
AFRICA RISING ABOVE STEREOTYPES & MISCONCEPTIONS

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“The single story creates stereotypes, and the problem with stereotypes is not that they are untrue, but that they are incomplete.”

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie



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COMMON STEREOTYPES

- Africa is country.
- Africa is dangerous.
- Africans have no access to modern technology.
- Corruption makes it impossible to do business in Africa.
- All African countries are poor and depend on aid.
- All African governance is bad.
- Africa is conflict-ridden, politically unstable and ruled by dictators and warlords.
- The only thing of value in Africa is its natural resources.
- Africa is all savannah & wild animals- there are no modern industries and no modern infrastructure.
- The Chinese get all government contracts.



Bill Clinton  @BillClinton · 31 Jul 2013

Just touched down in **Africa** with @ChelseaClinton. Excited to travel for next 10 days to @ClintonFdn projects. #Africa2013

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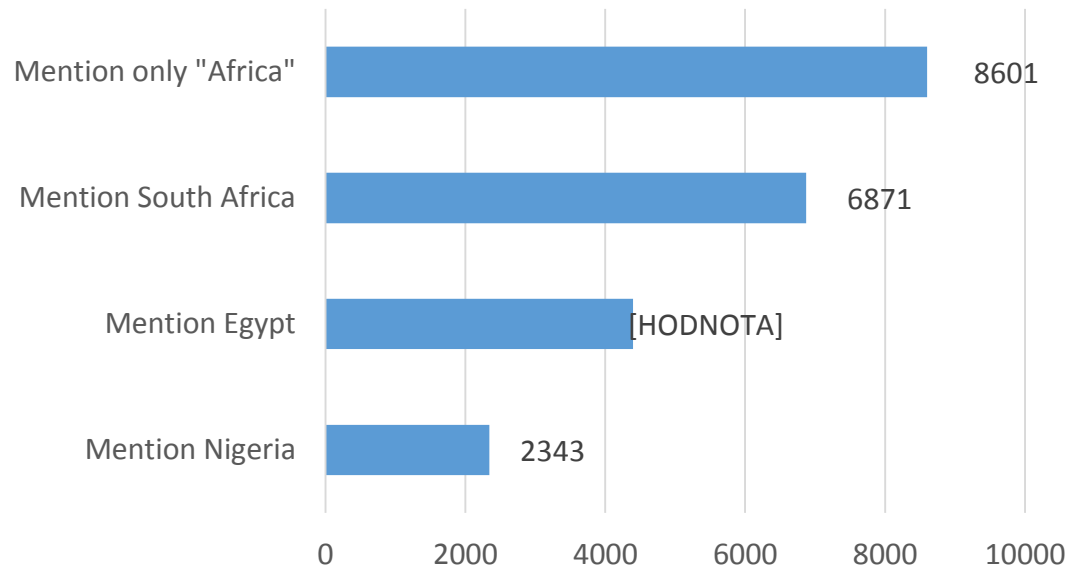
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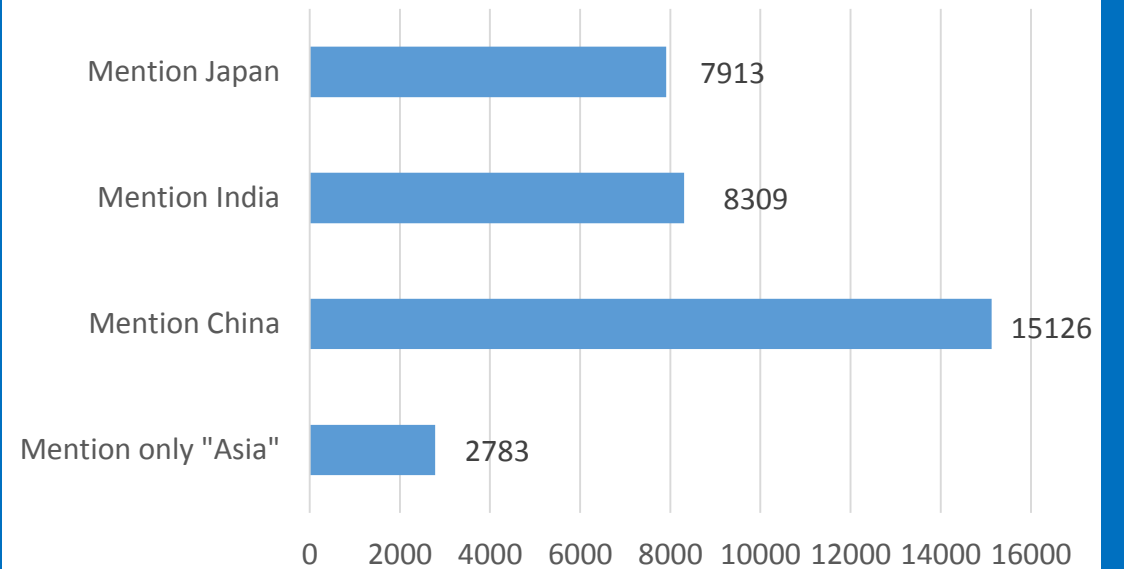


