Abbreviations

| ACESS | Alliance for Children's Entitlement to Social Security | NHI | National Health Insurance |
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| ACRWC | African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child | NIDS | National Income Dynamics Study |
| AIDS | Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome | NMR | Neonatal Mortality Rate |
| CCT | Conditional Cash Transfers | PMTCT | Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission |
| CDG | Care Dependency Grant | OAG | Old Age Grant |
| CHW | Community Health Worker | QLFS | Quarterly Labour Force Survey |
| CSG | Child Support Grant | RAF | Road Accident Fund |
| CSO | Civil Society Organisation | RMS | Rapid Mortality Surveillance System |
| DBE | Department of Basic Education | SALDRU | Southern Africa Labour and Development |
| DHA | Department of Home Affairs | | Research Unit |
| DSD | Department of Social Development | SASPRI | Southern African Social Policy Research Institute |
| ECD | Early Childhood Development | SASSA | South African Social Security Agency |
| FAIS | Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services | SMG | State Maintenance Grant |
| FCG | Foster Child Grant | SOCPEN | Social Pensions |
| GDP | Gross Domestic Product | Stats SA | Statistics South Africa |
| GHS | General Household Survey | U5MR | Under-5 Mortality Rate |
| HIV | Human Immunodeficiency Syndrome | UHC | Universal Health Coverage |
| HSL | Household Subsistence Level | UCT | University of Cape Town |
| ILO | International Labour Organisation | UIF | Unemployment Insurance Fund |
| MDG | Millennium Development Goals | UN-HABITAT | United Nations Human Settlements Programme |
| NCPR | National Child Protection Register | UNICEF | United Nations Children's Fund |
| NCS | National Core Standards | UNCRC | United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child |
| NDP | National Development Plan | UNCRoC | United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child |
| NGO | Non-Governmental Organisation | WHO | World Health Organisation |
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