



MDG Target 11 in Africa

Present situation, indicators for monitoring of progress, challenges and recommended strategies for Local Authorities

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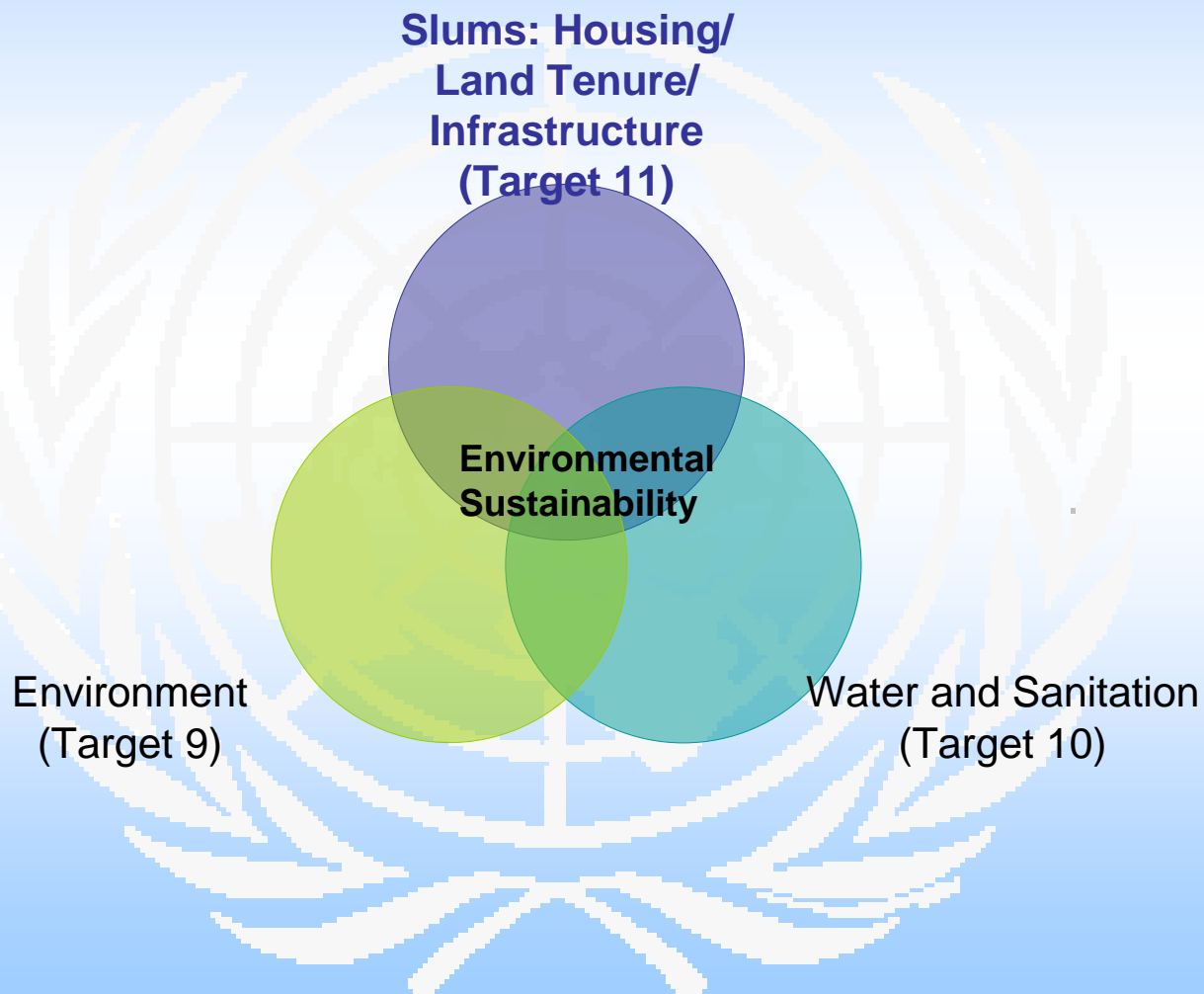
