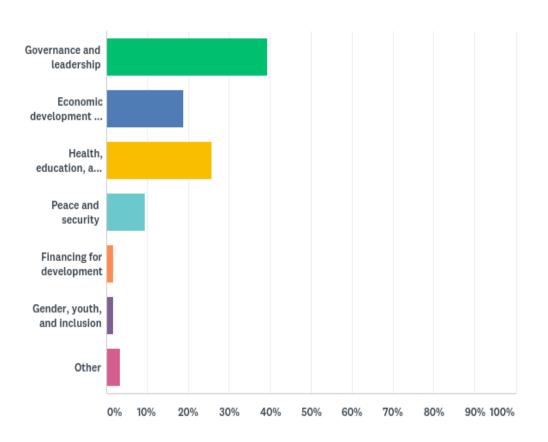


#### Q1 What is your top priority for Africa in 2019?



1. Bolstering good governance: The imperative of inclusion and efficiency

- 2. Managing debt and mobilizing resources: A delicate balance to sustain economic growth
- 3. Harnessing Africa's youth dividend: A new approach for large-scale job creation
- **4. Fixing fragility**: The role of the private sector and local institutions
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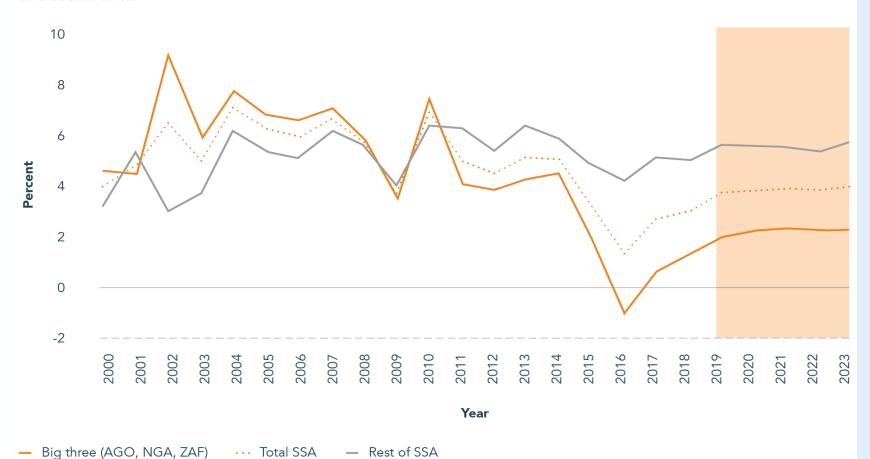
# Managing debt and mobilizing resources:

A delicate balance to sustain economic growth

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#### Figure 2.1 Real GDP growth in sub-Saharan Africa 2000-2023

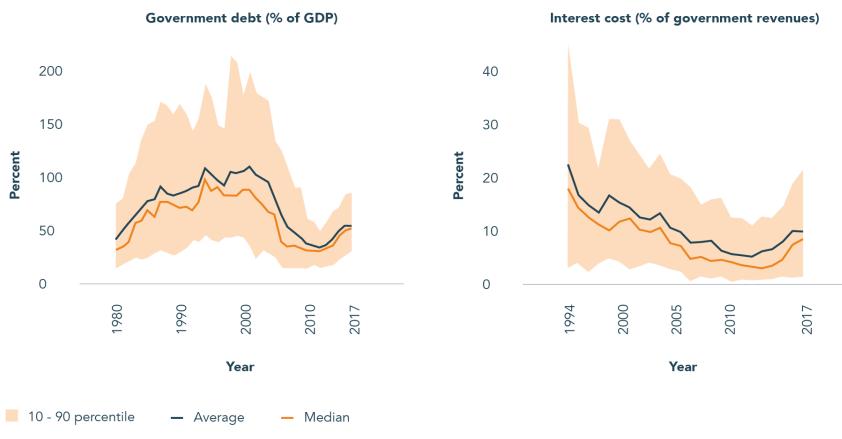
GDP growth will pick-up in 2019 aided by a growth rebound in the region's three largest economies, Angola, Nigeria, and South Africa.



Source: International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook, October 2018.

