

**Country Data Profile on the Pharmaceutical
Situation
in the Southern African Development Community
(SADC)**



ZAMBIA

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INTRODUCTION

The SADC Pharmaceutical Business Plan 2007-2013 aims at ensuring availability of essential medicines, including African traditional medicines, in order to reduce disease burden in countries. Within this context, **Zambia** has collaborated with WHO in the collection and analysis of data on its pharmaceutical situation. This information will be used as a baseline before embarking on the implementation of the Pharmaceutical Business Plan, and will be used: to take stock of the pharmaceutical situation and identify areas in need of strengthening and support; to compare results with those of other countries fostering a sharing of experiences and enabling identification of strengths and opportunities for cooperation; and to measure over time the impact of the support provided by the SADC Secretariat, WHO and other partners.

A questionnaire on pharmaceutical policies and structures was developed by WHO based on previous tools elaborated by the organization and other leading partners such as the Medicines Transparency Alliance. To facilitate the work at country level, the questionnaire was filled in at central level by WHO with data available from global sources (e.g. WHO Statistical System) as well as with specific information available within the Essential Medicines Department of WHO. This included not only the WHO 2007 Level I Survey, but also country-specific assessments such as the level II facility survey¹, the WHO/HAI pricing surveys² etc.

After being populated, the questionnaire was sent to **Zambia** so that public officials could review and correct the filled data and, where possible, complete the missing data fields. A local consultant was recruited to facilitate the process and collect information from key agencies (Department of Pharmaceuticals, Central Medical Store, etc.). The names of respondents to each section were registered, in case follow-up was needed; the source of each data was also included in the questionnaire as a guarantee of the quality of the information and can be seen in the last column on each table. A senior official in the Ministry of Health has confirmed the accuracy of the information and provided permission for its publication on SADC and WHO web sites.

¹ WHO Operational package for assessing, monitoring and evaluating country pharmaceutical situations. Guide for coordinators and data collectors. Geneva, World Health Organization, 2007.

² WHO, Health Action International, *Measuring medicine prices, availability, affordability and price components 2nd edition*, Geneva, World Health Organization, 2008.

PART 1- HEALTH and DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

1.1 Demographic and Socioeconomic Indicators				
Population, mortality, fertility			YEAR	SOURCE
Population, total	11,992	,000	2007	World Health Statistics
Population < 15 years	46%	% of total population	2007	World Health Statistics
Population > 60 years	5%	% of total population	2007	World Health Statistics
Urban population	35%	% of total population	2007	World Health Statistics
Population growth	1.9%	Annual %	2007	World Bank Nutrition, Health and Population
Fertility rate, total	5.2	Births per woman	2007	World Health Statistics
Economic status			YEAR	SOURCE
GDP	11.36	Current US\$ Billions	2007	World Development Indicators database, April 2009
GDP growth	6.2%	Annual %	2009	Central Statistics Office, Zambia
GNI per capita	770	Current US\$	2007	World Development Indicators database, April 2009
Population living < PPP int. \$1 a day	N/A CSO Zambia uses poverty line	%		CSO Zambia uses poverty line
Income share held by lowest 20%	0.9%	%	2006	CSO

Education and literacy			YEAR	SOURCE
Adult literacy rate, 15+ years		% of total population		
Primary school enrolment rate, males	90.0%	% of male population	2006	World Health Statistics
Primary school enrolment rate, females	94.0%	% of female population	2006	World Health Statistics

1.2 Mortality and Causes of Death

Life expectancy and mortality			YEAR	SOURCE
Life expectancy at birth (both sexes)	46	Years	2007	World Health Statistics
Adult mortality rate (both sexes, 15 to 60 years)	550	/1,000 population	2007	World Health Statistics
Maternal mortality ratio	830	/100,000 live births	2005	World Health Statistics
Neonatal mortality rate	40	/1,000 live births	2004	World Health Statistics
Infant mortality rate (between birth and age 1)	103	/1,000 live births	2007	World Health Statistics
Under 5 mortality rate	170	/1,000 live births	2007	World Health Statistics

