## **TRENDS OF RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR HIV/AIDS IN LOW -INCOME COUNTRIES: ARE THERE INEFFICIENCIES?**

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# INTRODUCTION

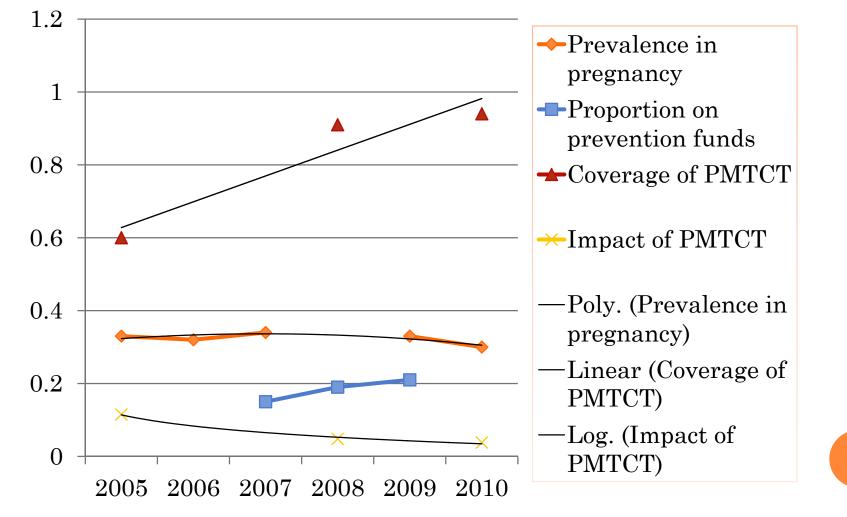
- Increase in resources available to fight HIV/AIDS
- Growing evidence of sub-optimal resource allocation
- Response is inefficient and ineffective
- Prevention essential in order to prevent the growth of the epidemic

# STUDY AIMS & METHODS

• Study aims:

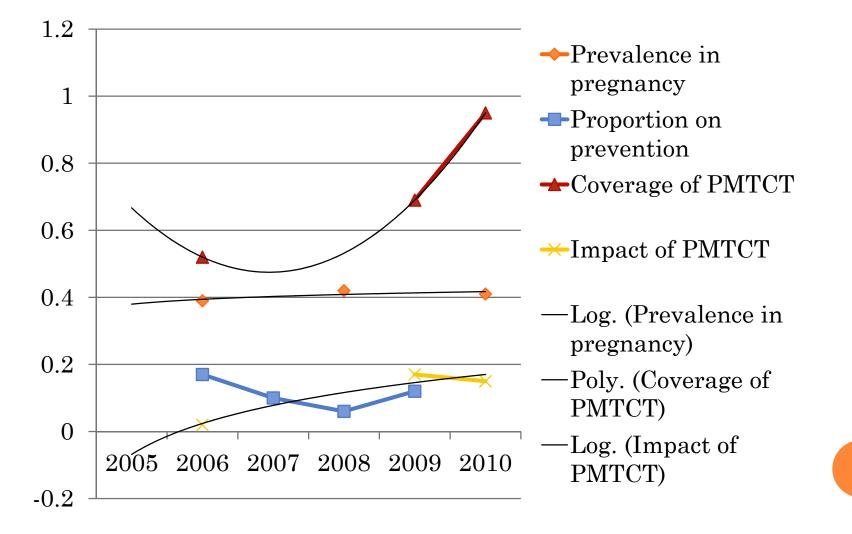
- Compare trends in allocation
- Compare trends in HIV indices (Percentage of + infants born to + mothers, Prevalence)
- Compare coverage of prevention services- PMTCT (Percentage of + infants born to + mothers)
- Literature/Desk review of :
  - UNGASS country reports for English Speaking countries
  - National AIDS Spending Assessments
  - Evidence on Prevalence
- Years of interest were 2005-2010.
- Countries studied include:
  - Botswana. Zambia, Lesotho, Namibia, Rwanda, Ghana & Swaziland

