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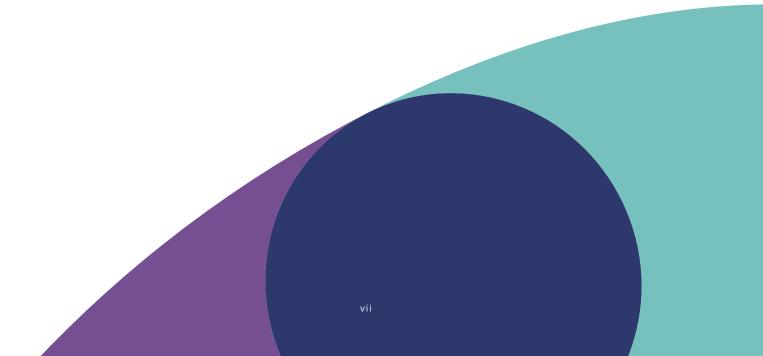
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Acronyms

ART	Antiretroviral Therapy
COD	Cause of Death
CRVS	Civil Registration and Vital Statistics
DHS	Demographic and Health Survey
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation
GGE	General Government Expenditure
GGHE-D	General Government Health Expenditure -Domestic
HDSS	Health and Demographic Surveillance System
HMIS	Health Management Information System
HRHIS	Human Resource Health Information System
HRSDG	Health-Related Sustainable Development Goals
HIS	Health Information System
ні	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
IHR	International Health Regulations
JEE	Joint External Examination
МоН	Ministry of Health
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MCCD	Medical Certificate of Cause of Death
NHA	National Health Accounts
NHO	National Health Observatory
NHSP	National Health Sector Strategic Plan
NHWA	National Health Workforce Accounts
OIE	World Organisation for Animal Health

OPD	Outpatient Department
PES	Post Enumeration Survey
PHEIC	Public Health Emergency of International Concern
PRISM	Performance of Routine Information System Management
SCORE	Survey, Count, Optimize, Review, Enable
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
SHA	System of Health Accounts
SPAR	State Party Self-Assessment Annual Reporting tool
UHC	Universal Health Coverage
UNDESA	United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
UNSD	United National Statistical Division
VA	Verbal Autopsy
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WHO	World Health Organization





Overview

The SCORE for health data package uses five interventions: **S**urvey populations and health risks; **C**ount births, deaths and causes of death; **O**ptimize health service data; **R**eview progress and performance; **E**nable data use for policy and action. Each intervention has a set of key elements, which is accompanied by a set of indicators. In total, there are 24 quantitative and qualitative indicators for assessing SCORE interventions at various levels.

The SCORE Assessment methodology, 2020 complements the SCORE Global report on health data and capacity, 2020, and explains how countries were assessed and scored by five interventions and the accompanying elements and indicators.

SCORE Assessment instrument and indicators

The SCORE Assessment instrument and the accompanying indicators were used to collect data to assess the Health Information Systems (HIS) in countries. They were developed in consultation with World Health Organization (WHO) country representatives, and technical experts from WHO regional offices and headquarters, and also drew upon the expertise and experience of external agencies and individual experts.

Data gathered for the Global report on health data systems and capacity were initially obtained through a desk review of qualitative and quantitative data from multiple sources, including global, regional, and national survey reports, regional and national health information databases, national birth and death registration portals, and health facility data. These preliminary data and assessments were shared with countries for review and input through WHO regional and country offices, and validated, most commonly, by the ministry of health. During the review and verification process, additional data were also submitted by multiple institutions, including ministries of health, national public health institutions, bureaus of statistics, ministries of finance, and other bodies responsible for specific data areas. Overall,133 countries validated the data or provided permission to use the data from the desk review.

Country sign-off

Collated data and assessments for each country (in the form of a summary sheet and draft country profile) were sent to respective governments for review and sign-off. Any changes requested or made by national authorities required supporting documentation verified by WHO SCORE focal persons. Some countries provided (caveated) permission to publish results which include an additional note indicating that validation is still awaiting completion due to delays related to the COVID-19 pandemic. When finalized these results will be updated online.

Scoring methodology

Scoring is based on a maturity model where, at the end of a complete assessment, a country scores 1-5 for each of the five interventions: 1 reflects nascent capacity of the health information system and 5 represents sustainable capacity.

For each intervention there is a set of key elements. Each key element is measured by one or more indicators and each indicator is defined by a set of attributes or items. Scoring begins at the indicator level by assessing the attributes. Reviewers assess each indicator attribute against a publicly available and verifiable source document (or website). Reviewers must provide documentation of the data sources for each indicator scored. In the case of multiple items, the indicator is scored by taking the sum of these item scores and comparing it to a maturity model. If there is more than one indicator within an element, the indicator scores are averaged to get the element score. An intervention score is the average of the key element scores.

Due to concerns about data availability and/or comparability, not all indicators or key elements were used in calculating a country's score. Indicators and key elements not used in scoring are indicated by an asterisk.

Scoring example

Below is an example to calculate the country score for intervention E, "Enable data use for policy and action", using a hypothetical scenario.

SCORING THE INDICATORS

For each indicator countries receive a single score based on their current capacity.

This example begins by scoring the two indicators within the key element "Strong country-led governance of data": "National monitoring and evaluation (M&E) plan is based on standards" and "National digital health/eHealth strategy is based on standards". This element actually contains three indicators, but only two are used for illustration purpose.

For the first indicator, the first step is to determine if the country has a current M&E plan and then assign a score to each of the seven standards in the SCORE instrument. The information is then summarized in the table below (with hypothetical values for a country shown):

TABLE N.1 SCORING EXAMPLE FOR INDICATOR "NATIONAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) PLAN IS BASED ON STANDARDS"

Indicator items	ltem score (hypothetical)	Response and score
Includes a core indicator list with baselines and targets	2	1 Not there
Includes specification on data collection methods, digital architecture required for reporting of key indicators	3	2 Partially there3 Mostly/all there
Has data quality assurance mechanisms in place	2	
Includes analysis process and review process specifications that includes roles and responsibilities	1	
Specifies use of data for policy and planning	2	
Includes a plan for dissemination of data	1	
Specifies resource requirements to implement the strategic plan/policy	1	
Total (maximum) score	12	21

The sum of the indicator item scores is compared against the maturity model in table N.2 to determine the indicator score, which is an integer between 1 and 5.

TABLE N.2

SCORING TABLE FOR NATIONAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) IS BASED ON STANDARDS

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
No M&E or HIS plan exists that is linked to the current national health sector strategic plan	Total score of key indicator items is 9 or less	Total score of key indicator items is 10-14	Total score of key indicator items is 15-17	Total score of key indicator items is 18 or higher

In our example, the total sum of the indicator scores is 12, which corresponds to "Moderate capacity". Therefore, the country scores a 3 on indicator "National monitoring and evaluation (M&E) plan is based on standards".

Scoring for the second indicator is conducted in a similar way using Table N.3.

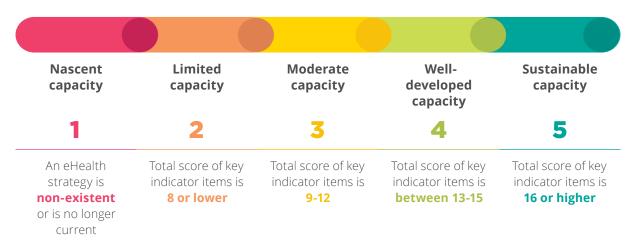
TABLE N.3 SCORING EXAMPLE FOR INDICATOR "NATIONAL DIGITAL HEALTH/ eHEALTH STRATEGY IS BASED ON STANDARDS"

Indicator items	ltem score (hypothetical)	Response and score
Digital plan /e-health strategy includes discussion of health data architecture	3	 Not there Partially there
Digital plan /e-health strategy includes description of health data standards and exchange	3	3 Mostly/all there
Digital plan /e-health strategy includes handling of data security issues	2	
Digital plan /e-health strategy includes specifications for data confidentiality and data storage	2	
Digital plan /e-health strategy specify access to data	3	
Digital plan /e-health strategy specifies alignment is integrated with national HIS strategy	3	
Total (maximum) score	16	18

The sum of the indicator item score is 16, which corresponds to "Sustainable capacity" in the scoring table N.4. Therefore, the country scores a 5 for indicator "National digital health/eHealth strategy is based on standards".

TABLE N.4

SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR "NATIONAL DIGITAL HEALTH/ eHEALTH STRATEGY IS BASED ON STANDARDS"



SCORING THE ELEMENTS

The element score is the simple mean of the indicator scores under the element. In this example, the two indicator scores calculated above are used to determine the element score:

Score of "Strong country-led governance of data" = (Score of "National monitoring and evaluation (M&E) is based on standards" + Score of "National digital health/e-health strategy is based on standards")/2 = (3+5)/2 = 4

SCORING THE INTERVENTION

The intervention score is the weighted sum of the elements under the intervention. The elements are weighted based on review by a set of experts to reflect their relative importance to a country's ability to achieve high capacity for that intervention. Thus, elements that are considered critical are given higher weights.

