



Technical Brief: Handbook of FP2020 Core Indicators

What is the objective of the Handbook?

The objective of this Handbook is to provide FP2020 participating countries and the global FP community with documentation of the FP2020 “core” indicators so that they can be measured and reported consistently by all countries and interpreted consistently by all data users. The intent was to accomplish the above in as concise, “non-wordy” manner as possible.

Who is the handbook for?

The Handbook was developed as a basic resource for all FP2020 stakeholders, but its primary target audiences are:

1. Participating countries in the FP2020 initiative who have to collect and report progress data against the set of agreed-to core indicators.
2. Those involved in FP2020 governance, for whom a common understanding of how the indicators are measured and intended to be interpreted is essential.

Which Indicators are covered in the Handbook?

The Handbook covers the set of indicators that have been designated as global core indicators by FP2020. A list of core indicators may be found on the FP2020 and Track20 websites. The core indicators are divided into two categories as follows:

1. Indicators that will be reported annually for all 69 FP2020 countries;
2. Indicators that will be reported annually for a sub-set of FP2020 countries

What information is provided for each indicator?

For each indicator, the following information is provided in a standard format:

- Definition
- Why chosen?
- Source(s) of data
- Method of calculation
- Illustrative calculation
- Limitations and weaknesses
- Possible steps to mitigate limitations and weakness
- Linkages with other global initiatives

How can the Handbook be accessed?

The Handbook can be found in the ‘Resources’ section at www.track20.org. The document will be updated periodically to reflect any changes to the core indicators, therefore, you should always re-download the Handbook to ensure you are using the most up-to-date indicator definitions.

