

1 **Supplementary information file to “A small area model to assess temporal trends**
2 **and sub-national disparities in healthcare quality using facility surveys”**

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4 This supplementary file provides supplemental data, figures, and more detailed results for “A
5 **small area model to assess temporal trends and sub-national disparities in healthcare**
6 **quality using facility surveys”**
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78 percentage of total variance explained by each component.

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80 **Section 1. Supplementary Information**

81 **Section 1.1. Samples of the SDI and SPA surveys**

82 In Senegal, data were collected as part of a Continuous SPA, which achieved a census of all
 83 facilities after five rounds of surveys. Half of the hospitals and health centers were selected in
 84 the first (2012-13) and third round (2015) of SPA, while the other half were selected in the
 85 second (2014) and fourth round (2016), which created a dependent sampling structure
 86 between the first four rounds of the continuous SPA. Random samples of facilities were
 87 selected for the SPA conducted in 2017, 2018 and 2019. As the higher levels in the process
 88 quality metrics, observed in years 2015 and 2016 compared to 2012-13 and 2014, were not
 89 found in the later years, we can hypothesize that the facilities and providers who were
 90 observed for the second time in 2015 and 2016, had a better knowledge of SPA interviewers'
 91 assessment criteria, which could have led to an enhanced Hawthorne effect.
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	Kenya			Tanzania	
	SPA 1999	SPA 2004	SPA 2010	SPA 2006	SPA 2014-15
Facility type					
Hospital	32	172	253	128	263
Health center	90	51	101	41	380
Clinic	256	217	349	437	557
Managing authority					
Public	177	175	351	425	783
Private	211	265	352	186	417
Total	388	440	703	611	1200
	Senegal				
	SPA 2013/14	SPA 2015/16	SPA 2017	SPA 2018	SPA 2019
Facility type					
Hospital	70	73	35	29	31
Health center	126	126	74	62	64
Clinic	531	557	287	248	246
Managing authority					
Public	598	587	315	270	288
Private	129	159	81	69	73
Total	727	746	396	339	361

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95 **Table S1: Characteristics of health facilities sampled in the SPA surveys, in Senegal,**
 96 **Kenya, and Tanzania**

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Facility type	Tanzania			Kenya		Senegal
	SDI 2010	SDI 2014	SDI 2016	SDI 2012	SDI 2018	SDI 2010
Hospital	Not reported	27	30	51	161	0
Health center	Not reported	84	92	62	484	111
Clinic	Not reported	272	264	100	2,449	41
Managing authority						
Public	175	269	273	158	1,781	151
Private	0	134	127	134	1,313	0
Total	175	383	386	292	3,094	151

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Table S2: Characteristics of health facilities sampled in the SDI surveys, in Senegal, Kenya, and Tanzania

106 **Section 1.2. Geolocating health facilities**

107 For SPA survey data, we determined in which regions each facility was located using the GPS
108 coordinates provided by the DHS program and the second-level administrative shapefiles that
109 are publicly available from the Database of Global Administrative Areas (<https://gadm.org/>).
110 The two most recent SPA surveys in Senegal did not collect GPS coordinates, but DHS
111 provided a linkage file to assign a department to each sampled facility. SDI surveys include the
112 administrative units as a variable directly.

113 **Section 1.3. Sampling of sick-child visits and vignettes**

114 In the SPA, the survey teams randomly selected three providers of curative care of sick
115 children among all providers in this service present at the facility the day of the assessment. A
116 maximum of five client consultations for each selected provider was observed. The client
117 weights use the facility sampling weight as its base weight and take into account the total
118 number of clients listed and interviewed within each of the sampling stratum, to calculate the
119 probability of a given consultation to be observed. In the SDI, vignettes were administered to a
120 random sample of health providers (doctors, medical assistants, nurses) among all eligible
121 providers present at the facility the day of the assessment. Providers were randomly sampled
122 among all eligible providers at the facility. The weights here simply represent the percentage
123 probability of selection of a provider within each facility.

124 **Section 1.4 Differences between the SPA and SDI surveys**

125 The SPA and SDI surveys' inventory questionnaire mostly collect the same information, as
126 both surveys use WHO's SARA framework to assess the availability and readiness of key
127 infrastructure and services in facilities, what we referred to as readiness in this study.

128 However, the differences in the methodology used to assess providers' knowledge and
 129 competence, referred to as process quality in this article, differs significantly. In the SPA
 130 survey, interviewers directly observe patient-provider consultations using an observation
 131 protocol. In the SDI survey, interviewers act as patients and record providers' questions,
 132 examinations, and recommendations to a hypothetical clinical case, known as vignette. Past
 133 studies have shown that compliance to protocol checklists tend to be higher with vignettes than
 134 with direct clinical observations. To account for these differences in the assessment of process
 135 quality between the SPA and SDI surveys, we used survey-specific effects in our model.

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Covariate	Spatial resolution	Temporal resolution	Source
Total population under five years old	Pixel-level	Annual	WorldPop
Travel time to nearest settlement >50,000 inhabitants	Pixel-level	Annual	WorldPop
Travel time to nearest health facility	Pixel-level	Annual	WorldPop
Health worker density	Administrative unit	Census years	Censuses (derived)
Urbanicity	Pixel-level	2015	ESA and land cover
Night-time lights	Pixel-level	Annual	VIIRS and DMSP (harmonized)
Educational attainment	Pixel-level	Annual	IHME
Human development index	Pixel-level	Annual	IHME
Elevation	Pixel-level	Annual	ArcGIS

137 DMSP=Defense Meteorological Satellite Program; ESA=European Space Agency;
 138 IHME=Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation; VIIRS= Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer
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140 **Table S3. Covariate data sources**

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142 **Section 2. Supplementary Methods**

143 **Section 2.1 List of tracer items and protocols included in the three countries, to estimate**
 144 **readiness and process quality of care**

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Included (X)

	Kenya	Senegal	Tanzania
Readiness			
Electricity	X	X	
Improved water	X	X	
Privacy of examination room		X	
Improved latrine for client use	X	X	
Communication equipment	X	X	X
Computer with email	X	X	X
Emergency transport	X	X	
Disposal of sharps	X	X	X
Disposal of medical waste	X	X	X
Monthly administrative meetings		X	
Quality assurance system		X	
System to collect opinion		X	
Supervision in the last six months		X	
Health workers always available		X	
Guidelines for IMCI	X	X	X
Child scale	X	X	X
Infant scale	X	X	X
Thermometer	X	X	X
Stethoscope	X	X	X
Amoxicillin for children	X	X	X
ORS	X	X	X
Co-trimoxazole for children	X	X	X
Paracetamol	X	X	X
Malaria diagnostic capacity	X	X	X
Antimalarial medication	X	X	X

Table S4: List of tracer items and diagnostic protocols used to derive the readiness metric, and differences between the three countries

Protocols	
Process quality of care	
History taking	Provider asked about cough or difficulty breathing, diarrhoea, fever, inability to drink anything, vomiting, and convulsions

Physical examination	Provider took child's temperature, checked for pallor, looked in child's ear, counted respiration, checked skin turgor for dehydration, undressed child to examine, weighed the child, pressed both feet to check for oedema
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150 **Table S5: List of diagnostic protocols used to derive the process quality metric**

151 **Section 2.2 Model for sub-national estimation of readiness and process quality of care metrics**

152 The two composite indices of readiness and process quality of care described in table 2 were
 153 modelled separately using a small area estimation approach. Specifically, we adapted a
 154 previously developed Bayesian framework, which models the direct survey estimates as a
 155 function of covariates, and space and time components ¹. This Bayesian spatial model allows
 156 to estimate time series of the true underlying values of the metrics by smoothing over time and
 157 space the direct estimates obtained from multiple surveys, with potentially different designs
 158 and associated uncertainty. Specifically, in the first stage, we calculate the Horvitz-Thompson
 159 estimator of the metric in area *i*, year *t*, and survey *s*, by using the sampling weight *w*
 160 associated to each facility *k*:

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$$p_{its}^{HT} = \frac{\sum_{k \in i} w_{k,its} y_{k,its}}{\sum_{k \in i} w_{k,its}}$$
 with variance V_i^* calculated using standard methods, such as
 163 jackknife.