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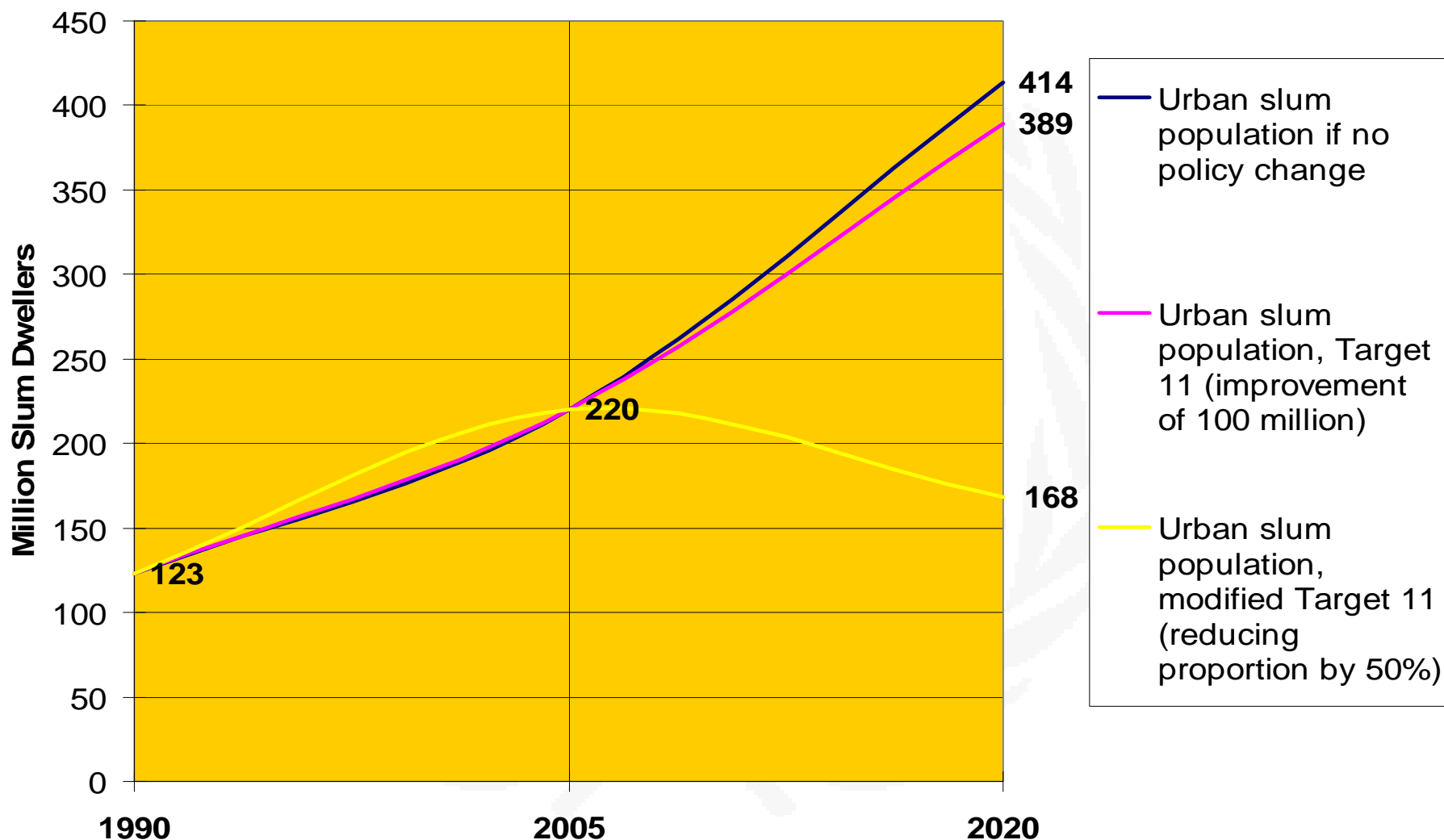
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Projected Urban Slum Population in Africa 1990-2020





