Data Codebook

for a

Round 5 Afrobarometer Survey

in

Malawi

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Survey Overview
The Quality of Democracy and Governance in Malawi
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Dates of Fieldwork: 4 June 2012 to 1 July 2012
Sample size: 2,400
Sampling frame: 2012 Projections based on 2008 National Population and Housing Census provided by National Statistics Office (NSO)
Sample universe: Citizens aged 18 years or older, excluding institutions
Sample design: Nationally representative, random, clustered, stratified, multistage area probability sample
Stratification: Region (North, Centre, South) and Rural, Peri-urban (towns and Bomas) and Urban (Cities)
Stages: Secondary Sampling Units (SSUs) in rural areas at level of Traditional Authorities (TAs), Primary Sampling Units (Enumeration Areas), start points, households, and respondents
PSU selection: Probability Proportionate to Population Size (PPPS)
Cluster size: 8 Households per PSU
Household selection: Randomly selected start points, followed by walk pattern using 5/10 Interval.
Respondent selection: Gender quota filled by alternating interviews between men and women; respondents of appropriate gender listed, after which household member draws a numbered card to select individual.
Weighting: Weighted to account for individual selection probabilities and over sampling in one EA and under sampling in another
Margin of error: +/- 2 with 95 confidence level
Fieldwork by: Centre for Social Research (CSR), University of Malawi
Survey Languages: (Official translations) Chichewa and Chitumbuka
Main researchers: National Investigator: Dr. Maxton Tsoka
Co-National Investigator: Mr. Joseph Chunga
Outcome rates: Contact rate: 98.7
Cooperation rate: 90.6
Refusal rate: 4.3
Response rate: 89.4
EA Substitution Rate: 0
Question Number: RESPNO
Question: Respondent number
Variable Label: Respondent number
Values: MLW0001-NLW2408 (without MLW0598)
Value Labels: String variable
Note: Assigned by data managers

Question Number: BACKCHK
Question: Household back-checked?
Variable Label: Household back-checked?
Values: 1-2
Value Labels: 1=Yes, 2=No
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: URBRUR
Question: PSU/EA
Variable Label: Urban or Rural Primary Sampling Unit
Values: 1-2
Value Labels: 1=urban, 2=rural
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: REGION
Question: Region/Province
Variable Label: Province or region
Values: 460-462
Value Labels: 460=Central, 461=North, 462=South
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: DISTRICT
Question: District
Variable Label: District
Values: 460-487
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: EA_SVC_A
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Electricity grid that most houses could access?
Variable Label: Electricity grid in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

Question Number: EA_SVC_B
Question: Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Piped water system that most houses could access?
Variable Label: Piped water system in the PSU/EA
Values: 0, 1, 9, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor
**Question Number:** EA_SVC_C  
**Question:** Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Sewage system that most houses could access?  
**Variable Label:** Sewage system in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SVC_D  
**Question:** Are the following services present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area: Cell phone service?  
**Variable Label:** Cell phone service in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_FAC_A  
**Question:** Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or within easy walking distance: Post-office?  
**Variable Label:** Post-office in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_FAC_B  
**Question:** Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or within easy walking distance: School?  
**Variable Label:** School in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_FAC_C  
**Question:** Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or within easy walking distance: Police station?  
**Variable Label:** Police station in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_FAC_D  
**Question:** Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or within easy walking distance: Health clinic?  
**Variable Label:** Health clinic in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor
**Question Number:** EA_FAC_E  
**Question:** Are the following facilities present in the primary sampling unit/enumeration area, or within easy walking distance: Market stalls (selling groceries and/or clothing)?  
**Variable Label:** Market stalls in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Can’t determine, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SEC_A  
**Question:** In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any policemen or police vehicles?  
**Variable Label:** Police in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SEC_B  
**Question:** In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any soldiers or army vehicles?  
**Variable Label:** Soldiers/army in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SEC_C  
**Question:** In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any roadblocks set up by police or army?  
**Variable Label:** Roadblocks by police/army in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SEC_D  
**Question:** In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any roadblocks or booms set up by private security providers?  
**Variable Label:** Roadblocks by private security in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_SEC_E  
**Question:** In the PSU/EA, did you (or any of your colleagues) see: Any roadblocks or booms set up by the local community?  
**Variable Label:** Roadblocks by local community in the PSU/EA  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, -1 Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** EA_ROAD  
**Question:** Thinking of your journey here: Was the road at the start point in the PSU/EA paved/tarred/concrete?  
**Variable Label:** Tarred/paved road  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, -1=Missing
Source: SAB
Note: Question was filled in conjunction with field supervisor

**Question Number:** NOCALL_1
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 1
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 1
**Values:** 1-8, 997
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 997=Not applicable
**Source:** Southern Africa Barometer (SAB)
**Note:** Answered by interviewer, after instructions, “It is your job is to select a random (this means any) household. A household is a group of people who presently eat together from the same spot. Start your walk pattern from the start point that has been randomly chosen by your Field Supervisor. Team members must walk in opposite directions to each other. If A walks towards the sun, B must walk away from the sun; C and D must walk at right angles to A and B. Use a 5 / 10 interval pattern to select a household. That is, walking in your designated direction away from the start point, select the 5th household for the first interview, counting houses on both the right and the left (and starting with those on the right if they are opposite each other). Once you leave your first interview, continue on in the same direction, this time selecting the 10th household, again counting houses on both the right and the left. If the settlement comes to an end and there are no more houses, turn at right angles to the right and keep walking, continuing to count until finding the tenth dwelling.”

**Question Number:** NOCALL_2
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 2
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 2
**Values:** 1-8, 997
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 997=Not applicable
**Source:** SAB
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** NOCALL_3
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 3
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 3
**Values:** 1-8, 997
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 997=Not applicable
**Source:** SAB
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** NOCALL_4
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 4
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 4
**Values:** 1-8, 997
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other (specify), 997=Not applicable
**Source:** SAB
**Note:** Answered by interviewer
**Question Number:** NOCALL_5  
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 5  
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 5  
**Values:** 1-8, 997  
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other(specify), 997=Not applicable  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** NOCALL_6  
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 6  
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 6  
**Values:** 1-8, 997  
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other(specify), 997=Not applicable  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** NOCALL_7  
**Question:** Reasons for unsuccessful calls: Household 7  
**Variable Label:** Reason for Unsuccessful Call Household 7  
**Values:** 1-8, 997  
**Value Labels:** 1=Refused to be interviewed, 2=Person selected was never at home after at least two visits, 3=Household/Premises empty for the survey period after at least two visits, 4=Not a citizen/Spoke only a foreign language, 5=Deaf/Did not speak a survey language, 6=Did not fit gender quota, 7=No adults in household, 8=Other(specify), 997=Not applicable  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** PREVINT  
**Question:** Previous interview was with a:  
**Variable Label:** Previous interview, gender  
**Values:** 0, 1, 2,  
**Value Labels:** 0=First interview, 1=Male, 2=Female  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** THISINT  
**Question:** This interview must be with a:  
**Variable Label:** This interview, gender  
**Values:** 1, 2  
**Value Labels:** 1=Male, 2=Female  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** ADULT_CT  
**Question:** Total number of adult citizens in household  
**Variable Label:** Number of adults in household  
**Values:** 1-99, 998, 999, -1  
**Value Labels:** 998=Refused to answer, 999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4  
**Note:** Interviewer was given the following instructions: “Please record the total number of adult women/men (select correct gender, from above table) who are citizens of [Malawi] in the household, i.e., how many names did you write in either the left or the right column above. Enter a two-digit number.”
**Question Number:** CALLS  
**Question:** How many calls were made to the household where the interview actually took place?  
**Variable Label:** Number of calls  
**Values:** 1, 2  
**Value Labels:** 1=One call, 2=Two calls  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** DATEINTR  
**Question:** Date of interview  
**Variable Label:** Date of interview  
**Values:** 01.07.12 – 30.06.12  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Entered in day, month, and year format

**Question Number:** STRTIME  
**Question:** Time interview started  
**Variable Label:** Time interview started  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer. Entered hour and minute, 24 hour clock

**Question Number:** Q1  
**Question:** How old are you?  
**Variable Label:** Age  
**Values:** 18-110, 998-999, -1  
**Value Labels:** 998=Refused to answer, 999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data

**Question Number:** Q2  
**Question:** Which Malawian language is your home language?  
**Variable Label:** Language of respondent  
**Values:** 1-4, 460-473, 9995, 9998-9999, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=English, 2=French, 3=Portuguese, 4=Swahili, 460=Chitumbuka, 461=Chinkhonde, 462=Chilambya, 463=Chichewa, 464=Chiyao, 465=Chingoni, 466=Chilomwe, 467=Chimang’anja, 468=Chisena, 469=Chisukwa, 470=Chisenga, 471=Chitonga, 472=Chindali, 473=Chincyusa, 9995=Others, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to prompt if necessary with “That is, the language of your group of origin.”

