

Accelerating Sustainable Development in Kyrgyzstan



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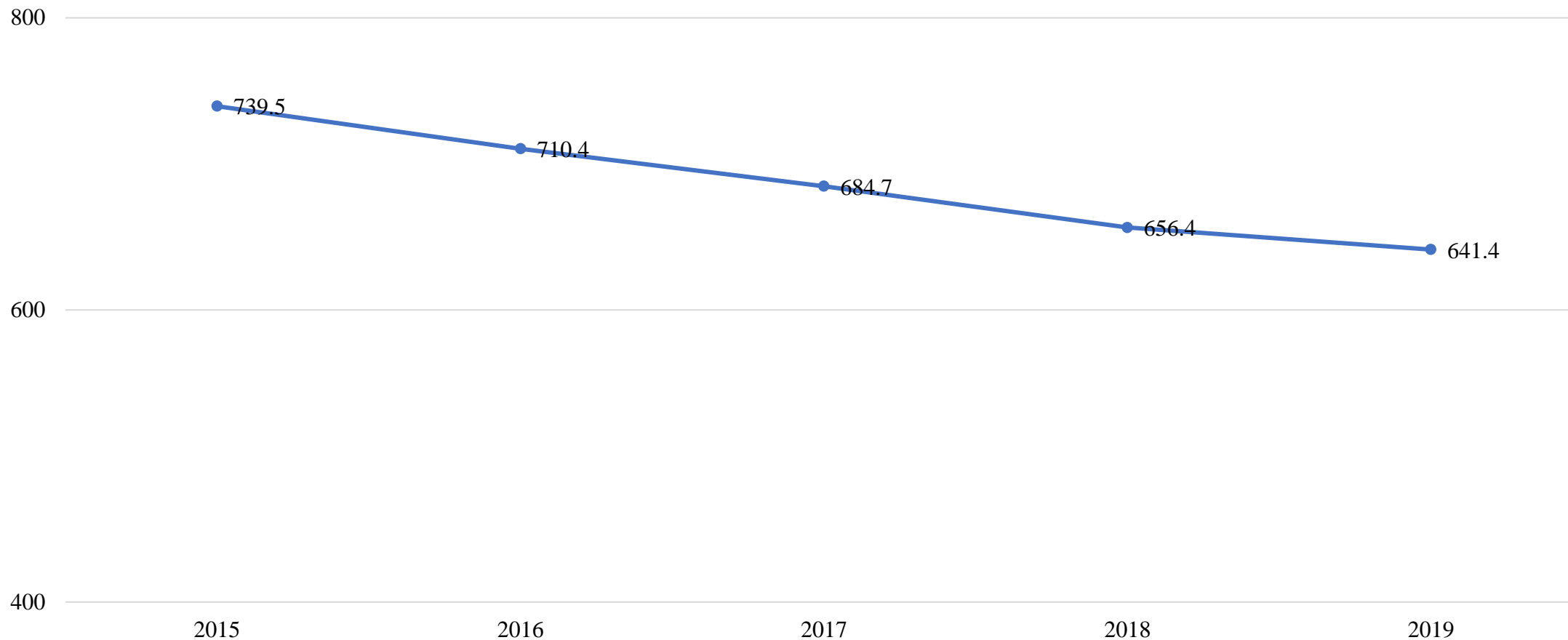
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Key Messages

- While SDG are interrelated, some are “key drivers”
- “Sustain development” requires a holistic approach
- Development needs to be more inclusive; prosperity over the past two years has increased inequalities
- Focusing on health, education, and livelihood SDGs will also accelerate trade and other linkages in CAREC