AFRICA IN THE WESTERN MEDIA

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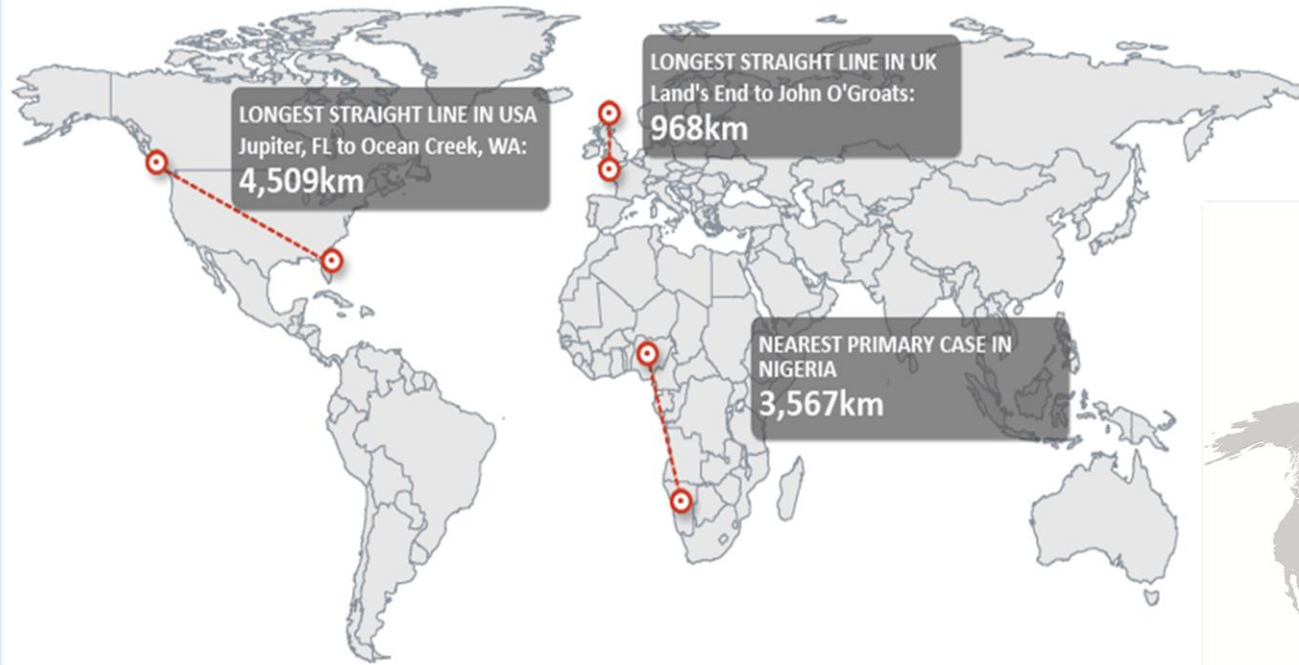


