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Using Household Consumption and Expenditure Survey Tools To Understand Diets and Sub-National Micronutrient Intake in Malawi

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Assessment of micronutrient intake and status

Dietary data



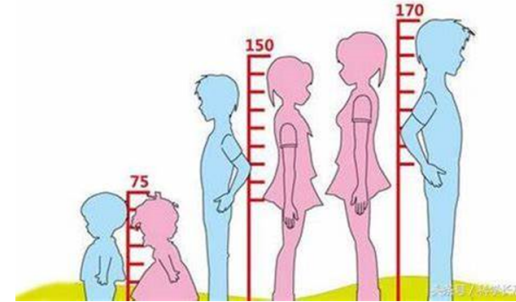
Inadequate
micronutrient intake

Biochemical data



Micronutrient deficiency

Anthropometric/clinical data



Nutritional depletion

- ✓ Poor quality diets are a main cause of micronutrient deficiencies

HCES in Malawi

“Integrated Household Survey (IHS)”

Implemented 5 in total

- 1) IHS1: 1997/98
- 2) IHS2: 2004/05
- 3) IHS3: 2010/11
- 4) IHS4: 2016/17
- 5) **IHS5: 2019/20**

Ref. microdata.worldbank.org

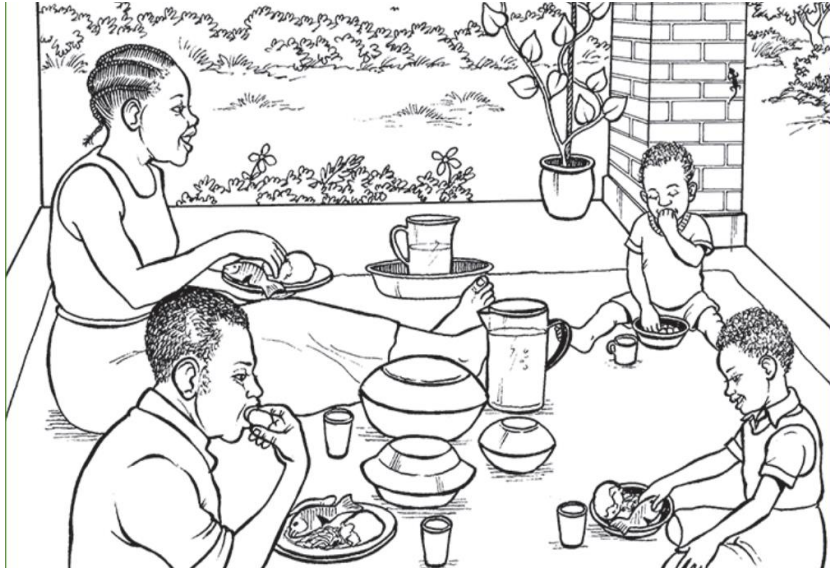


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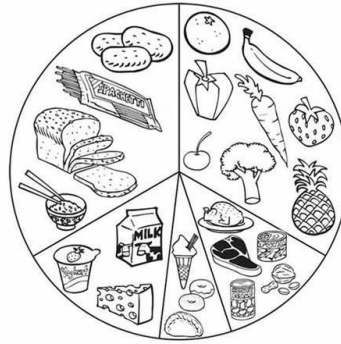
THE FIFTH INTEGRATED HOUSEHOLD SURVEY (IHS5) 2020 REPORT

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The Nutritional power of HCES



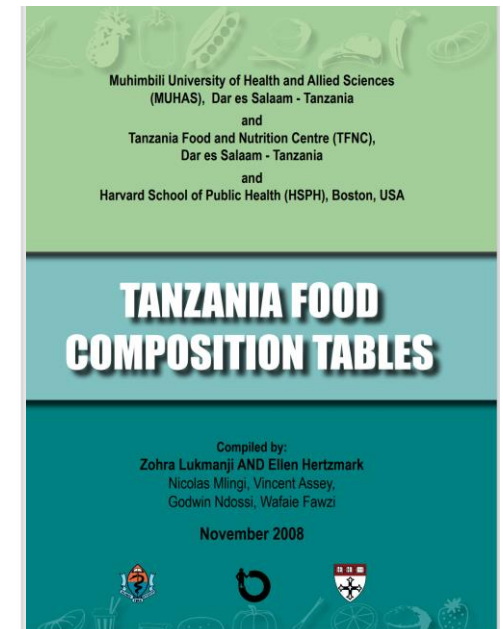
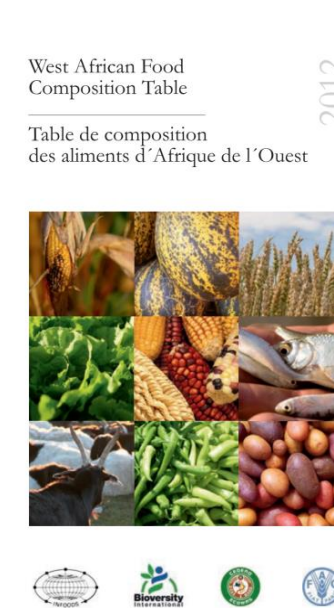
Food consumption data from HCES