Good Progress Was Being Made

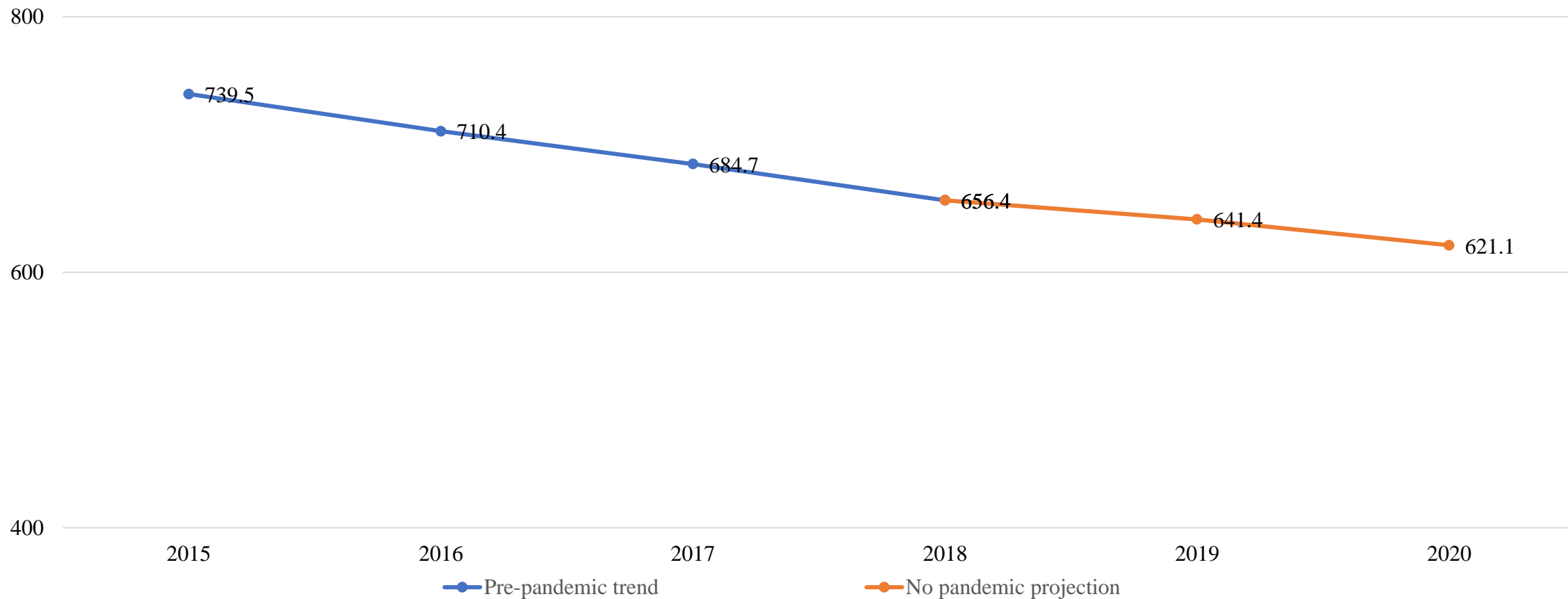
Number of people living on less than \$1.90 a day



