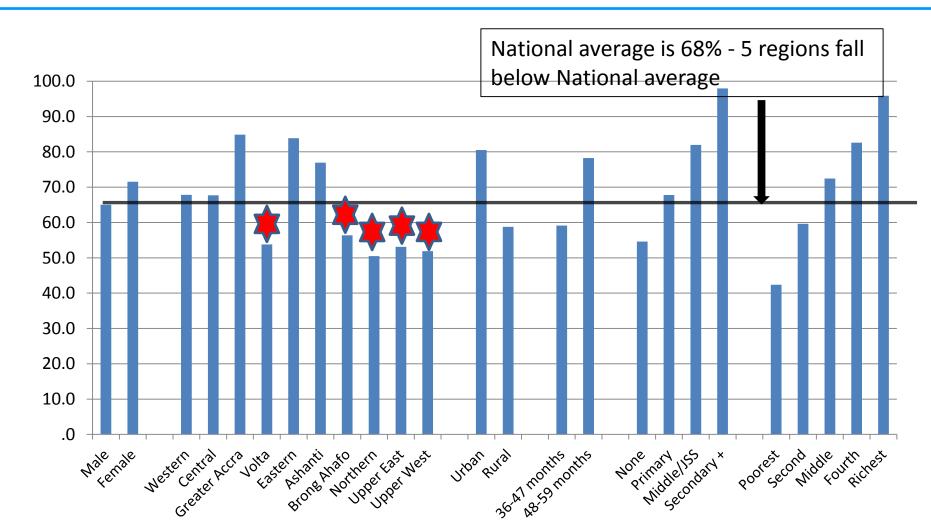
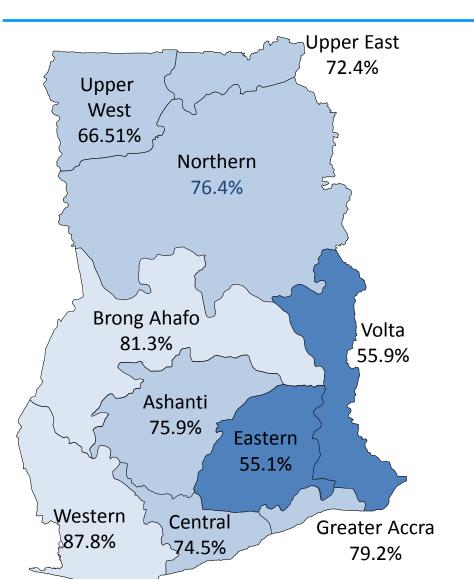


#### Children 36-59 months attending ECD varies by various background characteristics

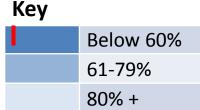


#### Early Childhood Development Index

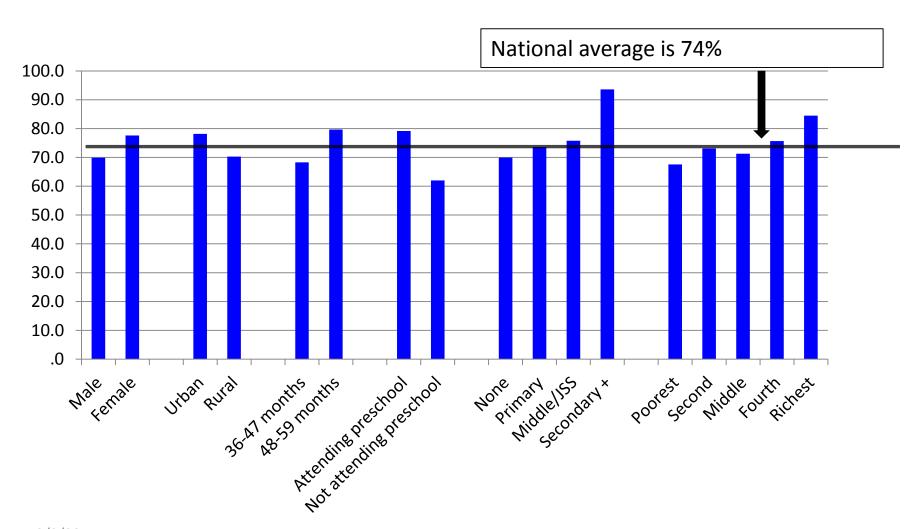


Children age 36-59 months who are developmentally on track in literacy-numeracy, physical, social-emotional, and learning domains

