

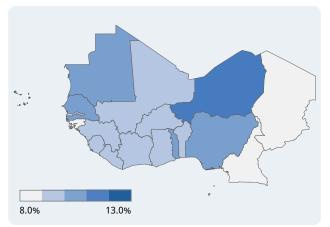
Western Sub-Saharan AfricaGBD Region snapshot

48.2

MILLION PEOPLE
LIVE WITH VISION LOSS

Prevalence of vision loss

Population: 445 million Countries: 19



Vision loss by age

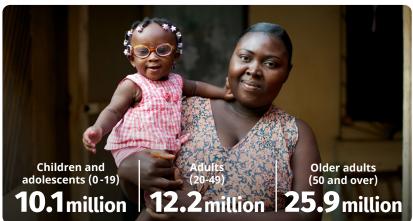


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Categories of vision loss

2.3 million people 1.2M Female 1.1M Male

Blindness

9.9 million people 5.4M Female 4.5M Male

Moderate to severe

16.0 million people 8.9M Female 7.1M Male

Mild

20.0 million people 10.6M Female 9.4M Male

Near

The number of people with vision loss is growing

21.0 million

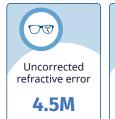
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1990

2020

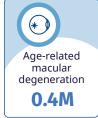
↑ 11.0 million
↑ 26.2 million
↑ 28.5 million
↑ 53.7 million

Top five causes of blindness and moderate to severe vision loss

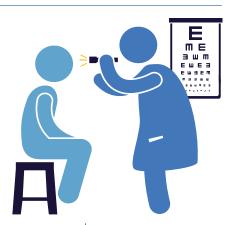












Eye care service indicators

Human resources

1,179 ophthalmologists

3,864 optometrists

4,134 allied ophthalmic personnel

National eye health

No. countries reporting: Coordinators: 18

Committees: 9
Plans: 9

Data

No. countries reporting:
Prevalence surveys: 12
Service assessments: 6

Cataract surgeries

171.213 annually

For further information and definitions visit https://www.iapb.org/learn/vision-atlas. Data from VLEG/GBD 2020 model, via the IAPB Vision Atlas