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 165 To increase the precision of the design-based estimates of the metric, and to predict the metric
 166 in areas or years where no data was collected, we use a hierarchical spatial model inspired by
 167 Fay and Herriot classic framework:

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$$\text{logit}(p_{its}^{HT}) \sim N(\theta_{its}, V_{its})$$

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$$\theta_{its} = \mathbf{X}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \gamma_t + \alpha_t + e_i + S_i + \delta_{it} + v_s$$

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 172 Where $\mathbf{X}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ are area-level covariates for area *i* in year *t* (see Table S3), γ_t are temporal
 173 random effects modeled as a first order random walk, S_i are spatially structured random effects
 174 (see section 2.3), δ_{it} is a space-time interaction, α_t , e_i and v_s are temporal, spatial and survey
 175 zero-mean independent random effects.
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177 **Section 2.3 Spatial random effects**

178 We model area-level random effects using an intrinsically conditional autoregressive model
 179 known as the BYM2 model- an extension of the BYM model originally developed by Besag,
 180 York, and Mollie², which adds penalized priors³. The use of spatially structured random effects
 181 reflects our assumption that these unobserved characteristics affecting the availability of
 182 quality care are likely to be correlated in space. For instance, remote administrative units might
 183 face challenges - in accessing steady drug supply chains for essential medicines and testing
 184 materials, or in attracting qualified health workers - that are more like adjacent units than that
 185 experienced in the capital city. Models 1-4 are alternative where area-level random effects are
 186 assumed to be independent and identically distributed rather than spatially correlated.

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188 **Section 2.4 Accounting for the sampling design in Senegal**

189 In Senegal, to account for the changing sampling methods (described in B.1.1), we adopted an
190 analytical approach that includes random effects to account for the rounds of SPA that
191 comprised repeated selection of facilities.

192 **Section 2.5 Model selection**

193 Direct estimates and design-based variance estimates were computed using the **survey**
194 package in R version 4.0.1. We fit the Bayesian hierarchical models using the Integrated
195 Nested Laplace Approximation ⁴ and the **R-INLA** package ⁵ version 22.12.16. We obtained a
196 subset of all included covariates by checking for multi-collinearity using the variance inflation
197 factor with a threshold of 5. For each indicator and country, we compared the 7 models
198 presented in Table S4 consisting of different combinations of the covariates selected with the
199 variance inflation factor (VIF) procedure⁶, and spatio-temporal random effects, using three
200 selection procedures (the deviance information criteria⁷, the Watanabe-Akaike information
201 criteria ⁸, and the sum of log-conditional predictive ordinate ⁹). In the absence of consensus on
202 a single criterion, when different criteria pointed to different models, we used a majority rule.
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Model	Formula
1	$\gamma_t + \alpha_t + e_i + \delta_{it}$
2	$\gamma_t + \alpha_t + e_i + \delta_{it} + v_s$
3	$\mathbf{X}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \gamma_t + \alpha_t + e_i + \delta_{it}$
4	$\mathbf{X}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \gamma_t + \alpha_t + \delta_{it} + e_i + v_s$
5	$\gamma_t + \alpha_t + S_i + e_i + \delta_{it}$
6	$\gamma_t + \alpha_t + S_i + \delta_{it} + e_i + v_s$
7	$\mathbf{X}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \gamma_t + \alpha_t + S_i + e_i + \delta_{it} + v_s$

204 **Table S6: Models considered to estimate readiness and process quality metrics over**
205 **time and space**
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209 **Section 3. Supplementary Results**

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211 **Section 3.1 Item availability by country**

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Kenya	1999	2004	2010	2018
Electricity	58%	47%	26%	56%
Improved water	80%	85%	83%	97%
Privacy of examination room	78%	76%	83%	100%
Improved latrine for client use	98%	97%	97%	100%
Communication equipment	63%	47%	82%	75%
Computer/internet/email	---	8%	14%	74%
Emergency transport	26%	20%	10%	75%
Disposal of sharps	47%	75%	64%	97%
Disposal of medical waste	47%	97%	88%	---
Monthly administrative meeting	51%	61%	49%	30%
Quality assurance	30%	24%	23%	28%
Systematic collection of clients' opinion	47%	61%	59%	32%
Supervision in last 6 Months	56%	87%	83%	---
Health workers available at all time	63%	47%	37%	77%
IMCI guidelines available	61%	11%	34%	10%
Child scale	85%	60%	68%	58%
Infant scale	85%	73%	68%	52%
Thermometer	86%	81%	88%	94%
Stethoscope	100%	78%	83%	97%
Amoxicillin	65%	78%	60%	79%
ORS	86%	88%	75%	80%
Co-trimoxazole	86%	90%	78%	85%
Paracetamol	80%	88%	69%	92%
Malaria diagnostic tools	---	50%	45%	53%
Antimalarial medication	37%	80%	94%	83%
Unweighted mean	66%	64%	63%	70%

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214 **Table S7: Items availability in Kenya for each round of SPA/SDI survey.** The unweighted
 215 mean differs from the readiness metric presented in Table 3, as items are grouped and
 216 averaged by domains (infrastructure, facility management, drug availability) before being
 217 aggregated as the final readiness metric.

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Senegal	2013/14	2015/16	2017	2018	2019
Electricity	54%	55%	61%	56%	74%
Improved water	92%	94%	94%	97%	97%
Privacy of examination room	99%	97%	99%	100%	96%
Improved latrine for client use	91%	94%	99%	100%	96%
Communication equipment	54%	45%	55%	75%	85%
Computer/internet/email	53%	42%	61%	74%	78%
Emergency transport	51%	57%	57%	75%	63%
Disposal of sharps	87%	96%	92%	97%	88%
Disposal of medical waste	---	---	---	---	---
Monthly administrative meeting	29%	36%	43%	30%	49%
Quality assurance	4%	9%	31%	28%	28%
Systematic collection of clients' opinion	11%	14%	27%	32%	43%
Supervision in last 6 Months	---	---	---	---	---
Health workers available at all time	85%	85%	84%	77%	71%
IMCI guidelines available	46%	64%	75%	58%	65%
Child scale	73%	76%	52%	49%	52%
Infant scale	70%	83%	86%	75%	71%
Thermometer	98%	99%	98%	99%	95%
Stethoscope	99%	100%	98%	99%	97%
Amoxicillin	82%	81%	78%	70%	68%
ORS	78%	74%	76%	68%	64%
Co-trimoxazole	71%	58%	17%	29%	30%
Paracetamol	90%	89%	88%	84%	75%
Malaria diagnostic tools	75%	90%	85%	82%	76%
Antimalarial medication	61%	47%	64%	59%	54%
Unweighted mean	71%	71%	73%	73%	72%

Table S8: Items availability in Senegal for each round of SPA survey. The unweighted mean differs from the readiness metric presented in Table 3, as items are grouped and averaged by domains (infrastructure, facility management, drug availability) before being aggregated as the final readiness metric.

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Tanzania	2006	2014	2014-15	2016
Communication equipment	45%	30%	51%	40%
Computer/internet/email	4%	9%	12%	12%
Disposal of sharps	83%	87%	34%	81%
Disposal of medical waste	97%	88%	36%	82%
IMCI guidelines available	34%	58%	54%	80%
Child scale	76%	83%	79%	78%
Infant scale	54%	64%	72%	82%
Thermometer	87%	91%	85%	93%
ORS	84%	76%	85%	88%
Co-trimoxazole	81%	77%	86%	74%
Paracetamol	84%	76%	69%	74%
Malaria diagnostic tools	41%	81%	43%	94%
Antimalarial medication	99%	91%	94%	96%
Unweighted mean	67%	71%	62%	73%

Table S9: Items availability in Tanzania for each round of SPA/SDI survey. The unweighted mean differs from the readiness metric presented in Table 3, as items are grouped and averaged by domains (infrastructure, facility management, drug availability) before being aggregated as the final readiness metric.