National Average – 74%

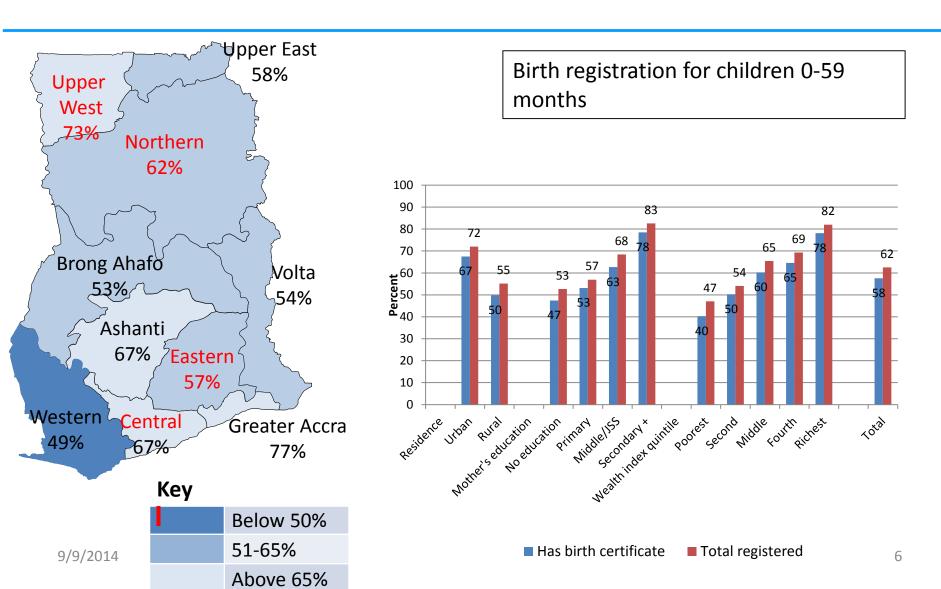


## ECD Index by other background characteristics

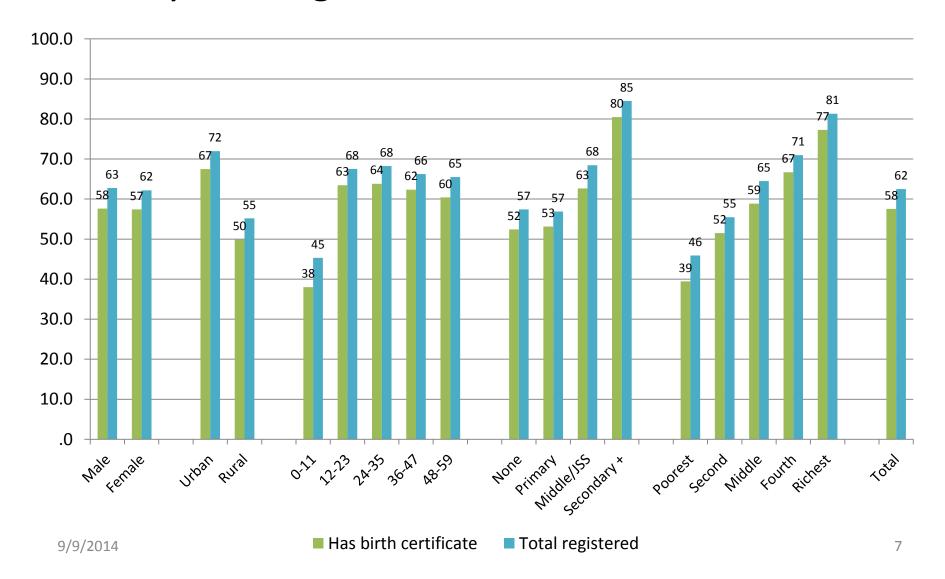




#### Births of nearly 40% of children under-5 yrs in Ghana are not registered......

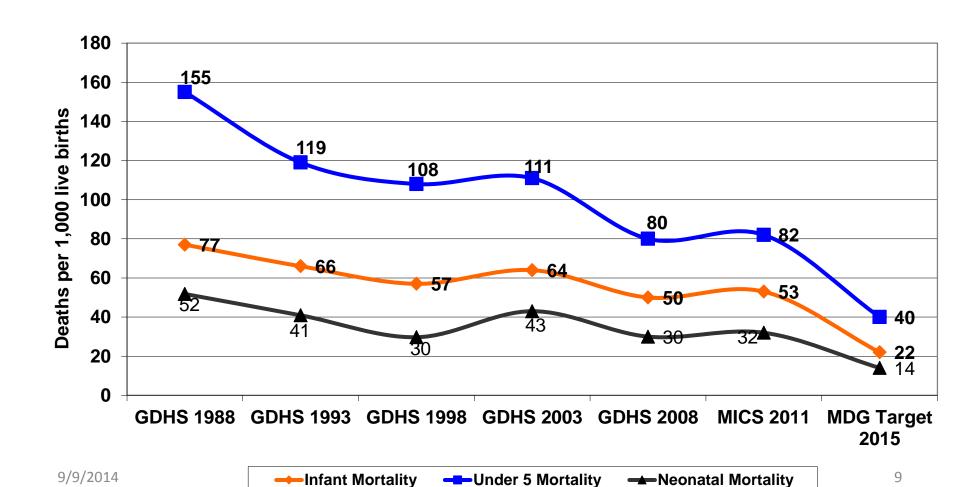


