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Food Security and Nutrition Monitoring System (FSNMS)

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WFP VAM, South Sudan

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Objectives

- Provide indicative food security findings for the rural areas of all 79 former counties (including Abyei) and indicative nutritional status findings for tri-county domains
- Monitor drivers of food and nutrition security, such as agriculture performance, WATSAN, shocks and livelihoods
- Provide early warning information of any potential/impending food security crises
- Inform the IPC and programmatic prioritization
- Rationalise the need for further assessments

FSNMS...

- Is IPC – compatible, and constitutes the main source of data for IPC;
- Considers and captures SEASONALITY;
- Allows for geographic comparison and first-level, geographic PRIORITIZATION;
- Allows TREND-analysis

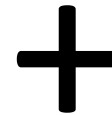


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Areas of focus (at household level)

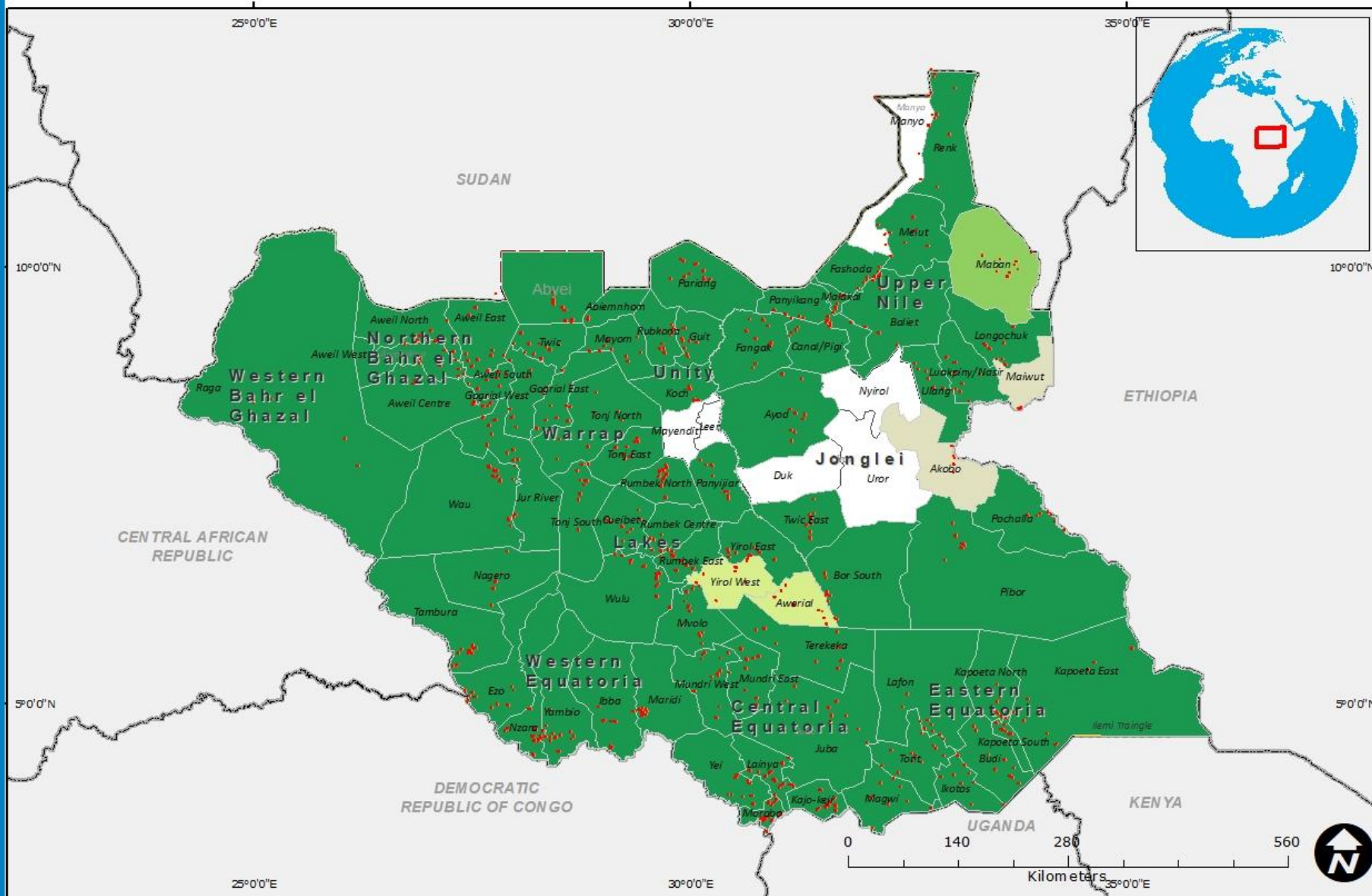
- Household Socio-Demographic (including migrations)
- Food consumption, dietary diversity, household hunger, sources of food
- Nutritional status of children (0-59 months) and women (15-49 years)
- Livelihoods, Income and Expenditures
- Agriculture
- Livestock
- Water and Sanitation
- Markets and Household Food Access
- Humanitarian Assistance
- Shocks
- Coping Strategies