Food groups



Food composition data





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MALAWIAN FOOD COMPOSITION TABLE 2019

February 2020

West African Food
Composition Table

Table de composition
des aliments d'Afrique de l'Ouest

2012



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TANZANIA FOOD COMPOSITION TABLES

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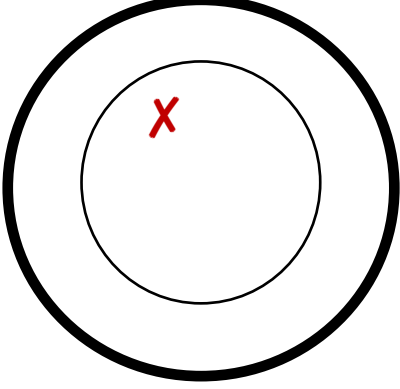
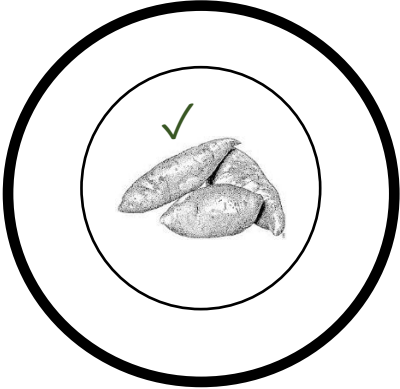

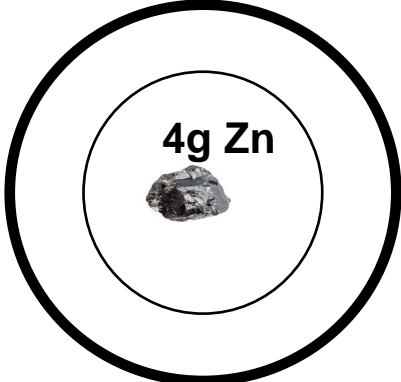
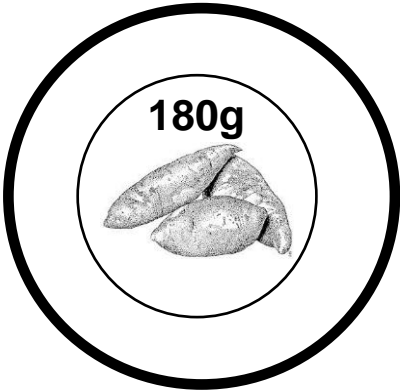
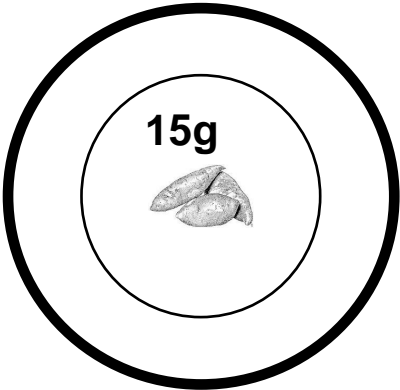
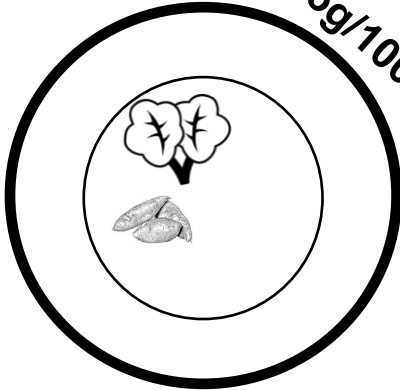



Base data: Food consumption data

Malawi's Fifth Integrated Household Survey (IHS5)

Time horizon	April 2019 – April 2020
Enumeration areas	717 (x16 households)
Households (N)	11,434
Items on food item list	142
Dietary recall unit	Household
Dietary recall period	7 days

Micronutrient Metrics Derived from HCES

Assess the food vehicle [Food-Based]	Predict the contribution of intervention [Micronutrient-Based]
<p>1. Coverage</p> <div></div>	<p>3. Apparent micronutrient intake</p> <div></div>
<p>2. Apparent food consumption quantity</p> <div></div>	<p>4. Micronutrient density [MN supply: Energy supply]</p> <div></div>