### BOTSWANA



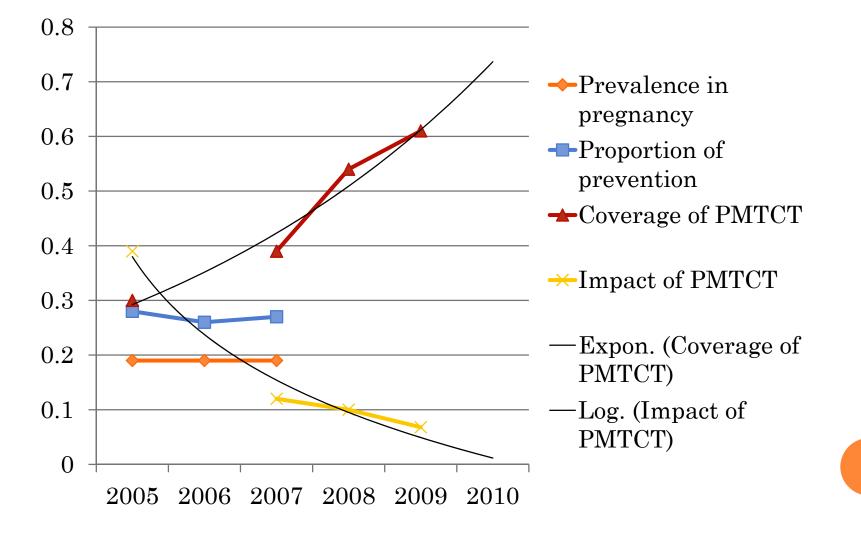
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### SWAZILAND