**Question Number:** Q3A  
**Question:** In general, how would you describe: The present economic condition of this country?  
**Variable Label:** Country’s present economic condition  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very bad, 2=Fairly bad, 3=Neither good nor bad, 4=Fairly good, 5=Very good, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB, Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q3B  
**Question:** In general, how would you describe: Your own present living conditions?  
**Variable Label:** Your present living conditions  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very bad, 2=Fairly bad, 3=Neither good nor bad, 4=Fairly good, 5=Very good, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB, Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q4  
**Question:** In general, how do you rate your living conditions compared to those of other Malawians?
Variable Label: Your living conditions vs. others  
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: NDB, Zambia96

Question Number: Q5A  
Question: Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Economic conditions in this country?  
Variable Label: Country’s economic condition compared to 12 months ago  
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q5B  
Question: Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Your living conditions?  
Variable Label: Your living conditions compared to 12 months ago  
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: NDB, Zambia96

Question Number: Q6A  
Question: Looking ahead, do you expect the following to be better or worse: Economic conditions in this country in twelve months time?  
Variable Label: Country’s economic condition in 12 months time  
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: NDB, Zambia96

Question Number: Q6B  
Question: Looking ahead, do you expect the following to be better or worse: Your living conditions in twelve months time?  
Variable Label: Your living conditions in 12 months time  
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: NDB, Zambia96

Question Number: Q7  
Question: What about the overall direction of the country? Would you say that the country is going in the wrong direction or going in the right direction?  
Variable Label: Overall direction of the country  
Values: 1, 2, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1= Going in the wrong direction, 2= Going in the right direction, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: Afrobarometer Round5

Question Number: Q8A  
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough food to eat?  
Variable Label: How often gone without food  
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q8B
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough clean water for home use?
Variable Label: How often gone without water
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q8C
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Medicines or medical treatment?
Variable Label: How often gone without medical care
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: NDB

Question Number: Q8D
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough fuel to cook your food?
Variable Label: How often gone without cooking fuel
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q8E
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: A cash income?
Variable Label: How often gone without a cash income
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q9A
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Felt unsafe walking in your neighbourhood?
Variable Label: How often felt unsafe walking in neighbourhood
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afobarometer Round5

Question Number: Q9B
Question: Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Feared crime in your own home?
Variable Label: How often feared crime in home
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Adapted from NDB
**Question Number:** Q9A1_MLW  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever: Did children in your family experience physical punishment at home?  
**Variable Label:** Physical punishment at home  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q9A2_MLW  
**Question:** Over the past year, how often, if ever: Did children in your family experience physical punishment at school?  
**Variable Label:** Physical punishment a school  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Just once or twice, 2=Several times, 3=Many times, 4=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q9B1_MLW  
**Question:** Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Incidence of physical violence against children?  
**Variable Label:** Incidence of physical violence against children?  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much Better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q9B2_MLW  
**Question:** Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Incidence of physical violence against women?  
**Variable Label:** Incidence of physical violence against women?  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much Better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q9B3_MLW  
**Question:** Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Incidence of sexual violence against women?  
**Variable Label:** Incidence of sexual violence against women?  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much Better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q9B4_MLW  
**Question:** Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: Incidence of sexual violence against children?  
**Variable Label:** Incidence of sexual violence against children?  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much Better, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Question Number: Q10A
Question: During the past year, have you or anyone in your family: Had something stolen from your house?
Variable Label: Had something stolen from house
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Once, 2=Twice, 3=Three or more times, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Adapted from NDB
Note: If respondent answered « Yes », interviewer was instructed to follow up by asking « Did this happen once, twice or three or more times? ”

Question Number: Q10B
Question: During the past year, have you or anyone in your family: Been physically attacked?
Variable Label: Have been physically attacked
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Once, 2=Twice, 3=Three or more times, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Adapted from NDB
Note: If respondent answered « Yes », interviewer was instructed to follow up by asking « Did this happen once, twice or three or more times? ”

Question Number: Q10C
Question: Was any such incident reported to the police?
Variable Label: Reported the incident to the police
Values: 0, 1, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 7=Not Applicable, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5

Question Number: Q11
Question: Some people say that many crimes are never reported to the police. Based on your experience, what do you think is the main reason that many people do not report crimes like thefts or attacks to the police when they occur?
Variable Label: Main reason for not reporting crimes to the police
Values: 0-16, 460-466, 9995, 9999, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=Most people do report crimes to the police, 1=People don’t have enough time to report crimes, 2=No police or police station in the area / police station too far, 3=Police don’t listen or care, 4=Police would have demanded money or a bribe to help, 5=Police wouldn’t have been able to do anything, 6=Police may be involved in the robbery or assault, 7=Victim feared reprisal from attacker, 8=Victim too ashamed or embarrassed, 9=Crime was reported to some other authority like local government or traditional leaders, 10=Lack of evidence or witnesses, 11=Criminal unknown / lack of suspect, 12=People fear police / don't trust police, 13=Crime was minor, 14=Criminals were relatives or friends, 15=Don't know how to report / ignorance, 16=People forgive the criminals, 460=Discuss instead of reporting, 461=To protect suspect, 462=Trust in traditional medicine, 463=To avoid creating enemity, 464=Victim not serious/foolish, 465=Trust in God, 466=Victim discouraged to report, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5

Question Number: Q12
Question: If you were a victim of a crime in this country, who, if anyone, would you go to first for assistance?
Variable Label: If a victim of crime, whom to go to first for assistance
Values: 0-13, 460, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=None of these / no effective assistance available, 1=The police, 2=A security service or security company that you pay for, 3=A traditional leader or traditional court, 4=A street committee or local security organization, 5=A powerful local person or local gang, 6=You would personally take revenge, 7=You would join with others to take revenge, 8=Your own family or friends, 9=The family of the perpetrator, 10=Local government
official, 11 = Neighbor, 12 = Employer or landlord, 13 = God, 460 = NGO/CBO, 9995 = Other, 9998 = Refused to answer, 9999 = Don’t know, -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q13A  
**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Radio?  
**Variable Label:** Radio news  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q13B  
**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Television?  
**Variable Label:** Television news  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q13C  
**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Newspapers?  
**Variable Label:** Newspaper news  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q13D  
**Question:** How often do you get news from the following sources: Internet?  
**Variable Label:** Internet  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q14  
**Question:** How interested would you say you are in public affairs?  
**Variable Label:** Interest in public affairs  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all interested, 1=Not very interested, 2=Somewhat interested, 3=Very interested, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to prompt if necessary with “You know, in politics and government.”

**Question Number:** Q15  
**Question:** When you get together with your friends or family, would you say you discuss political matters:  
**Variable Label:** Discuss politics  
**Values:** 0-2, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Occasionally, 2=Frequently, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96.

**Question Number:** Q16  
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me cannot really understand what is going on.
**Variable Label:** Politics and government too complicated  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly agree, 2=Agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Disagree, 5=Strongly disagree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q16_MLW1  
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes husbands have the right to beat their wives?  
**Variable Label:** Sometimes husbands have the right to beat their wives  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly agree, 2=Agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Disagree, 5=Strongly disagree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q16_MLW2  
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes parents have the right to beat their children for the purpose of disciplining them?  
**Variable Label:** Sometimes parents have the right to beat their children for the purpose of disciplining them  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly agree, 2=Agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Disagree, 5=Strongly disagree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q16_MLW3  
**Question:** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Sometimes teachers have the right to beat pupils for the purpose of disciplining them.  
**Variable Label:** MLW. Sometimes teachers have the right to beat pupils for the purpose of disciplining them  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly agree, 2=Agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Disagree, 5=Strongly disagree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q17A  
**Question:** In this country, how free are you: To say what you think?  
**Variable Label:** Freedom to say what you think  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB

**Question Number:** Q17B  
**Question:** In this country, how free are you: To join any political organization you want?  
**Variable Label:** Freedom to join any political organizations  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB
**Question Number:** Q17C  
**Question:** In this country, how free are you: To choose who to vote for without feeling pressured?  
**Variable Label:** Freedom to choose who to vote for  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Not at all free, 2=Not very free, 3=Somewhat free, 4=Completely free, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB

**Question Number:** Q18  
**Question:** Let’s talk for a moment about the kind of society we would like to have in this country. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: Once in office, elected leaders are obliged to help their home community or group first.  
Statement 2: Since elected leaders should represent everyone, they should not do anything that favours their own group over others.  
**Variable Label:** Leaders help own community vs. treat all equally  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round2  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q19  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: Government should be able to ban any organization that goes against its policies.  
Statement 2: We should be able to join any organization, whether or not the government approves of it.  
**Variable Label:** Government bans organization vs. join any  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Uganda00  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q20  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: The media should have the right to publish any views and ideas without government control.  
Statement 2: The government should have the right to prevent the media from publishing things that it considers harmful to society.  
**Variable Label:** Newspapers free to publish vs. government closes  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Uganda00  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q21  
**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.  
Statement 1: The government is like a parent. It should decide which is good for us.  
Statement 2: The government is like our employee. We are the bosses and should tell government what to do.  
**Variable Label:** Government like a parent vs. an employee  
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Question Number: Q22
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Men make better political leaders than women, and should be elected rather than women.
Statement 2: Women should have the same chance of being elected to political office as men.
Variable Label: Men only as leaders vs. women leaders ok
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?’’

Question Number: Q23
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: In our country, women should have equal rights and receive the same treatment as men do.
Statement 2: Women have always been subject to traditional laws and customs, and should remain so.
Variable Label: Women have equal rights vs. subject to traditional laws
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?’’

Question Number: Q24
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: If funds for schooling are limited, a boy should always receive an education in school before a girl.
Statement 2: If funds for schooling are limited, a family should send the child with the greatest ability to learn.
Variable Label: Education recipient priority: boy vs ability
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?’’

