

# AB update

## December 2022 highlights



### In the field and around the network

- ✓ National partners completed surveys in Sudan, Mauritania, Mozambique, South Africa, Seychelles, and São Tomé and Príncipe, bringing our Round 9 total so far to 37 countries.
- ✓ AB's board of directors approved a 2023 budget and workplans to wrap up Round 9, launch Round 10, and roll out capacity building activities.

### In the news

A total of **1,010 media hits** were recorded in December across various media outlets, including [NPR](#), [Times](#) (Malawi), [franceinfo](#), [Daily Maverick](#), [Maliweb](#), [New24](#), [Monitor](#), [IOL](#), [Al Jazeera](#), [RFI](#). ...



### On digital/social media

Website	12,620 users; 5,928 downloads
Online data analysis	3,015 visits; 23,473 pages
Twitter	27,941 followers
Facebook	16,090 fans
LinkedIn	4,100 followers

### Publications

- ✓ PP84: [Lived poverty resurgent](#)
- ✓ PP83: [As local government councils proliferate, Ugandans voice growing dissatisfaction with councillors](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 585: [Les Gabonais approuvent la promotion des droits des femmes mais demandent encore plus](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 584: [Climate change making life worse in Mauritius; citizens want collective action to combat it](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 583: [Botswana insist on presidential accountability](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 582: [Digital divide: Who in Africa is connected and who is not](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 581: [Malawians cite lack of professionalism, integrity, responsiveness among police failings](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 580: [Sierra Leoneans welcome government efforts to address gender inequalities, call for more](#)

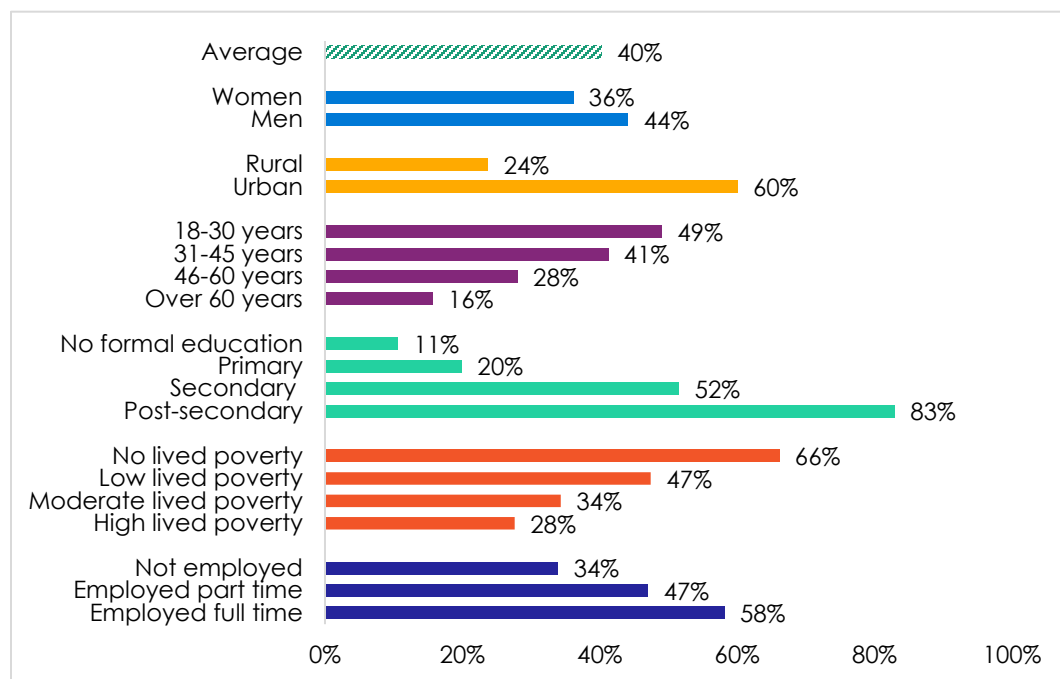
### Happy new year!

We wish our supporters and friends a **new year filled with joy, good health, and success**. Our heartfelt **thanks** for making 2022 a fruitful year for AB as we:

- Launched our [2022-2032 strategy](#) as well as a new website.
- Completed face-to-face surveys in 33 countries – an AB record for a single calendar year – in addition to four phone surveys.
- Published 97 papers, more than 130 news releases, 20 [climate change country cards](#), and regular posts in the Washington Post Monkey Cage and the Continent.
- Trained researchers in data collection, analysis, and communication in our English- and French-language summer schools.
- Shared AB findings in high-level briefings in Africa, the United States, and Europe.
- Secured high visibility and strong partnerships that will keep us moving forward!

## Chart of the month

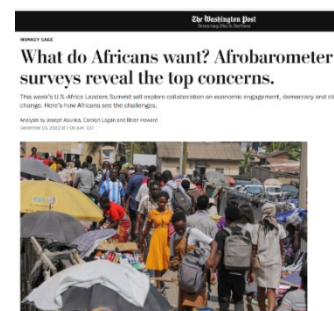
Frequent use of the Internet | by demographic group | 34 countries | 2019/2021



**Respondents were asked:**  
How often do you use the Internet? (% who say "a few times a week" or "every day")

## Visibility

- ✓ Among its "Issues to watch in 2023," Chatham House's *The World Today* featured AB CEO Joseph Asunka's thoughts on "Africa's mounting debt."
- ✓ AB Director of Surveys Boniface Dulani was a panelist at a WHO Epidemic Intelligence from Open Sources (EIOS) conference in Luxor, Egypt.
- ✓ AB concluded its long-running series in the Washington Post Monkey Cage with an analysis titled "What do Africans want?" The Monkey Cage, which is moving to a different platform, expressed its appreciation of AB's ability to "shed light on world events by centering the voices of ordinary citizens."



## Presentations:

- ✓ On selected AB findings, to U.S. State Department and Department of Labor representatives, in preparation for the United States-Africa Leaders Summit
- ✓ On "Explaining issue representation in Africa," to a Project HOME seminar on "How members of Parliament in Africa represent their constituencies," organised by the Institute of Social Sciences, University of Lisbon
- ✓ On migration, at the African Peer Review Mechanism Technical Symposium on the African Migration Governance Conference
- ✓ On AB findings in Angola, to a Chatham House forum on "Prospects for Angola's social and economic future"

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