### MALAWI

1. **Total Population 2009**  
   15,263,417

2. **Rural Population (as a % of total population), 2011**  
   79.70

3. **Economically Active in Agriculture (as a % of population aged 15-64), 2011**  
   78.55

4. **Female Adult Literacy Rates (15 and over) as a % in 2008**  
   66

5. **Male Adult Literacy Rates (15 and over) as a % in 2008**  
   80

6. **Female Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) and Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)- Primary Education as a % for School year ending 2008**  
   93 / 122

7. **Male Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) and Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)- Primary Education as a % for School year ending 2008**  
   88 / 119

8. **Primary Dropouts, All Grades for School year ending in 2007 (%)**  
   64

9. **Primary School Age Population 2008**  
   2,662,000

10. **Out-of-School Primary-Aged Children for School year ending 2008**  
    235,000

11. **Out-of-School Primary-Aged Children for School year ending 2008 % Female**  
    34

12. **Female Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Secondary Education as a % for School year ending 2008**  
    27

13. **Male Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Secondary Education as a % for School year ending 2008**  
    32

14. **Female Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Tertiary Education as a % for School year ending 2009**  
    N/A

15. **Male Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Tertiary Education as a % for School year ending 2009**  
    N/A

16. **15-24 Age Group Population**  
    2,928,000

17. **15-24 Age Group Population not in Tertiary Education or Employed as a %**  
    47.7

18. **Total Public Expenditure on Education as a % of GNP 2008**  
    N/A

19. **Total Primary School Teachers needed by 2015**  
    80,489

20. **Total Recruitment of Primary School teachers to reach UPE by 2015**  
    98,109

21. **Total Additional Primary School Teachers Required by 2015**  
    36,441

22. **Mobile cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants 2010**  
    20.38

23. **Fixed Broadband Internet subscribers per 100 inhabitants 2010**  
    0.03

24. **Mobile Broadband Internet subscribers per 100 inhabitants 2010**  
    0.00

25. **Households with Internet Access 2010**  
    N/A

26. **Households with a Computer 2010**  
    N/A

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| Ministry of Education, Science & Technology | **Vision:**
The vision for the education sector is to be a catalyst for socio-economic development, industrial growth and instrument for empowering the poor, the weak and voiceless. Education enhances group solidarity, national consciousness and tolerance of diversity. In essence, the sector wishes to ensure better access and equity, relevance and quality, and good governance and management in all institutions from basic education to higher education.  

**Mission:**
The mission of Ministry of Education, Science and technology is to provide quality and relevant education to the Malawian nation. Such education should enable people to acquire relevant knowledge, skills, expertise and competencies to perform effectively as citizens, workforce and as leaders of Malawi, thereby reducing poverty amongst the people of Malawi. |
| **TVET** |
| **Policies/Plans/Frameworks/Acts** | **TVET Policy Review: Malawi 2010** |
| | **Education for All National Action Plan (2004)** |
| Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development | **Mission:**
The current overall policy goal of the health sector, which continues from the previous National Health Plan (1986-1995), is to raise the level of health status of all Malawians by reducing the incidence of illness and occurrence of death in the population. This will be done through the development of a sound delivery system capable of promoting health, preventing, reducing and curing disease, protecting life and fostering general wellbeing and increased productivity. |
| Ministry of Health | **News** |
| | **Education, Agriculture & Health News** |
| Geopolitical Information | **Commonwealth Secretariat – Malawi** |
| Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) | **Worldwide NGO Directory** |