

Facts & Figures: ICT in Africa



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Population Total

1,340,598,447



Percentage of Youngs

percentage of population of young people (0-24)



Literacy Rate

Literacy rates in Africa are estimated at roughly 70%



Digital Connection

Percentage of population digitally connected.(2017)

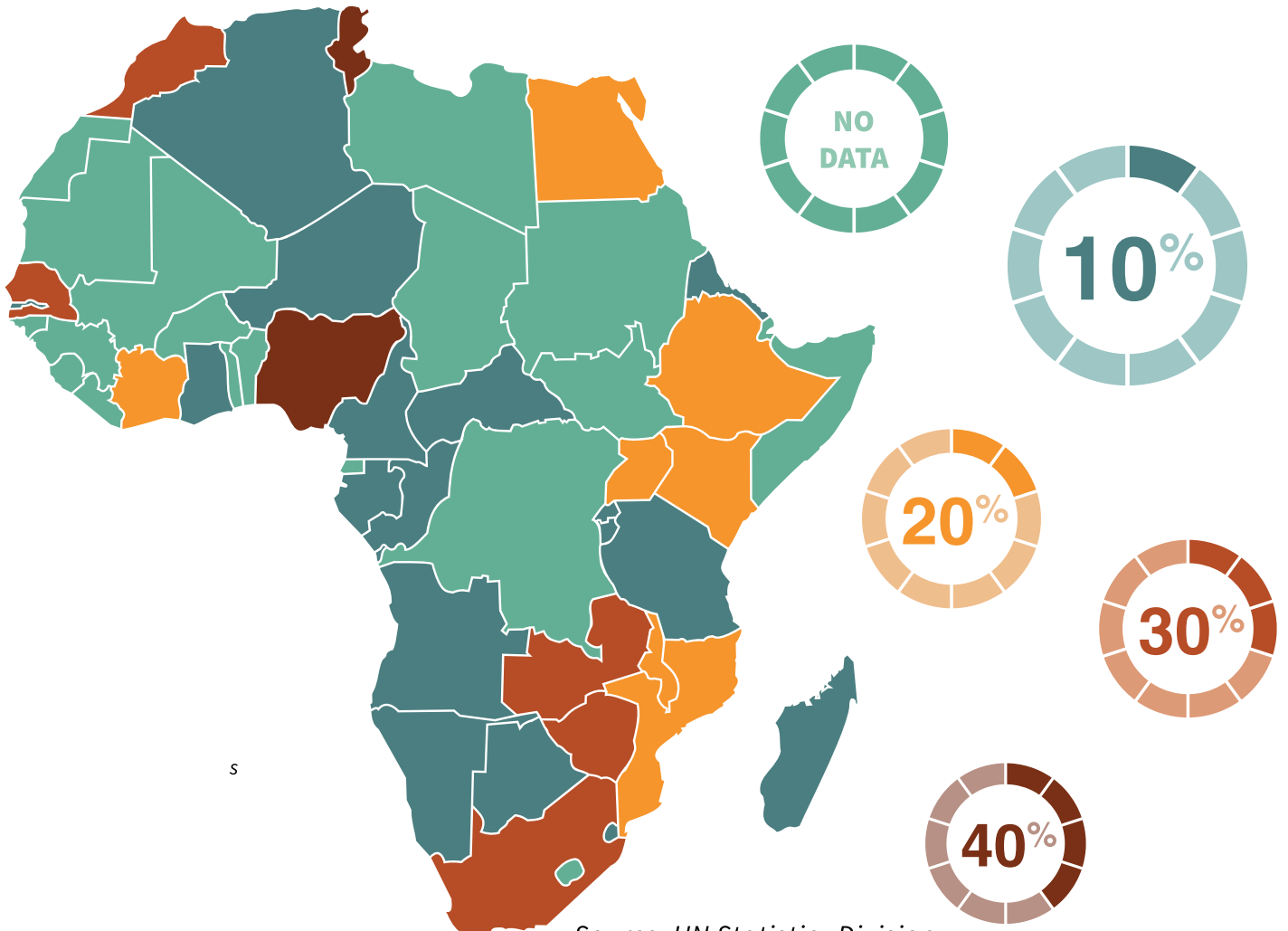


Internet penetration

internet penetration (% population) - Dec, 2019

Proportion of total manufacturing value added from medium and high-tech industry (MHT)

