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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

School meal programs^{*}—in which students are provided with snacks, meals, or other foods in or through schools—are common throughout the world. However, there has been no global school meal program database that gathers standardized information across all countries and sectors and covers a comprehensive set of school-based feeding activities.

The Global Survey of School Meal Programs, conducted by the Global Child Nutrition Foundation (GCNF)**, will be administered every two to three years, beginning in 2019. The 2019 survey will be used to develop a baseline database on the current state of school feeding programs in all countries of the world (including those with no school feeding activities). The survey is designed to capture information on:

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

The survey database will enable 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
- 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, to encourage learning and sharing across countries and between officials responsible for school meal programs. 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. Governments that respond to the survey questionnaire will be invited to send representatives to the 2019 Global Child Nutrition Forum at a discounted rate.

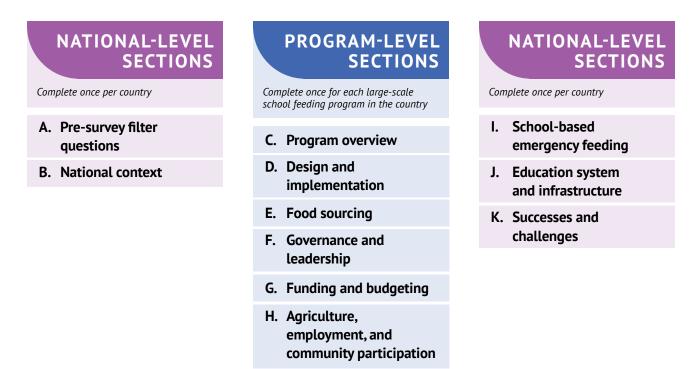
*While aware of distinctions that may exist between the terms school meal, school feeding, and school nutrition (programs), we are using school feeding throughout most of this survey as we aim to capture core information regarding all such programs.

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SURVEY OVERVIEW

This survey asks about **national school feeding programs** and other large-scale school meal or school nutrition programs. This includes programs that are managed or administered by the **national, regional, or local government**. Similar large-scale school-based feeding programs include those 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. Five sections contain national-level questions, meaning that they only need to be completed once for your country. The remaining six sections contain program-level questions, meaning that they will be completed separately for each large-scale school feeding program in your country.



Given its global scope, this survey addresses a wide range of topics around school feeding. Some questions will be very relevant for your country, and others will be less so. 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 in the order that is convenient to you), 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: <u>globalsurvey@gcnf.org</u>; Phone: +1 877 517 2546; Website: <u>www.gcnf.org</u>; Address: P.O. Box 99435 Seattle, WA 98139 USA.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. You have the option of completing this survey online or in PDF format (with email submission).
- Survey Associates are available to answer questions and assist throughout the survey experience. If you would like to correspond with a Survey Associate, please email <u>globalsurvey@gcnf.org</u>. We look forward to hearing from you!
- 3. All questions in this survey refer to the most recently completed school year in your country, unless otherwise noted. For many countries, this will be the 2017-2018 school year.
- 4. If your country did not have a school feeding program, please complete (and submit) only section A.
- 5. Definitions of key terms are provided in a glossary. If a word is green, the definition is available.
- 6. Please try to answer every question. At the close of each survey section, space is available to explain or clarify any responses or questions you could not answer.
- 7. Sections A, B, I, J, and K collect country-level information. In the PDF survey format, the headers of these sections are **purple**. These will be completed once.
- 8. Sections C, D, E, F, G, and H collect information that is specific to a given school feeding program. In the PDF survey format, 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, each of these will be completed three times.
- 9. In the PDF survey format, the main document includes one copy of Sections C-H for the first school feeding program. If you have multiple programs, please label, save, and send completed copies of your survey responses (sections C-H) for each program. (Refer to page 11)
- 10. You, the survey **Focal Point**, are not expected to know answers to all of the survey questions. In some places, 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.
- 11. 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 he/she needs clarification regarding your responses.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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!