Section 3.2 Survey estimates of readiness and process quality of care metrics

Country and survey year	Readiness		Process quality	
	Mean survey estimate (95% CI)	Absolute range	Mean survey estimate (95% CI)	Absolute range
Kenya				
SPA 1999	63.1 (61.7-64.5)	56.9-73.9	30.7 (29.7-31.7)	20.5-39.2
SPA 2004	65.6 (63.3-67.9)	59.4-72.7	35.5 (34.2-36.8)	23.3-74.0
SPA 2010	60.6 (59.2-62.0)	36.4-92.0	44.3 (43.3-45.5)	19.3-86.7
SDI 2018	65.1 (64.6-65.6)	52.4-83.3	43.7 (42.7-44.7)	26.9-73.5
Senegal				
SPA 2012-14	65.1 (64.3-65.9)	40.0-77.1	38.5 (37.8-39.2)	15.4-59.3
SPA 2015-16	65.7 (64.5-66.9)	37.1-82.9	43.1 (42.1-44.1)	19.2-63.7
SPA 2017	66.9 (65.5-68.3)	31.3-82.9	34.5 (33.5-35.5)	19.5-54.4
SPA 2018	65.0 (59.6-70.4)	22.9-85.7	36.3 (32.5-40.1)	23.8-66.7
SPA 2019	64.6 (61.3-67.9)	31.4-85.7	39.0 (37.0-41.0)	7.7-67.2
Tanzania				
SPA 2006	54.4 (53.6-55.3)	42.2-68.8	39.8 (38.9-40.7)	10.4-50.3
SPA 2014-15	62.5 (61.4-63.6)	48.8-75.8	35.3 (34.7-36.0)	21.4-67.7
SDI 2014	73.0 (71.8-75.2)	58.2-92.2	36.4 (34.6-38.2)	25.5-54.1
SDI 2016	74.6 (72.6-76.6)	58.7-93.7	39.9 (37.1-42.7)	22.4-71.9

234 **Table S10: Survey estimates of the national average and the range across subnational**
 235 **areas of the readiness and process quality metrics in Kenya, Senegal, and Tanzania.**
 236 Estimates presented in this table are empirical survey estimates (as opposed to the modeled
 237 estimates presented in what follows). They were calculated separately for each SPA and SDI
 238 survey, using their respective survey weights and design variables. The absolute range for
 239 each survey was derived by estimating readiness and process quality by county (Kenya),
 240 department (Senegal), and region (Tanzania). Although these surveys were typically powered
 241 to provide reliable estimates at a less granular resolution (province, region, and zone,
 242 respectively), we present the absolute range to illustrate the width of subnational inequities
 243 within each country.
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245 **Section 3.3 Model selection results**
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Model	Kenya					
	Readiness of care			Process quality of care		
	WAIC	DIC	LCPO	WAIC	DIC	LCPO
1	-239.68	121.82	54.97	-211.41	170.79	-91.44
2	-239.71	121.84	55.02	-211.47	170.80	-91.25
3	-238.03	122.57	52.68	-212.92	170.36	-89.43
4	-237.88	122.69	52.74	-212.79	170.49	-89.47
5	-239.88	120.99	58.00	-212.67	169.89	-84.13
6	-239.92	120.95	58.00	-212.58	169.95	-84.41
7	-238.43	122.00	55.45	-214.31	169.93	-82.43
Senegal						
1	-66.73	157.56	76.48	-147.75	180.47	85.15
2	-66.97	157.28	76.55	-147.78	180.33	85.07
3	-67.84	158.78	76.66	-147.29	181.14	87.02
4	-67.73	158.80	76.84	-147.04	181.20	87.04
5	-66.94	157.34	75.61	-147.80	180.64	85.49
6	-67.02	157.54	75.70	-147.67	180.61	85.56
7	-67.79	158.87	76.61	-147.23	181.09	87.32
Tanzania						
1	-33.59	53.46	25.71	-71.01	71.20	61.07
2	-33.27	53.37	25.43	-71.08	71.10	61.26
3	-31.90	53.54	25.57	-71.68	71.42	60.04
4	-31.90	53.54	25.57	-71.68	71.42	60.04
5	-32.95	53.45	26.29	-70.99	71.22	61.58
6	-33.15	53.26	26.12	-70.94	71.26	61.71
7	-31.47	53.56	25.97	-71.41	71.50	61.13

247 **Table S11: Models' fit assessed using WAIC, DIC, and LCPO.** Lower WAIC and DIC
 248 indicate better model performance, while higher LCPO indicates better model performance.
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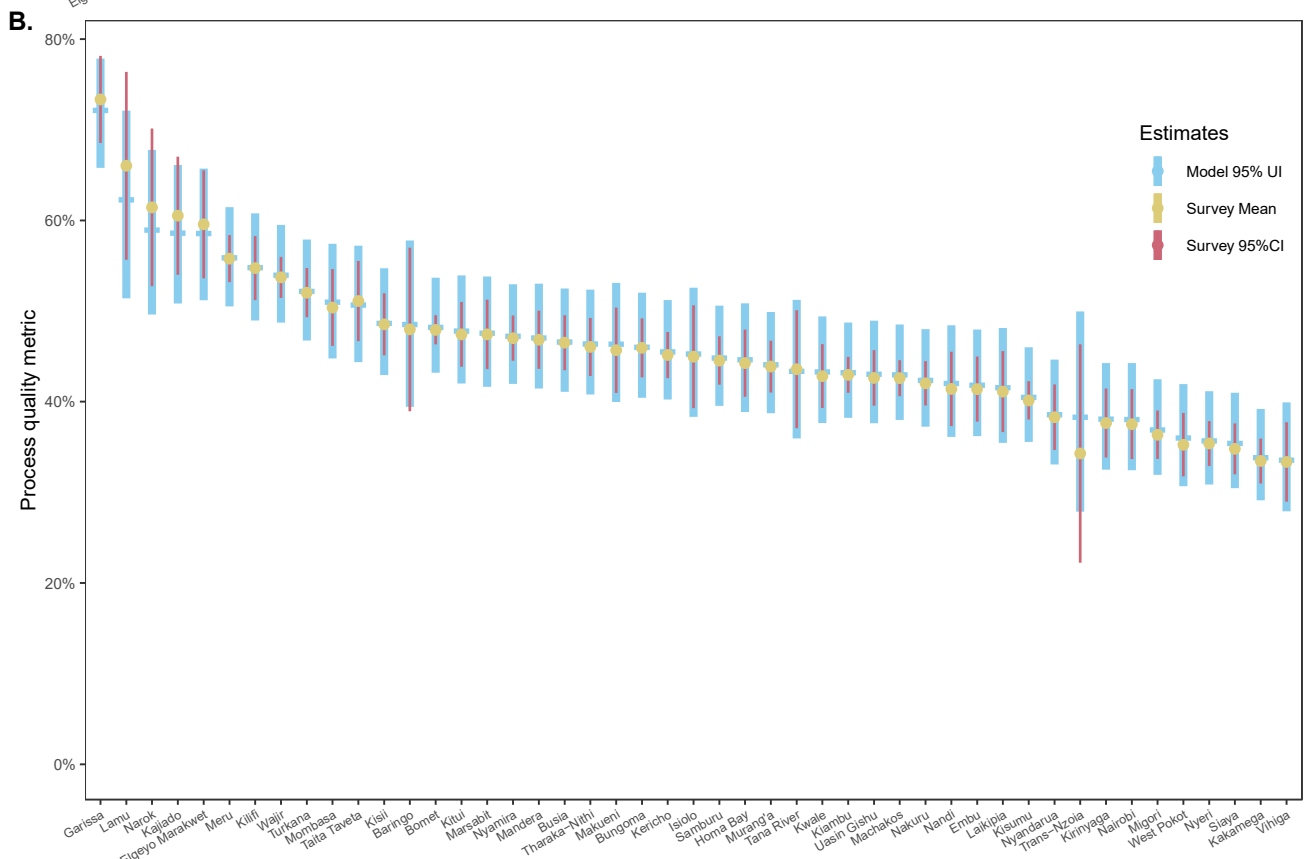
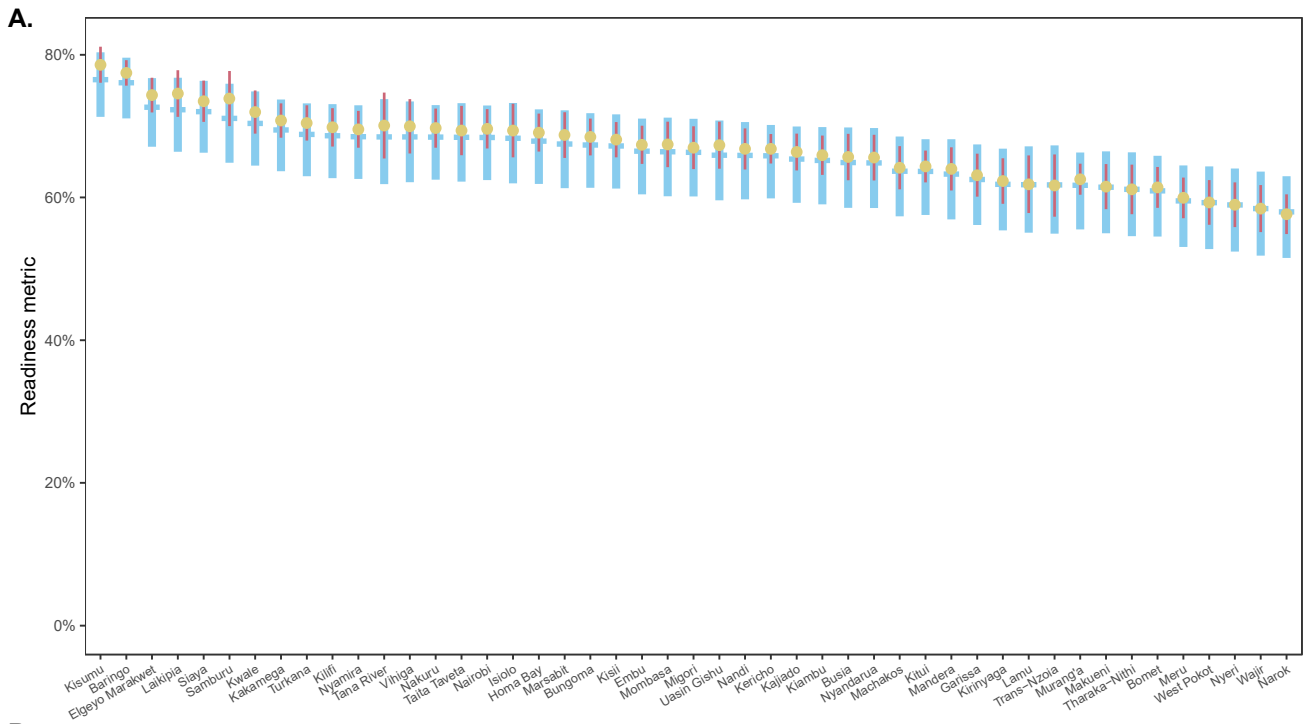
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Section 3.4 Decomposition of the sources of variations in the readiness and process quality metrics