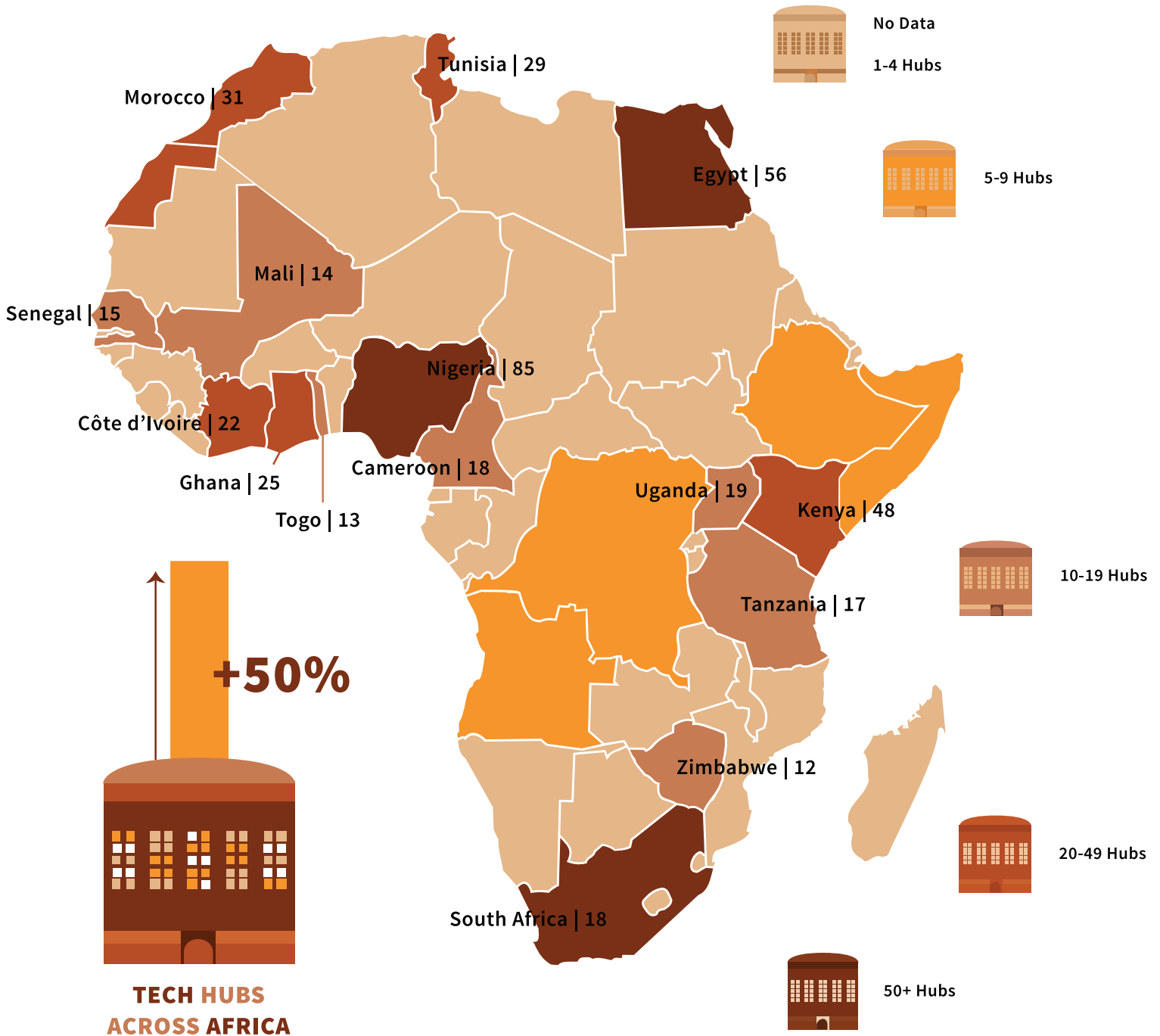
SDG Indicator 9.B.1: Higher values indicate a country's industry sector is focused on high-tech manufacturing.



