AB update

February 2023 highlights

In the field and around the network
✓ Afrobameter national partners are preparing for the last three Round 9 surveys: Guinea-Bissau, Congo-Brazzaville, and Ethiopia will complete the round’s 40-country total, a record for AB.
✓ AB has received a grant from the Obama Foundation, extending a 2022 collaboration under which AB will share analysis with the Obama Foundation Leaders Africa on “unlocking the power of data for social impact.”

In the news
A total of 1,009 media hits were recorded in February across various media outlets, including the New York Times, Africa Report, Economist, Washington Post (editorial board), GhanaWeb, News24, Mail & Guardian, DW, DNYUZ, MaliJet, BNN Bloomberg, Cameroon Tribune, Financial Times, Daily Maverick, Yahoo!News, …

On digital/social media

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Chart of the month

Overall direction of the country | Nigeria | 2013-2022

Respondents were asked: Would you say that the country is going in the wrong direction or going in the right direction?
Visibility

✓ New survey findings on elections in Nigeria and climate change led the news at an AB virtual press conference that drew 209 participants from the media, NGOs, universities, and companies from around the globe.
✓ Zambian President Hakainde Hichilema tweeted an AB chart showing Zambia leading a field of 24 African countries in popular support for democracy.
✓ AB CEO Joseph Asunka discussed elections and democracy on VOA Africa.

Presentations:
✓ On “Citizen experiences and perspectives on climate change in Africa: A call to action,” at a Climate and Development Series event at Harvard University’s Center for International Development
✓ On “The state of democracy in Southern Africa,” at an International Republican Institute regional conference in Johannesburg
✓ On development priorities and climate change, at Mali’s Ministry of the Economy and Finance

Publications
✓ Working Paper 195: Remittances and corruption perceptions in Africa
✓ Working Paper 196: Keeping tabs? Perceptions of relative deprivation and political trust in Africa
✓ Dispatch 610: In Zimbabwe, majority support gender equality, think greater efforts are needed
✓ Dispatch 609: Les Togolais approuvent la réponse à la COVID-19, mais pensent que des fonds ont été perdus à cause de la corruption
✓ Dispatch 608: Majority of Sierra Leoneans say vulnerable children lack needed support
✓ Dispatch 607: Zimbabweans wouldn’t spare pupils the rod, endorse letting pregnant girls stay in school
✓ Dispatch 606: Nigerians want democracy, though dissatisfaction rises amid worsening economic conditions
✓ Dispatch 605: Ghanaians condemn physical discipline, see gender-based violence as a criminal matter
✓ Dispatch 604: Nigerians say their country is unsafe, cite insecurity as top priority for government action
✓ Dispatch 603: La jeunesse tunisienne est instruite et inclusive mais manque d’opportunités d’emplois
✓ Dispatch 602: Majority of Ugandans want strong role for traditional leaders – but not in politics
✓ Dispatch 601: Tunisians see gender-based violence as a top priority, but domestic violence as a private matter
✓ Dispatch 600: Nigerians’ grim outlook points to high stakes in competitive elections
✓ Dispatch 599: Africans want age limits for government heads (but don’t reject retirement-age leaders)

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