

Improving the performance and quality of the health-care delivery system: Experience from Health Insurance Project in Rwanda

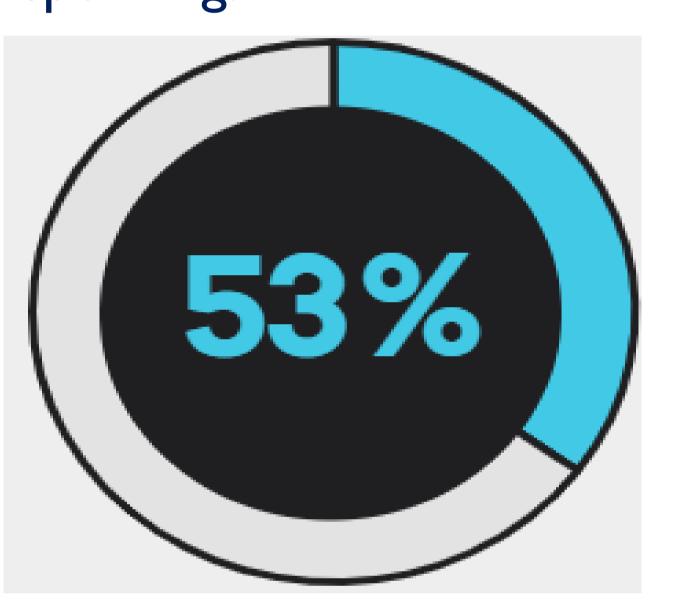


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Issues

- Out-of-pocket spending on health care is not always easy to manage.
- Many Rwandan households have experienced financial hardship and poverty as a result of not seeking care when needed, while others have been pushed into financial difficulty as a result of seeking care.
- These consequences are exacerbated for the poor and uninsured household.
- In addition, Foreign donors provided for 53% of Rwanda's total health spending.





Description

- The Health Insurance initiative is one of the components of "Assuring access to quality care: the missing link to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria in Rwanda".
- The Ministry of Health (MOH) and the PACFA have been working together on this Community Based Health Insurance (CBHI) project since 2006.
- The ultimate goal of the project is to enhance the health of Rwanda's most vulnerable people.
- Increased financial access to health care for PLWHAs, orphans and other vulnerable children
- Strengthening and upgrading the health-care delivery system's performance and quality are among the specific targets.

\$4,291,292

Overall budget for the life of the project

Data collection:

Data was collected through routine monitoring

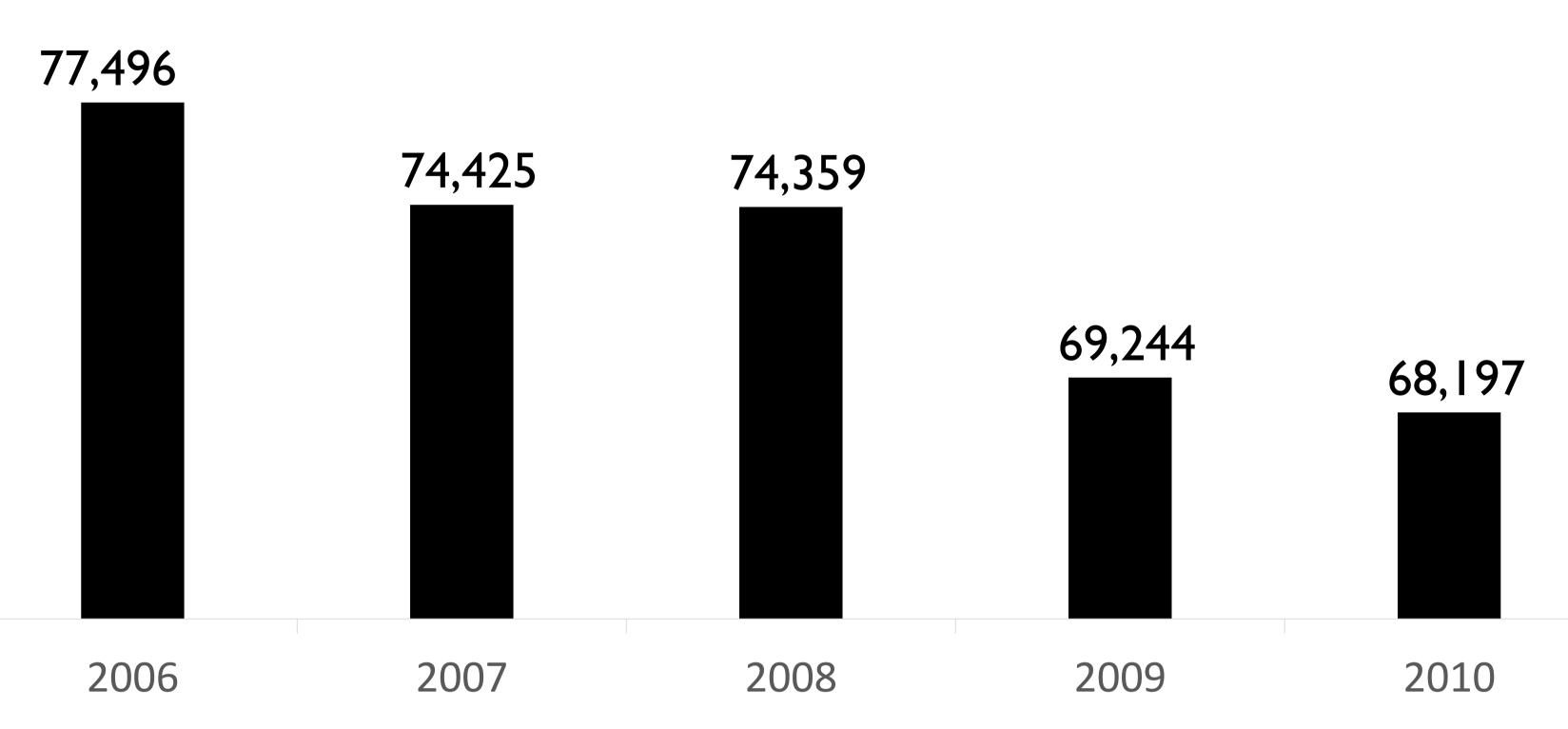
Data Analysis:

