



Monitoring The Maputo Plan of Action

An assessment of
Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights
Responses & Reporting
in Africa

MPOA Scorecard

BRIEF

Element 9: Monitoring, evaluation and coordination mechanism

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Holding leaders accountable



Introduction

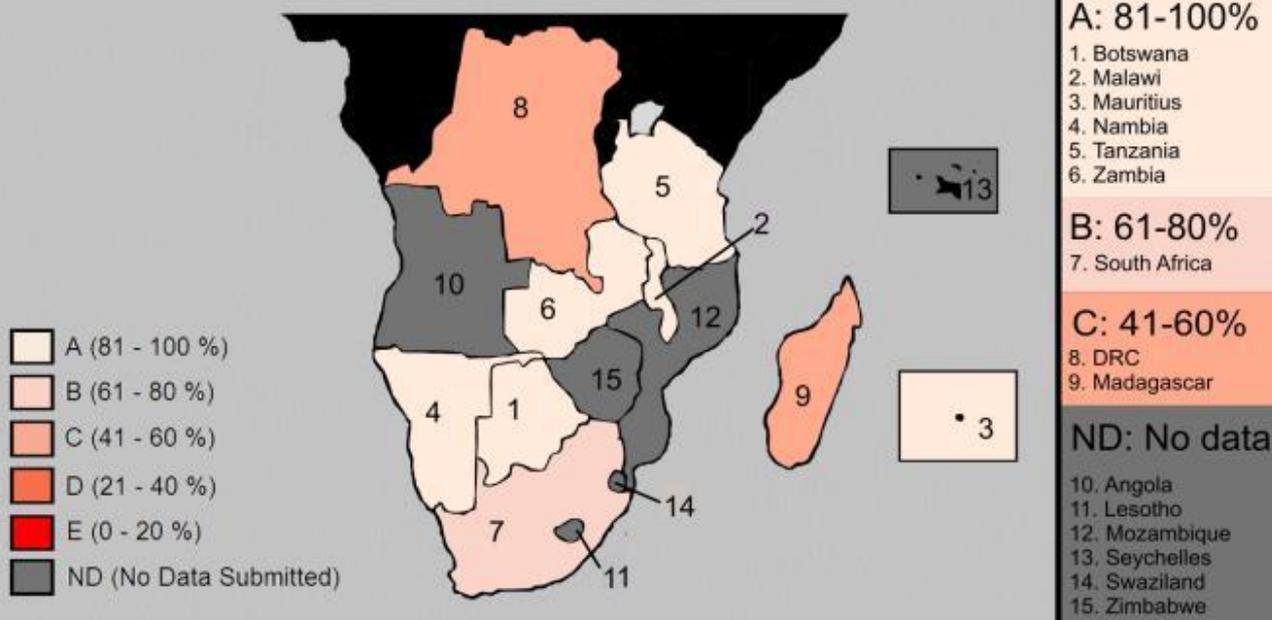
The MPOA Scorecard provides data and an analysis of statistics provided by African governments to the African Union Commission in the Maputo Plan of Action (MPOA) reporting. This report first briefly introduces the various concepts that inform sexual and reproductive health and rights on the continent, how the Maputo Plan of Action commitment evolved as a government solution, and how accountability and data can be used to improve Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR). In the second section of the report the data is presented and analysed in an easy-to-read manner and a way forward provides recommendations in the final closing section. [Read the full report here](#)



Element 9: Monitoring, evaluation and coordination mechanism

This section evaluates governments' response in terms of monitoring and evaluating the work being done on SRHR, and demonstrates a willingness to “know the demand, know the response” yet much remains to be done. Unfortunately in an environment where civil society duplicates efforts by government, develops their own M&E tools and often does not fully coordinate with government in terms of supporting and delivering in the areas where work is most needed, M&E is left on the side-lines, or CSOs develop their own way of monitoring rather than sharing their knowledge with government and perhaps offering training to government staff here necessary. Challenges and recommendations in this section point largely to a lack of capacity amongst government staff which can be readily supported by civil society in a bid to bolster and develop the skills held in health ministries. The value of quality data collection, in a timely, consistent manner needs to be understood by all stakeholders and the role it plays in determining what actions need to be taken, needs to be constantly reinforced so that funding partners, as well as civil society play a bigger role in this area.

Element 9. Monitoring, evaluation and coordination mechanism
 Various M&E, research and best practice policies and plans in place



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