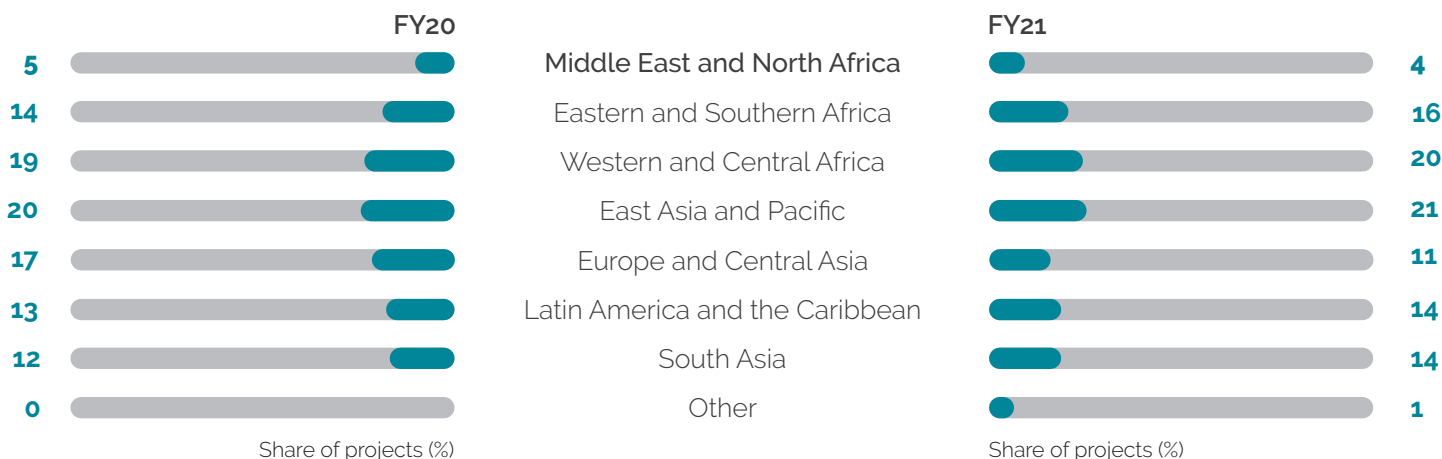


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Portfolio Distribution by Region

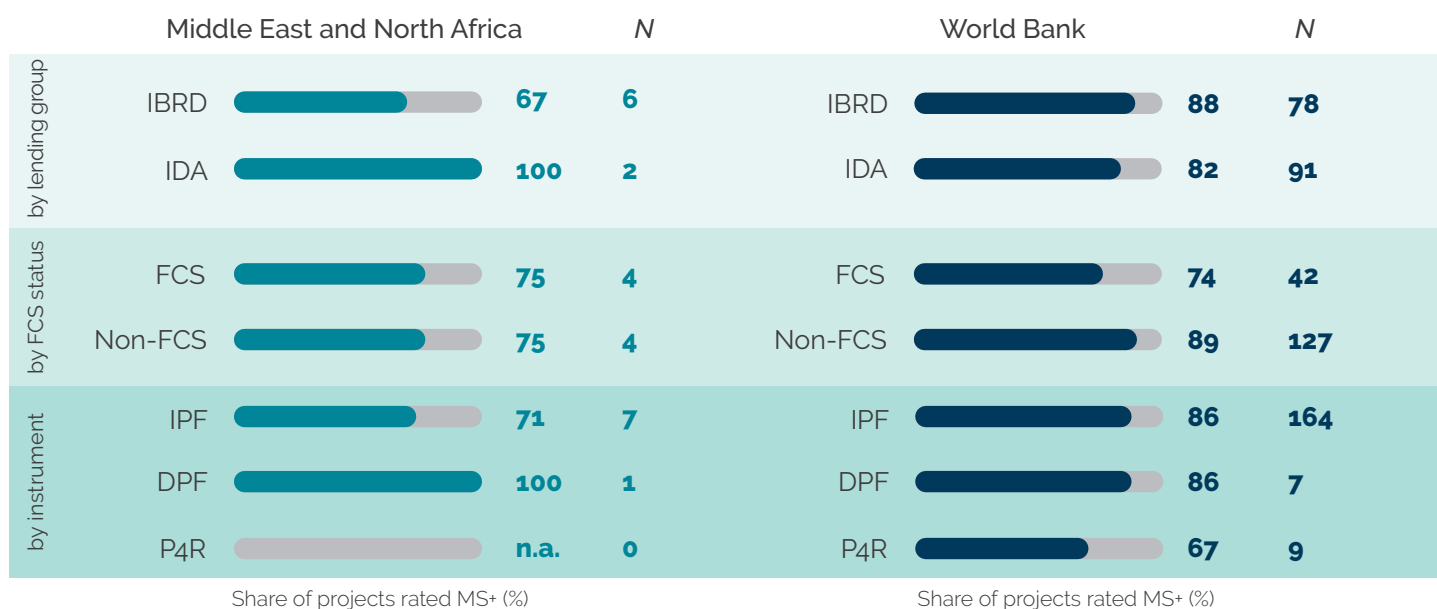


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- ▶ The portfolio size of Middle East and North Africa projects was the smallest, comprising only 4 percent of World Bank projects in fiscal year (FY)21. From FY20 to FY21, the percentage of projects with outcome ratings of moderately satisfactory or higher decreased from 83 percent to 75 percent, but projects rated highly satisfactory increased notably, rising from 8 percent to 25 percent.
