

# Survey of National Education Responses to 

# COVID-19 School Closures 

Technical Note

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This technical note presents the details of the Survey of National Education Responses to COVID-19 School Closures. It presents the Survey in general and provides more information on the data cleaning process.

## Survey Overview

The Survey of National Education Responses to COVID-19 School Closures is a country-level survey to monitor national education responses to COVID-19 school closures. The first wave of the Survey seek to collect information from Member States on national education responses to school closures from pre-primary to upper secondary levels. Responses from the Survey will help to better guide local and national policy responses to mitigate the impact of school closures and help prepare for the reopening of schools. The results will also help to inform on the actions from mobilized partners through the UNESCO Global COVID-19 Education Coalition. It is intended to have multiple rounds of data collection in order to capture the developments as governments adapt their actions and policies to national contexts.

## Who conducted the survey?

UNESCO, UNICEF, and the World Bank jointly launched and conducted the Survey of National Education Responses to COVID-19 School Closures as part of the coordinated Global Education Response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Survey was administered by the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS).

## How is the survey conducted?

The Survey is available in four languages (English, French, Spanish, and Russian) and can be submitted by email or an online survey platform. The survey will be administered at various waves to capture the latest national impacts and responses.


## Who is surveyed?

Ministries of education and statistics units were contacted regarding the completion of the survey. Ideally, it is suggested that a focal point within the ministry be appointed to collect and submit responses on behalf of the country (ideally, a team of two members to ensure response continuity).

Countries were informed that their responses would be released in an anonymized public database, where countries' data would be featured without disclosing the respondents' information. In addition, respondents had the choice to be excluded from the anonymized database. Therefore, the largest degree of survey participation, integrity, and confidence in the quality of the data were ensured.

## Structure of the surveys

Three major aspects of national education responses were covered in the Survey: education strategies and methods, education participants, and impacts on learning outcomes. Within these categories, over eight topics were included: plans for re-opening schools, school calendar, distance education delivery systems, online distance learning strategies, teachers, students, parents/caregivers, learning, assessment and examinations.

## Rounds of Data Collection

The first round survey data started at the end of April and lasted until mid-June, to which 119 countries participated. However, the size of the final sample is 117 countries, excluding two countries who requested not to be included in the publicly available dataset. In terms of regional distribution, we recorded 2 countries from Northern Africa, 26 countries from Sub-Saharan Africa, 12 countries from Central and Southern Asia, 14 countries from Eastern and South-eastern Asia, 12 countries from Western Asia, 11 countries from Europe, 30 countries from Latin America and the Caribbean, and 10 countries from Oceania.

The final dataset, available on the survey webpage, contains 250 variables including a country identifier, country region, and variables that correspond to each of the questions in the Survey. The detail of the data cleaning process is documented in the next section.


## Data Cleaning Process

This section provide details of the data cleaning process ${ }^{1}$ to the Survey responses.

## Renaming Variables

The questionnaire included 22 numbered questions, many with subquestions based on the submitted answer to the numbered (main) question, for a total of 247 questions. In the data cleaning process, all questions were renamed so that each has a unique identifier name (variable name). A comprehensive mapping of the questions and corresponding variables is provided in Appendix 1.

## Data Cleaning

A total of 118 countries submitted a completed questionnaire for the first round of data collection. For the anonymized and publicly available dataset, countries were asked permission to publish their submitted answers; two countries requested to be excluded. This resulted in a sample size of 117 countries in the publicly available dataset. Missing responses were recoded as follows.

All questions include a "Not recorded" option so that the denominator for all descriptive statistics is of 117. This applies for questions with "Select a single answer option" and "Select all that apply".

- "Select a single answer option" questions:
- Example: for Q2, the original answer options included "Yes", "No", "Do not know", and the option "Not recorded" was added. This also applies to connecting questions.
- Questions with outcome "Not recorded" recoded as missing: Q2, Q13, Q14, Q16, Q20
- "Select all that apply" questions:
- It was assumed that countries for which no answer options was selected in questions where "Select all that apply" was specified, none of the question answer options applied for that specific country.
- Example: for Q1 - for the subquestion regarding Pre-primary (PP), a "Not recorded" answer option was created and labelled Q1_PP_NR. Q1_PP_NR is equal to "1" if no answer option was selected, and it equals to "0" if at least one answer option was selected.
- Questions for which new variables were created: Q1, Q12, Q17, Q18, Q19
- Q8 asked respondents to select "All that apply." However, respondents could only choose one answer option in the online questionnaire. Therefore, Q8 was treated as a single choice question.
- Logic connecting questions:
- Questions with a logic pattern and for which the previously asked question answer was "Not recorded" were replaced by a missing value (see Q4 below in the next section)
- Questions recoded: Q7, Q10, Q11, Q15, Q21