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FOCAL POINT CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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To be completed by GCNF Was a Survey Associate involved? Yes No Survey Associate: Survey language: Survey submission date: Survey verification date:



SECTION A: PRE-SURVEY FILTER QUESTIONS

A1 During the most recently completed school year, did your country have a national school feeding program or similar 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:
A1.2 If A1 = no, are there any plans to develop and implement a school feeding program in this country?

Yes No

If A1 = no, you do not need to continue the survey. If A1 = yes, sections **C-H** *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.

	Primary	Secondary
How many children of this age-range are there in total in this country?		
How many children of this age-range are enrolled in school?		
How many children received food in the most recently completed school year?		
How many children received food <u>one school year prior</u> to the most recently completed school year?		
How many children received food <u>three school years prior</u> to the most recently completed school year?		

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

Start month	Start year	End month	End year
January February March April May June July August September October November December	 2017 2018 	 January February March April May June July August September October November December 	 2017 2018 2019

A4 How many school days are in the school year?

SECTION B: NATIONAL CONTEXT

B1 Are there national laws, policies, or standards related to school feeding?

Yes No

B1.1 If B1 = yes, please fill in the table below:

	Торіс	B1.1.1 Name of national law/ policy/standard(s)	B1.1.2 Description of law/ policy/standard(s)	
	National school feeding po	blicy		
	Nutrition			
	Food safety			
	Agriculture			
	Private sector involvement			
B2 Did the national government contribute financially to any school feeding program(s) in this country in the most recently completed 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*.

B2.2 If B2 = yes, was there a separate line item in the national budget for school feeding?

Yes No

SECTION B: NATIONAL CONTEXT



B3 Are any food items prohibited in school feeding programs?			
Y	es No		
В	3.1 If B3 = yes, what food items are prohibited?		
В	3.2 If B3 = yes, for what reason are these food items prohibited? <i>Check all that apply.</i>		
	Cultural reasons Religious reasons		
	Health-related reasons Other:		
Y	e there any food restrictions in school cafeterias, or on or near school grounds? Yes No 4.1 If B4 = yes, what food items are restricted?		
	there an inter-sectoral coordination body or committee for school feeding at the national level? <i>Y</i> es No		
В	5.1 If B5 = yes, please describe.		



B6 Is there a country-wide system for monitoring school feeding programs?

Yes No

If B6 = yes, please fill out the following table.

B6.1 Does the system include the following components? <i>Check all that apply.</i>	B6.2 How frequently does this monitoring occur?
School visits	 Monthly Quarterly Other:
Electronic reporting	Monthly Bi-annually Quarterly Annually Other:
Paper-based reporting	 Monthly Bi-annually Quarterly Annually Other:
Other:	Monthly Bi-annually Quarterly Annually Other:

B7 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SECTIONS C-H

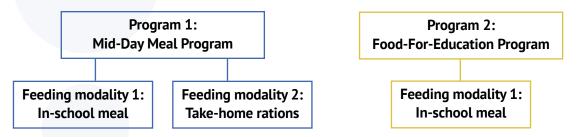
Sections C, D, E, F, G, and H (C-H) contain questions about a specific **school feeding program**. These sections will be completed separately for each program in this country.

For the first program, please complete sections C-H below. If additional school feeding programs were op-erating in this country in the most recently completed school year, please complete sections C-H again for each additional program. An additional PDF (titled "Global Survey - Sections C-H") is available for download. Please label, save, and submit completed copies of section C-H for each additional program.

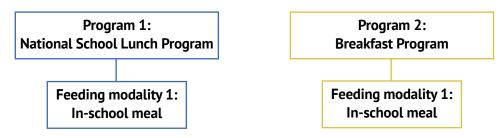
Section D contains some questions that are specific to each **feeding modality** in a school feeding program. If a program has one feeding modality, these questions will be answered once. If a program has additional feeding modalities, these questions will be asked for each feeding modality.

Examples:

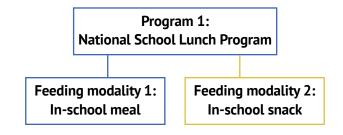
In this example, a country has two school feeding programs. They each have distinct funding sources, distinct implementers or **implementing partners**, distinct means of receiving or procuring food, and distinct menus. Program 1 includes two feeding modalities (meals and **take-home rations**). This country will complete sections C-H twice. For program 1, this country will answer questions on the feeding modalities twice. For program 2, this country will answer questions on the feeding modality once.