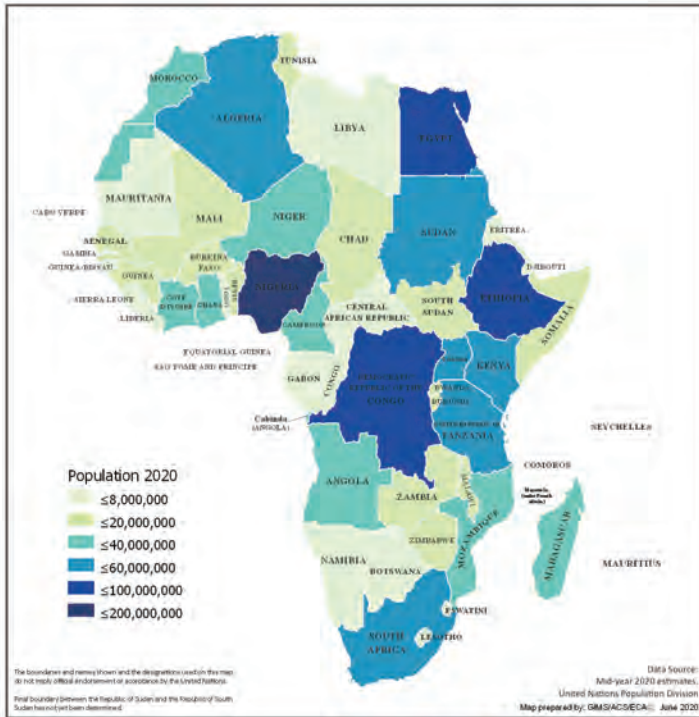
Source: UN Statistic Division

Ecosystem Accelerators in Africa - Tech Hubs Landscape 2019

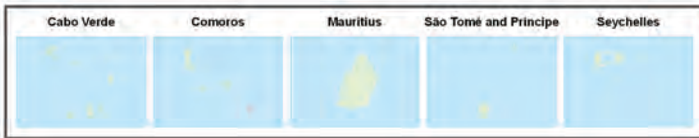
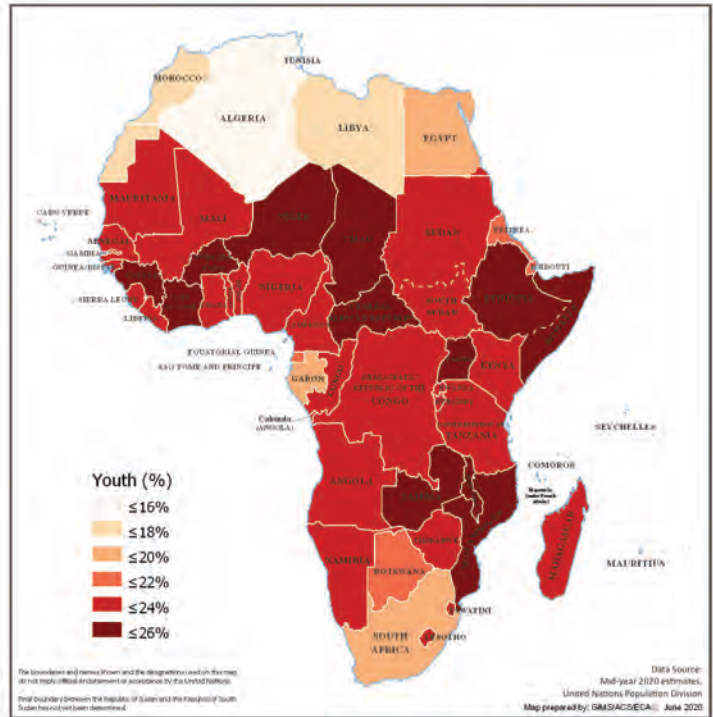
Startup and innovation culture is deepening on the continent.



