

World Bank Group Country Survey FY 2023 – South Africa

The *World Bank Group (WBG) is interested in gauging your views as someone involved in development in South Africa. The following survey will give us greater insight into how the WBG's work is perceived by its clients, partners, opinion leaders, and decision makers in South Africa.

Ipsos South Africa has been hired to oversee the logistics of this survey. This ensures anonymity and confidentiality. None of the results will be attributable to a specific individual. We hope you'll be candid. If you feel that you do not have enough information on a subject to answer a question, please select "Don't know".

The survey should take 15 minutes or less to complete. If you have any questions about this survey, please contact us at: countrysurveys@worldbankgroup.org

PLEASE NOTE: If a question asks for a specific number of responses, please do not choose more than the requested number. If you select more than the requested number, your responses for that question will be deleted.

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1. W	hich of the following best describes your current affiliation? (Select only 1 response)
1	Office of the President, Deputy President, Minister
2	Office of a Parliamentarian (National Assembly, Legislative body)
3	Government Institution: Employee of a Ministry / Ministerial Department / Project Implementation Unit / Independent Government Institution (e.g., Central Bank; Regulatory or Oversight Agency, e.g., Auditor General) / Judiciary / State-Owned Enterprise
4	Provincial Government Office or Staff
5	Local Government Office or Staff
6	Bilateral or Multilateral Agency (e.g., Embassy, Development Organization, Development Bank, UN Agency)
7	Civil Society Organization: local and regional (NGO; Community Based Organization; Private Foundation; Professional / Trade association, Faith-Based Group, Youth Group)
8	Private Sector: Private Company / Financial Sector Organization / Private Bank / Small, Micro & Medium Enterprise
9	Academia / Research Institute / Think Tank
10	Media
11	Other (please specify)

2. How familia	2. How familiar are you with the work of the World Bank Group in South Africa?													
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
Not familiar at	-				-				Extremely familiar					
all									Extremely familiar					





SECTION A: OVERALL CONTEXT AND ATTITUDES TOWARD THE WORLD BANK GROUP IN SOUTH AFRICA

A1	A1. In general, would you say that South Africa is headed in ?										
1	The right direction										
2	The wrong direction										
3	Not sure										

		To no	o degi	ree				To a	Don't know			
1	National government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	Provincial government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	Local government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	Parliament	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5	South African Reserve Bank (Central Bank)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6	The World Bank Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
7	The International Monetary Fund	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
8	The United Nations (UN)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
9	Regional development banks (e.g., DBSA, NDB, AfDB)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
10	Private sector (e.g., Chambers of Commerce, Business Unity South Africa (BUSA))	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	Civil society (e.g., NGOs, CBOs)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
12	Academia / think tanks / research institutions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
13	Media	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

A3. How effe Africa?	A3. How effective has the World Bank Group been in achieving development results in South Africa?														
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10						
Not effective at all									Very effective	Don't know					

SECTION A: OVERALL CONTEXT AND ATTITUDES TOWARD THE WORLD BANK GROUP IN **SOUTH AFRICA**

	what extent do you agree/disagree with the follo up's work in South Africa?	owing	g sta	aten	nen	ts a	bou	t th	e W	orlo	l Bar	ık
		Strongly Strongly disagree agree										
A4	The World Bank Group currently plays a relevant role in development in South Africa.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
A5	The World Bank Group's work is well aligned with what I consider the development priorities for South Africa.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
A6	The World Bank Group's work helps end extreme poverty in South Africa.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

A7. To what 6 Africa?	extent	does	the W	orld B	ank G	roup	influe	nce th	e development a	genda in South
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
To no degree at all									To a very significant degree	Don't know

A8. How significant a contribution do you believe the World Bank Group's knowledge work and activities make to development results in South Africa? Knowledge work includes analytical reports, data, policy notes, hands-on advice, and knowledge-sharing workshops or training programs. This may be delivered as part of ongoing World Bank Group operations or through Reimbursable Advisory Services (RAS). 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 □										
workshops or train	ning pr	ogram	s. This	may b	e delive					-
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Not significant at all									Very significant	Don't know