SOURCE: UN Statistics Division

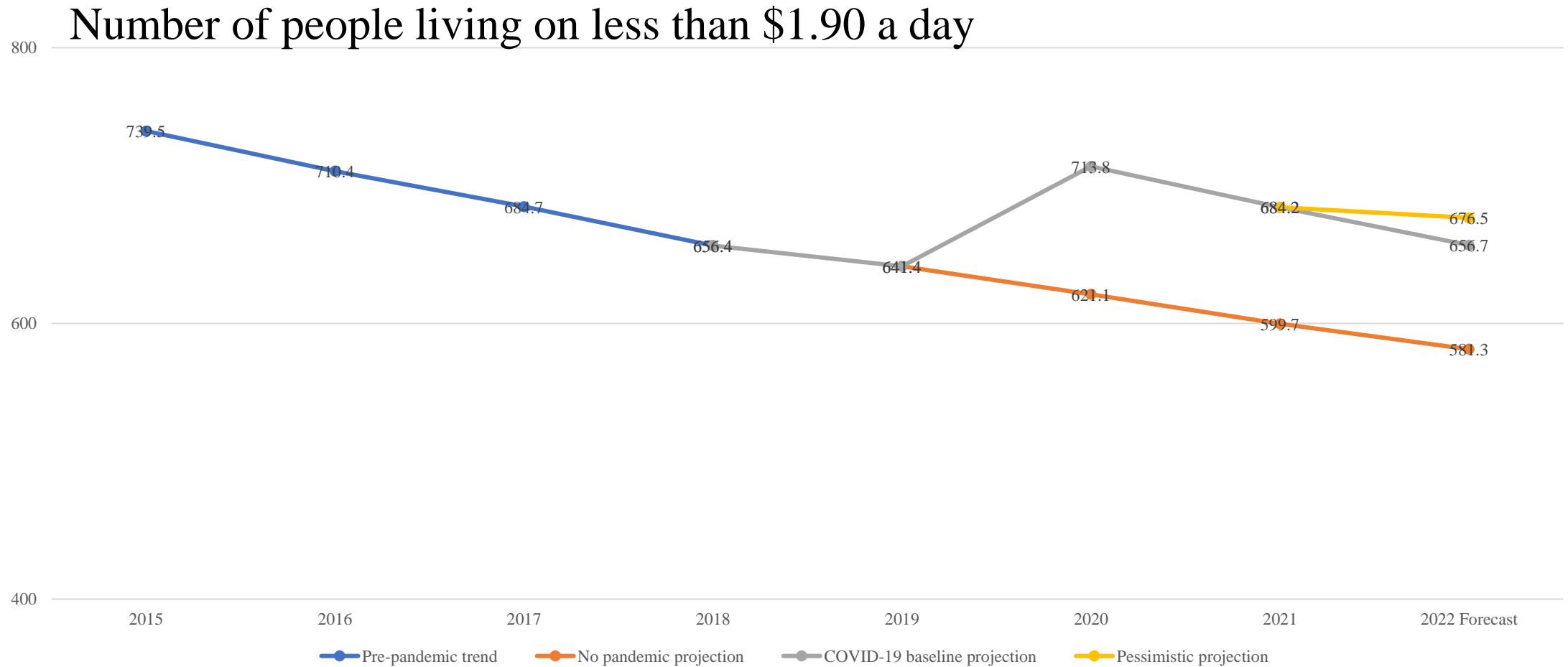
Towards SDG 1

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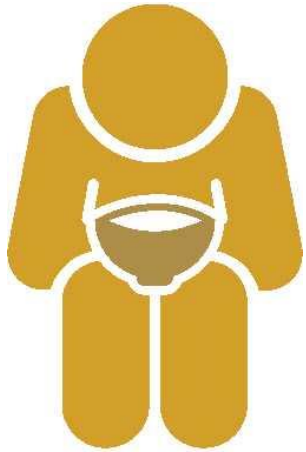
In Search of Resilience Strategies



Source: UN Statistics Division

Food Security Remains a Major Challenge

Proportion of countries affected by high or moderately high food prices, 2019 and 2020 (%)