### Despite free registration, only 45% of children under 1yr are registered.....

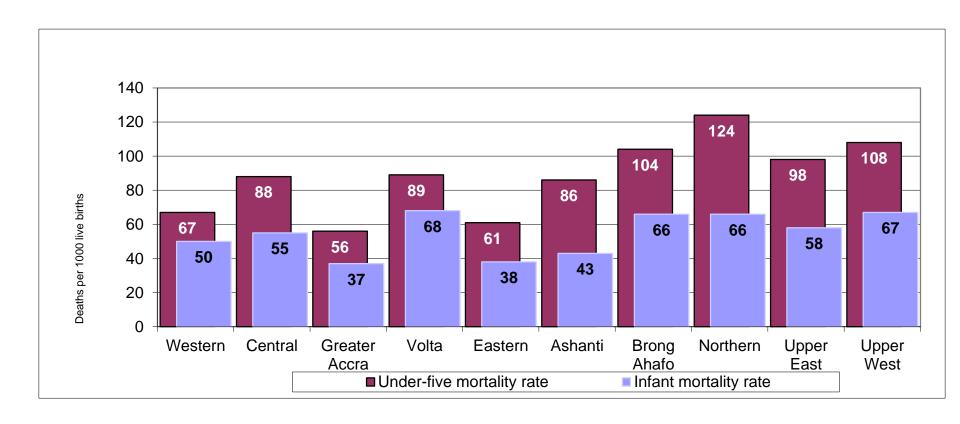




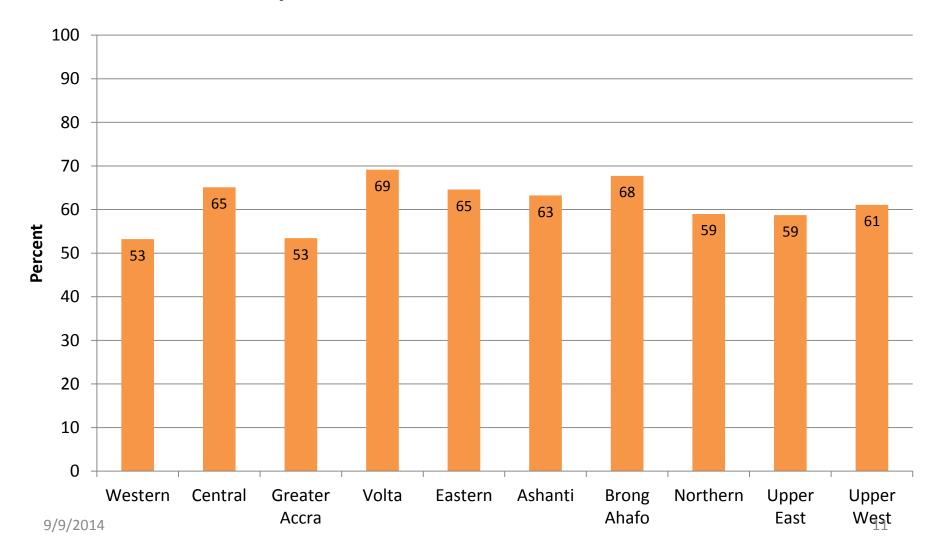
#### Trends in childhood Mortality, 1988-2011



