



Country indicators

Population (000s)*	1'849	Life expectancy at birth (years) ^a	61	World Bank income group ^b	Low
Internet users (%) ^y	14.0%	Per capita total health expenditure (PPP Int \$) ^d	98	GNI per capita (US\$) ^e	500



National policy on health technology

Health technology (medical device) national policy: No

Web site: —

Language(s): —

MOH responsible for health technology policy implementation: —



Regulatory agency

Authority responsible for implementing and enforcing regulations in your country: No

Name of principal institution: —

Web site: —

Contact: —

Telephone number: —

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National health technology assessment unit

Unit/department: —

Web site: —

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National health technology management units

National health technology unit(s): Yes

DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR PROCUREMENT PROCESS:

Unit/department: National Public Health laboratories

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Medical device nomenclature system

Official nomenclature system for medical devices: Yes Type: Based on more than one system Use: Not specified

Nomenclature system name: UMDNS adapted to national needs. Web site: —



Medical device incorporation

PROCUREMENT

Policy or guideline: No

Web site: —

National level procurement: No

Web site: —

DONATIONS

Policy or guideline: Yes

Web site: —

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Technical specifications to support procurement or donations: No

Web site: —

Medical device incorporation comments^λ: —



Inventory and maintenance

Type of inventories available: National inventory for medical equipment

Comments: Recently inventories have been compiled for the National Laboratory Services. However, those for Hospital/Clinical equipment is not available as of yet. The Medical Research Council (UK) the Gambia has a full inventory of its biomedical equipment. It is comprised of 1,500 devices including minor clinical equipment and high cost diagnostic and research laboratory equipment. We use a proprietary equipment management program from Phoenix Data Systems Inc. called AIMS. (I can not seem to upload our inventory in addition the National Laboratories inventory, but can send by email if requested.)

Medical equipment management unit: Yes

National level = 1

Regional level = 2

Hospital level = 4

Management software: No

Software and comments^λ: Again, the Medical Research Council (UK) the Gambia uses the AIMS program by Phoenix Data Systems Inc. (www.goaims.com/).



Lists of medical devices

LISTS OF APPROVED MEDICAL DEVICES FOR PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OR REIMBURSEMENT:

Lists comments^λ: —

Lists available: No

Unit: —

Web site: —

NATIONAL LISTS OF MEDICAL DEVICES FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

OR SPECIFIC PROCEDURES: Lists available: No list available

Web site - facilities: —

Web site - procedures: —

NATIONAL LIST FOR DISEASES AND SITUATIONS:

Lists available: No list available

Web site: —

Types:	Communicable diseases	Non-communicable diseases	Injuries	Public health emergency situations
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Healthcare facility

	Public sector	Private sector	Total	Density per 100,000 population
Health post	492	n/a	492	26.605
Health centre	31	n/a	31	1.676
District hospital	7	n/a	7	0.379
Provincial hospital	4	n/a	4	0.216
Regional hospital	2	n/a	2	0.108



Medical equipment

	Public sector	Private sector	Total	Density per 1,000,000 population
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	1	0	1	0.541
Computerized Tomography Scanner	2	0	2	1.081
Positron Emission Tomography Scanner	n/a	0	0	0.000
Nuclear medicine	n/a	0	0	0.000
Mammograph*	1	0	1	16.492
Linear accelerator	n/a	0	0	0.000
Telecobalt unit (Cobalt-60)	n/a	0	0	0.000
Radiotherapy	n/a	0	0	0.000

* Density per 1,000,000 females aged from 50-69 old.

Additional information and comments^λ:

Concerning the Infrastructure section: the PRIVATE SECTOR section correspond to the responses for Medical Research Council (UK) the Gambia.



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* UNPD as of 1 July 2012 (2013 update)

α WHO 2012 data

β WB 2014 classification

γ WB 2013 data (2014 update)

δ WHO 2012 data

ε WB 2013 (2014 update)

n/a not applicable

λ The full text can be found at www.who.int/medical_devices/countries/full_text.xls