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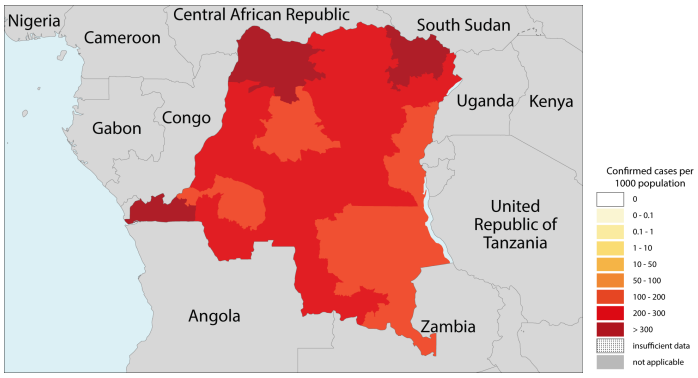
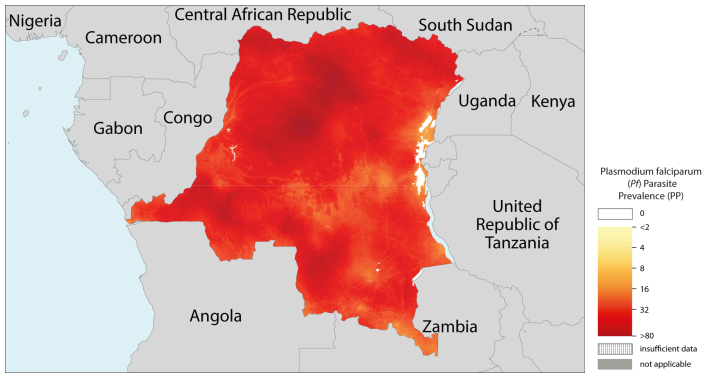
African Region





I. Epidemiological profile

Population (UN Population Division)	2023	%
High transmission (>1 case per 1000 population)	102.6M	97
Low transmission (0-1 case per 1000 population)	3.2M	3
Malaria free (0 cases)		-
Total	105.8M	

Parasites and vectors	
Major plasmodium species (indigenous cases):	*P. falciparum*: 100 (%)*, *P. vivax*: 0 (%)
Major anopheles species:	*An. gambiae s.l., An. funestus s.l., An. moucheti, An. pallidus, An. coustani, An. nili*

*includes mixed infections and other species of Plasmodium

Reported cases and deaths	
Presumed and confirmed cases	29 630 177
Total confirmed cases:	27 657 762
Confirmed cases from public sector:	25 164 969
Confirmed cases from private sector:	-
Confirmed cases at community level:	2 492 793
Confirmed cases in combined health sectors:	-
Reported deaths:	22 224

Estimates	
Estimated cases:	33.1M [24.8M, 43.5M]
Estimated deaths:	67.5K [43.2K, 109.8K]

II. Intervention policies and strategies

Intervention	Policies/Strategies	Yes/ No	Year adopted
ITN	ITNs/LLINs distributed free of charge	Yes	2016
	ITN distributed by mass campaign	Yes	2008
IRS	IRS is recommended	No	-
	DDT is used for IRS	No	-
Larval control	Use of Larval Control	No	-
IPT	IPT used to prevent malaria during pregnancy	Yes	2006
Diagnosis	Malaria diagnosis using RDT is free of charge in the public sector	Yes*	2010
	Malaria diagnosis using microscopy is free of charge in the public sector	-	-
	Malaria diagnosis is free in the private sector	No	-
Treatment	ACT is free for all ages in public sector	Yes	2010
	The sale of oral artemisinin-based monotherapies (oAMTs)	banned	2009
	Single low dose of primaquine (0.75 mg base/kg) with ACT to reduce transmissibility of *P. falciparum*	NA	-
	Primaquine is used for radical treatment of *P. vivax*	NA	-
	G6PD test is a requirement before treatment with primaquine	NA	-
	Directly observed treatment with primaquine is undertaken	NA	-
	System for monitoring of adverse reaction to antimalarials exists	Yes	2010
Surveillance	Malaria is a notifiable disease	Yes	-
	ACD for case investigation (reactive)	NA	-
	ACD at community level of febrile cases (pro-active)	NA	-
	Mass screening is undertaken	NA	-
	Uncomplicated *P. falciparum* cases routinely admitted	No	-
	Uncomplicated *P. vivax* cases routinely admitted	NA	-
	Case investigation undertaken	Yes*	-
	Foci investigation undertaken	No	-
	Case reporting from private sector is mandatory	No	-

Yes* = Policy adopted, but not implemented in 2023
Disc = Discontinued
Earliest year that policy is adopted was adjusted based on the earliest year that the WHO policy was recommended

