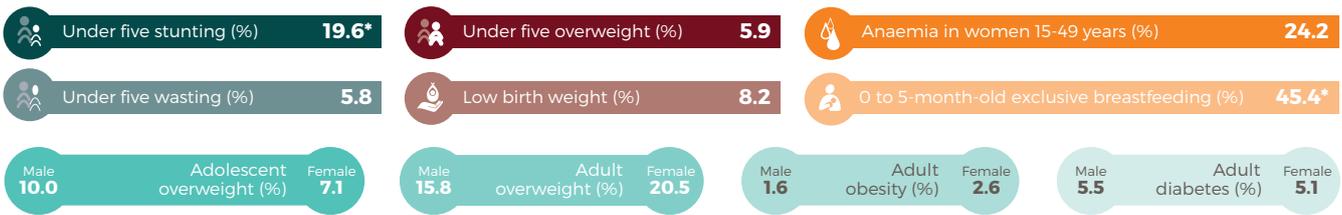


# Viet Nam



**Joined:** January 2014  
**Population:** 97.34 million  
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## COVID-19 SNAPSHOT

The Government adopted strict containment measures in late January 2020, and isolation measures were lifted starting in April. The Nutrition Working Group continued to operate during the lockdown, and conducted stakeholder intervention mappings and organised to address gaps.

## INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS 2019–2020

89.3%



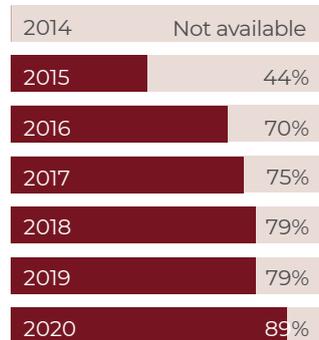
### Bringing people together into a shared space for action

A SUN Civil Society Network has been set up at the national level. Key stakeholder groups will report on progress by the end of 2020 during the National Nutrition Strategy (NNS) review, whereas progress and achievements of the multi-stakeholder platform (MSP) are reported to the executive level of Government. The key functions of the MSP are integrated into national and/or subnational planning and reporting mechanisms or processes.



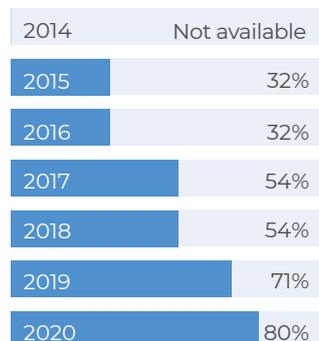
### Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework

The NNS is under review, with a resolution from the central Government to develop the next NNS, for 2021–2030. A landscape analysis on maternal nutrition and complementary feeding was conducted. Mechanisms for regulation remained operational, such as food safety inspections. Tracking and reporting are seen as weak points, to ensure learning and sustaining policy and legislative impact. Monitoring agencies have the authority to fine violators of the Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes.



### Aligning actions around common results

A General Nutrition Survey, and review of the NNS (including reviewing the action plan and capacity assessments to implement priorities), and a mapping of stakeholder nutrition actions are ongoing. An information system was set up to regularly collate existing data, analyse this data and share indicators, focusing on measuring implementation coverage and performance. Advocacy for more effective coverage of nutrition programmes, for example with the Zero Hunger Programme, is taking place.



### Financial tracking and resource mobilisation

Members of the MSP identify additional funding needs and financial resources (domestic, external), as seen during the pandemic. The Government and Civil Society Alliance ensure consensus on gaps. Development partners align their funds to address these shortfalls and mobilise additional resources. As part of the NNS review, relevant ministries and subnational authorities are requested to report on financial contributions towards nutrition. There is no financing reporting mechanism for nutrition.

## 2020–2021 PRIORITIES

- Developing and disseminating the 2021–2030 National Nutrition Strategy, the National Plan of Action for Nutrition 2011–2025, and subnational plans.
- Developing a new coordinating mechanism for nutrition (including operation, reporting, and monitoring financial tracking).
- Strengthening the new network of provincial and district health centres, including staff nutrition training.
- Advocating for increased coverage of basic nutrition interventions.
- Maintaining and expanding SUN Networks, including business, academia, and youth.

\* Viet Nam General Nutrition Survey <https://bit.ly/3pUys4u>