Recover and adapt

Context-driven policy options beyond COVID-19
in Africa

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Options to mitigate, recover, adapt

A sense-making framework

Three dimensions







Fiscal leeway



Ability of economy to respond

Four clusters



Limited options



Externally hamstrung



Some leeway



Room for manoeuvre







Clusters:

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Size of bubble

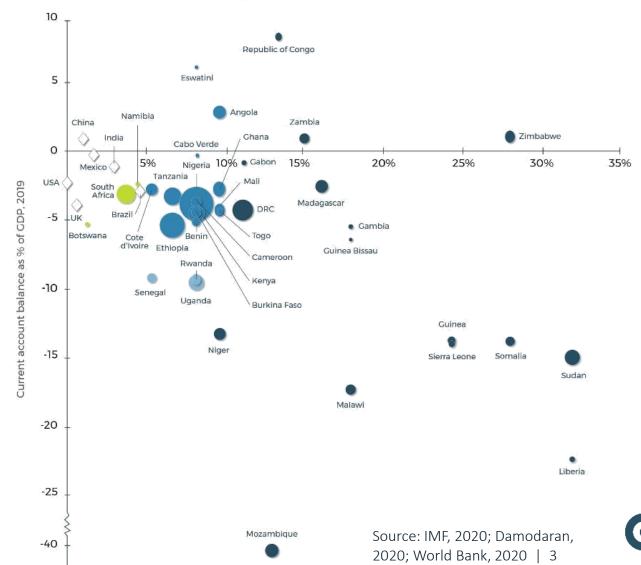


Snapshot

External vulnerability against fiscal runway









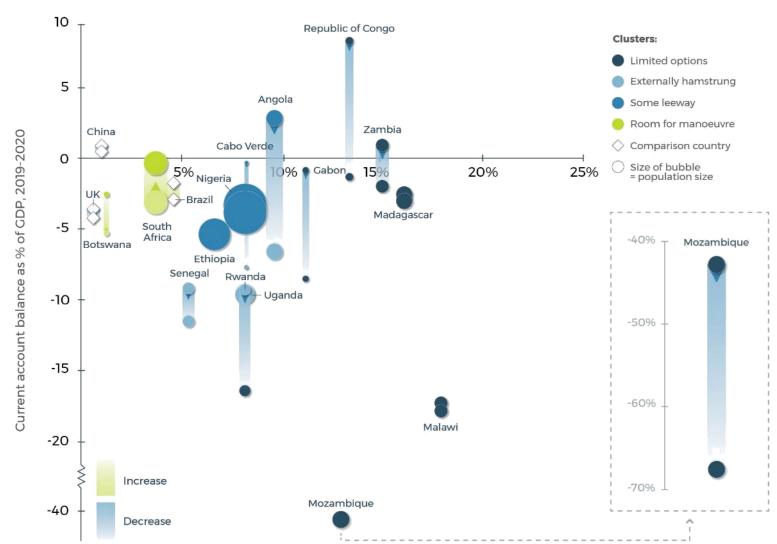




Dynamic path

Expected current account impact

Rating-based default spread, 2020

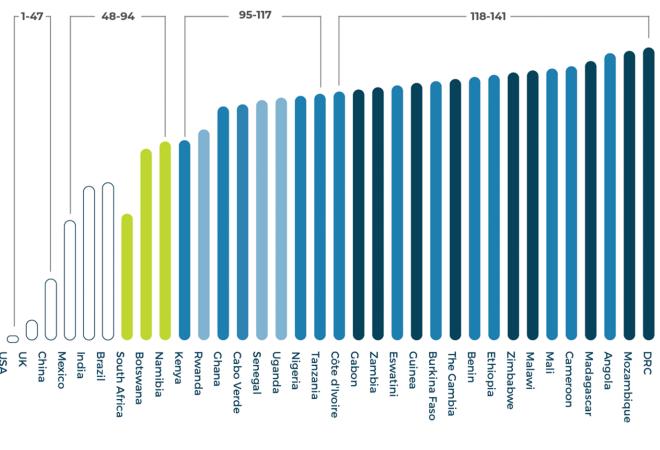






Ability to respond

Competitiveness of the formal domestic economy





■ Limited options ■ Externally hamstrung ■ Some leeway ● Room for manoeuvre ○ Comparison country

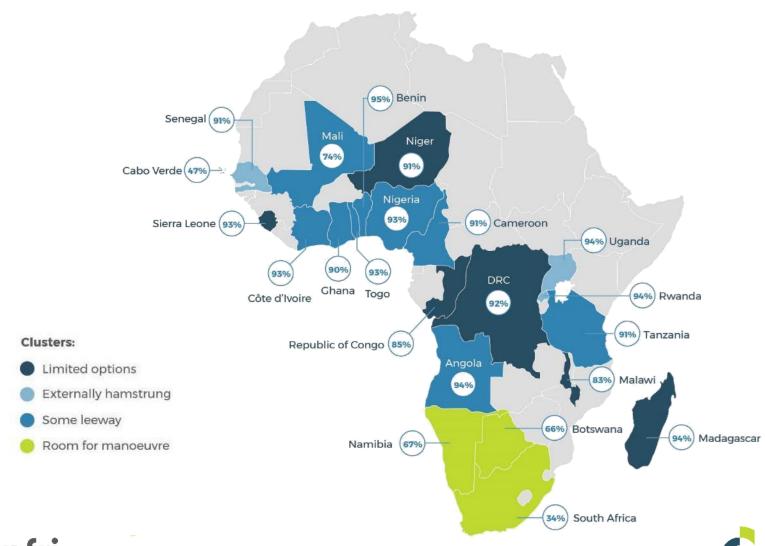






Ability to respond

Share of informal sector employment





Source: ILO, 2018 | 6

Cluster upshot



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Room for manoeuvre

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- High reliance on ODA and FDI
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- Exogenous factors drive economic impact
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- Some reliance on ODA and remittances
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- Less external sector vulnerability
- Access to international capital markets at relatively high cost
- Private sector competitiveness differs by country
- Informal sector important role in resilience

- Less reliance on external sector
- Able to access international capital markets
- Diversified economy provides ability to pivot for long-term adaptation

Response parameters:





Objectives and timeframe: mitigation, recovery, adaptation



Levers: e.g. fiscal stimulus, sector-specific policy, humanitarian support, value chain digitalisation, digital skills building



Sector focus: formal vs. informal sector; serving foreign vs. domestic market; financial sector



Constraints: position on plotting, plus context-specific, e.g. institutional strength, economic structure, extent of digitalisation



Funding options: foreign vs local debt; multilateral

funding; ODA; remittances

Thank you for your interest in the COVID-19 Policy Response Framework.

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For more information on the framework, please contact <u>David Saunders</u>.

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