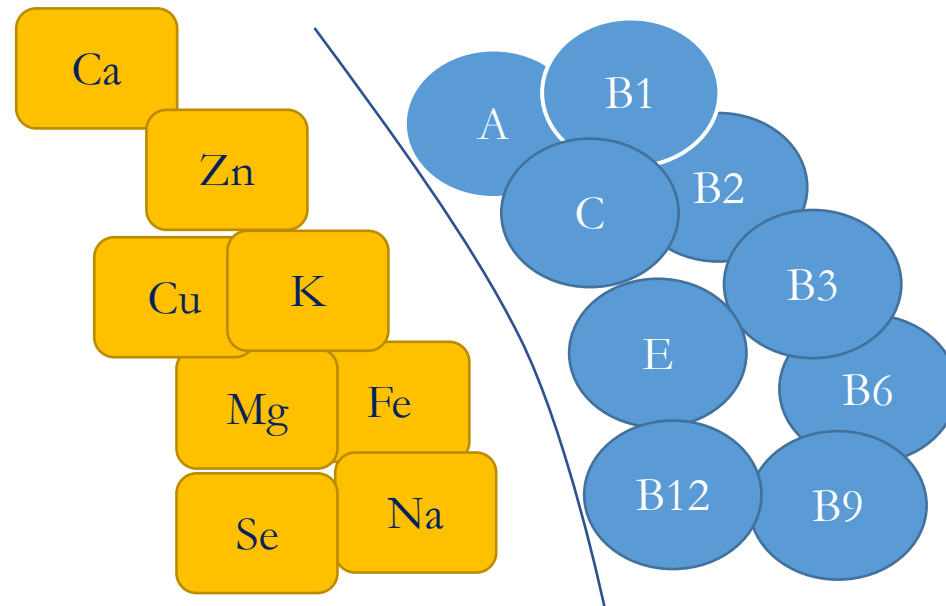
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- ✓ We estimated deficiency risks for 17 micronutrients due to inadequate dietary intakes in Malawi, estimated from household consumption and expenditure survey data (IHS5)

8 Minerals

9 Vitamins



Application of HCES

Percentage of households with inadequate apparent intake and micronutrient density for 17 micronutrients, Malawi (n=11,432)

Micronutrient	Inadequate apparent intake %	Inadequate nutrient density %
Vitamin		
Vitamin A	48.4	40.8
Vitamin C	57.8	52.2
Vitamin E	64.1	61.3
Vitamin B-1	21.6	8.7
Vitamin B-2	92.2	99.0
Vitamin B-3	63.3	61.5
Vitamin B-6	39.4	22.1
Vitamin B-9	42.0	28.0
Vitamin B-12	78.3	77.7
Mineral		
Calcium (mg)	80.6	80.8
Copper (µg)	12.4	0.5
Iron (mg)	77.2	74.7
Magnesium (mg)	18.7	3.5
Potassium (mg)	51.7	41.5
Sodium (mg)	5.6	0
Selenium (µg)	54.6	37.9
Zinc (mg)	72.8	73.1

✓ Estimating the prevalence of micronutrient inadequacy

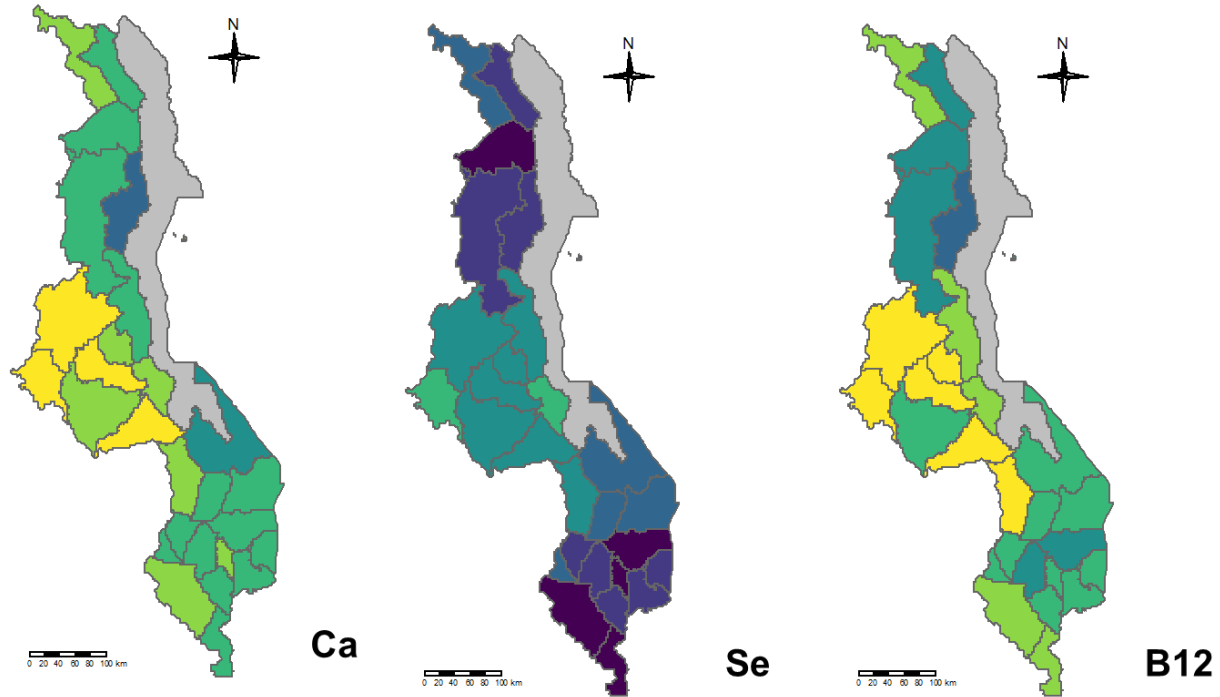
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Median apparent consumption of Ca, Fe, Zn, and Se among consumers per adult female equivalent (AFE) per day