PART 2- HEALTH SERVICES

2.1 Health Expenditures				
Overall health expenditures			YEAR	SOURCE
Total annual expenditure on health	677,925,635	US\$ average exchange rate	2006	NHA
Total annual per capita expenditure on health	38	US\$ average exchange rate	2006	World Health Statistics
Health expenditure as % of GDP	6.2%	% of gross domestic product	2006	World Health Statistics
Government expenditure on health as % of total government budget	16.4%	% of total government budget	2006	World Health Statistics
Government annual expenditure on health	411,509,255	US\$ average exchange rate	2006	NHA
Health expenditures by source			YEAR	SOURCE
Annual per capita government expenditure on health	18	US\$ average exchange rate	2006	World Health Statistics
Government annual expenditure on health as % of total	60.7%	% of total expenditure on health	2006	World Health Statistics
Social security expenditure as % of government on health	0.0%	% of government expenditure on health	2006	World Health Statistics
Annual per capita private expenditure on health	14.9	US\$ average exchange rate	2006	CALCULATED from World Health Statistics
Private expenditure as % of total health expenditure	39.3%	% of total expenditure on health	2006	World Health Statistics
Private out-of-pocket expenditure as % of private health expenditure	67.2%	% of private expenditure on health	2006	World Health Statistics

Premiums for private prepaid health plans as % of total private health expenditure	3.7%	% of private expenditure on health	2006	World Health Statistics
Population covered by national, social, or private health insurance or other sickness funds		% of total population		

2.2 Health Personnel and Infrastructure				
Personnel			YEAR	SOURCE
Total number of physicians	1,661	Total number	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
Physicians per 1,000 population	0.14	per 1,000 pop	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
Total number of nursing and midwifery personnel	16,361	Total number	2009	General Nursing Council register
Nursing and midwifery personnel per 1,000 population	1.36	per 1,000 pop	2009	General Nursing Council register
Total number of pharmaceutical personnel ³	723	Total number	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
pharmaceutical personnel per 1,000 pop	0.06	per 1,000 pop	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
Total number of pharmacists ⁴	243	Total number	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
Total number of pharmaceutical technicians ⁵	480	Total number	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register
Number of newly registered pharmacists in the previous year	37	Total number	2009	Medical Council of Zambia register

³ Pharmaceutical personnel include pharmacists, pharmaceutical assistants, pharmaceutical technicians and related occupations.

⁴ **Pharmacists** store, preserve, compound, test and dispense medicinal products and counsel on the proper use and adverse effects of drugs and medicines following prescriptions issued by medical doctors and other health professionals. They contribute to researching, preparing, prescribing and monitoring medicinal therapies for optimizing human health.

⁵ **Pharmaceutical technicians and assistants** perform a variety of tasks associated with dispensing medicinal products under the guidance of a pharmacist or other health professional.

Facilities			YEAR	SOURCE
Hospitals	98	Total number	2008	Health Institutions in Zambia 2008
Hospital beds	10.6	/10,000 population	2008	Health Institutions in Zambia 2008
Primary health care units and centres	1465	Total number	2008	Health Institutions in Zambia 2008
Licensed pharmacies	65	Total number	2009	PRA register

PART 3- POLICY and REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

3.1 Policy Framework				
INDICATOR		Yes/No	YEAR	SOURCE
National Health Policy exists (NHP)		Yes/No		
-If yes, year of the most recent document		Year		
National Medicines Policy official document exists	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, year of the most recent document		Year		
-If no, draft NMP document exists		Yes/No		
-If exists, NMP is integrated into NHP	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
National Medicines Policy Implementation Plan exists	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, year of the most recent document	2005	Year	2007	WHO Level I
Traditional Medicine Policy exists	Yes (zero draft available)	Yes/No	2009	MOH
If yes, year of the most updated document		Year		

3.2 Regulatory Framework				
		YEAR	SOURCE	
Legal provision exists establishing the powers and responsibility of a Medicine Regulatory Authority (MRA)	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Formal Medicines Regulatory Authority exists	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, Medicines Regulatory Authority is an independent agency	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA
-If yes, number of regulatory staff		Number	2009	PRA
-Medicines Regulatory Authority is funded from regular budget from the government	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

