Malaria is endemic throughout Benin; however, transmission is more intense in the southern third of the country. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 1,670,273 with 2,288 deaths.
Progress
Benin has made significant progress in malaria control policy, including banning the importation and sale of oral artemisinin-based monotherapies. Benin has introduced Community Case Management of malaria and pneumonia. The country has sufficient finances available to cover the 2015 requirements for ACTs and RDTs and has procured sufficient LLINs to achieve universal coverage. The country has also made good progress on tracer MNCH interventions, in particular increasing skilled birth attendants, vitamin A, and DPT3 vaccination coverage and has recently increased PMTCT coverage.

Impact
The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2013 was 1,670,273 with 2,288 deaths.

Key Challenge
- Securing longer-term finances for malaria control.

Previous Key Recommended Action

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Benin has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing low coverage of exclusive breastfeeding and continues to track progress as this action is implemented.

Key
- Green: Action achieved
- Yellow: Some progress
- Red: No progress
- Grey: Deliverable not yet due