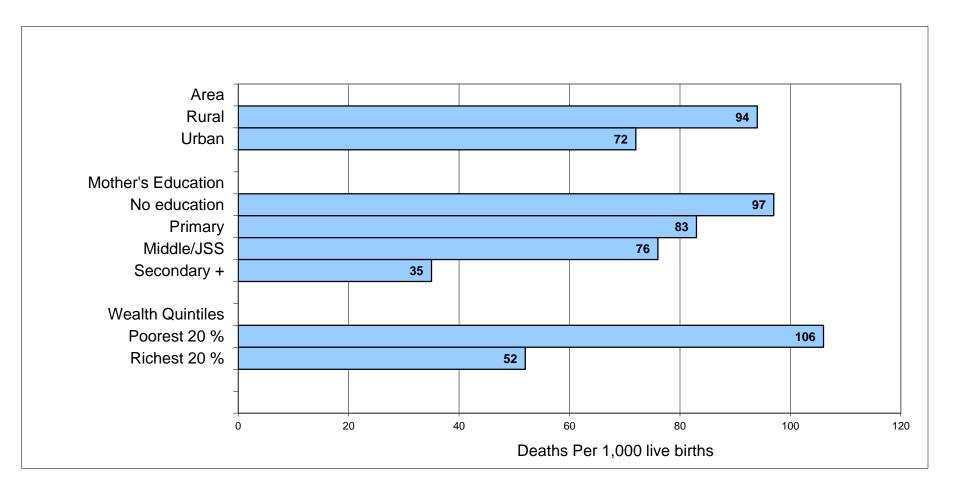
#### Childhood mortality rates by regions, 2011