In this example, a country has two school feeding programs. They each have distinct funding sources and distinct menus. This country will complete sections C-H twice.



In this example, a country has one feeding program with two feeding modalities. This country will complete sections C-H once. In section D, questions on the feeding modalities will be answered twice.



SECTION C: PROGRAM OVERVIEW

C1 List the name of this school feeding program. (Name should correspond to what is listed in A1.1)			
C2 In what year did this school feeding program begin operating in this country?			
C3 Was there a government agency with primary management responsibility for this school feeding program?			
Yes No			
C3.1 If C3 = yes, what government agency was responsible for managing this school feeding program?			
C3.2 If C3 = no, who was responsible for managing this school feeding program?			
C4 How much money was spent (from all sources) on this school feeding program during the most recently completed school year? <i>If exact number is not known, please estimate.</i>			
C4.1 What is the currency used in question C4? <i>Please spell out</i> .			
C5 How many total children received food through this program in the most recently completed school year?			



C6 To what extent did this school feeding program achieve its planned targets in the following categories?

	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 levels receiving food (e.g. primary, secondary)				
Other:	_			

C7 How many children received food through this program <u>ONE SCHOOL YEAR PRIOR</u> to the most recently completed school year? *If exact number is not known, please estimate.*

C8 How many children received food through this program <u>THREE SCHOOL YEARS PRIOR</u> to the most recently completed school year? *If exact number is not known, please estimate.*

C9 How many children does this school feeding program plan to serve during the current (or upcoming) school year? *If exact number is not known, please estimate.*

C10 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

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
Conditional cash transfer for school meals
Other:
D3 What was the cost per student per year?
Breakfast
Lunch (mid-day meal)
Evening meal
Snack
Take-home rations
Conditional cash transfer
Other:

D3.1 What is the currency used in D3? *Please spell out*.

Please complete the Feeding Modality Worksheet (questions D4 – D10) for each **feeding modality** identified in D2. We have provided space for up to three feeding modalities. If this school feeding program has fewer than three modalities, please skip any unnecessary Feeding Modality Worksheets. If this school feeding program has more than three modalities, <u>AN ADDITIONAL WORKSHEET IS</u> <u>AVAILABLE AS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT</u>. This can be completed and saved for each additional modality, and will be included in the survey submission. If you have any questions, please contact a GCNF <u>Survey Associate</u> at <u>globalsurvey@gcnf.org</u>.

SECTION D: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION



FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET

Feeding Modality 1
In-school meals
Conditional cash transfer Other:
D4 During which portions of the year was school feeding provided? Check all that apply.
During the school year Outside the school year
D5 Was this feeding modality universal?
Yes No
D5.1 If D5 = yes, what percent of universal school feeding was achieved?
100% (universal target achieved)
75-99%
50-75%
25-50%
0-25%
D6 If this feeding modality was NOT universal (or if the universal goal was not met), how were students targeted to determine who received school feeding? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
Geographic
Individual student characteristics
Other:

D6.1 What criteria were used in targeting?

D7 Types of schools

D7.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D7.2 How many schools participated?	D7.3 What % were boarding schools?
Public schools		%
Private schools		%
Other:		%



D8 Grades/age levels

D8.1 Did students in this level receive food through this modality? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D8.2 How man food through the food throu	•	is level received
	Girls	Boys	All (If gender-disaggregated numbers are not available)
Pre-schools			
Primary schools			
Secondary schools			
Vocational/trade schools			
University/higher education			
Other:			

D9 Frequency and time interval of school feeding

D9.1 How frequently was this modality provided through this school feeding program?	D9.2 For how many months in the year was this modality provided?	
6 times per week	1 7	
5 times per week	2 8	
4 times per week	3 9	
3 times per week	4 10	
2 times per week	5 11	
1 time per week	6 12	
Biweekly		
Monthly		
Other:		

D10 What categories of food items were in the food basket? *Check all that apply.*