In the following example, there are three elements in intervention "Enable data use for policy and action". The element "data access and sharing" is considered the most important and was given a weight of 0.40. The remaining two elements "data and evidence" and "governance of data" are both given a weight of 0.30. Therefore, the calculation of the intervention score is as follows:

Score of "Enable data use for policy and action" = [(0.3*Score of "data evidence") + (0.4* Score of "data access and sharing") + (0.3*Score of "governance of data")]

Using the score for "Governance of data" we calculated above and taking hypothetical scores of 3 and 2 for the other two key elements, the intervention score is calculated as follows:

Score of "Enable data use for policy and action" = (0.3*3) + (0.4*2) + (0.3*4) = 2.9

For simplicity, the final intervention score is rounded up to make an integer. Therefore, in our example, the country's score for intervention "E (Enable data use for policy and action)" is 3.

It is worth noting that the element scores and intervention scores are usually calculated by taking the average of the indicators score or element scores, respectively. The scoring methods for most elements and interventions are thus not given in this document, unless the method is unique to the element or intervention.

Availability of latest data to monitor the HRSDGs and UHC

To assess the performance of health information system in countries, the SCORE package used 52 indicators from Health-Related Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and one tracer variable for Universal Health Coverage index (UHC). The availability of these 53 indicators since 2013 was evaluated and used to calculate an index for the overall performance of the health information system in the country. All 53 indicators are listed in the table N.5.

TABLE N.5

INDICATORS AND RESPONSES FOR DATA AVAILABILITY MEASUREMENT TO MONITOR HEALTH-RELATED SDGS AND UHC

Indicator items	Response and score
Maternal mortality ratio (per 100 000 live births)	0 No, not available
Proportion of births attended by skilled health personnel	1 Yes, available
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1000 live births)	
Under-five mortality rate (per 1000 live births)	
New HIV infections (per 1000 uninfected population)	
Tuberculosis incidence (per 100 000 population)	
Malaria incidence (per 1000 population at risk)	
Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) prevalence among children under 5 years*	
Reported number of people requiring interventions against NTDs	
Probability of dying from any of CVD, cancer, diabetes, CRD between age 30 and exact age 70	
Suicide mortality rate (per 100 000 population)	
Total alcohol per capita (≥15 years of age) consumption (litres of pure alcohol)	
Road traffic mortality rate (per 100 000 population)	
Proportion of married or in-union women of reproductive age who have their need for family planning satisfied with modern methods	
Adolescent birth rate (per 1000 women aged 15-19 years)	
Antenatal care, four or more visits (ANC4)	
Antiretroviral therapy (ART) coverage	
Care seeking behaviour for child pneumonia	
Cervical cancer screening among women aged 30-49 years	
Density of psychiatrists (per 100 000 population)	
Density of surgeons (per 100 000 population)	
Hospital beds (per 10 000 population)	

TABLE N.5 (CONTINUED)

AVAILABILITY OF LATEST DATA TO MONITOR THE HRSDGS AND UHC

Indicator items	Response and score
Households with at least access to basic sanitation	0 No, not available
Mean fasting plasma glucose (mmol/L)	1 Yes, available
Population at risk sleeping under insecticide-treated nets for malaria prevention	
Prevalence of normal blood pressure, regardless of treatment status	
Tuberculosis effective treatment coverage	
Population with household expenditures on health of total household expenditure or income > 10% or >25%	
Age-standardized mortality rate attributed to household and ambient air pollution (per 100 000 population)	
Mortality rate attributed to exposure to unsafe Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) services (per 100 000 population)	
Mortality rate from unintentional poisoning (per 100 000 population)	
Age-standardized prevalence of tobacco smoking	
Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP3) immunization coverage among 1-year-olds	
Measles-containing-vaccine second-dose (MCV2) immunization coverage by the nationally recommended age	
Pneumococcal conjugate 3rd dose (PCV3) immunization coverage among 1-year olds	
Total net official development assistance to medical research and basic health sectors per capita (USD)	
Density of dentistry personnel (per 100 000 population)	
Density of nursing and midwifery personnel (per 100 000 population)	
Density of pharmaceutical personnel (per 100 000 population)	
Density of physicians (per 100 000 population)	
Average of 13 International Health Regulations core capacity scores	
Domestic general government health expenditure (GGHE-D) as percentage of general government expenditure (GGE)	
Prevalence of stunting in children under 5	
Prevalence of overweight children under 5	
Prevalence of wasting in children under 5	
Proportion of population using safely managed drinking-water services	
Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services	
Proportion of population with primary reliance on clean fuels	
Annual mean concentrations of fine particulate matter (PM2.5) in urban areas (μg/m³)	
Average death rate due to natural disasters (per 100 000 population)	

TABLE N.5 (CONTINUED)

AVAILABILITY OF LATEST DATA TO MONITOR THE HRSDGS AND UHC

Indicator items	Response and score	
Mortality rate due to homicide (per 100 000 population)	0 No, not available	
Estimated direct deaths from major conflicts (per 100 000 population)	1 Yes, available	
Completeness of cause-of-death data		
Total maximum score	53	

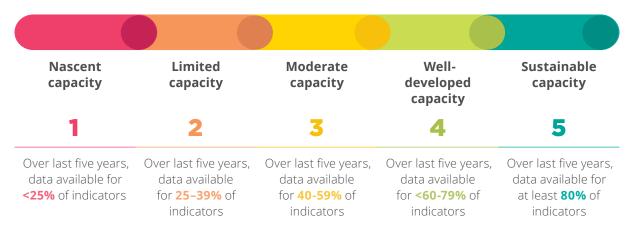
*UHC tracer variable.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

An indicator gets a score of 1 if data are available for this indicator since 2013 in the country. The number of indicators for which data are available is divided by the total maximum score of 53, the total number of indicators that are relevant in the country's context. This percentage is then compared against the table N.6 to determine the country's score.

TABLE N.6

SCORING TABLE FOR DATA AVAILABILITY SINCE 2013 TO MONITOR HEALTH-RELATED SDGs AND UHC



DATA SOURCES

Global and country databases/repositories and observatories.

Survey populations and health risks





KEY ELEMENTS INDICATORS

System of regular population-based health surveys	A system of regular and comprehensive population health surveys that meets international standards
Surveillance	Completeness and timeliness of weekly reporting of notifiable conditions*
of public health threats	Indicator and event-based surveillance in place based on International Health Regulations standards
Regular population census	Census conducted in last 10 years in line with international standards with population projections for sub-national units

*Item not included in the calculation of overall element score.

S1. System of regular populationbased health surveys

Aim

All countries generate regular, comprehensive, high-quality, nationally representative statistics with equity dimensions on important health measurement such as population health status, health-related behaviours and risk factors, access to health interventions and out-of-pocket spending on health. This element contains one indicator: a system of regular and comprehensive population health surveys that meets international standards, and its corresponding items to measure the strength of the health survey system in a country.

TABLE S1.1 INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "A SYSTEM OF REGULAR AND COMPREHENSIVE POPULATION HEALTH SURVEYS THAT MEETS INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS"*

Indicator items	Response and score
Cover major health priorities (selected set of priorities): Child immunization Child weight / height Delivery / Skilled birth attendance Family planning Tobacco use Prevalence of raised blood pressure Cervical cancer screening Child mortality Health expenditure as a percent of total household expenditure HIV prevalence Tuberculosis prevalence Prevalence of raised fasting blood glucose Malaria parasite prevalence among children	0 No 1 Yes
Cover major dimensions of inequality • Sex • Age • Place of residence • Administrative unit • Socioeconomic status • Education	0 No 1 Yes
Are aligned with internationally accepted standards: • Nationally representative • Sample design described • Sample size given • Sampling errors provided • Implementation process described • Analysis of data described • Data available in public domain to bona fide users • Report is publicly available	0 No 1 Yes

TABLE S1.1 (CONTINUED)

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "A SYSTEM OF REGULAR AND COMPREHENSIVE POPULATION HEALTH SURVEYS THAT MEETS INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS"*

Indicator items	Response and score
Are funded by government	0 Not at all1 Partly2 Fully
Total maximum score	

*From surveys conducted since 2013.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The overall score for S1 is determined by three dimensions: the coverage of health topics, the attribute of the individual surveys, and the number of surveys.

COVERAGE OF HEALTH TOPICS

Coverage of major health topics is based on all surveys combined, scored as the number of health topics covered at least once in a survey since 2013, divided by the total number of health topics relevant in the country context. Some indicators are not relevant in certain countries, e.g. malaria in non-malaria endemic countries; or the information is collected by non-survey methods, e.g. surveys are not needed to track child mortality in many countries with strong CRVS systems).

SURVEY ATTRIBUTES

Survey attributes include dimensions of inequity (such as sex, age, education, socioeconomic status, place of residence, and administrative unit), alignment with international standards (such as being nationally representative, having description of sample design, inclusion of sample size, provision of sampling errors, description of implementation processes and analysis of data, availability of report in public domain, and data access to bona fide users), and whether a survey is supported by government funding. Survey attributes are scored separately for each survey.

Dimension of Inequality measures

The score is calculated as the number of inequality measures captured divided by number of relevant inequality measures.

Alignment of international standards

The score is calculated as the number of international standards met by the survey divided by total number of international standards.