Senegal								
Outcome	Model selected	$\sigma_{e_i}^2$	$\sigma_{S_i}^2$	$\sigma_{\gamma_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\alpha_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\delta_{it}}^2$	$\sigma_{v_s}^2$	$X_{it}\beta$
Readiness of care	5	---	34.8	2.6	1.4	61.1	---	---
Process quality of care	5	---	0.6	1.9	2.2	95.3	---	---
Kenya								
Outcome	Model selected	$\sigma_{e_i}^2$	$\sigma_{S_i}^2$	$\sigma_{\gamma_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\alpha_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\delta_{it}}^2$	$\sigma_{v_s}^2$	$X_{it}\beta$
Readiness of care	2	6.7	---	10.3	24.6	1.5	56.9	---
Process quality of care	7	---	3.6	1.9	3.5	24.6	7.7	58.8
Tanzania								
Outcome	Model selected	$\sigma_{e_i}^2$	$\sigma_{S_i}^2$	$\sigma_{\gamma_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\alpha_t}^2$	$\sigma_{\delta_{it}}^2$	$\sigma_{v_s}^2$	$X_{it}\beta$
Readiness of care	3	0.6	---	6.3	57.3	12	---	23.8
Process quality of care	3	0.5	---	1.3	0.8	53.8	---	43.5

257 **Table S12: Selected models and variance decomposition, for each readiness and**
 258 **process quality of care metrics in each country. The $\sigma_{e_i}^2, \sigma_{S_i}^2, \sigma_{\gamma_t}^2, \sigma_{\alpha_t}^2, \sigma_{\delta_{it}}^2, \sigma_{v_s}^2,$ and $X_{it}\beta$**
 259 **columns indicate the percentage of total variance explained by the zero-mean spatial**
 260 **component, the spatially-structured component, the temporally-structured component,**
 261 **the zero-mean temporal component, the space-time interaction component, and the**
 262 **covariate component.**
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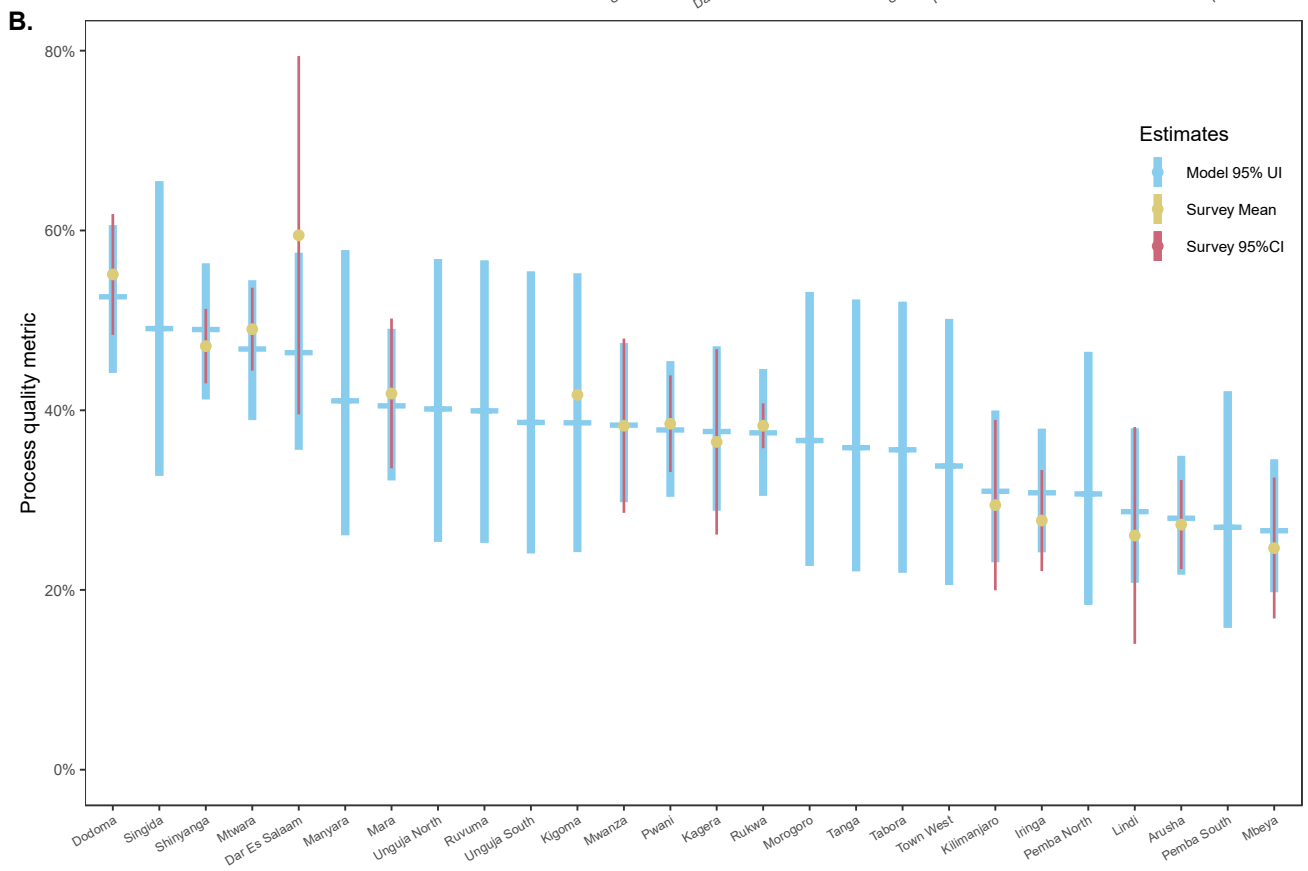
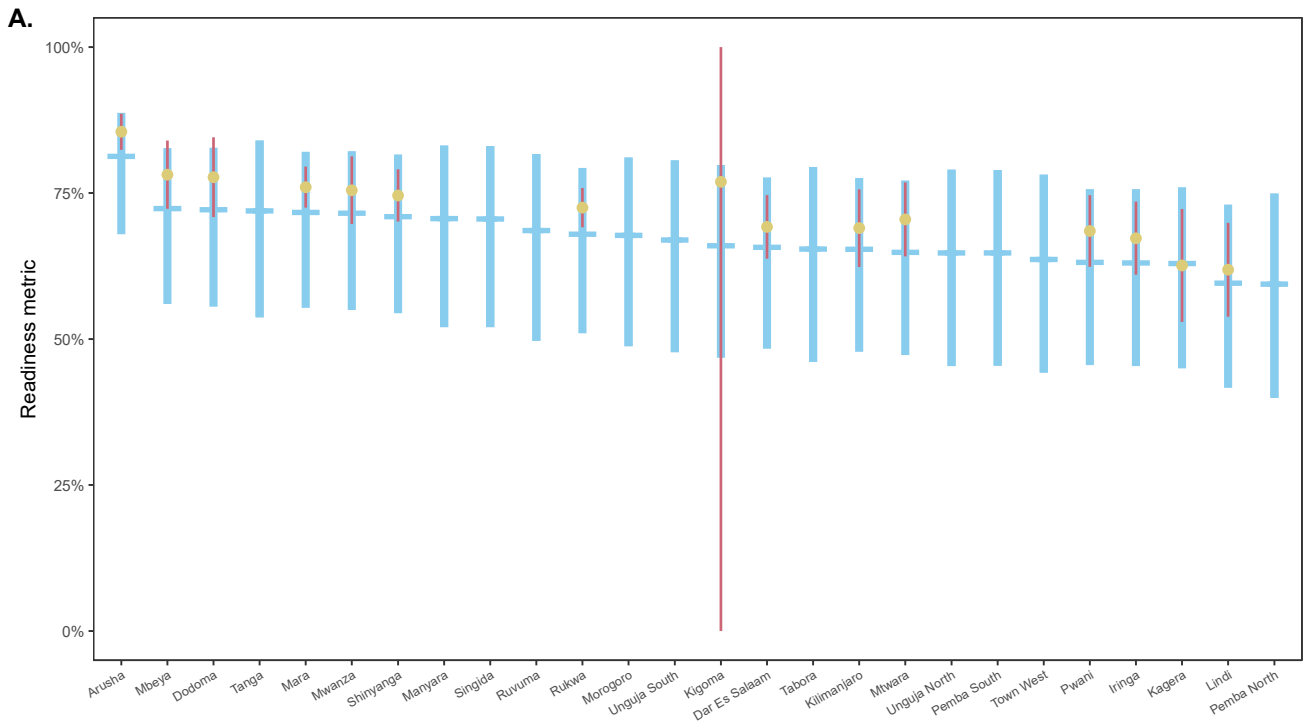
264 **Section 3.5 Comparison of subnational-level survey and model estimates for the readiness and**
 265 **process quality metrics in Kenya and Tanzania**
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Supplementary Figure S1: Comparison of county-level survey and model estimates for the readiness and process quality metrics in Kenya, in 2018. This figure compares empirical

