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10 years of the International Cancer Control Partnership (ICCP) portal – a tool for cancer control planners and researchers in Africa

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Key messages

- The International Cancer Control Partnership (ICCP), with the support of the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), regularly updates an inventory of national cancer control plans (NCCPs) globally and features new NCCPs on an interactive map on its web portal (www.iccp-portal.org).

- Over the last decade, the ICCP portal has become a platform for integrated access to current NCCPs and other relevant resources in one location.

- The portal has increasingly been used by cancer control planners and researchers in Africa and beyond.

- With the greater emphasis on NCCPs globally, following the cancer resolution adopted at the 70th World Health Assembly in Geneva, countries in Africa are increasingly developing NCCPs as illustrated by the steady growth of the number of plans featured on the ICCP portal.

Introduction

In 2013, the International Cancer Control Partnership launched the ICCP portal, a freely accessible online library of curated resources designed to facilitate access to NCCPs and relevant resources for cancer planners and researchers.

Methods

Quantitative methods were used to analyse content management data to trace development of ICCP portal over time. Google analytics were used to track ICCP portal usage (users, location, events). A literature search was conducted to identify research papers that used ICCP portal as a database for research purposes.
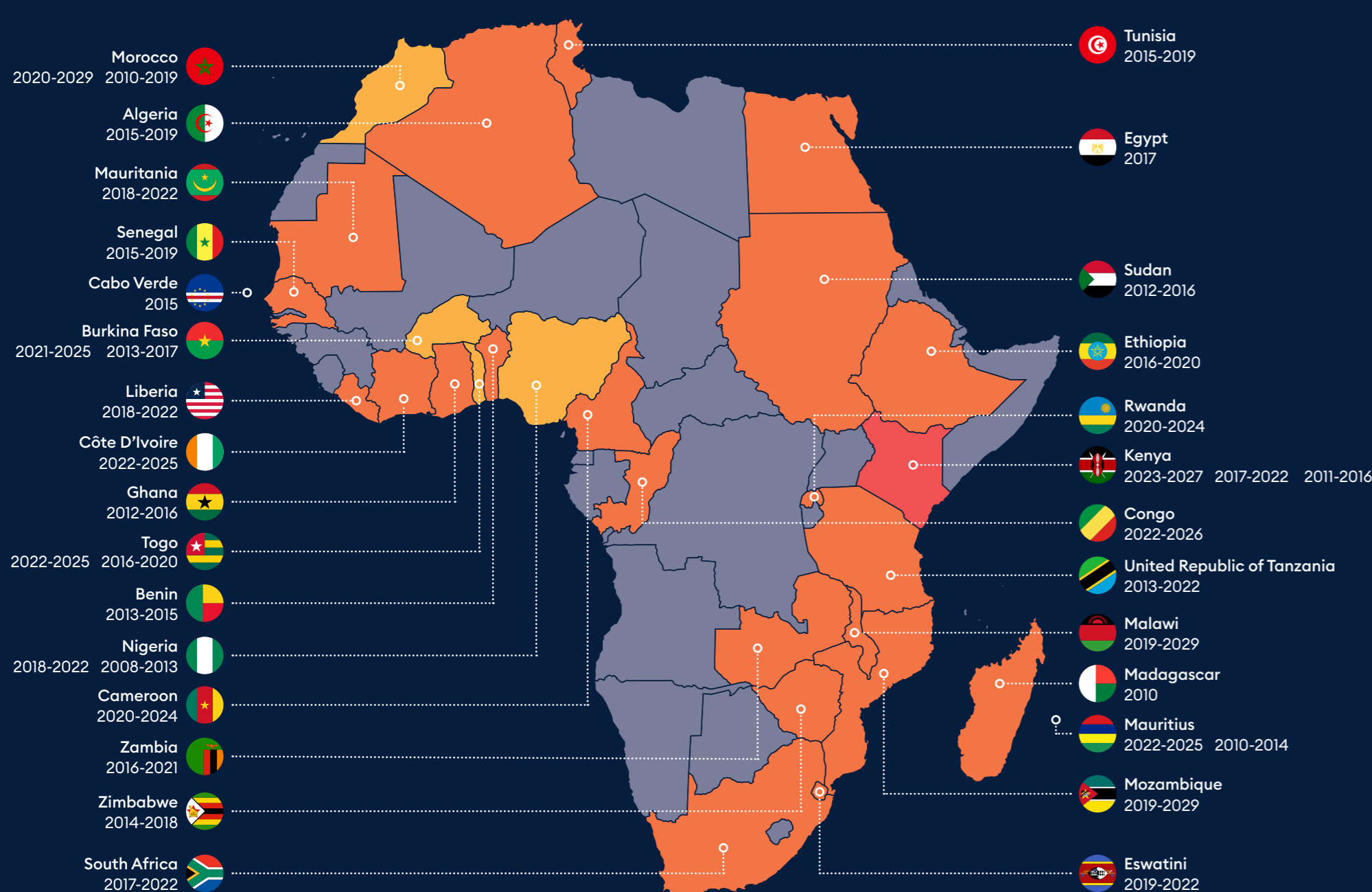
Results