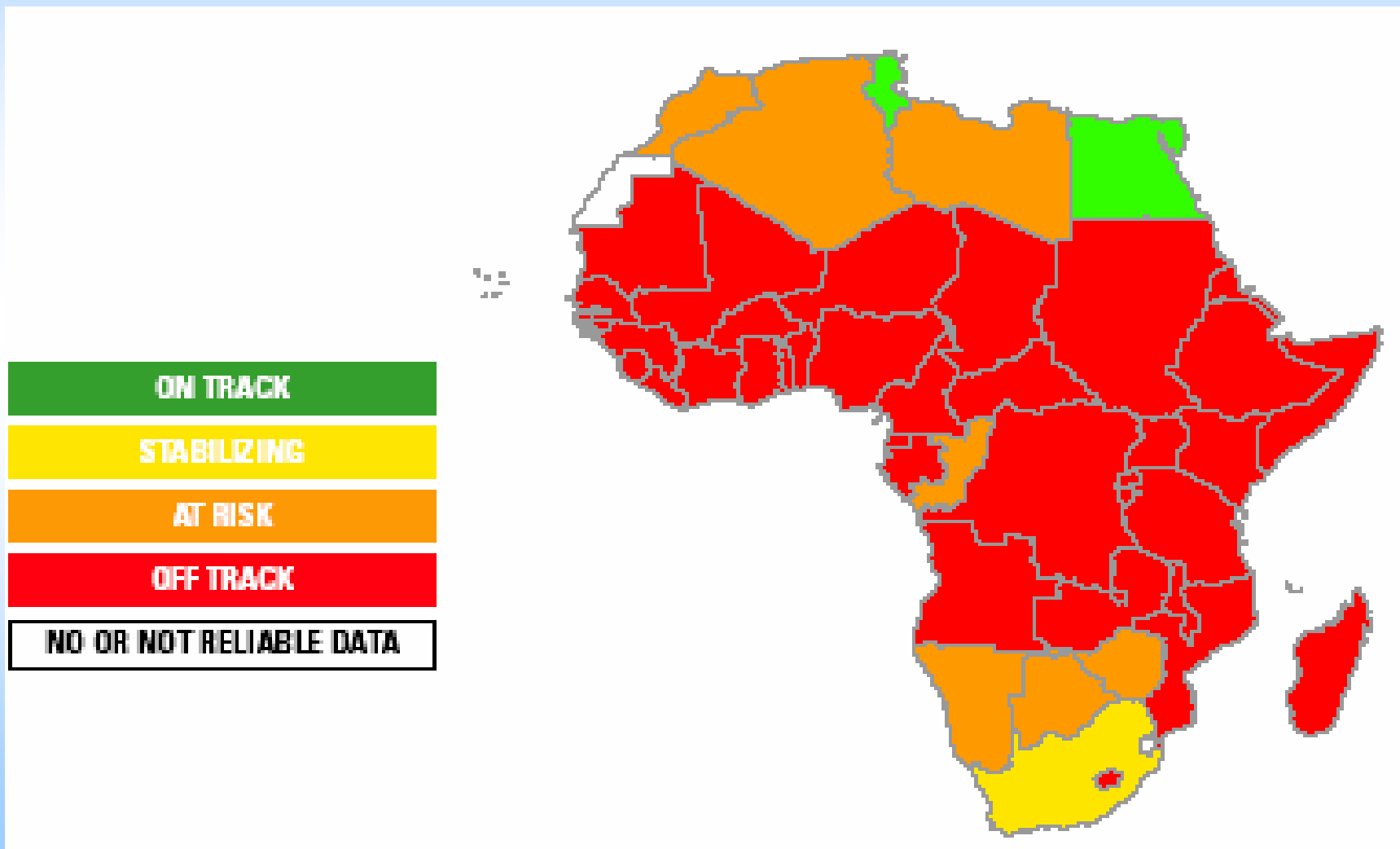
5 indicators for monitoring progress

- **Access to safe water**
- **Access to sanitation**
- **Better durability of housing**
- **Adequate living space**
- **Secure tenure**