#### Figure 2.3 Government debt and interest cost

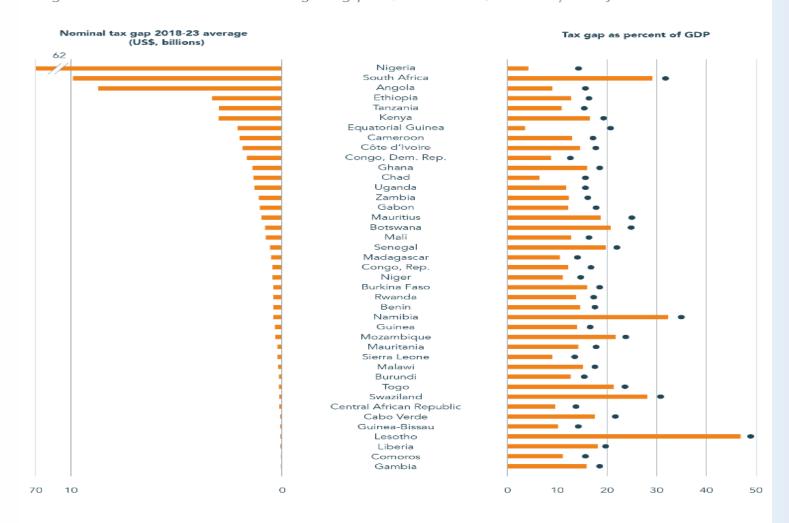
Debt sustainability has deteriorated in sub-Saharan Africa with both debt and interest costs rising.



Source: International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook, October 2018; Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Economic Outlook, October 2018; International Monetary Fund, Historical Debt Database.

#### Figure 2.4 Non-resource tax gap in African countries (excluding social contributions)

The size of Nigeria's economy and its large tax gap due to low non-resource tax revenues (below 5 percent of GDP) means that it accounts for more than half the region's average nominal tax gap of \$110 billion a year. South Africa and Angola follow in second and third with average tax gaps of \$10 billion and \$8 billion respectively.



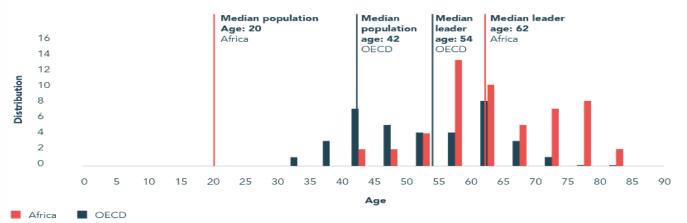
Tax Capacity
Source: Coulibaly and Gandhi, 2018.

## **Bolstering good governance**

The imperative of inclusion and efficiency

#### Figure 1.4 Old leaders, young population

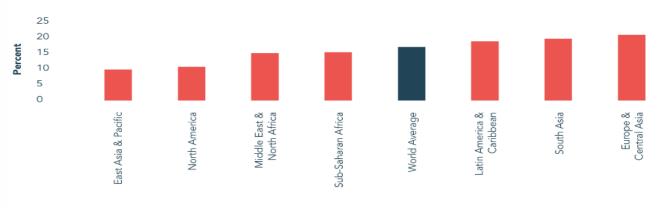
Africa has the youngest population globally but some of the world's oldest leaders. The median African leader at 62 years old is 8 years older than the median OECD leader. Futhermore, the age gap between the region's population and leaders is 42 years compared to only 12 for the OECD.



Source: Brookings calculations.

#### Members of Parliament under 40 years of age

The younger population is also not as well represented in African parliaments. On average, only 14 percent of the region's parliamentarians are younger than 40, which is below the world average. It should be expected to be much higher given that 70 percent of the region's population is under 30 years old.



Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union. data.ipu.org

#### Figure 1.3 Sustainable Economic Opportunity and GDP growth

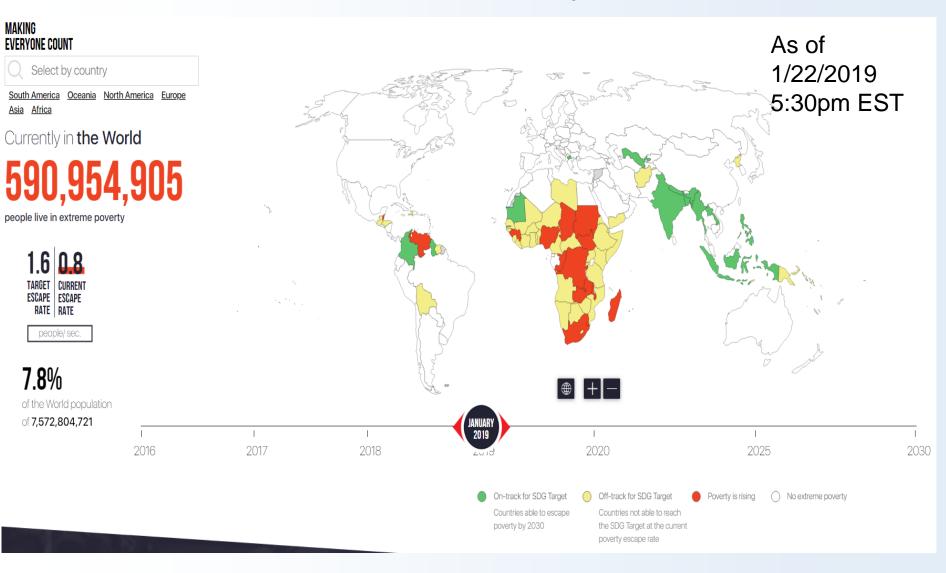
While Africa's combined GDP has increased by almost 40 percent over the past decade, average progress has been almost null for Africa's citizens in Sustainable Economic Opportunity.



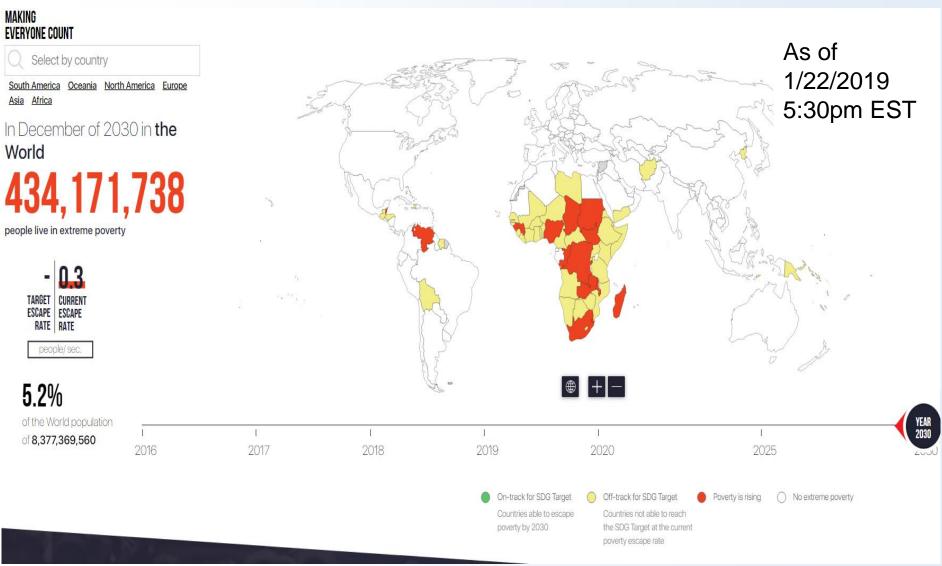
Increase in GDP (%)
Sustainable Economic Opportunity African Average Score

Source: 2018 Ibrahim Index of African Governance, Mo Ibrahim Foundation. https://mo.ibrahim.foundation/iiag/

