

KEYS TO UNDERSTANDING WORLDWIDE ELECTRICITY SHORTAGES



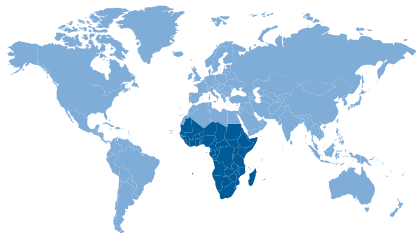
WHO DOES IT AFFECT?

840 million in the world live **without electricity**
3 billion people cook with **polluting fuels**

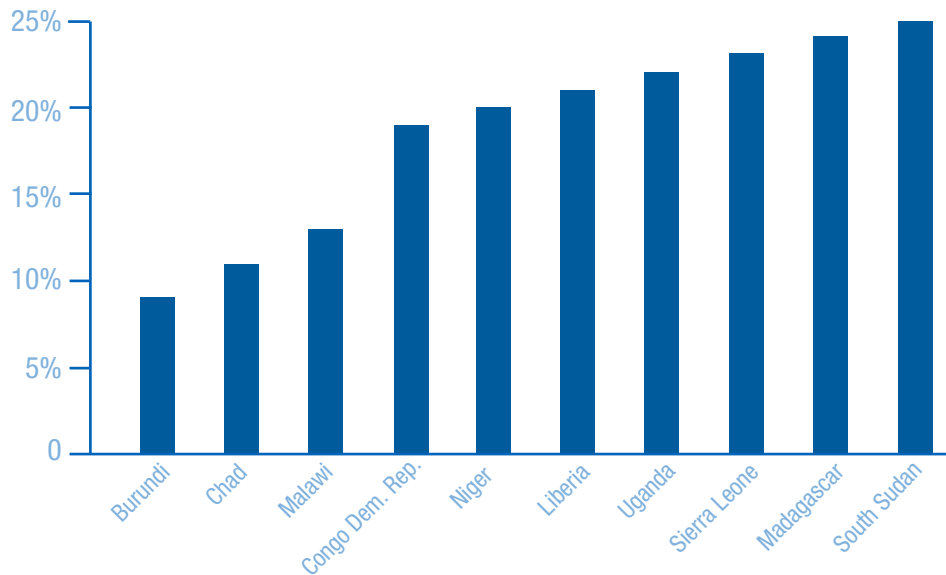
One billion people are connected to **unreliable and unstable electricity networks**



HOW IS THIS DISTRIBUTED AROUND THE WORLD?



The **10 countries** with the highest number of people **living in rural areas and without access to electricity** are concentrated in **Sub-Saharan Africa:**



MAIN CAUSES

Lack of affordable resources, above all in underdeveloped countries; **insufficient investment** in the energy sector; and high **production costs**.

HOW CAN WE PUT AN END TO IT?

We have to **increase funding** to ensure access to **an affordable, reliable and sustainable energy system**; invest in **renewable energy sources**; promote **transport modes with reduced energy consumption**; and introduce energy systems based on **biomass, geothermal or solar energy**.

Source: World Bank (2019).