-Medicines Regulatory Authority is funded from fees from registration of medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Legal provisions exist for market authorization	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
WHO Certification Scheme may be part of the marketing authorization process	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Regulatory agency has website	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, please provide URL address		Address		
The Regulatory Authority has a computerized information management system to store and retrieve information on registration, inspections, etc.	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA

3.3 Medicines Regulatory Authority Involvement in Harmonization initiatives (e.g. countries in SADC have recently established a shared network for posting medicines regulatory information)				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Regulatory Authority or MoH is actively involved in regional harmonization initiatives	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, Regulatory Authority is actively involved in regional initiatives for the harmonization of registration of pharmaceuticals	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA
-If yes, Regulatory Authority is actively involved in regional initiatives for the harmonization of regulation on Clinical Trials	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA
-If yes, Regulatory Authority is actively involved in regional initiatives for the harmonization of laws to combat counterfeits	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA
-If yes, Regulatory Authority is actively involved in regional initiatives for the harmonization of Good Manufacturing Practices	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA

3.4 Registration				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Number of medicines registered	3,200	Number	2009	PRA register
List of medicines registered is publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2009	Register for Licensed Medicines and herbal medicines in Zambia
An explicit and transparent process exists for assessing applications for registration of pharmaceutical products	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA
Functional formal committee exists responsible for assessing applications for registration of pharmaceutical products	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
List and application status of products submitted for registration are publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA records
INN names are used to register medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Medicines registration fees exist	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA- Statutory Instrument no.
-If yes, amount per application (US\$) for originator product	808	US\$	2008	PRA
-If yes, amount per application (US\$) for generic product	808	US\$	2008	PRA
Average length of time from submission of a product application to decision (months)	12	Months	2009	PRA
A transparent process exists to appeal medicines registration decisions	Yes	Yes/No	2004	Pharmaceutical Act 2004
Computerized system exists for retrieval of information on registered products	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

3.5 Manufacturing				
Domestic Manufacturers			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist for licensing domestic manufacturers	Yes	Yes/No	2004	Pharmaceutical Act 2004
The country has guidelines on Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP)	Yes	Yes/No	2008	PRA-GMP guidelines
-If yes, these guidelines are used in the licensing process	Yes	Yes/No	2008	PRA
The country has capacity for:				
-R&D to discover new active substances	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Production of pharmaceutical starting materials	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Formulation from pharmaceutical starting material	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Repackaging of finished dosage forms	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Number of domestic manufacturers	6	Number	2009	PRA register
Number of GMP compliant domestic manufacturers	2	Number	2008	PRA
Multinational manufacturers and importers			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist for licensing multinational manufacturers that produce medicines locally	No	Yes/No	2009	PRA
Number of multinational pharmaceutical companies with a local subsidiary	No	Number	2009	PRA
Number of multinational pharmaceutical companies producing medicines locally	No	Number	2009	PRA
Legal provisions exist for licensing importers	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

3.6 Quality Control				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist to inspect premises and collect samples	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Legal provisions exist for detecting and combating counterfeit medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Samples are tested for post-marketing surveillance	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
List is publicly available giving detailed results of quality testing in past year	No	Yes/No	2009	PRA
Legal provisions exist to ensure quality control of imported medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Legal provisions exist for the recall and disposal of defective products	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

3.7 Pharmacovigilance				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist for monitoring adverse drug reactions (ADRs) on a routine basis	Yes	Yes/No	2004	Pharmaceutical Act 2004
ADRs are monitored	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, ADRs are monitored at				
-Central level	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Regional level	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Local health facilities	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, ADRs are reported to the WHO Collaborating Centre for International Drug Monitoring	No	Yes/No		

