

WOAH Observatory

Evidence-based approach to address Members' needs and encourage the implementation of international standards

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de la santé
animale

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de Sanidad
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One key mandate of the WOAH is to develop international standards for its Members.

These standards are recommendations for disease control, welfare management, trade...

Members are encouraged to participate in the standard-setting process and eventually adopt the standards.

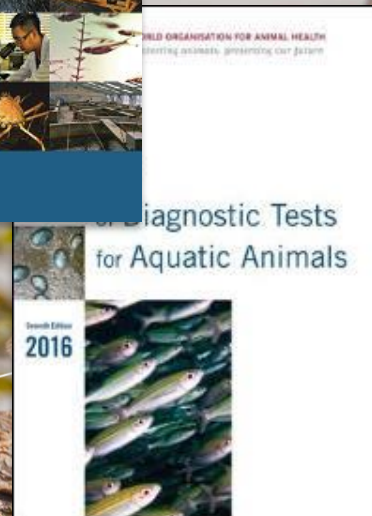
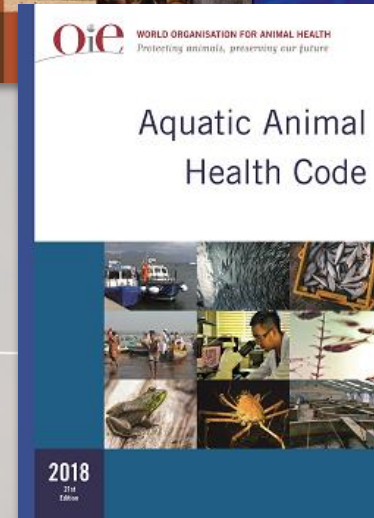
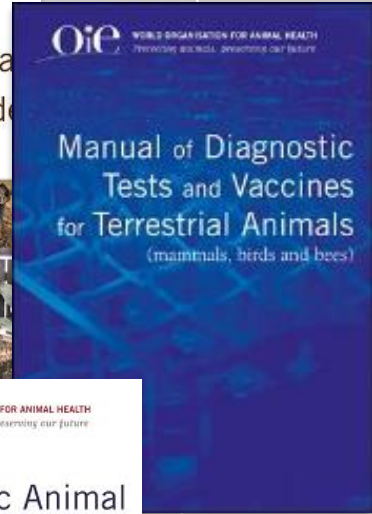
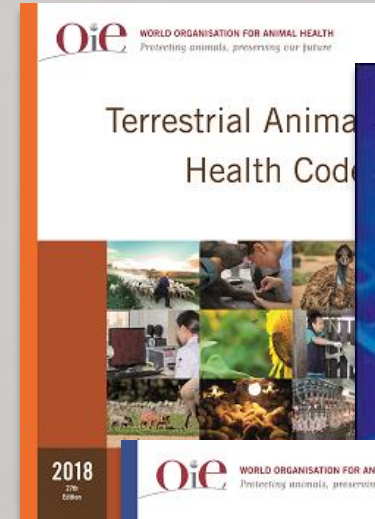
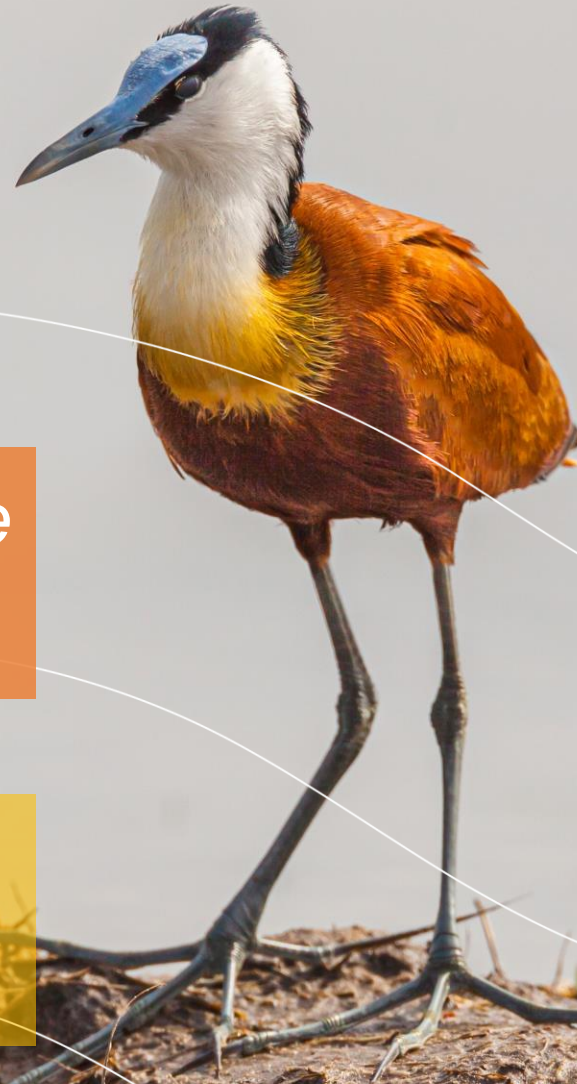
But do we know if and how they implement them once adopted?