Funding status

The score is assigned for each survey using the scoring described in table S1.1.

Final attribute score

The survey attribute score for each survey is calculated as follows: 0.4*dimension of inequity measures + 0.4*alignment of standards + 0.2*funding status

The overall survey attribute score is the sum of top five surveys ranked by individual survey attribute scores; all surveys are used when there are only five or fewer surveys.

NUMBER OF SURVEYS

A value of 1 is assigned if there are five or more surveys, 0.9 for four surveys, 0.8 for three surveys, 0.7 for two surveys, and 0.6 for one survey.

FINAL ELEMENT SCORE

An overall score is calculated using three indicator scores as follows:

0.35 * "health topics" + 0.55 * "survey attributes" + score of "number of surveys"

A final element score is determined when the overall S1 score is compared against the scoring table S1.2.

TABLE S1.2

SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT S1: A SYSTEM OF REGULAR AND COMPREHENSIVE POPULATION HEALTH SURVEYS THAT MEETS INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS



DATA SOURCES

Country specific or multi-country surveys.

S2. Surveillance of public health threats

Aim

All countries can detect public health events requiring rapid investigation and response and ensure timely action and control through:

- A strong indicator and event-based surveillance system that can detect events of significance for public health, animal health and health security (these are the two main channels of information for public health surveillance).
- Effective communication and collaboration across sectors and between subnational, national and international authorities on surveillance of events of public health significance.
- Strong country and intermediate level orregional capacity to analyse and link data from and between strengthened, real-time surveillance systems, including interoperable, interconnected electronic reporting systems, including at points of entry.

This element contains two indicators:

- completeness and timeliness of weekly reporting of notifiable health conditions, and indicator, and
- event-based surveillance in place based on International Health Regulations (IHR) standards.

Completeness and timeliness of weekly reporting of notifiable health conditions

TABLE S2.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "COMPLETENESS AND TIMELINESS OF WEEKLY REPORTING OF NOTIFIABLE CONDITIONS"*

Indicator items	Response and score
Percentage of reporting sites who submitted weekly report to responsible unit at central level in last month: public sites**	1 <80% 2 80-90% 3 90-94%
Percentage of reporting sites who submitted weekly report to responsible unit at central level in last month: non-public sites**	4 95-99% 5 100%
Total maximum score	100%

*The data is from the most recent year available. **Items are not included in the calculation of overall score.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

Weekly epidemiological reports/bulletins/ databases.

Indicator and event-based surveillance in place based on International Health Regulations standards

This indicator is primarily measured through the State Party Self-Assessment Annual Reporting (SPAR) that countries use to self-report their IHR core capacities (table S2.2). If a Joint External Evaluation (JEE) instead of the SPAR is available for a country, the relevant indicators (table S2.3) are used. If neither the SPAR nor the JEE are present, the scoring from an older IHR self-assessment is used (table S2.4).

TABLE S2.2

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "INDICATOR AND EVENT-BASED SURVEILLANCE IN PLACE BASED ON IHR STANDARDS" AS MEASURED THROUGH SPAR*

Indicator items	Response and score
National IHR Focal Point functions under IHR	1 ≤20%
Early warning function: indicator-and event-based surveillance	2 21-40%3 41-60%
Mechanism for event management (verification, risk assessment, analysis investigation)	4 61-80% 5 >80%
Total maximum score	100%

*For countries that report a SPAR.

TABLE S2.3

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "INDICATOR AND EVENT-BASED SURVEILLANCE IN PLACE BASED ON IHR STANDARDS" AS MEASURED THROUGH JEE*

Indicator items	Response and score		
Indicator and event-based surveillance system	 None Planned within a year Indicator or event-based system in place Indicator and event-based system in place In place and country uses expertise to support other countries 		
Inter-operable, inter-connected, electronic real-time reporting system	 None Being developed for either public health or veterinary surveillance systems In place for either public health or veterinary surveillance systems but not yet able to share data in real-time In place for public health and/or veterinary surveillance systems but not yet fully sustained by host government Fully functional for both public health and veterinary surveillance systems 		
Integration and analysis of surveillance data	 None Sporadic with delay Regular reporting with some delay; ad-hoc teams analyse data Annual or monthly reporting; attributed functions to experts for analysing, assessing and reporting data Systematic reporting; dedicated team in place for data analysis, risk assessment and reporting 		

TABLE S2.3 (CONTINUED)

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "INDICATOR AND EVENT-BASED SURVEILLANCE IN PLACE BASED ON IHR STANDARDS" AS MEASURED THROUGH JEE*

Indicator items	Response and score
Syndromic surveillance systems	 None Planned within a year; policy/legislation in place In place to detect 1-2 core syndromes In place to detect three or more core syndromes In place and country uses expertise to support other countries
System for efficient reporting	 No national focal points Focal points appointed and linked to learning packages/best practices Demonstrated ability to identify potential Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) and file report to WHO or World Organization for Animal Health (OIE). Demonstrated ability to identify potential PHEIC and file report to WHO or OIE within 24 hours Demonstrated ability to identify potential PHEIC and file report to WHO or OIE within 24 hours Demonstrated ability to identify potential PHEIC and file report to WHO or OIE within 24 hours and has a multisectoral process for assessing potential events
Reporting network and protocols in country	 None Planned within a year Established protocols, processes, regulations, and/or legislation governing reporting/processes for multisectoral coordination in response to potential PHEIC to WHO or OIE Demonstrated timely reporting of potential PHEIC to WHO or OIE in alignment with standards in selected districts Demonstrated timely reporting of potential PHEIC to WHO or OIE from district to national to international level; has sustainable process for maintaining/improving reporting/communications
Total maximum score	30

*For countries that do not report a SPAR.

TABLE S2.4 INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "INDICATOR AND EVENT-BASED SURVEILLANCE IN PLACE BASED ON IHR STANDARDS" AS MEASURED BY IHR SELF-ASSESSMENT*

Indicator items	Response and Score	
IHR self-reported average coordination score	1 ≤20% 2 21-40% 3 41-60%	
IHR self-reported average surveillance score	4 61-80% 5 >80%	
Total maximum score	100%	

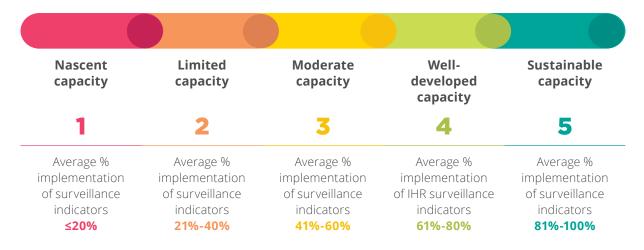
*For countries that report neither a SPAR nor a JEE.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

For countries that report SPAR or use IHR self-assessment average score, the mean of item percentages is calculated. For JEE, the percentage is calculated by dividing the total item score by the total maximum score of 30. The resulting percentage is then compared against the table below to obtain the indicator score respectively.

TABLE S2.5

SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT S2. INDICATOR AND EVENT-BASED SURVEILLANCE IN PLACE BASED ON INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS STANDARDS



DATA SOURCES

The main data source for this indicator is the IHR SPAR tool, which is available for the majority of WHO Member States. For countries without a SPAR, the JEE would be the second choice and finally the self-assessed IHR.

S3. Regular population census

Aim

All countries should have regular censuses every 10 years, or equivalent population registries that provide information on population and socioeconomic characteristics by small geographical area, conducted in line with United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) standards. This element has one indicator: census conducted in last 10 years in line with international standards with population projections for subnational units.

TABLE S3.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSES FOR "CENSUS CONDUCTED IN LAST 10 YEARS IN LINE WITH INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS WITH POPULATION PROJECTIONS FOR SUBNATIONAL UNITS"

Indicator items	Response and score	
Census conducted within last 10 years	0 No 3 Yes	
Post enumeration survey carried out for most recent census	0 No 1 Yes	
Population projections with all disaggregation for current year	 0 No data 1 Not available 2 Current year projections available with no disaggregation 3 Current year projections available with relevant disaggregation 	
Total maximum score	7	

SCORING METHODOLOGY

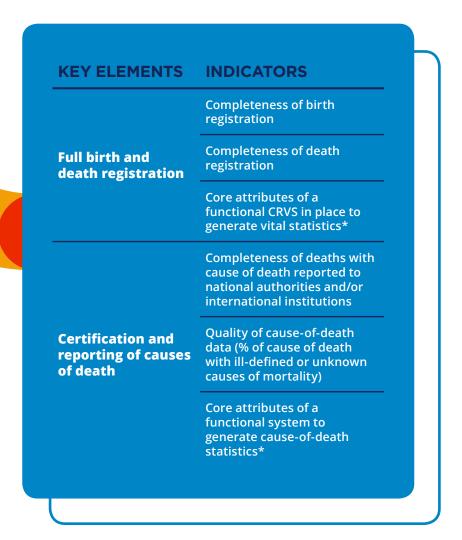
A percentage is calculated by dividing the sum score of the three indicator items by the total maximum score of 7 as described in table S3.1. This percentage is then compared against the scoring table S3.2 to determine the overall indicator score.

