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Abbreviations and acronyms

AIDS       Acquired immuno-deficiency syndrome
ANC        Antenatal care
ARC        AIDS related conditions
BMI        Body mass index
BSAC       British South Africa Company
CPI        Consumer price index
CSFP       Child supplementary feeding programme
CSO        Central Statistical Office
DALE       Disability adjusted life expectancy
DHMT       District health management team
DHO        District health office
DHS        Demographic and health survey
DMO        District medical officer
EPI        Expanded programme on immunisation
ESAP       Economic structural adjustment programme
FAO        Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FER        Framework for economic reform
FFW        Food-for-work programme
GDP        Gross domestic product
GOZ        Government of Zimbabwe
HAZ        Height-for-age Z-score
HDI        Human development index
HIV        Human immuno-deficiency virus
HPI        Human poverty index
HSR        Health systems research
IBRD       International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)
IDA        International Development Association (World Bank)
IMF        International Monetary Fund
LDC       Least developed countries
MDC        Movement for Democratic Change
MERP       Millennium Economic Recovery Programme
MoH        Ministry of Health
MoHCW      Ministry of Health and Child Welfare
n/a        Not available
NACP       National AIDS Control Programme
NERP       National Economic Revival Programme
NGO        Non-governmental organisation
OPD  Outpatients department
PAAP  Poverty alleviation action programme
PF-ZAPU  Patriotic Front – Zimbabwe African People’s Union
PHC  Primary health care
PMD  Provincial medical director
PSC  Public Service Commission
RDC  Rural-district council
RhIC  Rural health centre
Sal  Structural adjustment loan
SAP  Structural adjustment programme
SCN  State certified nurse
s.d.  Standard deviation
SDA  Social dimensions of adjustment
SDF  Social development fund
SRN  State registered nurse
STD  Sexually transmitted disease
STI  Sexually transmitted infection
SWP  Social welfare programme
TB  Tuberculosis
UDI  Unilateral Declaration of Independence
UNCTAD  United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP  United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF  United Nations Children’s Fund
USD  United States dollar
UZ  University of Zimbabwe
WB  World Bank
WDR  World development report (UNDP)
WHO  World Health Organization
WHR  World health report (WHO)
WHZ  Weight-for-height Z-score
ZANU (PF)  Zimbabwe African Nationalist Union (Patriotic Front)
ZAPU  Zimbabwe African People’s Union
ZCTU  Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions
ZDIHS  Zimbabwe demographic and health survey
ZEDAP  Zimbabwe Essential Drugs Action Programme
ZIMPREST  Zimbabwe Programme for Economic and Social Transformation
ZNFPC  Zimbabwe National Family Planning Council
ZWD  Zimbabwe dollar