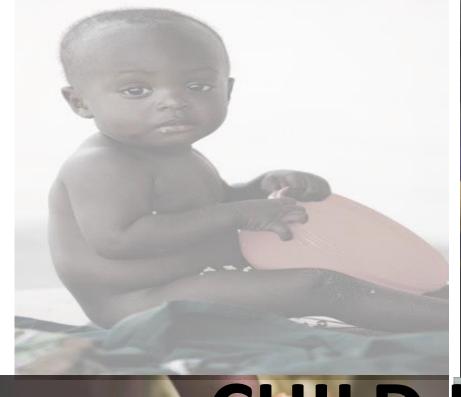


### first month of birth.... this should be tackled, if overall mortality is to be reduced



#### U5M is higher for rural, poorest, and children whose mothers have little education



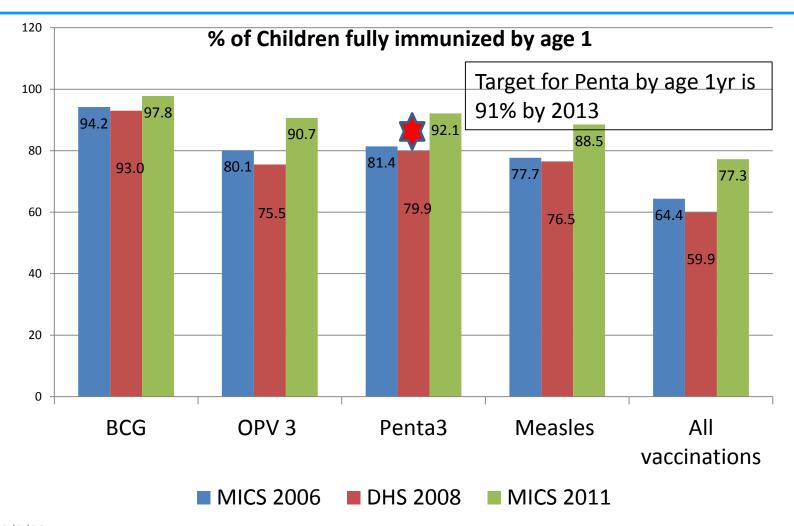




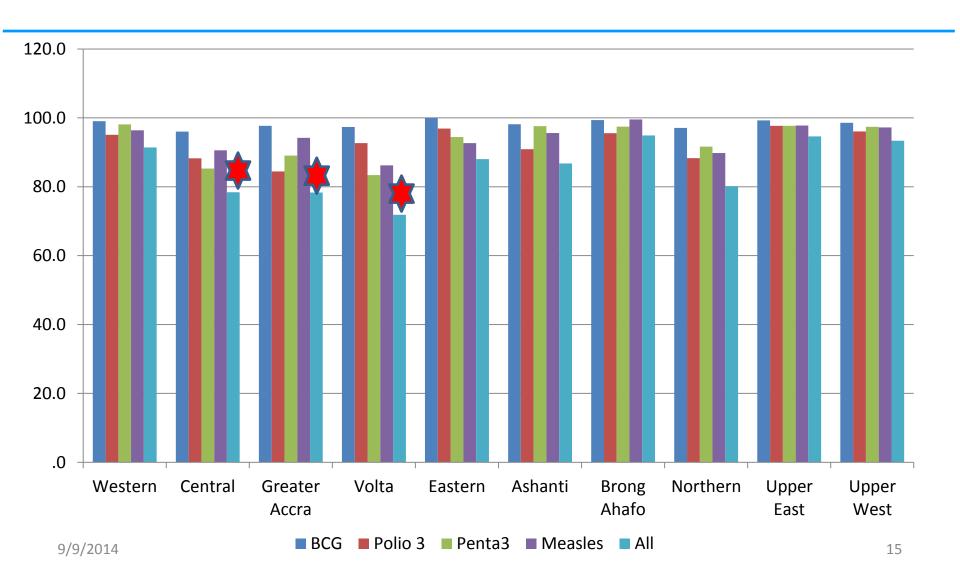




## Some gains made in immunization, but nearly 1 in 4 children missing out on vital immunization by age 1



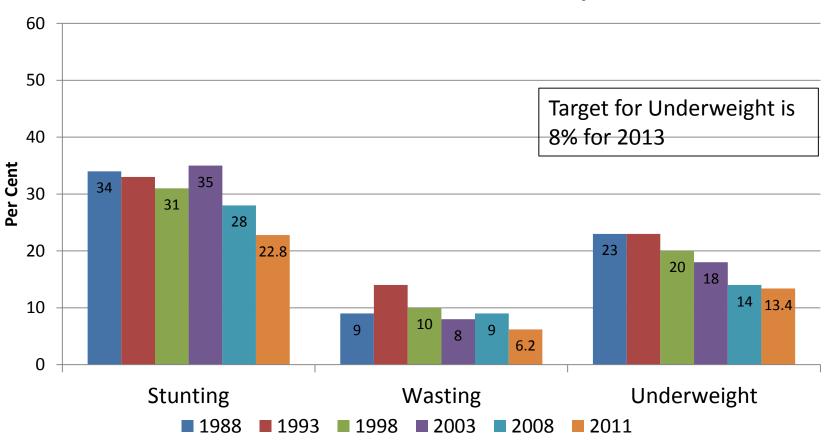
## At least 80% of children in 7 of the regions have received vital immunization by the age of 2 years