Grains/cereals	Green, leafy vegetables
Roots, tubers	Other vegetables
Legumes and nuts	Fruits
Dairy products (milk, yogurt, cheese)	Oil
Eggs	Salt
Meat	Sugar
Poultry	Other:
Fish	

END OF FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET 1

SECTION D: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION



FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET

Feeding Modality 2
In-school meals In-school snacks Take-home rations
Conditional cash transfer Other:
D4 During which portions of the year was school feeding provided? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
During the school year Outside the school year
D5 Was this feeding modality universal?
Yes No
D5.1 If D5 = yes, what percent of universal school feeding was achieved?
100% (universal target achieved)
75-99%
50-75%
25-50%
0-25%
D6 If this feeding modality was NOT universal (or if the universal goal was not met), how were students targeted to determine who received school feeding? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
Geographic
Individual student characteristics
└── Other:

D6.1 What criteria were used in targeting?

D7 Types of schools

D7.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D7.2 How many schools participated?	D7.3 What % were boarding schools?
Public schools		%
Private schools		%
Other:		%



D8 Grades/age levels

D8.1 Did students in this level receive food through this modality? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D8.2 How mar food through t	•	is level received
	Girls	Boys	All (If gender-disaggregated numbers are not available)
Pre-schools			
Primary schools			
Secondary schools			
Vocational/trade schools			
University/higher education			
Other:			

D9 Frequency and time interval of school feeding

D9.1 How frequently was this modality provided through this school feeding program?	D9.2 For how many months in the year was this modality provided?	
6 times per week	1 7	
5 times per week	2 8	
4 times per week	3 9	
3 times per week	4 10	
2 times per week	5 11	
1 time per week	6 12	
Biweekly		
Monthly		
Other:		

D10 What categories of food items were in the food basket? *Check all that apply.*

Grains/cereals	Green, leafy vegetables
Roots, tubers	Other vegetables
Legumes and nuts	Fruits
Dairy products (milk, yogurt, cheese)	Oil
Eggs	Salt
Meat	Sugar
Poultry	Other:
Fish	

END OF FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET 2

SECTION D: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION



FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET

Feeding Modality 3
In-school meals
Conditional cash transfer Other:
D4 During which portions of the year was school feeding provided? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
During the school year Outside the school year
D5 Was this feeding modality universal?
Yes No
D5.1 If D5 = yes, what percent of universal school feeding was achieved?
100% (universal target achieved)
75-99%
50-75%
25-50%
0-25%
D6 If this feeding modality was NOT universal (or if the universal goal was not met), how were students targeted to determine who received school feeding? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
Geographic
Individual student characteristics
Other:

D6.1 What criteria were used in targeting?

D7 Types of schools

D7.1 Did this type of school participate in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D7.2 How many schools participated?	D7.3 What % were boarding schools?
Public schools		%
Private schools		%
Other:		%



D8 Grades/age levels

D8.1 Did students in this level receive food through this modality? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	D8.2 How mar food through t	•	is level received
	Girls	Boys	All (If gender-disaggregated numbers are not available)
Pre-schools			
Primary schools			
Secondary schools			
Vocational/trade schools			
University/higher education			
Other:			

D9 Frequency and time interval of school feeding

D9.1 How frequently was this modality provided through this school feeding program?	D9.2 For how many months in the year was this modality provided?	
6 times per week	1 7	
5 times per week	2 8	
4 times per week	3 9	
3 times per week	4 10	
2 times per week	5 11	
1 time per week	6 12	
Biweekly		
Monthly		
Other:		

D10 What categories of food items were in the food basket? *Check all that apply.*

Grains/cereals	Green, leafy vegetables
Roots, tubers	Other vegetables
Legumes and nuts	Fruits
Dairy products (milk, yogurt, cheese)	Oil
Eggs	Salt
Meat	Sugar
Poultry	Other:
Fish	

END OF FEEDING MODALITY WORKSHEET 3



D11 Were any food items in this school feeding program fortified?

