

Bridging the Gap: COTE D'IVOIRE COUNTRY PROFILE

Mapping Gender Data Availability in Africa

Bridging the Gap: Mapping Gender Data Availability in Africa traces the availability and quality of data for 104 gender-relevant indicators across six key domains: health, education, economic empowerment, political participation, human security, and environment. The study covers 15 African countries.

As a beneficiary of the Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building, Cote d'Ivoire has been a recipient of resources for improving gender data systems. The availability of financing is crucial to developing statistical systems.

Like other countries in this study, Cote d'Ivoire lacks comprehensive gender data. Fewer gender-relevant indicators are available in national databases than databases at the international level. And there is low emphasis on gender in national strategies and plans.

Cote d'Ivoire lacks data on key aspects of women's lives

Bridging the Gap assesses indicators published online between 2010 and 2018 in international databases and in national databases maintained by the Institut National de la Statistique and other official sources. Gaps were identified in four dimensions.



AVAILABILITY

Cote d'Ivoire's national databases include **61 out of the 104 gender indicators**.



DISAGGREGATION

11 gender indicators lack sex disaggregation in Cote d'Ivoire's national databases.



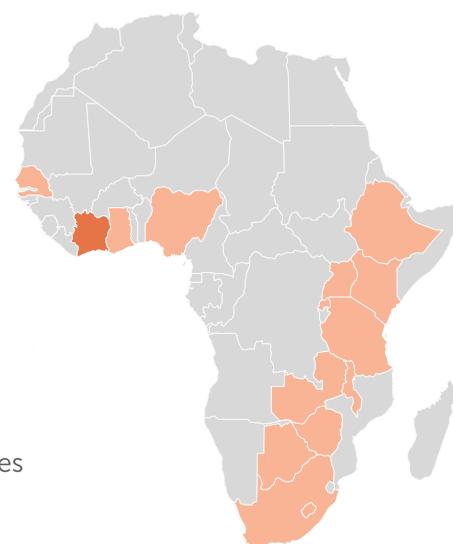
ADHERENCE TO STANDARDS

21 published gender indicators in Cote d'Ivoire's national databases do not conform to internationally recommended definitions.



TIMELINESS

25 gender indicators in Cote d'Ivoire's national databases have no published observations since 2015.



The 15 African countries included in this study.

Opportunities to improve gender data in Cote d'Ivoire

Closing gender data gaps requires time, resources, and capacity. But there is a path to an improved gender data ecosystem:



Increase the emphasis on gender data in national strategies and plans, particularly in Cote d'Ivoire's voluntary national review (VNR). High-level political support is crucial for the effective implementation of solutions to address current challenges.



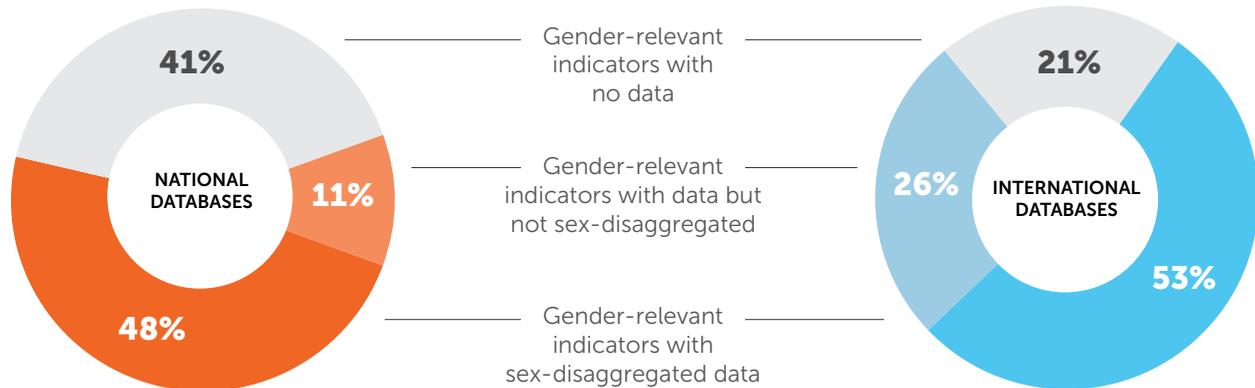
Improve the availability of gender indicators in national databases through the inclusion of poverty, household expenditure, and social protection data available from international databases.