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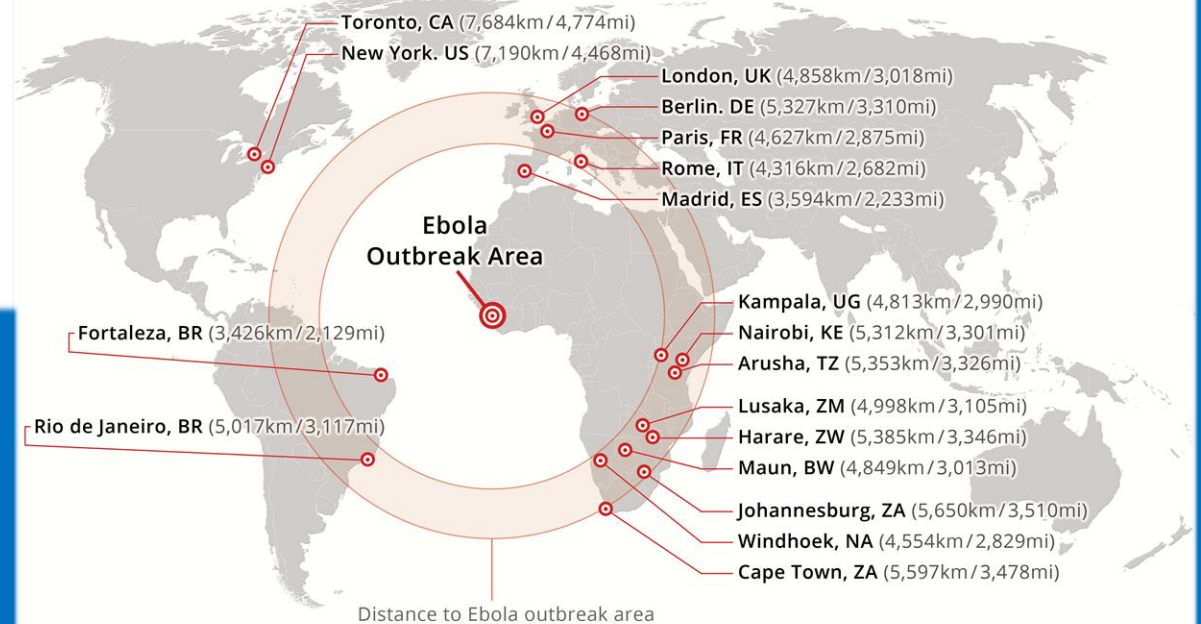


Ebola: The Ignorance Epidemic?

PUTTING IT INTO PERSPECTIVE



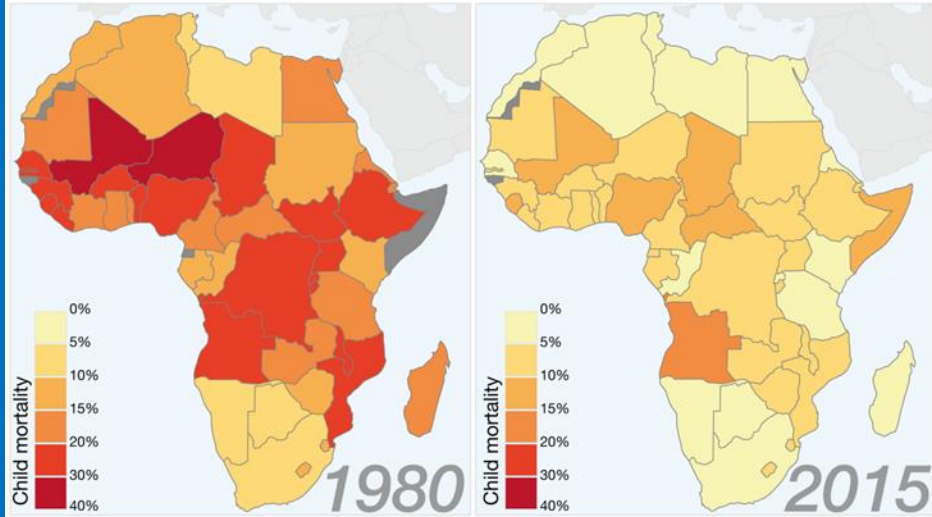
Distance to Ebola Outbreak Area



Child Mortality in 1980 and 2015

Child mortality is the probability that a newborn will die before reaching the age of 5.