Yes No

D11.1 If D11 = yes, what food items were **fortified**? *Check all that apply.*

Grains/cereals	Green, leafy vegetables
Roots, tubers	Other vegetables
Legumes and nuts	Fruits
Dairy products (milk, yogurt, cheese)	Oil
Eggs	Salt
Meat	Sugar
Poultry	Other:
Fish	

D11.2 If D11 = yes, what additional micronutrients were used in the **fortified** foods? *Check all that apply.*

Iron	Niacin
Vitamin A	Vitamin B6
lodine	Vitamin C
Zinc	Calcium
Folate	Selenium
Vitamin B12	Fluoride
Thiamine	Other:
Riboflavin	

D12 Were any food items in this school feeding program bio-fortified?

Yes No

D12.1 If D12 = yes, what food items were **bio-fortified**? *Check all that apply.*

Sweet potatoes	Wheat
Beans	Cassava
Maize	Rice
Millet	Other:



D12.2 If D12 = yes, with which micronutrients are the foods **bio-fortified**? *Check all that apply.*

lron	Niacin
Vitamin A	Vitamin B6
lodine	Vitamin C
Zinc	Calcium
Folate	Selenium
Vitamin B12	Fluoride
Thiamine	Other:
Riboflavin	

D13 Were any nutritional supplements or micronutrient powders included in this school feeding program?

Yes	No
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D13.1 If D13 = yes, what supplements were provided? *Check all that apply.*

Iron
Vitamin A
lodine
Zinc
Folic Acid
Calcium
Vitamin D
Other:

D13.2 If D13 = yes, how was the supplement provided? *Check all that apply.*

In the food
To the students

D14 Were nutritionists involved with this school feeding program in the most recently completed school year?

Yes No

D14.1 If D14 = yes, how many nutritionists were involved?



D14.2 If D14 = yes, who paid the nutritionists? *Check all that apply.*

National government			
Regional government			
Local government			
School feeding program implementing partner			
Nutritionists were not paid			
Other:			
 D15 Where were school meals/snacks prepared? Check all that apply. On-site (on school grounds) Off-site in centralized (not private) kitchens Off-site in private facilities (caterers) Not applicable (purchased in processed form) Not applicable (purchased and distributed in unprocessed form) Other: 			

D15.1 If D15 = on-site or off-site, approximately what percent of schools participating in this school feeding program had on-site kitchens?

%

D15.2 If D15 = on-site or off-site, what amenities were present in typical kitchens in participating schools? *Check all that apply.*

Open cooking area	Refrigeration
Closed cooking area	Charcoal or wood stove
On-site water (not piped)	Gas stove
Piped water	Electric stove
Storage	Serving utensils
Electricity	

D15.2.1 If D15.2 = charcoal or wood stove, were students expected to provide fuel?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No



D16 Was there a mechanism for limiting food waste?			
	Yes	No	
	D16	1 If D16 = yes, what steps were taken? <i>Check all that apply</i> .	
		Sealed food storage	
		Fumigation/pest control in storage area	
		Use of nearly-expired food	
		Processes for using usable but "imperfect" commodities or produce	
		Marketing campaign to reduce how much food students throw away	
		Other:	
D17	Was Yes	there a mechanism for limiting packaging waste?	
D17.1 If D17 = yes, what steps were taken? <i>Check all that apply</i> .			
		Re-use of bags/containers	
		Recycling	
		Use of compostable materials	
		Other:	



D18 Complementary programs

D18.1 What complementary programs	Was this complementary program required (mandatory)?		
were provided to recipients in the school	D18.2 National requirement	D18.3 Program requirement	
feeding program? Check all that apply.	Check if "yes".	Check if "yes".	
Handwashing with soap			
Height measurement			
Weight measurement			
Other nutrition monitoring:			
Deworming treatment			
Eye testing/eyeglasses distribution			
Hearing testing/treatment			
Dental cleaning/testing			
Menstrual hygiene			
Drinking water			
Water purification			
Other:			
None			

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

D19 Complementary education

D19.1 What complementary education topics were integrated into participating school curriculums? <i>Check all that apply.</i>	Was this complementary educa D19.2 National requirement <i>Check if "yes"</i> .	ation required (mandatory)? D19.3 Program requirement <i>Check if "yes"</i> .	
Nutrition education			
Food and agriculture education			
School gardens			
Hygiene education			
Health education			
Reproductive health education			
HIV prevention education			
Physical education			
Other:			
None			

If D19.1 does not include school gardens, skip to D20.