[^0]- All questions with an "Other (specify)" answer option and an open-ended response space have been validated to evaluate the relevance of the answer to the question. When the content submitted in the space for "Other (specify)" did not correspond to the question, the value for that question was recoded as "No".
- Questions with recoded outcome: Q12, Q15_YES


## Skip Logic Contradictions

Basic recoding was needed for questions with a skip pattern as presented here.
The survey included questions with a follow-up question based on a given answer (questions with a skip pattern); for example if the responded answered "Yes" to a question, they are then asked to elaborate in a follow-up question. In some cases, the main question was left empty but had a recorded answer in the follow-up question. The main question was then recoded to "Yes". Others answered "No" or "Don't know" to the main question and did not observe the skip pattern by answering the followup question, in which case, the main question was recoded to "Yes". ${ }^{2}$ The questions with skips, which needed recoding are:

- Q3: Has the current school calendar been adjusted (or are there plans in place to adjust it)? Follow-up questions:
- If "Yes", specify: Is there a new end date?
- Is there a new starting date for the next school year?

Will you increase class time when schools re-open? ${ }^{3}$
Follow-up question:

- Specify how many hours per day?
- Q4: Is there a plan to adjust the scope of contents to be covered?

Follow-up question:

- If "Yes", specify.
- Q6: Types of delivery systems: Which of the following education delivery systems have been deployed as part of the national (or subnational) distance education strategy for different levels of education?
Follow-up question:
- If "Yes", how many hours per week?

[^1]
(Note: this question has 4 subquestions on radio, TV, online learning platform, and paper. Only two of those have the option to specify the number of hours per week (radio and TV). Thus, the subquestions "If yes..." to online learning platforms and paper versions of the questionnaires are not submitted to this).

- Q7: Coverage of distance education delivery systems: Is the actual use monitored? Follow-up question:
- If yes, please indicate the estimated share (\%) of children/youth accessing each distance learning system.
- Q15: Have teachers been provided with any additional support in the specific context of Covid19 to help them with the transition to remote learning? Follow-up question:
- If yes, select all that apply (list of options)
- Q20: Have any measures been taken to assess student learning on distance education delivery systems? Follow-up question:
- If yes, please specify.
- Q21: High stake examinations, Do high stake examinations exist?

This question is asked for three levels of education: primary, secondary, and university. Follow-up question:

- If yes, which of the following measures have been taken with respect to high-stakes examinations? [Select all that apply]

For each of the levels of education for which this question is asked, the respondent is asked, if the examination is postponed or rescheduled:
Follow-up question:

- If postponed or rescheduled examinations, by how many weeks?


## Labeling variables

String variables were encoded such that label values are attached to the questionnaire options in the dataset.