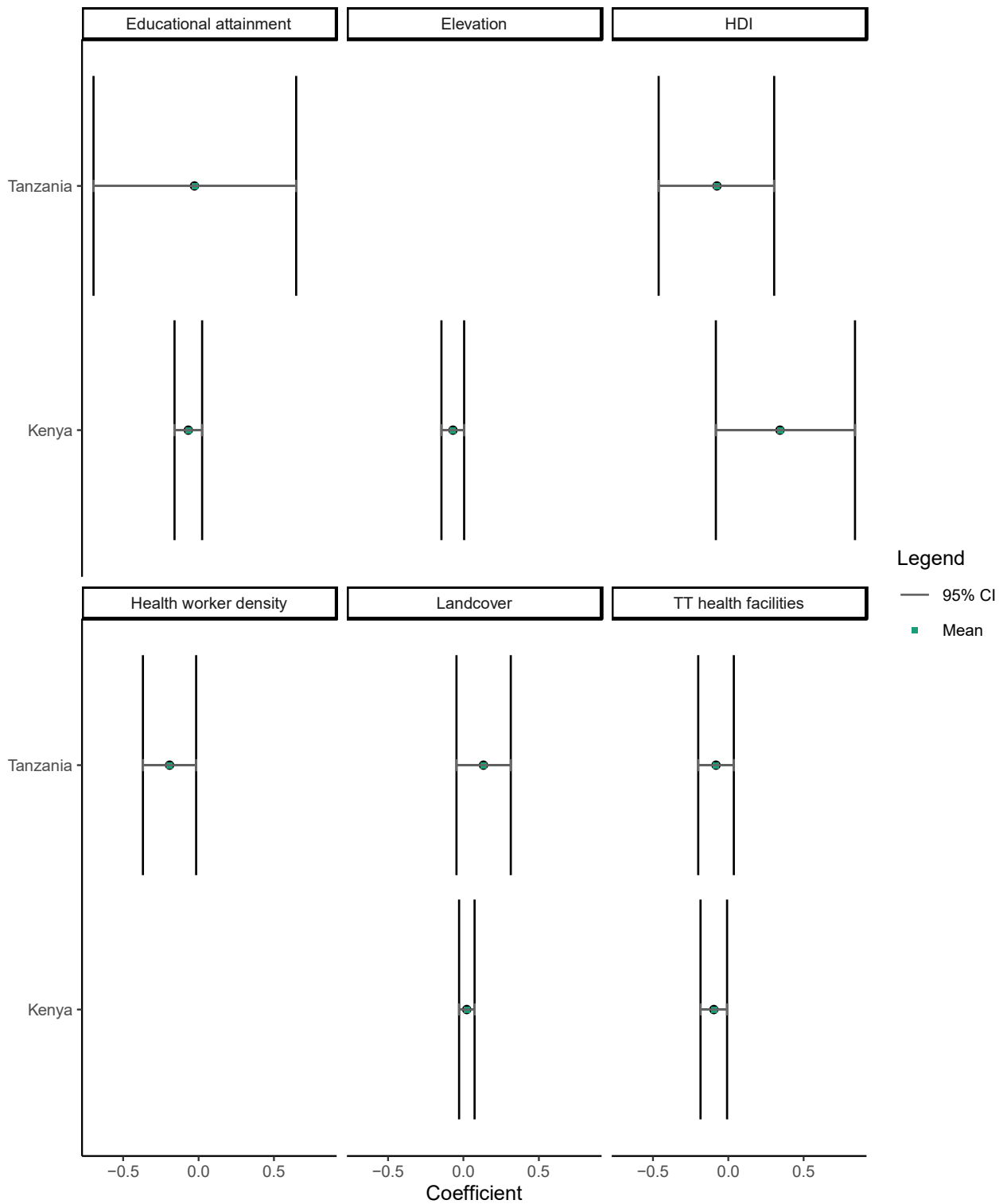
270 survey and model estimates, for the most recent year when data was available in Kenya. Thick light-blue
271 dash and vertical ranges show model posterior mean estimates, and the 95% posterior prediction intervals.
272 Yellow dots and narrow red vertical lines indicate survey estimates and 95% confidence intervals, derived
273 from SDI 2018.
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Supplementary Figure S2: Comparison of region-level survey and model estimates for the readiness and process quality metrics in Tanzania, in 2016. This figure compares