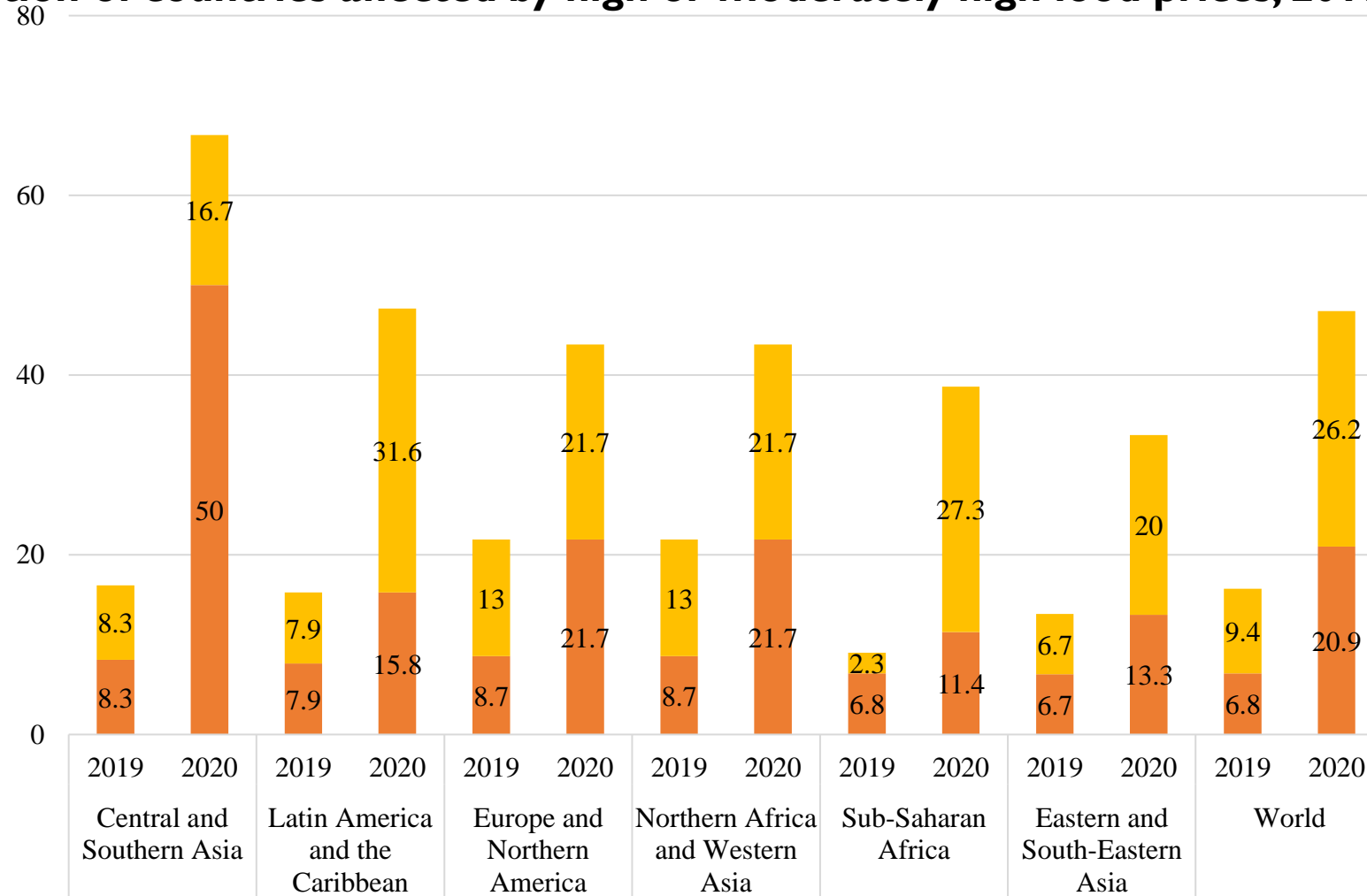
**ABOUT 1 IN 10 PEOPLE
WORLDWIDE ARE
SUFFERING FROM
HUNGER**

**NEARLY 1 IN 3 PEOPLE
LACK REGULAR ACCESS
TO ADEQUATE FOOD (2020)**



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■ Moderately high food prices ■ Abnormally high food prices

SOURCE: David Le Blanc, "Toward Integration at Last? The Sustainable Development Goals as a Network of Targets"

The Story in Kyrgyzstan



Things Look Good?!?

 Chapters Rankings Interactive Map Country Profiles Data Explorer Downloads & Materials			
41	 United States	74.55	
42	 Bulgaria	74.29	
43	 Cyprus	74.23	
44	 Thailand	74.13	
45	 Russian Federation	74.07	
46	 Moldova	73.93	
47	 Costa Rica	73.76	
48	 Kyrgyz Republic	73.72	
49	 Israel	73.51	
50	 Azerbaijan	73.45	

SOURCE: <https://dashboards.sdgindex.org/rankings>

The Current Status



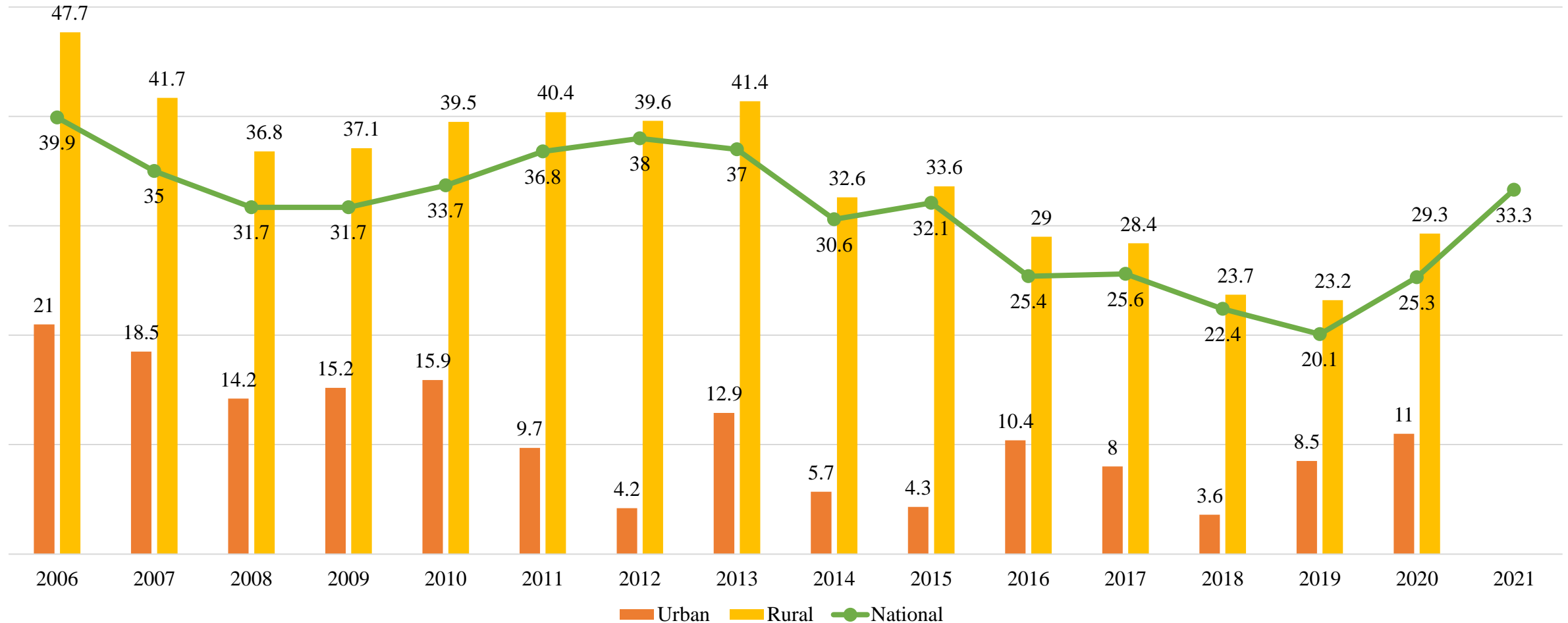
SOURCE: UN Sustainable Development Report, 2022

