

# AB update

July 2017 highlights



## Afrobarometer director awarded MLK prize

Prof. E. Gyimah-Boadi (at right), co-founder and executive director of Afrobarometer, was honored with the 2017 Martin Luther King Jr. Award for Peace and Social Justice in recognition of his role in advancing democracy, good governance, and economic opportunity in Ghana and throughout Africa.



**NPP Government**  
**Build confidence in police: Akufo-Addo charges new police council**  
 He said public confidence in the police is low after repeatedly ranking first as the most corrupt state institution in various Afrobarometer reports.



## Impact and visibility

- ✓ Citing AB findings on trust in public institutions, Ghanaian President Nana Akufo-Addo inaugurated the new Police Council and charged it with building public confidence in the police service.
- ✓ In OECD Development Matters: Infrastructure, jobs, good governance: Bringing Africans' priorities to the G20 table
- ✓ In African Governance Newsletter: Reason for hope, impetus for action: Citizens' perceptions on ACDEG priorities

## In the news

**AB in the media:** 276 media hits were recorded in July across various media outlets, including the Conversation, Washington Post, Economist, Frankfurter Rundschau, CNBC Africa, Jeune Afrique, Zambia Business Times, Modern Ghana. ...

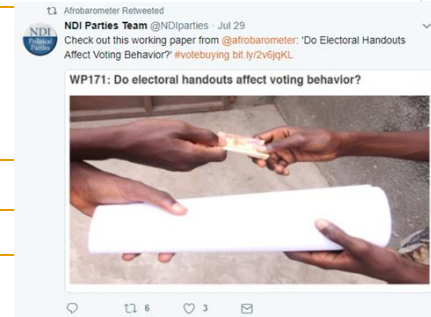
## On digital/social media



Irish Embassy Lusaka @irelandinZambia · ESP · Jul 20 · 7:34 am

Some concerning trends are highlighted in the new **@afrobarometer** data from Zambia. The full report is worth a read... <https://t.co/NZh5sIVCw...>

<b>Website</b>	- 6,212 users; 2,446 data/publication downloads - Most popular download: AD157: <u>Zambia at a crossroads: Will citizens defend democracy?</u>
<b>Twitter</b>	203 new followers (9,883 total)
<b>Facebook</b>	15,786 impressions

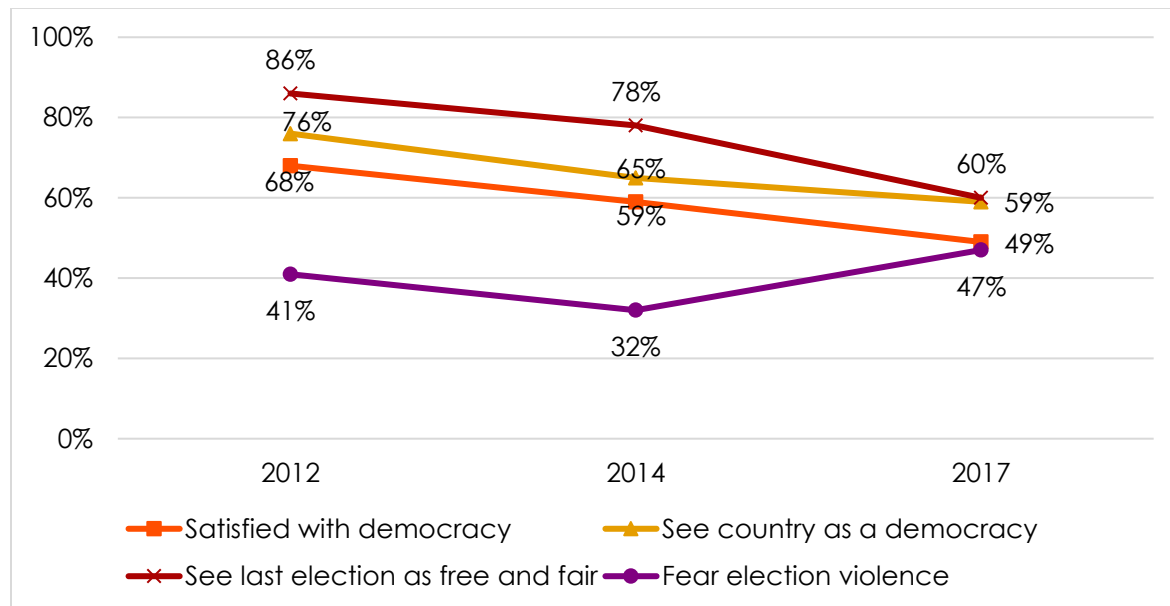


## In the field

- ✓ Botswana, Tanzania, and Guinea are the most recent countries to complete Round 7 survey fieldwork. Next up: Burkina Faso, Togo, and Cape Verde.
- ✓ In-country results dissemination continues in Uganda and Côte d'Ivoire.
- ✓ In Benin, the AB team trained a bloggers' association and the public TV channel BB24 in data analysis and use.

## Chart of the month

### Satisfaction with democracy | Zambia | 2012-2017



## New publications

- ✓ [Zambia at a crossroads: Will citizens defend democracy?](#)
- ✓ [Liberia's race to the next presidency: Low trust in electoral commission, fear of violence raise flags](#)
- ✓ [Efficacy for fighting corruption: Evidence from 36 African countries](#)
- ✓ [Contrary to court ruling, Zimbabweans endorse parental right to physically discipline children](#)

## Support for Afrobarometer



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