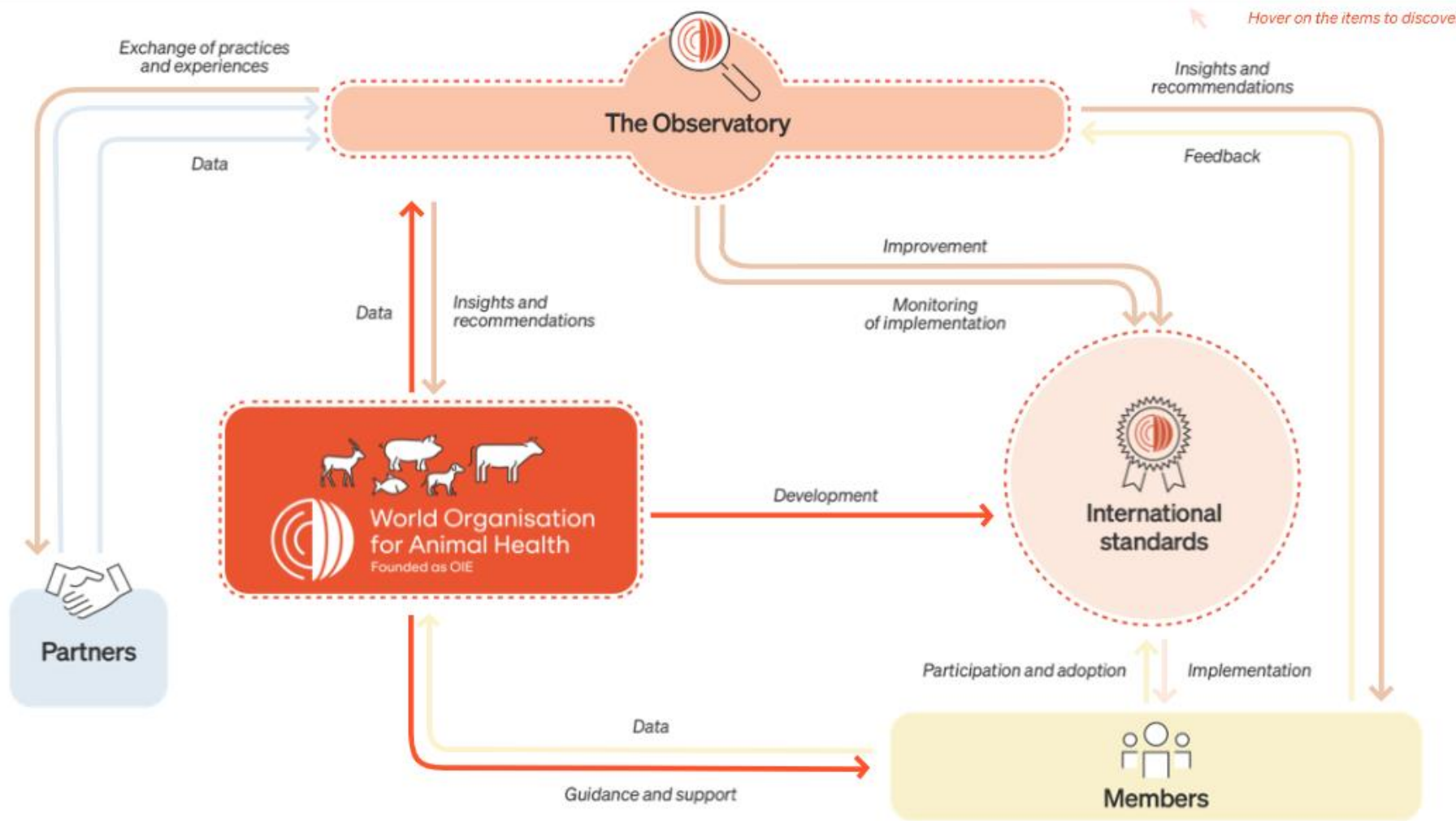
389 Chapters
(2018 Edition)

