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The NLIS has since evolved and has been updated over the years to include other relevant indicators, such as the indicators of the Global Nutrition Monitoring Framework developed to monitor the progress towards achieving the Global Nutrition Targets 2025. The NLIS Country Profile Indicator Interpretation Guide is a living document that may be updated based on new research or feedback from users.

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Abbreviations and acronyms

AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
BFHI	Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative
BMI	body mass index
GDP	gross domestic product
GGHE	general government expenditure on health
GHO	Global Health Observatory
GII	gender inequality index
GHI	global hunger index
GNI	gross national income
HDI	human development index
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
IBFAN	International Baby Food Action Network
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
ILO	International Labour Organization
INLPR	International Network on Leave Policies and Research
IQ	intelligence quotient
ISSA	International Social Security Association
IU	international units
LIFDC	low-income food-deficit countries
MAD	minimum acceptable diet
MDD	minimum dietary diversity
NCD	noncommunicable disease
NLiS	Nutrition Landscape Information System
ODA	official development assistance
ORS	oral rehydration solution
ORT	oral rehydration therapy
PPP	purchasing power parity
PRSP	poverty reduction strategy paper

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