Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2011-2012

Roma Survey
Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS)

- **International households survey** programme developed by UNICEF
- **Fourth global MICS round** (MICS4)
- **Information on children, women and men** in BiH
- Data to monitor progress towards the **Millennium Declaration, “A World Fit for Children”** and other internationally agreed goals.
- The survey in BiH was conducted in 2011-2012 by the: Ministries of Health (Federation of BiH and Republika Srpska), Institute for Public Health of the Federation of BiH and in cooperation with the Agency for Statistics of BiH
### General population

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<td>Interviewed Households</td>
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<td>Interviewed women</td>
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<td>Interviewed men</td>
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<td>Questionnaire for children completed</td>
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Overall response rate: 91%

### Roma population

Sample size: **1,791 households**
Interviewed women: **1,380**
Interviewed men: **1,456**
Questionnaires for children: **748**
Response rate: 86%
EARLY LEARNING
Early childhood education - Attendance

Only 13% of children aged 36-59 months were attending an organised early childhood education programme.
2% Of ROMA CHILDREN AGED 36-59 MONTHS WERE ATTENDING AN ORGANISED EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMME.
... early childhood learning

1 IN 10 (11%) ROMA CHILDREN AGED 0-59 MONTHS LIVE IN HOUSEHOLDS WHERE AT LEAST 3 CHILDREN’S BOOKS WERE PRESENT.
Early childhood development Index

85% of children aged 36-59 months in BiH were developmentally on track.
School readiness

ONLY 16% OF CHILDREN WHO WERE ATTENDING THE FIRST GRADE OF PRIMARY SCHOOL HAD ATTENDED PRESCHOOL

MICS3 11%

MICS4 16%

4% for Roma
School readiness

4% OF ROMA CHILDREN WHO WERE ATTENDING THE FIRST GRADE OF PRIMARY SCHOOL HAD ATTENDED PRESCHOOL THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
Primary and secondary education

- **Primary school entry (at age 6)**: 83% (Total) / 45% (Roma)
- **Primary school attendance**: 98% (Total) / 69% (Roma)
- **Percentage of children who reach grade 8 of those who enter grade 1 of primary school**: 100% (99.5%) (Total) / 75% (Roma)
- **Net primary school completion rate**: 92% (Total) / 40% (Roma)
- **Transition rate to secondary school**: 97% (Total) / 71% (Roma)
- **Secondary school attendance**: 92% (Total) / 23% (Roma)
- **Secondary school age children attending primary school**: 1% (Roma) / 9% (Total)
Net primary school completion rate

- 40% for Roma (45M, 34F) – LARGE GENDER GAP
- 91.5 for BiH (93M; 90F)
Transition rate to secondary school

- Roma 71% (78M; 61F) – LARGE GENDER GAP
- BiH 97% (98M; 96F)
Lessons Learnt

Opportunities:

- Responsible institutions could apply lessons learnt from the BiH MICS 3 and compare data (except for Roma)
- Positive collaboration between all institutions on all levels of governments

Challenges:

- Bosnia & Herzegovina required a country-wide survey and entity surveys
- Survey on the Roma population: required finding and employing Roma interviewers who spoke the Roma language
Recommendations

- Involve interviewers from marginalized groups
  Possible ‘trust’ issue if the mainstream population interviews minorities

- The relevant institutions should own the process
  In Bosnia & Herzegovina:
  - RS Ministry of Health & Social Welfare and FBiH Ministry of Health implemented the MICS in cooperation with the BiH Agency of Statistics
  - BiH Ministry of Human Rights & Refugees led the MICS4 on Roma

- Ensure institutional memory and continuity through the involvement of the same Ministries and Staff for all MICSs
  This helps identify trends in data over the years
  Contributes to robust evidence-based policy making
Thank You