The entire population of Gabon is at high risk for malaria. Transmission is intense throughout the year in the northern part of the country and more seasonal in the south. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2014 was 185,996 with 159 deaths.
Progress
Gabon has banned the importation and sale of oral artemisinin-based monotherapies, and introduced a policy on Community Case Management of pneumonia.

The country has achieved high coverage of the tracer MNCH interventions of skilled birth attendants and PMTCT.

Impact
The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2014 was 185,996 with 159 deaths. WHO, through modeling, estimates that there has been a less than 50% decrease in malaria incidence between 2000 and 2015.

Key Challenge
- Insufficient resources available to achieve universal coverage of essential malaria interventions.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

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Gabon has responded positively to the MNCH recommended action addressing low coverage of vitamin A and continues to track progress as this action is implemented.

New Key Recommended Action

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Key

- Action achieved
- Some progress
- No progress
- Deliverable not yet due

¹ MNCH metrics, recommended actions and response tracked through WHO MCA/iERG