Terrestrial Animal Health Code
1197 Articles

Aquatic Animal Health Code
539 Articles



THE OBSERVATORY: MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WOAH STANDARDS



What it is...



Review of the implementation of Standards at global/regional level



Data collection, analysis and visualisation (aggregated)



Contributing to the on-going improvement of:
In-house data collection, management, services...
Standard-setting process
Capacity building activities
Advocacy activities

What it is not...



**A mechanism to show individual countries' compliance
« *naming, blaming and shaming* »**



A mechanism to solve bilateral trade concerns

WOAH Observatory

Annual report



Thematic studies



First Edition
2022

Implementation of WOAAH standards: the Observatory Annual Report



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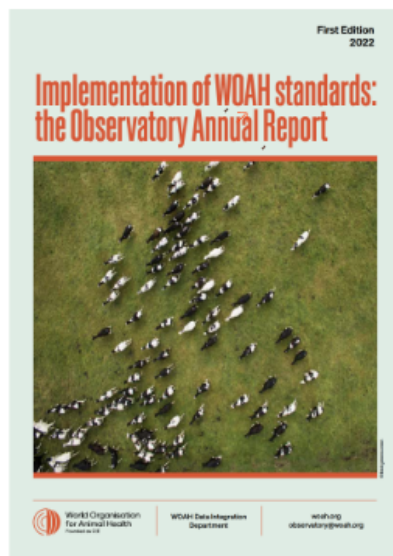
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- 01. Governance and Performance of Veterinary Services
- 02. Veterinary Services' workforce and resources
- 03. World Trade Organization (WTO) notifications
- 04. Disease detection, surveillance and diagnosis
- 05. Transparency of Veterinary Services
- 06. Self-declarations of animal health status
- 07. Movement control inside countries/territories and precautions at borders
- 08. Zoning and compartmentalisation
- 09. Emergency preparedness
- 10. Antimicrobial use and antimicrobial resistance
- 11. Implementation of the One Health approach
- 12. Animal Welfare

1. Introduction
2. List of monitored indicators
3. Data, data sources and advantages/limitations of the data used
4. Descriptive analysis
5. Conclusions and recommendations for improvement

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To discover the results of our standard monitoring analysis, access the first Observatory Annual Report on the implementation of standards.



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Governance and Performance of Veterinary Services

The World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH, founded as OIE) runs a programme called the PVS (Performance of Veterinary Services) Pathway to support Members in evaluating their capacity against WOAHA international standards. The **Observatory** presents a selection of data from the PVS Pathway that can help to better understand the strengths and weaknesses of national Veterinary Services.

