



# GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON CHOLERA CONTROL

## Answers to the exercise to practice using the PAMI Excel tool to identify PAMIs for cholera elimination

### Describe the exercise dataset

1. Is there any vulnerability factor included in the GTFCC indicative list for which data was not compiled in the exercise dataset? **No**
2. Is there any vulnerability factor not included in the GTFCC indicative list for which data was compiled in the exercise dataset? If so, what is the name of the corresponding variable? **Yes, VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1**

In the dataset, variables with data compiled are filled as Yes, No, Missing\_value (see 'a' on the figure below). Variables with no data compiled are filled as Not\_included and colored in grey (see b on the figure below).

1. In the GTFCC data model template, variables from VF\_02\_chol\_import to VF\_14\_limited\_hygiene are vulnerability factors included in the GTFCC indicative list. For all of them data were compiled in the dataset (see 1 on the figure below).

2. In the GTFCC data model template, variables from VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1 to VF\_18\_add\_factor\_4 are potential vulnerability factors not included in the GTFCC indicative list but that may be added if considered relevant in the country-specific context. Data were compiled in the dataset for one additional vulnerability factor not included in the GTFCC indicative list, VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1 (see 2 on the figure below).

	VF_01	VF_02_chol_import	VF_03_chol_prevalence	VF_04_chol_prevalence	VF_05_chol_prevalence	VF_06_chol_prevalence	VF_07_chol_prevalence	VF_08_chol_prevalence	VF_09_chol_prevalence	VF_10_chol_prevalence	VF_11_chol_prevalence	VF_12_chol_prevalence	VF_13_chol_prevalence	VF_14_limited_hygiene	VF_15_add_factor_1	VF_16_add_factor_2	VF_17_add_factor_3	VF_18_add_factor_4
id_005	admin_1_L01	admin_2_005	64,293	No	No	No	No	No										
id_010	admin_1_L02	admin_2_010	121,295	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included
id_014	admin_1_L02	admin_2_014	37,086	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included										
id_015	admin_1_L02	admin_2_015	354,480	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included						
id_022	admin_1_L02	admin_2_022	298,257	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Not_included	Not_included
id_025	admin_1_L02	admin_2_025	253,927	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included
id_028	admin_1_L02	admin_2_028	169,630	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included										
id_030	admin_1_L02	admin_2_030	192,295	No	No	No	Not_included	Not_included										
id_033	admin_1_L02	admin_2_033	223,198	No	Yes	No	Not_included	Not_included										



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## Set parameters for the PAMI analysis

The vulnerability factor not included in the GTFCC indicative list that the country decided to consider in its PAMI analysis is the presence of harbor(s) with fish market. It is assessed (measurable vulnerable indicator) as NCP unit with at least one harbor with a fish market.

- In the sheet Factor selection, add the definition of the vulnerability factor not included in the GTFCC indicative list that the country decided to consider in its PAMI analysis as well as the definition of the associated measurable vulnerability indicator. [See 3.1 & 3.2 on the figure below.](#)
- Include this vulnerability factor in the calculations. [See 4 on the figure below.](#)

In the PAMI Excel tool, the sheet **Factor selection** is used to set parameters for the PAMI analysis.

3. As noticed when describing the dataset, the vulnerability factor not included in the GTFCC indicative list that the country decided to consider in its PAMI analysis is variable VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1 (see a on the figure below). For this variable, the definition of the corresponding vulnerability factor is entered in column Vulnerability factors (see 3.1 on the figure below) and the definition of the associated measurable vulnerability indicator is entered in column Measurable vulnerability indicator (see 3.2 on the figure below).

4. The variable VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1 is included in the analysis by selecting “Included in the vulnerability index” in column Selection of factors in the vulnerability index (see 4 on the figure below).

List of the country-specific vulnerability factors	Update measurable indicator definition		Set the indicator relative weight (if applicable)	Select factors for the vulnerability index calculation
	- Outcome of each measurable indicator is expected to be "Yes/No"	- Do not modify the variable names	- By default, unweighted sum corresponds to weight value of 1 - Numeric weight can be modified by the user (e.g., 2, 4, ...)	- Use the drop menu to select vulnerability factors to be included in the vulnerability index calculation (except for "Confirmed cholera outbreak(s) over the analysis period" already added by default)
Vulnerability factors	Measurable indicators	Variable names	Indicator weight	Selection of factors in the vulnerability index
Limited access to hygiene	NCP unit with more than 50% of the population with no handwashing facility on premises	VF_M_limited_hygiene	1	Included in the vulnerability index
Presence of harbor(s) with fish market <b>3.1</b>	NCP unit with at least one harbor with a fish market. <b>3.2</b>	VF_15_add_factor_1 <b>a</b>	1	Included in the vulnerability index <b>4</b>
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (2)	To be completed if additional cholera country-specific factors are selected: "NCP unit with ..."	VF_16_add_factor_2	1	Excluded from the vulnerability index
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (3)	To be completed if additional cholera country-specific factors are selected: "NCP unit with ..."	VF_17_add_factor_3	1	Excluded from the vulnerability index
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (4)	To be completed if additional cholera country-specific factors are selected: "NCP unit with ..."	VF_18_add_factor_4	1	Excluded from the vulnerability index



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## Identify and address missing values

5. For which vulnerability factors and for how many geo units are there missing values?  
**One vulnerability factor (Hard-to-access populations) and two geo units.**

Sheet R.3 | **Missing data overview** is used to identify any vulnerability factor with missing value(s). There are missing values for the vulnerability factor “Hard-to-access populations” (see 5.a on the figure below) and for this vulnerability factor values are missing for two geo units (see 5.b on the figure below).