TABLE S3.2 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR S3.1. CENSUS CONDUCTED IN LINE WITH STANDARDS Nascent Limited Moderate Well-Sustainable capacity developed capacity capacity capacity capacity 1 2 4 5 3 71%-90% of **25%** of criteria 26-49% 50%-70% of **Greater than** are met or less of criteria are met criteria are met criteria are met **90%** of criteria are met

DATA SOURCES

Country census reports, and post enumeration survey reports.

Count births, deaths and causes of death



*Items not included in the calculation of overall element score.

C1. Full birth and death registration

Aim

All countries should have a well-functioning civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) system that registers all births and deaths, issues birth and death certificates, and compiles and disseminates vital statistics, including cause-of-death data. It may also record marriages, divorces and adoptions. This element has three indicators:

- **1.** completeness of birth registration,
- 2. completeness of death registration, and
- **3.** core attributes of a functional CRVS in place to generate vital statistics.

Completeness of birth registration

TABLE C1.1

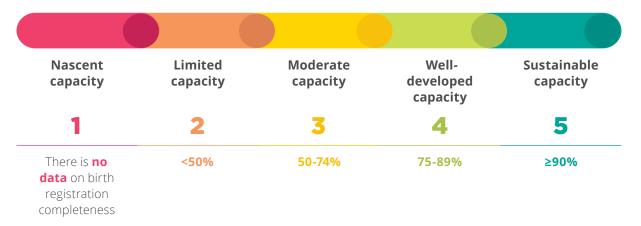
RESPONSE AND SCORE FOR "COMPLETENESS OF BIRTH REGISTRATION"

Indicator items	Response and score	
Completeness of birth registration (%)	1 No data 2 <50% 3 50-74% 4 75-89% 5 90-100%	
Total maximum score	100%	

SCORING METHODOLOGY

Completeness of birth registration is assessed by calculating the percentage of registered birth among all births. This percentage is compared against the tables below to determine the score for birth registration.

TABLE C1.2 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR C1.1. COMPLETENESS OF BIRTH REGISTRATION



DATA SOURCES

Vital statistics reports (for birth registration-registrars and surveys).

Completeness of death registration

TABLE C1.3

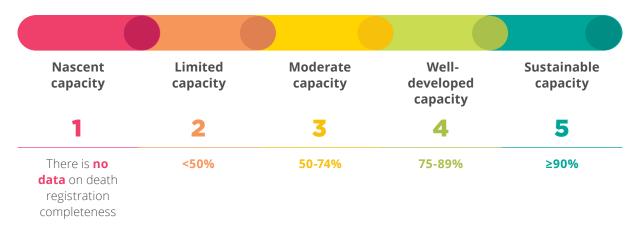
RESPONSE AND SCORE FOR "COMPLETENESS OF DEATH REGISTRATION"

Indicator items	Response and score
Completeness of death registration	 No data < <50% 50-74% 75-89% 90-100%
Total maximum score	100%

SCORING METHODOLOGY

Completeness of death registration is evaluated by calculating the percentage of registered deaths among all deaths. This percentage is compared against the tables below to determine the score for death registration.

TABLE C1.4 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR C1.2. COMPLETENESS OF DEATH REGISTRATION



DATA SOURCES

Vital statistics reports.

Core attributes of a functional CRVS in place to generate vital statistics

TABLE C1.5

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "CORE ATTRIBUTES OF A FUNCTIONAL CRVS SYSTEM IN PLACE TO GENERATE VITAL STATISTICS"

Indicator items	Response and score		
Legal framework for CRVS: adequate and enforced legislation which states that registration of births and deaths is compulsory*	0 1 2 3	No data No or outdated legal frameworks & business process; standard operating procedures (SOPs) not defined Best practice legal frameworks, business processes and SOPs under development or pathway to their development defined Best practice legal frameworks, business processes and SOPs finalized and in place	
The country has sufficient locations where citizens can register births and deaths: proportion of population with easy access*	0 1 2 3	No data No registration offices outside of capital city Partial/ full coverage in urban centers Full coverage, including rural and hard-to-reach areas	
Registrars have adequate training*	0 1 2 3	No data No formal training for registrars Mostly skills and knowledge are acquired on job All registrars receive training and/or have opportunities for skills improvement	
There is a formal CRVS interagency collaboration (has oversight role, includes key stakeholders, meets regularly)*	0 1 2 3	No data No or very limited system Partial or unofficial system Complete system	
All data are exchanged electronically from local to regional offices and then to central offices*	0 1 2 3	No data System is paper-based where paper copies are used to transfer records at all levels Paper copies used at local offices with electronic processing in regional/central offices Sharing of information is electronic at all levels	
Data quality and analysis: there are reports that provide evidence of data quality assessment, adjustment and analysis of vital statistics using international standards*	0 1 2 3	No data No system/limited system of quality checks Quality checks are performed on aggregated data Checks are performed on individual records and aggregate data routinely	
Monitoring of system performance*	0 1 2 3	No data No or limited monitoring of system performance Regular monitoring of registration completeness and generating other key system performance indicators at central level Regular monitoring of registration completeness and generating other key system performance indicators at national and subnational levels	

TABLE C1.5 (CONTINUED)

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "CORE ATTRIBUTES OF A FUNCTIONAL CRVS SYSTEM IN PLACE TO GENERATE VITAL STATISTICS"

Indicator items	Response and score
High quality vital statistics reports have been published in the last five years*	 0 No data 1 No vital statistics report published in last 5 years 2 High quality vital statistics (VS) reports produced as scheduled for at least two annual publication cycles 3 High quality VS reports produced as scheduled for at three or more annual publication cycles
Total maximum score	24

*Items are not included in overall element score.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The eight indicator items that measure a functional CRVS system are assessed based on their availability as shown in table C1.5. This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

Country rapid and/or comprehensive CRVS assessments.

C2. Certification and reporting of causes of death

Aim

All countries should have the capacity to generate good quality, recent mortality statistics to describe levels and trends of mortality and identify and track changes in the burden of disease in different population groups. This element has three indicators:

- completeness of deaths with cause of death reported to national authorities and/or international institutions,
- quality of cause-of-death data (percentage of cause of death with ill-defined or unknown causes of mortality), and
- **3.** core attributes of a functional system to generate cause-of-death statistics.

Completeness of deaths with cause of death reported to national authorities and/or international institutions

TABLE C2.1

RESPONSE AND SCORE FOR "COMPLETENESS OF DEATH WITH CAUSE OF DEATH REPORTED

Indicator items	Response and score		
Completeness of death reporting to civil registrar with cause of death reported	 No standardized system for medical certification of cause of death <30% 30-69% 70-89% 90-100% 		
Total maximum score	100%		

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The indicator score is determined by comparing the response from table C2.1 against the scori-

TABLE C2.2

SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR C2.1. COMPLETENESS OF DEATHS WITH CAUSE OF DEATH REPORTED TO NATIONAL AUTHORITIES AND/OR INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
There is no standardised system for medical certification of cause of death	Score <30%	Score 30-69%	Score 70-89%	Score ≥90%

DATA SOURCES

Country CRVS reports/documents.

Quality of cause-of-death data

TABLE C2.3 RESPONSE AND SCORE FOR "QUALITY OF CAUSE-OF-DEATH DATA"

Indicator items	Response and score
Quality of cause-of-death data, measured as percentage of records with ill-defined or unknown causes of mortality	 Not applicable (cause-of-death not captured in standardized system) ≥30% ill-defined or unspecified causes 20-29% ill-defined or unspecified causes 10-19% ill-defined or unspecified causes <10% ill-defined or unspecified causes
Total maximum score	100%

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The response from table C2.3 is compared against the scoring table C2.4 to determine the indicator score.

TABLE C2.4 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR C2.2. QUALITY OF CAUSE-OF-DEATH DATA

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
Not applicable in the absence of data	At least 30% ill-defined or unspecified causes	20-29% ill-defined or unspecified causes	10-19% ill-defined or unspecified causes	Less than 10% ill-defined or unspecified

DATA SOURCES

Country CRVS reports/documents.

Core attributes of a functional system to generate cause-of-death statistics

TABLE C2.5

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "CORE ATTRIBUTES OF A FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM TO GENERATE CAUSE-OF-DEATH (COD) STATISTICS"

Indicator items	Response and score
Legislation for medical certificate of cause of death (MCCD)*	 0 No data 1 No legislation or regulations exist and MCCD not used 2 Informal policy to use MCCD, but no official policy, regulation, or law in place 3 Legislation or regulation mandating the use of MCCD in place
Use of ICD ¹ compliant MCCD*	 0 No data 1 No or very limited 2 Partial 3 Complete
Medical students trained in correct death certification practices*	 No data No or very limited number of medical schools training on death certification At least 50% of medical schools training on death certification All medical schools training on death certification
Statistical clerks are trained*	 0 No data 1 No or very limited training 2 Partial or unofficial training 3 Complete training and re-training

TABLE C2.5 (CONTINUED)

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "CORE ATTRIBUTES OF A FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM TO GENERATE CAUSE-OF-DEATH (COD) STATISTICS"

Indicator items	Response and score
Verbal autopsy (if applicable) is applied*	 0 No data 1 No or very limited application of verbal autopsy (VA) in health and demographic surveillance system (HDSS) sites 2 Implementation of VA in part of nationally representative sample 3 Complete implementation of VA in nationally representative sample
Data quality checks*	 0 No data 1 No or very infrequent data quality checks 2 Regular implementation of limited number of data quality checks 3 Regular implementation of all data quality checks
CoD statistics*	 No data No or very limited health sector production of cause of death statistics or statistics not to ICD standard Infrequent production of facility cause of death statistics to ICD standard. No reliable cause of death data for out-of-facility deaths Regular production of facility and out-of-facility cause of death statistics to ICD standard
Total maximum score	24

*Items are not included in the calculation of the overall element score. ¹International classification of diseases.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The nine indicator items that measure a functional system to generate cause-of-death statistics are assessed based on their availability as shown in table C2.5. This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

Country rapid and/or comprehensive CRVS assessments.