Members have been significantly engaged with the PVS Pathway over the years

448 activities were carried out. Of these, there were 135 PVS Evaluation missions and 111 PVS Gap Analysis missions.

However, data suggest that there is a decreasing interest in PVS Follow-up and Gap Analysis missions. This drop started prior to COVID-19 which prevented mission deployments for 18 months during 2020 and 2021. Considering the cyclic nature of the PVS Pathway, it was expected that the number of PVS Evaluation and Follow-up missions and the number of Gap Analysis missions would remain stable or at least present a cyclic trend over time.

The geographical distribution of the activities was uneven.

Region	Number of PVS activities
Africa	308
Americas	87
Asia-Pacific	84
Europe	64
Middle East	25

Number of PVS activities conducted in WOAHA regions. Source: PVS database, 2008-2021.

Number of PVS Evaluation + Follow-up and PVS Gap Analysis missions undertaken. Source: PVS database, 2008-2021.

Of the Members that engaged in the PVS Pathway, 23% undertook only one activity without further engagement, and 68% had their last PVS Evaluation or Follow-up mission prior to 2016.

The capacity of Members varies depending on the Critical Competency considered

The average Level of Advancement per Critical Competency (CC) ranges from 1.2 to 3.7.

CC	Level	Capacity
CC II-13, related to animal welfare	Level 1	Low capacity
CC IV-1, related to preparation of legislation and regulations	Level 5	High capacity

Each Critical Competency is assigned a Level of Advancement ranging from 1 to 5.

Recommendations

World Organisation for Animal Health

- Develop the PVS Evaluation Database and Information System to ensure the automated collection of PVS data in a standardised framework.
- Explore the hurdles to continued engagement in the PVS Pathway and encourage Members to request PVS missions.
- Use the PVS outcomes to identify gaps and build tailored capacity-building activities.

Members

- Consider undertaking a PVS Follow-up mission if the last PVS Evaluation or Follow-up missions was conducted more than five years ago.
- Perform PVS self-evaluations using the new targeted support programme to monitor progress.

[Access the full information here](#)

Please consider the data limitations outlined in the full Annual Report when consulting this document.

World Organisation for Animal Health
Founded in 1924

What topics does our report cover?

The report contains 12 sections, which can be read independently, covering the following topics:



Governance and Performance of Veterinary Services

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Veterinary Services' workforce and resources

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World Trade Organization (WTO) notifications

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Disease detection, surveillance and diagnosis

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Transparency of Veterinary Services

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Self-declarations of animal health status

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Movement control inside the country/territory and precautions at border

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Zoning and compartmentalisation

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Emergency preparedness

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Antimicrobial use and antimicrobial resistance

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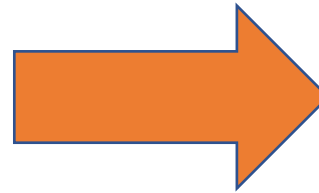
One Health