Question Number: Q25A
Question: Let’s turn to your role in the community. Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one, could you tell me whether you are an official leader, an active member, an inactive member, or not a member: A religious group that meets outside of regular worship services?
Variable Label: Member of religious group
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not a Member, 1=Inactive member, 2=Active member, 3=Official leader, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Question Number: Q25B
Question: Let’s turn to your role in the community. Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one, could you tell me whether you are an official leader, an active member, an inactive member, or not a member: Some other voluntary association or community group?
Variable Label: Member of voluntary association or community group
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not a member, 1=Inactive member, 2=Active member, 3=Official leader, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q26A
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Attended a community meeting?
Variable Label: Attend a community meeting
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would do if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q26B
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Got together with others to raise an issue?
Variable Label: Join others to raise an issue
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would do if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q26C
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Refused to pay a tax or fee to government?
Variable Label: Refused to pay tax or fee to government
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would do if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round5

Question Number: Q26D
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Attended a demonstration or protest march?
Variable Label: Attend a demonstration or protest march
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would do if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Zambia96

Question Number: Q26E
Question: Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Used force or violence for a political cause
Variable Label: Used force or violence for a political cause
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
**Question Number:** Q26F_MLW  
**Question:** Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. If not, would you do this if you had the chance: Participated in community management of services such as school, health, or water/borehole committee?  
**Variable Label:** Participated in community management of services  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, would never do this, 1=No, but would do if had the chance, 2=Yes, once or twice, 3=Yes, several times, 4=Yes, often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round5

**Question Number:** Q27  
**Question:** With regard to the most recent national election in 2009, which statement is true for you?  
**Variable Label:** Voting in the most recent national election  
**Values:** 0-9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=You were not registered to vote, 1=You voted in the elections, 2=You decided not to vote, 3=You could not find the polling station, 4=You were prevented from voting, 5=You did not have time to vote, 6= You did not vote because you could not find your name in the voters' register, 7=Did not vote for some other reason, 8= You were too young to vote, 9=Don’t know/Can't remember, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q28  
**Question:** On the whole, how would you rate the freeness and fairness of the last national election, held in 2009. Was it:  
**Variable Label:** Freeness and fairness of the last national election  
**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 4=Completely free and fair, 3=Free and fair, but with minor problems, 2=Free and fair, with major problems, 1=Not free and fair, 8=Do not understand the question, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q29A  
**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2009, did you: Attend a campaign meeting or rally?  
**Variable Label:** Last national election: attend a campaign meeting or rally  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q29B  
**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2009, did you: Try to persuade others to vote for a certain presidential or legislative candidate or political party?  
**Variable Label:** Last national election: persuade others to vote for a certain candidate or party  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q29C  
**Question:** Thinking about the last national election in 2009, did you: Work for a candidate or party?  
**Variable Label:** Last national election: work for a candidate or party  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Question Number:** Q30A - Not asked

**Question Number:** Q30B
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A Member of Parliament?
**Variable Label:** Contact MP
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 9=Don't know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q30C
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: An official of a government agency?
**Variable Label:** Contact official of a government agency
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 9=Don't know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q30D
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A political party official?
**Variable Label:** Contact political party official
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q30E - MLW
**Question:** During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: An official of a civil society organisation such as church-based, NGO or CBO?
**Variable Label:** Contact an official of a civil society organization
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Only once, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q31A
**Question:** There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Only one political party is allowed to stand for election and hold office?
**Variable Label:** Reject one-party rule
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** NDB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q31B
**Question:** There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: The army comes in to govern the country?
**Variable Label:** Reject military rule
**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Adapted from NDB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q31C
Question: There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Elections and Parliament are abolished so that the president can decide everything?
Variable Label: Reject one-man rule
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=Disapprove, 3=Neither approve nor disapprove, 4=Approve, 5=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q32
Question: Which of these three statements is closest to your own opinion?
Statement 1: Democracy is preferable to any other kind of government.
Statement 2: In some circumstances, a non-democratic government can be preferable.
Statement 3: For someone like me, it doesn’t matter what kind of government we have.
Variable Label: Support for democracy
Values: 1-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Statement 3: Doesn’t matter, 2=Statement 2: Sometimes non-democratic preferable, 3=Statement 1: Democracy preferable, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Latinobarometer (LB)
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “read the question in the language of the interview, but always read ‘democracy’ in English. Translate ‘democracy’ into local language only if respondent does not understand English term.”

Question Number: Q33
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: It is more important to have a government that can get things done, even if we have no influence over what it does.
Statement 2: It is more important for citizens to be able to hold government accountable, even if that means it makes decisions more slowly.
Variable Label: Government gets things done but no citizen influence vs. government accountable to citizens
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q34
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: We should choose our leaders in this country through regular, open and honest elections.
Statement 2: Since elections sometimes produce bad results, we should adopt other methods for choosing this country’s leaders.
Variable Label: Choose leaders through elections vs. other methods
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”
Question Number: Q35
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Political parties create division and confusion; it is therefore unnecessary to have many political parties in Malawi.
Statement 2: Many political parties are needed to make sure that Malawians have real choices in who governs them.
Variable Label: Political parties divisive vs. many parties needed
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q36
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2
Statement 1: Parliament should ensure that the President explains to it on a regular basis how her government spends taxpayers’ money.
Statement 2: The President should be able to devote her full attention to developing the country rather than wasting time justifying his actions.
Variable Label: President monitored by parliament vs. free to act on own
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q37
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2
Statement 1: Opposition parties should regularly examine and criticize government policies and actions.
Statement 2: Opposition parties should concentrate on cooperating with government and helping it develop the country.
Variable Label: Opposition parties examine government vs. cooperate
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q38
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2
Statement 1: The news media should constantly investigate and report on government mistakes and corruption.
Statement 2: Too much reporting on negative events, like government mistakes and corruption, only harms the country.
Variable Label: Media checks government vs. avoid negative reporting
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q39
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Members of Parliament represent the people; therefore they should make laws for this country, even if the President does not agree.

Statement 2: Since the President represents all of us, he should pass laws without worrying about what Parliament thinks.

**Variable Label:** Parliament makes laws vs. president does

**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 2

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q40

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.

Statement 1: Since the President was elected to lead the country, he should not be bound by laws or court decisions that he thinks are wrong.

Statement 2: The President must always obey the laws and the courts, even if he thinks they are wrong.

**Variable Label:** President free to act vs. obey the laws and courts

**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q41

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2

Statement 1: The Constitution should limit the president to serving a maximum of two terms in office.

Statement 2: There should be no constitutional limit on how long the president can serve.

**Variable Label:** Presidential two term limit vs. no term limits

**Values:** 1-5, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

**Question Number:** Q42

**Question:** In your opinion how much of a democracy is Malawi today?

**Variable Label:** Extent of democracy

**Values:** 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Not a democracy, 2=A democracy, with major problems, 3=A democracy, but with minor problems, 4=A full democracy, 8=Do not understand question/ do not understand what ‘democracy’ is, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Ghana 97

**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to “read the question in the language of the interview, but always read ‘democracy’ in English. Translate ‘democracy’ into local language only if respondent does not understand English term."

**Question Number:** Q43

**Question:** Overall, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Malawi? Are you:

**Variable Label:** Satisfaction with democracy

**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Malawi is not a democracy, 1=Not at all satisfied, 2=Not very satisfied, 3=Fairly satisfied, 4=Very satisfied, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Eurobarometer
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Read the question in the language of the interview, but always read “democracy” in English Translate “democracy” into local language only if respondent does not understand English term.”

Question Number: Q44
Question: Many things may be desirable, but not all of them are essential characteristics of democracy. If you have to choose only one of the things that I am going to read, which one would you choose as the most essential characteristic of democracy?
Variable Label: Essential characteristics of democracy: equality, fair election, etc
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Government narrows the gap between the rich and the poor, 2= People choose government leaders in free and fair elections, 3= Government does not waste any public money, 4= People are free to express their political views openly, 8= None of these, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q45
Question: And here is another list. Which one of these things would you choose as the most essential characteristic of democracy?
Variable Label: Essential characteristics of democracy: law and order, job, etc
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Government ensures law and order, 2= Media is free to criticize the things government does, 3= Government ensures job opportunities for all, 4= Multiple parties compete fairly in elections, 8= None of these, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q46A
Question: On a scale between 0 and 10, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Our country today?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: today
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q46A_MLW
Question: On a scale between 0 and 10, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Our country under the late President Bingu wa Mutharika?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: today
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q46B
Question: On a scale between 0 and 10, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Our country ten years ago, in 2002 [Under President Bakili Muluzi]?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: ten years ago
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.
Question Number: Q46C
Question: On a scale between 0 and 10, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Our country under one party rule under Dr. Kamuzu Banda?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: under previous non-democratic regime
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q46D
Question: On a scale between 0 and 10, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough to say: And on the same scale, where would you want our country to be in the future?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: in the future
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q47A
Question: On the same scale, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say: People’s Republic of China?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: China
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q47B
Question: On the same scale, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say: United States of America?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: USA
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q47C
Question: On the same scale, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say: South Africa?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: South Africa
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q47D
Question: On the same scale, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Zimbabwe?
Variable Label: Level of democracy: Zimbabwe
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q47E
Question: On the same scale, where 0 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic, where would you place each of the following countries, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Britain, you know, the United Kingdom or UK.
Variable Label: Level of democracy: former Colonial Power
Values: 0-10, 99, 998, -1
Value Labels: 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: For each part, enter a two-digit number between 00 and 10. For “Don’t know / haven’t heard enough” enter 99.

Question Number: Q48A
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: The courts have the right to make decisions that people always have to abide by.
Variable Label: Courts make binding decisions
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q48B
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: The police always have the right to make people obey the law.
Variable Label: People must obey the law
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q48C
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: The tax authorities always have the right to make people pay taxes.
Variable Label: People must pay taxes
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q49
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: It is important to obey the government in power, no matter who you voted for.
Statement 2: It is not necessary to obey the laws of a government that you did not vote for.
Variable Label: Obey government always vs. only if vote for it
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q50
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: Citizens must pay their taxes to the government in order for our country to develop.
Statement 2: The government can find enough resources for development from other sources without having to tax the people.
Variable Label: Citizens must pay taxes vs. no need to tax the people
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q51
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: It is better to pay higher taxes, if it means that there will be more services provided by government
Statement 2: It is better to pay lower taxes, even if it means there will be fewer services provided by government.
Variable Label: Higher taxes with more gov’t services vs. lower taxes with fewer gov’t services
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly?”