Optimize health service data

KEY ELEMENTS	INDICATORS
Routine facility reporting system	Availability of annual statistic for selected indicators derived from facility data
with patient monitoring	Functional facility/patient reporting system in place based on key criteria*
Regular system to monitor service availability, quality and effectiveness	Well-established system to independently monitor health services
Health service resources: health financing and	Availability of latest data on national health expenditure
	Health worker density and distribution updated annually
health workforce	National human resource for health information system (HRHIS) is in place and functional*

*Items not included in the calculation of overall element score.

O1. Routine facility reporting system with patient monitoring

Aim

All countries should be able to continuously monitor health service use and coverage, disease patterns, individual client care and health care resources; and to produce and use timely and reliable, individual-level and aggregate statistics from all health facility levels, including community outreach programmes. This element has two indicators:

- **1.** availability of annual statistic for selected indicators derived from facility data, and
- **2.** functional facility/patient reporting system in place based on key criteria.

Availability of annual statistic for selected indicators derived from facility data

TABLE 01.1INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "AVAILABILITY OF ANNUALSTATISTIC FOR SELECTED INDICATORS DERIVED FROM FACILITY DATA"

Indicator items	Re	esponse and Score		
Outpatient department (OPD) visits (new/revisit)	0	No		
Hospital admission /discharge rates by diagnosis	1	1 Yes		
Hospital deaths by major diagnostic category (use ICD)				
Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP)/Penta3 in one-year-olds				
Institutional maternal mortality ratio				
Tuberculosis treatment success rates				
Low birth weight prevalence among institutional births				
Antiretroviral treatment (ART) coverage				
Surgical interventions by type				
Severe mental health disorders				
New cancer diagnosis by type				
Documented data quality checks for primary health care facility data	0	No/Not available Partial		
Documented data quality checks for hospital data	2	Comprehensive		
Completeness of reporting by public primary care facilities	0	No data		
Completeness of reporting by public hospitals	1 2	<25% 25-75%		
Completeness of reporting by private health facilities	3	>75%		
Total maximum score	24			

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The first 11 items reported from health facilities are scored on availability at national level. Most of them are also scored on availability at sub-national level and disaggregation by age and sex. The score for each indicator item is the sum of weighted scores on the four attributes (national, subnational, age, sex) with more credit given for having national level data. Weighting details are in table O1.2. All 11 indicator items have a minimum score of 0 and a maximum score of 1. For example, the item of OPD visits (new/revisits) gets a score of 0 if there is no data; it gets a 0.5 if data is available at national level only, but not at sub-national level with no disaggregated data by age and sex; it gets a score of 1 (0.5+0.25+0.125+0.125=1) if data is available at both national and sub-national level, and disaggregated data are also available by both age and sex.

TABLE 01.2

WEIGHTS AND THEIR APPLICABILITY FOR 11 FACILITY-BASED INDICATORS*

Indicator items	National	Sub- National	Age	Sex	Weighting for score
OPD visits (new/revisits)	<	<	S	<	0.5 national0.25 subnational
Hospital admission/discharge rates, by diagnosis	<	<	<	S	0.125 age 0.125 sex
Hospital deaths by major diagnostic category (use ICD)	<	<	<	S	
Severe mental health disorders	<	<	<	<	
Surgical interventions by type	<	<	<	<	
New cancer diagnoses by type	<	<	<	<	
DTP/Penta3 (<1)	<	S			0.7 national0.3 subnational
Institutional maternal mortality ratio	<	<			
Low birthweight prevalence among institutional births	<	<		<	0.625 national 0.25 subnational 0.125 sex
Tuberculosis treatment success rates	<	<	<		0.625 national 0.25 subnational 0.125 age
ART coverage	<		<	<	0.6 national 0.2 age 0.2 sex
Total maximum score					11

*Weights sum to 1 for each indicator.

The remaining five items in table O1.1 are added as a measure of the quality of the reported data. These items have scores ranging from 0 to 2 or from 0 to 3 based on the response category. The maximum sum score for these five items is 13. The total score for this indicator is calculated by summing up all the 16 item scores, and then divided by the total maximum score of 24 to determine the percentage of the criteria that are met. This percentage is then compared against the scoring table O1.3 to determine the indicator score.

TABLE 01.3 SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT 01. AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL STATISTIC FOR SELECTED INDICATORS DERIVED FROM FACILITY DATA



DATA SOURCES

Health management information system (HMIS) reports (primary health care and hospital reports), master facility list documentation/report, cancer registry annual report.

Functional facility/patient reporting system in place based on key criteria

TABLE 01.4

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "FUNCTIONAL FACILITY/PATIENT REPORTING SYSTEM IN PLACE BASED ON KEY CRITERIA"

Indicator items*	Response and score
National unique patient identifier system	0 No data
Cancer registries	 Not there Partially there
Master facility list	3 Mostly/all there
Data quality assurance	
Data management standard operation protocols (SOPs)	
Standardized system of electronic data entry (aggregate reporting) at the district or comparable level	
System of electronic capture of patient level health data in primary care health facilities which is standardized and fully interoperable with aggregated routine health information system (HIS)	
System of electronic capture of patient level health data in hospitals which is standardized and fully interoperable with aggregated routine HIS	
Interoperability - standards based data exchange between systems	
Total maximum score	27

*All items are not included in the calculation of overall element score.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The nine indicator items that measure a functional facility/patient reporting system are assessed based on their availability as shown in table O1.4. This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

HMIS reports (primary health care and hospital reports), master facility list documentation/ report, cancer registry annual report.

HMIS/HIS assessment reports, Performance of Routine Information System Management (PRISM) assessment reports.

O2. Regular system to monitor service availability, quality and effectiveness

Aim

All countries have in place an independent, objective, comprehensive system of external review, through health facility surveys or accreditation systems, to regularly monitor health service availability, readiness, quality and effectiveness. This element only has one indicator: well-established system to independently monitor health services.

TABLE 02.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "WELL-ESTABLISHED SYSTEM TO INDEPENDENTLY MONITOR HEALTH SERVICES"

Indicator items	Response and score
Regular independent assessments of the quality of care in hospitals and health facilities	 0 No data 1 No system 2 Ad hoc assessments of availability and readiness only 3 Regular monitoring of service availability and readiness only 4 Ad hoc monitoring of service quality 5 Regular and established monitoring of quality of care
System of accreditation of health facilities based on data	 0 No data 1 No system 2 Partially there 3 Mostly/all there
System of adverse event reporting following medical interventions*	 0 No data available 1 No system 2 Partially there 3 Mostly/all there
Total maximum score	8

*Item is not included in the calculation of overall indicator score.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

Only the first two indicator items in table O2.1 are used in the overall scoring for this indicator. They are scored individually based on the responses; and the total sum score is calculated and compared against the scoring table O2.2 to determine the indicator score.

TABLE 02.2

SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT 02. WELL-ESTABLISHED SYSTEM TO INDEPENDENTLY MONITOR HEALTH SERVICES

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 1 and accreditation system = 1	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 2 or accreditation system = 2	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 3	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 4	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 5 or accreditation system = 3

DATA SOURCES

Facility survey reports, annual statistics reports, adverse event reports and accreditation reports.

O3. Health service resources: health financing and health workforce

Aim

All countries systematically measure the flow of funds in their health system using a system of national health accounts, based on international standards. An electronic system for tracking public expenses at all levels of government is desirable to enable tracking of subnational health expenditures.

All countries should also have a system of national health workforce accounts (NHWA) that can generate and improve the availability, quality and use of health workforce data (including health workforce distribution). This element has three indicators:

- availability of latest data on national health expenditure,
- 2. health worker density and distribution updated annually, and
- **3.** national human resource for health information system (HRHIS) is in place and functional.

Availability of latest data on national health expenditure

TABLE 03.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "AVAILABILITY OF LATEST DATA ON NATIONAL HEALTH EXPENDITURE"

Indicator items	Response and score
Public health expenditure data	0 No
Private health expenditure data	0.8 Yes, but not based on international standards1 Yes, based on international standards
Proportion of the population with large household expenditure on health as a share of total household consumption or income	
Total maximum score	3

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The three indicator items in table O3.1 are scored individually; and the total sum score is compared against the scoring table O3.2 to determine the indicator score.

