



**PRODUCING  
DISAGGREGATED  
DATA FROM  
HOUSEHOLD  
SURVEYS**

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## 01. THE CHALLENGE

Increased call for:

- Quality
- Frequency
- Breath & depth

*At what cost?..*

## 02. POPULATION COVERAGE

- Big requirements on coverage
- Household surveys not always fit for purpose



# [ HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS: AN OPPORTUNITY ]

- Source for as many as 80 global SDG indicators across 13 goal areas
  - 55 have established standards and questionnaire to measure the indicators
    - 65 have full national coverage of households as a sampling requirement
      - 58 have a proposal periodicity of 3 to 5 years
- 37 have age as a minimum disaggregation dimension, followed by sex (32), disability (14) and income (8)

# 03. THE CASE OF MICS



# TRADITIONALLY, MICS HAVE THESE DISAGREGATES

- Region/province/state
- Residence (urban/rural)
- Sex
- Age
- Wealth
- Ethnicity / Mother Tongue / Religion
- Educational attainment
- Indicator-specific disaggregates
  - (e.g. fertility status, relationship of respondent to household head)

*and combinations of these*

## MICS UPCOMING DISAGREGATES:

- Child functioning
- Emergency affectedness
  - Refugee / IDP status
- Urban poor and migratory status



### 03. METHODOLOGICAL WORK

- New and or/difficult disaggregates
- Take “*old disaggregates*” more seriously



# 05. DESIGN FIT FOR PURPOSE



## 06. INNOVATIONS IN HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS





## A FEW EXAMPLES:

High resolution estimates based on surveys

Data mergers:  
e.g. household surveys with facility data



*Ultimately, multiple data sources need to work together to “build the story”*



**WHAT CAN WE DO?**

**COLLECTIVE ACTIONS TO LEVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS**

**1. Promote **coordination** at multiple levels (national, regional and global), & by multiple partners**

**2. Mobilize **funding** to deliver  
capacity support**



**3. Accelerate **methodological development** & implementation of minimum standards**

4. Promote **documentation**  
& **dissemination** of survey  
metadata and data

# 5. Foster **innovations** in implementation and analysis

6. Advocate for **use of survey data** for research and policy

# THANK YOU

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