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# Why is Africa underdeveloped?

According to Merriam-Webster.com, underdeveloped means having a relatively low economic level of industrial production and standard of living(as from lack of capital). Africa is continent with a huge amount of diversity, and some countries are experiencing rapid economic growth. However it is true that many African nations face significant challenges. These challenges could be as a result of several factors both old and new and they can be grouped into two:

* Internal factors such as corruption, embezzlement, wars and diseases
* External factors such as globalization and the historical slave trade and colonialism

Let’s look into these factors one by