Looking towards tomorrow – food service and retail

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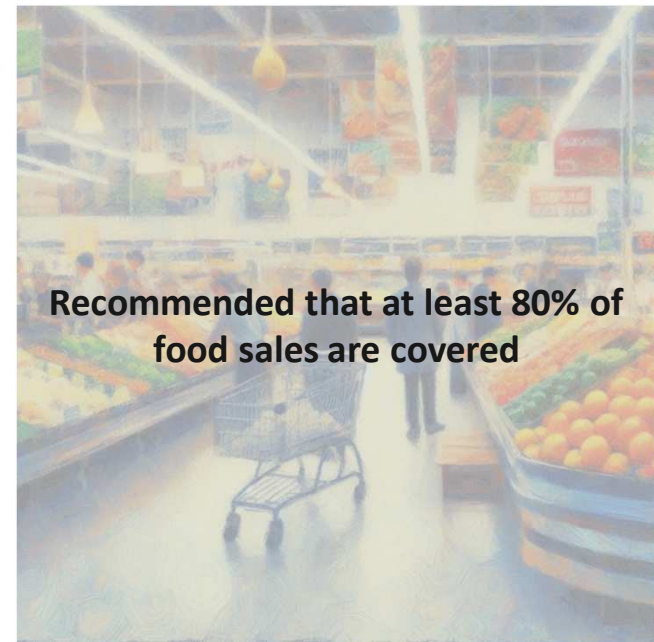| Subsectors	Examples
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Staff catering and other canteens	Limited table service and selection from limited menu of pre-prepared food May be situated in other establishments such as education, healthcare or corporate settings
Accommodation	Hotels and short-term accommodation with meals for residents Worker hostels, boarding schools etc. long-term accommodation
Education	Food served in educational institutions such as schools and universities, often canteen-style catering
Healthcare	Hospitals and other healthcare settings including elderly residential care
Sports & events	Sprots games, music festivals, weddings, conferences. Typically not active all year
Security	Military bases, barracks and prisons. Typically serve all meals consumed by those on site
Markets / street food	Street food, markets and 'food trucks' selling prepared food

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Supermarkets, convenience stores	Typically sell a variety of food and non-food products Often both packaged/processed and fresh food
Greengrocers', butchers', bakers' etc.	Specialist shops typically serving one category of fresh food May include some processing/manufacturing on site
Outdoor markets	Typically sell primarily fresh produce Often no refrigeration or packaging

Prioritising subsectors

- Balance between accuracy and cost
- For reasons of practicality, can focus on priority subsectors

Recommended that at least three subsectors are included

Recommended that at least 80% of food sales are covered

What might be your priority subsectors?

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Subsectors	Examples		Likely a priority sector?
Restaurants, cafés, bars	Typically freshly-prepared from a menu May serve meals and/or drinks May be standalone building or integrated into another, e.g. shopping mall or train station	✅	Likely to serve most meals across a country
Staff catering and other canteens	Limited table service and selection from limited menu of pre-prepared food May be situated in other establishments such as education, healthcare or corporate settings	❓	Depends on economic structure, and if catering in schools/hospitals is reported separately
Accommodation	Hotels and short-term accommodation with meals for residents Worker hostels, boarding schools etc. long-term accommodation	❓	With substantial tourism, or workers hostels, could be priority.
Education	Food served in educational institutions such as schools and universities, often canteen-style catering	❓	Where school feeding programmes exist, likely to be a priority.
Healthcare	Hospitals and other healthcare settings including elderly residential care	❓	Depends on types of healthcare provided
Sports & events	Sports games, music festivals, weddings, conferences. Typically not active all year	❌	Irregular events mean unlikely to be a priority, though some events may be waste reduction opportunities
Security	Military bases, barracks and prisons. Typically serve all meals consumed by those on site	❌	Small population: unlikely to be a priority subsector
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Outdoor markets	Typically sell primarily fresh produce Often no refrigeration or packaging	✔/?	Depends on economic structure, likely to be in many places

It will vary from country to country – make your decision based on *your* context

And be clear when reporting data about what has been included and what has not been included – transparency is key