

Dominican Republic



Policies, Interventions and Actions

NCD Country Profiles 2018 (Obesity Targets)

The profiles also provide data on the key metabolic risk factors, namely raised blood pressure, raised blood glucose and obesity and National Targets on Obesity (as of 2017)

Categories:	Evidence of Obesity Target
Year(s):	2017 (ongoing)
Target age group:	Adults and children
Organisation:	World Health Organisation
References:	Noncommunicable diseases country profiles 2018. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2018. Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO.

Comision de Prevencion de Sobrepeso y Obesidad

Carry out all activities or actions related to the prevention of overweight and obesity (promotion of healthy lifestyles)

Categories:	Evidence of a multi-sectoral national coordination mechanism for obesity or nutrition (including obesity)
Year(s):	2016 (ongoing)
Target age group:	Adults and children
Organisation:	Ministry of Health
References:	Information provided with kind permission of WHO Global database on the Implementation of Nutrition Action (GINA): https://extranet.who.int/nutrition/gina/en/node/26947 (last accessed 10.08.22) Please note the GINA website has been replaced by the GIFNA database and the GINA link will no longer work. You will find this document by searching this new database: https://gifna.who.int/

Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) - Plan of Action for the Prevention of Obesity in Children and Adolescents

This 5-year action plan was signed by PAHO member countries, aiming to halt the rise in obesity among children and adolescents. It calls for a number of policies, including taxes on unhealthy food and drink, labelling and marketing regulation, health promotion, school nutrition improvement, and breastfeeding promotion.

Categories:	Transnational Obesity Strategies/Policy/Recommendations or Action Plan
Year(s):	2014-2019
Target age group:	Children
Organisation:	Pan American Health Organisation (PAHO), WHO for the Americas
Find out more:	iris.paho.org
Linked document:	Download linked document
References:	PAHO. Plan of Action for the Prevention of Obesity in Children and Adolescents. WHO; 2014.

Strategy for the prevention of overweight and obesity in children and adolescents 2014-2025

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Categories:	Evidence of National Obesity Strategy/Policy or Action plan
Year(s):	2014-2025
Target age group:	Children
Organisation:	Ministry of Health
Linked document:	Download linked document

National Nutrition Strategic Plan

This country strategic plan is based on the recommendations of the zero hunger strategic review and consultations with the Government and key stakeholders .

Categories (partial):	Evidence of Nutritional or Health Strategy/Guidelines/Policy/Action plan
Year(s):	2013-2016
Target age group:	Adults and children
Organisation:	Ministry of Health
Find out more:	www.wfp.org
Linked document:	Download linked document
References:	Dominican Republic Country Strategic Plan (2019-2023) World Food Programme [Internet]. www.wfp.org. [cited 2020ad Jul 27]. Available from: https://www.wfp.org/operations/do02-dominican-republic-country-strategic-plan-2019-2023 □

Pilón de la alimentación y nutrición

The guidelines were developed in a process led by the Office of the First Lady and the Ministry of Public Health, in collaboration with other ministries, universities, consumer groups, the FAO, the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama and the Pan American Health Organization. The guidelines are endorsed by the Ministry of Public Health, the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Agriculture. (Available only in Spanish language)

Categories:	Evidence of Nutritional or Health Strategy/Guidelines/Policy/Action plan
Year(s):	2009 (ongoing)
Target age group:	Adults and children
Organisation:	led by the Office of the First Lady and the Ministry of Public Health
Linked document:	Download linked document
References:	https://www.fao.org/nutrition/education/food-dietary-guidelines/regions/countries/dominican-republic/en/

GNPR 2016-17 (q7) Breastfeeding promotion and/or counselling

WHO Global Nutrition Policy Review 2016-2017 reported the evidence of breastfeeding promotion and/or counselling (q7)

Categories:	Evidence of Breastfeeding promotion or related activity
Target age group:	Adults
Organisation:	Ministry of Health (information provided by the GINA program)
Find out more:	extranet.who.int
References:	Information provided with kind permission of WHO Global database on the Implementation of Nutrition Action (GINA): https://extranet.who.int/nutrition/gina/en Please note the GINA website has been replaced by the GIFNA database and the GINA link will no longer work. You will find this document by searching this new database: https://gifna.who.int/

Marketing of Breast-Milk Substitutes: National Implementation of the International Code Status Report 2016 (Promotion of Breastfeeding)

The 2016 report provides information on the status of implementing the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes and subsequent relevant World Health Assembly resolutions (“the Code”) in and by countries. The report also identifies in which countries they actively promote the benefits of breastfeeding.

Categories:	Evidence of Breastfeeding promotion or related activity
Target age group:	Adults
Organisation:	WHO UNICEF IBFAN
References:	WHO. UNICEF. IBFAN. Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes: National Implementation of the International Code. Status Report 2016. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2016

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