	Which areas should the World Bank Group prioritize in its work in South Africa to have nost impact on development results in the country? (Choose up to 5)
1	Gender equity: close gender gaps in health, education, social protection, economic opportunities, and voice and agency
2	Water supply and sanitation infrastructure
3	Health: universal health coverage, including addressing communicable and non-communicable diseases, nutrition, etc.; strengthening overall health systems; health financing, including national health insurance and pandemic preparedness and response
4	Transport: roads, bridges, sustainable transportation
5	Energy: access to energy, transition to cleaner energy sources
6	Public sector governance: efficiency, effectiveness, accountability, anti-corruption, and transparency of government institutions
7	Agriculture and food security: sustainable agriculture, inclusive and efficient food systems
8	Education: better, more resilient and equitable education systems
9	Climate change: mitigation, adaptation, and transition to a low-carbon economy
10	Digital Development: digital infrastructure, digital services, digital skills development
11	Macroeconomic stability & Debt sustainability: sustainable fiscal policy, effective tax administration, monetary policy, management, relief, financing, and transparency
12	Social Inclusion: increasing opportunities for marginalized people to participate fully in markets, services, and society
13	Crime and violence: violence prevention and law enforcement
14	Private sector development: Improved competition and business environment, lowering cost of doing business; strengthening the ecosystem for Micro Small & Medium Enterprises creation and growth
15	Environment / Natural resource management: air/water quality, sustainable land and aquatic resource management, biodiversity
16	Urban development: urban planning, services, and institutions
17	Trade: regional trade facilitation, development of value chains
18	Social protection: pensions, social assistance, social safety nets
19	Job creation / employment: labor policies, skills development
20	Regional integration: promote trade facilitation and common physical and institutional infrastructure
21	Other (please specify):

Listed below are the overarching goals, strategic focus areas, and objectives of the World Bank Group's strategic partnership with South Africa. Please tell us how effective you think the World Bank Group has been in supporting South African government to achieve development results in these areas.

How **EFFECTIVE** has the World Bank Group been in achieving development results in each of these areas of *human development* in South Africa?

(If you have NO exposure to/experience in working in any of the sectors listed below, please respond "Don't know")

<u>B2.</u>	B2. Human Development:				Not effective Very at all effective										
1	Health: COVID-19 pandemic preparedness and response	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
2	Gender equity: Close the gender gap on economic opportunities, social support, and political representation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
3	Youth issues: Employment and economic opportunities, social support, education and training	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
4	Skills development: Strengthening skills development and employment services to support job creation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				

How **EFFECTIVE** has the World Bank Group been in achieving development results in each of these areas of *infrastructure* in South Africa?

(If you have NO exposure to/experience in working in any of the sectors listed below, please respond "Don't know")

<u>B3.</u>	Infrastructure:	Not at a	effect II	ive						eff	Very ective	Don't know
1	Transport: Improved infrastructure services by selected State-Owned Enterprises (e.g., Prasa, Transnet)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	Energy: transition to cleaner energy sources, including support for battery storage systems	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	Water supply and sanitation infrastructure	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	Urban development: Improved planning and delivery of infrastructure services in 8 Metropolitan Municipalities* *Buffalo City (East London); City of Cape Town; Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality (East Rand); City of eThekwini (Durban); City of Johannesburg; Mangaung Municipality (Bloemfontein); Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (Gqeberha); City of Tshwane (Pretoria)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5	Digital Development: access, innovation, skills	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

How **EFFECTIVE** has the World Bank Group been in achieving development results in each of these areas of *finance/institutions/economic growth* in South Africa?

(If you have NO exposure to/experience in working in any of the sectors listed below, please respond "Don't know")

<u>B4.</u>	Finance / Institutions / Economic growth:	Not effective Very at all effective										
1	Public sector governance: institutional strengthening, capacity building, promoting inclusion, citizen engagement, and quality of services	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	Private sector development: Improved competition and business environment, lowering cost of doing business	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	Trade / Regional integration: promote trade facilitation and common physical and institutional infrastructure; development of value chains with strong job-creating potential (includes product markets, e.g., agriculture/agribusiness, automotive sector, renewable energy, climate-smart mining, transport, tourism, and digital products and services)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	Micro Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) development: strengthened ecosystem for MSME creation and growth	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5	Job creation / employment: strengthened employment and skills development services	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

How **EFFECTIVE** has the World Bank Group been in achieving development results in the following area of *environmental sustainability* in South Africa?

