

# Maize Milling Industry Structure: South Africa

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# Milling Structure

	Tons per day	Number of Mills
Small	0.1 – 4	85
Medium	4.1 – 20	41
Large	>20.1	54

# Status of Fortification in the Country

- Public-Private collaboration started in the mid-90s and is still going strong!
- All maize meal (super, special, sifted and unsifted and super fine) should be fortified with 6 vitamins, iron and zinc (current)
- Fortification regulations are being reviewed to strengthen the program e.g. include B12, increase zinc, use a more bioavailable source of iron
- Envisaged amended fortification regulations will include requirements for strengthening system compliance across the supply chain

# Main challenges to implement maize meal fortification

- Compliance by **all** millers (especially smaller millers)
- **Variability** of added micronutrients
- Current compliance monitoring system
- Limited number of registered fortificant mix suppliers