- ▶ Bank performance and monitoring and evaluation quality ratings of Middle East and North Africa projects exhibited a positive trend and continued to surpass the World Bank average in FY21.
- ▶ The outcome and Bank performance ratings for projects in International Development Association countries were higher than those in International Bank for Reconstruction and Development countries in terms of subgroups because of the good performance of two projects in the Republic of Yemen. Meanwhile, compared with projects from countries not in fragile and conflict-affected situations, projects in fragile and conflict-affected situation countries received equivalent outcome ratings and were rated higher in Bank performance.

Middle East and North Africa in Depth, FY21

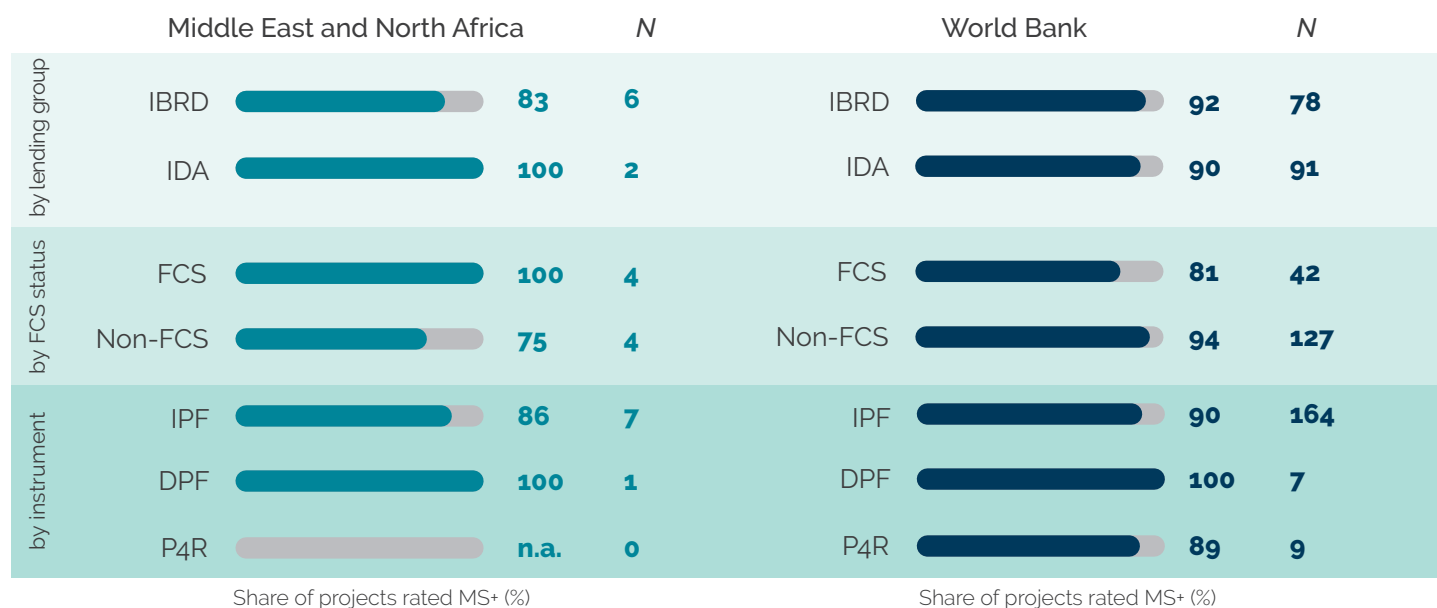
