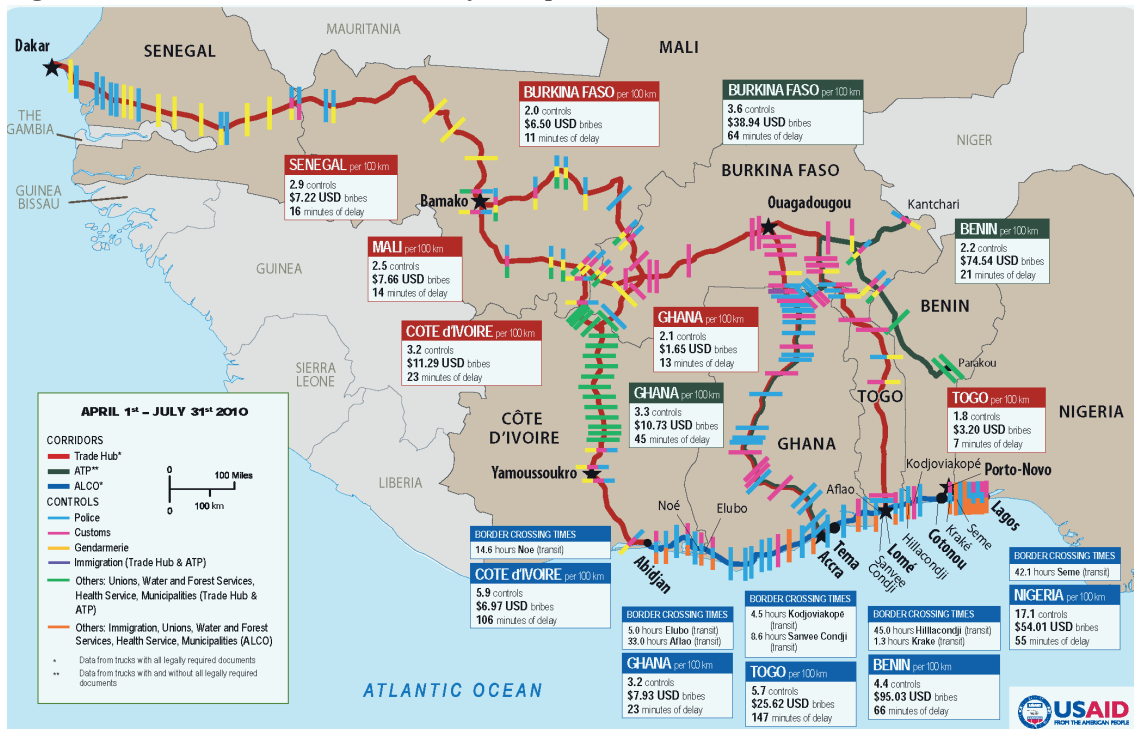
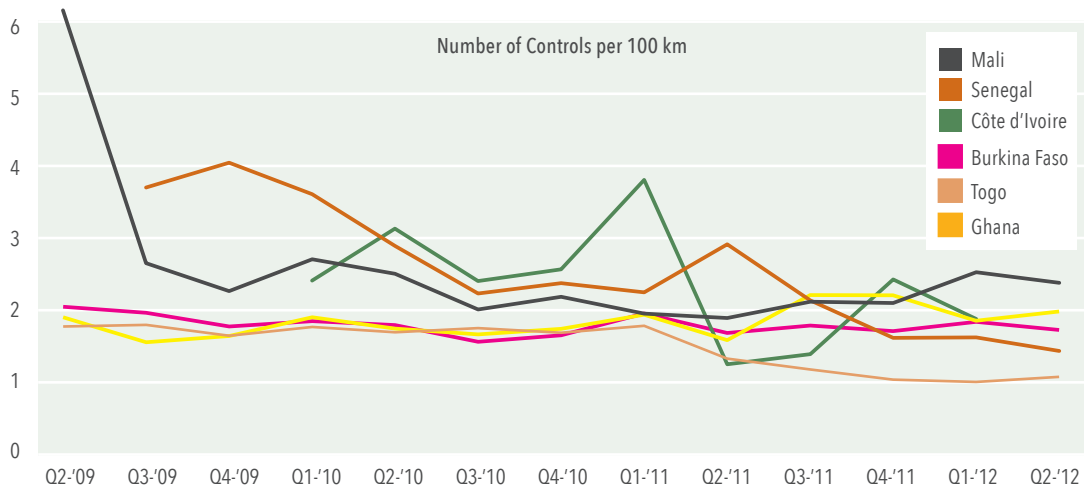


Figure 12.2 Road Barriers to Trade in West Africa, April-June, 2010



Source: USAID and ALCO, 2010.

Figure 12.3 Change in number of Road Controls per 100 km by country, 2009-2012



Source: USAID and UEMOA, 2012

truckers information about their legal rights and obligations under regional trade accords.¹⁶⁴ Togo's success reducing the number of such barriers in-

dicates that governments can do something about this problem. The persistence of such barriers in several countries suggests that some governments are reluctant to address the problem aggressively, perhaps because such illegal payments represent an off-budget subsidy to the security forces. The

164 The decline in barriers in Senegal starting in mid-2011 also followed a border conference between Senegal and Mali, co-chaired by the countries' two Prime Ministers, that focused on reducing such barriers to trade.