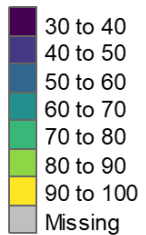
Population	Households (n)	Calcium (mg)	Iron (mg)	Selenium (µg)	Zinc (mg)
Median/AFE/d					
National (total)	11,432	434.0	17.0	42.0	7.3
<i>Administrative region</i>					
North	2176	461.8	16.9	45.1	7.1
Central	3951	340.3	14.3	36.4	6.3
South	5305	521.7	20.0	47.4	8.2
<i>Residence & socioeconomic position (SEP) by quintile of total annual household expenditure per capita</i>					
Rural	9342	421.9	17.1	41.0	7.2
Lowest SEP	1869	232.9	11.2	24.3	4.6
Lower Middle SEP	1869	329.1	15.0	34.5	6.3
Middle SEP	1868	405.6	18.2	42.3	7.6
Higher Middle SEP	1868	508.3	20.8	52.3	9.0
Highest SEP	1868	750.1	27.4	75.5	12.1
Urban	2090	498.7	16.5	47.2	7.6
Lowest SEP	418	289.0	11.8	29.8	5.2
Lower Middle SEP	419	419.0	14.6	40.4	6.5
Middle SEP	418	500.4	16.2	49.1	7.4
Upper Middle SEP	417	594.0	19.5	57.4	8.9
Highest SEP	418	843.0	25.9	80.4	12.2

✓ *Estimating nutrient intake levels
e.g., Zinc in mg/day/AFE*

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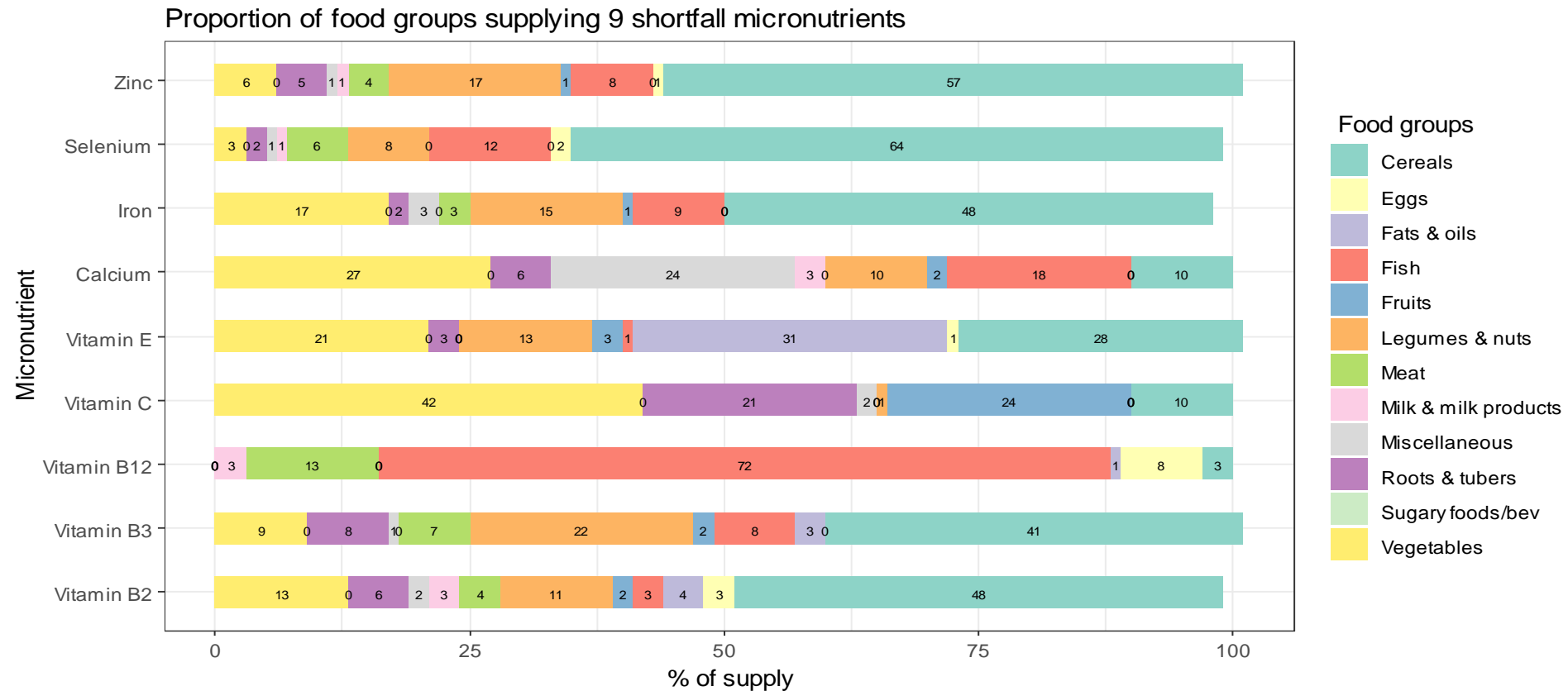