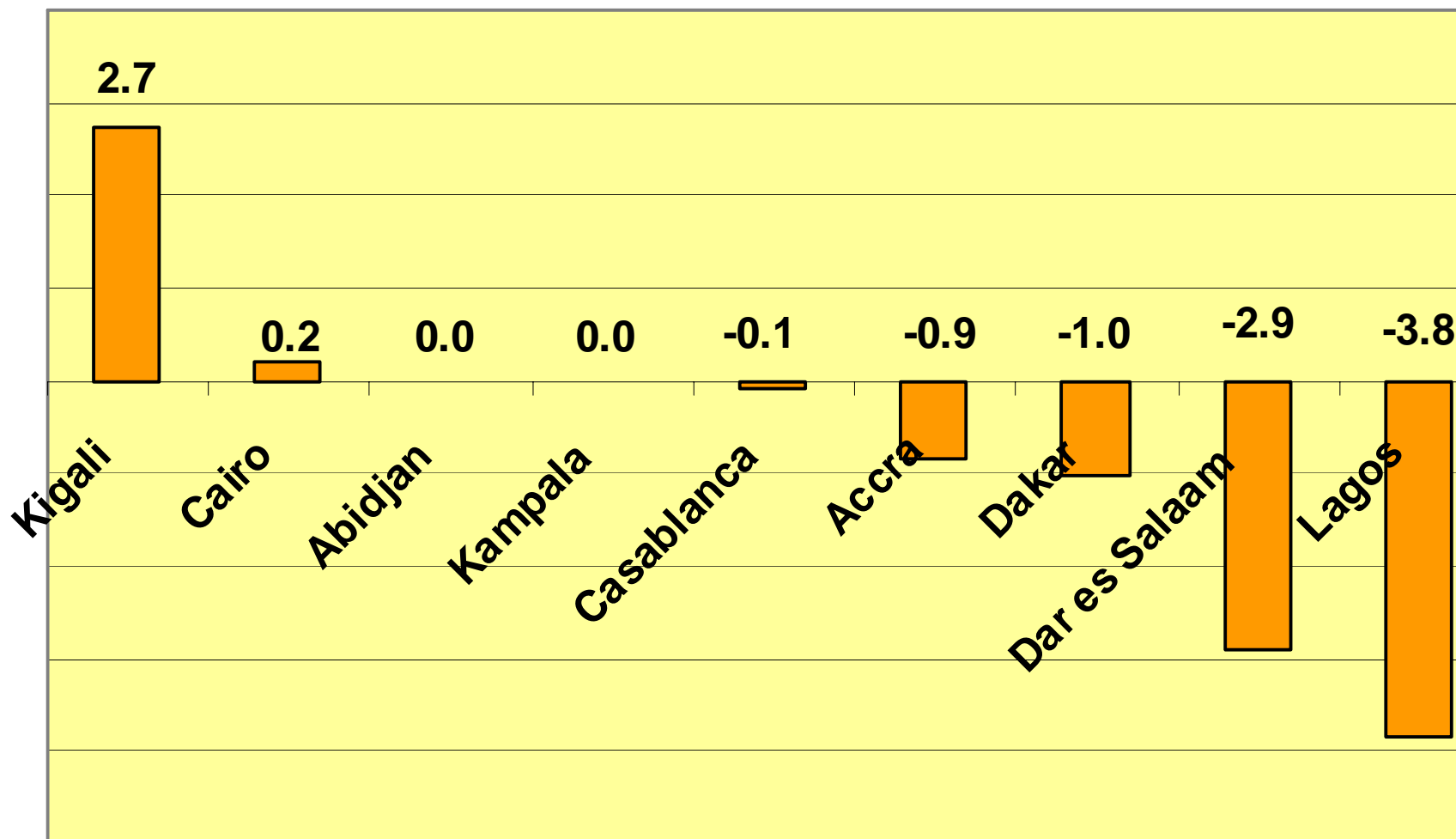
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African scorecard Target 11





