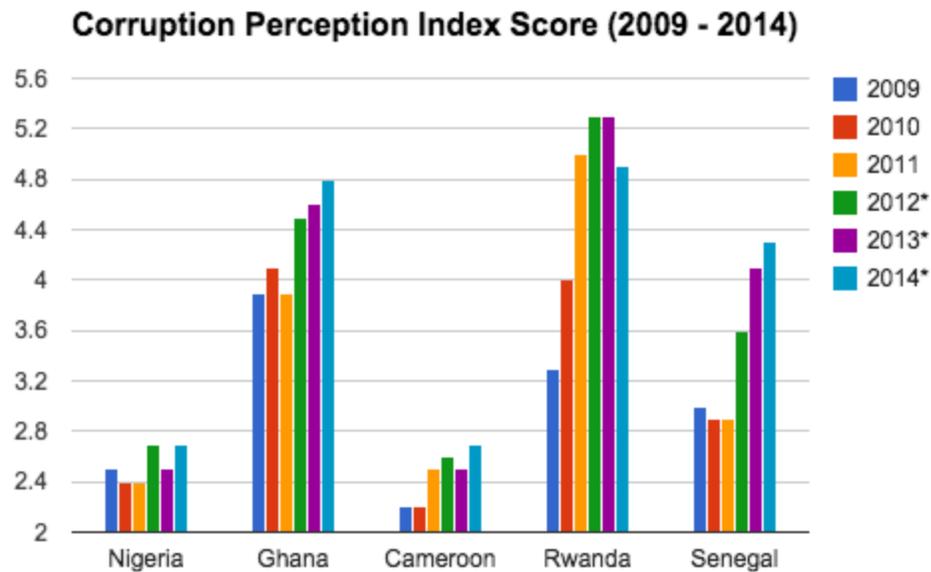


Analysis of Nigeria and a few select African countries' performance on the Corruption Perception Index

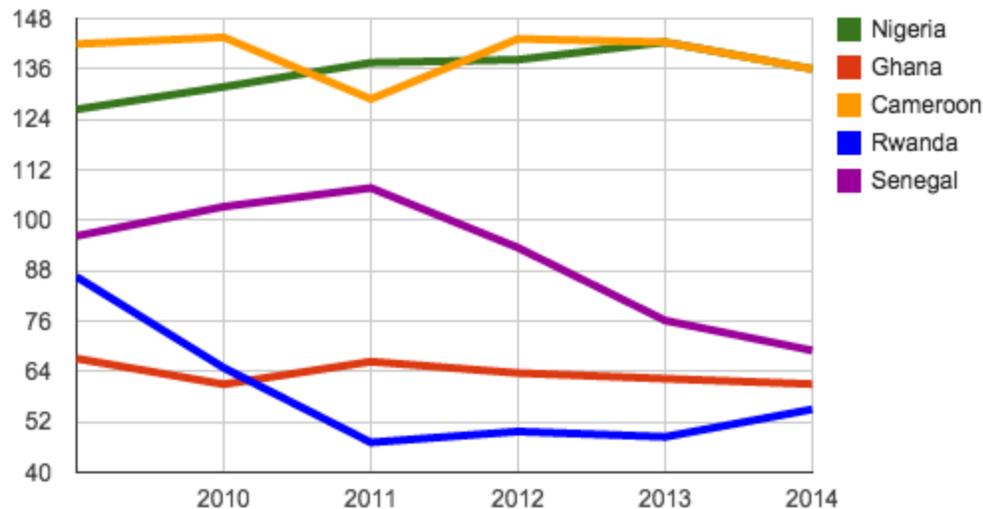
The **Corruption perception Index (CPI)** measures the perceived level of public sector corruption, defined as “the abuse of entrusted power for private gain”, in a country.

The below tables outline Nigeria and a few select African countries' performance on the Corruption Perception Index



* 2009-2011 measured out of 10 with 10 being least corrupt. Measurement bases changed by a multiple of 10 in 2012 and 2013 with 100 being the lowest corruption level attainable.

Corruption Perception index (2009-2014)
common sized of 175 countries



Source: Transparency International <http://www.transparency.org/cpi2014>

Although there is room for improvement, over the last 5 years, the perception of the levels of corruption in the Nigeria has remained at a stable level with the exception of 2012 where there was a marked improvement in results. Relative to some of the Sub-Saharan Africa countries, Nigeria finds itself in the same position as Cameroon in 2013 and 2014, having previously been perceived as less corrupt in previous years. Senegal, and Ghana have seen significant improvements in the perception surrounding corruption in their public sector. Rwanda has seen a slight reversal of trend following significant improvements in past years.



According to the report, Nigeria moved up 6 positions on the common sized rankings (of 175 countries) to 136 out of 175. This is indicative of a shift in the perception around corruption in Nigeria. This is no doubt a move in the right direction. Not only did Nigeria have an improvement in her absolute rankings, the nation also compares favourably with the BRIC (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) (-30.25) and MINT (Mexico, Indonesia, Nigeria, Turkey) (+0.5) nations.

According to the analytics derived from the report, there is strong negative shift in public opinion of the government's ability to effectively tackle corruption. Between 2007 and 2010, 46% of the public felt government efforts to tackle corruption were effective compared to 14% in the past 2 years. 78% also see public sector corruption as a serious problem with government entities acting in their own best interest