

Table 1 Countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region that participated in the survey and officials who responded from these countries

Country	Officials that responded
Egypt	MCH/MOHP and National Nutrition Institute
Syrian Arab Republic	MOH
Bahrain	MOH
Jordan	MOH and University of Jordan
Kuwait	MOH
Lebanon	MOH and 8 other health, teaching and private organizations
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	In depth study in 4 <i>shabiyat</i>
Morocco	MOH
Pakistan	MOH
Palestine	MOH of West Bank, Ramallah
Qatar	MOH
Saudi Arabia	MOH
Sudan	MOH
Oman	MOH (Nutrition Department) and Institute of Nursing
Yemen	In depth study in 3 regions
United Arab Emirates	UAE/MOH, and Department of Health and Medical Services, Dubai

MOH = Ministry of Health; MCH/MOHP = Maternal and Child Health Directorate/Ministry of Health and Population.