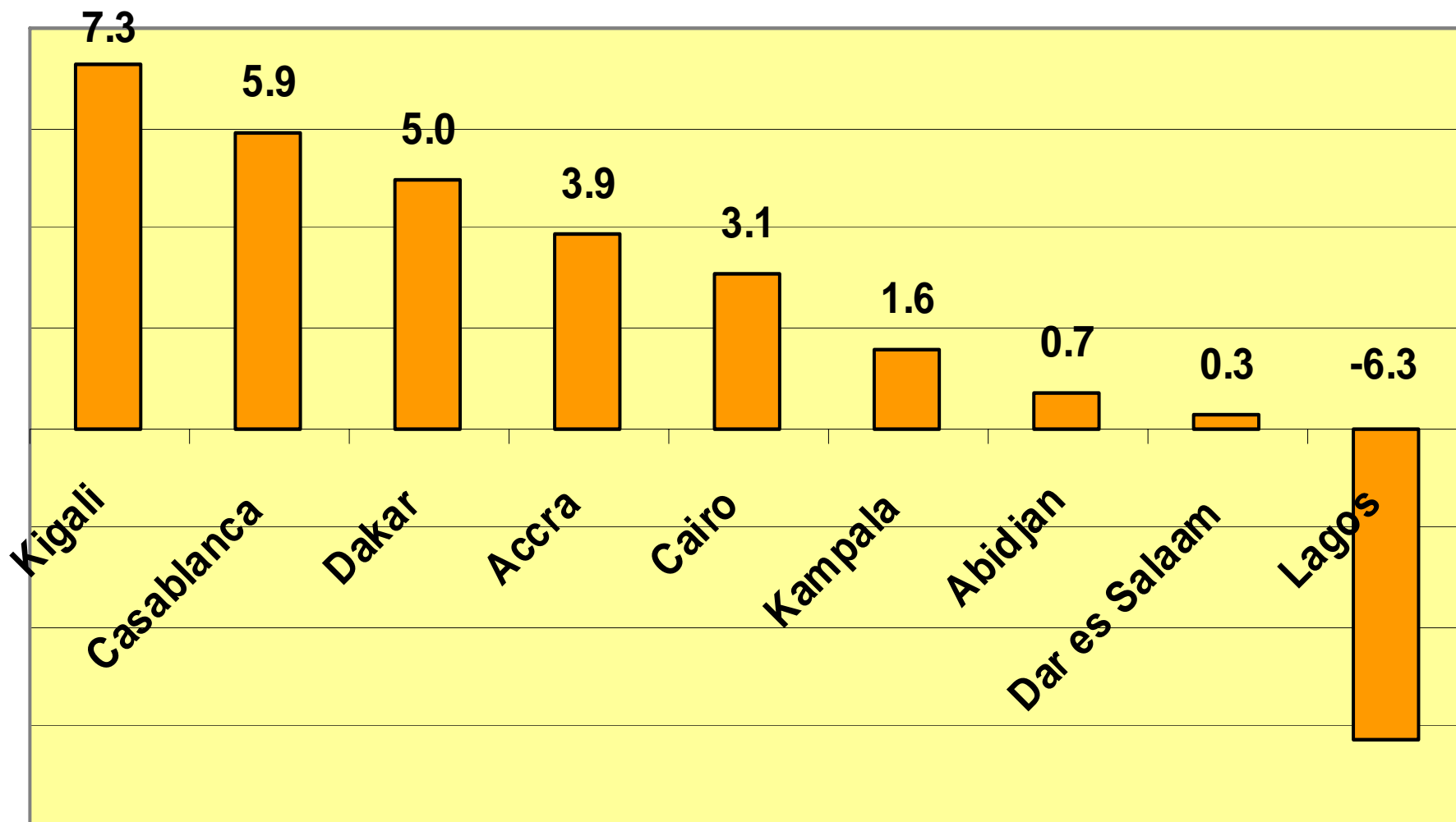
Access to safe water - progress 2000-2003 (in % of urban households)