(If you have NO exposure to/experience in working in any of the sectors listed below, please respond "Don't know")

DE Environmental Containability		Not effective Very at all effective										Don't know
1	Climate change: greater resilience to climate change and environmentally sustainable investments	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	Environment / Natural resource management: air/water quality, sustainable land and aquatic resource management, biodiversity	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

The next set of questions refers to the **Eskom Just Energy Transition Project (EJETP),** which will support the public energy utility, Eskom, to decommission the 56-year-old Komati coal-fired power plant, repurpose the project area with renewable energy and batteries, and create opportunities for workers and communities.

(If you are unfamiliar with the Eskom Just Energy Transition Project, please respond "Don't know", or skip this question)

В6.	To what extent do you agree/disagree with the	ne fol	llowi	ng s	tate	eme	nts	?				
		Stron disag								St	rongly	Don't know
1	Eskom Just Energy Transition Project will have a positive impact on sustainable economic development in South Africa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	The kind of support that the World Bank Group is providing to the Eskom Just Energy Transition Project would be very beneficial to large infrastructure projects in South Africa in the future	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	The World Bank Group's support for the Eskom Just Energy Transition Project & renewables project will be beneficial for the long-term carbon mitigation strategy of South Africa and for the diversification of the sources of energy generation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	There is no value added in South Africa, from the World Bank Group involvement in large infrastructure projects such as Eskom Just Energy Transition Project	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

B7. What is your level of concern for each of the potential impacts of climate change as it affects South Africa? Not A little Somewhat Very concerned concerned concerned concerned at all Forest / bush fires 1 2 Decreased crop yields/food insecurity 3 Climate-driven migration 4 More frequent and severe floods 5 More frequent and severe droughts / heatwaves 6 Effects on public health 7 Air pollution 8 Extinction of plant/animal species 9 Land and forest degradation 10 Loss of jobs Increase in natural disasters (e.g., cyclones) 11 12 Increase erosion of shoreline Unsafe drinking water 13 14 Diminished water supply for people and the economy Social dimensions of climate change (e.g., impact of climate change on vulnerable groups, locally led climate 15 actions)

SECTION C: EFFECTIVENESS OF WORLD BANK GROUP WORK AND ENGAGEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

	When thinking about the World Bank Group's role in South Africa, which activity or vities do you VALUE the most? (Choose no more than 2)
1	Bringing together different stakeholder groups (including other development agencies and donors) to support South Africa's development efforts
2	Providing data and statistics
3	Producing research on global development issues (e.g., reports, publications, research papers)
4	Providing advisory services and analytics to support design or implementation of policies
5	Providing financial resources (i.e., investment lending, Development Policy Loans, Trust Funds, Program-for-Results)
6	Capacity building and training
7	Mobilizing third-party financial resources
8	Other (please specify):

	hat extent is the World Bank Group an effectives of each of the following?	e dev	relo	pme	ent	part	ner	in S	Sout	th A	frica	, in
		To no		To a very significant degree								
C2	Responsiveness to needs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
C3	Access to World Bank Group staff and experts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
C4	Leveraging country systems where appropriate (e.g., procurement, Environment and Social Governance, Environment and Social Framework)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
C5	Flexibility when circumstances change	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
C6	Being a long-term partner	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

	Which THREE of the following groups should the World Bank Group collaborate with more outh Africa? (Choose no more than 3)
1	National government
2	Provincial government
3	Local government
4	Parliament
5	Regional development banks (e.g., DBSA, NDB, AfDB)
6	Private sector
7	Civil society (e.g., NGOs, CBOs)
8	Other donors and development partners
9	Academia/think tanks/research institutions
10	Media
11	Other (please specify):

