

DECISION TREE

In humanitarian action, data on persons with disabilities is important as a basis for inclusive programming. Data can be collected for various purposes, including to design a humanitarian response that addresses the needs and priorities of the affected population; to monitor equitable access to assistance; and to target specific population groups. The types of data that are collected and the way they are analyzed depends on how the data is intended to be used.

This document presents guidance on collection of data on the inclusion of persons with disabilities in humanitarian action. It is intended for humanitarian actors to identify the types of data to be collected for different purposes and key tools and approaches that are recommended to be used. This tool can be used for strategic, programmatic and operational purposes, in coordination and programming.

This document complements other guidance on collecting and using data on disability inclusion in humanitarian action, intended to support the HNO/HRP development process:

- [Use of Washington Group Questions in Multi-Sector Needs Assessments¹](#)
- [Guidance on Strengthening Disability Inclusion in Humanitarian Response Plans²](#)

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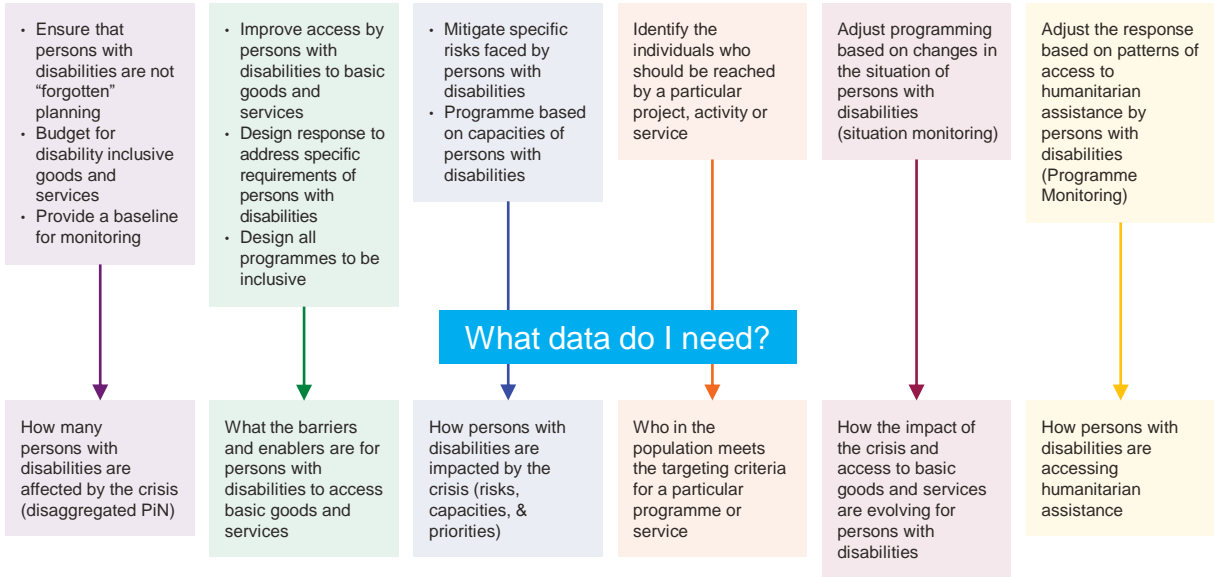
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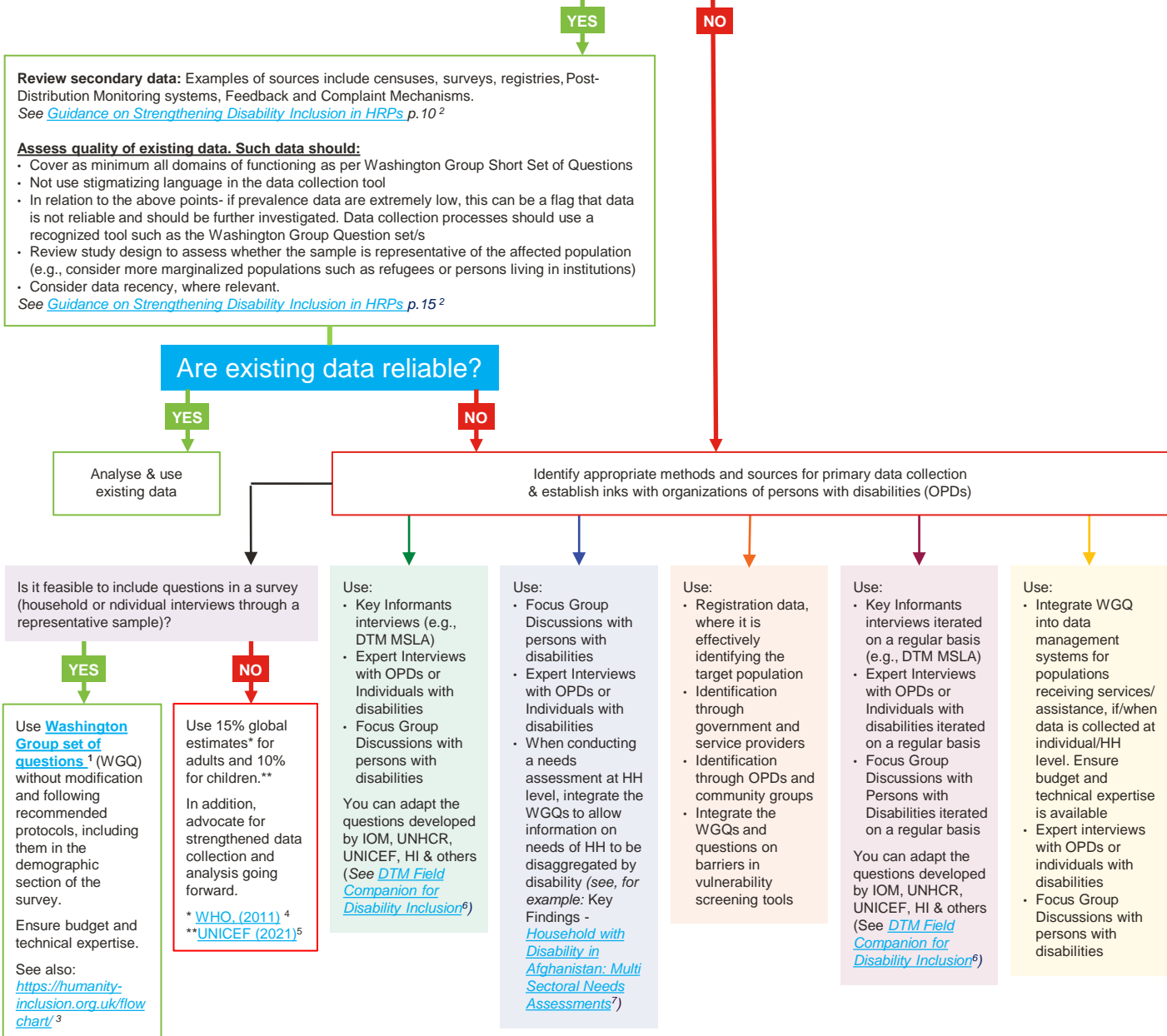
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What will I do with the data?



Do these data already exist?



Notes on URLs

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