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Poverty Trends in Kyrgyzstan



SOURCE: National Statistics Committee, Kyrgyz Republic

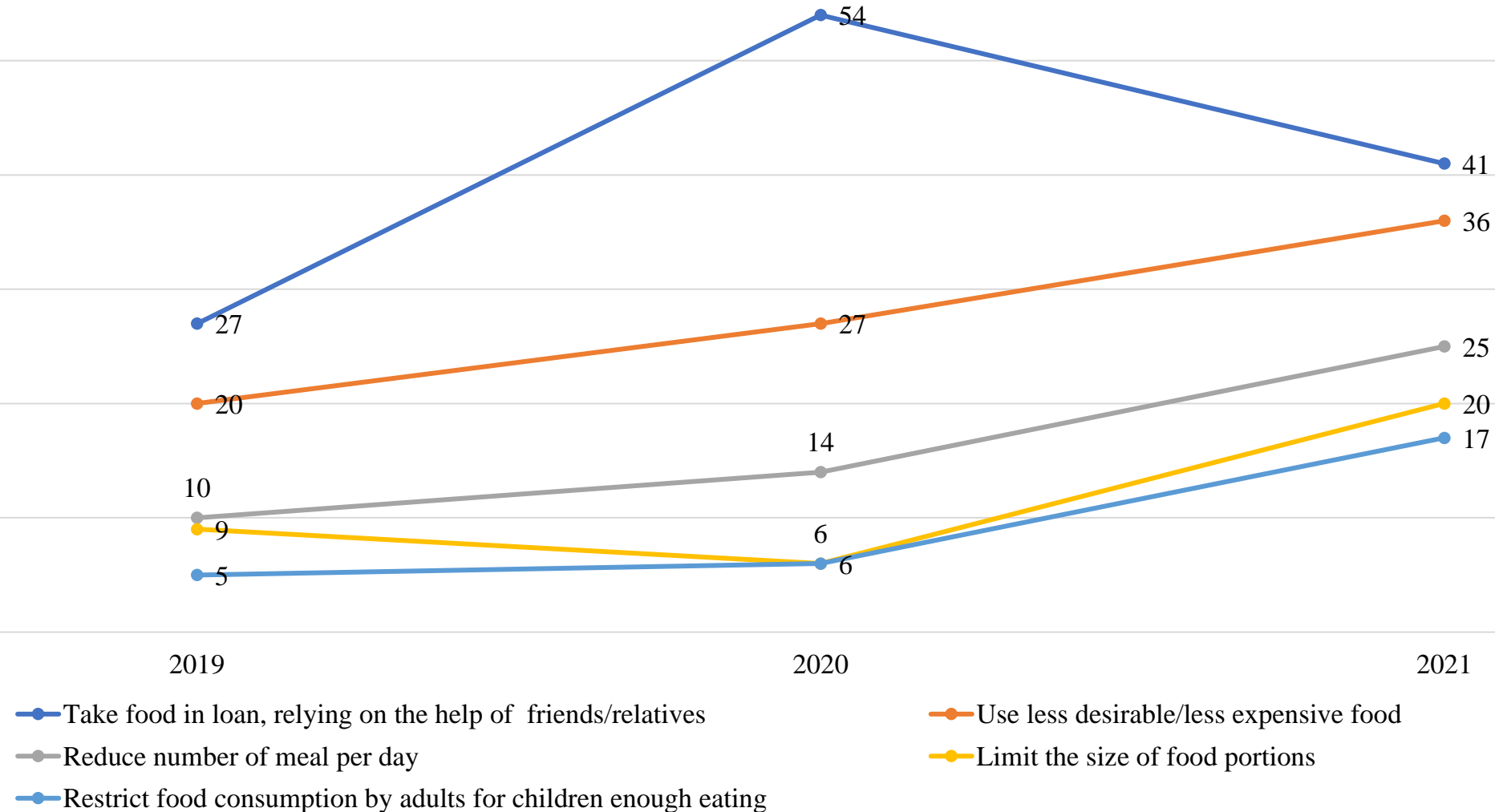
Special Attention on Migrants

Food related coping strategies (% of households)