278 empirical survey and model estimates, for the most recent year when data was available in
279 Tanzania. Thick light-blue dash and vertical ranges show model posterior mean estimates, and
280 the 95% posterior prediction intervals. Yellow dots and narrow red vertical lines indicate survey
281 estimates and 95% confidence intervals, derived from SDI 2016 (n = 386 facilities sampled,
282 panel A; n = 543 providers assessed in 397 facilities, panel B).
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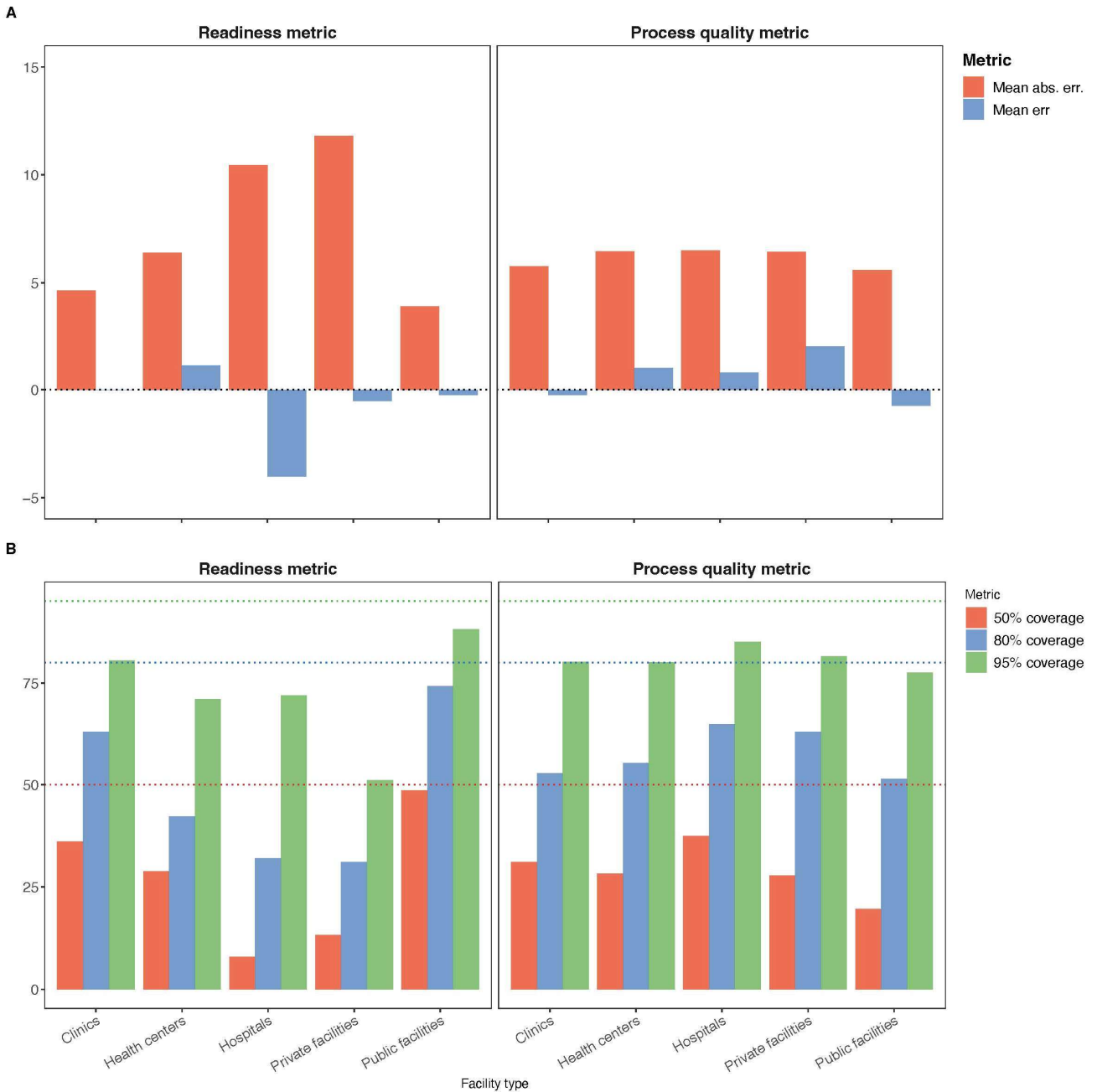


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Supplementary Figure S3: Regression coefficients from small area models that included covariates (n = 1,974, Kenya; n = 884, Tanzania). All the variables were scaled for computational purposes.

288 Access = average travel time to nearest urban settlements with over 50,000 inhabitants; HDI =
 289 human development index; TT health facilities = travel time to nearest facility; Landcover =
 290 measure of urbanicity of the area; Elevation = average elevation of the area.

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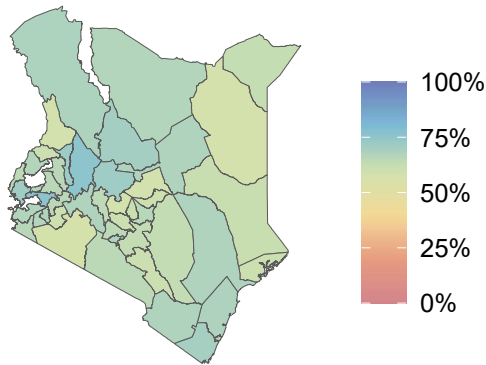
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Supplementary Figure S4: Measures of (Panel A) calibration, and (Panel B) bias and precision of models' predictions for stratified analysis, using hold-out predictions of readiness and process quality metrics in departments of Senegal. Mean error, mean absolute error, and coverage were calculated across all administrative areas, using cross validation.

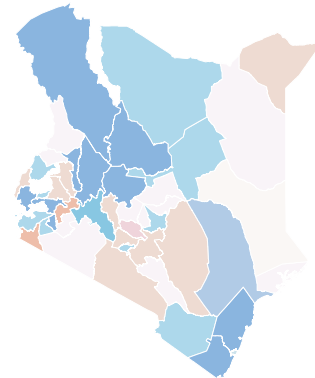
298 Stratified analyses only include one of five type of facilities- public facilities, private facilities, hospitals, health
299 centers, and clinics.
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301 **Section 3.6 Examples of model outputs in Kenya and Tanzania**
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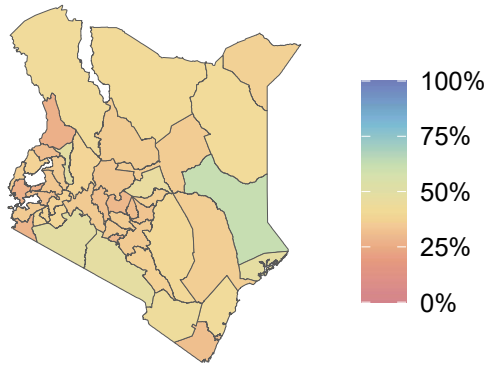
Average Readiness (%)



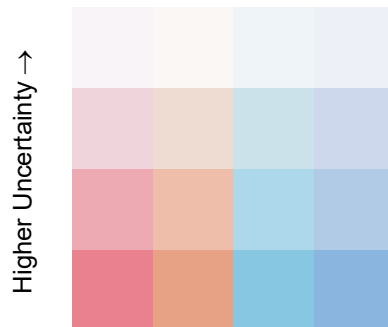
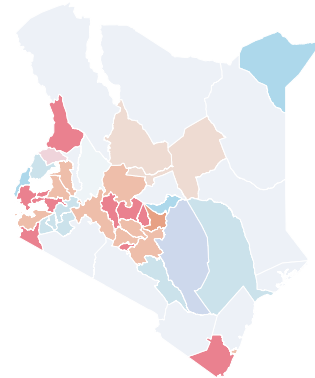
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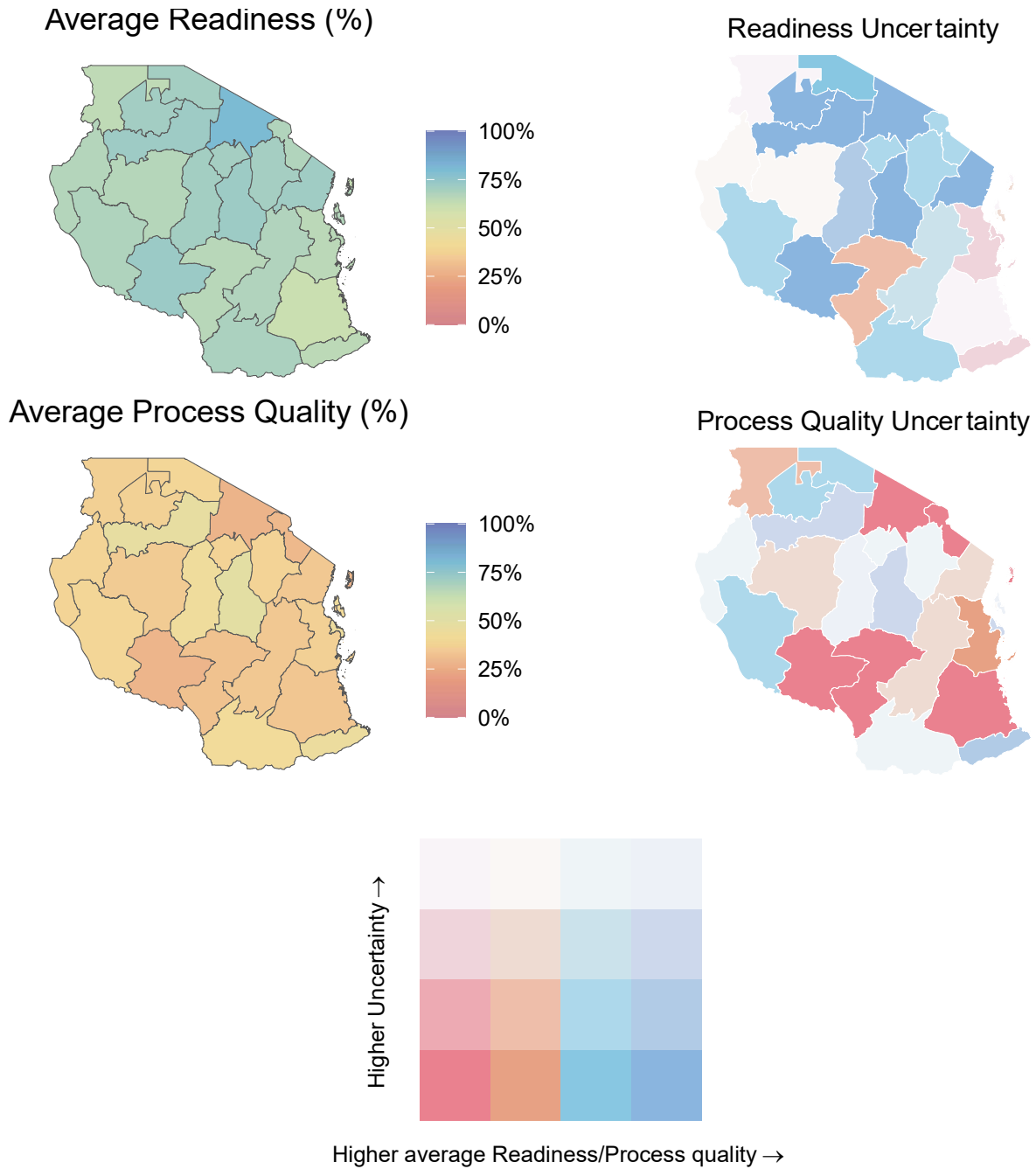