SECTION C: EFFECTIVENESS OF WORLD BANK GROUP WORK AND ENGAGEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

C8. To what extent is the World Bank Group an effective development partner in South Africa, in terms of collaborating with the following groups:

		To no at all	degree						To a ve	ry signi d	ficant egree	Don't know
1	National government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	Provincial government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	Local government	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	Parliament/legislative branch	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5	Regional development banks (e.g., DBSA, NDB, AfDB)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6	Private sector	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
7	Civil society (e.g., NGOs, CBOs)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
8	Other donors and development partners	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
9	Academia/think tanks/research institutions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
10	Media	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

The following questions ask about **the World Bank Group's financial support to South Africa**. If you have NO exposure to, or experience with, the World Bank Group's financing – please respond "Don't know"

C9.	To what extent do you agree/disagree with t	Stro	ngly	ving	sta	ten	nent	ts?		S	trongly	Don't
	The World Bank Croun's financial instruments most	disa	disagree agree								know	
1	The World Bank Group's financial instruments meet the needs of South Africa (i.e., investment lending, Development Policy Loan, Trust Funds, Program-for- Results).	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	The conditions of the World Bank Group's financing are competitive compared to markets.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	The World Bank Group insists on accountability through its lending (e.g., performance-based financing, resources tied to results).	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	The World Bank Group provides financial support in a timely manner.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

SECTION C: EFFECTIVENESS OF WORLD BANK GROUP WORK AND ENGAGEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

The following questions ask about the World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical (knowledge) work in South Africa.

Advisory services and analytics are non-lending activities that help clients or audiences advance a development objective. These may include analytical reports, data, policy notes, hands-on advice, and knowledge-sharing workshops or training programs. Advisory services and analytics may be delivered as part of ongoing World Bank Group operations or through Reimbursable Advisory Services (RAS).

C1	C10. Have you used the World Bank Group's advisory services and analytics in the past?							
1	Yes							
2	No							
3	Not sure							

C11. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements? (If you have NO exposure to, or experience with, the World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical work – please respond "Don't know") Strongly disagree Strongly agree know

		Stro									ongly agree	Don't know
1	I am satisfied with the quality of the World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical work in South Africa.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2	The World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical work are timely .	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3	The World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical work include appropriate level of stakeholder involvement during preparation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4	The World Bank Group brings global expertise to South Africa as part of its advisory services and analytical work.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5	The World Bank Group's analytical products are adequately disseminated	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6	The World Bank Group's advice and recommendations are tailored to South Africa's context.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
7	I anticipate using the World Bank Group's advisory services and analytical work in the future .	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

D1. How do you get most of your information about economic and social development issues in South Africa? (Choose no more than 3)									
1	Television (TV)	6	Blogs						
2	Radio	7	Podcasts						
3	Newspapers (Print or online)	8	e-Newsletters						
4	Social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)	9	Direct messaging (e.g., WhatsApp, SMS, Telegram)						
5	Research papers / Official statistics	10	Other (please specify):						

	D2. How would you prefer to obtain information from the World Bank Group? (Choose no more than 3)							
1	e-Newsletters	7	Direct messaging (e.g., WhatsApp, SMS, Telegram)					
2	Direct contact with staff (e.g., in person, virtually, phone, email)	8	Event/conference/ seminar/workshop (in person or online)					
3	Blogs	9	Interviews and press conferences					
4	Social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)	10	Broadcast media (radio & TV)					
5	Podcasts							
6	Website	11	Other (please specify):					

	. Do you recall seeing or hearing anything about the World Bank Group in the last 30 ys?
1	Yes
2	No (please skip to D7)

D4.	D4. If you answered "Yes" for D3, where do you recall seeing or hearing this information?				
(Ch	eck all that apply)				
1	Television (TV)				
2	Radio				
3	Newspapers (Print or online)				
4	Event / conference / seminar (in person or online)				
5	World Bank Group Website				
6	Social media				
7	Direct contact with World Bank Group staff (e.g., in person, virtually, phone, email)				
8	Blogs				
9	Podcasts				
10	e-Newsletters				
11	Direct messaging (e.g., WhatsApp, Telegram, Viber)				
12	Other (please specify):				