Antimalaria treatment policy	Medicine	Year adopted
First-line treatment of unconfirmed malaria	AS+AQ	-
First-line treatment of *P. falciparum*	AL; AS-PYR; AS+AQ	-
Second-line treatment *P. falciparum*	AL; AS+AQ	2016
Treatment of severe malaria	AS; QN	-
Treatment of *P. vivax*	NA	-
Dosage of primaquine for radical treatment of *P. vivax*		
Type of RDT used (public)	P.f only	

Therapeutic efficacy tests (clinical and parasitological failure, %)

Medicine	Year	Min	Median	Max	Follow-up	No. of studies	Species
AL	2015-2019	0	0	18	28 days	11	*P. falciparum*
AS-AQ	2017-2019	0	0.75	9	28 days	10	*P. falciparum*
DHA-PPQ	2017-2019	0	0	12	42 days	10	*P. falciparum*

Resistance status by insecticide class (2018-2023) and use of class for malaria vector control (2023)

Insecticide class	(%) sites[1]	Vectors[2]	Used[3]
Carbamates	50% (1/2)	*An. funestus s.l., An. gambiae s.l.*	No
Neonicotinoids			No
Organophosphates	0% (0/13)		No
Pyrethroids	100% (28/28)	*An. funestus s.l., An. gambiae s.l.*	Yes

[1]Percent of sites for which resistance is confirmed and total number of sites that reported data
[2]Vectors reported to exhibit resistance to insecticide class
[3]Class reported as used for malaria control in 2023 (note: if data were not available, data from the previous year were used)

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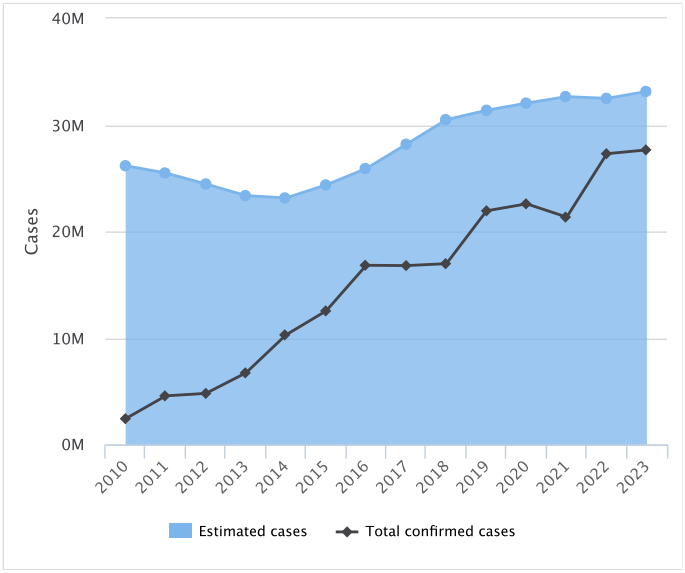
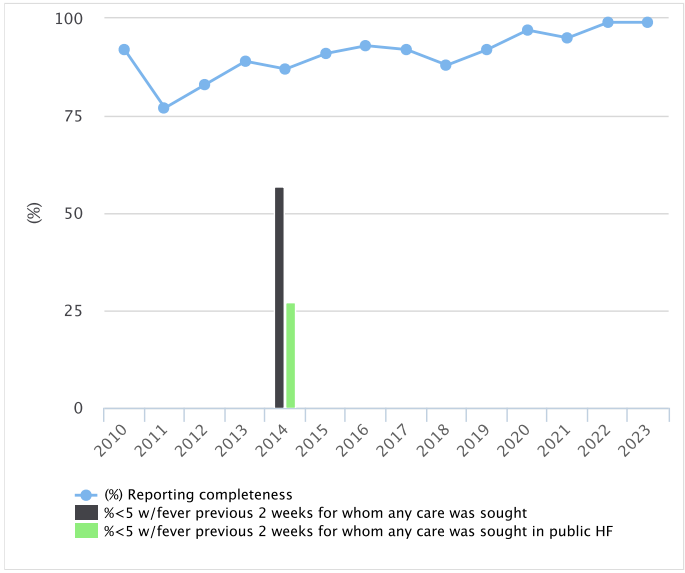
III.

