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Infant feeding in emergency: *lessons learned and next steps*



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Lessons learned: Experiences from the Infant Feeding in Emergencies Core Group

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Wildfires— beach rescues

Turkey and
Australia,
also Spain,
France





Flooding

Europe

US

Australia



Water Crises

Iqaluit,
Canada 2021

Jackson
Mississippi
2022

Cape Town
South Africa
2018



Flint Water Crisis 2016

As many as 1
in 4 children
in Flint had
elevated lead
levels



Syrian refugee crisis 2016-17

Over 60% of the displaced population of Syrians that arrived in Greece during 2016-2017 time were pregnant women, mothers with newborns, infants, young children



Canada/Montreal border crossings

High Income
countries
are
supporting
asylum
seekers
with
infants and
young
children

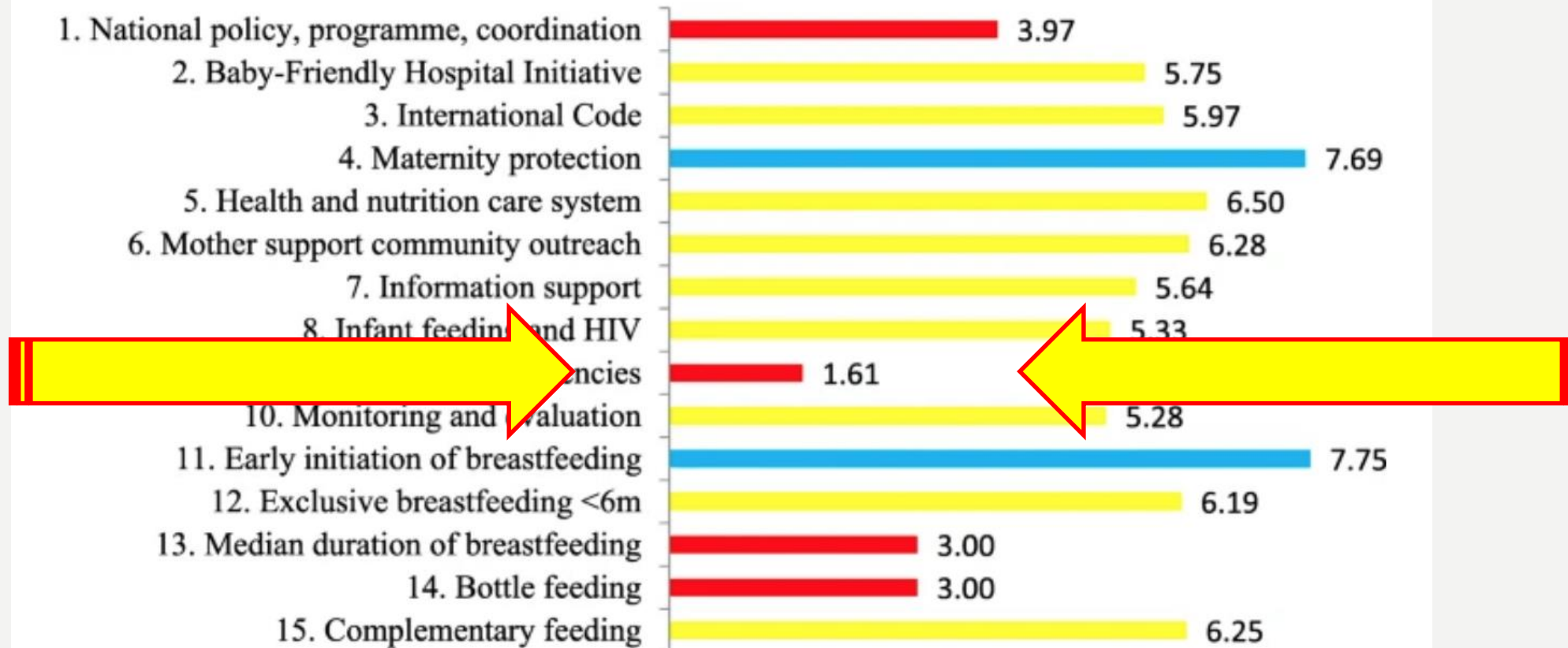


**Donations,
and
uncontrolled,
unmanaged
distribution
occurs in
virtually all
emergencies**

Fig. 1

Colour coding (maximum score for each indicator is 10):

0 to <4 ■ 4 to <7 ■ 7 to <9 ■ 9-10 ■



Zakarija-Grković, I., Cattaneo, A., Bettinelli, M.E. *et al.* Are our babies off to a healthy start? The state of implementation of the *Global strategy for infant and young child feeding* in Europe *Int Breastfeed J* **15**, 51 (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13006-020-00282-z>

Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies: TEN YEARS OF PROGRESS



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"... of the 27 countries that did **NOT** invest in IYCF-E activities:

- 19% HIC
- 44% Upper MIC
- 33% Lower MIC
- 4% LIC

A game of give and take

Foreign aid by country, 2014*

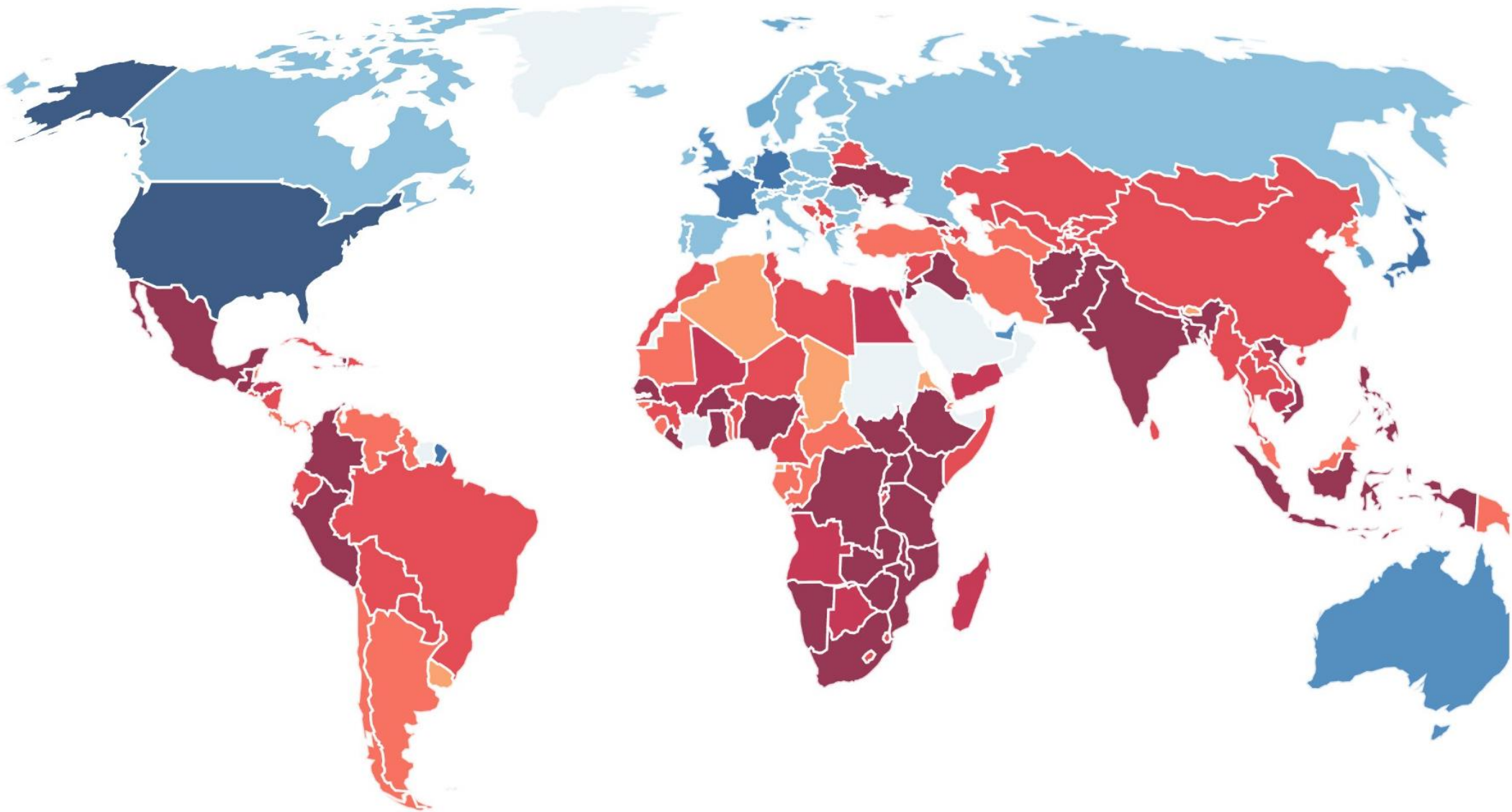
Donor

total aid given, \$bn

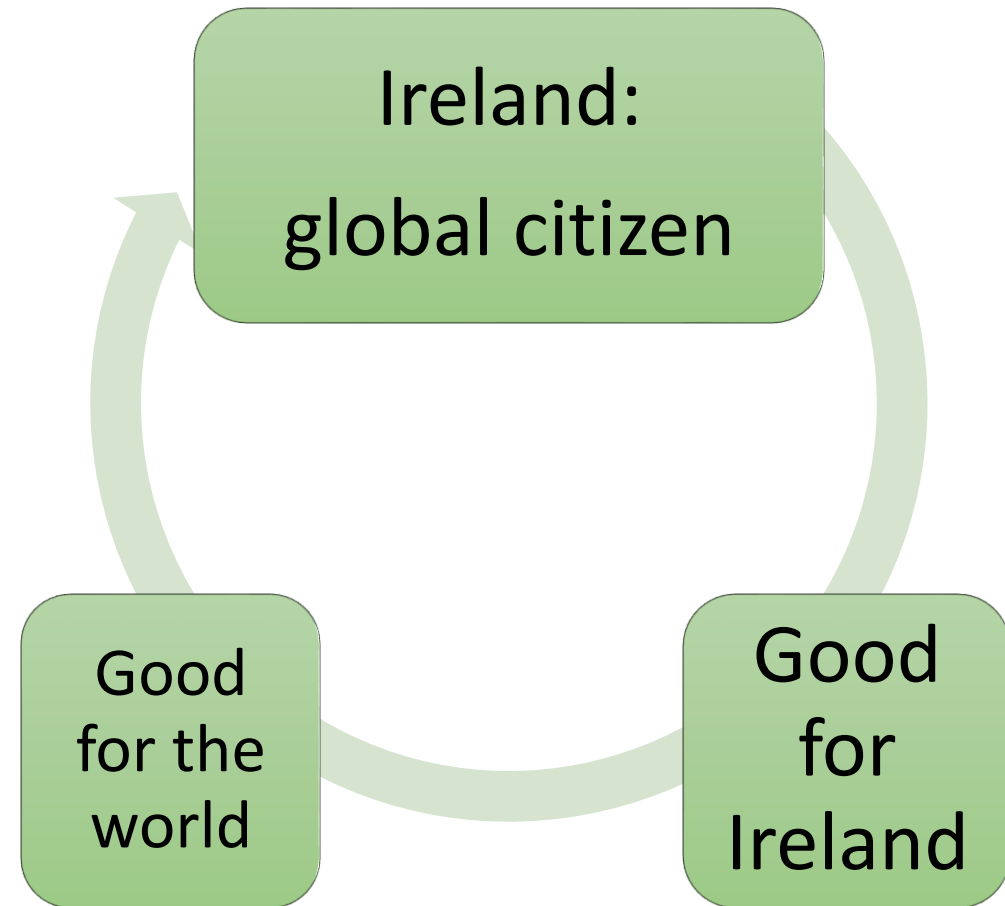


Recipient

aid received, \$m



Opportunities for action for local, and global good



Today you are taking important steps.

Thank you.



INFANT FEEDING IN EMERGENCIES: KEY GLOBAL RESOURCES

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Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies: Operational Guidance v.3
IFE Core Group (2017)

The OG-IFE is concise, practical guidance on how to ensure appropriate infant and young child feeding in emergencies. It applies to emergency preparedness, response and recovery worldwide.

Are our babies off to a healthy start? The State of Implementation of the Global Strategy for Infant and Young Child Feeding in 18 European Countries
University of Split (2020)

This 88 page report analyses the findings of the 18 European countries (including the UK) that have carried out a WBTI assessment and published a report.

Operational Guidance on Breastfeeding Counselling in Emergencies
IFE Core Group (2021)

This Operational Guidance on Breastfeeding Counselling in Emergencies (OG-BFC/E) is a pragmatic guide that covers key considerations and potential adaptations when applying WHO's 2016 guidelines in an emergency setting.

10 Years of IYCF-E

INFANT AND YOUNG CHILD FEEDING IN EMERGENCIES: TEN YEARS OF PROGRESS

A product of the Infant Feeding in Emergencies (IFE) Core Group, developed by Save the Children with input of members of an Advisor Group, this report represents the first stock take to highlight Member State adoption of measures to maximize protecting infant and young child feeding in emergencies in line with World Health Assembly Resolution 65.25.




Infographic Series

IFE Core Group (2021)