Market questionnaire,
Focus Group Discussions

ROUND 25

- 8,532 randomly sampled households;
- Nutritional status (including anthropometric screening) of around 10,000 U5 children and women aged 12-49;
- A minimum of 79 market questionnaires/profiles

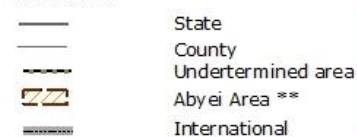


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Coverage per County (# of Questionnaire)



Boundaries



Data sources: WFP, OCHA, GAUL

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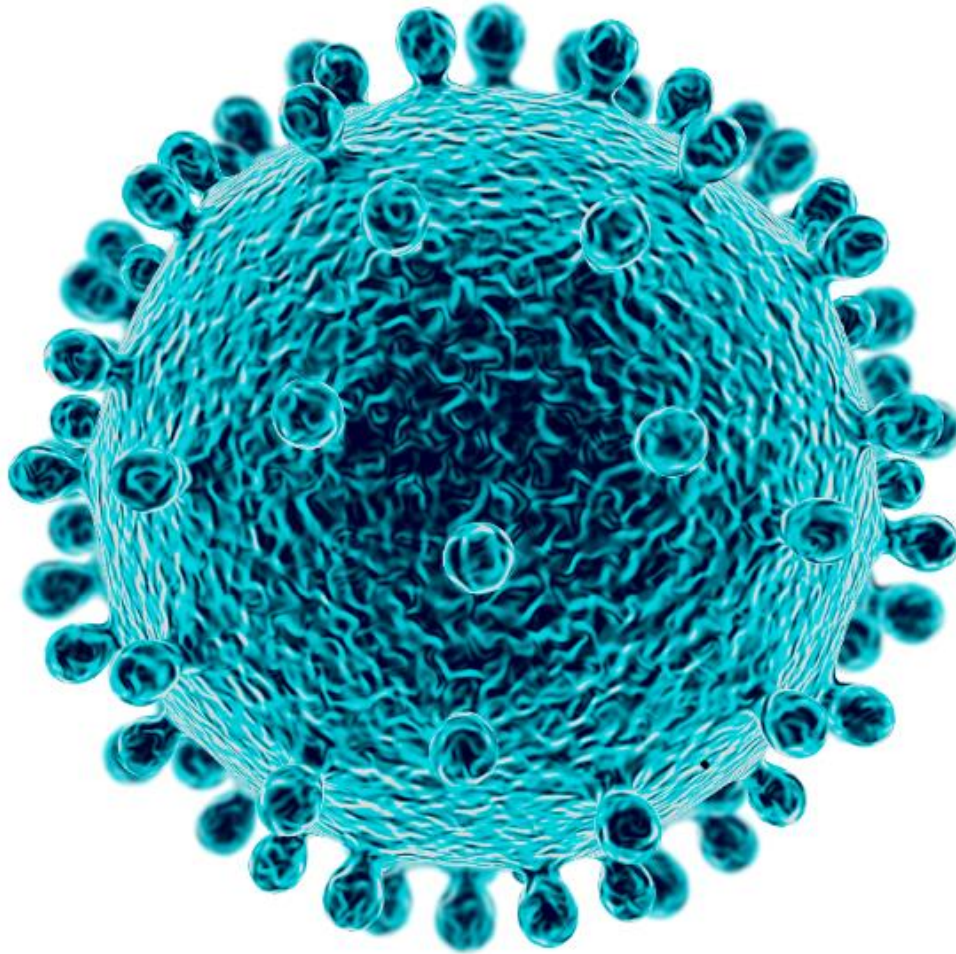
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Objectives of next Round FSNMS