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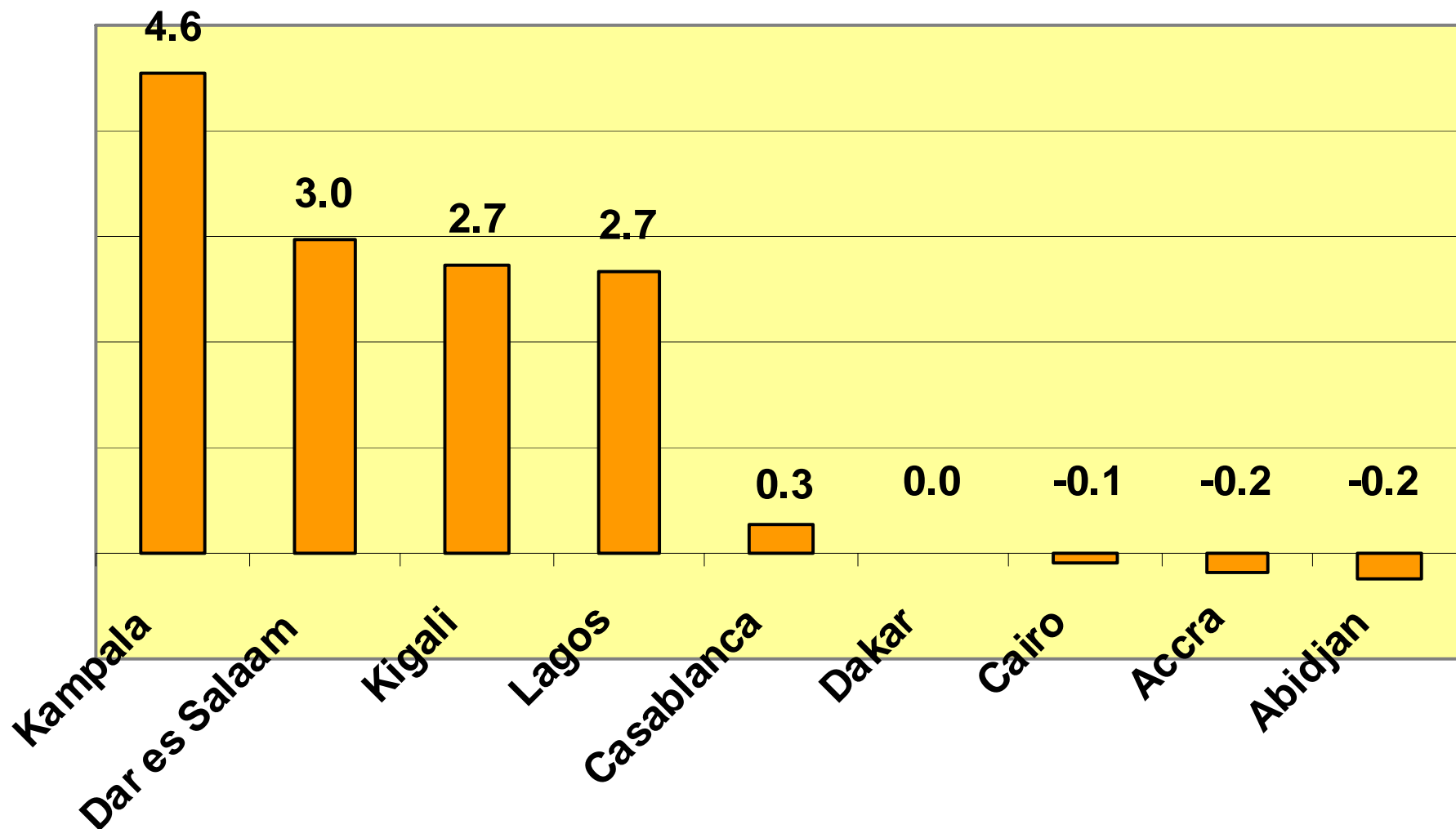
Access to improved sanitation - progress 2000-2003 (in % of urban households)





