Malaria is present in the three northern provinces of South Africa bordering Mozambique and Swaziland. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2012 was 6,846 with 72 deaths.
Global Fund Update
South Africa is ineligible for malaria funding from the Global Fund. In the absence of Global Fund resources for malaria, the country is encouraged to invest sufficient domestic resources in continuing the fight against malaria.

Progress
South Africa has made significant progress in scaling-up and sustaining universal coverage of key malaria control interventions including IRS, parasitological diagnosis, and treatment with ACTs. South Africa has banned oral artemisinin-based monotherapies. The country has made significant progress in scaling-up the tracer MNCH intervention of skilled birth attendants, and has recently increased DPT3 coverage.

Impact
South Africa has demonstrated significant success in malaria control. Confirmed malaria cases have decreased from an annual average of 36,360 during 2000–2005 to 6,846 cases in 2012. Reported malaria deaths fell from 127 to 72 in the same period. As such, the country has achieved the target of a 75% reduction in malaria incidence since 2000.

Key Challenge
- Risk of re-introduction of high rates of malaria from neighbouring countries.