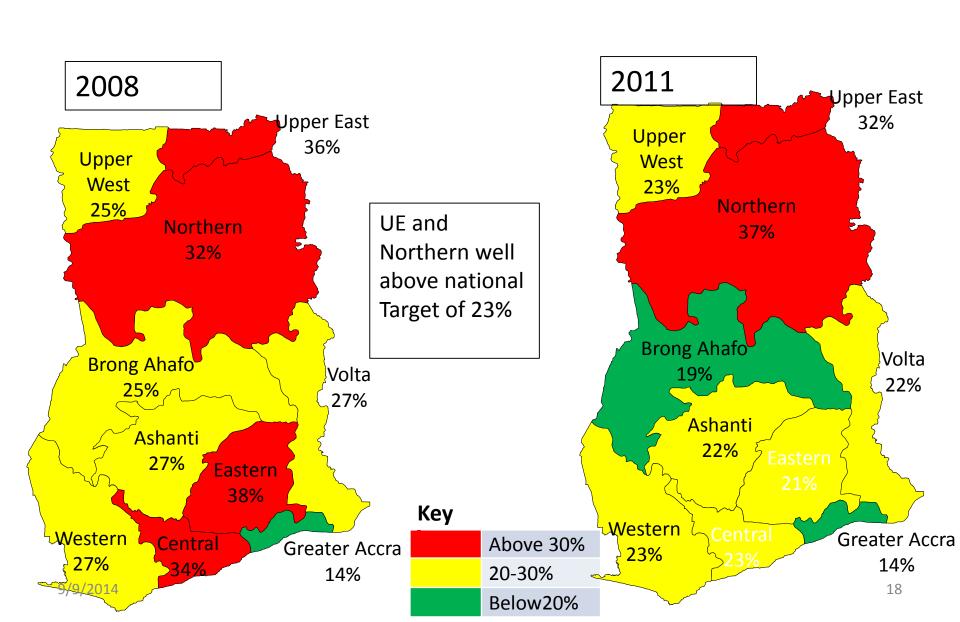




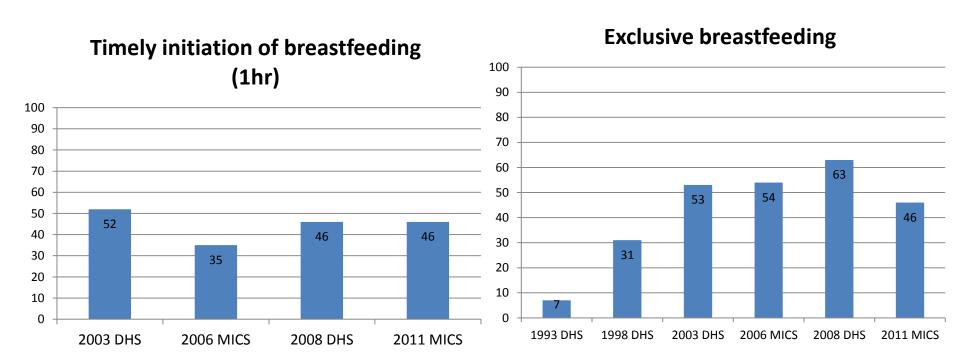
#### Some reduction in malnutrition rates, but still more than 1 in 5 children in Ghana is stunted....