Estimated and reported cases



Treatment seeking and reporting completeness



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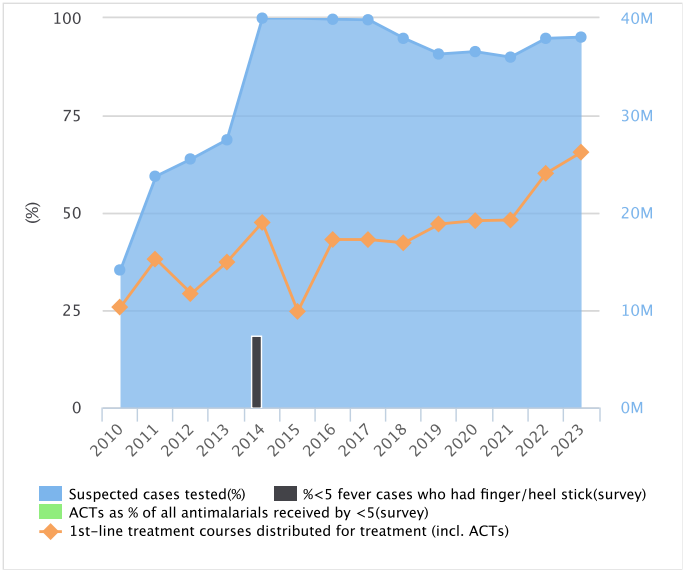
IV.

Cases tested and treated



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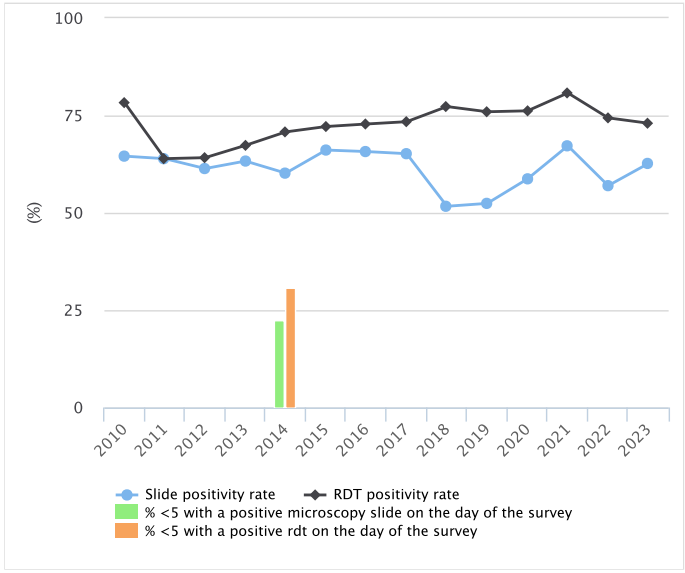
Test positivity



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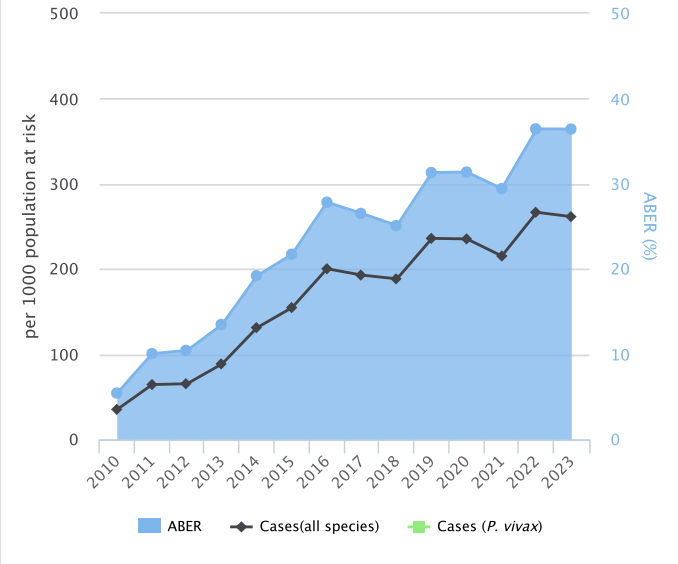
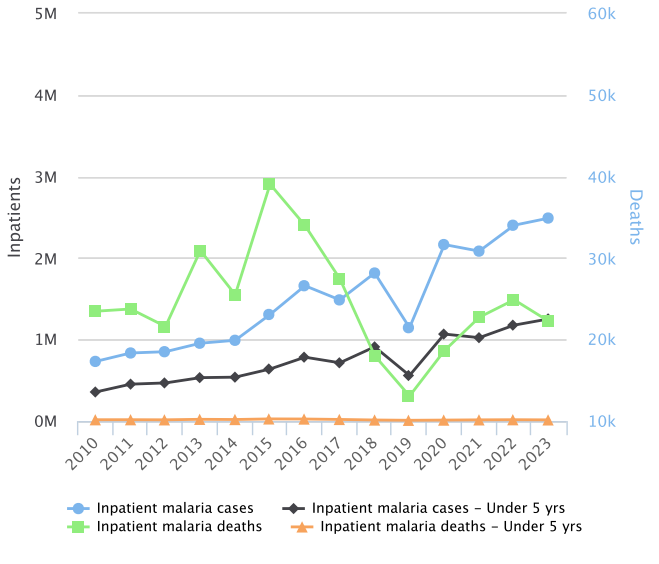
V. Confirmed malaria cases per 1000 population at risk and ABER