3.8 Medicines Advertising and Promotion				
Legal and regulatory provisions			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist to control the promotion and/or advertising of medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Who is responsible for regulating promotion and/or advertising of medicines	Co-Regulation	Government/Industry/Co-Regulation	2007	WHO Level I
Direct advertising of prescription medicines to the public is prohibited	Yes	Yes/No	2004	Pharmaceutical Act 2004
Regulatory pre-approval is required for medicines advertisements and/or promotional materials	Yes	Yes/No	2007	PRA
Guidelines exist for advertising and promotion of non-prescription medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2009	PRA-Guidelines on advertising and promotion of medicines
Regulatory committee exists for controlling medicines advertising and promotion	Yes	Yes/No	2007	PRA
-If yes, members must declare conflicts of interest	Yes	Yes/No	2007	PRA
Code of conduct			YEAR	SOURCE
A national code of conduct exists concerning advertising and promotion of medicines by pharmaceutical manufacturers		Yes/No		
-If yes, adherence to the code is voluntary		Yes/No		
A national code of conduct for doctors exists to regulate their relationship with manufacture sales representatives		Yes/No		

PART 4 - FINANCING

4.1 Medicines Expenditure				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Total medicines expenditure (US\$)		US\$ current exchange rates		
Medicines expenditure as a % of GDP		% of GDP		
Medicines expenditure as a % of Health Expenditure		% of total health expenditure		
Total public expenditure on medicines (US\$)	28,115,000	US\$ current exchange rates	2008	MOH
MoH annual budget for medicines (US\$)	23,298,000	US\$ current exchange rates	2009	MOH
Total private expenditure on medicines (US\$)		US\$ current exchange rates		

4.2 Health Insurance and Free Care				
			YEAR	SOURCE
National Health Insurance (NHI) or Social Health Insurance (SHI) exists	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, NHI/SHI provides at least partial medicines coverage	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Proportion of the population covered by NHI or SHI		% of the population		
Existence of public programmes providing free medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, medicines are available free-of-charge for:				
-Patients who cannot afford them	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Children under 5	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

-Older children	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Pregnant women	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Elderly persons	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, the following types of medicines are free:				
-All	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Malaria medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Tuberculosis medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Sexually transmitted diseases medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-HIV/AIDS medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
At least one vaccine	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

4.3 Patients Fees and Copayments				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Inpatients pay a fee for medicines in public hospitals	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Registration/consultation fees are common in public health facilities	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Fixed dispensing fees are common for outpatients in public primary health-care facilities	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Outpatients pay varying amounts for medicines in public primary health-care facilities	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Medicines copayments are used to pay salaries of public health-care workers	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

4.4 Pricing Regulation				
Price Control for the private sector			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal or regulatory provisions exist for setting:				
- Manufacturer's selling price	No	Yes/No		
- Maximum wholesale mark-up	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Maximum retail mark-up	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Maximum retail price (exit price)	No	Yes/No		
Legal or regulatory provisions for controlling medicines prices vary for different types of medicines		Yes/No		
Government runs an active national medicines price monitoring system for retail prices	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Retail medicines price information is made publicly accessible according to existing regulation	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

4.5 Results of WHO/HAI Pricing Survey				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Median Price Ratio of originator brand products to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PUBLIC SECTOR PROCUREMENT		Median Price Ratio		
Median Price Ratio of lowest-priced generics to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PUBLIC SECTOR PROCUREMENT		Median Price Ratio		
Median Price Ratio of originator brand products to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PUBLIC SECTOR PATIENT PRICE		Median Price Ratio		
Median Price Ratio of lowest-priced generics to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PUBLIC SECTOR PATIENT PRICE		Median Price Ratio		
Median Price Ratio of originator brand products to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PRIVATE SECTOR PATIENT PRICE		Median Price Ratio		
Median Price Ratio of lowest-priced generics to international reference prices for a basket of key medicines PRIVATE SECTOR PATIENT PRICE		Median Price Ratio		

4.6 Duties and Taxes on Pharmaceuticals in the Private Sector

			YEAR	SOURCE
Duty on imported raw materials	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Duty on imported finished products	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
VAT or other taxes on medicines	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
-If yes, amount of VAT on pharmaceutical products (%)		%		

PART 5 - PATENTS

5.1 Medicines Patent Laws				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Country is a member of the World Trade Organization	Yes	Yes/No		
Patents are granted on pharmaceutical products by a National Patent Office	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
List of patented medicines is available		Yes/No		
National legislation has been modified to implement the TRIPS Agreement	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, the transitional period has been extended per Doha Declaration	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, TRIPS flexibilities have been incorporated into legislation	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If TRIPS flexibilities have been incorporated, they are:				
-Compulsory licensing provisions	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Government use	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Parallel importing provisions	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
.Bolar exception	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

