

ACCESS TO ADEQUATE SHELTER

Output indicator

Indicator Phrasing

English: number of people having access to basic, safe and dignified shelters solutions

French: nombre de personnes ayant accès à des solutions d'abris de base, sûres et dignes

Portuguese: número de pessoas que têm acesso a soluções de habitação básicas, seguras e dignas

Czech: počet lidí s přístupem k základnímu, bezpečnému a důstojnému přístřeší

What is its purpose?

This ECHO's Key Result Indicator assesses the number of target beneficiaries having access to shelter solutions whose size meets Sphere Standards, the design of which is culturally acceptable, and (re)construction of which is in accordance with safe building practices and involves the affected population.

How to Collect and Analyse the Required Data

Review the (re)construction designs (answers to Q1, Q2), interview the shelter users (answers to Q3, Q5), conduct technical observations (answers to Q1, Q4) and review the project documentation (answers to Q1, Q2, Q5) to **assess the following aspects of "basic, safe and dignified"**:

RECOMMENDED SURVEY QUESTIONS (Q) AND POSSIBLE ANSWERS (A)

Q1: *Is the covered floor area at least 3.5 square meters per person?*

A1: yes / no

Q2: *Does the shelter solution and materials meet locally agreed technical and performance standards?*

A2: yes / no

Q3: *Is the shelter solution culturally acceptable?*

A3: yes / no

Q4: *Has the (re)construction been done in accordance with safe building practices and standards?*

A4: yes / no

Q5: *Does the (re)construction demonstrate involvement of the affected population?*

A5: yes / no

If the answers to all questions are YES, the indicator is met (i.e. the people have access to “basic, safe and dignified shelter solutions”).

Disaggregate by

[Disaggregate](#) the data by the shelter solutions (as defined by the cluster), gender and specific vulnerable groups, such as people with disability.

Important Comments

1) In the cold periods/ climates, activities typically take place within the covered area. Since people have higher needs for space, **the standard increases to 4.5 square meters** at the very minimum.

2) Especially in the initial stages of an emergency, reaching the **standard of 3.5 square meters might not be feasible**. In such a case, assess whether the lower standard was well-justified, coordinated with relevant agencies and (where relevant) met - or is likely to be met - within a short period of time).

3) The indicator is one of ECHO's Key Results Indicators.

E-Questionnaire

- [XLS form for electronic data collection - indicator Access to Adequate Shelter](#)

Access Additional Guidance

- ECHO (2016) [List of Key Results Indicators \(KRI\)](#)
- [Sphere Shelter and Settlement Standard 3: Living Space](#)
- [Global Shelter Cluster](#)