

Global Survey: Integrating the COVID-19 Vaccine into Existing Services & Targeting Priority Populations

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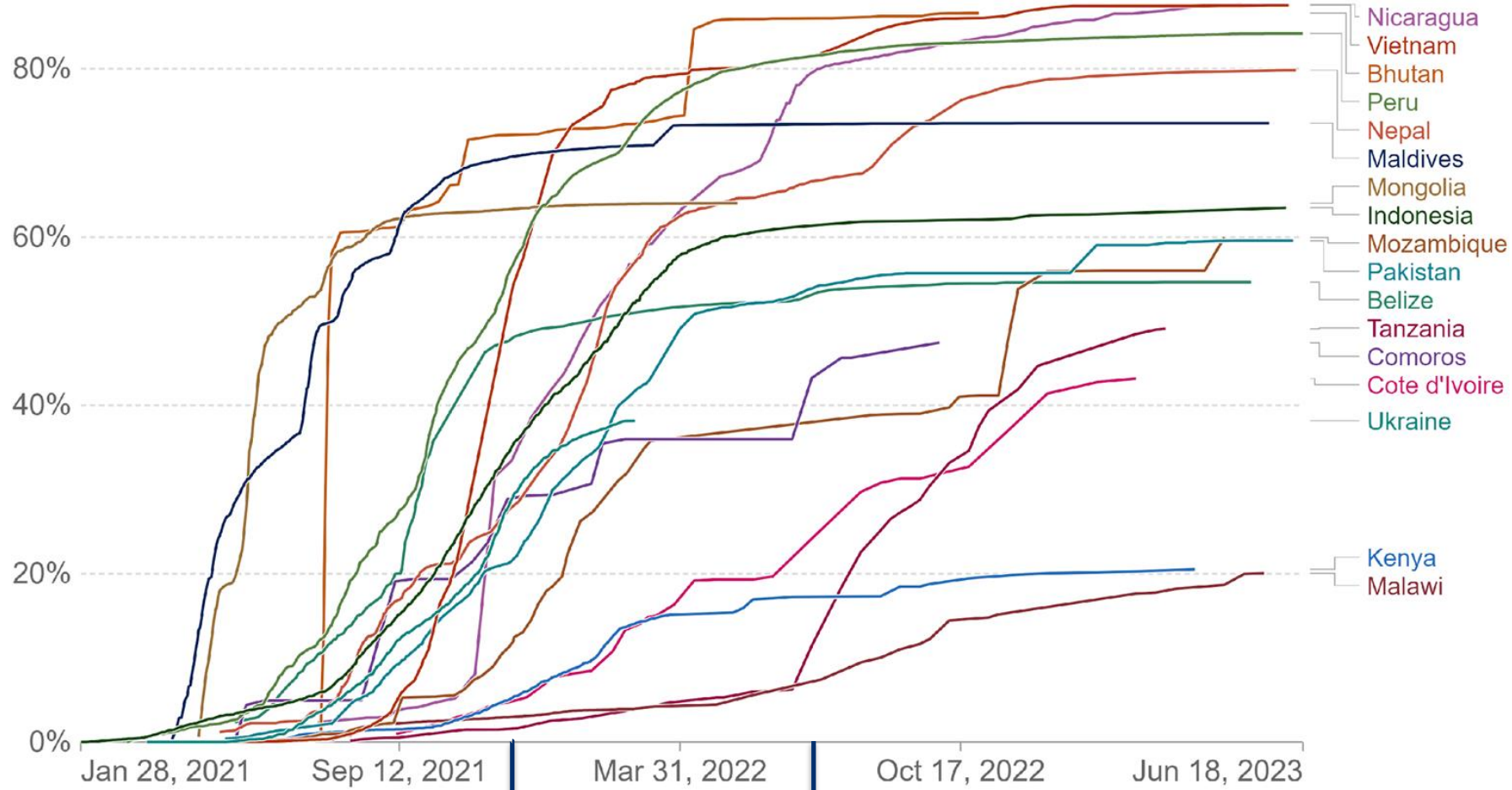


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Share of people who completed the initial COVID-19 vaccination protocol

Total number of people who received all doses prescribed by the initial vaccination protocol, divided by the total population of the country.



Survey 1: Initial pandemic response in key areas

Survey 2: Track progress towards vaccination goals

Survey 3: Assess "post-pandemic" phase

Topic areas across the 3 surveys

Survey 1 (Nov 2021)	Survey 2 (May 2022)	Survey 3 (May 2023)
Vaccine Delivery Modalities	Vaccine Delivery Modalities	Current Context & Vaccine Delivery
Human Resources	Human Resources	Efforts towards Integration
Demand Generation	Demand Generation	Innovations
Supplies	Vaccinating Sub-Populations	Vaccinating Sub-Populations
Cold Chain	Cold Chain	Challenges
Booster Doses	Booster Doses	
	Supplies	
	Challenges	

Respondent profiles

- 22 responses from 17 MSH & UNICEF country offices: Technical Directors, Chiefs of Party and immunization experts
 - Involved in the country's COVID-19 vaccine roll-out and directly supporting integration into routine immunization
 - Participated in joint planning of interventions with MOH to respond to COVID-19 at the national level and the recovery of routine immunization maintenance coverage in the aftermath of the pandemic
 - Contributed toward the preparation of NDVP and regularly attended planning and coordination meetings