Knowledge creation: Over the years, as NCCPs became more widely available throughout Africa, the ICCP portal grew its database of African NCCPs. In 2014, one year after the portal's launch, the database featured 12 NCCPs from Africa. This number increased to 29 in 2023.

Knowledge access: Increased interest in developing NCCPs in Africa has been mirrored by an increase in portal users based in Africa. The portal traffic analytics indicate that users from Africa constituted 6,75% of total users in 2014 and 15,92% in 2022.
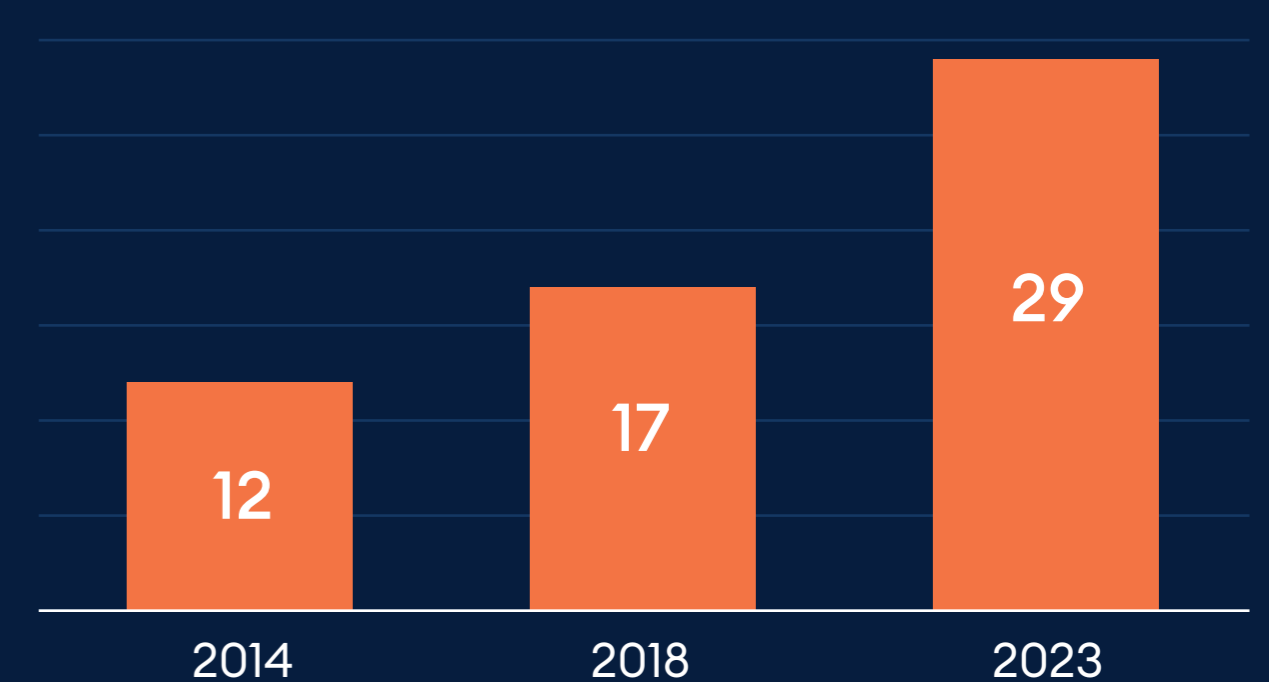
Knowledge transfer: The most often downloaded resources in 2022 included African documents: Kenya Cancer Policy (5th most downloaded document, 85 downloads), Nigeria NCCP (8th, 61), Kenya NCCP (11th, 54), Rwanda NCCP (16th, 48), Senegal (18th, 47). Increased portal usage has been observed in countries developing or updating their NCCPs (Senegal, 2023; Benin, Botswana, 2022;) with requests to include newly launched plans received from African countries (Rwanda, Côte d'Ivoire).