Prev. of inadequacy (%)



✓ Identify spatial variation in the populations that are potentially at risk due to inadequate diets

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- ✓ Identify key food sources of nutrients
- ✓ Dietary diversity/patterns

- ✓ Modelling the potential contribution of biofortified crop interventions in Malawi

	HIB	IPM	ZIM	ZIR	ZIW	ABP	VAC	VAM	OSP	IZC	IZP	IZL	ZIR
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HIB = Iron Bean
IPM = Iron Pearl Millet

ZIM = Zinc Maize
ZIR = Zinc Rice
ZIW = Zinc Wheat

ABP = Vit. A Banana/Plantain
VAC = Vit. A Cassava
VAM = Vit. A Maize
OSP = Vit. A Orange Sweet Potato

IZC = Iron,
IZP = Iron,
IZL = Iron,
ZIS = Zinc,

Source: HarvestPlus, International Potato Center (2019)



Aim

- To estimate the potential contribution of biofortified OFSP (high in beta-carotene, a vitamin A precursor) towards meeting dietary micronutrient requirements in Malawi using a mathematical modeling framework

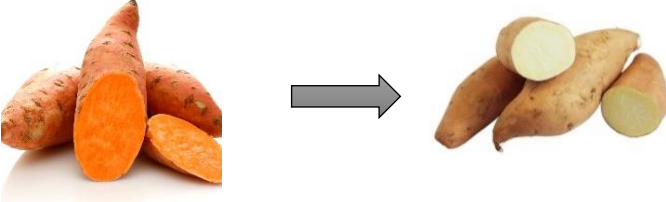

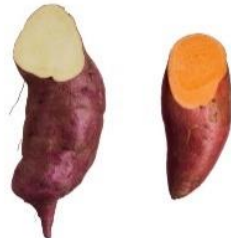
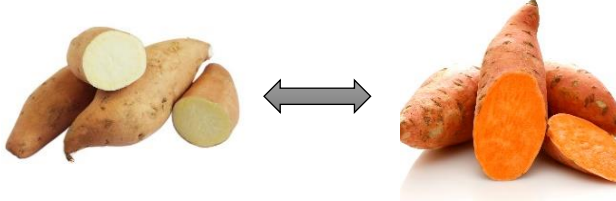

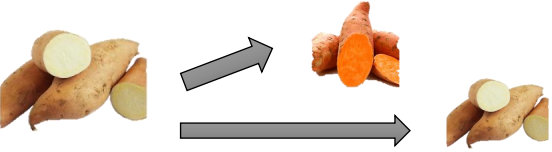
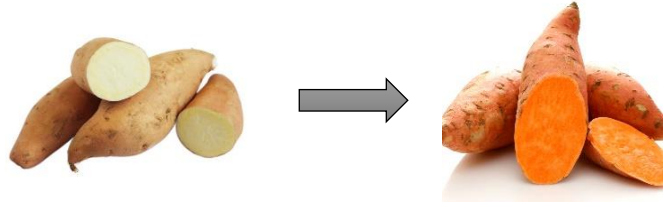