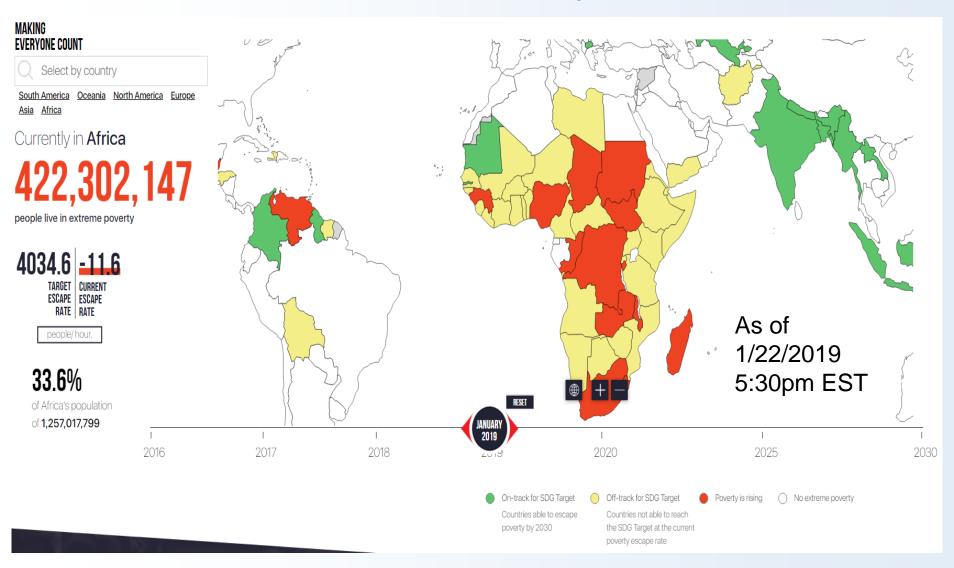
### **World Poverty Clock**



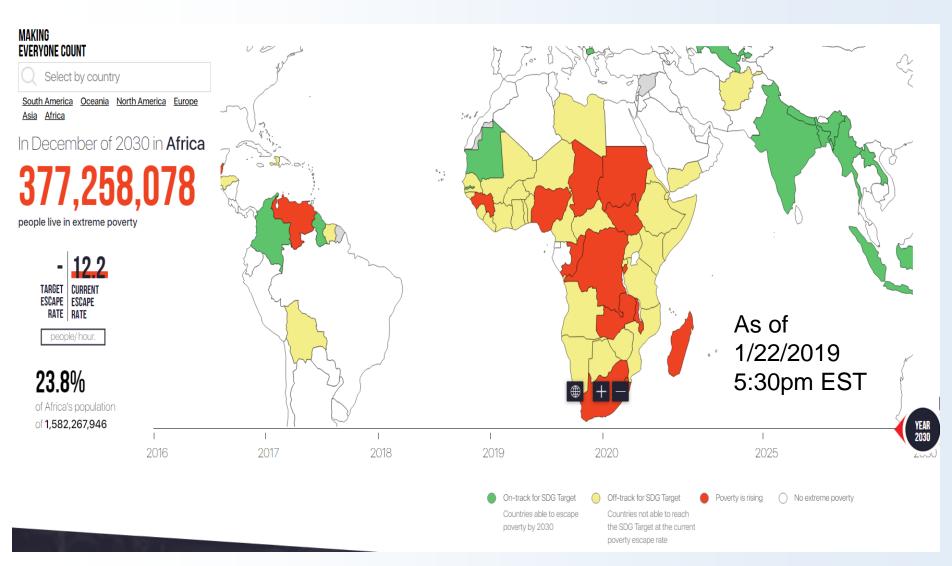
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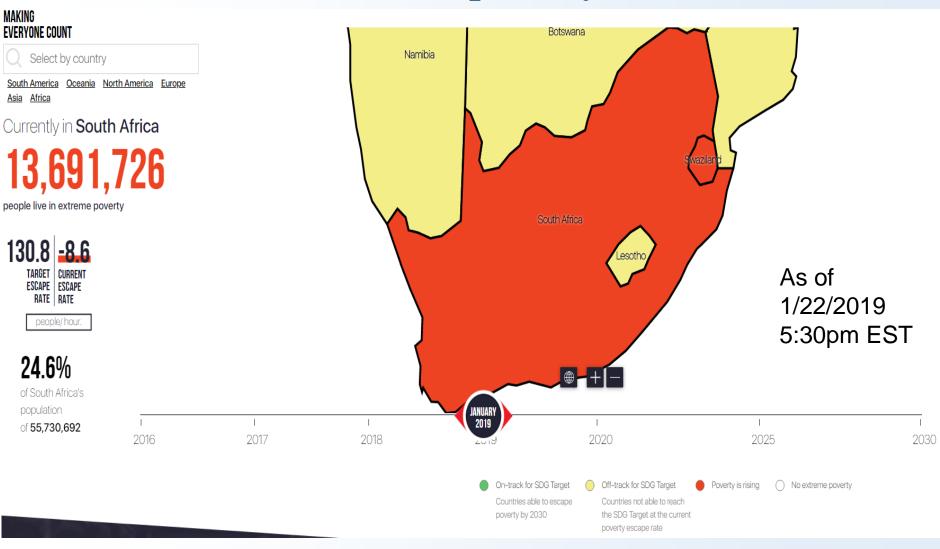
### **Africa Poverty Clock**