Higher average Readiness/Process quality →

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Supplementary Figure S5: Maps of model-estimated readiness (panel A) and process quality (panel B) metrics by subnational areas in Kenya in 2020, with associated uncertainty. The left panel presents estimates of the mean, while the right panel shows both estimates of the mean and their associated 95% uncertainty interval width. Mean estimated metrics are split into quartiles; the cut-off points indicate the metric estimates' minimum, 25th, 50th, and 75th percentiles, and maximum, which were 57.1%, 61.4%, 65.5%, 67.7%, and 75.8%, for the readiness metric, and 25.4%, 31.7%, 35.5%, 39.7%, and 61.9%, for process quality. The confidence intervals' width

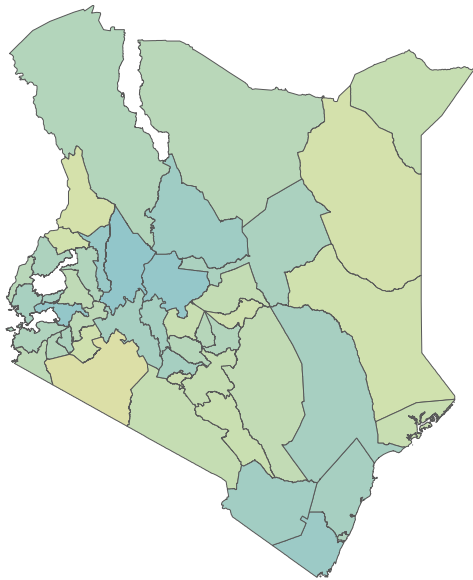
313 minimum, 25th, 50th, and 75th percentiles, and maximum, were 21.0%, 24.6%, 25.4%, 26.4%,
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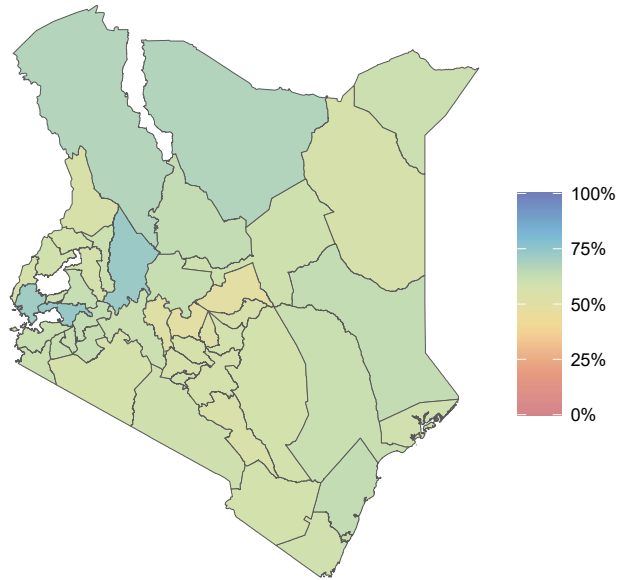
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 318 **Supplementary Figure S6: Maps of model-estimated readiness (panel A) and process**
 319 **quality (panel B) metrics by subnational areas in Tanzania in 2020, with associated**
 320 **uncertainty.** The left panel presents estimates of the mean, while the right panel shows both estimates
 321 of the mean and their associated 95% uncertainty interval width. Mean estimated metrics are split into
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323 quartiles; the cut-off points indicate the metric estimates' minimum, 25th, 50th, and 75th percentiles,
324 and maximum, which were 61.3%, 65.4%, 66.9%, 70.4%, and 80.0%, for the readiness metric, and
325 27.3%, 33.7%, 36.8%, 41.4%, and 49.5%, for process quality. The confidence intervals' width
326 minimum, 25th, 50th, and 75th percentiles, and maximum, were 40.3%, 50.2%, 52.2%, 53.0%,
327 and 55.0%.

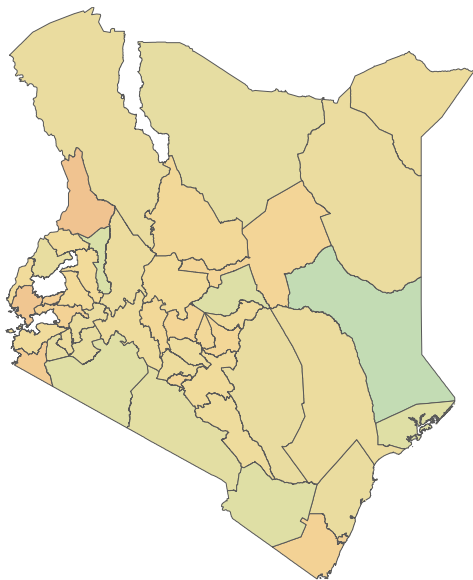
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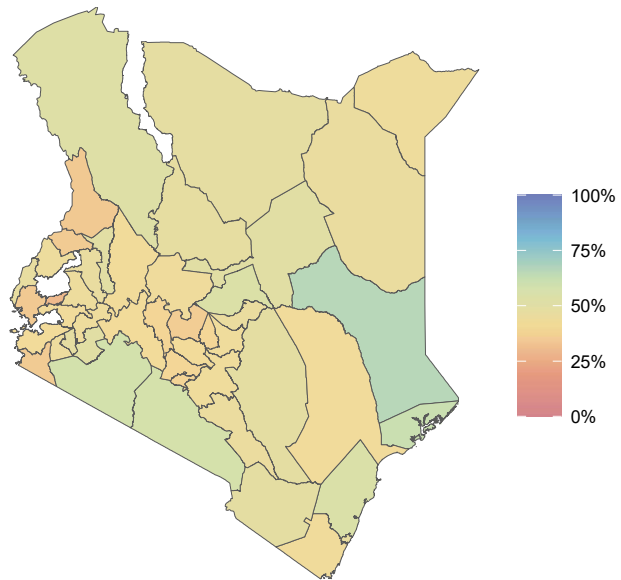
B. Readiness Private facilities (%)