## Appendix 1. Mapping between Variable Names and Questions

| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1_PP_NW | PLANS FOR RE-OPENING SCHOOLS | 1. What are the current plans for reopening schools in your education system? [Select all that apply] (Note: Partial/Gradual refers to territorial coverage; Phasing refers to progressive scheduling according to grade/age). | Pre-primary | Nation-wide |
| Q1_PP_PG |  |  |  | Partial/Gradual |
| Q1_PP_PS |  |  |  | Phasing students |
| Q1_PP_DNK |  |  |  | Do not know |
| Q1_PP_NC |  |  |  | Schools are not closed |
| Q1_PP_EO |  |  |  | Expected re-opening date: |
| Q1_P_NW |  |  | Primary | Nation-wide |
| Q1_P_PG |  |  |  | Partial/Gradual |
| Q1_P_PS |  |  |  | Phasing students |
| Q1_P_DNK |  |  |  | Do not know |
| Q1_P_NC |  |  |  | Schools are not closed |
| Q1_P_EO |  |  |  | Expected re-opening date: |
| Q1_LS_NW |  |  | Lower secondary | Nation-wide |
| Q1_LS_PG |  |  |  | Partial/Gradual |
| Q1_LS_PS |  |  |  | Phasing students |
| Q1_LS_DNK |  |  |  | Do not know |
| Q1_LS_NC |  |  |  | Schools are not closed |
| Q1_LS_EO |  |  |  | Expected re-opening date: |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1_US_NW |  |  | Upper secondary | Nation-wide |
| Q1_US_PG |  |  |  | Partial/Gradual |
| Q1_US_PS |  |  |  | Phasing students |
| Q1_US_DNK |  |  |  | Do not know |
| Q1_US_NC |  |  |  | Schools are not closed |
| Q1_US_EO |  |  |  | Expected re-opening date: |
| Q2 |  | 2. Are new teachers recruited for reopening? |  | Response |
| Q3_Adj | SCHOOL CALENDAR | 3. Has the current school calendar been adjusted (or are there plans in place to adjust it)? |  | Response |
| Q3_Adj_NewEnd |  |  | If "Yes", specify | Is there a new end date? |
| Q3_Adj_NewEndDate |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q3_Adj_NewStart |  |  |  | Is there a new starting date for the next school year? |
| Q3_Adj_NewStartDate |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q3_IncreaseWhenOpen |  |  | Will you increase class time when schools re-open? | Response |
| Q3_IncreaseWhenOpen_Specify |  |  |  | Specify how many hours per day: |
| Q3_Remedical |  |  | Will you introduce remedial programmes? | Response |
| Q3_Remedical_Specify |  |  |  | Specify: |
| Q3_Accelerate |  |  | Will you introduce accelerated learning programmes? | Response |
| Q3_Accelerate_Specify |  |  |  | Specify: |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q4 |  | 4. Is there a plan to adjust the scope of contents to be covered? |  | Response |
| Q4_Reduce |  |  | if "Yes", specify: | Reduce content covered within subjects |
| Q4_Number |  |  |  | Reduce number of subjects |
| Q4_Leave |  |  |  | Leave it to the discretion of schools |
| Q4_Other |  |  |  | Other: |
| Q5 |  | 5. Are there expectations that the next school year calendar will be affected? |  | Response |
| Q5_how |  |  |  | Yes. How? (specify dates, if any): |
| Q6_Radio_PP | DISTANCE EDUCATION DELIVERY SYSTEMS | 6. Types of delivery systems: Which of the following education delivery systems have been deployed as part of the national (or subnational) distance education strategy for different levels of education? | Radio | Pre-primary |
| Q6_Radio_PP_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_Radio_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q6_Radio_P_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_Radio_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q6_Radio_LS_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_Radio_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q6_Radio_US_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q6_Radio_YES_CHANNEL |  |  | If yes, please provide the channel/program name and website for the three most relevant channel/program available): | Open-Ended Response |
| Q6_TV_PP |  |  | Television | Pre-primary |
| Q6_TV_PP_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_TV_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q6_TV_P_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_TV_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q6_TV_LS_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_TV_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q6_TV_US_YES |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q6_TV_YES_CHANNEL |  |  | If yes, please provide the channel/program name and website for the three most relevant television channel/program available): | Open-Ended Response |
| Q6_Online_PP |  |  | Online learning platforms | Pre-primary |
| Q6_Online_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q6_Online_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q6_Online_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q6_Online_YES_CHANNEL |  |  |  | If yes, please provide the website addresses for the three most relevant online platforms (if available): |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q6_Paper_PP |  |  | Paper based take-home materials for parents/students | Pre-primary |
| Q6_Paper_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q6_Paper_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q6_Paper_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q6_Paper_YES_CHANNEL |  |  |  | If "Yes", please provide additional information on paper based take-home materials for parents/students: |
| Q6_Other |  |  | Other distance learning method, if any: | Open-Ended Response |
| Q7_Radio |  | 7. Coverage of distance education delivery systems | Is the actual use monitored? | Radio |
| Q7_TV |  |  |  | Television |
| Q7_Online |  |  |  | On-line learning platforms |
| Q7_Paper |  |  |  | Paper based / take-home |
| Q7_Radio_YES_PP |  | If yes, please indicate estimated share (\%) of children/youth accessing each distance learning system: | Pre-primary | Radio |
| Q7_TV_YES_PP |  |  |  | Television |
| Q7_Online_YES_PP |  |  |  | On-line learning platforms |
| Q7_Paper_YES_PP |  |  |  | Paper based / take-home |
| Q7_Radio_YES_P |  |  | Primary | Radio |
| Q7_TV_YES_P |  |  |  | Television |
| Q7_Online_YES_P |  |  |  | On-line learning platforms |
| Q7_Paper_YES_P |  |  |  | Paper based / take-home |
| Q7_Radio_YES_LS |  |  | Lower secondary | Radio |
| Q7_TV_YES_LS |  |  |  | Television |
| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| Q7_Online_YES_LS |  |  |  | On-line learning platforms |
| Q7_Paper_YES_LS |  |  |  | Paper based / take-home |


