

Annex 3. Periods of Political Instability of African States, 1946-2004

Country	War of Independence	Year Begin	Formation Instability Type	Initial Stability Gained	Post-Formation Instability 1	Instability Type 1	Regained Stability 1	Post-Formation Instability 2	Instability Type 2	Regained Stability 2
Angola	1961-75	1975	3	2003						
Benin		1960	1	1973						
Botswana		1966	0	1966						
Burkina Faso		1960	0	1960	1980	1	1991			
Burundi		1962	3	1978	1987	3	x			
Cameroon	1955-60	1960	2	1960						
Central African Rep.		1960	1	1984	1996	3	2004			
Chad		1960	3	1995						
Comoros		1975	1	1979	1991	1	2001			
Congo		1960	1	1978	1993	3	2003			
D. R. Congo		1960	3	1966	1977	2	1981	1992	3	x
Djibouti		1977	0	1977	1991	3	1995			
Equatorial Guinea		1968	3	1982						
Eritrea	1961-91	1993	2	1993						
Ethiopia*					1960	3	2001			
Gabon		1960	0	1960						
Gambia		1965	0	1965	1994	1	1997			
Ghana		1960	1	1985						
Guinea-Bissau	1962-74	1974	2	1974	1997	3	x			
Guinea		1958	0	1958						
Ivory Coast		1960	0	1960	1991	3	x			
Kenya	1952-63	1963	3	1970						
Lesotho		1966	1	1970	1986	1	2001			
Liberia*					1980	3	2004			
Madagascar	1947-48	1960	0	1960						
Malawi		1964	0	1964						
Mali		1960	0	1960	1990	3	1996			
Mauritania		1960	0	1960	1977	1	1986			

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Mauritius		1968	0	1968						
Mozambique	1965-75	1975	2	1993						
Namibia	1965-90	1990	2	1990						
Niger		1960	0	1960	1990	3	1998			
Nigeria		1960	3	x						
Rwanda		1961	3	1974	1990	3	2002			
Senegal		1960	1	1964	1992	2	2000			
Sierra Leone		1961	1	1972	1991	3	2002			
Somalia		1960	0	1960	1969	1	1970	1987	3	x
South Africa*					1984	2	1997			
Sudan		1954	3	x						
Swaziland		1968	1	1974						
Tanzania		1961	0	1961						
Togo		1960	1	1971						
Uganda		1962	3	x						
Zambia		1964	1	1969	1990	1	1998			
Zimbabwe		1970	3	1988						

Notes: Countries marked with an asterisk* established state independence prior to 1946.

State “Formation Instability Type” is coded “0” for “no instability”; “1” for “regime instability only”; “2” for “armed conflict only”; and “3” for “both regime instability and armed conflict.” Four countries are given codes of “2” in this column, despite gaining stability in the year of independence, because those states emerged from wars of independence (Cameroon, Eritrea, Guinea-Bissau, and Namibia).

An “x” in any of the “stability (re)gained” columns denotes countries that are currently experiencing ongoing periods of instability.