

AB update

October 2025 highlights



In the field and around the network

- ✓ Under a new MoU with the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), Afrobarometer will provide governance data and strengthen COMESA's capacity in data interpretation and use.
- ✓ AB and the Nkafu Policy Institute co-hosted an "Africa's Voice" event during the World Bank Annual Meetings in Washington, D.C., where the AB team also shared new findings on sexual and reproductive health and rights, gender equality, international cooperation, and economic conditions with key partners, including the Population Institute, ONE.org, and U.S. policy makers (photo at right).
- ✓ AB trained students and faculty at the universities of Ilorin, Abuja, and Livingstonia on how to use its data in academic research and teaching (photo at right).
- ✓ In collaboration with the Rockefeller Foundation, AB co-hosted thought leaders from government, civil society, academia, and business to examine the erosion of global cooperation and chart inclusive, Africa-driven pathways forward.
- ✓ AB joined a panel discussion marking the Institute for Development Studies–University of Nairobi's 60th anniversary, exploring how data-driven insights are shaping Africa's development agenda and informing evidence-based policies across the continent.
- ✓ Results dissemination continued with the release of country-level findings from Round 10.



In the news

A total of **1,230 media hits** were recorded in October across various media outlets, including the [Guardian](#), [Daily Mail](#), [Springer](#), [Los Angeles Times](#), [Economic Times](#), [Russia Today](#), [Dauphiné Libéré](#), [Télégramme](#), [IOL](#), [Punch](#), [Hespress](#), [Ghana Web](#), [Brookings](#), [SABC News](#), [inkl](#), [This Day Live](#), [Business Day](#), [Semafor](#), [Atlantic Council](#), [Citizen Digital](#). ...

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Survey: Most Moroccans tolerant toward migrants but cautious about expanding immigration



On digital/social media

Website	53,626 users; 8,042 downloads	X	36,721 followers
Online data analysis	4,163 user sessions	Facebook	18,558 fans

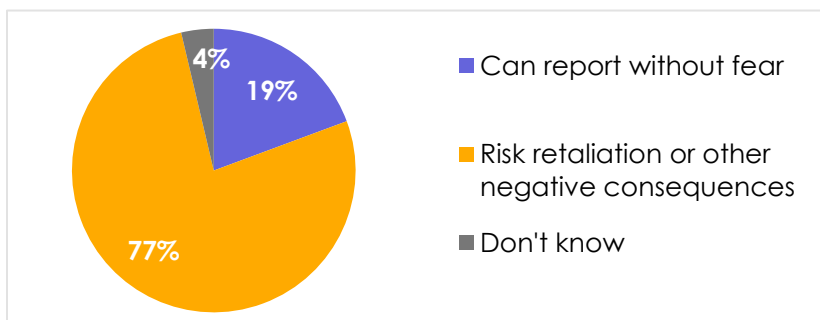
IOL

Afrobarometer sounds alarm as support for army takeover reaches record high in South Africa



Chart of the month

Do citizens risk retaliation if they report corruption? | Chad | 2025



Respondents were asked: In this country, can ordinary people report incidents of corruption without fear, or do they risk retaliation or other negative consequences if they speak out?

Visibility

- ✓ Afrobarometer joined global leaders from government, civil society, the private sector, and philanthropy at the UNDP Global Policy Centre for Governance conference to explore innovative approaches to governance challenges and reimagine systems for a more just and resilient future.
- ✓ AB joined the “[In Pursuit of Development](#)” podcast to discuss insights from its [flagship report](#) on citizen engagement, highlighting youth activism and the importance of reliable citizen data.
- ✓ In partnership with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, AB co-hosted the annual Gaborone Democracy Lab, bringing together democracy champions and decision makers to explore African-led strategies for strengthening democratic institutions, public service delivery, and social justice.
- ✓ The network joined global thought leaders, policy makers, and researchers at the 29th Forum 2000 Conference in Prague to discuss the latest Afrobarometer data on democracy.
- ✓ In partnership with Amani Africa, AB convened a high-level policy dialogue on “Leveraging citizen engagement for democratic governance and conflict prevention.”

Presentations

- ✓ On AB's work, methodologies, and achievements, at the Africa's Future Conference
- ✓ On gender-based violence and digital engagement, at the FemAI leaders lab in South Africa

Publications

- ✓ Working Paper 217: [Insecurity and institutional trust in the context of a coup d'état](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1071: [Informed citizens say climate change is worsening life in South Africa, call for action](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1070: [Gambian women still face barriers to equality in education, employment, and participation in politics](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1069: [Eswatini criticise government's performance on health, say public health facilities lack medicines](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1068: [South African youth see government as failing on job creation, look to public sector for work](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1067: [Moroccan women still face harassment, barriers to equality in employment and politics](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1066: [Even before wartime restrictions, Sudan media faced weak public backing for press freedom](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1065: [Maliens call for universal health care, see health as top priority for government action](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1064: [Eswatini youth concerned about employment, cast eyes abroad for better prospects](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1063: [Open to mobility, within limits: Moroccans navigate ins and outs of migration](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1062: [Despite strong public support for gender equality, Tanzanian women still face barriers](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1061: [Seychellois losing confidence in anti-drug efforts, see government action as a top priority](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1060: [La majorité des Comoriens vivent au moins une pauvreté modérée et déplorent la situation économique du pays](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1059: [Les Tchadiens déplorent une hausse de la corruption mais craignent des représailles s'ils la dénoncent](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1058: [Ugandans endorse electoral reforms to enhance transparency and accountability](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1057: [Zimbabweans support media's watchdog role, split on whether there is press freedom](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1056: [Ugandans support free media that holds government accountable](#)
- ✓ Dispatch 1055: [Au Togo, la radio résiste encore à la croissance des médias sociaux comme source d'information](#)

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