Food relating coping	Use less desirable/less expensive food	Take food in loan, relying on the help of friends/relatives	Reduce number of meals per day	Limit the size of food portions	Restrict food consumption by adults for children enough eating
HHs with no migrant abroad and no returned migrants	33.2	39.2	22.8	18	12.7
HHs with returned migrants	35.7	41.3	22.1	18.5	13.6
HHs with members currently in migration	30.7	38.6	30.7	22.3	20

SOURCE: Migration, Food Security and Nutrition in the Kyrgyz Republic, WFP and IOM, December 2021

Crisis Coping Strategies



SOURCE: WFP, Food Security Outcome Monitoring 2021

Major Health Concerns

Prevalence of **OF OVERWEIGHT** **IN CHILDREN** (under 5 years of age)

1 out of every **16th**
IN THE WORLD:
(2018)



5.9%

1 out of every **14th**
IN KYRGYZSTAN
(2018)

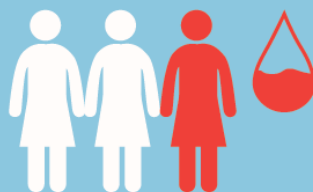


6,9%

Prevalence of **ANEMIA AMONG WOMEN OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE**

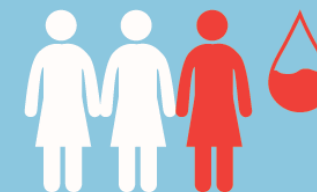
1 out of every **3rd**
IN THE WORLD:
(2016)

32.8%



1 out of every **3rd**
IN KYRGYZSTAN
(2016)

36.2%



Source: The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World, FAO, 2019
and Kyrgyzstan Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) 2019



Indicator reduced
over last years



Indicator increased
over last years

What Can Be & Is Being Done?



