Who can create new indicators?

All users who belong to a group with **View & Edit** permissions on **Indicator Definitions** can create new indicators.

How do I create a new indicator?

You can create single new indicators directly in the site and you can **Add Multiple Indicators** via Excel. This page walks you through how to create a single new indicator.

To add an indicator, go to **Results** and click on **Indicators**.



This will open the Indicators Index page. Click the **+ New Indicator** button in the lower right.

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Format	0001	# unique people trained	
Data Source	002	Average % improvement from pre-test to post-test	Age, Sex, Training Type
Data Table	🔲 1.1.1-a	# hectares of agricultural land (fields, rangeland, agro-forests) showing improved biophysical conditi	Land Type
Data Table	🔲 1.1.2-a	# kilometers of roads improved or constructed	Urban vs Rural
 Type 	🔲 1.1.3-a	# farmers and others who have applied new technologies or management practices as a result of US	Sex
Disaggregation	🔲 1.1.3-b	# person hours of training completed in workforce development supported by USG assistance	Sex
	# 🔲 1.1.3-c	# days of USG funded technical assistance in workforce development provided to counterparts or sta	
Sector	🔲 1.1-a	% gross margin per kg of selected products	Crop Type
▶ Tag	🔲 1.1-b	# hectares under improved technologies or management practices as a result of USG assistance	Land Type
• Unit	🔲 1.2.2-a	# days to export/import	
• Unit	🔲 1.2.2-b	# documents required to export/import goods across borders decreased as a result of USG assistance	
Default Reporting Cycle	🔲 1.2.2-c	# firms receiving USG capacity building assistance to export	Firm Size
	🔲 1.2-a	# jobs attributed to USG intervention	
	🔲 1.3-a	# households with formalized land	
	🔲 1.3-b	# households who have obtained documented property rights as result of USG assistance	
	🔲 1.3-c	# land governance actors receiving USG-funded training or upgraded facilities/equipment	Urban vs Rural
	🔲 1.3-d	# person hours of training completed by government officials, traditional authority, or individuals rel	Sex
	🔲 1.3-е	# days of USG funded technical assistance on land tenure and property rights issues provided to cou	
	🔲 1-a	\$ GDP per capita	

This will open a Create New Indicator pop-up. This pop-up has two fields, both required:

- The Code is the unique identifier for each indicator. Each indicator must have a different Code. You might want to use the codes that people already commonly use to refer to each indicator. If you don't use any codes to identify indicators, we advise you to come up with a coding system that relates to the way you think about how these indicators are organized, such as referencing the results frameworks, sectors, or indicator types.
- Give your indicator a Name that clearly describes what you are counting or measuring. Phrases like "Increase in certifications" or "Level of support" are not indicators. The indicator names would instead be something like "# trainees certified" or "Average support score on a scale of 1-10". We have found that it is faster and easier to read through indicators that are abbreviated with "#" for "Number of", "%" for "Percentage of", and "\$" for "Value of".

Once you've filled out these fields, click the **+ Create Indicator** button in the lower right.

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The following information about creating indicator definitions is a summary. For more detailed explanations about each aspect of an indicator's definition, please see our **Indicator Guidebook**.

The **Data Source** describes how information will be entered.

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Geography Column	Location
Date Column	Date Data will be associated with dates from this column.
Filters	C Add filter

- Select Enter indicator results directly to report the actual count, sum, or average for the indicator once per reporting period.
- Select **From a formula** to calculate this indicator using data from other indicators.
- Select Populate from a data table to report individual records and have the system do the aggregation for you, rather than directly reporting an aggregated total as you would in direct entry.

Additional configuration fields will be displayed for relevant data sources. (Formula indicators will show a Formula Editor; Data Table indicators will show Data table configuration). This particular example shows how data table indicators can be configured to include calculations.

The **Characteristics** section helps define how the system should expect and format the data entered for this indicator.

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Indicator Type	SumAverageYes/No			
Number format	 Whole number Decimal Percentage Rate per 			
Decimal places	2			
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Periods	Results are: Incremental (since last result) 	\bigcirc	gets are: Incremental (sind Cumulative (over	re last target) • the life of the project)

- **Indicator Type** describes how information will be calculated.
- **Number Format** describes how numbers will be formatted and displayed.
- **Decimal places** lets you specify how many decimal places the app should display.
- If your site has more than one defined reporting cycle (such as quarterly and annual), the **Default Reporting Cycle** lets you define the default that should be used for this indicator's data collection/calculation.
- Unit should be the thing your indicator is counting or measuring. If your unit does not appear in the dropdown menu, click on the gearbox to the right that says "Edit standard units" and add it. Note: Percentage indicators do not get a unit because they are always a percent.
- **Periods, Targets are** defines the type of targets for this indicator:
 - **Incremental**: Use this option if your targets reflect only the work you are doing in a given reporting period (e.g. a target for Q4 is for Q4 only).
 - **Cumulative**: Use this option if your targets reflect all of the work you have done cumulatively to date (e.g. a target for Q4 is for all the work done since the activity began work in Q1).

The **Disaggregations** section lets you define the various disaggregations this indicator will require.

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- **Disaggregations** will add non-geographic disaggregations. These are **optional** and you can add as many as you need.
 - Click the + Add a disaggregation button and select the relevant disaggregation(s) from the dropdown list to add it.
 - If your disaggregation does not appear in the dropdown menu, click on the gearbox to the right that says Master list of disaggregations.
 - If you select 2 or more disaggregations, you can choose to disaggregate these in parallel or cross. See Disaggregations for details on those options.
- The Reporting Level is the geographic disaggregation for indicator results. It is required.
 - All indicators must be defined with a single Reporting Level.
 - If your indicator is not disaggregated geographically, you still need to list your country as the Reporting Level to indicate that results for this indicator refer to the whole country (or the whole world for multi-country instances).
 - The options for Reporting Level are "Location" and each of your site's administrative divisions, such as "Province" or "District" or your country itself. Note that the administrative divisions will vary based on your DevResults site configuration.
 - Locations are points on a map with a single set of coordinates. Locations might include villages or cities, hospitals or schools.
 - Administrative divisions, including the whole country, are shapes on a map.
- For Activities, if your indicator is collected by multiple activities, keep the Results are reported separately for each activity box checked.
 - Click on the "+ Add an Activity" button, begin typing the Activity name, and select the appropriate activities that will report on this indicator.
 - Optionally, you can check the Targets are set separately for each activity box if

targets will be set per activity.

A completed **Disaggregation** section might look like this:

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The **Classification** section defines which portion of the **Results Framework**, which **Sectors**, and which **Tags** this indicator relates to. You **must** assign the indicator to at least one section of your results framework; tags and sectors are optional. Click the buttons for each to assign them to the indicator.

Classificatio	n
Results Framework	 M/4.1.3 Vocational training Add a result
Sector(s)	 Economic Development Add a sector
Tags	Add a tag

The other sections (**Definition**, **Justification**, **Data Acquisition**, **Data Quality**, and **Data Analysis**, **Review**, **and Reporting**) of the indicator definition page are optional but allow you to capture a great deal of information about the indicator's acquisition, review, sources, frequency, and so forth.

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