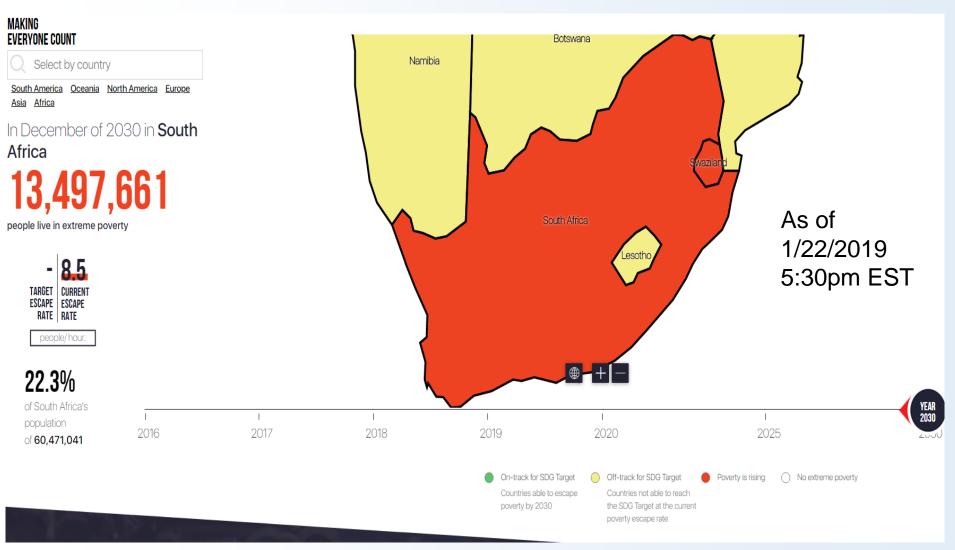
## Africa Poverty Clock in 2030



## South Africa poverty clock



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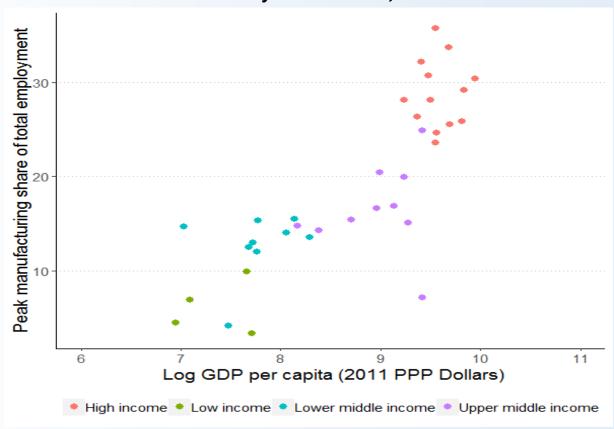
## Harnessing Africa's youth dividend:

A new approach for large-scale job creation

#### Premature de-industrialization

- Premature deindustrialization a global phenomenon
- Technological progress, rising capital intensity and skill requirements
- Globalization and competition

Peak manufacturing share of total employment by country income level, 1950-2013



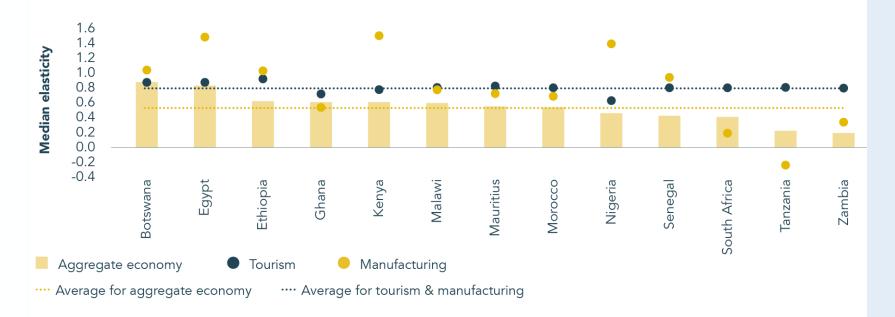
Data source: Groningen Growth and Development Center 10-sector Database and Penn World Tables

# Large-scale job creation through 'industries without smokestacks'

- Ind. w/o smokestacks, incl. horticulture, agro-processing, tourism share same development characteristics as manufacturing
  - » Tradeable
  - » Technological transfers
  - » Importantly, labor-intensive

#### Figure 3.1 Employment potential of tourism

Growth in tourism is outpacing manufacturing in many African countries. Like manufacturing, it benefits from productivity growth, scale, and agglomeration economies. It has the potential to create some of the millions of formal sector jobs Africa needs each year to employ youth entering the labor force. As the figure shows, tourism has the same average employment elasticity as manufacturing and much higher than that for the aggregate economy, highlighting its job creation potential.



