Accelerating Progress
Translating recommendations to action

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Overview

• Food security and nutrition challenges persist in Malawi, but some progress has been made

• It is possible to accelerate progress

• Compact2025 aims to support key recommendations to accelerate progress in Malawi
Malawi is committed to ending hunger and undernutrition

Select national frameworks and plans

Vision 2020

Malawi Growth and Development Strategy III

National Resilience Strategy

National Agricultural Policy

National Agricultural Investment Plan

National Nutrition Policy and Strategic Plan

Sustainable Development Goals

GOAL 2
END HUNGER, ACHIEVE FOOD SECURITY AND IMPROVED NUTRITION AND PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE
Progress has been made, but it must be accelerated to end hunger and undernutrition by 2025

Prevalence of undernourishment in Malawi (%)

- Prevalence of undernourishment (%)
- Business as usual
- Accelerated progress

Source: FAO 2017

Prevalence of under-5 child stunting in Malawi (%)

- Prevalence of stunting (%)
- Business as usual
- Accelerated progress

Source: UNICEF/WHO/WB 2017
It is possible to accelerate progress

• Global community has higher priority on ending hunger and undernutrition

• Successful countries have shortened the learning curve
  • E.g. Following Asian models, Rwanda and Ethiopia are transforming their agriculture sectors

• Greater awareness of cross-sectoral issues
  • Access to water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) linked to child stunting reduction
  • Women’s empowerment in agriculture → better productivity, agricultural and dietary diversity, food security, nutrition
  • Productive social safety nets can secure basic livelihoods, protect from risk and vulnerability, and stimulate growth
Compact2025’s approaches for accelerating progress

Engaging countries

Stimulating knowledge and innovation

Supporting initiatives and partnerships

National initiatives, regional commitments (African Union), international partnerships (SUN), global goals (SDGs), and others

Compact2025: evidence-based support
Facilitating South-South learning workshop in Bangkok

• Shared lessons on Thailand’s success and experiences from other countries with over 50 stakeholders from Africa and Asia, including C2025 Focal Countries

• Key points from meeting include
  – Nutrition efforts must be country-driven
  – Research is critical for producing knowledge and policy advice for government
  – Community-led mobilization with M&E, supported by modern technologies, can improve tracking at all levels
  – The private sector can play a key role in supporting nutrition efforts given the right policy environment
  – Mutual learning by bringing together different countries, stakeholders is critical
Recommendations for accelerating progress in Malawi—and how Compact2025 aims to support them
A look back one year ago
Compact2025 Malawi Roundtable Discussion (May 26, 2016)

• Convened over 100 stakeholders to discuss how to accelerate progress

• Participants offered five key recommendations
  • “Break the cycle” with holistic, transparent, and market-driven approaches
  • Strengthen capacity at all levels
  • Improve accountability and coordination
  • Fine-tune and implement nutrition-driven policies
  • Fill data, indicator, and knowledge gaps
Compact2025 uses research, innovation, and partnerships to help eliminate hunger and undernutrition in Malawi and beyond.