Question Number: Q52A
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does the news media abuse its freedoms by printing or saying things it knows are not true?
Variable Label: How often news media abuse its freedom
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q52B
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does competition between political parties lead to violent conflict?
Variable Label: How often party competition leads to conflict
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2

Question Number: Q52C
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Does the President ignore the courts and laws of the country?
Variable Label: How often president ignores laws
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2

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Question Number: Q52D
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are opposition parties or their supporters silenced by the government?
Variable Label: How often opposition parties silenced by government
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q52E
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country do Presidents ignore parliament and just do what they want?
Variable Label: How often president ignore parliament
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q53
Question: In this country, how effective is the news media in revealing government mistakes and corruption?
Variable Label: How effective the news media reveals government mistakes and corruption
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not at all effective, 1=Not very effective, 2=Somewhat effective, 3=Very effective, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q53_MLW
Question: In this country, how effective are civil society organizations in doing their state objectives?
Variable Label: How effective are civil society organizations in doing their stated objectives
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not at all effective, 1=Not very effective, 2=Somewhat effective, 3=Very effective, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q54
Question: During election campaigns in this country, how much do you personally fear becoming a victim of political intimidation or violence?
Variable Label: How much fear political intimidation or violence
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=A lot, 1=Somewhat, 2=A little bit, 3=Not at all, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q55
Question: How likely do you think it is that powerful people can find out how you voted, even though there is supposed to be a secret ballot in this country?
Variable Label: How likely powerful find out your vote
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Not at all likely, 1=Not very likely, 2=Somewhat likely, 3=Very likely, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q56A
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: do people have to be careful of what they say about politics?
Variable Label: How often careful what you say
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q56B
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people treated unequally under the law?
Variable Label: How often people treated unequally
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2

Question Number: Q56C
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are women treated unequally by traditional leaders?
Variable Label: How often women treated unequally by traditional leaders
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56D
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are women treated unequally by the police and courts?
Variable Label: How often women treated unequally by police and courts
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56E
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are women treated unequally by employers?
Variable Label: How often women treated unequally by employers
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56F
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do officials who commit crimes go unpunished?
Variable Label: How often officials unpunished
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q56G
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do ordinary people who break the law go unpunished?
Variable Label: How often ordinary people unpunished
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q56H
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do people obtain household services, like water or electricity, without paying for them?
Variable Label: How often obtain household services without paying
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56I
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Do people avoid paying the taxes that they owe the government?
Variable Label: How often avoid paying taxes
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56J_MLW
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people with disabilities treated unequally under the law?
Variable Label: How often disabilities treated unequally under the law
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56K_MLW
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people with disabilities treated unequally by traditional leaders?
Variable Label: How often disabilities treated unequally by traditional leaders
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56L_MLW
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people with disabilities treated unequally by the police and courts?
Variable Label: How often disabilities treated unequally by police and courts
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q56M_MLW
Question: In your opinion, how often, in this country: Are people with disabilities treated unequally by employers?
Variable Label: How often disabilities treated unequally by employers
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Rarely, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q57
Question: Let me ask you again about the most essential characteristics of democracy. If you have to choose only one of the things that I am going to read, which one would you choose as the most essential characteristic of democracy?
Variable Label: Essential characteristics of democracy: legislature, government, people etc.
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= The legislature closely monitors the actions of the President, 2= Government provides basic necessities, like food, clothing and shelter, for everyone, 3= People are free to form organizations to influence government and public affairs, 4= Public services, such as roads, water or sewerage, work well and do not break down, 8= None of these, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q58
Question: And here is another list. Which one of these things would you choose as the most essential characteristic of democracy?
Variable Label: Essential characteristics of democracy: participation, no corruption, courts etc.
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= People are free to take part in demonstrations and protests, 2= Politics is clean and free of corruption, 3= The court protects ordinary people if the government mistreats them, 4= People receive aid from government, such as food parcels, when they are in need, 8= None of these, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59A

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: President Joyce Banda?

**Variable Label:** Trust president

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q59B

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Parliament?

**Variable Label:** Trust parliament/national assembly

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q59C

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Malawi Electoral Commission?

**Variable Label:** Trust national electoral commission

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q59D

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Malawi Revenue Authority?

**Variable Label:** Trust tax department

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59E

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your Local Government Council?

**Variable Label:** Trust your elected local government council

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96

**Question Number:** Q59F

**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Ruling Party?

**Variable Label:** Trust the ruling party

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Adapted from Zambia96
**Question Number:** Q59G  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Opposition Political Parties?  
**Variable Label:** Trust opposition political parties  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Adapted from Zambia 96

**Question Number:** Q59H  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Police?  
**Variable Label:** Trust police  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Zambia 96

**Question Number:** Q59I  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The army?  
**Variable Label:** Trust army  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59J  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Courts of law?  
**Variable Label:** Trust courts of law  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Zambia 96

**Question Number:** Q59K_MLW  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Malawi Human Rights Commission?  
**Variable Label:** Trust Malawi Human Rights Commission  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59L_MLW  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: The Ombudsman?  
**Variable Label:** Trust Ombudsman  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5
**Question Number:** Q59M_MLW  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Malawi Law Commission?  
**Variable Label:** Trust Malawi Law Commission  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59N_MLW  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: CSOs/NGOs?  
**Variable Label:** Trust CSOs/NGOs  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=Somewhat, 3=A lot, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q59O_MLW  
**Question:** And how much did you trust the late President Bingu wa Mutharika?  
**Variable Label:** Trust the late President Bingu wa Mutharika  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q60A  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: President Joyce Banda and Officials in her Office?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: office of the Presidency  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q60B  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Members of Parliament?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: Members of Parliament  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q60C  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Government Officials?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: government officials  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q60D-Not asked
**Question Number:** Q60E  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Police?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: police  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q60F  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Tax Officials, like Malawi Revenue Authority officials or Local Government tax collectors?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: tax officials  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q60G  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Judges and Magistrates?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: judges and magistrates  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q60H_MLW  
**Question:** How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Officials of CSOs/NGOs?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: CSOs/NGOs  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q60I_MLW  
**Question:** And how much do you think the late president Bingu wa Mutharika and officials in his office were involved in corruption or have you not heard enough about them to say?  
**Variable Label:** Corruption: the late president Bingu wa Mutharika and officials in his office  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=None, 1=Some of them, 2=Most of them, 3=All of them, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q61A  
**Question:** In the past year, how often, (if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: Get a document or a permit?  
**Variable Label:** Pay bribe for: document or permit  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No experience with this in the past year, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB
**Question Number:** Q61B  
**Question:** In the past year, how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: Get water or sanitation services?  
**Variable Label:** Pay bribe for: water or sanitation services  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No experience with this in the past year, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB

**Question Number:** Q61C  
**Question:** In the past year, how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: Get treatment at a local health clinic or hospital?  
**Variable Label:** Pay bribe for: treatment at local health clinic or hospital  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No experience with this in the past year, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q61D  
**Question:** In the past year, how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: Avoid a problem with the police (like passing a checkpoint or avoiding a fine or arrest)?  
**Variable Label:** Pay bribe for: avoid problem with police  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No experience with this in the past year, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** NDB

**Question Number:** Q61E  
**Question:** In the past year, how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: Get a place in a primary school for a child?  
**Variable Label:** Pay bribe for: school placement  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7=No experience with this in the past year, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q61F  
**Question:** And during the last national election in 2009, how often, if ever did a candidate or someone from a political party offer you something, like food or a gift or money, in return for your vote?  
**Variable Label:** Election incentives offered  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62A  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of Parliament?  
**Variable Label:** MPs listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q62B-Not asked
**Question Number:** Q62C_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: ESCOM officials?  
**Variable Label:** ESCOM officials listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62D_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Water Board officials?  
**Variable Label:** Water board officials listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62E_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Government health facility officials?  
**Variable Label:** Government health facility officials listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62F_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Government primary school head teachers?  
**Variable Label:** Government primary school head teachers listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62G_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Government secondary school head teachers?  
**Variable Label:** government secondary school head teachers listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q62H_MLW  
**Question:** How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: District commissioners?  
**Variable Label:** District commissioners listen  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never 1=Only sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5
Question Number: Q63PT1
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Most important problems – 1st response
Values: 0-32, 460-465, 9995, 9998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=Nothing/no problems, 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, income and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans /credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women's rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War(international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 460=Foreign exchange, 461=Fuel, 462=High prices (devaluation and inflation), 463=Inputs subsidy prog problems, 464=Domestic violence/VAW/rape, 465=Same sex relationships, 466=Lack of development/infrastructure, 9995=Other (i.e, some other problem), 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don't know, -1=Missing data.
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

Question Number: Q63PT2
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Most important problems – 2nd response
Values: 1-32, 460-465, 9995-9996, 9998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, income and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans /credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women's rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War(international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 460=Foreign exchange, 461=Fuel, 462=High prices (devaluation and inflation), 463=Inputs subsidy prog problems, 464=Domestic violence/VAW/rape, 465=Same sex relationships, 466=Lack of development/infrastructure, 9995=Other (i.e, some other problem), 9996=No further reply, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don't know, -1=Missing data.
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

Question Number: Q63PT3
Question: In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?
Variable Label: Most important problems – 3rd response
Values: 1-32, 460-466, 9995-9996, 9998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 1=Management of the economy, 2=Wages, income and salaries, 3=Unemployment, 4=Poverty/destitution, 5=Rates and taxes, 6=Loans /credit, 7=Farming/agriculture, 8=Food shortage/famine, 9=Drought, 10=Land, 11=Transportation, 12=Communications, 13=Infrastructure/roads, 14=Education, 15=Housing, 16=Electricity, 17=Water supply, 18=Orphans/street children/homeless children, 19=Services (other), 20=Health, 21=AIDS, 22=Sickness/disease, 23=Crime and security, 24=Corruption, 25=Political violence, 26=Political instability/political divisions/ethnic tensions, 27=Discrimination/inequality, 28=Gender issues/women's rights, 29=Democracy/political rights, 30=War(international), 31=Civil War, 32=Agricultural marketing, 460=Foreign exchange, 461=Fuel, 462=High prices (devaluation and inflation), 463=Inputs subsidy prog problems, 464=Domestic violence/VAW/rape, 465=Same sex relationships, 466=Lack of development/infrastructure, 9995=Other (i.e, some other problem), 9996=No further reply, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don't know, -1=Missing data.
**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer was instructed to “Accept up to three answers. If respondent offers more than three options, ask ‘Which three of these are the most important?’; if respondent offers one or two answers, ask ‘Anything else?’”