#### **Nutritional Status of Children under-5 yrs**



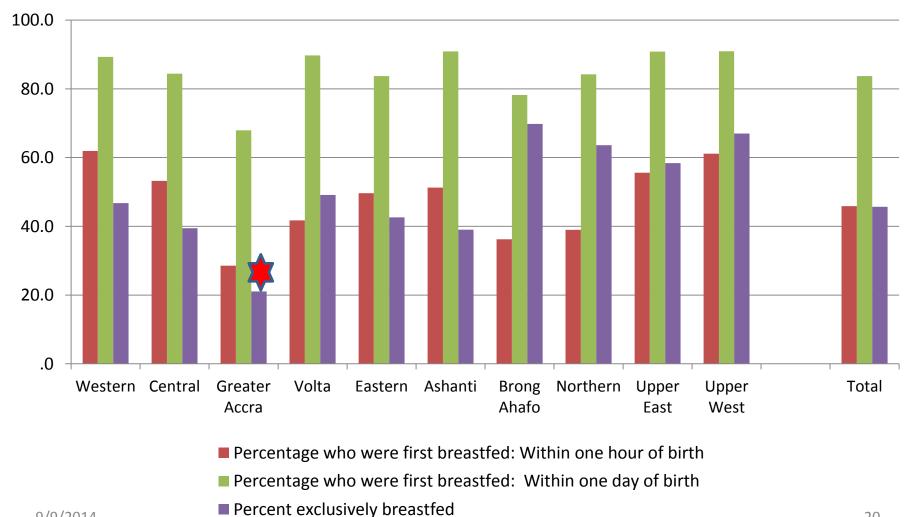


### Concerted efforts required to promote breastfeeding.....

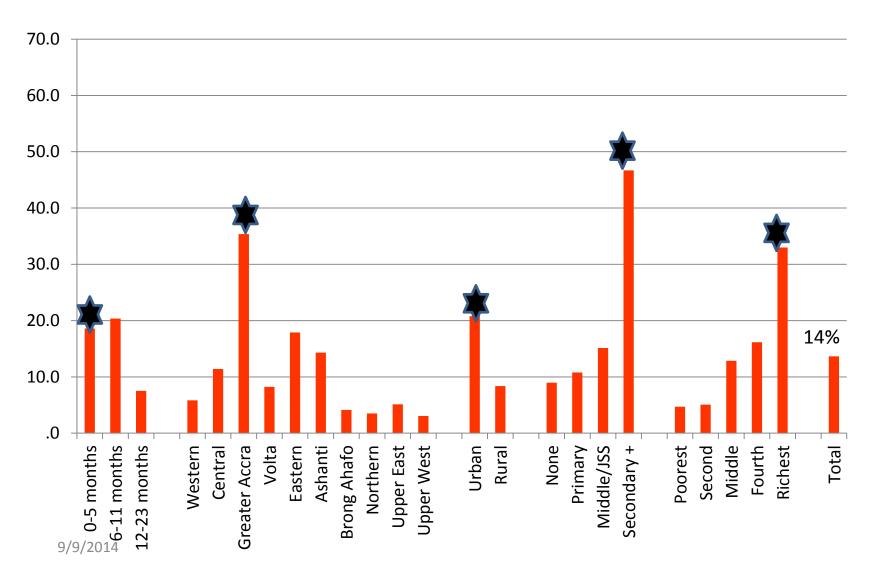


Exclusive Breastfeeding Target is 70% by 2012

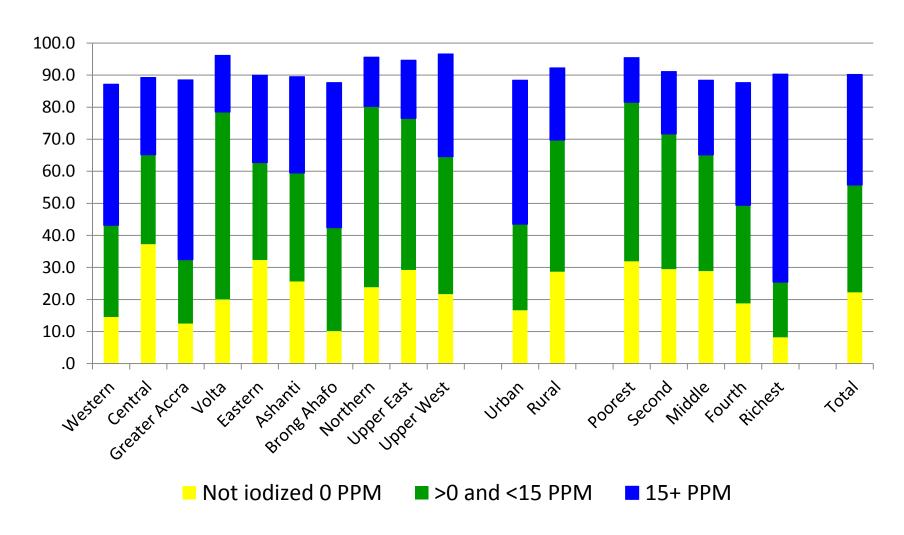
#### Early initiation of BF (1hr) highest in Western and UW; BA has the highest exclusive BF rate (70%), and Accra the lowest at 21%



### Increase in bottle-feeding especially in Accra, Urban areas, richest and most educated.....

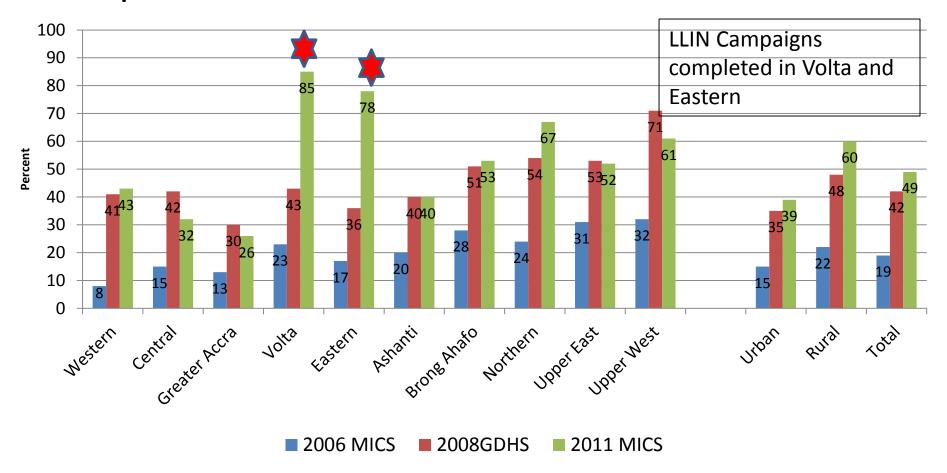


#### Use of Iodised Salt still low.... 35% up from 32% in 2006 ....



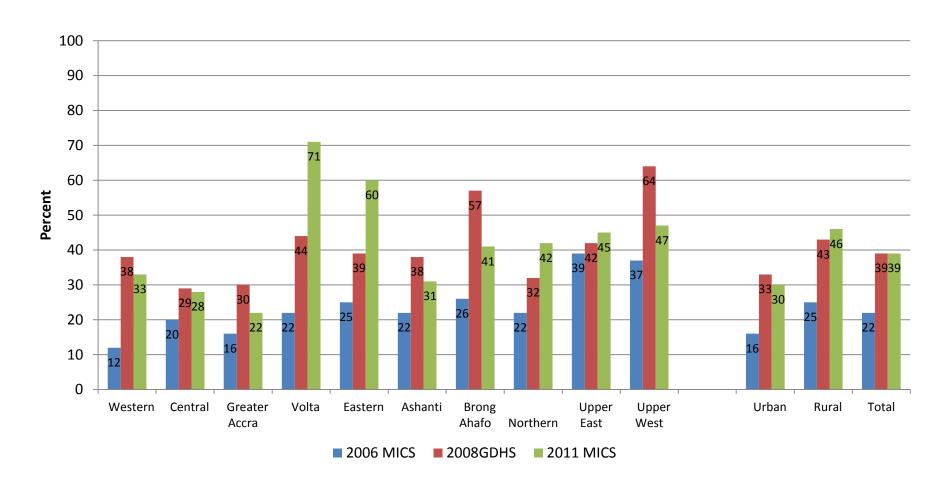


## ITN Ownership has increased over the years, especially in regions where hang-up campaign was completed before the MICS