| Q7_Radio_YES_US |  |  | Upper secondary | Radio |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q7_TV_YES_US |  |  |  | Television |
| Q7_Online_YES_US |  |  |  | On-line learning platforms |
| Q7_Paper_YES_US |  |  |  | Paper based / take-home |
| Q7_YES_How |  |  | If yes, please provide additional information on how participation of students in distance education programmes is monitored: | Open-Ended Response |
| Q8_Measures | ONLINE DISTANCE LEARNING STRATEGIES | 8. Access: Which measures have been taken to facilitate access of students to online distance learning infrastructure? |  | Response |
| Q8_Measures_Other |  |  |  | Other (please specify): |
| Q9_Open |  | 9. What type of online learning platforms are used by teachers, students and parents/caregivers while schools are closed |  | Open source platform (Moodle, Canvas, etc.) |
| Q9_Domestic |  |  |  | Domestic platform |
| Q9_CommercialFree |  |  |  | Commercial for free (Blackboard, Google class, etc.) |
| Q9_Commercial |  |  |  | Commercial (Microsoft Teams, etc.) |


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| Q10_Maintain_MOE |  | 10. Who maintains/creates online learning platforms that can be used by teachers, students and parents/caregivers while schools are closed?[Select all that apply] |  | Ministry of Education Maintains |
| Q10_Create_MOE |  |  |  | Ministry of Education Creates |
| Q10_Maintain_OS |  |  |  | Other sources (e.g., private sector, non-profit) Maintains |
| Q10_Create_OS |  |  |  | Other sources (e.g., private sector, non-profit) - Creates |
| Q10_Maintain_Teachers |  |  |  | School teachers - Maintains |
| Q10_Create_Teachers |  |  |  | School teachers - Creates |
| Q10_Maintain_BC |  |  |  | Broadcasters - Maintains |
| Q10_Create_BC |  |  |  | Broadcasters - Creates |
| Q10_Maintain_DNK |  |  |  | Don't know - Maintains |
| Q10_Create_DNK |  |  |  | Don't know - Creates |
| Q10_Maintain_Other |  |  |  | Other. Please specify in the comment box below. Maintains |
| Q10_Create_Other |  |  |  | Other. Please specify in the comment box below. Creates |
| Q10_Comments |  |  |  | Comments: |
| Q11_Cover_PP |  | 11. Learning content, use of Open Educational Resources (OERs), and modality of delivery [Select all that apply] | Are all subjects and developmental domains covered in the online learning platform? | Pre-primary |
| Q11_Cover_P |  |  |  | Primary |


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| Q11_Cover_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q11_Cover_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q11_OER_PP |  |  | Are Open Educational Resources (OERs) being used? | Pre-primary |
| Q11_OER_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q11_OER_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q11_OER_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q11_Modality_PP |  |  | Modality of delivery: How do the Ministry of Education online learning platforms operate? | Pre-primary |
| Q11_Modality_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q11_Modality_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q11_Modality_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q12_PP_Online | TEACHERS | 12. Are teachers required to continue teaching while schools are closed? | Pre-primary | Online |
| Q12_PP_TVRadio |  |  |  | Support to TV/radio based learning |
| Q12_PP_Phone |  |  |  | Mobile phone |
| Q12_PP_Paper |  |  |  | Take-home/paper based |
| Q12_PP_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Q12_P_Online |  |  | Primary | Online |
| Q12_P_TVRadio |  |  |  | Support to TV/radio based learning |
| Q12_P_Phone |  |  |  | Mobile phone |
| Q12_P_Paper |  |  |  | Take-home/paper based |
| Q12_P_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Q12_LS_Online |  |  | Lower secondary | Online |
| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| Q12_LS_TVRadio |  |  |  | Support to TV/radio based learning |
| Q12_LS_Phone |  |  |  | Mobile phone |