**Question Number:** Q64

**Question:** Taking the problem that you mentioned first, how likely do you think it is that government will solve this problem within the next five years?

**Variable Label:** How likely government will solve this problem within the next five years

**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:**
- 0 = Not at all likely
- 1 = Not very likely
- 2 = Somewhat likely
- 3 = Very likely
- 7 = Not applicable
- 9 = Don’t know
- 998 = Refused to answer
- -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Note:** remind respondent of first problem identified.

**Question Number:** Q65A

**Question:** Now let’s speak about the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Managing the economy?

**Variable Label:** Handling managing the economy

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:**
- 1 = Very badly
- 2 = Fairly badly
- 3 = Fairly well
- 4 = Very well
- 9 = Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough
- 998 = Refused to answer
- -1 = Missing data

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65A1_MLW

**Question:** Now let’s speak about the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Ensuring the availability of foreign exchange?

**Variable Label:** Handling ensuring the availability of foreign exchange

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:**
- 1 = Very badly
- 2 = Fairly badly
- 3 = Fairly well
- 4 = Very well
- 9 = Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough
- 998 = Refused to answer
- -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65A2_MLW

**Question:** Now let’s speak about the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Ensuring availability of paraffin, petrol, and diesel?

**Variable Label:** Handling ensuring the availability of paraffin, petrol and diesel

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:**
- 1 = Very badly
- 2 = Fairly badly
- 3 = Fairly well
- 4 = Very well
- 9 = Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough
- 998 = Refused to answer
- -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65B

**Question:** Now let’s speak about the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Improving the living standards of the poor.

**Variable Label:** Handling improving living standards of the poor

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:**
- 1 = Very badly
- 2 = Fairly badly
- 3 = Fairly well
- 4 = Very well
- 9 = Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough
- 998 = Refused to answer
- -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
**Question Number:** Q65C
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Creating jobs?
**Variable Label:** Handling creating jobs
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** NDB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65D
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Keeping prices down?
**Variable Label:** Handling keeping prices down
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** NDB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65E
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Narrowing gaps between rich and poor?
**Variable Label:** Handling narrowing income gaps
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** SAB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65F
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Reducing crime?
**Variable Label:** Handling reducing crime
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very Badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** NDB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65G
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Improving basic health services?
**Variable Label:** Handling improving basic health services
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** NDB
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65H
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Addressing educational needs?
**Variable Label:** Handling addressing educational needs
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** NDB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65I

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Providing water and sanitation services?

**Variable Label:** Handling providing water and sanitation services

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65J

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Ensuring everyone has enough to eat?

**Variable Label:** Handling ensuring enough to eat

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65K

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Fighting corruption in government?

**Variable Label:** Handling fighting corruption

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65L

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Resolving violent conflict between communities?

**Variable Label:** Handling resolving violent conflict between communities

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65M

**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Combating HIV/AIDS?

**Variable Label:** Handling combating HIV/AIDS

**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data.

**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
**Question Number:** Q65N  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Maintaining roads and bridges?  
**Variable Label:** Handling and maintaining roads and bridges  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65O  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Providing a reliable supply of electricity?  
**Variable Label:** Handling providing reliable electric supply  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65P  
**Question:** How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Empowering women?  
**Variable Label:** Handling empowering women  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q65Q_MLW  
**Question:** Now let’s speak about the present government of this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough to say: Empowering people with disabilities?  
**Variable Label:** Handling empowering people with disabilities  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q66A  
**Question:** What about local government? I do not mean the national government. I mean your Metropolitan, Municipal or District Assembly. How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Maintaining local roads?  
**Variable Label:** Local govt. handling maintaining roads  
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3  
**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q66B  
**Question:** What about local government? I do not mean the national government. I mean your Metropolitan, Municipal or District Assembly. How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Maintaining local market places?
Variable Label: Local govt. handling maintaining local markets
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q66C
Question: What about local government? I do not mean the national government. I mean your Metropolitan, Municipal or District Assembly. How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Maintaining health standards, for example, in restaurants and food stalls?
Variable Label: Local govt. handling health standards in restaurants
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q66D
Question: What about local government? I do not mean the national government. I mean your Metropolitan, Municipal or District Assembly. How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Keeping our community clean, for example, by having refuse removed?
Variable Label: Local govt. handling keeping community clean
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q66E
Question: What about local government? I do not mean the national government. I mean your Metropolitan, Municipal or District Assembly. How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matters, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Managing the use of land?
Variable Label: Local govt. handling the use of land
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very badly, 2=Fairly badly, 3=Fairly well, 4=Very well, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q67A
Question: Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services from government? Or do you never try and get these services from government: An identity document, such as a birth certificate, driver’s license, passport or voter’s card?
Variable Label: Difficulty to obtain identity document
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 5=Never try, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.
Question Number: Q67B
Question: Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services from government? Or do you never try and get these services from government: Household services like piped water, electricity or telephone?
Variable Label: Difficulty to obtain household services
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 5=Never try, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q67C
Question: Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services from government? Or do you never try and get these services from government: Help from the police?
Variable Label: Difficulty to obtain help from the police
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 5=Never try, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q67D
Question: Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services from government? Or do you never try and get these services from government: A place in a public primary school for a child?
Variable Label: Difficulty to obtain primary school placement
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 5=Never try, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q67E
Question: Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services from government? Or do you never try and get these services from government: Medical treatment at a public clinic or hospital?
Variable Label: Difficulty to obtain medical treatment
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Very difficult, 2=Difficult, 3=Easy, 4=Very easy, 5=Never try, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q68A
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: Services are too expensive / unable to pay?
Variable Label: Problems with schools: too expensive
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q68B
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: Lack of textbooks or other supplies?
**Variable Label:** Problems with schools: textbooks and supplies  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Mising data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

**Question Number:** Q68C  
**Question:** Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months:  
Poor teaching?  
**Variable Label:** Problems with schools: poor teaching  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Mising data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

**Question Number:** Q68D  
**Question:** Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months:  
Absent teachers?  
**Variable Label:** Problems with schools: absent teachers  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Mising data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

**Question Number:** Q68E  
**Question:** Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months:  
Overcrowded classrooms?  
**Variable Label:** Problems with schools: overcrowded classrooms  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Mising data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

**Question Number:** Q68F  
**Question:** Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months:  
Poor conditions of facilities?  
**Variable Label:** Problems with schools: poor facilities  
**Values:** 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public schools in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Mising data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5  
**Note:** Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with schools, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

**Question Number:** Q69A  
**Question:** Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Services are too expensive / unable to pay?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: too expensive
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q69B
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Lack of medicines or other supplies?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: lack of medicine/supplies
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q69C
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Lack of attention or respect from staff?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: lack of attention/ respect
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q69D
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Absent doctors?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: absent doctors
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q69E
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Long waiting time?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: long waiting time
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q69F
Question: Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: Dirty facilities?
Variable Label: Problems with public clinic: dirty facilities  
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Once or twice, 2=A few times, 3=Often, 7= No experience with public clinics in last 12 months, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5  
Note: Interviewer: For parts B-F, either ALL parts of the question should be coded as 7=No experience with clinics, or NONE of the parts should be coded as 7.