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Animal welfare

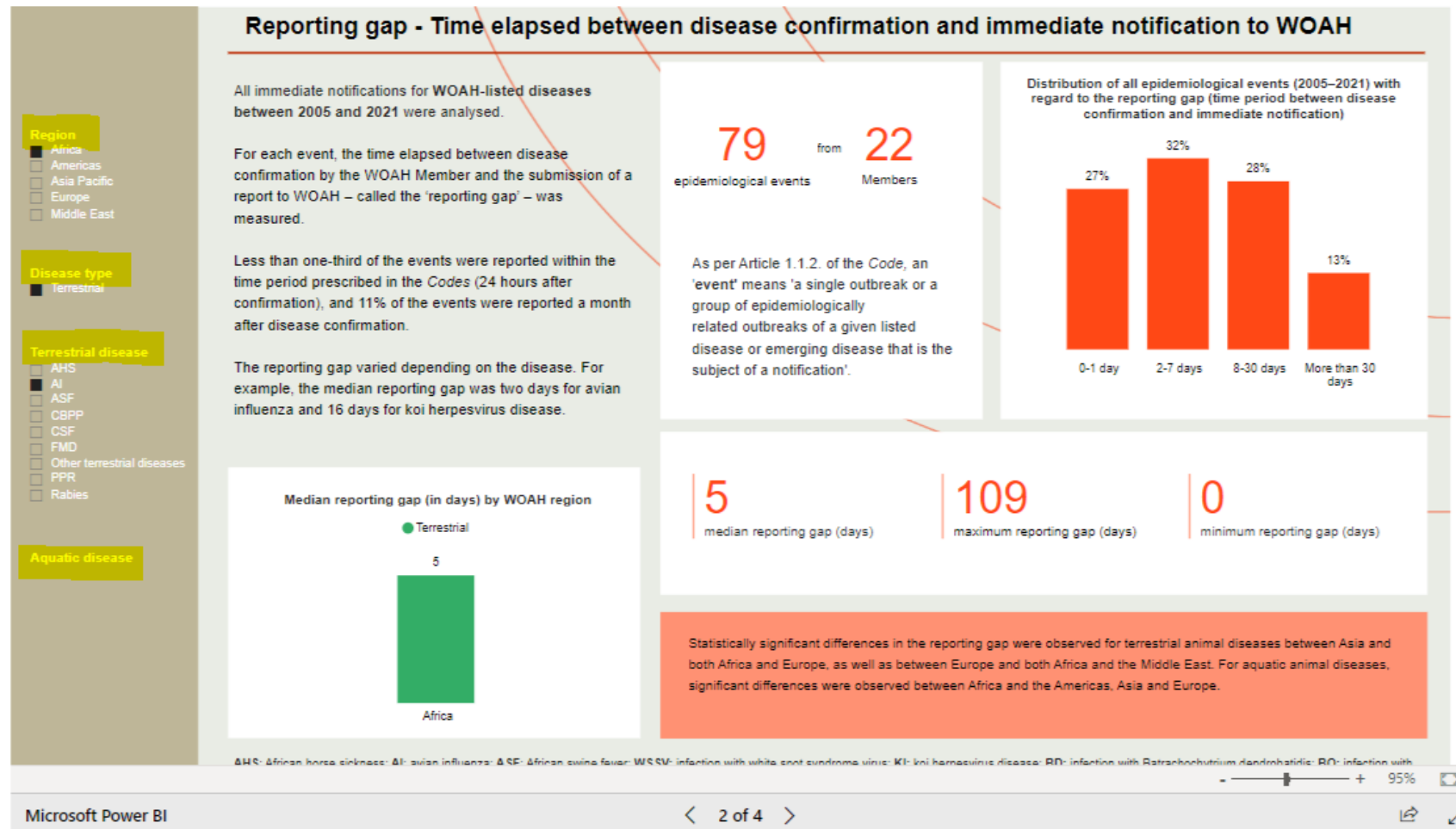
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To discover the results of our surveillance analysis, access the full report as well as the one-page executive summary.

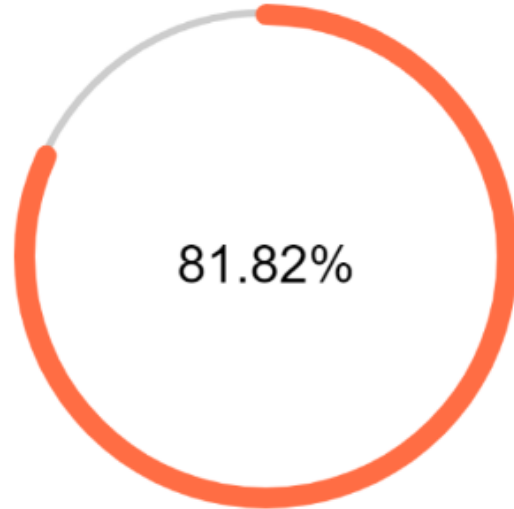
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- Investigate the data yourself!
- Filter data by region, disease type, disease etc