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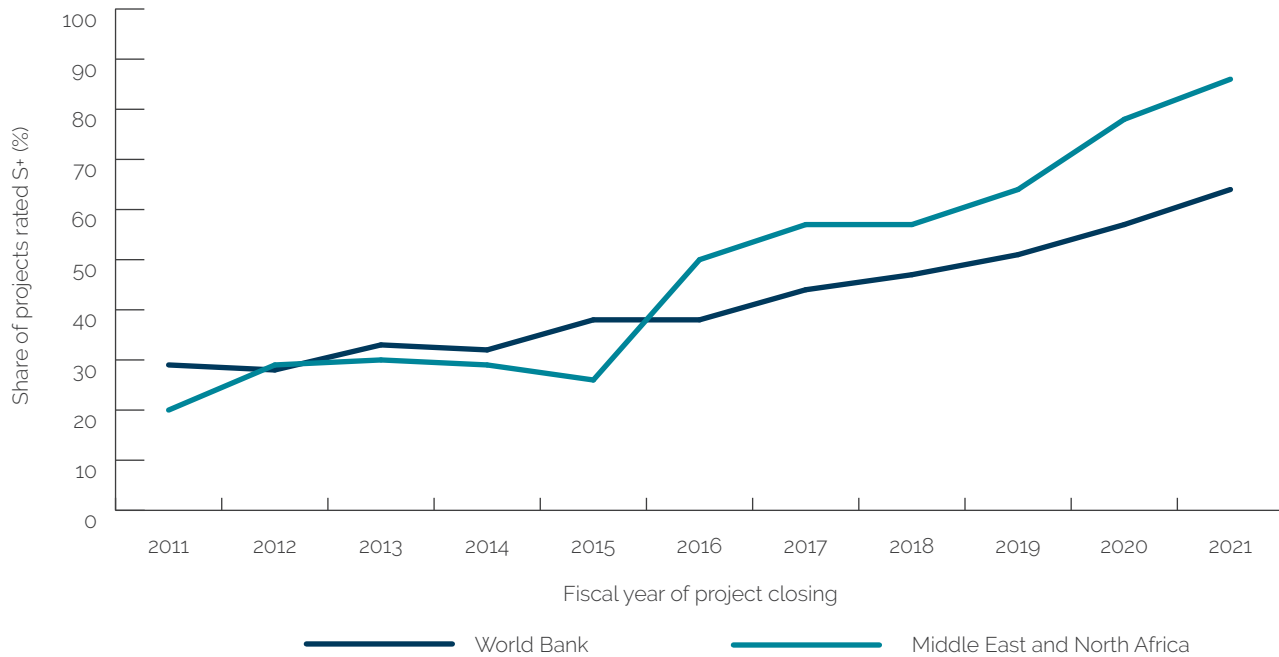
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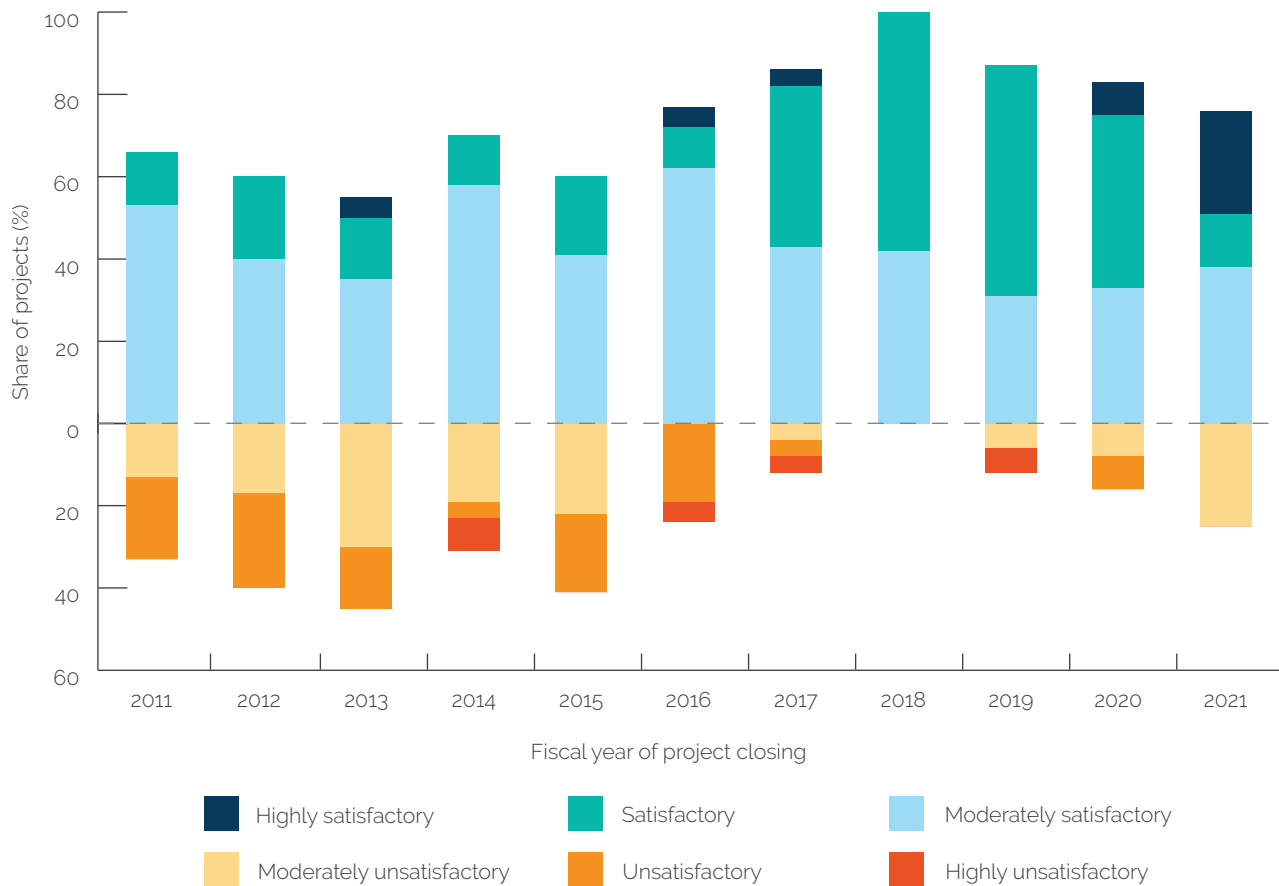
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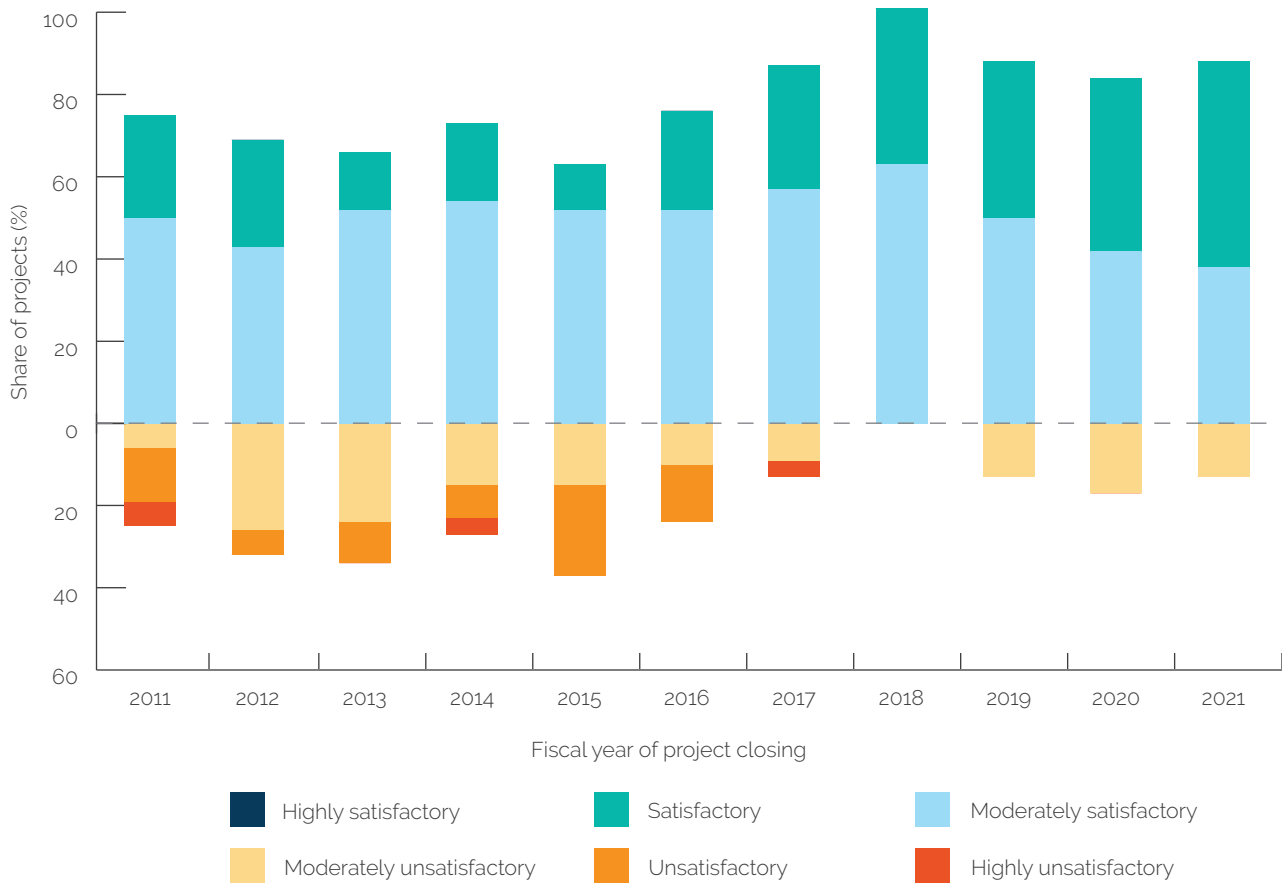
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Middle East and North Africa Projects, Percentage Distribution of Outcome Ratings



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