

SCN Working Group on Micronutrients: Information Sharing Template for 2006 and Earlier Activities

Table 1: Demographic Information

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Major focus of activities	Support to others, Research, Policy/Advocacy, Programming/Interventions
Summary of Activities	So far, and since the early 1990s, active research has revealed that stunting, IDD, IDA, and VAD are common in Jordan. Academic advocacy on these problems to the MoH led to legislation for and launching of two universal fortification programs: iodination of table salt and wheat flour fortification with several micronutrients. In addition, an enriched School Snack Service and a micronutrients- supplementation programs are also going on.

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Table 2: Measurement, assessment, monitoring and reporting micronutrient deficiencies

Geographic area(s) covered by this table	The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan (Middle East Region)														
Project Name	MoH - Nutritional Programs														
Supporting Agencies	WHO, UNICEF, CDC														
Approximate # of beneficiaries	All the Community, 5.5 million														
	Micronutrients														
	Iodine	Iron	Folate	Zinc	Calcium	Vit A	Vit B-12	Vit C	Vit D	Vit B-1	Vit B-2	Vit B-3	Vit B-6	Vit K	Vit E
<u>Activities</u>															
<i>Prevalence Assessment</i>	x	x				x									x
<i>Training/Capacity Building</i>		x				x									x
<i>Monitoring and Evaluation</i>	x	x				x									x
<i>Analysis and Reporting</i>	x	x				x									x

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Table 3: Food Fortification

Geographic area(s) covered by this table	Country														
Supporting Agencies	WHO, UNICEF														
	Micronutrients														
	Iodine	Iron	Folate	Zinc	Calcium	Vit A	Vit B-12	Vit C	Vit D	Vit B-1	Vit B-2	Vit B-3	Vit B-6	Vit K	Vit E
Commodities															
Salt	x														
Wheat		x	x	x		x	x			x	x	x	x		
Activities															
Policy and Advocacy															
By university academics only															
Operational Research															
All activities are bound to the Ministry of Health															
Provision of Fortification Equipment															
All activities are bound to the Ministry of Health															
Provision of Fortification Supplies															
All activities are bound to the Ministry of Health															
Fortification Monitoring and Evaluation	x	x													
None for the other micronutrients															

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Table 4: Vitamin and Mineral Supplementation

Geographic area(s) covered by this table	Underdeveloped provinces of Jordan														
Project Name	School Snack Service, (SSS) program														
Supporting Agencies	Ministries of : Education and Planning														
Approximate # of subjects or beneficiaries for each project described	30,000 young school children														
SSS program has been going on since 1999	Micronutrients														
	Iodine	Iron	Folate	Zinc	Calcium	Vit A	Vit B-12	Vit C	Vit D	Vit B-1	Vit B-2	Vit B-3	Vit B-6	Vit K	Vit E
Activities															
Prevention Program		x	x	x		x	x			x	x	x	x		
Supplementation project size															
Emergency Area															
The SSS program covers 10 underprivileged provinces															
Equipment/Supplies															
Fortified biscuits, 100 ml fresh milk, and a season fruit															
Supplement's Primary Distribution															
Through Public Channels		x													
Through Private Channels		x													
Supplement related Research															
was active until 2003; later it came to a halt															
Supplementation Targeted Groups															
Pregnant women		x													
Children in school		x													
Confined to poor provinces															

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Table 6: Other Public Health Intervention Links

Geographic area(s) covered by this table	Poor provinces
Project Name	SSS program
Approximate # of beneficiaries	30,000 young school children
Activities	
<i>Hookworm Control</i>	
No evidence on hookworms	
<i>Malaria Prevention and Control</i>	
Malaria is eradicated in Jordan	
<i>Polio/Immunizations</i>	
Active EPI	
<i>School Nutrition/Health Programs</i>	
SSS program	