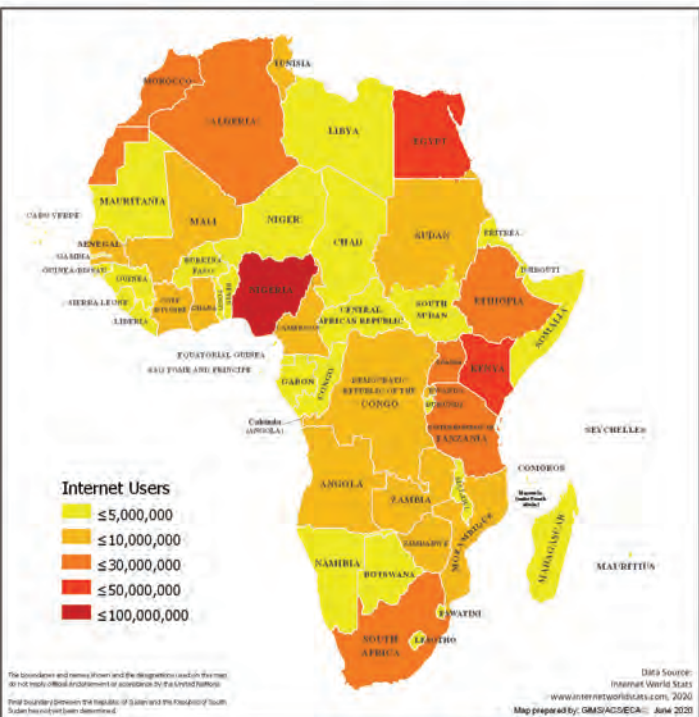
Total Population in Africa (est. 2020)



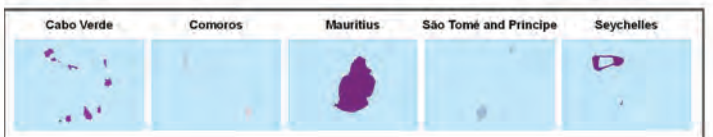
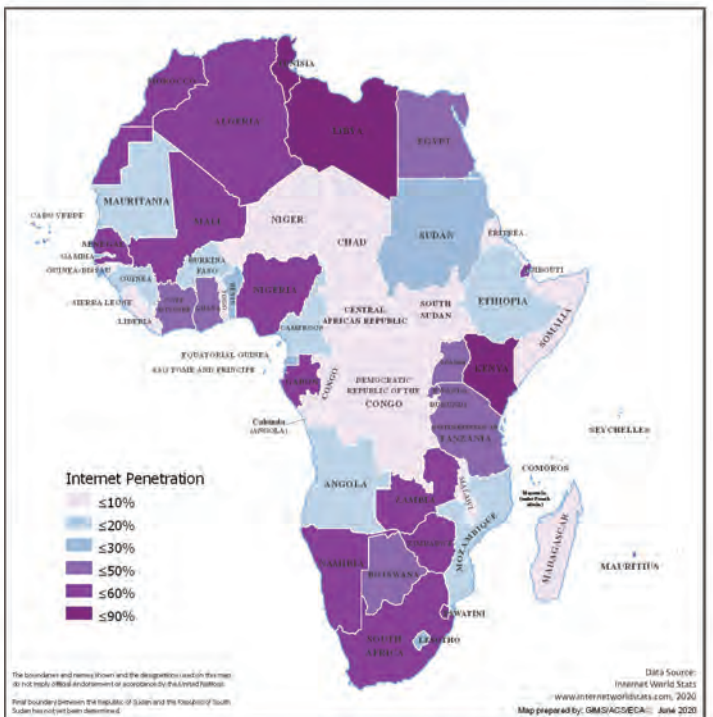
Youth in Africa (% , age 15 - 24)