PART 6 – SUPPLY

6.1 Procurement				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Is there a written public sector procurement strategy?	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
-If yes, in what year was it approved?		Year		
Are there provisions giving priority in public procurement to goods produced by domestic manufacturers?	Yes	Yes/No	2008	MOH
Are there provisions giving priority in public procurement to goods produced by manufacturers from SADC countries?	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Do the public sector procurement regulations apply to pharmaceutical procurement?	Yes	Yes/No	2008	ZPPA
How many people are working full-time only on procurement of pharmaceuticals for the public sector?	3	Number	2009	MOH
There is a tender board/committee overseeing public procurement of medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, the key functions of the procurement office and those of the tender committee are clearly separated	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Public procurement is limited to medicines on the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
WHO-prequalification system is used to identify suppliers for ARVs, TB, ATM and RHR	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
WHO certification system is used to identify suppliers	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
A functioning process exists to ensure the quality of other products procured	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
-If yes, this process includes prequalification of products and suppliers	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
-If yes, explicit criteria and procedures exist for prequalification of suppliers	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH

-If yes, a list of prequalified suppliers and products is publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
How many people are working full-time on quality assurance for procurement?	Yes	Number	2009	MOH
Percentage of public sector procurement expenditures in last year awarded by:				
-National competitive tenders	37.3%	% of total value	2007	MOH
-International competitive tenders	58.5%	% of total value	2007	MOH
-Negotiation	0%	% of total value	2007	MOH
-Direct purchasing	4.2%	% of total value	2007	MOH
Public sector tenders are publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2007	MOH
Public sector awards are publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2007	MOH
Public sector tenders use an e-procurement system	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
A written code of conduct exists governing the behaviour of public procurement agencies in their interactions with sales representatives and wholesalers	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
List of samples tested during the procurement process and results of quality testing is available	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Public sector procurement is centralized at the national level	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Is there a capacity building strategy for procurement and supply management?	Yes	Yes/No	2007	ZPPA
-If yes, when was it finalized?	2007	Year	2007	ZPPA
-If yes, what period does it cover?	2007-2009	Year-Year	2009	ZPPA

6.2 Procurement Budget				
		CURRENCY	YEAR	SOURCE
Total value of medicines procured in the public sector in the previous year	28,266,063	USD	2008	MOH
Public procurement expenditure on products from national manufacturers in the previous year (if available)	851,063	USD	2008	MOH
Public procurement expenditure on products from SADC manufacturers in the previous year (if available)				
Public procurement expenditure on products on the EML in the previous year (if available)	28,115,00	USD	2008	MOH

6.3 Procurement Price of Medicines on the WHO/HAI Global List			
<i>To calculate the UNIT PRICE please divide the price of the pack by the pack size (e.g. 28, 500, and 100). For example, a pack of 500 amoxicillin 500 mg/caps costing US\$ 23.8 would have a unit price of 23.8 /500, that is a per unit price of US\$ 0.048.</i>			
For Year:			
Medicine, Strength, Formulation		UNIT price for Originator	UNIT price for lowest priced generic
Amitriptyline 25 mg Cap/tab			
Amoxicillin 500 mg Cap/tab			
Atenolol 50 mg Cap/tab			
Captopril 25 mg Cap/tab			
Ceftriaxone 1 g/ vial Injection			
Ciprofloxacin 500 mg Cap/tab			
Co-trimoxazole 8 + 40 mg/ml Susp.			
Diazepam 5 mg Cap/tab			
Diclofenac 50 mg Cap/tab			
Glibenclamide 5 mg Cap/tab			
Omeprazole 20 mg Cap/tab			
Paracetamol 24 mg/ml Susp.			
Salbutamol 0.1mg/dose Inhaler			
Simvastatin 20 mg Cap/tab			