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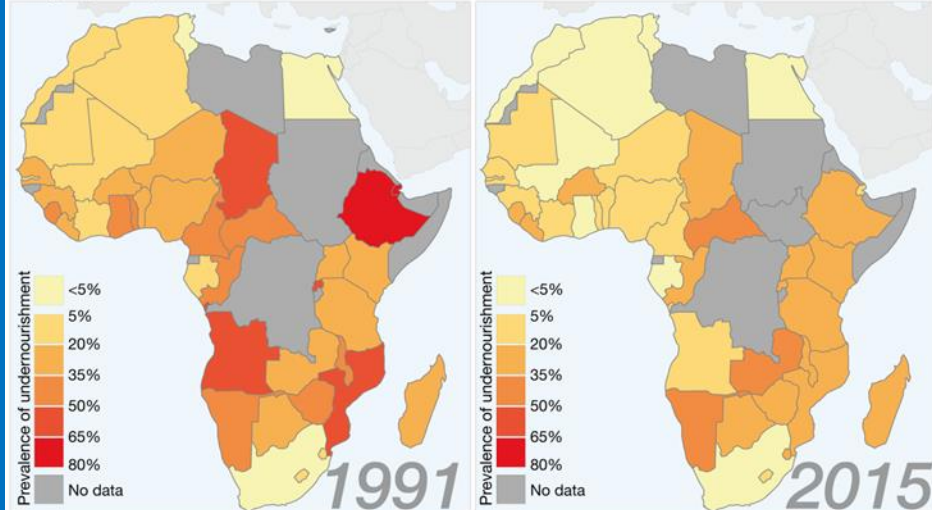
Data source: UN Child Mortality Estimates
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Prevalence of undernourishment in Africa

This is the main FAO hunger indicator. It measures the share of the population that consumes an amount of calories that is insufficient to cover the energy requirement for an active and healthy life (as defined by the minimum dietary energy requirement).

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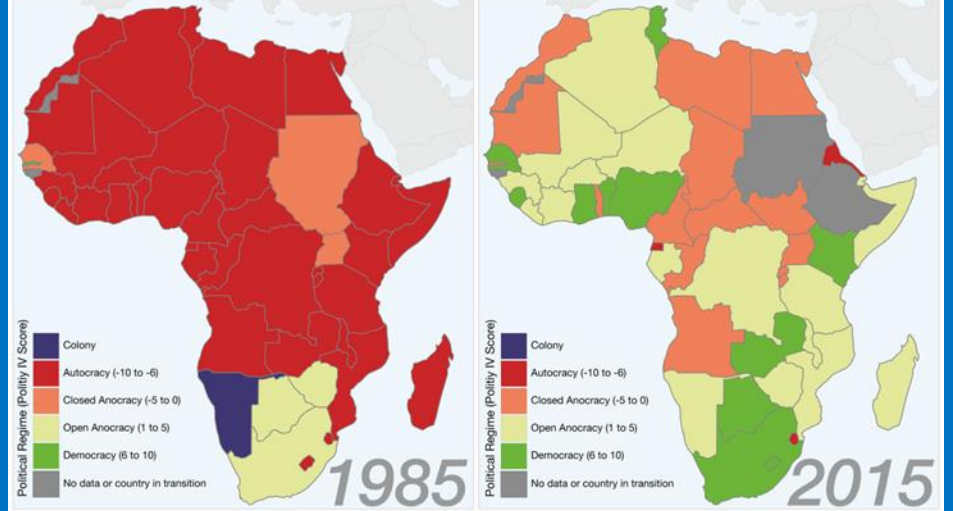
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Political regimes in Africa – 1985 vs. 2015

Shown is the Polity IV score for each country. This score can range from -10 (full autocracy) to +10 (full democracy). Regimes that fall into the middle of this spectrum are called anocracies.

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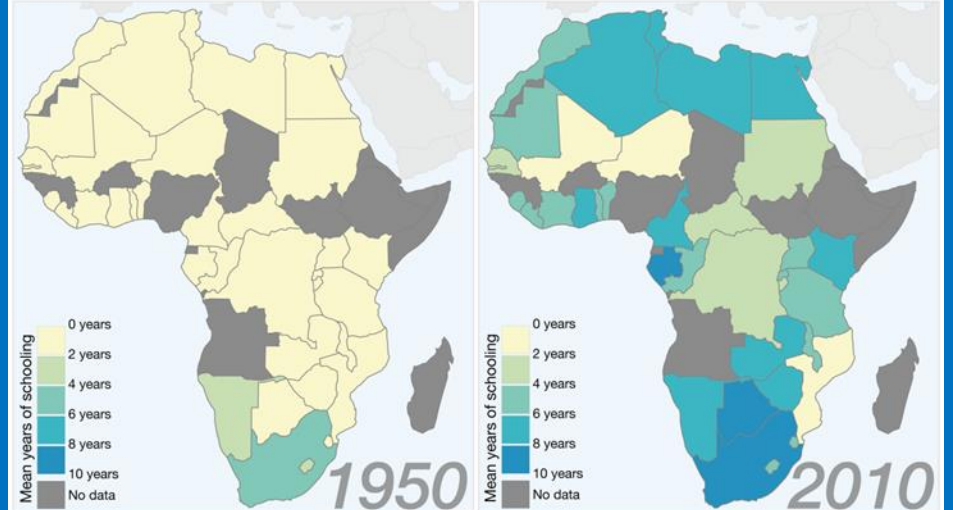
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Average years of education – 1950 vs. 2010