D19.4 What was done with the products from school gardens?

Consumed by students
Sold

Sola

Other:

D20 Did this school feeding program use any of the following approaches to prevent or mitigate overweight/obesity? *Check all that apply.*

Nutritional requirements for food baskets
Food restrictions on or near school grounds
Nutrition education
Food education
Health education
Physical education
Other:
None (although obesity is considered a problem)
None (obesity is not considered a problem)

D21 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 Sourcing

E1.1 What % of food in this school feeding program was obtained through each method?	In-kind food donations (Domestic)	In-kind food donations (Foreign)	Purchased	Other:
Please ensure that this row sums 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 donations?				
Parents/Families				
Private businesses				
Foreign government(s)				
World Food Program				
Other:				

E2 If food was purchased for this school feeding program (E1.1), and some was purchased from local sources (E1.2), what percent of purchased food was procured from local sources?

%



E3 If food was purchased for this sc	hool 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. *Check all that apply.*

Competitive, and **small-scale farmers**/small farmer organizations/small companies **DID NOT** successfully compete

Competitive, and **small-scale farmers**/small farmer organizations/small companies **DID** 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
 E4.1 If E4 = yes, from where was the packaged, processed food purchased? <i>Check all that apply</i>. Within country From nearby countries From faraway countries

E5 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

SECTION F: GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP

F1 Ho	ow was this school feeding program managed?
	The national government managed the program (Centralized decision-making)
	Regional governments managed the program (Decentralized decision-making)
	Local governments managed the program (Decentralized decision-making)
	In transition between centralized and decentralized decision-making (Semi-decentralized)
	An international donor agency or other implementing partner managed the program
	Other:
	as management of the program ever shifted to or from one level or entity to another? Yes 🗌 No
F	2.1 If F2 = yes, please describe and indicate when changes occurred.



F3 What government ministries, departments, or agencies were involved as key decision makers for this school feeding program in the following functions? *Check all that apply.*

	Education (national)	Agriculture (national)	Health (national)	Finance (national)	Social Protection (national)	Regional government	Local government	Other:
Requested funding								
Decided which schools/recipients received food								
Designed the menu	J 🗌							
Managed food sourcing								
Managed private sector involvement								
Conducted inspections for compliance with safety and quality standards								
Oversaw clean wat provision at participating schoo								
Managed bathroom or latrines at participating schoo								
Monitored the program								

F4 Did the ministries, departments, or agencies marked above work independently or together?

Mostly independently
Sometimes independently, sometimes together
Mostly together
Other:

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 Sources of funding for this school feeding program

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> .
External (International)		
Private sector		
National government		
Regional government		
Local government		
Other:		

Note: For multi-year funding allocations, please report the per-year amount.

G1.4 If G1.1 = external, what external sources funded this school feeding program?

G2 In the most recently completed school year, what portion of the total cost of school feeding (from all sources) was used for the following categories? *These values should sum to 100%*.

Food costs			 %
Handling, sto	orage, and tran	sportation	 %
One-time fix	ed costs (e.g.,	kitchen construction and equipping)	 %
All other cos	ts		 %

G3 Was funding for this school feeding program part of the national budget?

Yes No

G4 Who decided if funding was part of the national budget/who decided the amount?

- Office of the President/Prime Minister
- Parliament/Congress/Legislative body
- Ministry/Department of Finance
- Other: _____

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

G7 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to provide a brief explanation.

H1 Were farmers involved with this school feeding program by selling directly to the program or interacting with program schools?

Yes No

If H1 = yes, please fill out the following table.