Question Number: Q70A  
Question: Do you or anyone in this household receive any of the following: Free visits or medicines from a public or government-run health clinic or hospital?  
Variable Label: Received free visits or medicines  
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q70B  
Question: Do you or anyone in this household receive any of the following: Food for children from a government-run school feeding program?  
Variable Label: Received food for children  
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q70C-Not asked

Question Number: Q71A  
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past twelve months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: President [J.A. Kufuor]  
Variable Label: Performance: President  
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: SAB  
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q71B  
Question: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the following people have performed their jobs over the past twelve months, or haven’t you heard enough about them to say: Your Member of Parliament?  
Variable Label: Performance: MP/National Assembly rep.  
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: SAB  
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q71C-Not asked

Question Number: Q71D_MLW  
Question: And did you approve or disapprove the way the late president Bingu wa Mutharika perfomed his job over the last twelve months or haven’t you heard enough about him to say?  
Variable Label: Performance: late president Bingu wa Mutharika  
Values: 1-4, 9, 998, -1  
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disapprove, 2=disapprove, 3=Approve, 4=Strongly approve, 9=Don’t know/Haven’t heard enough, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: Interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q72A  
**Question:** Who should be responsible for: Making sure that, once elected, Members of Parliament do their jobs?  
**Variable Label:** Who responsible: MPs do jobs  
**Values:** 0-5, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=The President/Executive, 1=The Parliament/Local Council, 2=Their political party, 3=The voters, 4=No one, 5, CSOs/NGOS, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q72B-Not asked

**Question Number:** Q72C  
**Question:** Who should be responsible for: Making sure that, once elected, the president does her job?  
**Variable Label:** Who responsible: president does job  
**Values:** 0-4, 5, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=The President/Executive, 1=The Parliament/Local Council, 2=Their political party, 3=The voters, 4=No one, 5=NGOs, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q73A  
**Question:** Regardless of whether you are able to pay them, are you required to pay each of the following, or haven’t you been able to find out about this: Value added tax on the food or goods that you buy from shops or traders?  
**Variable Label:** Payments required: value added tax  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0= No, I am not required to pay, 1= Yes, I am required to pay, 9= Don’t know / Haven’t had a chance to find out, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q73B  
**Question:** Regardless of whether you are able to pay them, are you required to pay each of the following, or haven’t you been able to find out about this: License fees to local government, for example, for a bicycle, cart, business or market stall?  
**Variable Label:** Payments made: license fees to local government  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0= No, I am not required to pay, 1= Yes, I am required to pay, 9= Don’t know / Haven’t had a chance to find out, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q73C  
**Question:** Regardless of whether you are able to pay them, are you required to pay each of the following, or haven’t you been able to find out about this: Property rates or taxes?  
**Variable Label:** Payments made: property rates or taxes  
**Values:** 0, 1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0= No, I am not required to pay, 1= Yes, I am required to pay, 9= Don’t know / Haven’t had a chance to find out, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q73D  
**Question:** Regardless of whether you are able to pay them, are you required to pay each of the following, or haven’t you been able to find out about this: If you have paid employment, are you required to pay an income tax, that is, a tax deducted from your wages by your employer?  
**Variable Label:** Payments made: income taxes  
**Values:** 0, 1, 7, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0= No, I am not required to pay, 1= Yes, I am required to pay, 7= Not applicable, 9= Don’t know / Haven’t had a chance to find out, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q73E
**Question:** Regardless of whether you are able to pay them, are you required to pay each of the following, or haven’t you been able to find out about this: If you are self employed, are you required to pay a tax on the earnings from your business or job?
**Variable Label:** Payments required: self-employer taxes
**Values:** 0, 1, 7, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= No, I am not required to pay, 1= Yes, I am required to pay, 7= Not applicable, 9= Don’t know / Haven’t had a chance to find out, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q74
**Question:** In the last year, how often have powerful people or groups other than government, such as criminals or gangs, made people in your community or neighborhood pay them money in return for protecting them, their property or their businesses?
**Variable Label:** Payments required to powerful people
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 0= Never, 1=Only once, 2= A few times, 3=Often, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q75A
**Question:** Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out what taxes and fees you are supposed to pay to the government?
**Variable Label:** Difficulty to find out what taxes or fees to pay
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Note:** Interviewer probe for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q75B
**Question:** Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out how government uses the revenues from people’s taxes and fees?
**Variable Label:** Difficulty to find out how government uses the revenues
**Values:** 1-4, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Note:** Interviewer probe for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q75C
**Question:** Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To avoid paying the income or property taxes that you owe to government?
**Variable Label:** Difficulty to avoid paying taxes
**Values:** 1-4, 7, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Very easy, 2=Easy, 3=Difficult, 4=Very difficult, 7= Don’t have to pay taxes, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5
**Note:** Interviewer probe for strength of opinion.

**Question Number:** Q76A
**Question:** I am now going to ask you about a range of different actions that some people take. For each of the following, please tell me whether you think the action is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: Not paying for the services they receive from government?
Variable Label: Right or wrong: not paying for the government services
Values: 1-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Not wrong at all, 2= Wrong but understandable, 3= Wrong and punishable, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q76B
Question: I am now going to ask you about a range of different actions that some people take. For each of the following, please tell me whether you think the action is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: Not paying the taxes they owe on their income?
Variable Label: Right or wrong: not paying the taxes
Values: 1-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Not wrong at all, 2= Wrong but understandable, 3= Wrong and punishable, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q76C_MLW
Question: I am now going to ask you about a range of different actions that some people take. For each of the following, please tell me whether you think the action is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: Attending a non-violent demonstration or protest march?
Variable Label: Right or wrong: attending a non-violent demonstration or protest march
Values: 1-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Not wrong at all, 2= Wrong but understandable, 3= Wrong and punishable, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q76D_MLW
Question: I am now going to ask you about a range of different actions that some people take. For each of the following, please tell me whether you think the action is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: Using force or violence during a protest?
Variable Label: Right or wrong: using force or violence during a protest
Values: 1-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1= Not wrong at all, 2= Wrong but understandable, 3= Wrong and punishable, 9= Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q77
Question: What do you think is the main reason that some people avoid paying government the taxes and fees that they owe?
Variable Label: Why avoid paying taxes
Values: 0-10, 460-461, 9995, 9998, 9999, -1
Value Labels: 0= People don’t avoid paying, 1= The tax system is unfair, 2= The taxes are too high, 3= People cannot afford to pay, 4= The poor services they receive from government, 5= Government does not listen to them, 6= Government wastes tax money, 7= Government officials steal tax money, 8= They know they will not be caught, 9 = Greed / selfishness, 10 = Ignorance, DK how to pay or don’t understand need to pay, 460=Dishonest, 461=Wrong attitude, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999= Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q78
Question: Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.
Statement 1: The use of violence is never justified in Malawian politics today.
Statement 2: In this country, it is sometimes necessary to use violence in support of a just cause.
Variable Label: Violence never justified vs. sometimes necessary
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with Statement 1, 2=Agree with Statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Note:** Interviewer probed for strength of opinion asking “Do you agree or agree very strongly

**Question Number:** Q78A1

**Question:** In your opinion, how much does the African Union do to help this country, or haven’t you heard enough to say?

**Variable Label:** Help from African Union

**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1

**Value Labels:** 0=Do nothing, no help, 1=Help a little bit, 2=Help somewhat, 3=Help a lot, 9=Don’t know, 998 =Refused, -1= Missing

**Question Number:** Q79_MLW

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.

Statement 1: Members of Parliament that wish to leave their parties and join new ones should be allowed to do so without going through a by-election.

Statement 2: Members of Parliament who decide to leave their parties and join new ones should be required to seek a fresh electoral mandate from their constituents in a by-election.

**Variable Label:** MPs can leave parties without by-election vs. by-election required

**Values:** 1-5, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with statement 1, 2=Agree with statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know., -1 = Missing

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q80_MLW

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.

Statement 1: The quota system of selection of students to public colleges and universities is necessary to ensure fair access to tertiary education for all districts of the country

Statement 2: The quota system of selection of students to public colleges and universities is discriminatory and it does not promote fair competition among all students.

**Variable Label:** Quota system of selection to universities is fair vs. unfair

**Values:** 1-5, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with statement 1, 2=Agree with statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q81_MLW

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.

Statement 1: The Anti Corruption Bureau performs its duties as a neutral body as guided only by the law.

Statement 2: The Anti Corruption Bureau makes decisions that favour particular people or political parties.

**Variable Label:** Anti Corruption Bureau is neutral body vs. partial body

**Values:** 1-5, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with statement 1, 2=Agree with statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.

**Source:** Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q81A_MLW

**Question:** Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement 1 or Statement 2.

Statement 1: The Malawi Electoral Commission performs its duties as a neutral body guided only by law.

Statement 2: The Malawi Electoral Commission makes decisions that favour particular people, parties or interests.

**Variable Label:** Electoral Commission is neutral body vs. partial body

**Values:** 1-5, 9, -1

**Value Labels:** 1=Agree very strongly with statement 1, 2=Agree with statement 1, 3=Agree with Statement 2, 4=Agree very strongly with Statement 2, 5=Agree with neither, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q81B_MLW
Question: Compared with other elections in Malawi that you are aware of, would you say that the quality of the May 2009 national elections was better, the same, or worse than the others?
Variable Label: Quality of 2009 elections
Values: 1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Much worse, 2=Worse, 3=Same, 4=Better, 5=Much Better, 9=Don’t know/Not aware of 2009 election, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q82A_MLW
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: In our country, people with disability should have equal rights and receive the same treatment as other people do?
Variable Label: People with disabilities should have equal rights and receive same treatment
Values:1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly Disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither Agree nor Disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly Agree, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q82B_MLW
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: People practising same sex marriage or relationships have the right to do so, after all issues of sexual relationships are private?
Variable Label: People practising same sex marriages have the right to do so
Values:1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly Disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither Agree nor Disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly Agree, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q83A_MLW
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Human rights and governance NGOs in Malawi work in the interests of opposition parties?
Variable Label: Human rights and governance NGOs in Malawi work in the interest of opposition parties
Values:1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly Disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither Agree nor Disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly Agree, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q83B_MLW
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Development and relief NGOs provide services that cannot be provided by any other agency?
Variable Label: Development and relief NGOs provide services that cannot be provided by any other agency
Values:1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly Disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither Agree nor Disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly Agree, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q83C_MLW
Question: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: CSOs in Malawi work for the interest of their respective donors and not in the interests of people of Malawi?
Variable Label: CSOs in Malawi work for the interest of their respective donors and not of people of Malawi
Values:1-5, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly Disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither Agree nor Disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly Agree, 9=Don’t know, -1 = Missing.
Source: Malawi Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q84
Question: Let us get back to talking about you. What is your ethnic community, cultural group or tribe?
Variable Label: Tribe or ethnic group
Values: 460-472, 9990, 9998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 460=Tumbuka, 461=Nkhonde, 462=Lambya, 463=Chewa, 464=Yao, 465=Ngoni, 466=Lomwe, 467=Mang'anja, 468=Sena, 469=Sukwa, 470=Senga, 471=Tonga, 472=Ndali, 9990=Malawian only or doesn’t think in those terms, 9995=Others, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer entered respondent’s exact response. If respondent did not identify any group on this question – that is, if they “Refused to answer” (9998), said “Don’t know” (9999), or “Malawian only” (9990) – then the interviewer marked “Not applicable” for questions Q85A-Q85B and continued to question 85C.