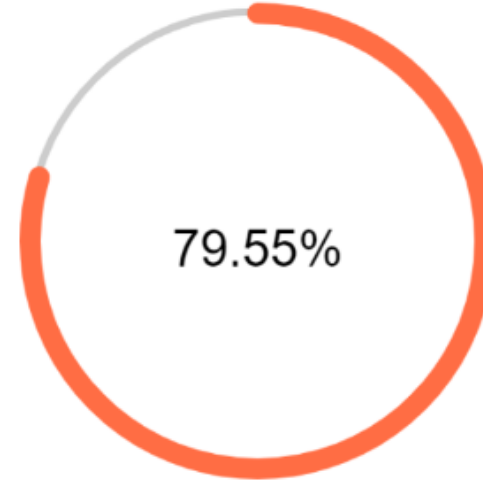


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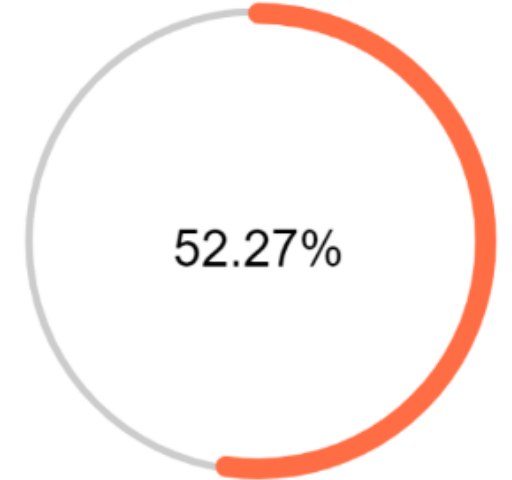
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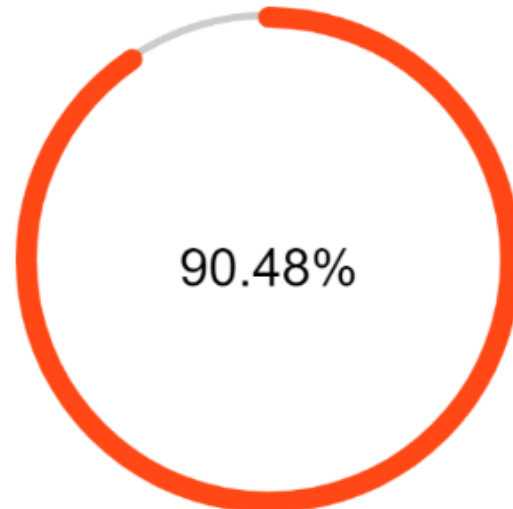


Percentage of Members reporting disease as notifiable AND having surveillance AND having a national reference laboratory

