

# NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS LOST DUE TO DIARRHOEAL DISEASES

Impact indicator, Outcome indicator

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## Indicator Phrasing

**English:** average number of working days lost due to diarrhoeal diseases in the past 30 days

**French:** nombre moyen de jours de travail perdus en raison de maladies diarrhéiques au cours des 30 derniers jours

**Spanish:** número medio de días de trabajo perdidos por enfermedades diarreicas en los últimos 30 días

**Portuguese:** número médio de dias de trabalho perdidos devido a doenças diarreicas durante os passados 30 dias

**Czech:** průměrný počet pracovních dnů ztracených kvůli průjemovým onemocněním během posledních 30 dnů

## What is its purpose?

The indicator assesses one of the main socio-economic impacts of diarrhoeal diseases - the inability to work due to feeling unwell or the need to take care of a sick child.

## How to Collect and Analyse the Required Data

Collect the following data by conducting individual interviews with a [representative sample](#) of your target group members:

### RECOMMENDED SURVEY QUESTIONS (Q) AND POSSIBLE ANSWERS (A)

**Q1:** *In the past 30 days, was there any day when you or another family member could not work (on the farm, in business ...) because of having diarrhoea?*

**A1:** yes / no / does not remember

(ask the next questions only if the previous answers is YES)

**Q2:** *For how many days could you/ another family member not work?*

**A2:** .... days

**Q3:** *In the past 30 days, was there any day when you or another family member could not work because you had to take care of a child with diarrhoea?*

**A3:** yes / no / does not remember

(ask the next question only if the previous answers is YES)

**Q4:** *For how many days could you/ another family member not work?*

**A4:** .... days

**Calculate the indicator's value** by summing up the number of working days lost due to diarrhea and dividing it by the total number of respondents (exclude those whose answer was "does not remember").

## Disaggregate by

[Disaggregate](#) the data by [wealth](#).

## Important Comments

1) The longer the recall period you use, the more "days lost" you will record; however, the accuracy of such responses will be low (as people simply do not remember exactly). On the other hand, short recall periods will give you more accurate responses; however, in order to generate a representative sample, you will need to interview a very large number of respondents. The proposed **30 days recall period** is a trade-off between these two options, reflecting the realistic possibilities of the project surveys while aiming for sufficient accuracy.

## E-Questionnaire

- [XLS form for electronic data collection - indicator Number of Working Days Lost Due To Diarrhoeal Diseases](#)