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Life in Kyrgyzstan

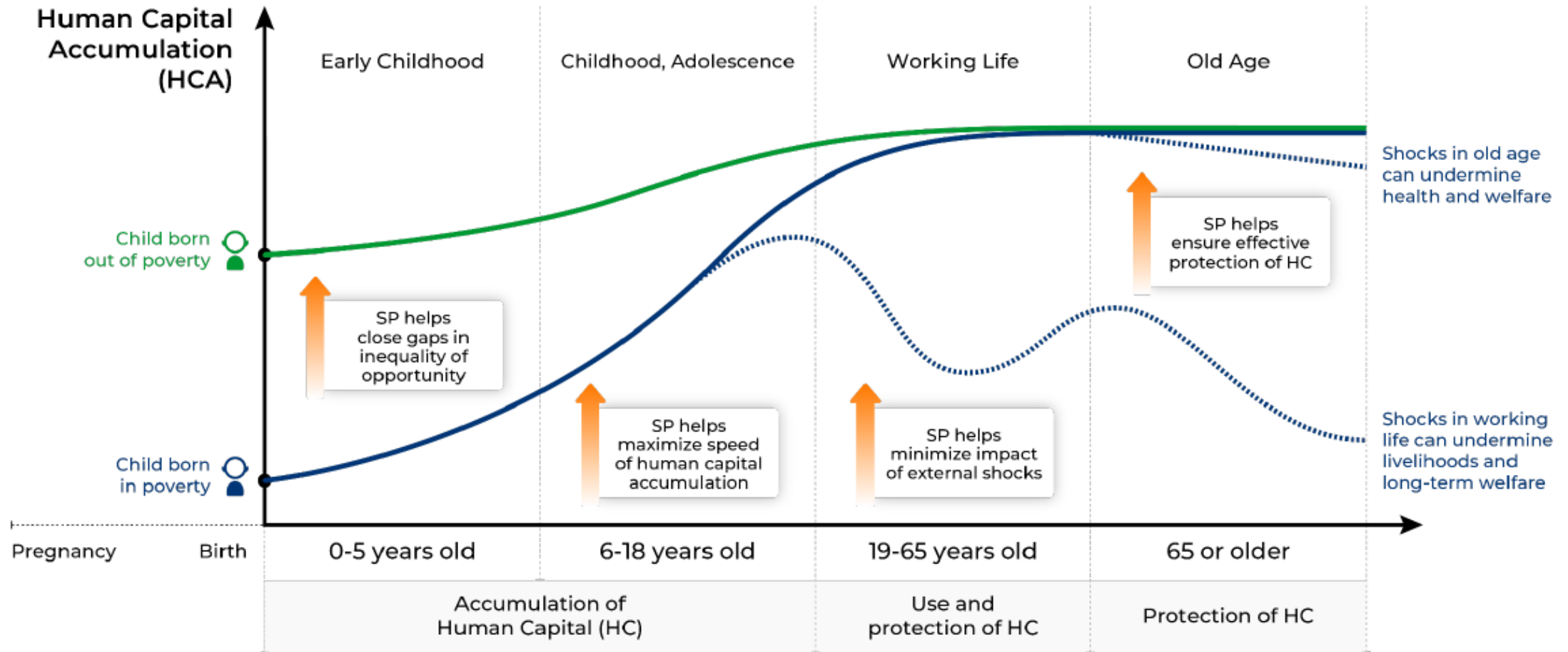


Productive Social Contract (Cash+)

- Holistic approach that targets vulnerable households
- Provide an “accelerator” to transition from subsistence to more sustainable livelihood opportunities
- Allows for active involvement in broader social development



Social Protection = Social Development



SOURCE: Social Protection and Jobs at the Core of Poverty Reduction and Economic Transformation, Cem Mete, World Bank

Enhancing Nutrition and Livelihoods

- Improved nutritional status among the poorest
- Vulnerable households have resources and a “voice” regarding village development
- Participate in community-based organisations and common-interest groups (eg school boards, community-based savings groups)



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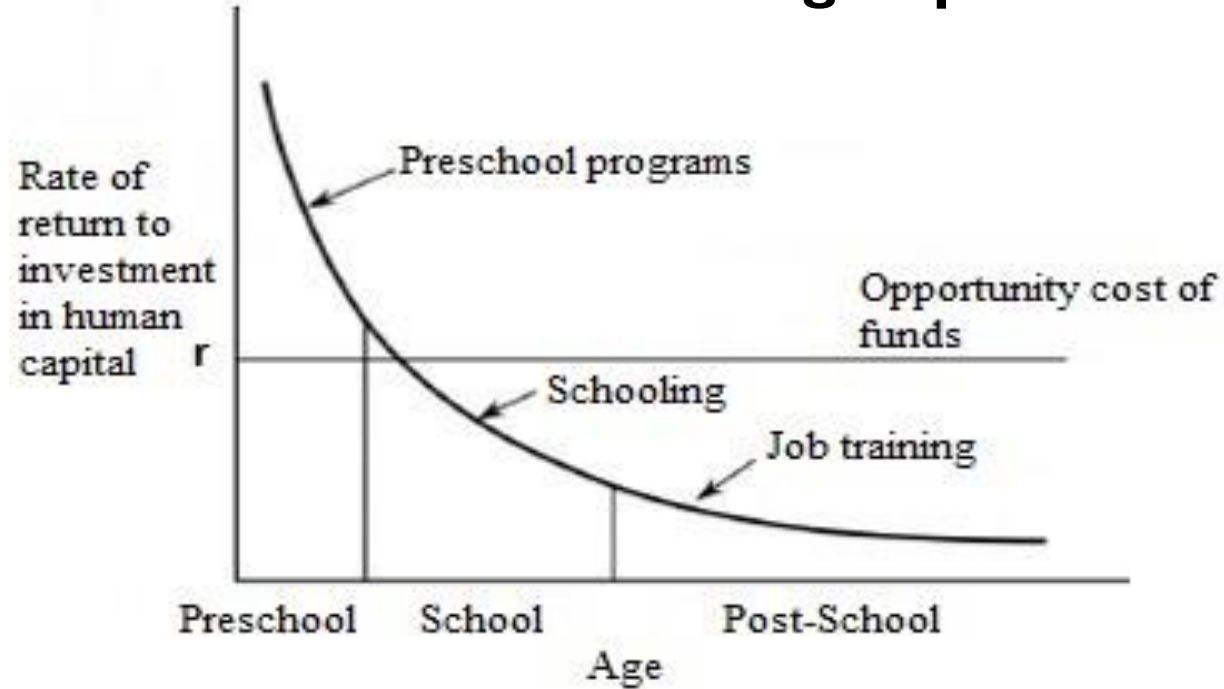
Addressing Maternal Mortality