The infographics are based on the Operational Guidance on IYCF-E (OG-IFE) and aim to assist in implementing specific actions and recommendations within the guidance.

Available in French, Italian, Ukrainian, Russian, Japanese and Arabic.








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E Repository

An overview of peer-reviewed journal articles on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) in an emergency context. It is compiled for the IFE Core Group by the Johns Hopkins Center for Humanitarian Health at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University and the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Decade of Action on Infant and Young Child Feeding in Europe and Central Asia
UNICEF (2019)

This document is a compilation of country commitments to the Decade of Action on IYCF monitoring for results.

Infant and young child feeding in the first 1000 days after a disaster: a practical guide
IFE Core Group (2022)

This guidance note has been finalized in the context of the Ukraine conflict, for healthcare workers and emergency responders to support infants and young children. It should be used in conjunction with existing guidance for the general public, healthcare workers and policy makers.

Joint Statement Protecting Infant and Young Child Feeding in Ukraine (Conflict and Humanitarian Crisis)
UNICEF, IFE Core Group, UNHCR & GIC (2022)

The Joint Statement calls for ALL involved in the response to the Ukraine Crisis to protect, promote, and support the feeding and care of infants and young children and their mothers as well as pregnant women.

Fed to Fail: The crisis of children's diets in early life
UNICEF (2021)

The Global Breastfeeding Collective, led by WHO and UNICEF, advocates for smart investments in breastfeeding, assists policymakers and NGOs in implementing solutions, and galvanizes public support.



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