Question Number: Q85A
Question: How often are _________s [R’s Ethnic Group] treated unfairly by the government?
Variable Label: Ethnic group treated unfairly
Values: 0-3, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Sometimes, 2=Often, 3=Always, 7=Not applicable, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer entered respondent’s exact response. If respondent did not identify any group on this question – that is, if they “Refused to answer” (9998), said “Don’t know” (9999), or “Malawian only” (9990) – then the interviewer marked “Not applicable” for questions Q85A-Q85B and continued to question 85C.

Question Number: Q85B
Question: Let us suppose that you had to choose between being a Malawian and being a _______ [R’s Ethnic Group]. Which of the following best expresses your feelings?
Variable Label: Ethnic or national identity
Values: 1-5, 7, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=I feel only (R’s ethnic group), 2=I feel more (R’s ethnic group) than Malawian, 3=I feel equally [Malawian and (R’s ethnic group)], 4=I feel more Malawian than (R’s ethnic group), 5=I feel only Malawian, 7=Not applicable, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Interviewer entered respondent’s exact response. If respondent did not identify any group on this question – that is, if they “Refused to answer” (9998), said “Don’t know” (9999), or “Malawian only” (9990) – then the interviewer marked “Not applicable” for questions Q85A-Q85B and continued to question 85C.

Question Number: Q85C
Question: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: It makes you proud to be called a Malawian?
Variable Label: Proud of nationality
Values: 1-5, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Strongly disagree, 2=Disagree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 4=Agree, 5=Strongly agree, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Note: The interviewer probed for strength of opinion.

Question Number: Q86A
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: A person born in Malawi with one Malawian and one non-Malawian parent?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: born in country with one non-citizen parent
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
Question Number: Q86B
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: A person born in Malawi with two non-Malawian parents?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: born in country with two non-citizen parents
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q86C
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: The wife of a Malawian man, even if she was born outside of Malawi?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: wife of citizen husband
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q86D
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: The husband of a Malawian woman, even if he was born outside of Malawi?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: husband of citizen wife
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q86E
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: A person who came from another country, but who has lived and worked in Malawi for many years, and wishes to make Malawi his or her home?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: lived and worked in country
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q86F
Question: In your opinion, which of the following people have a right to be a citizen of Malawi? A citizen would have the right to get a Malawian passport and to vote in Malawian elections if they are at least 18 years old: A person who wishes to hold dual citizenship, that is, to be a citizen both of Malawi and some other country?
Variable Label: Right to be citizen: hold dual citizenship
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No, 1=Yes, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q87
Question: Let’s turn to your views on your fellow citizens. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you must be very careful in dealing with people?
Variable Label: Most people can be trusted
Values: 0, 1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Must be very careful, 1=Most people can be trusted, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
**Question Number:** Q88A  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following types of people: Your relatives?  
**Variable Label:** Trust relatives  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=I trust them somewhat, 3=I trust them a lot, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Adapted from Afrobarometer Round 3 and Globalbarometer.

**Question Number:** Q88B  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following types of people: Your neighbors?  
**Variable Label:** Trust neighbors  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=I trust them somewhat, 3=I trust them a lot, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Adapted from Afrobarometer Round 5.

**Question Number:** Q88C  
**Question:** How much do you trust each of the following types of people: Other people you know?  
**Variable Label:** Trust other people you know  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Not at all, 1=Just a little, 2=I trust them somewhat, 3=I trust them a lot, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Adapted from Afrobarometer Round 3 and Globalbarometer.

**Question Number:** Q89A  
**Question:** Do you feel close to any particular political party?  
**Variable Label:** Close to political party  
**Values:** 0-1, 8-9, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, (not close to any party), 1=Yes, (feels close to a party), 8=Refused to answer, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Zambia 96

**Question Number:** Q89B  
**Question:** Which party is that?  
**Variable Label:** Which party  
**Values:** 460-476, 9995, 9997-9999, -1  
**Value Labels:** 460= Alliance for Democracy (AFORD), 461= Congress for Democrats (CODE), 462= Democratic Progressive Party (DPP), 463= Malawi Forum for Unity and Development (MAFUNDE), 464= Malawi Congress Party (MCP), 465= Malawi Democratic Party (MDP), 466= Maravi People’s Party (MPP), 467= Movement for Genuine Democracy (MGODE), 468= National Salvation Front (NSF), 469= New Rainbow Coalition Party (NARC), 470= New Republican Party (NRP), 471= People’s Democratic Movement (PDM), 472= People’s Party (PP), 473= People’s Progressive Movement (PPM), 474= People’s Transformation Party (PETRA), 475= Republican Party (RP), 476= United Democratic Front (UDF), 9995=Other, 9997=Not applicable, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Malawi 96

**Question Number:** Q90A  
**Question:** Which of these things do you personally own: Radio?  
**Variable Label:** Own radio  
**Values:** 0-1, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No (Don’t own), 1=Yes (Do own), 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 3

**Question Number:** Q90B  
**Question:** Which of these things do you personally own: Television?
Variable Label: Own television
Values: 0-1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No (Don’t own), 1=Yes (Do own), 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q90C
Question: Which of these things do you personally own: Motor vehicle, car or motorcycle?
Variable Label: Own motor vehicle, car, or motorcycle
Values: 0-1, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=No (Don’t own), 1=Yes (Do own), 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 3

Question Number: Q91A
Question: How often do you use: A computer?
Variable Label: How often use a computer
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q91B
Question: How often do you use: The Internet?
Variable Label: How often use the internet
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1=Less than once a month, 2=A few times a month, 3=A few times a week, 4=Every day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q92
Question: Do you ever use a mobile phone? If so, who owns the mobile phone that you use most often?
Variable Label: Usage and ownership of mobile phone
Values: 0-3, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0= No, I never use a mobile phone, 1= Yes, I use a mobile phone that I own, 2= Yes, I use a mobile phone owned by someone else in my household, 3= Yes, I use a mobile phone owned by someone outside my household, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q93A
Question: How often do you normally use a mobile phone to: Make or receive a call?
Variable Label: How often use a cell phone to make or receive call
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1= Less than one time per day, 2= One or two times per day, 3= Three or four times per day, 4= Five or more times per day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q93B
Question: How often do you normally use a mobile phone to: Send or receive a text message or SMS?
Variable Label: How often use cell phone to send or receive a text message
Values: 0-4, 9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 0=Never, 1= Less than one time per day, 2= One or two times per day, 3= Three or four times per day, 4= Five or more times per day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5
**Question Number:** Q93C  
**Question:** How often do you normally use a mobile phone to: Send or receive money or pay a bill?  
**Variable Label:** How often use cell phone to send or receive money  
**Values:** 0-4, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=Never, 1=Less than one time per day, 2=One or two times per day, 3=Three or four times per day, 4=Five or more times per day, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q94  
**Question:** How many mobile phones are owned in total by members of your household, including yourself?  
**Variable Label:** How many mobile phones in household  
**Values:** 0-99, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q95A  
**Question:** Please tell me whether each of the following are available inside your house, inside your compound, or outside your compound: your main source of water for household use?  
**Variable Label:** Source of water for household use  
**Values:** 1-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Inside the house, 2=Inside the compound, 3=Outside the compound, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 4

**Question Number:** Q95B  
**Question:** Please tell me whether each of the following are available inside your house, inside your compound, or outside your compound: A toilet or latrine  
**Variable Label:** Location of toilet or latrine  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No, no latrine available, 1=Inside the house, 2=Inside the compound, 3=Outside the compound, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** Afrobarometer Round 5

**Question Number:** Q96  
**Question:** Do you have a job that pays a cash income? If yes, is it full-time or part-time? If no, are you presently looking for a job?  
**Variable Label:** Employment status  
**Values:** 0-3, 9, 998, -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No (not looking), 1=No (looking), 2=Yes, part time, 3=Yes, full time, 9=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q97  
**Question:** What is the highest level of education you have completed?  
**Variable Label:** Education of respondent  
**Values:** 0-9, 99, 998 -1  
**Value Labels:** 0=No formal schooling, 1=Informal schooling only (including Koranic schooling), 2=Some primary schooling, 3=Primary school completed, 4=Some secondary school/ high school, 5=Secondary school completed/high school completed, 6=Post-secondary qualifications, other than university e.g. a diploma or degree from polytechnic or college, 7=Some university, 8=University completed, 9=Post-graduate, 99=Don’t know, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB