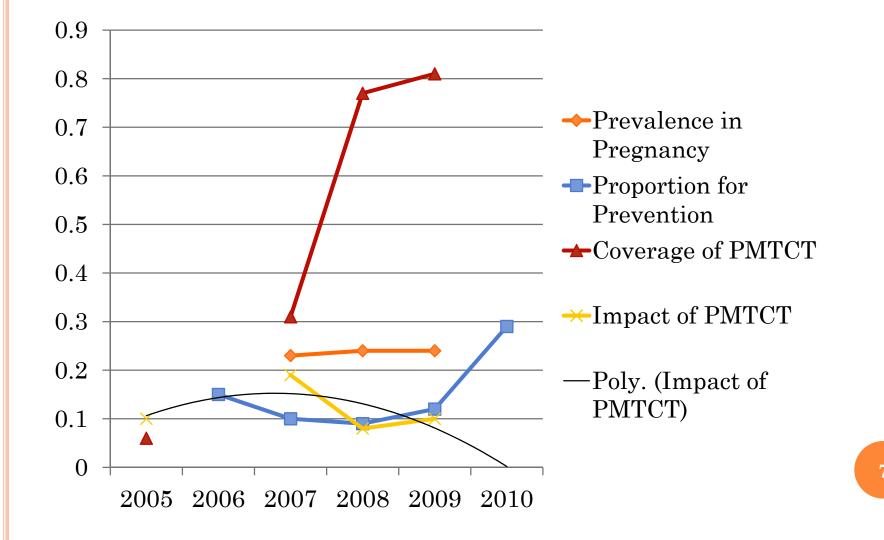


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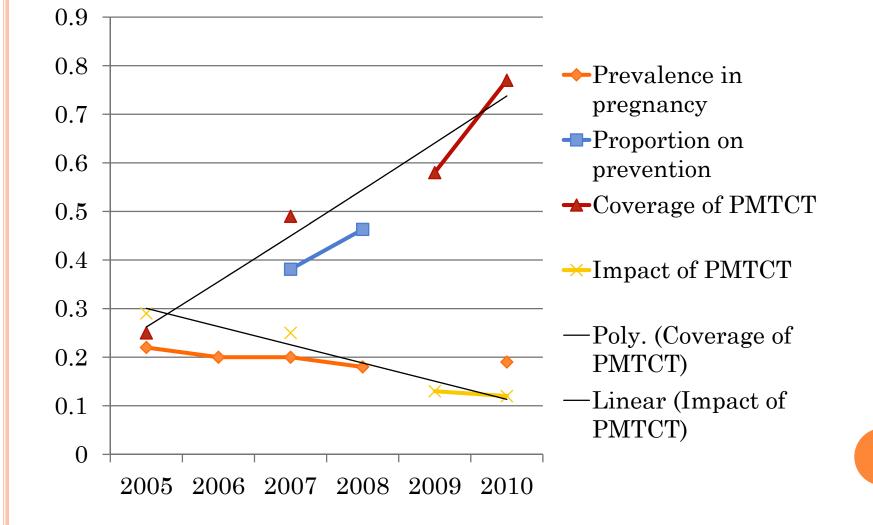
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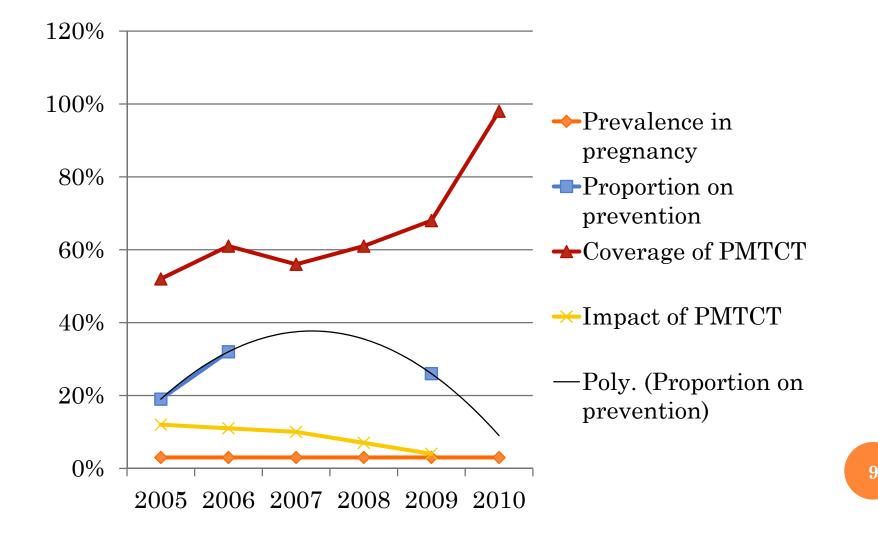
#### LESOTHO



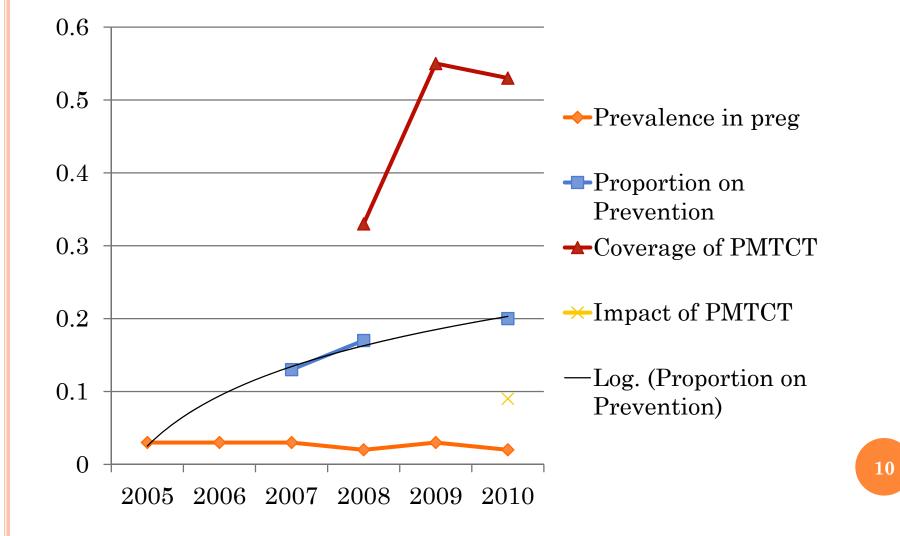
# NAMIBIA



### RWANDA



# Ghana



# **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

#### o Botswana and Lesotho

The comparative increase in the resources allocated to HIV (though slow in lesotho) is matched by a comparative increase in coverage of PMTCT as well as a corresponding decline in new infections in new-borns.

#### • Swaziland

• Presents a picture converse to the one seen in Botswana.

#### oRwanda:

Mixed results. ? Data problem, increase in absolute amounts, outlier for 2009. Still reviewing.

#### o Unavailable data:

Namibia and Ghana presented interesting trends despite missing data

# LIMITATIONS

- Internal validity: Paucity of the data on prevalence and resource allocation
- No assessment of equity. No information on MARPS
- No incidence data: Best marker for progress on prevention
- Use of prevalence in Pregnancy as a proxy.
- Confounders like natural course of epidemic

# CONCLUSIONS

- Increasing comparative allocation and expenditure on prevention compared to other priorities improves HIV/AIDS indices significantly.
- There is need for institutionalization of NASAs as well the UNGASS reporting in order to provide data for decision making.

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