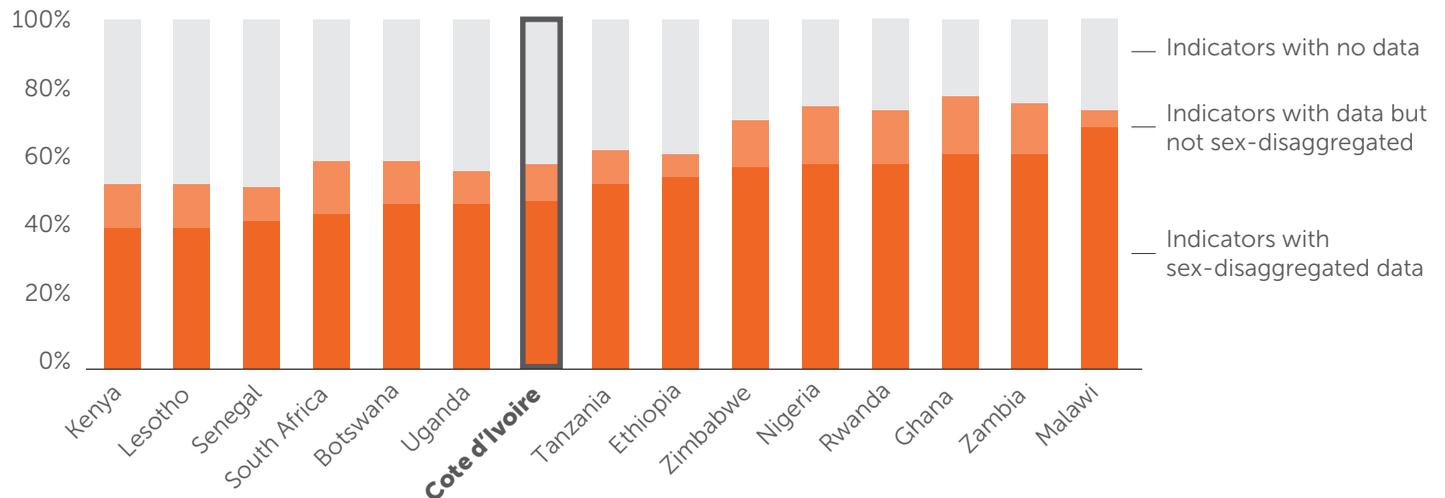
Produce indicators on human security, particularly on crime and violence, that conform to international standards with appropriate disaggregation.