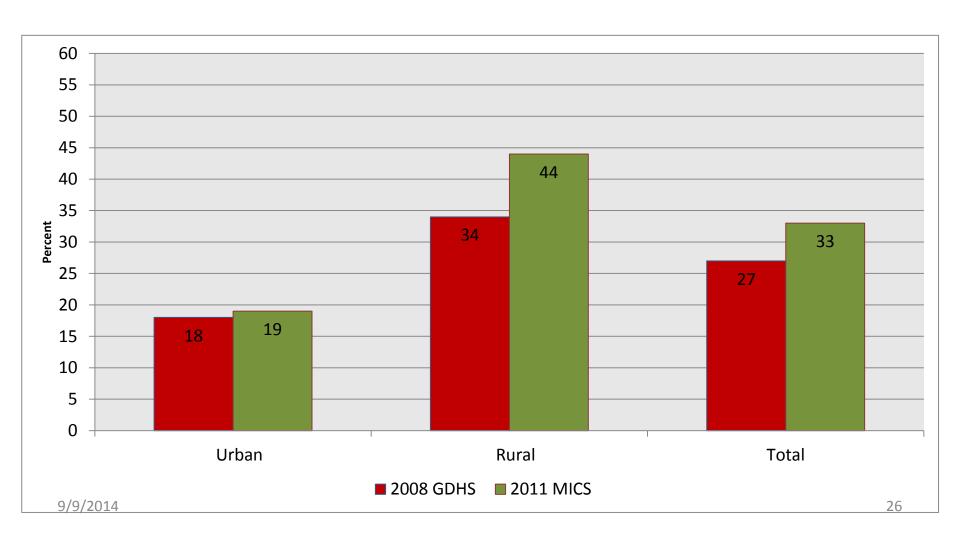


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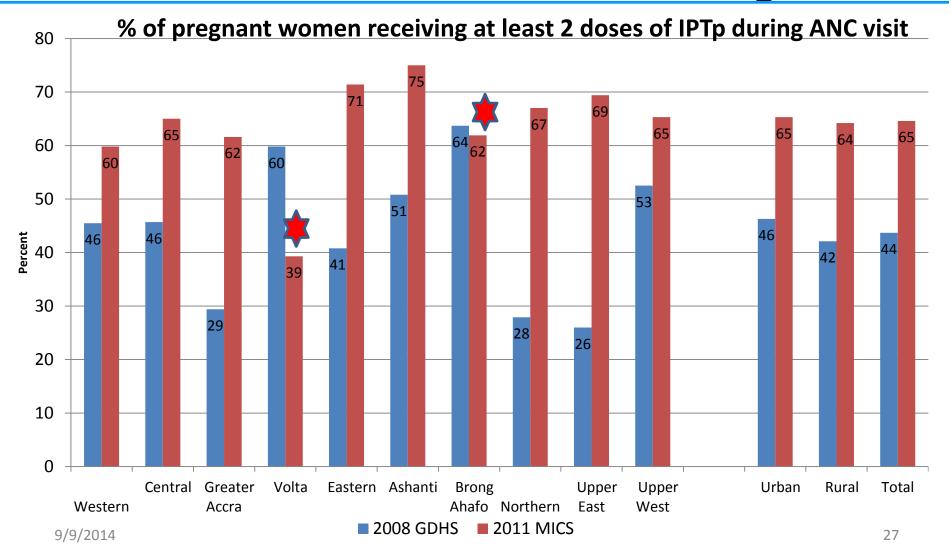
Increase in the % of children sleeping under ITNs, esp. in regions with hang-up campaigns, but well below the national target of 70% by 2013



## Pregnant women sleeping under ITNs has increased, especially in Rural areas....



# Progress seen over time in prevention of malaria in pregnant women, however this is still below the 85% national target



## Malaria prevalence among 6-59 months children higher for the poorest, those with uneducated mothers, and those in rural areas