Note: Each countries' elasticity measure is the median value of annual elasticities between 2005 & most recently available data. Aggregate Economy Elasticity is the percent change in total employment divided by the percent change in total value added to the economy. Tourism is percent change in tourism employment divided by percent change in direct tourism value added. Manufacturing is percent change in manufacturing employment divided by percent change in manufacturing value added.

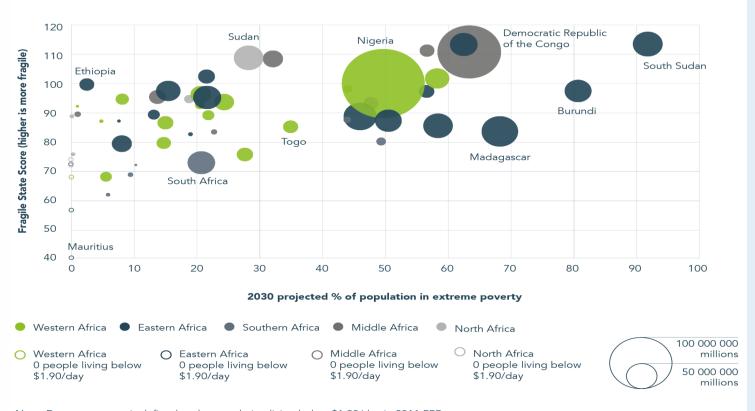
Source: Brookings calculations using World Tourism and Travel Council Data and Groningen Growth and Development Centre 10-Sector Database.

# Thank you!

# State fragility and poverty rates

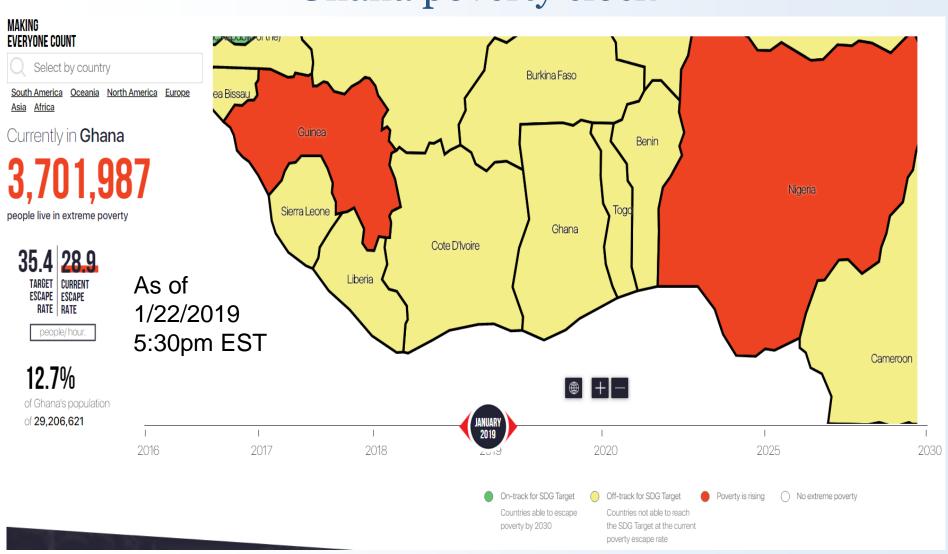
#### Figure 4.5 The relationship between current fragility and projected extreme poverty

The most fragile African states today subsequently risk having among the highest percentage of people living in extreme poverty by 2030.



Note: Extreme poverty is defined as the population living below \$1.90/day in 2011 PPP. Source: Brookings calculations using Fund for Peace 2018 Fragile States Index

## Ghana poverty clock



# Ghana poverty clock 2030