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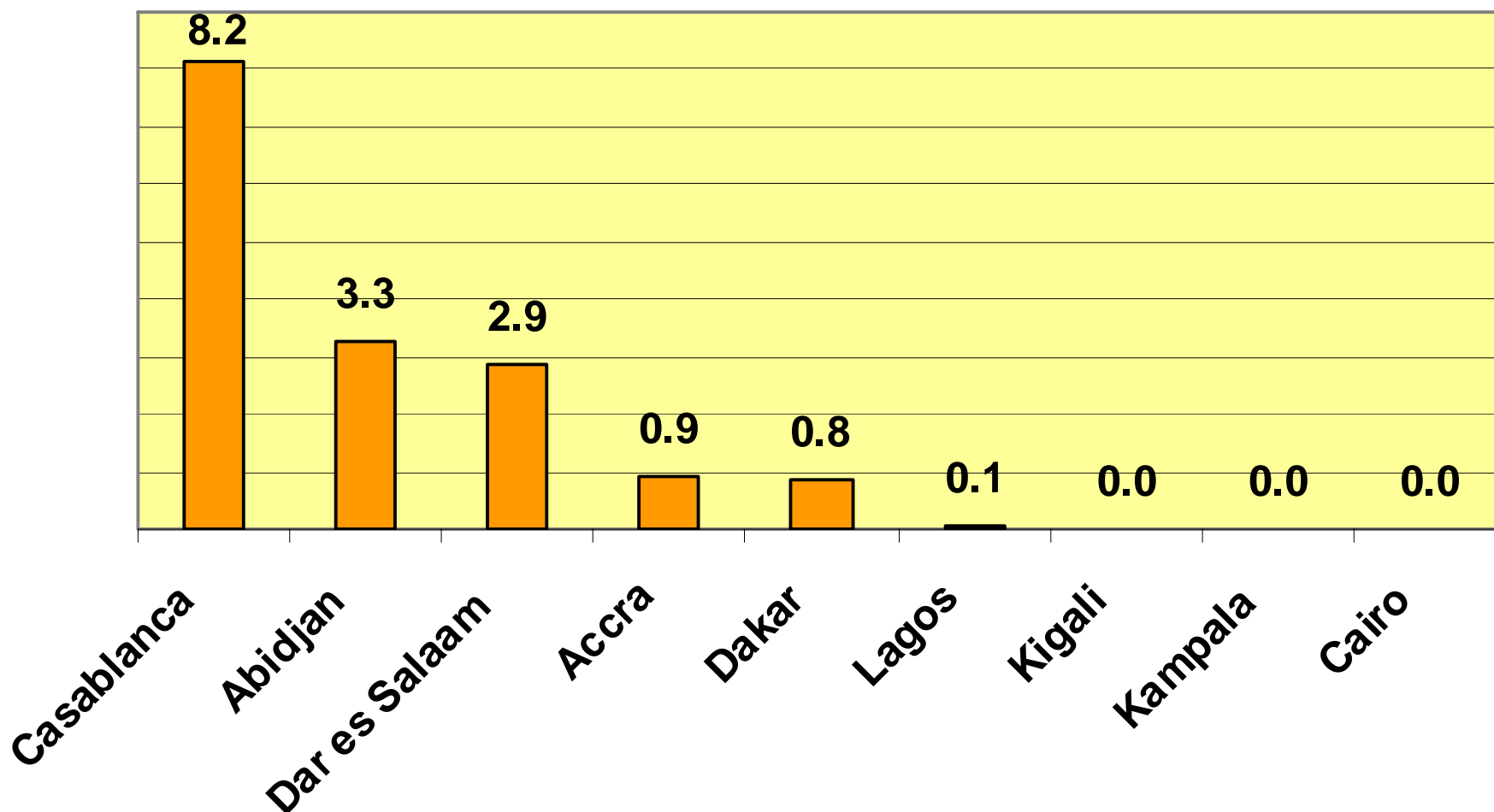
Better durability of housing - progress 2000-2003 (in % of urban households)





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Adequate living space - progress 2000-2003 (in % of urban households)





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Need for a holistic approach: A two-fold overall strategy for Target 11

- **Adaptive: upgrading of *existing* slums**
 - Promotion of security of tenure
 - Provision of basic infrastructure and services
 - Inevitable relocation through negotiated approach
- **Preventive: prevention of *new* slums**
 - Capacity-building for planning and delivery of affordable housing
 - Provision of affordable, serviced land for housing
 - Improved access to housing finance

Need for effective reforms (policy, legislation, institutions) and a human rights based approach



Challenges faced by Local Authorities

- **Urban governance**
 - Need for strengthened political will and clear vision
- **Legal, institutional and policy frameworks**
 - Over-centralised administration
 - Inadequate regulatory and institutional frameworks
 - Unrealistic standards, regulations and procedures
- **Land use planning and tenure**
 - Inefficient land administration
 - Incompatibility of existing conventional land management systems with local realities
- **Sustainable urban development and delivery of affordable housing**
 - Inadequate capacity for delivery of affordable housing
 - Absence of appropriate housing and infrastructure finance mechanisms
 - Over dependence on central government transfers (donors!)
 - Poorly developed civil society sector



