

Table 1 Iodine concentration in salt samples from factory production batches in the years 2004-06

Year	No. of salt samples	Iodine concentration (ppm)		
		Mean (SD)	Median	Range
2004	16	12.4 (9.3)	12	0-25
2005	107	25.2 (24.7)	24	0-200
2006	204	32.4 (16.7)	34	0-140

Optimum iodine: 30 ppm; adequate: 51-55 ppm; inadequate: < 15 ppm and > 55 ppm (WHO/UNICEF/ICCIDD guidelines [11]).

SD = standard deviation.