A closer look at gender data gaps

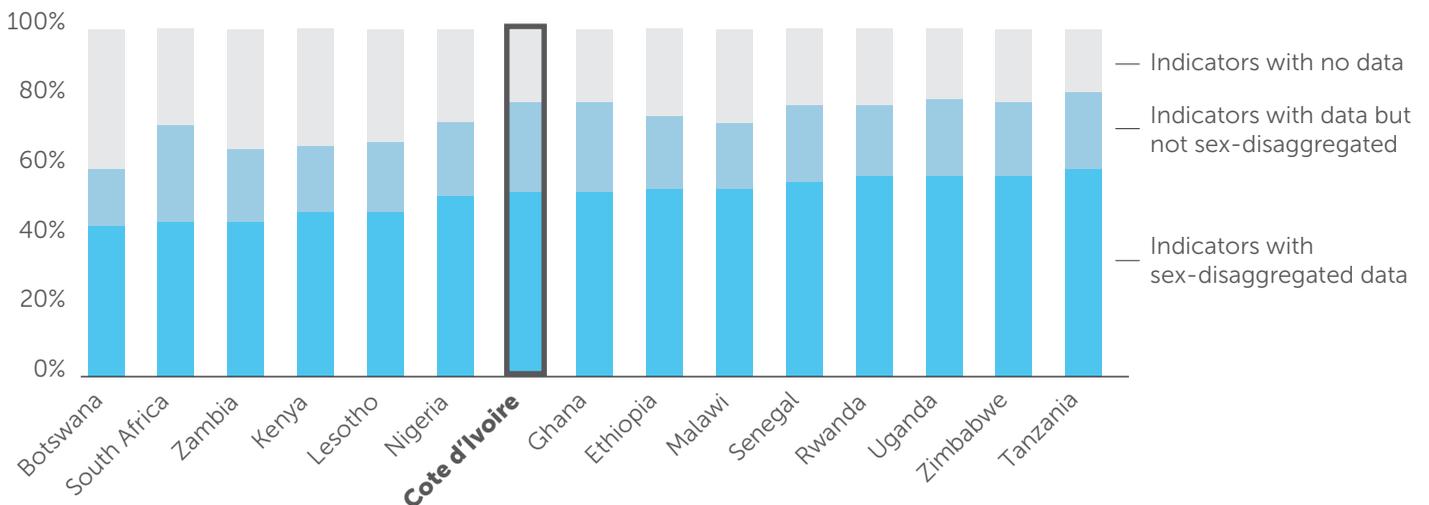
This study assesses data in both national and international databases. Cote d'Ivoire's national databases lack data for 41 percent of the gender indicators reviewed. Databases maintained by international organizations have better coverage of Cote d'Ivoire's gender indicators, but 21 percent are still missing.



Cote d'Ivoire publishes an average number of gender indicators in **national databases** compared to other countries included in the study.

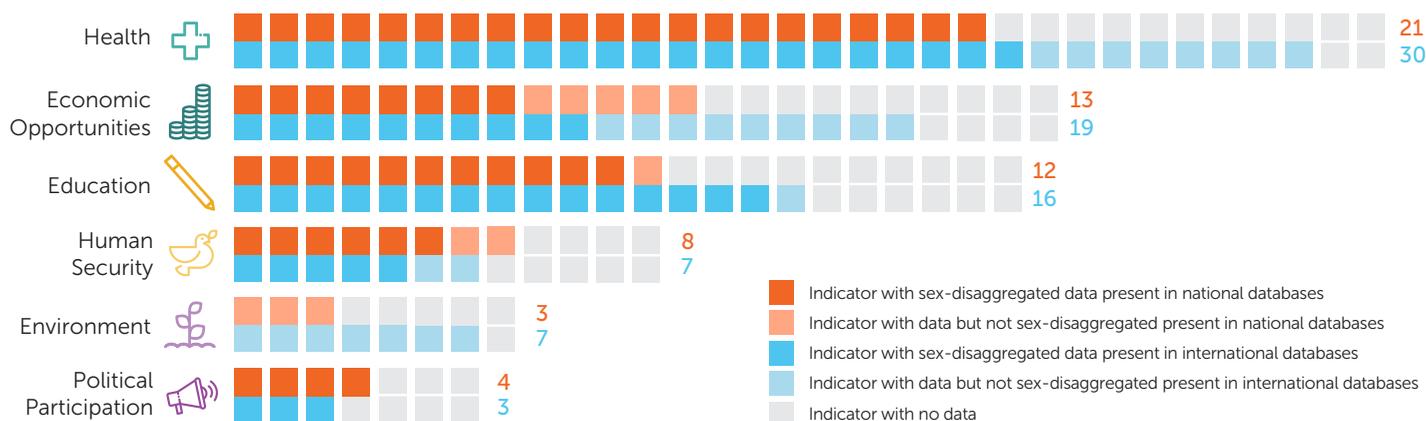


Cote d'Ivoire also publishes an average number of gender indicators in **international databases** compared to other countries included in the study.