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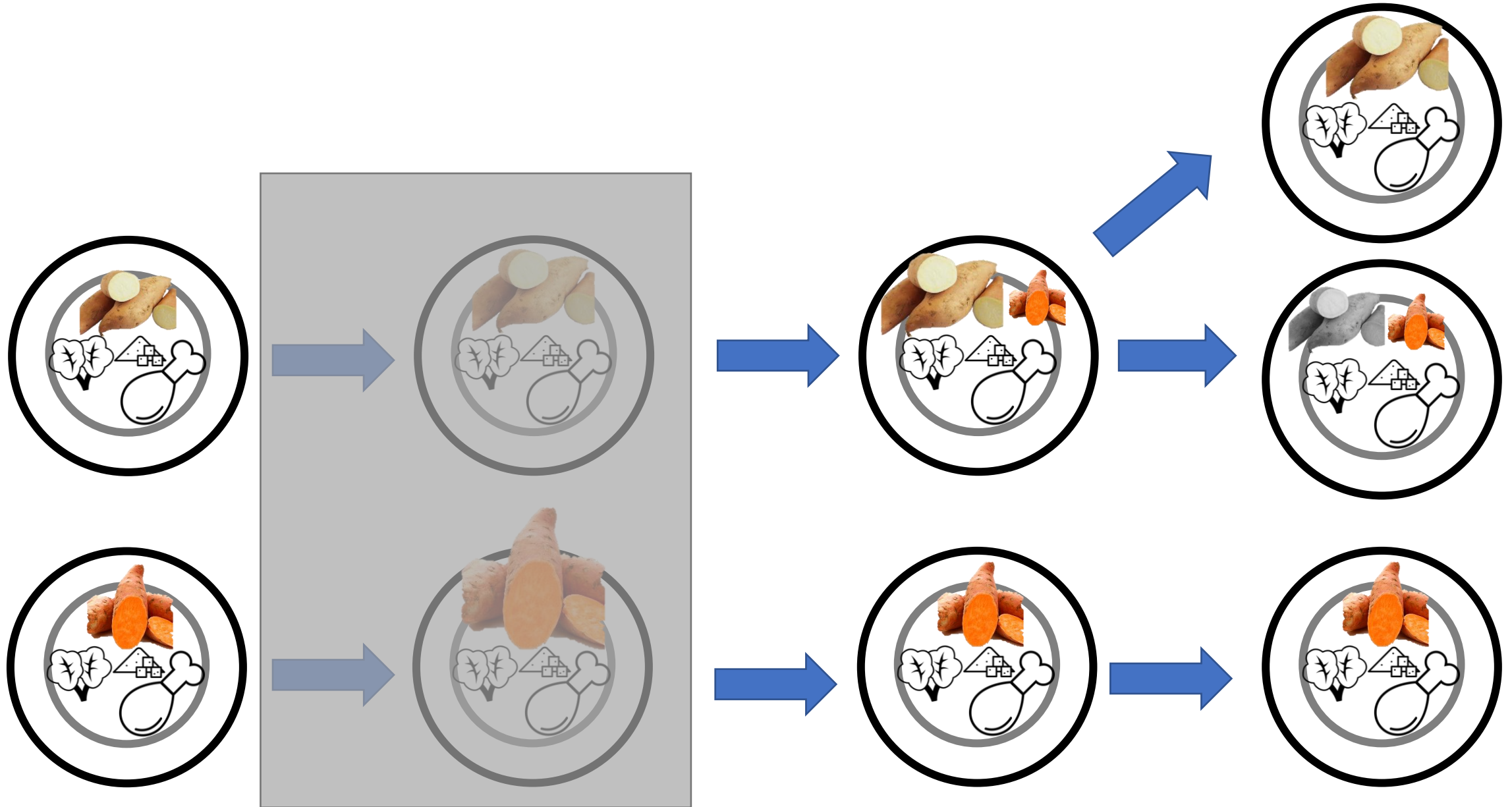
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Food group	Food item
Roots/tubers/plantains	White sweet potato
	Orange sweet potato
Cooked foods from vendors	Boiled sweet potato
	Roasted sweet potato

Biofortification scenarios

Scenario	Description	Scenario analysis
1. No biofortification	 A cluster of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes on the left, followed by a right-pointing arrow, and a cluster of white-fleshed sweet potatoes on the right.	 A cluster of white-fleshed sweet potatoes.
2. Status quo	 Two purple-fleshed sweet potatoes, one whole and one cut in half to show the purple interior.	 A cluster of white-fleshed sweet potatoes on the left, followed by a double-headed horizontal arrow, and a cluster of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes on the right.
3. Intermediate scenario	 Two purple-fleshed sweet potatoes, one whole and one cut in half to show the purple interior.	 A cluster of white-fleshed sweet potatoes on the left, followed by two right-pointing arrows of increasing length, and a cluster of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes on the right.
4. Improved biofortification	 A cluster of white-fleshed sweet potatoes on the left, followed by a right-pointing arrow, and a cluster of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes on the right.	 A cluster of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes.

Intermediate scenario: Design an illustrative “switching” scenario



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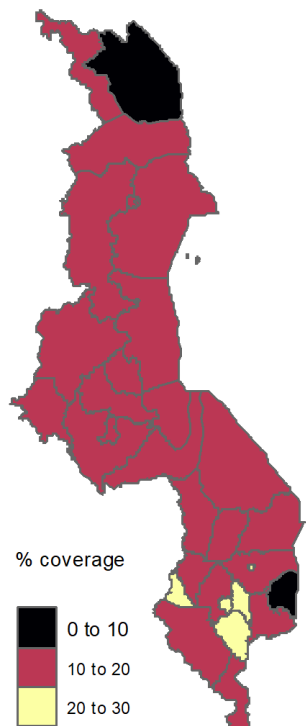
Distribution of sweet potato sources, Malawi (n=11,432)

