2025

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- Consensus that more collaboration is needed –among both existing and new actors
- Need to think big!
  - How do we rebuild and strengthen national nutrition data systems?
  - How do we leverage existing systems that have been underutilized (routine health, markets, clinical, infectious)?
  - How do we ensure we are using all the existing data for ultimate impact?
- Position the action plan more broadly, beyond micronutrients; bridging nutrition to the larger public health domain





# Leveraging our Collective Knowledge

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"Resources are scarce, it should not be the loudest or fastest voice **but a common voice that helps to push the agenda forward and make sure we can get the best data that can support the unique needs countries have** for their various purposes."

- Lynnette Neufeld; Participant of the 'Micronutrient Data in a Changing Landscape: Impacts, opportunities, and a collective way forward' meeting, June 2025





# Collective Action Plan for Nutrition Data

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- **Purpose:** To support accelerated and sustained progress in strengthening the micronutrient data value chain in low- and middle-income countries
- **Scope:** Prioritized actions structured around: prioritization, collection, curation, analysis, communication, and data use; a cross-cutting section focusing on the financing of nutrition data systems
- **Approach:** Build consensus through online consultations, leverage existing global/regional meetings, survey (and key informant interviews if needed)
- **Output:** Prioritized short-term and long-term actions to address the micronutrient data value chain, including mapping of existing activities





# Thank you!

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