Countries moving towards integration but still using pandemic delivery methods

- 29% have not met their vaccination goals and are now focusing on other priorities
- 76% of countries say COVID-19 is no longer a health priority
- Most countries moving towards integration with existing PHC services at:
 - Fixed-site health facilities (88% of countries)
 - Hospitals (88% of countries)
 - Community-level health sites i.e., health posts (82% of countries)
- However, 71% of countries indicated that mass sites are still used

Differences in integration between high- and low-performing countries

Malawi (20% vaccinated)

- Reports prioritizing COVID-19 vaccination
 - Hiring new staff for COVID-19 purposes
- Decreased expenditure on COVID-19 since last fiscal year
- Continuing to use mass sites & campaigns as a delivery method

Vietnam (92% vaccinated)

- Not prioritizing COVID-19 vaccination
 - No longer hiring new staff for COVID-19 delivery
- Decreased expenditure on COVID-19
- COVID-19 vaccination for priority groups based on need
 - No longer mass sites/campaigns

Innovations have not continued consistently

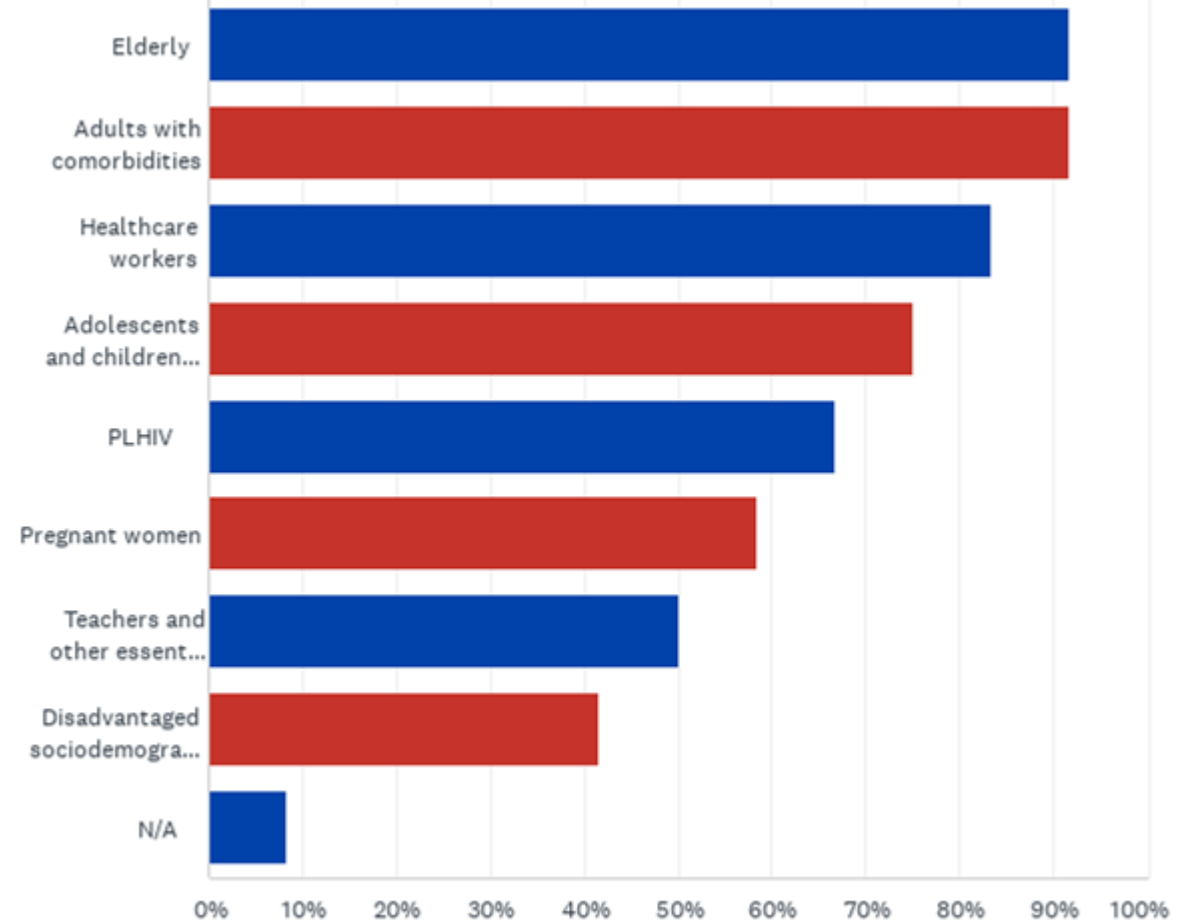
- 82% of countries reported a lasting increase in cold chain technology as a result of the pandemic
- 82% of countries saw an increase in digital innovation
- 66% report declining or discontinued use of digital platforms for patient follow-up



Ongoing vaccination of priority populations in most countries

- Reported strategies for targeting missed populations:
 - Door-to-door campaigns (Malawi)
 - Mobile teams (Ukraine)
 - Facility-based platforms (Belize)
- Challenges to vaccinating priority populations:
 - Inaccessibility of vaccine points (Ukraine)
 - Lack of coordination between sectors (Indonesia)
 - Cultural barriers to reaching certain populations (i.e., pregnant women in Cote d'Ivoire)
 - Ongoing misinformation and vaccine hesitancy (Malawi)
- 18% of countries surveyed no longer have specific policies to reach sub-populations (Mongolia, Nicaragua & Belize)

Percent of countries vaccinating priority populations



Key takeaways

- Most countries surveyed had a plan for integrating COVID-19 vaccination into existing PHC service/routine immunization
- An uptick in the use of digital innovations has not been sustained
- Priority populations have not changed drastically since the beginning of the pandemic, but there are now efforts to include them via integration

Thank you!



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