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Dear Authors,

I congratulate you for your paper as it is a very interesting and useful contribution to have a better understanding of malaria current evolution on the most vulnerable people, I mean children of less than 5 years old. It' a paper which prove that Data-Driven Policy is a key aspect to improve people's live.

However, I noticed some methodological aspects that I would like you to take into account to have your paper published for a question of reproducibility. I encourage you

to give more details on the statistical tools and methods used. What statistical software was used to analyze the data? You talked about test of comparison, but you did not mention this test with the level of significance, for example what was the value of the p-value which was obtained allowing you to say that the difference is significative. And moreover, you talk about tests of comparison of rate (tests de comparaison des proportions), what are these tests in fact, did you check the assumption of normality? It could also be interesting to indicated the number before the percentage for each result expressed in percentage.

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I mentioned minor punctuations related to the space before the percentage sign.

I finally suggest you to dedicate acknowledgments to those you provided you the data for publication.

Once again, I congratulate you for your paper and I hope to have the final version published.

Kind regards,

Evans, E.

### **Comments and Suggestions to the Editors Only:**

This article is original and very well written. Data-Driven policy is a key aspect to improve people's life based on past studies and data collected. They good a good job to use data which exist to explain the evolution of Malaria. This paper is of a great interest for public health as it is related to malaria which is still responsible of death in young children living in low-income countries.

Some methodological aspects need to be clarified before publishing for a question of reproducibility.

Kind regards,

E.E.