Shown is the average years of education for the population older than 15

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M-Pesa by the numbers

18 million

active users in Kenya, where
the service launched in
March 2007

614 million

M-Pesa transactions were
processed during
December 2016 and

6 billion

transactions over **2016**

287,400

agents worldwide
providing services
to users

2%

of Kenyan households lifted
out of extreme poverty
through access to mobile
money services

Women in parliament

The countries are ranked and colour-coded according to the percentage of women in unicameral parliaments or the lower house of parliament, reflecting elections/appointments up to 1 January 2017.

Rank	Country	Lower or single house		Upper house or Senate	
		% Women	Women/Seats	% Women	Women/Seats
50 to 65%					
1	Rwanda	61.3	49 / 80	38.5	10 / 26
2	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	53.1	69 / 130	47.2	17 / 36
40 to 49.9%					
3	Cuba	48.9	299 / 612	—	— / —
4	Iceland	47.6	30 / 63	—	— / —
5	Nicaragua	45.7	42 / 92	—	— / —
6	Sweden	43.6	152 / 349	—	— / —
7	Senegal	42.7	64 / 150	—	— / —
8	Mexico	42.6	213 / 500	36.7	47 / 128
9	Finland	42.0	84 / 200	—	— / —
"	South Africa ⁽¹⁾	42.0	167 / 398	35.2	19 / 54
11	Ecuador	41.6	57 / 137	—	— / —
12	Namibia	41.3	43 / 104	23.8	10 / 42
35 to 39.9%					
13	Mozambique	39.6	99 / 250	—	— / —
"	Norway	39.6	67 / 169	—	— / —
15	Spain	39.1	137 / 350	38.0	101 / 266
16	Argentina	38.9	100 / 257	41.7	30 / 72
17	Ethiopia	38.8	212 / 547	32.0	49 / 153
18	Timor-Leste	38.5	25 / 65	—	— / —
19	Angola	38.2	84 / 220	—	— / —
20	Belgium	38.0	57 / 150	50.0	30 / 60
"	Netherlands	38.0	57 / 150	34.7	26 / 75
22	Denmark	37.4	67 / 179	—	— / —
23	Germany	37.0	233 / 630	39.1	27 / 69
24	Slovenia	36.7	33 / 90	7.5	3 / 40
25	Burundi	36.4	44 / 121	41.9	18 / 43
"	United Republic of Tanzania	36.4	143 / 393	—	— / —
27	Costa Rica	35.1	20 / 57	—	— / —
30 to 34.9%					
28	Portugal	34.8	80 / 230	—	— / —
29	Belarus	34.5	38 / 110	30.4	17 / 56
30	Serbia	34.4	86 / 250	—	— / —
31	Uganda	34.3	154 / 449	—	— / —

Women in ministerial positions

The countries are ranked according to the percentage of women in ministerial positions, reflecting appointments up to 1 January 2017.

