WORKSHOP ON MONITORING FOOD SECURITY IN THE CONTEXT OF 2030 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

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Food Security Survey in Jordan

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Introduction

• This survey, conducted in conjunction with the Households Expenditures and Income Survey (HEIS). It is, thus, the first of its kind in the Middle East.
• The main partner is WFP.
• The survey covered 24,740 household in 2013.
• Food security questionnaire, which included the following:

1- Food Consumption Score (FCS) Indicator: which indicate the number of days during which the household consumed each of the specific food groups.
2- Coping Strategies Index (CSI): which indicate the number and frequency of coping ways used by the household to face the lack of sufficient money to cover any of its basic needs (food, medicine, fuel, education).

3- Assistance Indicator: which indicate the type and frequency of assistance the household received whether such assistance was in cash or in kind.
Key Finds
Relative Distribution of Households by Average Food Consumption Category, 2013

- Food insecure HHs: 0.5%
- Vulnerable HH: 5.7%
- Acceptable consumption HHs: 93.8%
Distribution of Households, by Use of Coping Mechanisms, 2013

- Only food coping mechanisms: 26.2%
- Food & non-food coping mechanisms: 7.3%
- Only non-food coping mechanisms: 0.2%
- No coping mechanisms used: 66.3%
% of Households Receiving Assistance, by Type of Assistance

- Food assistance: 9.6%
- Non-food assistance: 5.9%
- Food or non-food assistance: 13.6%
% of Food Insecure, by Sex of Head of Household, 2013

- Male: 0.4
- Female: 0.9
% of Food Insecure Households, by Educational Level of Head of Household, 2013

- Illiterate/Read & write: 1.1
- Less than secondary: 0.6
- Secondary: 0.3
- Higher education: 0.1
% of Households Using Food Coping Mechanisms, by Educational Level of Head of Household, 2013

- Illiterate/barely literate: 45.9%
- Less than secondary: 39.1%
- Secondary: 31.4%
- Higher education: 16.8%
Distribution of Households by State of Using Food Coping Mechanisms and Expenditure Quintile, 2013

- **Richest Quintile**: 15.1% used food coping mechanisms, 84.9% did not.
- **Quintile 4**: 27.4% used, 72.6% did not.
- **Quintile 3**: 35.6% used, 64.4% did not.
- **Quintile 2**: 46.9% used, 53.1% did not.
- **Poorest Quintile**: 60.2% used, 39.8% did not.

*Used food coping mechanisms* | *Did not use food coping mechanisms*

- Less than 5000: 50.6%
- 10000 >- 5000: 33.6%
- 15000 >- 10000: 22.9%
- 20000 >- 15000: 14.7%
- 20000+: 6.9%
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% of Households Receiving Food Assistance, by Family Size, 2013
% of Households Receiving Food Assistance, by Expenditure Quintile, 2013

- Poorest Quintile: 25.2%
- Quintile 2: 14.9%
- Quintile 3: 9.5%
- Quintile 4: 5.3%
- Richest Quintile: 1.9%
Thank you