H1.1 Were any of the following types of support provided to farmers? <i>Check if "yes"</i> .			H1.2 If yes, who provided the support? <i>Check all that apply.</i>		
	Small-scale farmers	Medium- or large- scale farmers	National government	Other:	
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 Other private sector (for profit) actors

H2.1 Were any of the following private sector actors involved in this school feeding program? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".	H2.2 If yes, in what stage of school feeding were these actors involved?				
	Food trading	Food processing	Transport	Catering	Supplies (utensils)
Sub-national companies					
National-scale companies					
Multi-country companies					
Multinational/ Global-scale companies					
Other:					



H3 How many cooks/caterers were involved with this school feeding program?

H3.3 Were there any special training or certification programs required for cooks/caterers?

Check all that apply.

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 school year?
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?
H5.1 If H5 = yes, please describe.
 H6 Has there been a purposeful focus on creating leadership positions (paid or unpaid) for women? Yes No H6.1 If H6 = yes, please describe.
H7 Has there been a purposeful focus on creating jobs or income-generating opportunities for youth?
H7.1 If H7 = yes, please describe.
H8 Has there been a purposeful focus on creating jobs or income-generating opportunities for any other group?
H8.1 If H8 = yes, please describe.



H9 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.
H13 Did your country have another school feeding program for which you have not already provided information?
Yes No
H13.1 If H13 = yes, please repeat sections C-H for the next school feeding program. These are available 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 globalsurvey@gcnf.org

SECTION I: SCHOOL-BASED EMERGENCY FEEDING

11 Was your country affected by any of the following emergencies in the most recently completed

school year? Check all that apply.

Slow-onset emergency (e.g., drought)

Natural disaster (excluding slow-onset emergencies)

Economic/financial crisis

Conflict

Health epidemic

Other:

None

I1.1 If I1 is not "none", please describe:

If I1 is not "none", please fill out the following table.

12 How did the above emergency/emergencies impact school feeding? <i>Check all that apply.</i>	Increased	Decreased	
Number of students fed			
Frequency of school feeding			
Size of rations			
Level of food basket variety			
Change in targeting approach			
Change in feeding modality			
School feeding ceased operations			
No change to school feeding			

13 Are there preparation measures in place related to school feeding for future emergencies?

Yes No

I3.1 If I3 = yes, please describe.

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

SECTION J: EDUCATION SYSTEM AND INFRASTRUCTURE

J1 Is student enrollment recorded in this country's education system?
J1.1 If J1 = yes, is enrollment disaggregated by gender?
J2 Is student attendance recorded?
Yes No
J2.1 If J2 = yes, is attendance disaggregated by gender?
J3 Do schools/does government track student achievement over time? Yes No
J3.1 If J3 = yes, are records of achievement disaggregated by gender?
J3.2 If J3 = yes, using what metrics? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
Achievement tests
Progression from one grade to the next
Graduation rates
Other:
J3.3 Does this country have a way to link the following indicators to an individual student who received school feeding? <i>Check if "yes</i> ".
Achievement tests
Progression from one grade to the next

Graduation rates

J4 Does this country's school system include pre-school?

Yes No

J5 Infrastructure in schools

J5.1 How many schools in this country have the following features?	All	Most	Some	Very few	None
Electricity					
Piped water					
Clean water					
Latrines					
Flush toilets					
Dedicated eating spaces/cafeterias					
Kitchens					

J6 How many latrines/toilets are gender-private?

	All
	Most
	Some
	Very few
	None
J7 A	re there nationwide maintenance requirements in place for latrines/toilets?
	Yes No

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

K1 Please describe at least three positive developments related to school feeding in this country in the past five years.

K2 Please describe at least three strengths of school feeding programs in this country.

K3 Please describe any major setbacks related to school feeding in the past five years.

K4 Please describe any challenges or problems related to school feeding.

K5 Please describe any concerns related to corruption/mismanagement in school feeding programs.

K6 Have any major studies of school feeding program(s) been conducted?

Yes No

K6.1 If K6 = yes, please describe any evidence of impacts of school feeding on students.

K6.2 If K6 = yes, please describe any evidence of impacts of school feeding on families/communities.

K6.3 If K6 = yes, please use this space to provide reference information for these studies (for example, titles, authors, and years). *Provide links if possible*.

K7 What research/studies related to school feeding would be helpful for this country?

K8 If you had difficulty answering any questions in this section, please use this space to prov	vide
a brief explanation.	

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