C. Process Quality Public facilities (%)



D. Process Quality Private facilities (%)

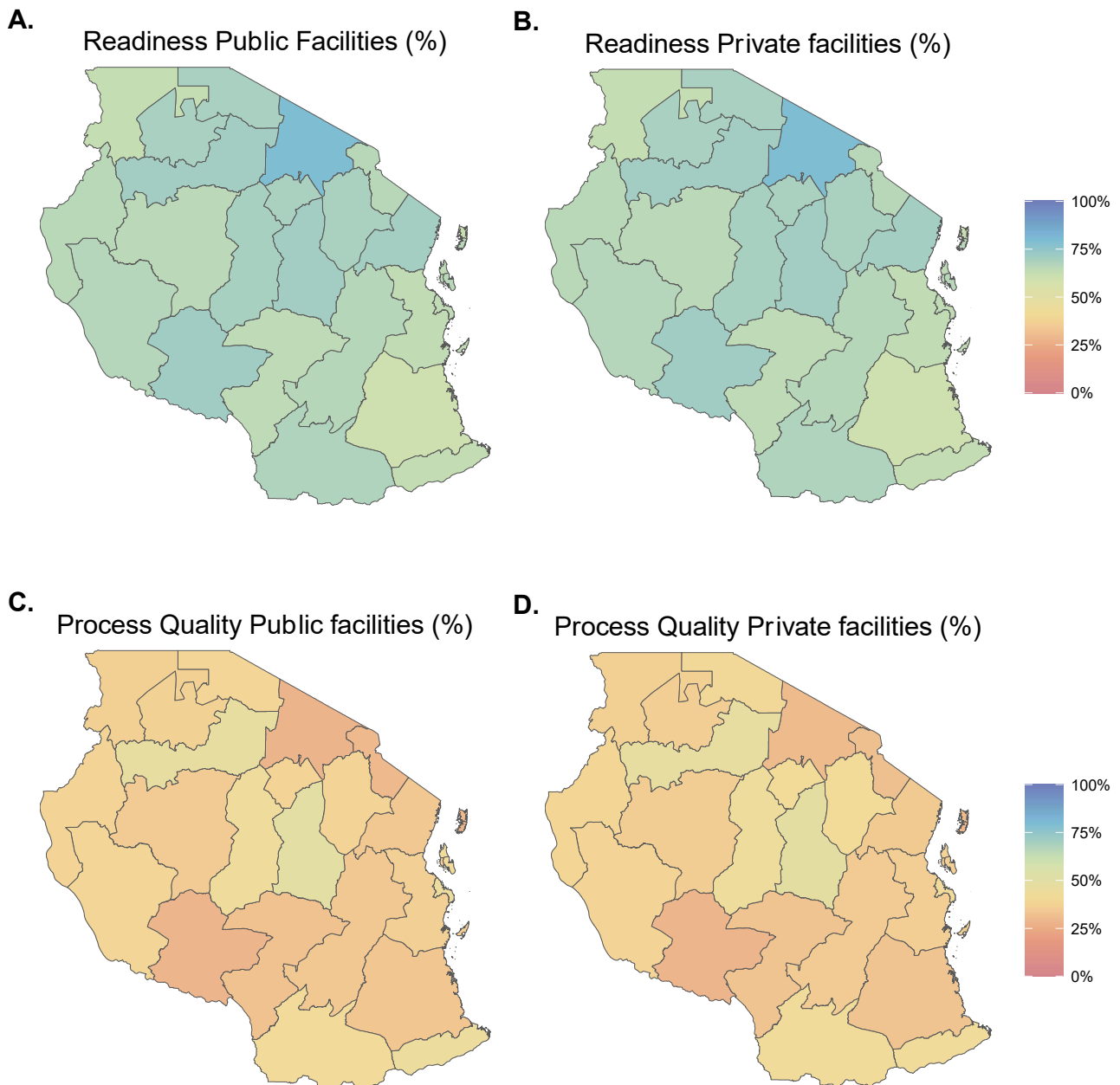


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330 **Supplementary Figure S7: Maps of model-estimated readiness (top panel) and process**
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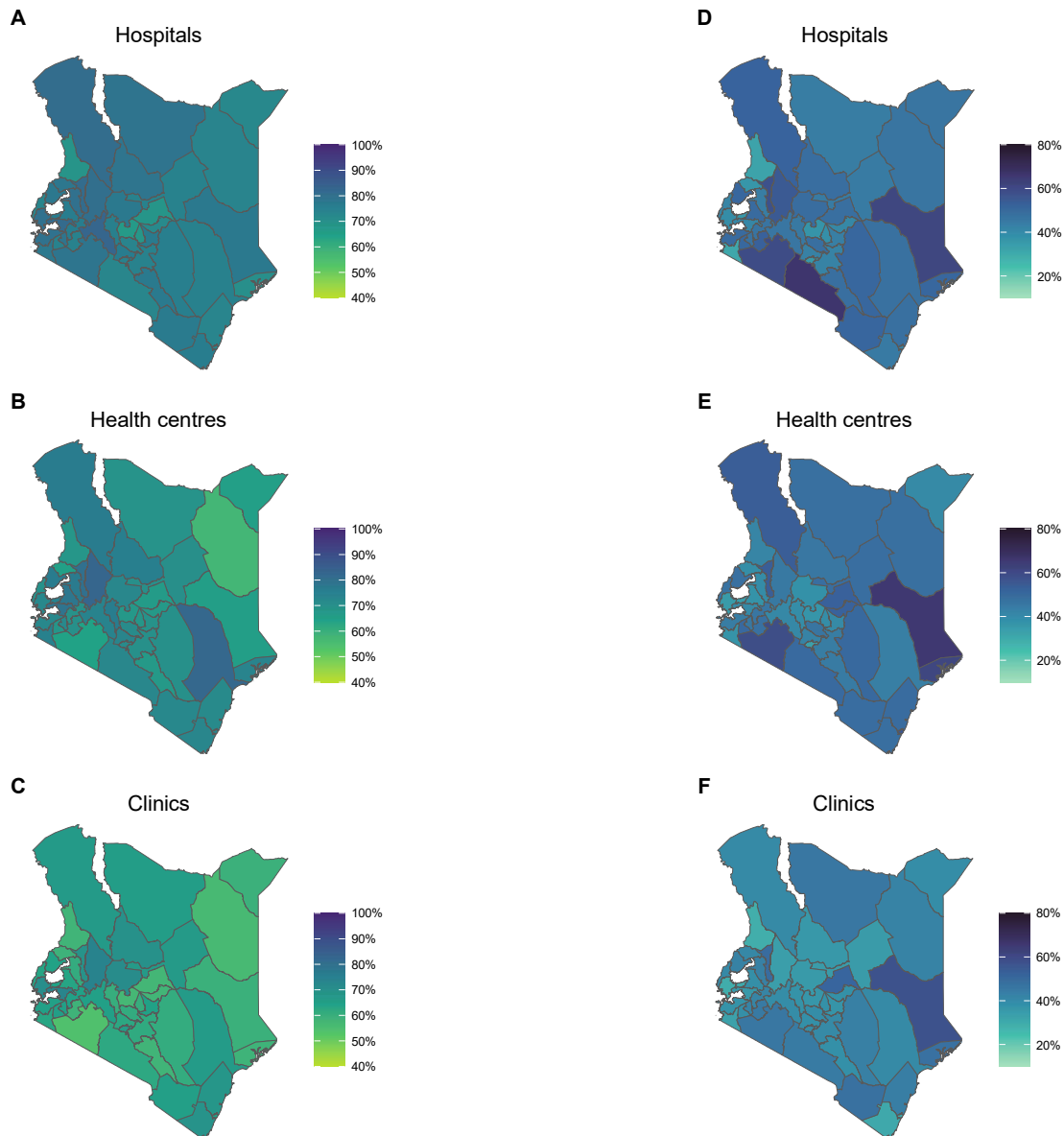
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336 **Supplementary Figure S8: Maps of model-estimated readiness (top panel) and process**
337 **quality (bottom panel) metrics by subnational areas, and managing authorities, in**
338 **Tanzania in 2020.** Figures A and B (respectively C and D) are maps of modelled area-level
339 estimates of readiness (respectively process quality) for analyses stratified on public and private
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Supplementary Figure S9: Maps of model-estimated readiness (left panel) and process quality (right panel) metrics by subnational areas, and managing authorities, in Kenya in 2020. Figures A, B, and C (respectively D, E, and F) are maps of modelled area-level estimates of readiness (respectively process quality) for analyses stratified on facility type.

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