6.4 Distribution				
Distributors⁶			YEAR	SOURCE
There are national guidelines on Good Distribution Practices (GDP)	Yes	Yes/No	2008	PRA
There a list of all GDP compliant distributors		Yes/No		
CMS			YEAR	SOURCE
Software tools are available for planning medicines supply	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MSL
Software tools are available for management of medicines supply (procurement tracking, expenditure tracking, stock levels)	Yes	Yes/No	2008	MSL
Data on months of stock on hand is routinely reported to managers	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MSL

TOP 5 distributors by market value

Name of distributor	Sales by Value		YEAR	SOURCE
		% of Total		
		% of Total		
		% of Total		
		% of Total		
		% of Total		

⁶ For the purpose of this profile, distributors deliver medicines on behalf of others and do not carry any risk for stock lost or expired.

6.5 Wholesale Market Characteristics⁷				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist for licensing wholesalers	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Number of wholesalers in market	89	Number	2009	PRA Register
Number of GDP compliant wholesalers in market	89	Number	2008	PRA
List of GDP compliant wholesalers is publicly available	No	Yes/No	2008	PRA

TOP 5 wholesalers by market value

Name of wholesaler	Sales by Value		YEAR	SOURCE
Unimed Group	52%	% of Total	2008	MOH
Mission Pharma	38.9%	% of Total	2008	MOH
Ngansa Pharmaceuticals	3.9%	% of Total	2008	MOH
Jos Hansen	3.4%	% of Total	2008	MOH
Melcome Pharmaceuticals	1.8%	% of Total	2008	MOH

⁷ Wholesalers own the products that they sell/distribute and carry the risk for stock lost or expired.

PART 7- SELECTION and RATIONAL USE of MEDICINES

7.1 National Structures				
			YEAR	SOURCE
National standard treatment guidelines (STGs) for major conditions are produced by the MoH	Yes	Yes/No	2009	NSTG 2009
-If yes, year of last update of national STGs	2009	Year	2009	NSTG 2009
National essential medicines list (EML) exists	Yes	Yes/No	2009	NEML 2009
-If yes, number of medicine formulations on the national EML	404	Number	2009	NEML 2009
-If yes, year of last update of EML	2009	Year	2009	NEML 2009
-If yes, process for selecting medicines on the EML is publicly available	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
There is a committee for the selection of products on the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, conflict of interest declarations are required from members on national EML committee		Yes/No		
There are explicit criteria for selecting medicines for national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2009	MOH
National medicines formulary manual exists	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, national medicines formulary manual is limited to essential medicines	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, year of last update of national medicines formulary manual	2005	Year	2007	WHO Level I
National STGs for paediatric conditions exist	Yes	Yes/No	2009	NSTG 2009
-If yes, year of last update of national paediatric STGs	Yes	Year	2009	NSTG 2009
EML used in public insurance reimbursement	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Rational use national audit done in the last two years	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
% of public health facilities with EML (mean)- Survey data	40%	%	2006	WHO Level II
% of public health facilities with STGs (mean)- Survey data	40%	%	2006	WHO Level II

Public education campaigns about rational medicines use have been conducted by MoH, NGOs or academia in the previous two years	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A national programme or committee involving government, civil society, and professional bodies exists to monitor and promote rational use of medicines	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A national strategy exists to contain antimicrobial resistance	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-If yes, date of last update of the strategy		Year		
A national reference laboratory has responsibility for coordinating epidemiological surveillance of antimicrobial resistance	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A public or independently funded national medicines information centre provides information on medicines to consumers	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Legal provisions exist for the control of narcotics, psychotropic substances, and precursors	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
The country is a signatory to the International Conventions on the Control of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances and Precursors	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

7.2 Prescribing				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist to govern the licensing and prescribing practices of prescribers	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-The following types of health workers are legally allowed to prescribe				
-Nurses		Yes/No		
-Midwives		Yes/No		
-Community health workers		Yes/No		
-Pharmacists		Yes/No		
Prescribers are legally allowed to dispense		Yes/No		
Prescribers in the public sector dispense medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Prescribers in the private sector dispense medicines	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
The basic <u>medical</u> training curriculum includes components on:				
- Use of the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Use of national STGs	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Problem-based pharmacotherapy	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Good practices in prescribing	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
The basic <u>nursing</u> training curriculum includes components on:				
- Use of the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Use of national STGs	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Problem-based pharmacotherapy	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Good practices in prescribing	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
The basic training curriculum for <u>paramedical staff</u> includes components on:				
- Use of the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Use of national STGs	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Problem-based pharmacotherapy	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
- Good practices in prescribing	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I