Literature search identified 9 research papers which used the ICCP database of NCCPs and non-communicable disease plans, with 3 papers focussing specifically on Africa.

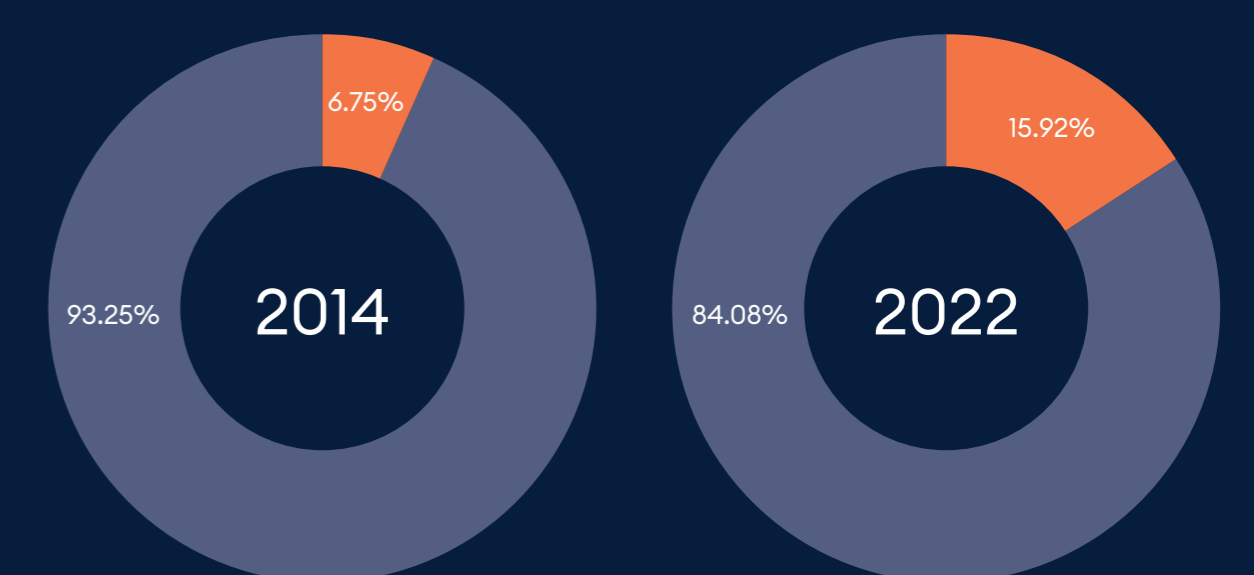## Map of African NCCPs available on the portal

Morocco 2020-2029 2010-2019
Algeria 2015-2019
Mauritania 2018-2022
Senegal 2015-2019
Cabo Verde 2015
Burkina Faso 2021-2025 2013-2017
Liberia 2018-2022
Côte D'Ivoire 2022-2025
Ghana 2012-2016
Togo 2022-2025 2016-2020
Benin 2013-2015
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Cameroon 2020-2024
Zambia 2016-2021
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South Africa 2017-2022

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Sudan 2012-2016
Ethiopia 2016-2020
Rwanda 2020-2024
Kenya 2023-2027 2017-2022 2011-2016
Congo 2022-2026
United Republic of Tanzania 2013-2022
Malawi 2019-2029
Madagascar 2010
Mauritius 2019-2029 2010-2014
Mozambique 2019-2029
Eswatini 2019-2022

Number of African NCCPs on ICCP portal over the years →

2014	2018	2023
12	17	29

ICCP Portal users in →

2014: 6,75% / 93,25%
2022: 15,92% / 84,08%

- Users from Africa
- Users (rest of the world)

Moving forward

Please check if your country's NCCP is available on the portal and submit a copy in case it is missing.

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