

# Situation Analysis Dashboard, comparing national status to three regions in the north of Ghana

**Severity:**  
● Low  
● Medium  
● High

**Trend:**  
↗ Improvement  
→ No change  
↘ Worsening

		Indicator	National	Trend	Severity	Upper West	Northern	Upper East
<b>Nutritional Impact</b>	<b>Stunting</b>	Prevalence of stunting among children <5 years old <sup>1</sup>	18.8%	↗	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	22.2%	33.1%	14.4%
	<b>Wasting</b>	Prevalence of wasting among children <5 years old <sup>1</sup>	4.7%	↗	<span style="color: green;">●</span>	4.4%	6.3%	9.4%
	<b>Overweight</b>	Prevalence of overweight among children <5 years old <sup>1</sup>	2.6%	→	<span style="color: yellow;">●</span>	2.8%	1.3%	1.4%
	<b>Iron deficiency</b>	Prevalence of anaemia among children 6-59 months old <sup>1</sup>	65.7%	↘	<span style="color: red;">●</span>	73.8%	82.1%	73.8%
		Prevalence of anaemia among women 15-49 years old <sup>1</sup>	42.4%	↗	<span style="color: red;">●</span>	35.6%	47.5%	39.6%
<b>Vit. A deficiency</b>	Prevalence of Vitamin A deficiency among children 6-59 mo. old <sup>2</sup>	-%			-%	-%	-%	
<b>Underlying Causes</b>	<b>Food Security</b>	Percentage of HHs with poor or borderline food consumption <sup>3</sup>	5.4%			23.7%	20.0%	38.3%
		Percentage of food insecure HHs (severe, moderate & mild) <sup>3</sup>	n.a.%			23.7%	20.3%	38.4%
		Global Hunger Index score	15.5	↘		N/A	N/A	N/A
	<b>Health</b>	Percentage of newborns weighing <2.5 kg at birth <sup>1</sup>	9.5%	↗		12.7%	12.9%	10.5%
		Women 15-49 years with problem(s) accessing health care <sup>1</sup>	50.7%	↗		70.2%	70.8%	51.5%
Percentage of HHs with access to improved water source <sup>1</sup>		89.8%	↗	<span style="color: yellow;">●</span>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
Percentage of HH practicing open defecation <sup>1</sup>		16.9%	↗		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
<b>Care</b>	Percentage of infants receiving timely initiation of breastfeeding <sup>1</sup>	55.6%	↗		40.6%	64.7%	65.2%	
	Percentage of infants exclusively breastfed to age 6 months <sup>1</sup>	52.3%	↗		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
	Percentage of children 6-23 months old with appropriate CF <sup>1</sup>	13.3%	↘		13.7%	14.1%	8.6%	
<b>Basic Causes</b>	<b>Education</b>	Females that completed primary school or higher <sup>1</sup>	68.3%	↗		35.9%	25.7%	40.4%
	<b>Population</b>	Total fertility rate <sup>1</sup>	4.2	→		5.2	6.6	4.9
	<b>Gender</b>	Percentage of women age 20-49 who gave birth by 18 years old <sup>1</sup>	20.6%	→		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Percentage of married women who mainly control how to use their earnings <sup>1</sup>	62.8%	↗		75.9%	92.4%	51.7%
<b>Poverty</b>	Percentage of population living under national poverty line <sup>4</sup>	24.2%	↗		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	

n.a. = not available / CF = complementary feeding / N/A = not applicable

Sources: <sup>1</sup>DHS (2014) / <sup>2</sup>TBD (XXXX) / <sup>3</sup>CFSVA (2012) though national statistic from CFSVA (2000) / <sup>4</sup>World Bank World Development Indicators Database (2012)