The objectives of the July to August FSNMS are;

- Provide the most relevant data on food security, livelihoods and nutrition at County level in South Sudan, which can be used to inform humanitarian and development interventions.
- Act as the major input for the August/September 2020 IPC analysis that will be used for designing and planning emergency interventions.
- **Understand the impact of COVID-19 on the livelihoods, markets, and food and nutrition security in the country.**
- Add to the trends of the seasonal data thus enabling measurement and analysis of resilience.

Management of the survey

PURPOSE: avoid contact between enumerators and persons being interviewed, as well as reduce the time spent in the field, the following measures will be implemented:

- FSNMS questionnaire will be reduced - only those questions relevant for IPC outcomes and contributing factors maintained for Food Security, Nutrition and WASH questions. Some questions will be included.
- Anthropometric measurements will NOT be undertaken to avoid contact between Enumerators and children.
- All Enumerators will be using face masks during the interview and will be having hand sanitizers as well, in addition to soap and water.
- COVID-19 preventive brochures will be part of the package for the Enumerators.
- Enumerators who participated in the past FSNMS should be prioritized for inclusion in the survey to minimize the time required for training.





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Training

- Training of Trainers (ToT) will be done virtually (remotely) using Skype or other tools separately for different States as appropriate and determined by connectivity;
- The training of selected Enumerators from the Counties will be done following strict COVID-19 measures, including but not limited to social distancing, use of face masks will be enforced, water and soap for regular washing of hands will be a must at the training site and hand sanitizers will be provided.
- The persons in the States participating in ToT and Enumerators will also receive training in COVID-19 preventive measures in addition to the FSNMS Questionnaire training.

Coverage

- **Remote data collection on food security, nutrition, livelihoods and COVID-19 related questions for the urban areas, given the better phone coverage.**
- Whilst it will be desirable to carry out the survey throughout the whole country, the likelihood for **FSNMS to cover only rural Hotspot areas in order to minimize the risk of COVID-19 exposure and spread being considered.**
- **Hotspot areas** – counties meeting two or more of the following characteristics:
 - *consistently been having population in IPC Phase 4 for the last 4 consecutive IPC.*
 - *with population in Phase 5 from the January 2020 IPC.*
 - *have been and are likely to be exposed to a shock such as floods.*
 - *have been and are likely to be affected by locusts' invasion.*
 - *with high number of Returnees or IDPs.*
 - *have been affected by conflict resulting in large displacement and/or loss of assets, including livestock displacement or cattle raiding.*
 - *have faced consistent and abnormal high price increases on major food commodities.*
 - *have had recent nutrition assessments results indicating very high GAM prevalence (IPC AMN Phase 4+).*

Sampling

For the ***selected counties (hot spots)***, typical conditions will be followed, i.e.

- ✓ 9 boma-level locations per county, and
- ✓ 12 households interviewed per location

Field work

- All interviews should, unless it is raining or hot weather, be conducted in the open and not inside buildings or respondents' houses.
- Number of enumerators will be reduced from 6 to 3 per team
- Social distancing should be maintained by Enumerators during the Interviews. For each interview only the Enumerator and the Interviewee should be allowed with no additional persons accompanying them.
- Whilst in the community and carrying out interviews, Enumerators should always wear face masks.
- Social distancing should be observed during any contact between the Enumerator and the Interviewee or any other contacts within the community.

Sing "Happy Birthday" two times through as you're washing.





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Next steps

- ✓ Approval of the proposed methodology for the July-August FSNMS
- ✓ **Approval of the face to face FSNMS by the HLTF - COVID-19 Task Force**
- ✓ Review of survey tools
- ✓ Selection and identification of Trainees and Enumerators
- ✓ Virtual training for the FSNMS ToT
- ✓ Training of the enumerators
- ✓ Field work