Vulnerability factors	Num. of observations				Relative percentage			
	Missing values	"No"	"Yes"	Total	Missing values	"No"	"Yes"	Total
Confirmed cholera outbreak(s) over the analysis period	0	42	6	48	0.0%	87.5%	12.5%	100.0%
Confirmed cholera imported case(s) in the NCP operational geographic unit considered	0	37	11	48	0.0%	77.1%	22.9%	100.0%
Cross-border areas adjacent to frequently cholera-affected areas or identified PAMIs in neighbouring country(ies)	0	41	7	48	0.0%	85.4%	14.6%	100.0%
Location along major travel routes with transportation hubs	0	43	5	48	0.0%	89.6%	10.4%	100.0%
Major population gatherings	0	36	12	48	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%	100.0%
High population density locations or overcrowded settings	0	43	5	48	0.0%	89.6%	10.4%	100.0%
High-risk populations	0	36	12	48	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%	100.0%
<b>Hard-to-access populations</b>	<b>2</b>	41	5	48	<b>4.2%</b>	85.4%	10.4%	100.0%
Population that received oral cholera vaccine (OCV) more than three years ago	0	42	6	48	0.0%	87.5%	12.5%	100.0%
High-risk for extreme climate and weather conditions	0	42	6	48	0.0%	87.5%	12.5%	100.0%
Complex humanitarian emergency	0	39	9	48	0.0%	81.3%	18.8%	100.0%
Unimproved water	0	39	9	48	0.0%	81.3%	18.8%	100.0%
Unimproved sanitation	0	42	6	48	0.0%	87.5%	12.5%	100.0%
Limited access to hygiene	0	36	12	48	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%	100.0%
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (1)	0	41	7	48	0.0%	85.4%	14.6%	100.0%
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (2)	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (3)	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
Additional country-specific cholera vulnerability factor (4)	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-

6. What are the unique identifiers of the geo units with missing values? **id\_058, id\_112**

According to the sheet Factor selection, hard-to-access populations is variable VF\_08\_hard\_to\_acc\_risk\_pop (see 6.a on the figure below).

Vulnerability factors	Measurable indicators	Variable names
Hard-to-access populations	NCP unit with hard-to-access population	VF_08_hard_to_acc_risk_pop

Sheet R.4 | **Table PAMIs export** is used to filter the data. Variable VF\_08\_hard\_to\_acc\_risk\_pop is filtered for missing values (see 6.b on the figure below).

The unique identifiers of the two geo units with missing values for hard-to-access populations are id\_058 and id\_112 (see 6.c on the figure below).

unique_id	admin_1	admin_2	pop	VF_01_chol_outbk	VF_02_chol_import	VF_03_chol_proximity	VF_04_inov_pathw	VF_05_pop_gathering	VF_06_overcrowded_set	VF_07_high_risk_pop	VF_08_hard_to_acc_risk_pop	VF_09_ovc
id_058	04	admin_2_058	227349	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Missing_value	No
id_112	07	admin_2_112	346997	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Missing_value	No



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7. Taking into account expert opinions, stakeholders determined that in the geo units with missing values, the corresponding vulnerability factor is absent. a) Fill the missing values accordingly in the dataset, b) update the calculations, c) make sure that there is no longer any missing value in the calculations.

a) To correct missing values, the recommended approach is to make the changes in the dataset file and reupload it in a blank version of the PAMI Excel tool. For the purpose of the exercise, missing values may be corrected in the sheet Data input table. Then “refresh all”.

b) If missing values were corrected in the dataset file and reuploaded in a blank version of the PAMI Excel tool, (re)include VF\_15\_add\_factor\_1 in the vulnerability index (sheet factor selection), include all geo units in the analysis (sheet R.1| Vulnera. index calculation), and “refresh all”. If missing values were corrected in the sheet Data input table, “refresh all”.

c) Sheet R.3| Missing data overview is used to check that there is no longer any missing value.





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## Assess a potential vulnerability index threshold

If the stakeholders decide on a vulnerability index threshold  $\geq 4$ :

- 11. What would the cumulative number of geo units considered as PAMIs? **14**
- 12. What would the percentage of the country population living in PAMIs? **31.4%**

Sheet R.2 | Vulnera. index summary is used to assess potential vulnerability index thresholds.

With a vulnerability index threshold  $\geq 4$ , 14 geo units would be PAMIs (see 11 on the figure below) and 31.4% of the country population would live in PAMIs (see 12 on the figure below).

Vulnerability index values	Number of geographic units	Cum. number of geographic units	Rel. % of the num. of geographic units	Cum. % of the num. of geographic units	Total population	Rel. % of total population	Cum. % of total population
Initial PAMI	6	6	12.5%	12.5%	1,124,815	10.0%	10.0%
10	1	7	2.1%	14.6%	275,489	2.5%	12.5%
8	1	8	2.1%	16.7%	369,669	3.3%	15.8%
6	2	10	4.2%	20.8%	628,507	5.6%	21.4%
5	1	11	2.1%	22.9%	111,409	1.0%	22.4%
4	3	14	6.3%	29.2%	1,017,687	9.1%	31.4%
3	4	18	8.3%	37.5%	936,401	8.3%	39.8%
2	10	28	20.8%	58.3%	2,404,454	21.4%	61.2%
1	6	34	12.5%	70.8%	1,483,842	13.2%	74.4%
0	14	48	29.2%	100.0%	2,875,245	25.6%	100.0%
Grand Total	48	48	100.0%	100.0%	11,227,518	100.0%	100.0%