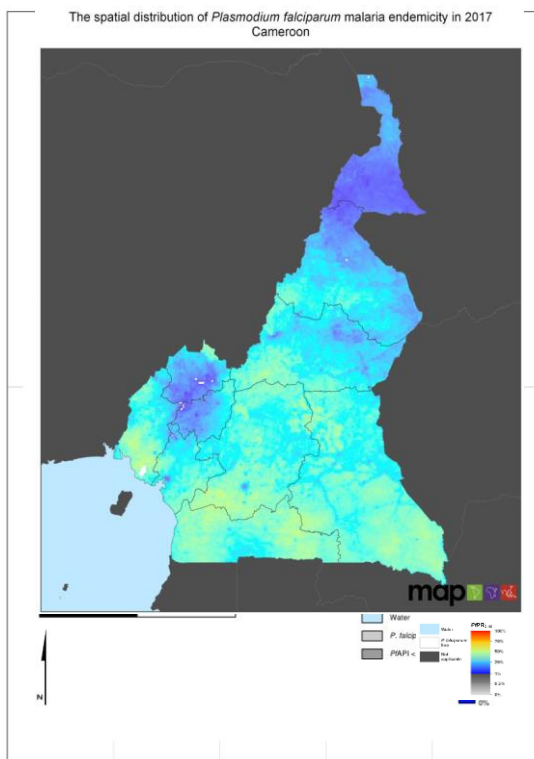


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Scorecard for Accountability and Action



Metrics

Commodities Financed		
LLIN financing 2023 projection (% of need)		87
Public sector RDT financing 2023 projection (% of need)		100
Public sector ACT financing 2023 projection (% of need)		100
Policy		
Signed, ratified and deposited the AMA instrument at the AUC		
Malaria activities targeting refugees in Malaria Strategic Plan		
Malaria activities targeting IDPs in Malaria Strategic Plan		
Zero Malaria Starts With Me Launched		
End Malaria Council and Fund Launched		
Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact		
Drug Resistance Monitoring Conducted (2018-2020) and data reported to WHO		
Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010		4
Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO		
National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan		
RDTs in stock (>6 months stock)		
ACTs in stock (>6 months stock)		
LLIN/IRS campaign on track		
Operational LLIN/IRS coverage (% of at risk population)		100
On track to reduce case incidence by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)		
On track to reduce case mortality by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)		
Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health, NTDs and Covid 19		
Scale of Implementation of ICCM		
Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2021)		66
Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2022)		39
Vitamin A Coverage 2022 (2 doses)		87
DPT3 coverage 2022 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)		68

Malaria transmission occurs year-round in Cameroon and is most intense in the south of the country. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 3,420,788 with 3,782 deaths.

Key

	Target achieved or on track
	Progress but more effort required
	Not on track
	No data
	Not applicable

Malaria

Progress

The country continues to work on strengthening and maintaining health services following the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard Cameroon secured the resources to cover the costs of the ACTs and RDTs needed in 2023. Cameroon has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO and has completed the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan. and has carried out drug resistance testing since 2018 and has reported the results to WHO. The national strategic plan includes activities targeting refugees and IDPs. The country is also showing leadership in malaria control through its participation in the High Burden High Impact approach and has launched the Zero Malaria Starts with me campaign.

In line with the priority agenda of the ALMA chair, His Excellency President Umaro Sissoco Embaló, Cameroon has enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of the Malaria Control Scorecard. The country is also planning the launch of their End Malaria Council and Fund.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 3,420,788 with 3,782 deaths.

Key Challenges

- Insecticide resistance.
- Delays in the completion of the universal coverage campaign.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Resource Mobilisation	Work to fill key gaps in malaria funding	Q2 2024		Deliverable not yet due

The country has responded positively to previous recommended action on drug resistance monitoring and is working to implement the actions.

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress

Cameroon has achieved good coverage in the tracer RMNCAH intervention, Vitamin A.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Cameroon is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, soil transmitted helminths and trachoma. Preventive chemotherapy coverage in Cameroon is low for lymphatic filariasis (34%) and for trachoma (72%). It is good for onchocerciasis (70%), soil transmitted helminthiasis (75%) and high for schistosomiasis (97%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Cameroon in 2021 is 66 and this represents substantial increase compared with the 2020 index value (4).

Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
NTDs	Work to increase the preventive chemotherapy coverage for lymphatic filariasis and trachoma and reach WHO targets.	Q4 2023		The country is conducting NTD control and elimination interventions as planned. In Q3 2023, the country conducted MDAs for onchocerciasis in all 10 regions and preparations are ongoing for schistosomiasis and Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis MDAs, planned in Q4 2023. All MDA coverages will be available after the post MDA survey planned in December 2023. Other NTD routine activities are being conducted as planned including surveillance and case management.

The country has responded positively to previous recommended action on accelerating coverage of ARTs in children under 14 years of age, with a 2% increase reported in the last year.

Key

	Action achieved
	Some progress
	No progress
	Deliverable not yet due