DATA SOURCES

National health accounts reports/data bases

TABLE 03.2

SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR 03.1. AVAILABILITY OF LATEST DATA ON NATIONAL HEALTH EXPENDITURE

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
Key health expenditure indicators are not produced	Total weighted score of key indicator items is less than 1	Total weighted score of key indicator items is between 1 and 2	Total weighted score of key indicator items is between 2 and 3	Total score of key indicator items is 3

Health worker density and distribution updated annually

TABLE 03.3

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "HEALTH WORKER DENSITY AND DISTRIBUTION UPDATED ANNUALLY"

Indicator items	Response and score
Medical doctors	0 No
Dentists	1 Yes
Pharmacists	
Nurses (if reported separately)	
Midwives (if reported separately)	
Nurses/midwives (where not reported separately)	
Total maximum score	4 or 5*

*When nurses and midwives are measured separately in a country, the maximum score is 5; if they are assessed jointly, the maximum score is 4.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

For each item, the score is calculated on data availability at national level and subnational level, and disaggregation by age, sex and private/ public facilities. The score for each indicator is the sum of weighted scores based on the five attributes described above with more credit given for having national level data. The minimum score for each item is 0 and maximum 1 (see below for weight details). The sum of the item scores is calculated and compared against the scoring table O3.4 to determine the indicator score.

- **No data:** 0
- National: 0.55
- Subnational: 0.2

- Public/private: 0.1
- **Sex:** 0.075
- **Age:** 0.075

TABLE 03.4 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR 03.2. HEALTH WORKER DENSITY AND DISTRIBUTION UPDATED ANNUALLY

Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
Meets <20 % of criteria for availability	Meets 20-39% of criteria for availability	Meets 40-59% of criteria for availability	Meets 60-79% of criteria for availability	Meets ≥80% of criteria for availability

DATA SOURCES

National health workforce accounts.

National human resource for health information system (HRHIS) is in place and functional

TABLE 03.5

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "NATIONAL HUMAN RESOURCE FOR HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM (HRHIS) IS IN PLACE AND FUNCTIONAL"

Indicator items*	Response and score
Number of entrants to the labour market	0 No tracking
Number of exits from the labour market	 Yes, partial tracking Yes, full tracking
Number of active stock on the health labour market	
Demographic distribution of active health workers	
Subnational level data of active health workers	
Number of graduates from education and training institutions	
Information on foreign-born and/ or foreign-trained health workers	
Total maximum score	14

*Measured separately by health occupations.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

National health workforce accounts.



Review progress and performance



INDICATORS

and performance with equity

Institutional capacity for analysis and learning

High quality analytical report of health sector progress and performance of health sector strategic plan are produced annually

Institutional capacity in data analysis at national and subnational levels

R1. Regular analytical reviews of progress and performance, with equity

Aim

Countries should assess and monitor the progress and performance of their national health sector strategic plan (NHSP), including the extent to which equity in access to, and availability of, health care has been achieved. This element has only one indicator: high quality analytical report of progress and performance of NHSP are produced annually.

TABLE R1.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "HIGH QUALITY ANALYTICAL REPORT OF PROGRESS AND PERFORMANCE OF HEALTH SECTOR STRATETIC PLAN PRODUCED ANNUALLY"

Indicator items	Response and score
Uses all data relevant sources	0 Data not available
Assesses progress against target	 Not there/limited coverage Partially there
Pays attention to inequalities: subnational	3 Mostly/all there
Pays attention to inequalities: socioeconomic	
Pays attention to inequalities: sex	
Assesses performance, linking to expenditure reviews, workforce and other health inputs	
Includes comparative analysis (country to country)	
Includes subnational rankings for key indicators (or index)	
Includes performance metrics for large health facilities/hospitals	
Links finding to policy	
Total maximum score	30

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The ten items in table R1.1 are scored based on the responses; and the total sum score is calculated and compared against the scoring table R1.2 to determine the indicator (element) score.

TABLE R1.2

SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT R1. HIGH QUALITY ANALYTICAL REPORT OF PROGRESS AND PERFORMANCE OF HEALTH SECTOR STRATETIC PLAN PRODUCED ANNUALLY



DATA SOURCES

Ministry of health's health sector performance reports (annual, midterm, final evaluations), annual health sector analysis reports/other scorecards and reports, and health sector/programme reviews.

R2. Institutional capacity for analysis and learning

Aim

All countries should have national, institutionalized capacity for health data and statistics generation, synthesis, analysis, dissemination and use. This element only has one indicator: institutional capacity in data analysis at national and subnational levels.

TABLE R2.1

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY IN DATA ANALYSIS AT NATIONAL AND SUBNATIONAL LEVELS"

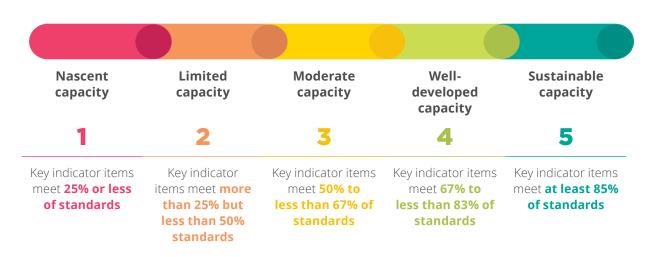
Indicator items	Response and score
Involvement of public health institutes	 0 No data available 1 No/little involvement 2 Some involvement 3 Strong involvement
Sub-national capacity in MoH or independent institutions* Capacity at national MoH	 0 No data available 1 No/little involvement 2 Some involvement 3 Strong involvement
 Capacity at national bureau of statistics to:** draw sample implement surveys analyse 	 0 No data available 1 No/little involvement 2 Some involvement 3 Strong involvement
Total maximum score	9

*Item is not included in the calculation of overall indicator score. **Average score for the three areas listed is used.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The three items in table R2.1 are scored based on the responses; the total sum score is calculated and compared against the scoring table R2.2 to determine the indicator (element) score.

TABLE R2.2 SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT R2. INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY IN DATA ANALYSIS AT NATIONAL AND SUBNATIONAL LEVELS



DATA SOURCES

HIS assessments; M&E plans/HIS strategies.



Enable data use for policy and action



*Item not included in the calculation of overall element score.

E1. Data and evidence drive policy and planning

Aim

Countries should use data and evidence to allocate resources effectively, enhance performance and demonstrate accountability nationally and globally. This element has only one indicator: national health plan and policies are based on data and evidence.

TABLE E1.1

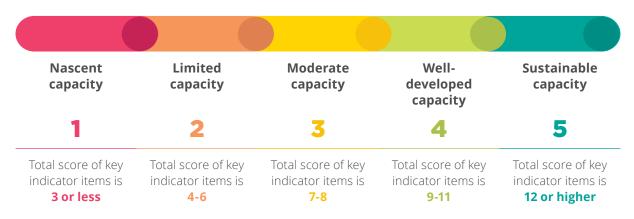
INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "NATIONAL HEALTH PLAN AND POLICIES ARE BASED ON DATA AND EVIDENCE"

Indicator items	Response and score
National health plan/policies include review of past performance (trends) National health plan/policies include burden of disease analysis National health plan/policies include health system strength analysis	 Not there Partially there Mostly/all there
(response strength) Presence of output of a central unit or function in MoH for data and evidence to policy translation Coordination function between MoH and partners	0 No 1 Yes
Level of output of a central unit or function in MoH for data and evidence to policy translation	 Rarely/no outputs Annual At least quarterly
Total maximum score	14

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The six items in table E1.1 are scored based on the response; and the total sum score is compared against the scoring table E1.2 to determine the score.

TABLE E1.2 SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT E1. NATIONAL HEALTH PLAN AND POLICIES ARE BASED ON DATA AND EVIDENCE



DATA SOURCES

Health sector strategic plans; health policies.

E2. Data access and sharing

Aim

All countries have health data that are accessible to decision-makers at all levels, including subnational decision-makers and local communities, and to all constituencies, including the public, with appropriate disaggregation for equity dimensions. This element has only one indicator: health statistics (reports and data) are publicly available.