**Question Number:** Q98A  
**Question:** What is your religion, if any?
Variable Label: Religion of respondent
Values: 0-33, 460-467, 489, 9995, 9998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=None, 1=Christian only (i.e., respondents says only “Christian”, without identifying a specific sub-group), 2=Roman Catholic, 3=Orthodox, 4=Coptie, 5=Anglican, 6=Lutheran, 7=Methodist, 8=Presbyterian, 9=Baptist, 10=Quaker/Friends, 11=Mennonite, 12=Evangelical, 13=Pentecostal (e.g., “Born Again” and/or “Saved”), 14=Independent (e.g., “African Independent Church”), 15=Jehovah’s Witness, 16=Seventh Day Adventist, 17=Mormon, 18=Sunni only (i.e., respondents says only “Sunni Muslim”, without identifying a specific sub-group), 19=Ismaeli, 20=Ismaili Brotherhood, 21=Mouridiya Brotherhood, 22=Tijaniya Brotherhood, 23=Qadiriya Brotherhood, 24=Shia, 25=Traditional/ethnic religion, 26=Hindu, 27=Bahai, 28=Agnostic (Do not know if there is a God), 29=Atheist (Do not believe in a God), 30=Dutch Reformed, 31=Calvinist, 32=Church of Christ, 33= Zioñist Christian Church, 460=New Apostolic Church, 461=Last Church, 462=Utopia Church 463=Bible Believers, 464=Covenant Church, 465=Emmanuel, 466=Nationality 467=Partner, 489= Other, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB

Question Number: Q98B
Question: How important is religion in your life?
Variable Label: Importance of religion
Values: 1-4, 8, 9, -1
Value Labels: 1=Not at all important, 2=Not very important, 3=Somewhat important, 4=Very important, 8=Refused to answer, 9=Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 4

Question Number: Q99
Question: If a presidential election were held tomorrow, which party’s candidate would you vote for?
Variable Label: Vote for which party
Values: 460-476, 9995, 9997-9999, -1
Source: Malawi 96

Question Number: Q100
Question: Just one more question: Who do you think sent us to do this interview?
Variable Label: Perceived survey sponsor
Values: 0-24, 995, 998-9999, -1
Value Labels: 0=No one, 1=Government (General), 2=National/Union government, 3=Provincial/Regional government, 4=Local Government, 5=President/Prime Minister’s Office, 6=Parliament/National Assembly, 7=Government Census/Statistics Office, 8=National Intelligence/ Secret Service, 9=Education or Social Affairs Department/ Ministry, 10=Tax or Finance Department/ Ministry, 11=Health Department/ Ministry, 12=Other Government Department/Ministry, 13=Constitutional Commission, 14=National Electoral Commission, 15=National Planning Commission, 16=Public Utility Company, 17=NGO, 18=Political Party/Politicians, 19=Research company/ organization/programme (including the Afrobarometer National Partner), 20=Newspapers/Media, 21=University/ school/ college, 22=Private company, 23=International organization, 24=God or a religious organization, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused to answer, 9999=Don’t know, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 2
Note: Interviewer entered verbatim response

Question Number: ENDTIME
Question: Time interview ended
Variable Label: Time interview ended
Note: Answered by interviewer. Entered hour and minute, 24 hour clock

Question Number: LENGTH
Question: Length of interview
Variable Label: Length of interview
Note: Answered by interviewer. Entered hour and minute, 24 hour clock

Question Number: Q101
Question: Respondent’s gender
Variable Label: Gender of respondent
Values: 1, 2
Value Labels: 1=Male, 2=Female
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q102
Question: Respondent’s race
Variable Label: Race of respondent
Values: 1-6, 95, -1
Value Labels: 1=Black/African, 2=White/European, 3=Colored/Mixed Race, 4=Arab/Lebanese/North African, 5=South Asian (Indian, Pakistani, etc.), 6=East Asian (Chinese, Korean, Indonesian, etc.), Other=95, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q103
Question: What was the primary language used in the interview?
Variable Label: Language of interview
Values: 1-4, 460-461, 9995, 9998, -1
Value Labels: 1=English, 2=French, 3=Portuguese, 4=Kiswahili, 460=Chitumbuka, 461=Chichewa, 9995=Other, 9998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q104
Question: In what type of shelter does the respondent live?
Variable Label: Type of shelter of respondent
Values: 1-5, 7-8, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Non-traditional / formal house, 2=Traditional house / hut, 3=Temporary structure / shack, 4=Flat in a block of flats, 5=Single room in a larger dwelling structure or backyard, 7=Hostel in an industrial compound or farming compound, 8=Other, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q105
Question: What was the roof of the respondent’s home or shelter made of?
Variable Label: Roof of respondent’s home
Values: 1-9, 998, -1
Value Labels: 1=Metal, tin or zinc, 2=Tiles, 3=Shingles, 4=Thatch or grass, 5=Plastic sheets, 6=Asbestos, 7=Multiple materials, 8=Some other material, 9=Could not tell / could not see, 998=Refused to answer, -1=Missing data
Source: Afrobarometer Round 5

Question Number: Q106
Question: Were there any other people immediately present who might be listening during the interview?
Variable Label: Others present
Values: 1-5, -1
**Value Labels:**
1 = No one, 2 = Spouse only, 3 = Children only, 4 = A few others, 5 = Small crowd, -1 = Missing data

**Source:** Nigeria00

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q107A
**Question:** Did the respondent check with others for information to answer any question?
**Variable Label:** Check with others
**Values:** 0, 1, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = No, 1 = Yes, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** Nigeria00

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q107B
**Question:** Do you think anyone influenced the respondent’s answers during the interview?
**Variable Label:** Influence by others
**Values:** 0, 1, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = No, 1 = Yes, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** SAB99

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q107C
**Question:** Were you approached by community and/or political party representatives?
**Variable Label:** Approached by community/ party representatives
**Values:** 0, 1, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = No, 1 = Yes, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q107D
**Question:** Did you feel threatened during the interview?
**Variable Label:** Feel threatened
**Values:** 0, 1, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = No, 1 = Yes, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q107E
**Question:** Were you physically threatened during the interview?
**Variable Label:** Physically threatened
**Values:** 0, 1, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = No, 1 = Yes, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** SAB

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q108
**Question:** What proportion of the questions do you feel the respondent had difficulty answering?
**Variable Label:** Proportion difficulty answering
**Values:** 0-4, -1
**Value Labels:** 0 = None, 1 = Few, 2 = Some, 3 = Most, 4 = All, -1 = Missing data
**Source:** Nigeria00

**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q109A
**Question:** Which questions did the respondent have trouble answering: First question?
**Variable Label:** Trouble answering- first response
**Values:** 0-100, -1
Question Number: Q109B
Question: Which questions did the respondent have trouble answering: Second question?
Variable Label: Trouble answering second response
Values: 0-100, -1
Value Labels: 0-100, -1=Missing data
Source: Nigeria00
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q109C
Question: Which questions did the respondent have trouble answering: Third question?
Variable Label: Trouble answering third response
Values: 0-100, -1
Value Labels: 0-100, -1=Missing data
Source: Nigeria00
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110A
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: friendly, in between, or hostile?
Variable Label: Respondent friendly
Values: 1-3, -1
Value Labels: 1=Friendly, 2=In between, 3=Hostile, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110B
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: interested, in between, or bored?
Variable Label: Respondent interested
Values: 1-3, -1
Value Labels: 1=Interested, 2=In between, 3=Bored, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110C
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: cooperative, in between, or uncooperative?
Variable Label: Respondent cooperative
Values: 1-3, -1
Value Labels: 1=Cooperative, 2=In between, 3=Uncooperative, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer

Question Number: Q110D
Question: What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: patient, in between, or impatient?
Variable Label: Respondent patient
Values: 1-3, 1
Value Labels: 1=Patient, 2=In between, 3=Impatient, -1=Missing data
Source: SAB
Note: Answered by interviewer
**Question Number:** Q110E  
**Question:** What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: at ease, in between, or suspicious?  
**Variable Label:** Respondent at ease  
**Values:** 1, 3, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=At ease, 2=In between, 3=Suspicious, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q110F  
**Question:** What was the respondent’s attitude toward you during the interview? Was he or she: honest, in between, or misleading?  
**Variable Label:** Respondent honest  
**Values:** 1, 3, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Honest, 2=In between, 3=Misleading, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q112  
**Question:** Interviewer’s number  
**Variable Label:** Interviewer’s number  
**Values:** MLW01-MLW38  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q113  
**Question:** Interviewer’s age  
**Variable Label:** Interviewer’s age  
**Values:** 21-36  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q114  
**Question:** Interviewer’s gender  
**Variable Label:** Interviewer’s gender  
**Values:** 1, 2, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Male, 2=Female, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q115  
**Question:** Do you come from a rural or urban area?  
**Variable Label:** Interviewer urban or rural  
**Values:** 1, 2, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=Rural, 2=Urban, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB  
**Note:** Answered by interviewer

**Question Number:** Q116  
**Question:** Interviewer’s home language  
**Variable Label:** Interviewer’s home language  
**Values:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 460-471, 9995, -1  
**Value Labels:** 1=English, 2=French, 3=Portuguese, 4=Swahili, 460=Chitumbuka, 461=Chinkhonde, 462=Chilambya, 463=Chichewa, 464=Chiyao, 465=Chingoni, 466=Chilomwe, 467=Chimang’anja, 468=Chisena, 469=Chisukwa, 470=Chisenga, 471=Chitonga, 9995=Others, -1=Missing data  
**Source:** SAB
**Question Number**: Q117  
**Question**: Interviewer’s highest level of education  
**Variable Label**: Interviewer’s education  
**Values**: 3-9, -1  
**Value Labels**: 3=Primary school completed, 4=Some secondary/high school, 5=High school completed, 6=Post secondary qualifications other than university e.g. a diploma or degree from a polytechnic or college , 7=Some university, 8=University, completed, 9=Post graduate, -1=Missing data  
**Source**: SAB  
**Note**: Answered by interviewer

**Question Number**: withinwt  
**Variable Label**: Within country weighting factor  
**Note**: The weighting variable adjusts the distribution of the sample based on individual selection probabilities (i.e., based on region, gender, urban-rural distribution, and size of household and enumeration area).

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