**North Africa & The Middle East**

*Population: 566 Million*

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<th>Number Blind</th>
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**Change in Prevalence of Visual Impairment 1990 to 2015**

- 10%
- 9%
- 8%
- 7%
- 6%
- 5%
- 4%
- 3%
- 2%
- 1%
- 0%

1990: 8.38%  
2015: 4.57%

**Regional Causes of Visual Impairment**

- AMD 2.2%
- Cataract 21.16%
- Corneal Opacity 2.34%
- DR 1.62%
- Glaucoma 2.29%
- Refractive Error 41.02%
- Trachoma 1.93%
- Other 27.44%

**Number with Near-Vision Impairment**

70.2 million

**Visual Impairment Gender Ratio**

- Male: 1
- Female: 1.11

Data correct as of 12th October 2017

The number visually impaired, prevalence and causes all relate to distance-vision impairment.

In order to enable comparisons between regions, over time and between men and women, the age-standardised prevalence (all ages, both sexes) is shown.

The gender ratio is the age-standardised prevalence for women divided by the age-standardised prevalence for men.