Rank	Country	% Women	Women	Total ministers ‡
50 to 59.9%				
1	Bulgaria	52.9	9	17
"	France	52.9	9	17
"	Nicaragua	52.9	9	17
4	Sweden	52.2	12	23
5	Canada	51.7	15	29
6	Slovenia	50.0	8	16
40 to 49.9%				
7	Rwanda	47.4	9	19
8	Denmark	42.9	9	21
9	South Africa	41.7	15	36
10	Albania	40.0	8	20
"	Iceland	40.0	4	10
"	Liechtenstein	40.0	2	5
35 to 39.9%				
13	Norway	38.9	7	18
14	Finland	38.5	5	13
"	Spain	38.5	5	13
16	Netherlands	37.5	6	16
17	New Zealand	37.0	10	27
18	Peru	36.8	7	19
19	Uganda	36.7	11	30
20	Uruguay	35.7	5	14
21	Colombia	35.3	6	17
30 to 34.9%				
22	Chile	34.8	8	23
23	Germany	33.3	5	15
"	Zambia	33.3	10	30
25	Dominica	31.3	5	16
"	Grenada*	31.3	5	16
27	Mauritania	30.8	8	26
"	Seychelles*	30.8	4	13
"	United Kingdom	30.8	8	26
30	Costa Rica	30.4	7	23
31	Andorra	30.0	3	10

Source: UN Women



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Namibia's debt exposure to China currently stands at 2.7 % of total debt. The reports and statements wanting to create a picture of Namibia being sold out to China through having accepted too many loans are factually incorrect and deceptive.

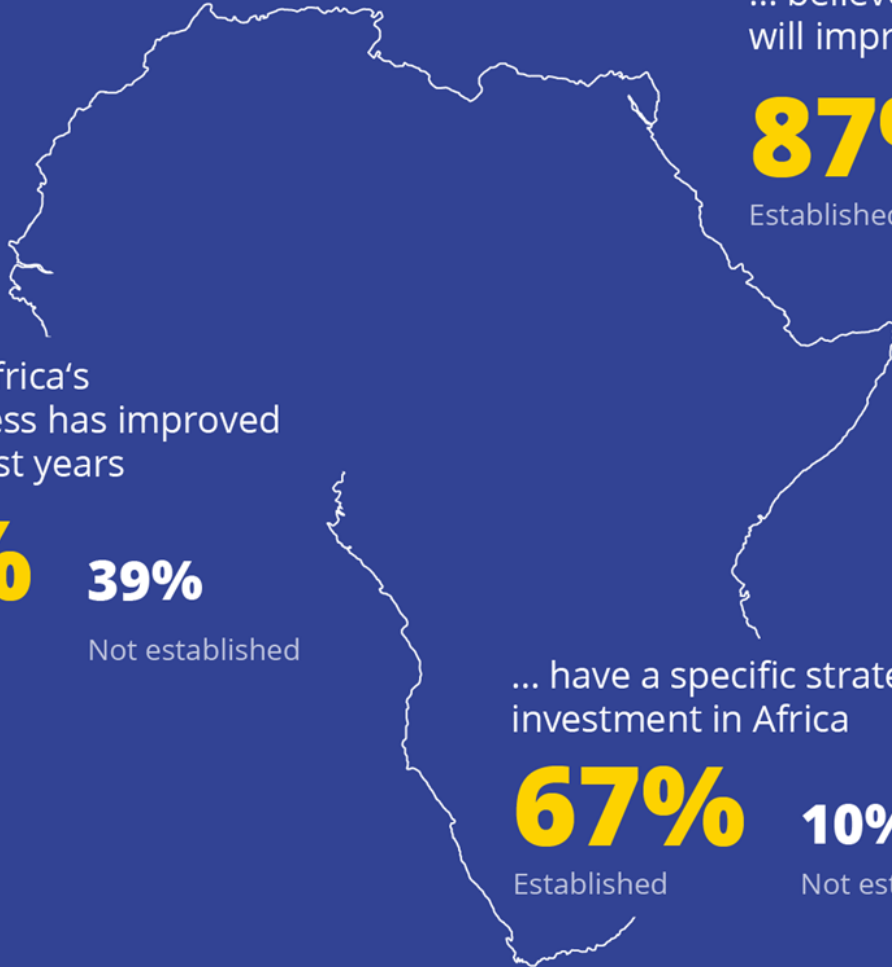
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Repondents who ...



... believe Africa's attractiveness will improve over the three years

87%

Established

51%

Not established

... believe Africa's attractiveness has improved over the past years

73%

Established

39%

Not established

... have a specific strategy for investment in Africa

67%

Established

10%

Not established

Perception gap remains

A stark perception gap between investors must be tackled



Africa is the **most** attractive destination in the world.

Respondents established in Africa



Africa is the **least** attractive destination in the world.

Respondents not established in Africa

Source: EY's 2014 Africa attractiveness survey (total respondents: 503)

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