WCARInfo is the online portal for accessing data on child wellbeing in West and Central Africa.

UNICEF’s West and Central Africa Regional Office tracks socio-economic data in WCARInfo and other country-level DevInfo databases. In 2015, CSF was retained to develop a website on the Wordpress CMS that would provide access to this catalog of databases, and present information in intuitive new ways.

CSF first updated the WCARInfo database with recent data files for several sectors, including harmonization with indicators from the NutritionInfo database; users can access and download data files and analysis web pages for a variety of surveys and data sources in the region from the web portal’s catalog.

Interactive, auto-updated visual dashboards – Country Profiles as well as Sectoral Factsheets – were built based on database contents to allow users to view and interact with relevant information. These profiles and factsheets can also be downloaded as static, shareable reports.

Features
- Single portal gives access to intuitive data visualization tools for the entire region: country profiles and sectoral factsheets
- Visualizations from the interactive online tools can be downloaded and shared as static reports
- Portal links to consolidated WCARInfo database and catalogue of other databases

Benefits
- Web-based tool gives instant access all regional datasets
- Intuitive, legible country profiles and sectoral factsheets will expand use of data for evidence-based decision making

Facts
- Stakeholders: UNICEF
- Geographic Area: West and Central Africa
- Time Period: 2016
- Topics: Socioeconomic data
- Tools: Portal, DevInfo and DFA online profiles
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Budget
- 2015: USD $0.22 million
- 2016: USD $0.043 million