FOOD ITEM	#HH CONSUMING PURCHASED FOOD	#HH CONSUMING GIFTED FOOD	#HH CONSUMING OWN PRODUCED FOOD	TOTAL #HH	% PURCHASED % GIFTED % OWNPRODUCED
White sweet potato	2326	500	568	3394	69 15 17
Orange sweet potato	1253	287	310	1850	68 16 17
Roasted sweet potatoes	77	0	0	77	100 0 0
Boiled sweet potatoes	52	0	0	52	100 0 0

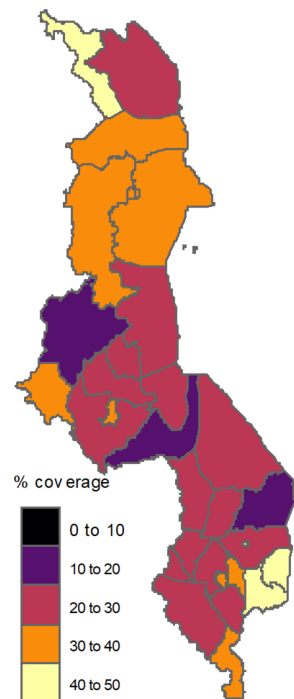
✓ Identifying sources of food items

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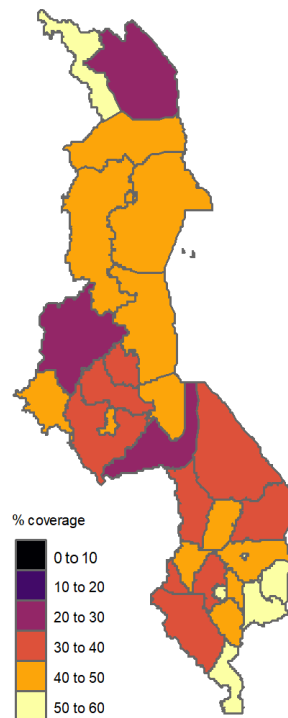
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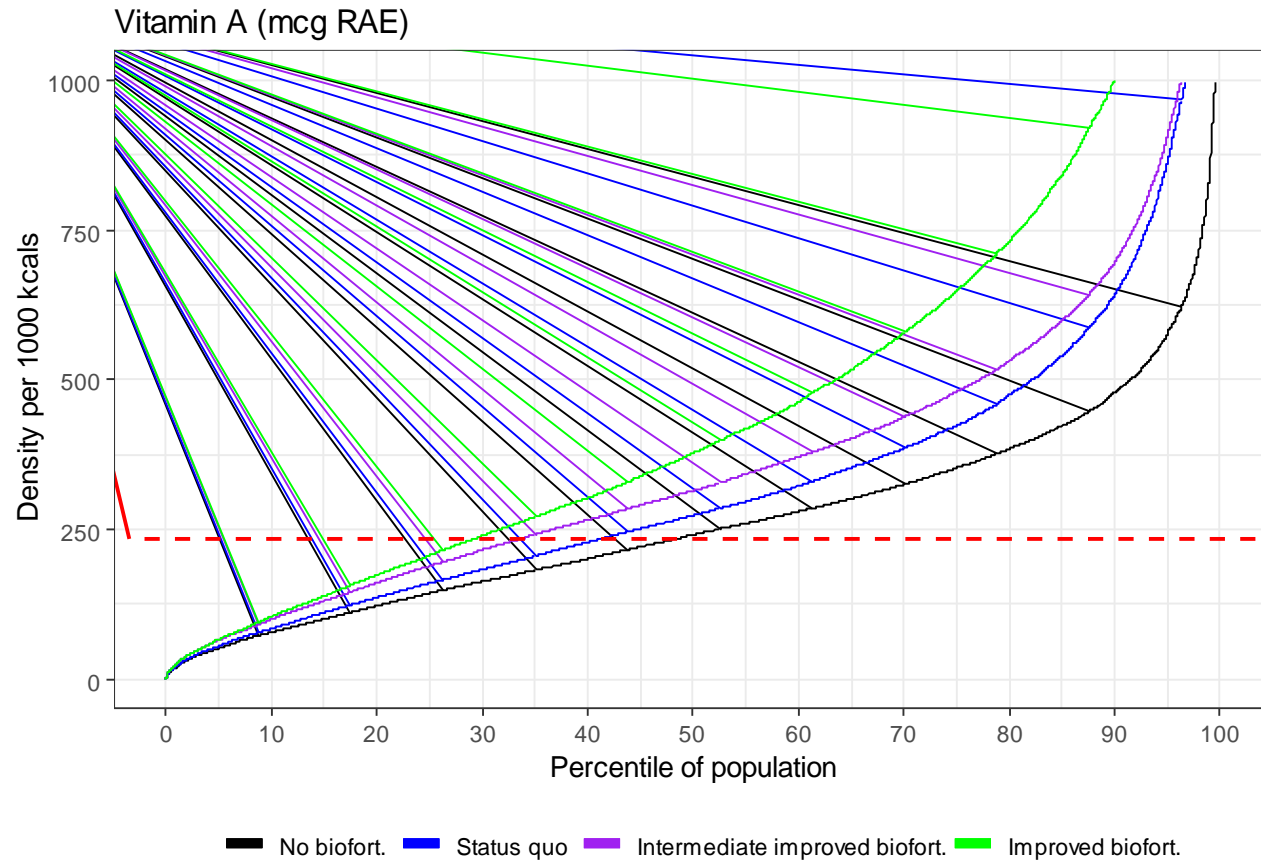
OFSP & WSP