| Q12_LS_Paper |  |  |  | Take-home/paper based |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q12_LS_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| Q12_US_Online |  |  | Upper secondary | Online |
| Q12_US_TVRadio |  |  |  | Support to TV/radio based learning |
| Q12_US_Phone |  |  |  | Mobile phone |
| Q12_US_Paper |  |  |  | Take-home/paper based |
| Q12_US_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Q12_Online_Yes_MOE |  |  | If online, through which platform: | Ministry of Education |
| Q12_Online_Yes_Private |  |  |  | Platforms hosted by private sector |
| Q12_Online_Yes_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Q13_PP |  | 13. Have teachers been provided with instructions on remote learning, including for TV or radio? |  | Pre-primary |
| Q13_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q13_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q13_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |
| Q14_PP |  | 14. Have teachers been trained to use remote learning platforms? |  | Pre-primary |
| Q14_P |  |  |  | Primary |
| Q14_LS |  |  |  | Lower secondary |
| Q14_US |  |  |  | Upper secondary |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q15 |  | 15. Have teachers been provided with any additional support in the specific context of Covid-19 to help them with the transition to remote learning? |  | Response |
| Q15_YES_Online |  |  | [If yes, select all that apply] | Online training seminars |
| Q15_YES_ICT |  |  |  | Provision of ICT tools and free connectivity (PC, mobile device, voucher for mobile broadband, etc.) |
| Q15_YES_Professional |  |  |  | Professional, psychosocial and emotional support (e.g. chat groups, online forums to share ideas and educational content) |
| Q15_YES_Content |  |  |  | Teaching content (e.g. use of open educational resources (OERs), sample lesson plans etc.) |
| Q15_YES_DNK |  |  |  | Don't know |
| Q15_YES_Other |  |  |  | Other. Please explain: |
| Q16 |  | 16. Are contract teachers being paid during the school closures? |  | Response |
| Q17_Disability | STUDENTS | 17. Which of the following measures have been taken to ensure the inclusion of populations at risk of being excluded from distance learning platforms? [Select all that apply] |  | Support to learners with disabilities (e.g. sign language in online learning programmes) |


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| Q17_ImprovedAccess |  |  |  | Improved access to infrastructure for learners in remote areas; and in urban high-density areas |
| Q17_MaterialDesign |  |  |  | Design of learning materials for speakers of minority languages |
| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
| Q17_SubsidizedAccess |  |  |  | Subsidized devices for access |
| Q17_None |  |  |  | None |
| Q17_DNK |  |  |  | Don't know |
| Q17_Other |  |  |  | Other. Please explain: |
| Q18_Psy |  | 18. Have any measures been taken to minimize the impact of school closures on the well-being of students? [Select all that apply] |  | Psychosocial and mental health support to learners (e.g. online counselling) |
| Q18_Protection |  |  |  | Additional child protection services |
| Q18_Meal |  |  |  | Support to counter interrupted school meal services (e.g. distribution of meals, food banks, vouchers) |
| Q18_Monitor |  |  |  | Mechanisms for monitoring student wellbeing (e.g. regular calls from teachers, etc.) |
| Q18_None |  |  |  | No measures |
| Q18_Other |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q18_Most |  |  | From the list above, please <br> indicate which of these <br> well-being measures are <br> considered to be most |
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| critical and elaborate in 1- |  |  |  |
| 2 lines on how the |  |  |  |
| selected interventions are |  |  |  |
| being implemented in |  |  |  |
| your country (e.g., |  |  |  |
| coverage, scope, delivery |  |  |  |
| mode, etc.) |  |  |  |