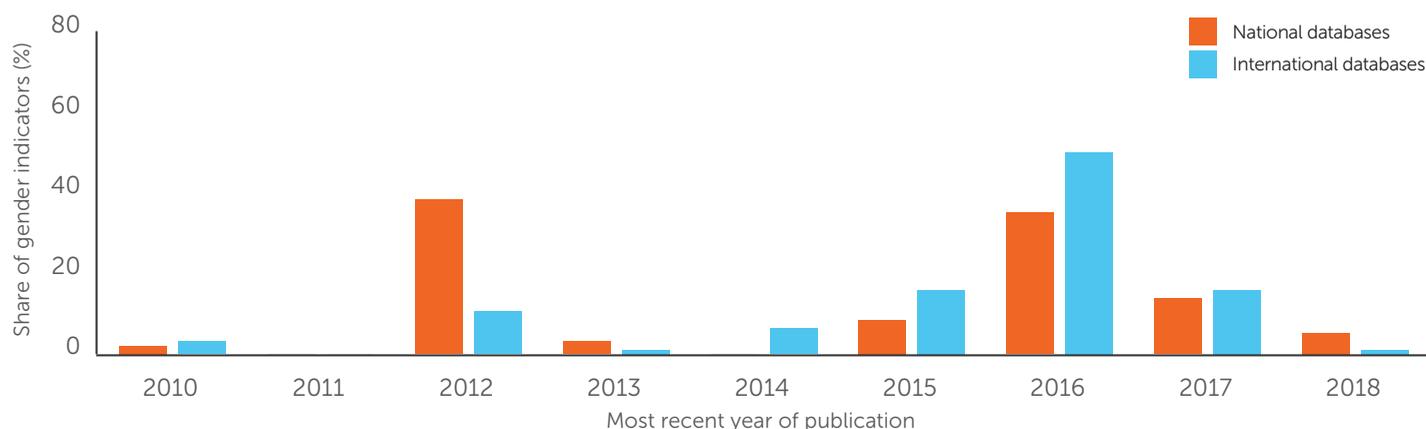


Data availability and timeliness

Health has the highest availability of data for Cote d'Ivoire in international databases, but many indicators still lack sex disaggregation. Gaps exist in all other domains, particularly in national databases. There is no sex disaggregation for any environmental indicator.

