

Subject: Activity Report 2025, Boa Vista Health Center, Community Ophthalmology Project, Benguela/Angola

title: Statistics

Execution Period: January 5th to December 20th, 2025

Context

In 2025, Angola faced a complex scenario after 50 years of independence, marked by optimism regarding economic growth (exceeding initial expectations) and improvements in sectors such as agriculture and industry, but also by major challenges such as increasing poverty, high debt burdens, and social instability, evidenced by taxi driver protests in July, which exposed tensions between the population and the government over income inequality and governance. There were also administrative changes, with the creation of new provinces, and discussions about the need for more inclusive and transparent governance to ensure sustainable development.

Economic and Social Challenges:

- **Growth vs. Poverty:** Although GDP has shown growth (with optimistic forecasts, exceeding those of the IMF and World Bank at times), analysts have pointed to a worsening of poverty, with millions of Angolans on the brink of it, and a poor distribution of wealth.
- **Public Debt:** The 2025 General State Budget (OGE) allocated almost half of its expenditure to debt servicing, leaving limited budgetary room for the social sector.
- **Social Tensions:** Protests in July 2025, initiated by taxi drivers, resulted in deaths and looting, revealing popular discontent and criticism of the government and its lack of response.

Political and Administrative Developments:

- **50 Years of Independence:** The year was a symbolic milestone for a profound assessment of the country's journey.
- **New Provinces:** As of January 2025, Angola had 21 provinces, with the creation of Icolo e Bengo, Moxico - Leste and Cuando, aiming to decentralize power and improve management.
- **Governance:** There were calls for more competent, inclusive and transparent governance, focused on the citizen and merit, to overcome clientelism and lack of accountability.

1. Ophthalmology

1.1 Activities:

→ Conducting religious services with patients, with the participation of 11,532 people.

- Lectures on the prevention of eye diseases.
- Ophthalmology consultations carried out in Boa Vista and the 9 provinces of Angola, with 21,346 people attended.
- Cataract and other surgical procedures performed in Boa Vista and the nine provinces of Angola, totaling 3,458 surgeries. Of these, 3,222 were cataract surgeries and 236 were other surgeries.
- Assembly and distribution of 3,873 eyeglasses.
- Performing blood glucose and HIV tests on operated patients.
- Performing obstetric ultrasound (sonography) examinations

Patients underwent surgery, of whom 98% achieved satisfactory visual acuity.

- Statistics

Year	2025				2025			
	New Consultations Boa Vista				Review Consultations Boa Vista			
Indicators	Children		Adults		Children		Adults	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
New Consultati ons	312	44 9	5.877	6.361	173	18 3	150 7	1751
Total	761		12.238		356		3.258	
Total BV consultatio ns	12.999				3.614			16.613
BV glasses	103	93	1281	1624	3.101			
	Cirurgias em Boa Vista							
	Children		Adults		Total			
	M	F	M	M				
Cataract surgeries	24	17	1231	1155	2.427			
Other surgeries	2	8	73	61	144			
Total surgeries	26	25	1304	1216	2.571			

1.2 Consultation and Surgery Campaign

The table below refers to consultations in the provinces as part of campaigns conducted by Dr. João Kakolio and Dr. Chrisjan Dees in the following provinces and municipalities, as per the table below.

Locations	Consultations for new campaigns	Revision
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	2025					2025				
	Children		Adults			Children		Adults		
	M	F	M	F	Total	M	F	M	F	Total
Luena	26	29	237	259	551	2	1	5	7	15
Dondi	78	52	297	404	831	7	11	27	42	87
Chiulo	52	104	262	318	736	5	2	33	18	58
Kuito Bie	6	28	237	257	528	2	1	5	4	12
Chillesso										
Waku kungu	7	13	169	252	441	2	3	3	6	14
Saurimo	33	46	356	434	869	4	6			10
Quessua										
Cubango	7	14	241	275	537		9	13	22	44
TOTAL	495		3.998		4.493	55		185		240
Total consultations Campaigns	4.733									
Eyeglasses campaigns		5	428	339	772					

Locations	Cataract Surgery Campaigns					Other Surgeries					
	2025						2025				
	Children		Adults				Children		Adults		
	M	F	M	F	Total	M	F	M	F	Total	
Luena	0	0	59	45	104	0	0	3	1	4	
Dondi	0	0	88	92	180	0	0	7	6	13	
Chiulo	0	0	45	53	98	0	0	4	7	11	
Kuito Bie	0	0	48	37	85	0	0	2	5	7	
Chillesso											
Waku kungu	0	0	47	31	78	0	0	5	2	7	
Saurimo	0	0	74	90	164	0	0	4	2	6	
Quessua											
Cubango	0	0	42	39	81	0	0	1	1	44	
TOTAL:	0		795			795	0		92		92
Total Surgeries Campaigns	887										

1.2 Training

Of the 2 courses planned for 2025, 1 was completed with the participation of 10 students from the following provinces, and one medical student in China, as shown in the table below.

Nurses			
Provinces	M	F	Total
Benguela		1	1
Cubango		1	1
Biê		3	3
Cunene	1		1
Huambo	1	1	2
Luanda	1	1	2
Total	3	7	10
Doctor Training			
Benguela	M	F	Total
Doctor	1		1

Summary			
Designation	Crianças	Adultos	Total
New Consultations Boa Vista	761	12238	12999
Review Consultations Boa Vista	356	3258	3614
New Consultations Campaigns	495	3998	4493
Consultations, Reviews, Campaigns	55	185	240
Total Consultations	1667	19679	21346
BV distributed eyeglasses	196	2905	3101
Eyeglasses distributed during the Campaigns	5	767	772
Total number of glasses distributed	201	3672	3873
Cataract Surgery Boa Vista	41	2386	2427
Cataract Surgery Campaigns		795	795
Total Cataract Surgeries	41	3181	3222
Outras Cirurgias Boa Vista	10	134	144
Other Campaigns		92	92
Total Other Surgeries Campaigns	10	226	236
Total surgeries	51	3407	3458

