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Population (000s)	3,173	Life expectancy at birth (years)	74
GNI per capita (PPP Int \$)	10,520	Total health expenditure (% GDP)	5.9
Physician density (per 10 000 population)	1.15	ICT Development Index rank	80
Nurse & midwife density (per 10 000 population)	3.85	Mobile-cellular subscriptions (% population)	110.69
Hospital bed density (per 10 000 population)	28	Internet users (% population)	54.7

### 1. eHealth foundations

National policies or strategies				
	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Year adopted	
National universal health coverage policy or strategy	Yes	75%	2013	
National eHealth policy or strategy	No	58%	N/A	
National health information system (HIS) policy or strategy	No	66%	N/A	
National telehealth policy or strategy	No	22%	N/A	
Funding sources for eHealth				
	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Funding source %**	
Public funding	Yes	77%	Zero	
Private or commercial funding	_	40%	Zero	
Donor/non-public funding	Yes	63%	<25%	
Public-private partnerships	No	42%	Zero	
Multilingualism in eHealth				
	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Year adopted	
Policy or strategy on multilingualism	_	28%	N/A	
Government-supported Internet sites in multiple languages	No	48%		
eHealth capacity building				
	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Proportion**	
Health sciences students – Pre-service training in eHealth	No	74%	N/A	
Health professionals – In-service training in eHealth	No	77%	N/A	

## 2. Legal frameworks for eHealth

Policy or legislation – purpose	Country response	Global "yes" response§
Defines <b>medical jurisdiction</b> , <b>liability or reimbursement of eHealth services</b> such as telehealth	_	31%
Addresses <b>patient safety and quality of care</b> based on data quality, data transmission standards or clinical competency criteria	_	46%
Protects the <b>privacy of personally identifiable data</b> of individuals irrespective of whether it is in <b>paper or digital format</b>	Yes	78%
Protects the <b>privacy of individuals' health-related data</b> held in electronic format in an <b>EHR</b>	No	54%
Governs the sharing of digital data between health professionals in other health services in the same country through the use of an EHR	No	34%
Governs the <b>sharing of digital data between health professionals in health services</b> in other countries through the use of an <b>EHR</b>	No	22%
Governs the sharing of personal and health data between research entities	No	39%
Allows individuals electronic access to their own health-related data when held in an EHR	No	29%
Allows <b>individuals to demand their own health-related data be corrected</b> when held in an <b>EHR</b> if it is known to be inaccurate	No	32%
Allows individuals to demand the deletion of health-related data from their EHR	No	18%
Allows individuals to specify which health-related data from their EHR can be shared with health professionals of their choice	No	28%
Governs civil registration and vital statistics	_	76%
Governs national identification management systems	_	65%



### 3. Telehealth

Telehealth programmes country overview			
	Health system level**	Programme type**	
Teleradiology	National	Pilot	
Teledermatology	National	Pilot	
Telepathology	National	Pilot	
Telepsychiatry	National	Pilot	
Remote patient monitoring	‡	‡	

### 4. Electronic Health Records (EHRs)

EHR country overview		
	Country response	Year introduced
National EHR system	Yes	2015
Legislation governing the use of the national EHR system	Yes	
Health facilities with EHR	Use EHR	Facilities with EHR %**
Primary care facilities (e.g. clinics and health care centres)	Yes	>75%
Secondary care facilities (e.g. hospitals, emergency care)	Yes	>75%
Tertiary care facilities (e.g. specialized care, referral from primary/secondary care)	Yes	>75%
Other electronic systems	Country response	Global "yes" response§
Laboratory information systems	No	35%
Pathology information systems	No	18%
Pharmacy information systems	No	33%
PACS	No	26%
Automatic vaccination alerting system	No	10%
ICT-assisted functions	Country response	Global "yes" response§
Electronic medical billing systems	<del></del>	58%
Supply chain management information systems	No	58%
Human resources for health information systems	Yes	69%

### 5. Use of eLearning in health sciences

eLearning programmes country overview			
Health sciences students — Pre-service	Country response	Global "yes" response§	
Medicine	N/A	58%	
Dentistry	N/A	39%	
Public health	N/A	50%	
Nursing & midwifery	N/A	47%	
Pharmacy	N/A	38%	
Biomedical/Life sciences	N/A	42%	
Health professionals – In-service	Country response	Global "yes" response§	
Medicine	N/A	58%	
Dentistry	N/A	30%	
Public health	N/A	47%	
Nursing & midwifery	N/A	46%	
Pharmacy	N/A	31%	
Biomedical/Life sciences	N/A	34%	

### 6. mHealth



mHealth programmes country overview		
Accessing/providing health services	Health system level**	Programme type**
Toll-free emergency	‡	‡
Health call centres	‡	‡
Appointment reminders	‡	‡
Mobile telehealth	National	Pilot
Management of disasters and emergencies	National	Pilot
Treatment adherence	‡	‡
Accessing/providing health information	Health system level**	Programme type**
Community mobilization	‡	‡
Access to information, databases and tools	‡	‡
Patient records	‡	‡
mLearning	National	Pilot
Decision support systems	‡	‡
Collecting health information	Health system level**	Programme type**
Patient monitoring	National	Pilot
Health surveys	‡	‡
Disease surveillance	‡	‡

#### 7. Social media

Social media and health	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Year adopted
National policy or strategy on the use of social media by government organizations	Yes	18%	2013
Policy or strategy makes specific reference to its use in the health domain	No	5%	
Health care organizations – use of social media		Country response	Global "yes" response§
Promote health messages as a part of health promotion car	mpaigns	Yes	78%
Help manage patient appointments		No	24%
Seek feedback on services		Yes	56%
Make general health announcements		Yes	72%
Make emergency announcements		Yes	59%
Individuals and communities – use of social media		Country response	Global "yes" response§
Learn about health issues	Learn about health issues		79%
Help decide what health services to use		No	56%
Provide feedback to health facilities or health professionals		No	62%
Run community-based health campaigns		Yes	62%
Participate in community-based health forums		No	59%

### 8. Big data

Policy or strategy – purpose	Country response	Global "yes" response§	Year adopted
Governing the use of big data in the health sector	No	17%	N/A
Governing the use of big data by private companies	No	8%	N/A

#### **LEGEND**

\* Country context indicators

ICT Development Index Rank. 2015 - https://www.itu.int/net4/ITU-D/idi/2015/All other country indicators, Global Health Observatory. 2012-2014 - http://www.who.int/gho

\*\* Glossary

Indicates the percentage of participating Member States responding "Yes"
 Don't know

N/A Not applicable

‡ Indicates question was unanswered

Question not asked

Zero No funding

International level: Health entities in different geographic regions

Regional level: Health entities in countries in the same geographic region

National level: Referral hospitals, laboratories and health institutes (mainly public, but also private)

Intermediate level: District or provincial facilities: public and private hospitals

and health centres

**Local or peripheral level:** Health posts, health centres providing basic level of care **Informal:** Use of ICT for health purposes in the absence of formal

processes and policies

Pilot: Testing and evaluating a programme

**Established:** An ongoing programme that has been conducted for a

minimum of 2 years and is planned to continue