TABLE E2.1 INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "HEALTH STATISTICS ARE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE"

Indicator items	Re	sponse and score
Frequency of updating national health observatory (NHO)	1 2 3	Rarely/ad hoc/less than annual Annually More than once per year
NHO contents	1 2 3	Limited contents Some coverage of health statistics Extensive coverage of health statistics
NHO navigation ease	1 2 3	Difficult Moderately difficult Easy
Statistical report publication frequency	1 2 3	Less than once every 5 years Every 2-5 years Annually
Statistical report includes disaggregation	1 2 3	Limited/no disaggregation Appropriate disaggregation mostly at national level Appropriate disaggregation at national and subnational level
Access to health management information system (HMIS) Access to health surveys	1 2 3	Not at all Restricted access Broad access
Open data policy	1 2 3	No policy Policy exists with limited enforcement Fully enforced policy
Total maximum score	24	

TABLE E2.2

SCORING TABLE FOR ELEMENT E2. HEALTH STATISTICS ARE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE

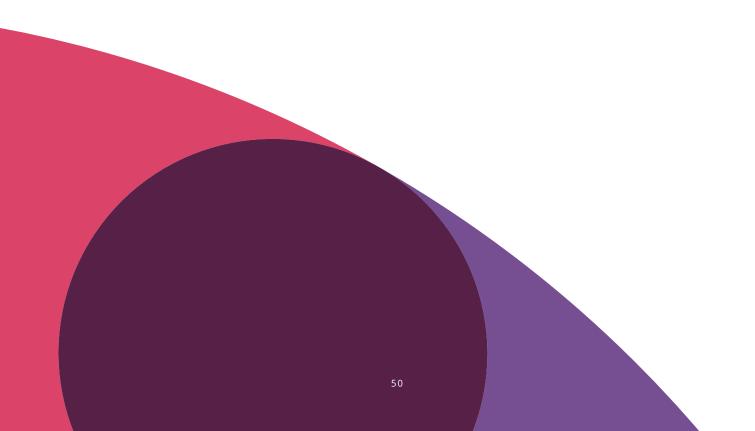
Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
1	2	3	4	5
Total score of key indicator items is	Total score of key indicator items is	Total score of key indicator items is	Total score of key indicator items is	Total score of key indicator items is

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The eight indicator items in table E2.1 are scored based on the response; and the total sum score is compared against the scoring table E2.2 to determine the indicator (element) score.

DATA SOURCES

On-line databases/briefs and reports.



E3. Strong country-led governance of data

Aim

Countries' health information systems should operate according to sound governance policies and legal frameworks for data, as well as multi stakeholder coordination mechanisms, with defined roles and responsibilities for different stakeholders. This element has three indicators:

- national monitoring and evaluation (M&E) is based on standards,
- national digital health/eHealth strategy is based on standards, and
- **3.** foundational elements to promote data use and access are present.

National monitoring and evaluation (M&E) is based on standards

TABLE E3.1 INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "NATIONAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) IS BASED ON STANDARDS"

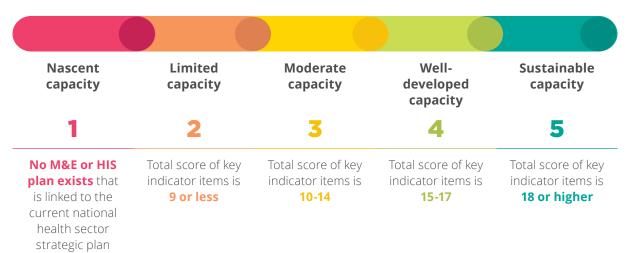
Indicator items	Response and score
Includes a core indicator list with baselines and targets	1 Not there
Includes specification on data collection methods, digital architecture required for reporting of key indicators	2 Partially there3 Mostly/all there
Has data quality assurance mechanisms in place	
Includes analysis process and review process specifications that includes roles and responsibilities	
Specifies use of data for policy and planning	
Includes a plan for dissemination of data	
Specifies resource requirements to implement the strategic plan/policy	
Total maximum score	21

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The seven indicator items in table E3.1 are scored based on the response; and the total sum score

is compared against the scoring table E3.2 to determine the indicator score.

TABLE E3.2 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR E3.1. NATIONAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) IS BASED ON STANDARDS



DATA SOURCES

National health strategic plan; national M&E plans; national health annual operational plans; national health budget; HIS assessment reports; HMIS assessments; national digital health plans; national eHealth or m-Health plans; national policy legal and regulatory frameworks for HIS; M&E coordination mechanism terms or reference.

National digital health/eHealth strategy is based on standards

TABLE E3.3

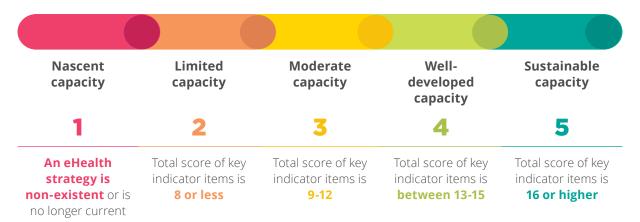
INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "NATIONAL DIGITAL HEALTH/ eHEALTH STRATEGY IS BASED ON STANDARDS"

Indicator items	Response and score	
Digital plan/eHealth strategy includes discussion of health data architecture	1 Not there	
Digital plan/eHealth strategy includes description of health data standards and exchange	2 Partially there3 Mostly/all there	
Digital plan/eHealth strategy includes handling of data security issues		
Digital plan/eHealth strategy includes specifications for data confidentiality and data storage		
Digital plan/eHealth strategy specify access to data		
Digital plan/eHealth strategy specifies alignment/is integrated with national HIS strategy		
Total maximum score	18	

SCORING METHODOLOGY

The six indicator items in table E3.3 are scored based on the response; and the the total sum score is compared against the scoring table E3.4 to determine the indicator score.

TABLE E3.4 SCORING TABLE FOR INDICATOR E3.2. NATIONAL DIGITAL HEALTH/ eHEALTH STRATEGY IS BASED ON STANDARDS



DATA SOURCES

National health strategic plan; national M&E plans; national health an nual operational plans; national health budget; HIS assessment reports; HMIS assessments; national digital health plans; national eHealth or m-Health plans; national policy legal and regulatory frameworks for HIS; M&E coordination mechanism terms or reference.

Foundational elements to promote data use and access are present

TABLE E3.5

INDICATOR ITEMS AND RESPONSE FOR "FOUNDATIONAL ELEMENTS TO PROMOTE DATA USE AND ACCESS ARE PRESENT"

Indicator items*	Response category
Legal framework or policies exist for health information systems	0 No 1 Yes
Legal framework or policies are enforced	 Legislation exists but is not enforced Legislation exists but is not enforced consistently Legislation exists and is enforced Legislation exists, is enforced and actively reviewed to reflect changes in health domain
Total possible score	Qualitative scoring

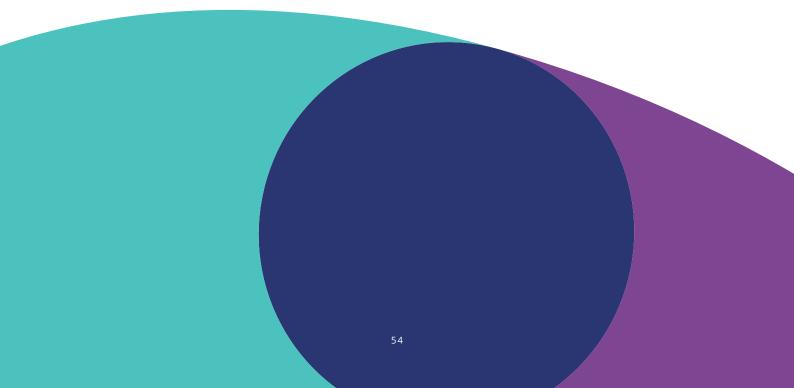
*Items are not included in the calculation of overall element score.

SCORING METHODOLOGY

This indicator is not used in overall scoring but can be included in additional analysis where available.

DATA SOURCES

National health strategic plan; national M&E plans; national health annual operational plans; national health budget; HIS assessment reports; HMIS assessments; national digital health plans; national e-Health or m-Health plans; national policy legal and regulatory frameworks for HIS; M&E coordination mechanism terms or reference.







Annex 1. SCORE Intervention, elements and indicators

Annex 2. SCORE Assessment maturity models for indicators included in scoring

Annex 1. SCORE Interventions, elements and indicators

SURVEY POPULATIONS AND HEALTH RISKS

Key elements	Indicators	Key attributes
S1. System of regular population-based health surveys	S1.1. A system of regular and comprehensive population health surveys that meets international standards	 At least one survey conducted in the last five years that Cover major health priorities Cover major dimensions of inequity Are aligned with international standards Are funded by government
S2. Surveillance of public health threats	S2.1. Completeness and timeliness of weekly reporting of notifiable conditions (%)*	 Percentage of reporting sites that submitted weekly report in last month: public sites Percentage of reporting sites that submitted weekly in last month: non-public sites
	S2.2. Indicator and event-based surveillance system(s) in place based on International Health Regulations standards	 If country has done SPAR, based on SPAR: National IHR Focal Point functions under IHR Early warning function: indicator-and event-based surveillance mechanism for event management (verification, risk assessment, analysis investigation).
		 If country has not done a SPAR but done JEE, based on JEE: Indicator- and event-based surveillance system Inter-operable, inter-connected, electronic real-time reporting system Integration and analysis of surveillance data Syndromic surveillance systems System for efficient reporting Reporting network and protocols in country
		 If country has not done SPAR or JEE, based on IHR: Self-assessment score for surveillance Self-assessment score for IHR coordination
S3. Regular population census	S3.1. Census conducted in last 10 years in line with international standards with population projections for subnational units	 Census conducted within last 10 years Post enumeration survey conducted Population projections with all disaggregation