Regulations exist requiring hospitals to organize/develop Drug and Therapeutics Committees (DTCs)	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Mandatory, non-commercially funded continuing education that includes use of medicines is required for doctors	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A public or independently funded national medicines information centre exists that provides information on demand to prescribers	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Prescribing by generic name is obligatory in:				
-Public sector	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Private sector	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Incentives exist to encourage prescribing of generic medicines in public health facilities	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
Incentives exist to encourage prescribing of generic medicines in private health facilities	No	Yes/No	2009	MOH
INRUD prescribing indicators			YEAR	SOURCE
Number of medicines prescribed per patient contact in public health facilities (mean)	2.7	Number	2006	WHO Level II
% of patients receiving antibiotics (mean)	54.6%	%	2006	WHO Level II
% of patients receiving injections (mean)	19%	%	2006	WHO Level II
% of drugs prescribed that are in the EML (mean)	98.4%	%	2006	WHO Level II
Diarrhoea in children treated with ORS (%)	100%	%	2006	WHO Level II
Non-pneumonia ARIs treated with antibiotics (%) (mean)	82%	%	2006	WHO Level II

7.3 Dispensing				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Legal provisions exist to govern licensing and practice of pharmacy	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A professional association code of conduct exists governing professional behaviour of pharmacists	No	Yes/No		
The basic <u>pharmacist</u> training curriculum includes components on				
-Use of the national EML	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Use of national STGs	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Problem-based pharmacotherapy	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Good practices in prescribing	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Mandatory, non-commercially funded continuing education that includes use of medicines is required for pharmacists	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
A public or independently funded national medicines information centre exists that provides information on demand to dispensers	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Substitution of generic equivalents is permitted for:				
-Public sector dispensers	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Private sector dispensers	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Incentives exist to encourage dispensing of generic medicines in:				
-Public pharmacies	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
-Private pharmacies	No	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Antibiotics are sold over-the-counter without a prescription	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Injections are sold over-the-counter without a prescription	Yes	Yes/No	2007	WHO Level I
Narcotics are sold over-the-counter without a prescription	No	Yes/No	2009	PRA
Tranquillisers are sold over-the-counter without a prescription	No	Yes/No	2009	PRA
INRUD dispensing indicators			YEAR	SOURCE
% of prescribed drugs dispensed to patients (mean)	86%	%	2006	WHO Level II
Percentage of medicines adequately labelled in public health facilities (mean)	29%	%	2006	WHO Level II
Percentage of patients knowing correct dosage in public health facilities (mean)	83.9%	%	2006	WHO Level II

PART 8 - HOUSEHOLD DATA

8.1 Data from Household surveys				
			YEAR	SOURCE
Adults with acute conditions taking all medicines prescribed	77.9%	%	2002-3	WHS (World Health Survey)
Adults with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	2.4%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot find them	17.0%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults (from poor households) with acute conditions taking all medicines prescribed	84.4%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults (from poor households) with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	0.9%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults with chronic conditions taking all medicines prescribed	56.8%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults with chronic conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	11.4%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults with chronic conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot find them	31.8%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults (from poor households) with chronic conditions taking all medicines prescribed	68.8%	%	2002-3	WHS
Adults (from poor households) with chronic conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	0.0%	%	2002-3	WHS
Children with acute conditions taking all medicines prescribed	82.2%	%	2002-3	WHS
Children with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	2.7%	%	2002-3	WHS
Children with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot find them	13.9%	%	2002-3	WHS
Children (from poor households) with acute conditions taking all medicines prescribed	87.1%	%	2002-3	WHS
Children (from poor households) with acute conditions not taking all medicines because they cannot afford them	0.3%	%	2002-3	WHS