# **COUNTRY PROFILE**



# Malawi

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## SCORES BY MAJOR DATA CATEGORY

|                | Social | Economic | Environmental |
|----------------|--------|----------|---------------|
| Malawi         | 34%    | 43%      | 22%           |
| Eastern Africa | 35%    | 43%      | 24%           |
| Global         | 39%    | 56%      | 40%           |

### **SUMMARY**

Malawi ranks 132 in the Open Data Inventory 2018 with an overall score of 33%. The overall score is a combination of a data coverage subscore of 33% and a data openness subscore of 34%.

Malawi scores higher than the regional median for economic statistics. Within the country, the highest levels of coverage and openness are on economic statistics and the lowest levels are on environmental statistics.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Coverage

- Collect and publish more disaggregated data in social and environmental statistics.
- Collect and publish more recent data across all data categories.

#### Openness

- Create a clear and open terms of use policy, such as CC BY 4.0, for all websites publishing official statistics.
- Publish more environmental data in machine-readable and nonproprietary formats such as XLSX, CSV, or JSON.

#### **COVERAGE & OPENNESS**

|          | Statistics Category           |          |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------|
| Coverage |                               | Openness |
|          | Population & vital statistics |          |
|          | Education facilities          |          |
|          | Education outcomes            |          |
|          | Health facilities             |          |
|          | Health outcomes               |          |
|          | Reproductive health           |          |
|          | Gender statistics             |          |
|          | Crime & justice               |          |
|          | Poverty & income              |          |
|          | National accounts             |          |
|          | Labor                         |          |
|          | Price indexes                 |          |
|          | Government finance            |          |
|          | Money & banking               |          |
|          | International trade           |          |
|          | Balance of payments           |          |
|          | Land use                      |          |
|          | Resource use                  |          |
|          | Energy use                    |          |
|          | Pollution                     |          |
|          | Built environment             |          |
|          |                               |          |

100%

#### **INDEX COMPARISONS**

| INDEX COMPARISONS                   |     |     | MORE INFORMATION   |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|--|
| Open Data Inventory 2018            | 33% |     | National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS): Latest strategy covers the period 2013-2017.   |
| Statistical Capacity Indicator 2018 |     | 80% | General/Special Data Dissemination System (GDDS/SDDS): e-GDDS<br>Participant.  |
| Open Data Barometer 2017            | 14% |     | Open Government Partnership: Member since 2013.  |
| Global Open Data Index 2017/2018    | 5%  |     | <b>Right to Information Law:</b> Law exists;https://www.rti-rating.org/wp-<br>content/uploads/2018/09/Malawi-Access-to-Information-Act.Feb17.pdf |



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