• Descriptive analysis have been generated using Microsoft Excel.

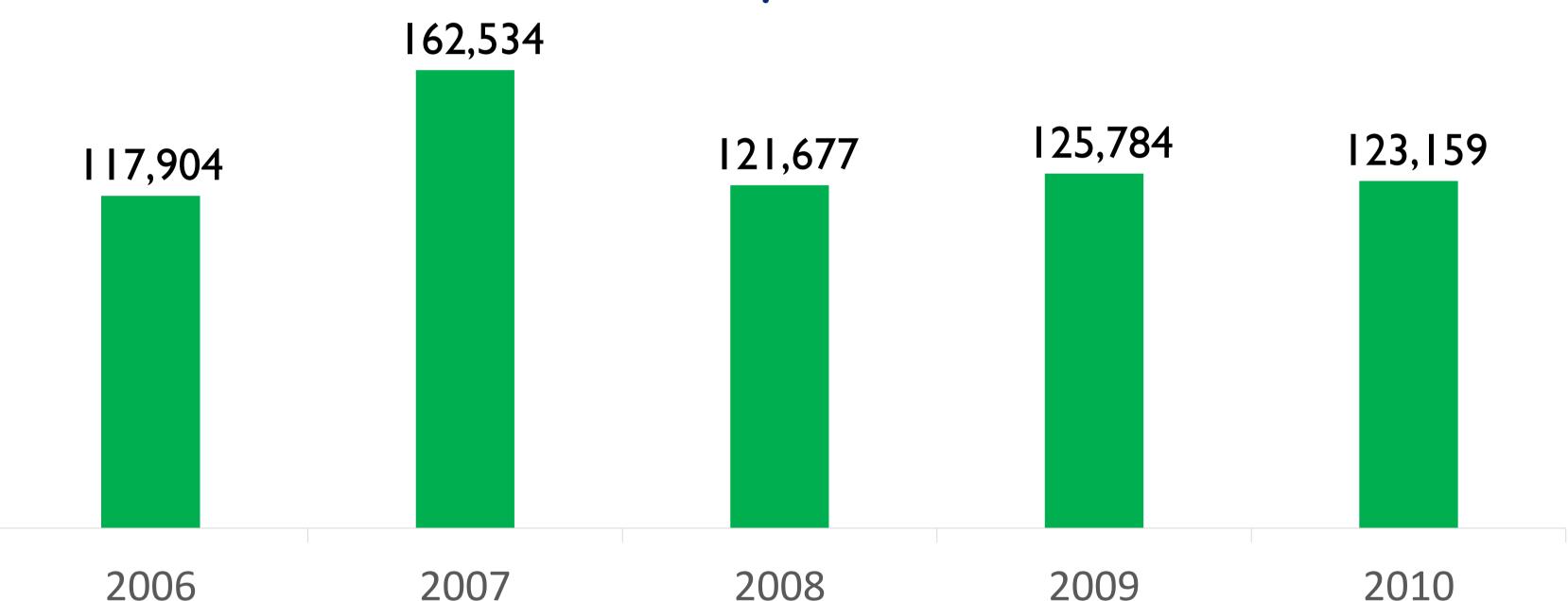
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Lessons Learned

• Number of the orphans and vulnerable children who received health insurance



Number of people living with HIV/AIDS who received health insurance



1,014,779 beneficiaries

• The overall number of people beneficiated from the health insurance project.

US\$ 2,000,000

• 2 billion Rwandan francs were spent to cover their health insurance contributions for the next five years.

Next Steps

- Imbuto Foundation has made a significant contribution to national efforts to increase financial access to health care through this project.
- Since then, the government has made considerable improvements to health insurance, and Rwanda has launched CBHI to boost health-care demand.
- Key words: HIV /AIDS, health insurance, Mutuelle de sante, CBHI
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