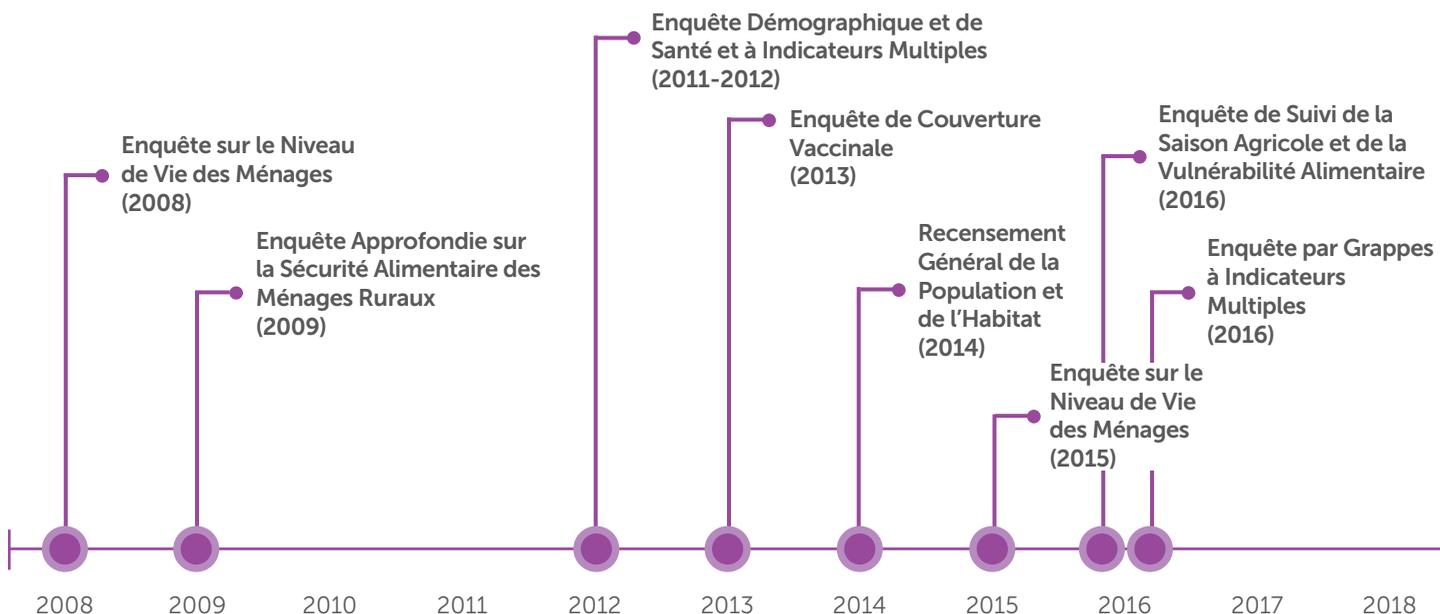


Forty-one percent of gender indicators in Cote d'Ivoire's national databases have no published observations since 2015.



Core systems to produce gender data

Many of the gender indicators in Cote d'Ivoire are produced through surveys.



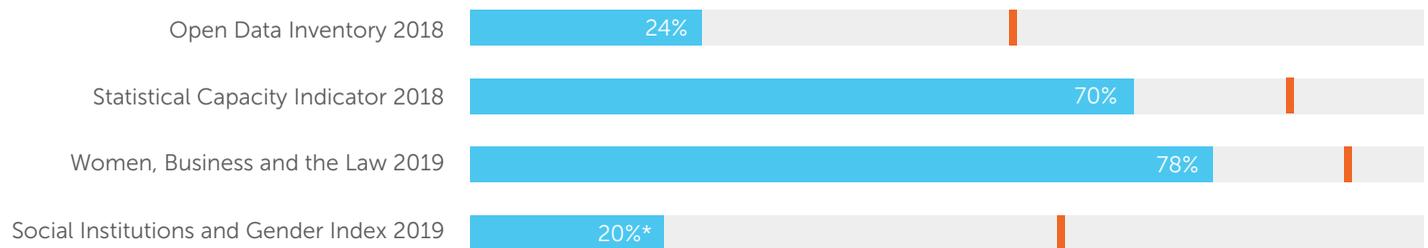
Civil registration and vital statistics provide basic demographic and health information. This is especially important for women and children as the data are foundational and help to unleash opportunities and combat discrimination and exclusion. Birth registration rates in Cote d'Ivoire remain below the sustainable development goal (SDG) target of universal registration.

- 65%** Children aged 0 to 4 years in Cote d'Ivoire whose **births were registered**, of which
- 20%** Children aged 0 to 4 years were **registered without a birth certificate**
- 45%** Children aged 0 to 4 years were **registered with a birth certificate**

Source: 2011-12 DHS. The DHS Program STATcompiler. <http://www.statcompiler.com>.

Assessments of Cote d'Ivoire's data ecosystem

Indexes of open data, statistical capacity, and gender equality provide a more complete picture of Cote d'Ivoire's statistical and legislative environment.



* Percentile rank among 120 countries worldwide with scores.

Vertical orange line: Highest score for a Sub-Saharan African country

Plans, partnerships, and political support for gender data

Cote d'Ivoire is taking steps to improve data availability by mainstreaming gender data into national plans, engaging in partnerships, and mobilizing finances.

- The **Voluntary National Review (VNR)** for Cote d'Ivoire highlights gender equality as an important objective of its development efforts related to the SDGs, but it does not prioritize improvements in gender data. Many of the statistical goals stated in the VNR, however, would require sex-disaggregated indicators.
- Cote d'Ivoire is a beneficiary of the **Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building**. With this funding, its data program intends to create data systems that reach the most vulnerable populations by disaggregating data by sex as well as other key disaggregations such as age, geographic location, and disability status to ensure that no one is left behind.
- The **TechMouso** gender data competition brought together the tech and gender communities of Cote d'Ivoire to develop data-driven solutions to local women's issues around health, safety, education, and economic empowerment. It took place in 2016 through a partnership between the Millennium Challenge Corporation, Data2X, and the Web Foundation.
- As a beneficiary of the **Global Financing Facility**, Cote d'Ivoire receives support for improving gender-relevant health data and could potentially receive funding through it to improve CRVS systems.

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