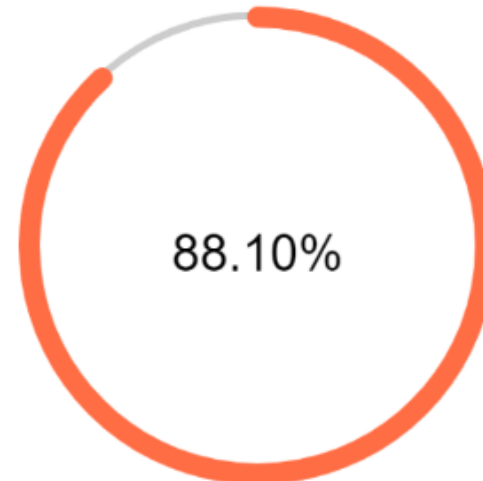


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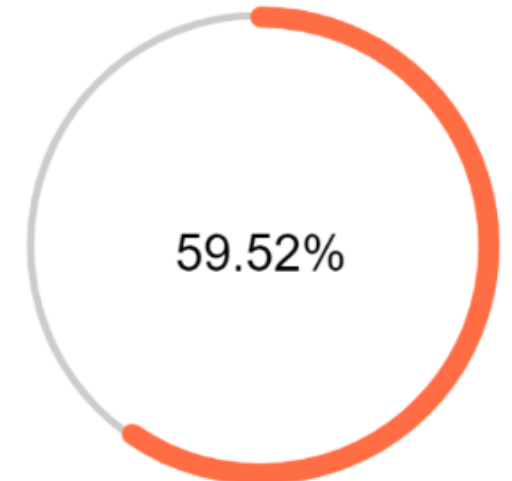
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Simulation exercises

13

SimEx conducted
between 2002 and
2021

By

12

Members

Contingency plans

49

African Members
reported having at least
1 contingency plan

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None

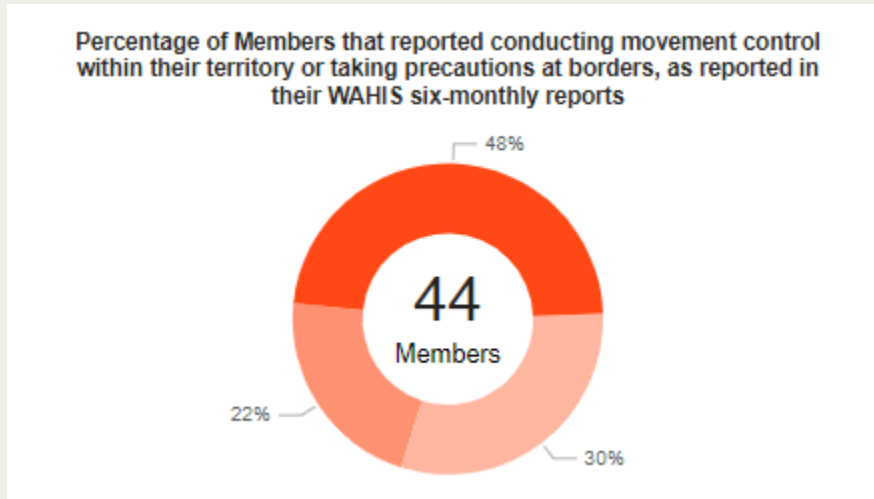
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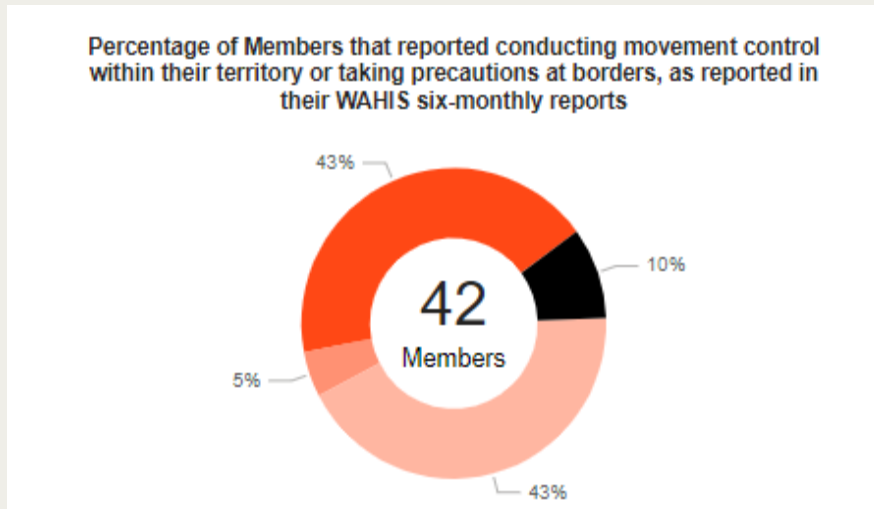
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- Only border precautions
- Only movement control within the territory
- Both movement control within the territory AND border precautions
- Neither movement control within the territory nor border precautions

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A last question?

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Thank you!

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