- ✓ Comparing coverage of biofortified/fortified food vehicles
- ✓ Within-country variation

Coverage of sweet potatoes by district

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✓ Predicting the contributions of nutrition interventions e.g. biofortified crop

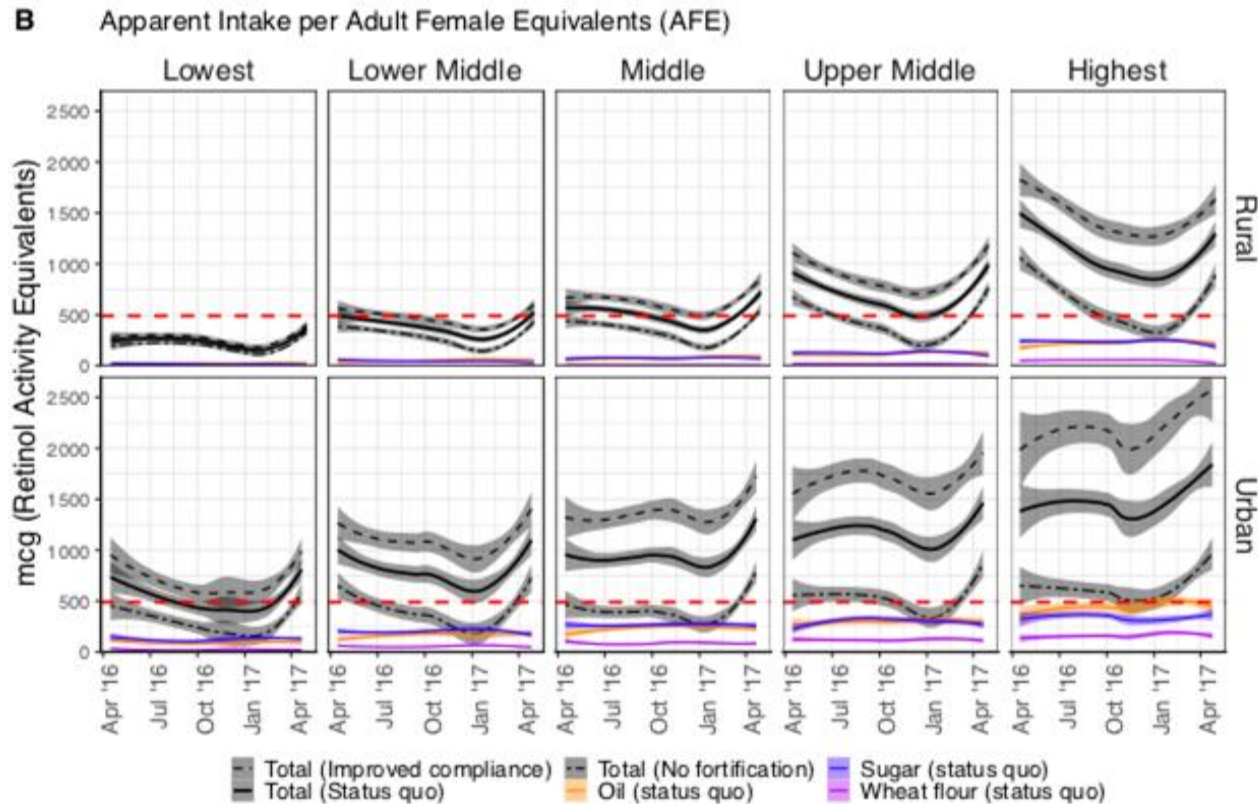
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Vitamin A inadequacy by subpopulation

0-19%	20-39%	40-59%	60-79%	80-100%					
Apparent intake						Nutrient density			
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Highest SEP	418	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	7.4	5.3	2.9	2.6

✓ Identifying differences in apparent intake and Micronutrient density in urban and rural residences and between SEPs

Application of HCES



✓ Seasonal variation in diet

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Conclusion

- ✓ HCES data provide valuable insights into the diets of populations, capturing aspects of sub-national **geographic, socioeconomic and seasonal fluctuations** in inadequacy.
- ✓ Estimates of dietary micronutrient supplies derived from HCES food consumption data can be used to explore and inform evidence-based nutrition interventions and policies.

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