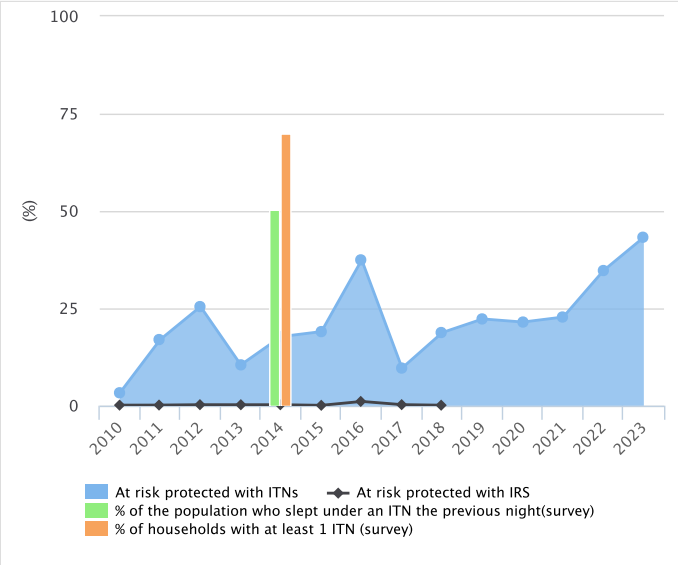


Malaria inpatients and deaths

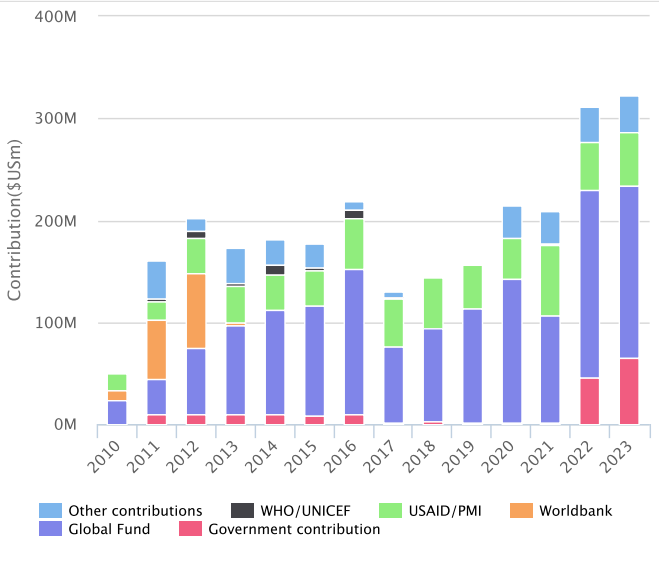


ABER=smears examined in a year X100 / Total population. Includes cases that are imported and introduced

V. Coverage of ITN and IRS



Sources of financing



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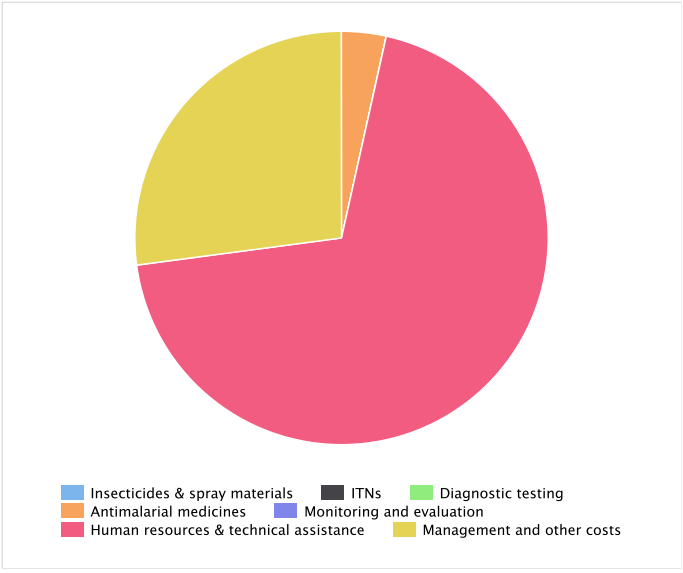
VI. Government expenditure by intervention in 2023



Footnotes

(est.) : WHO estimates based on the survey

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Further information on the methods used to estimate malaria cases and an explanation for the gap between estimated and reported confirmed indigenous cases is provided mpac-april2018-erg-report-malaria-burden-session6.pdf (who.int)