COUNT BIRTHS, DEATHS AND CAUSES OF DEATH

Key elements	Indicators	Key attributes
C1. Full birth and	C1.1. Completeness of birth registration (%)	Completeness of birth registration (%)
death registration	C1.2. Completeness of death registration (%)	Completeness of death registration (%)
	C1.3. Core attributes of a functional CRVS in place to generate vital statistics*	 Legal framework for CRVS Easy access to registration offices Adequate training for registrars Formal CRVS Interagency collaboration All data are exchanged electronically Data quality assessment, adjustment, and analysis using international standards System performance monitoring Vital statistics report published in last five years
C2. Certification and reporting of causes of death	C2.1. Completeness of deaths with cause of death reported to national authorities and/or international institutions (%)	• Completeness of deaths with cause of death reported
	C2.2. Quality of cause- of-death data (% of cause of death with ill-defined or unknown causes of mortality)	 Quality of cause-of-death data, measured as percentage of records with ill-defined or unknown causes of mortality
	C2.3. Core attributes of a functional system to generate cause-of-death statistics*	 Legislation for MCCD is line with international standards ICD compliant MCCD are used Medical students trained in correct death certification practices Statistical clerks trained in mortality coding Verbal autopsy (if applicable) is applied Data quality assurance and dissemination Cause of death statistics available

OPTIMIZE HEALTH SERVICE DATA

Key elements	Indicators	Key attributes
O1. Routine facility reporting system with patient monitoring	01.1. Availability of annual statistics for selected indicators derived from facility data	 Annual statistics available for 11 key facility-based indicators, including key disaggregation Data quality for primary care facilities Data quality for hospitals Completeness of reporting by public, primary care facilities Completeness of reporting by public hospitals Completeness of reporting by private health facilities
	01.2. Functional facility/ patient reporting system in place based on key criteria*	 National unique patient identifier system Cancer registries for all types of cancer Master facility list is up-to-date Institutional system of data quality assurance Standards of practice for health management information systems describe all parts of process, are fully implemented and revised periodically System of electronic data entry: aggregate at district level System of electronic capture - patient level primary care facilities System of electronic capture - patient level in hospitals Standards based data exchange between systems
O2. Regular system to monitor service availability, quality and effectiveness	02.1. Well established system to independently monitor health services	 Regular independent assessments of the quality of care in hospitals and health facilities System of accreditation of health facilities based on data System of adverse event reporting following medical interventions*
O3. Health service resources: health financing and health workforce	03.1. Availability of latest data on national health expenditure	 Data available within last five years on: Public health expenditure Private health expenditure Catastrophic spending
	O3.2. Availability of data on health workforce density and distribution updated annually	 Information, including availability at sub-national level and major levels of disaggregation for: Medical doctors Nurses Midwives Dentists Pharmacists
	03.3. National human resources health information system is in place and functional*	 Human resource for health information systems tracks Number of entrants to the labour market Number of active stock on the labour market Number of exits from the labour market Demographic distribution of health workers Subnational level data of active health workers Number of graduates from education and training institutions Information on foreign-born and/ or foreign-trained health workers

Key elements	Indicators	Key attributes
R1. Regular analytical reviews of progress and performance, with equity	R1.1. High quality analytical reports on progress and performance of health sector strategy/plan are produced annually	 Analytic report published within last five years: Uses all available data sources Assesses progress against targets Pays attention to measures of inequity Links performance to health inputs Provides comparative analysis Includes subnational rankings Evaluates performance of hospitals and large facilities Summarizes main findings for use for policy and planning
R2. Institutional capacity for analysis and learning	R2.1. Institutional capacity in data analysis at national and subnational level	 Involvement of public health institutes/schools of public health Subnational capacity in ministry of health or institutions to conduct health analysis* Capacity at national ministry of health to conduct health analysis Capacity at national bureau of statistics to: draw sample, implement surveys and conduct analysis

REVIEW PROGRESS AND PERFORMANCE

Key elements	Indicators	Key attributes		
E1. Data and evidence drive policy and planning	E1.1. National health plan and policies are based on data and evidence	 National health plan/policies include review of past performance (trends) National health plan/policies include burden of disease analysis National health plan/policies include health system strength analysis (response strength) Presence of a central unit or function in ministry of health for data and evidence to policy translation Level of output of a central unit or function in ministry of health for data and evidence to policy translation Coordination function between ministry of health and partners 		
E2. Data access and sharing	E2.1. Health statistics are publicly available	 Frequency of updating national database Contents of national database Navigation ease of national database Statistical report publication frequency Statistical report includes disaggregation Bona fide users have access to HMIS data Bona fide users have access to health survey data Open data policy 		
E3. Strong country-led governance of data	E3.1. National monitoring and evaluation (M&E) is based on standards	 National M&E plan that: Includes core indicator list with baselines and targets Includes specification on data collection methods and digital architecture Includes data quality assurance mechanisms Includes analysis and review process specifications Specifies use of data for policy and planning Specifies dissemination of data Specifies resource requirements to implement the strategic plan/policy 		
	E3.2. National digital health/eHealth strategy is based on standards	 National digital health/eHealth strategy that: Includes discussion of health data architecture Includes description of health data standards and exchange Includes handling of data security issues Includes specifications for data confidentiality and data storage Specifies access to data Specifies alignment/is integrated with national HIS strategy 		
	E3.3. Foundational elements to promote data use and access are present*	 Legal framework or policies exist for health information systems Legal framework or policies are enforced 		

ENABLE DATA USE FOR POLICY AND ACTION

Annex 2. SCORE Assessment maturity models for indicators included in scoring

	Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
	1	2	3	4	5
S1. System of regular population- based health surveys	Overall score is <0.25	Overall score is 0.25-0.49	Overall score is 0.50–0.70	Overall score is 0.71-0.89	Overall score is ≥0.90
S2. Surveillance of public health threats	Average % implementation of surveillance indicators <20%	Average % implementation of surveillance indicators 21%-40%	Average % implementation of surveillance indicators 41%-60%	Average % implementation of IHR surveillance indicators 61%-80%	Average % implementation of surveillance indicators 81%-100%
S3. Regular population census	25% of criteria are met or less	26-49% of criteria are met	50-70% of criteria are met	71-90% of criteria are met	Greater than 90% of criteria are met
C1.1. Full birth and death registration - birth	There is no data on birth registration completeness	<50%	50-74%	75-89%	≥90%
C1.2. Full birth and death registration - death	There is no data on death registration completeness	<50%	50-74%	75-89%	≥90%
C2.1. Certification and reporting of causes of death - reporting	There is no standardised system for medical certification of cause of death	Score <30%	Score 30-69%	Score 70-89%	Score ≥90%
C2.2. Certification and reporting of causes of death - quality	Not applicable in the absence of data	At least 30% ill-defined or unspecified causes	20-29% ill-defined or unspecified causes	10-19% ill-defined or unspecified causes	Less than 10% ill-defined or unspecified

	Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
	1	2	3	4	5
O1. Routine facility reporting system with patient monitoring	Meets <25 % of criteria for availability	Meets 25-49% of criteria for availability	Meets 50-70% of criteria for availability	Meets 71-89% of criteria for availability	Meets ≥90% of criteria for availability
O2. Regular system to monitor service availability, quality and effectiveness	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 1 and accreditation system = 1	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 2 or accreditation system = 2	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 3	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 4	Survey-based system for monitoring of the quality of services = 5 or accreditation system = 3
O3.1. Health service resources - health financing	Key health expenditure indicators are not produced	Total weighted score of key indicator items is less than 1	Total weighted score of key indicator items is between 1 and 2	Total weighted score of key indicator items is between 2 and 3	Total score of key indicator items is 3
O3.2. Health service resources - health workforce	Meets <20 % of criteria for availability	Meets 20-39% of criteria for availability	Meets 40-59% of criteria for availability	Meets 60-79% of criteria for availability	Meets ≥80% of criteria for availability
R1. Regular analytical reviews of progress and performance, with equity	No report produced in past 5 years	Total weighted score of key indicator items is less than 12	Total weighted score of key indicator items is 12 to less than 20	Total weighted score of key indicator items is 20 to less than 25	Total score of key indicator items is 25 or higher
R2. Institutional capacity for analysis and learning	Key indicator items meet 25% or less of standards	Key indicator items meet more than 25% but less than 50% standards	Key indicator items meet 50% to less than 67% of standards	Key indicator items meet 67% to less than 83% of standards	Key indicator items meet at least 85% of standards

	Nascent capacity	Limited capacity	Moderate capacity	Well- developed capacity	Sustainable capacity
	1	2	3	4	5
E1. Data and evidence drive policy and planning	Total score of key indicator items is 3 or less	Total score of key indicator items is 4-6	Total score of key indicator items is 7-8	Total score of key indicator items is 9-11	Total score of key indicator items is 12 or higher
E2. Data access and sharing	Total score of key indicator items is 8 or less	Total score of key indicator items is 9-12	Total score of key indicator items is 13-16	Total score of key indicator items is 17-20	Total score of key indicator items is 21 or higher
E3.1. Strong country-led governance of data – M&E	No M&E or HIS plan exists that is linked to the current national health sector strategic plan	Total score of key indicator items is 9 or less	Total score of key indicator items is 10-14	Total score of key indicator items is 15-17	Total score of key indicator items is 18 or higher
E3.2. Strong country-led governance of data – eHealth strategy	An eHealth strategy is non-existent or is no longer current	Total score of key indicator items is 8 or less	Total score of key indicator items is 9-12	Total score of key indicator items is between 13-15	Total score of key indicator items is 16 or higher







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