- Address micronutrient deficiencies
- Establishing regional neonatal care units with relatively low-cost, essential medical equipment
- Updated training programme for health professionals



Securing a Positive Start

Early childhood development investments have a lasting impact



Enhancing Skills and Livelihoods



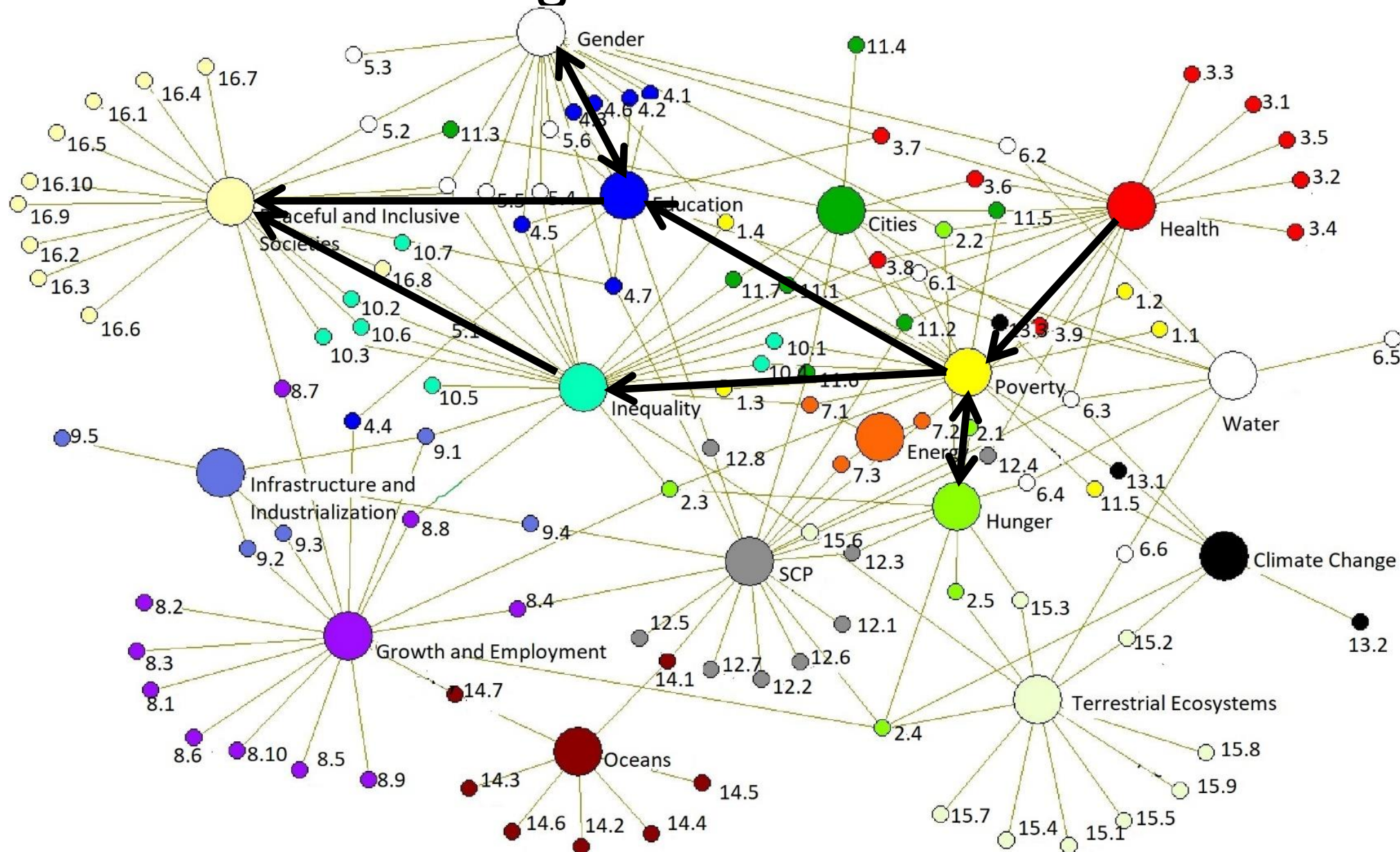
Providing youth with education, skills, and opportunities that respond to labour market needs

Digitalising Social Assistance

- Ensure all eligible households and individuals are included
- Maintain an up-to-date record and allow for scale-up based on verifiable, objective criteria
- Enhance transparency and credibility



Making the Connections



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Thank You