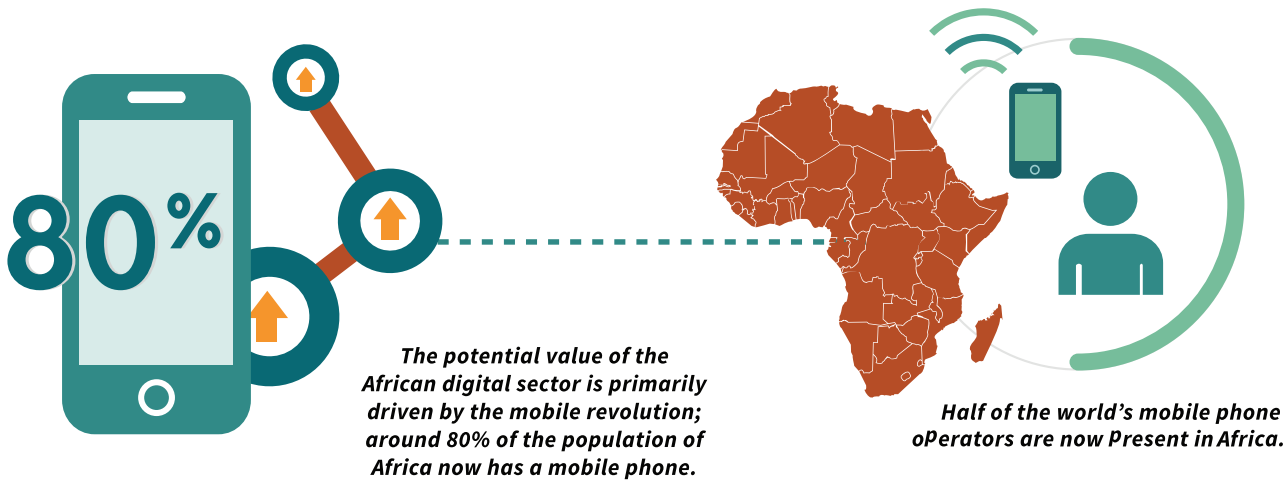


Internet Users in Africa (2019)



Internet Penetration in Africa (% Population)

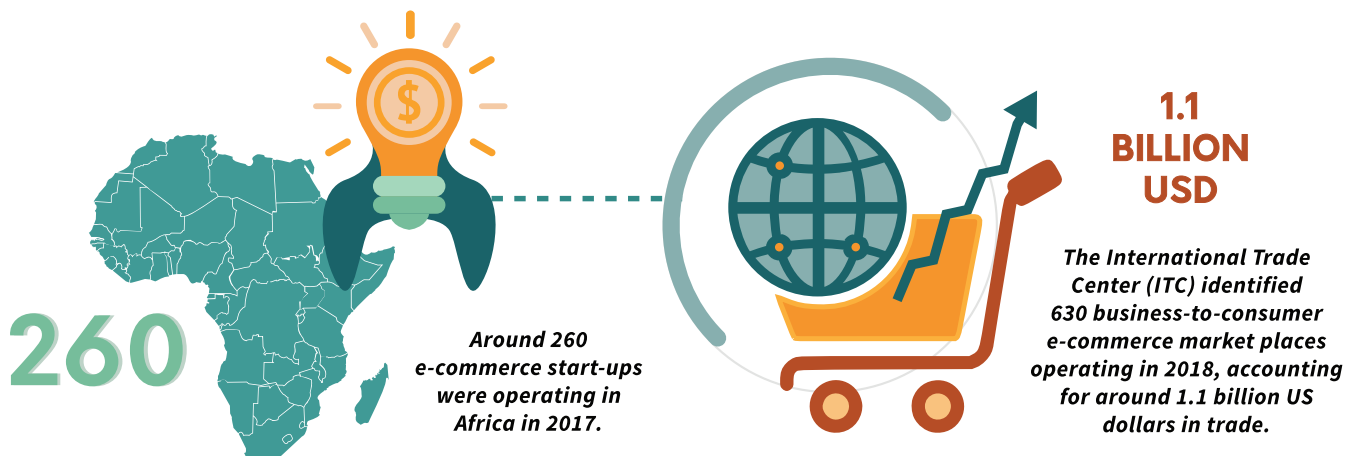




The economic contribution of mobile phones accounts for 7.6% of the continent's GDP, at roughly 240 billion US dollars by the end of 2020.

Countries such as Rwanda, Mauritania, Kenya and Senegal have generated strong growth through e-commerce platforms.

The regional mobile money market is projected to be worth 14 billion US dollars by the end of 2020.





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