	D5. If you answered "Social media" for D4, on what social media or messaging platforms do you recall seeing this information? (Check all that apply)				
1	Facebook				
2	Instagram				
3	Twitter				
4	LinkedIn				
5	YouTube				
6	WhatsApp				
7	Other (please specify):				

D6.	D6. If you answered "Yes" for D3, what topics were included in what you saw or heard?				
(Ch	Check all that apply)				
1	World Bank Group work or research on climate change (mitigation, adaptation)				
2	World Bank Group work or research on food insecurity				
3	World Bank Group work to provide debt relief for developing countries				
4	World Bank Group global economic forecasts				
5	World Bank Group research or work in support urban development, service delivery, and infrastructure				
6	World Bank Group work or research on energy (increasing energy supply, reducing dependence of fossil fuels, just transition)				
7	World Bank Group work or research on human capital (improving health care, nutrition, education, social protection, jobs and skills)				
8	World Bank Group work or research to improve gender equity and empowerment of women and girls				
9	World Bank Group work or research on pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response				
10	World Bank Group work or research on the environment (conservation, biodiversity economy, recycling)				
11	Other (please specify):				

				To no degree at all							To a very significant degree			
1	The World Bank Group helps address the current food crisis and enables greater preparedness to future food security crises	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
2	The World Bank Group supports countries to ensure transition to more diversified and cleaner sources of energy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
3	The World Bank Group helps countries boost climate resilience and mitigate the effects of climate challenge	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
4	The World Bank Group is committed to comprehensive debt solutions that bring significant benefits to people in poor countries	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
5	The World Bank Group supports countries to strengthen their human capital through improving health care, nutrition, education, jobs, and skills	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
6	The World Bank Group is improving gender equity and inclusion for women and girls	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
7	World Bank Group supports South Africa to improve urban management, infrastructure, and service delivery	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
3	World Bank Group helps improve South Africa's natural environment through support for conservation, biodiversity, and recycling projects	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
)	The World Bank Group supports South Africa to address the health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and increase vaccination rates	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			

D8. Over the past SIX MONTHS, how often did you engage with the World Bank Group in any of the following ways? Every few Every few Every few Not WEEKS **MONTHS DAYS** at all Read or heard a story about the World Bank Group in national 1 or local media (newspaper, TV, radio) Read or heard a story about the World Bank Group in 2 international media (newspaper, TV, radio) 3 Read a World Bank Group post / tweet on social media Visited a World Bank Group website (e.g., read a blog, used its 4 data) Attended a World Bank Group event/conference/seminar/workshop (in person or online) Read some, or all, of a World Bank Group research paper or 6 publication Had an exchange with World Bank Group staff, in person, 7 virtually, or by phone/email/text 8 Read a World Bank Group e-newsletter

SECTION E: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

E1.	Which, if any, of the following is the primar	y spec	cialization of your work?		
(Select only 1 response)					
1	Education	11	Trade		
2	Health, Nutrition, and Population	12	Environment / Natural resource management		
3	Social protection, labor policies, jobs	13	Climate change		
4	Gender	14	Agriculture and food security		
5	Transport	15	Urban development		
6	Water, sanitation	16	Disaster risk management		
7	Digital development	17	Finance and markets		
8	Energy / Extractives	18	Generalist (specialize in multiple sectors)		
9	Public sector governance, anti-corruption	19	Other (please specify):		
10	Macroeconomics, fiscal management	20	None of the above		

E2	E2. Within your organization, would you describe yourself as			
1	Junior level			
2	Mid-level staff			
3	Mid-level decision-maker / manager			
4	Senior level			

E3	E3. What's your gender?			
1	Female			
2	Male			
3	Non-binary			
4	Prefer not to disclose			

E4	E4. What's your age?			
1	25 and under			
2	26-35			
3	36-45			
4	46-55			
5	56 and above			

SECTION E: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

E5	. Which best represents your geographic location?
1	Northern Cape
2	Western Cape
3	North West
4	KwaZulu-Natal
5	Gauteng
6	Limpopo
7	Mpumalanga
8	Eastern Cape
9	Free State

Thank you for completing this survey!