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| Q19_Childcare services remaining open for children who cannot be looked after by the parents | PARENTS/CAREGIVERS | 19. What measures have been taken to support parents/caregivers? [Select all that apply] |  | Childcare services remaining open for children who cannot be looked after by the parents/caretakers |
| Q19_Emergency childcare services available and open for frontline workers |  |  |  | Emergency childcare <br> services available and open <br> for frontline workers |
| Q19_Financial support to families to pay for private childcare services |  |  |  | Financial support to families to pay for private childcare services |
| Q19_Guidance materials for home-based learning for primary and secondary education |  |  |  | Guidance materials for home-based learning for primary and secondary education |
| Q19_Guidance education | materials for pre-primary |  |  | Guidance materials for preprimary education |
| Q19_Tips and materials for continued stimulation and play for young children |  |  |  | Tips and materials for continued stimulation and play for young children |
| Q19_Meals/food rations to families of students |  |  |  | Meals/food rations to families of students |
| Q19_Psychosocial children | counselling services for |  |  | Psychosocial counselling services for children |
| Q19_Psychosocial | support for caregivers |  |  | Psychosocial support for caregivers |
| Q19_Regular telephone follow-up by school (teacher, principal...). |  |  |  | Regular telephone followup by school (teacher, principal...). |
| Q19_No measures |  |  |  | No measures |
| Q19_Other (please specify) |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q20_Radio | LEARNING, ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATIONS | 20. Have any measures been taken to assess student learning on distance education delivery systems? |  | Radio |
| Q20_Radio_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q20_TV |  |  |  | Television |
| Q20_TV_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q20_Online |  |  |  | Online learning platforms |
| Q20_Online_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q20_Phone |  |  |  | Phone calls to students |
| Q20_Phone_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q20_Paper |  |  |  | Paper-based/take home materials |
| Q20_Paper_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q20_Other |  |  |  | Other |
| Q20_Other_Yes |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q21_P |  | 21. High stake examinations | Do high stake examinations exist? | Primary school graduation |
| Q21_P_YES_Cont | d on planned dates |  | Primary school graduationIf yes, which of the following measures have been taken with respect to high-stakes examinations?[Select all that apply] | Continued on planned dates |
| Q21_P_YES_Stagg | red examinations |  |  | Staggered examinations |
| Q21_P_YES_Distan | cing students |  |  | Distancing students |
| Q21_P_YES_Postp examinations | ned/rescheduled |  |  | Postponed/rescheduled examinations |
| Q21_P_YES_Online examinations implemented/scheduled |  |  |  | Online examinations implemented/scheduled |
| Q21_P_YES_Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |  |  |  | Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |


| Variable Name | Section | Main Question | Subquestion | Answer Options |
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| Q21_P_YES_Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |  |  |  | Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |
| Q21_P_YES_Cancelled |  |  |  | Cancelled |
| Q21_P_YES_Other (please specify) |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q21_P_YES_Postpone_Weeks |  |  | If postponed/rescheduled examinations, by how many weeks? | Open-Ended Response |
| Q21_S |  |  | Do high stake examinations exist? | Secondary school graduation |
| Q21_S_YES_Continued on planned dates |  |  | Secondary school graduationlf yes, which of the following measures have been taken with respect to high-stakes examinations?[Select all that apply] | Continued on planned dates |
| Q21_S_YES_Staggered examinations |  |  |  | Staggered examinations |
| Q21_S_YES_Distancing students |  |  |  | Distancing students |
| Q21_S_YES_Postponed/rescheduled examinations |  |  |  | Postponed/rescheduled examinations |
| Q21_S_YES_Online examinations implemented/scheduled |  |  |  | Online examinations implemented/scheduled |
| Q21_S_YES_Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |  |  |  | Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |
| Q21_S_YES_Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |  |  |  | Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |
| Q21_S_YES_Cancelled |  |  |  | Cancelled |
| Q21_S_YES_Other (please specify) |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q21_S_YES_Postpone_Weeks |  |  | If postponed/rescheduled examinations, by how many weeks? | Open-Ended Response |


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| Q21_Univ |  |  | Do high stake examinations exist? | University entrance <br> examination |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Continued on planned dates |  |  | University entrance examinationIf yes, which of the following measures have been taken with respect to high-stakes examinations?[Select all that apply] | Continued on planned dates |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Staggered examinations |  |  |  | Staggered examinations |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Distancing students |  |  |  | Distancing students |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Postponed/rescheduled examinations |  |  |  | Postponed/rescheduled examinations |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Online examinations implemented/scheduled |  |  |  | Online examinations implemented/scheduled |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |  |  |  | Reduced curriculum content to be assessed |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |  |  |  | Introduced alternative assessment/validation of learning (e.g. appraisal of student learning portfolio) |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Cancelled |  |  |  | Cancelled |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Other (please specify) |  |  |  | Other (please specify) |
| Q21_Univ_Yes_Postpone_Weeks |  |  | If postponed/rescheduled examinations, by how many weeks? | Open-Ended Response |
| Q21_Promo |  |  | If promotion practices have changed, please specify: | Open-Ended Response |
| Q22 |  | 22. Please describe other key challenges and policy measures/responses taken to address the Covid-19-related education challenges in your country. |  | Open-Ended Response |


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[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ For Q12, there are four preceding questions for each level of education (pre-primary, primary, lower secondary, and upper secondary) but there is only one follow-up question. Therefore, it is not possible to adjust the answer to the preceding questions based on a single follow-up question, and the skip logic contradiction is not applied to Q12.
    ${ }^{3}$ Note that the subquestion of Q3 - "Will you increase class time when schools re-open?" was not considered as dependent to Q1; and was treated as an independent question.

