

# AB update

April 2024 highlights



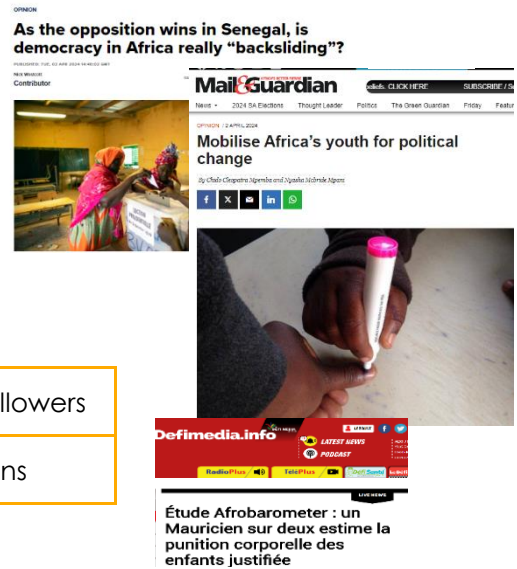
## In the field and around the network

- ✓ Afrobarometer pursued its Round 10 data collection as its eighth and ninth countries, Namibia and Angola, wrapped up fieldwork. Kenya, Gabon, and Mauritius were in the field, and the Gambia started fieldwork training. Coming up: Nigeria, Tanzania, Malawi, Guinea, Zimbabwe, Zambia. ...
- ✓ AB and its partners continued Round 9 findings dissemination, including the release of Pan-Africa Profiles on electricity, media, and health.



## In the news

A total of **343 media hits** were recorded in April across various media outlets, including the Economist, Mail & Guardian, Investing.com, CNBC Africa, Independent Online, Citizen, Hespress, Daily Maverick, Svenska Dagbladet, Leadership, GhanaWeb, Hindu, Emerald Insight, Premium Times, Guardian, Institute for the Study of War, Myjoyonline.com, DNYUZ, All Africa, Defimedia. ...

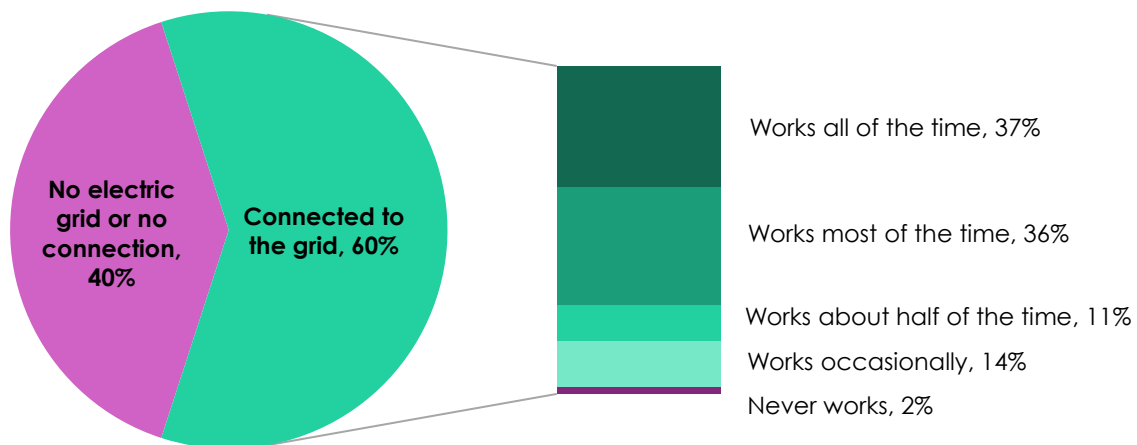


## On digital/social media

<b>Website</b>	26,019 users; 8,127 downloads	<b>X (formerly Twitter)</b>	33,527 followers
<b>Online data analysis</b>	5,018 user sessions	<b>Facebook</b>	16,858 fans

## Chart of the month

**Figure: Reliability of connections to the electric grid | 39 countries | 2021/2023**



**Respondents were asked:** Do you have an electric connection to your home from the mains? [If yes:] How often is electricity actually available from this connection?

## Visibility

- ✓ Good Authority published Afrobarometer analysis on access to information in Africa.
- ✓ Democracy in Africa published an AB blog post on South African youth.
- ✓ Carlos Pacatolo Barnabé, AB principal investigator in Angola, drew on AB data for his new book, *O Domínio Decrescente do MPLA no Sistema Partidário em Angola*.
- ✓ AB continued its weekly "Data" series in the Continent.

## Presentations

- ✓ On AB and key survey findings, at a Learning Friday session of the World Bank's External Relations and Communications Experts for West and Central Africa
- ✓ On "The role of African youth in promoting and defending democracy," at a Centre for Democracy and Development-Mozambique webinar
- ✓ On "Climate change literacy and adaptation in Africa," at a World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR) regional conference
- ✓ On "Democratic trends in Africa," at the Africa Futures Summit: Democratic transitions
- ✓ On "Who is canvassing whom? Party electoral strategies in Africa," at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association
- ✓ On "Anti-democratic parties and autocratic voters," at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association and the Mershon Center, Ohio State University



## Publications

- ✓ Working Paper 203: Economic prosperity and public backing for transparent and accountable governance in Africa
- ✓ Policy Paper 91: Health for everyone, everywhere? As service delivery falls short, Africans rank health as a top priority for government action
- ✓ Dispatch 800: Africa's shifting media landscapes: Digital media use grows, but so do demographic divides
- ✓ Dispatch 799: Mauritians strongly endorse media freedom and public access to government information
- ✓ Dispatch 798: Basotho reject government restrictions on information, support media's watchdog role
- ✓ Dispatch 797: Les Togolais déplorent la situation économique du pays ainsi que leurs conditions de vie
- ✓ Dispatch 796: Liberians call for greater government efforts to promote gender equality
- ✓ Dispatch 795: Malagasy praise government efforts to promote gender equality but want to see more
- ✓ Dispatch 794: Zimbabweans increasingly dissatisfied with government efforts on electricity provision
- ✓ Dispatch 793: Energy gaps: Slight, uneven progress still leaves many Africans without electricity
- ✓ Dispatch 792: Gender-based violence ranks as top women's-rights issue that Ugandans want government and society to address

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