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**Knowledge, attitudes and practice of parents  
towards birth registration in Rwanda: “Case of  
Rubavu district”**

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# Presentation Outline

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# Background



- Pop:12,089,721, Sup: 28,648 Sqm
- CBR:30.7 ; CDR:6.1 ; UMR:38.5



# Introduction

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- ❑ Birth registration which is **the compulsory recording of birth events in** accordance with the **legal requirements** of a country;
- ❑ Birth registration establishes **who you** are and gives access to **the rights** and **obligations** of citizenship as well as providing measures for **child health development**;
- ❑ However, it imposes **major threats** in sub Saharan region with lowest coverage rate ( around 47% ) .



## Intro cont'

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- ❑ In Rwanda, the process of strengthening civil registration and vital statistics **started in 2012**;
- ❑ Some Initiatives were put in place to increase the coverage & completeness in **birth notification** and **registration**;
- ❑ Currently more than **80%** of birth were notified and more than **56 %** registered within the legal time;
- ❑ Although, significant regional differences were observed at district level, and Rubavu were among the **worst performer**.



## **Objective:**

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The purpose of this study is to assess the knowledge, attitude and practices of parents on birth registration.

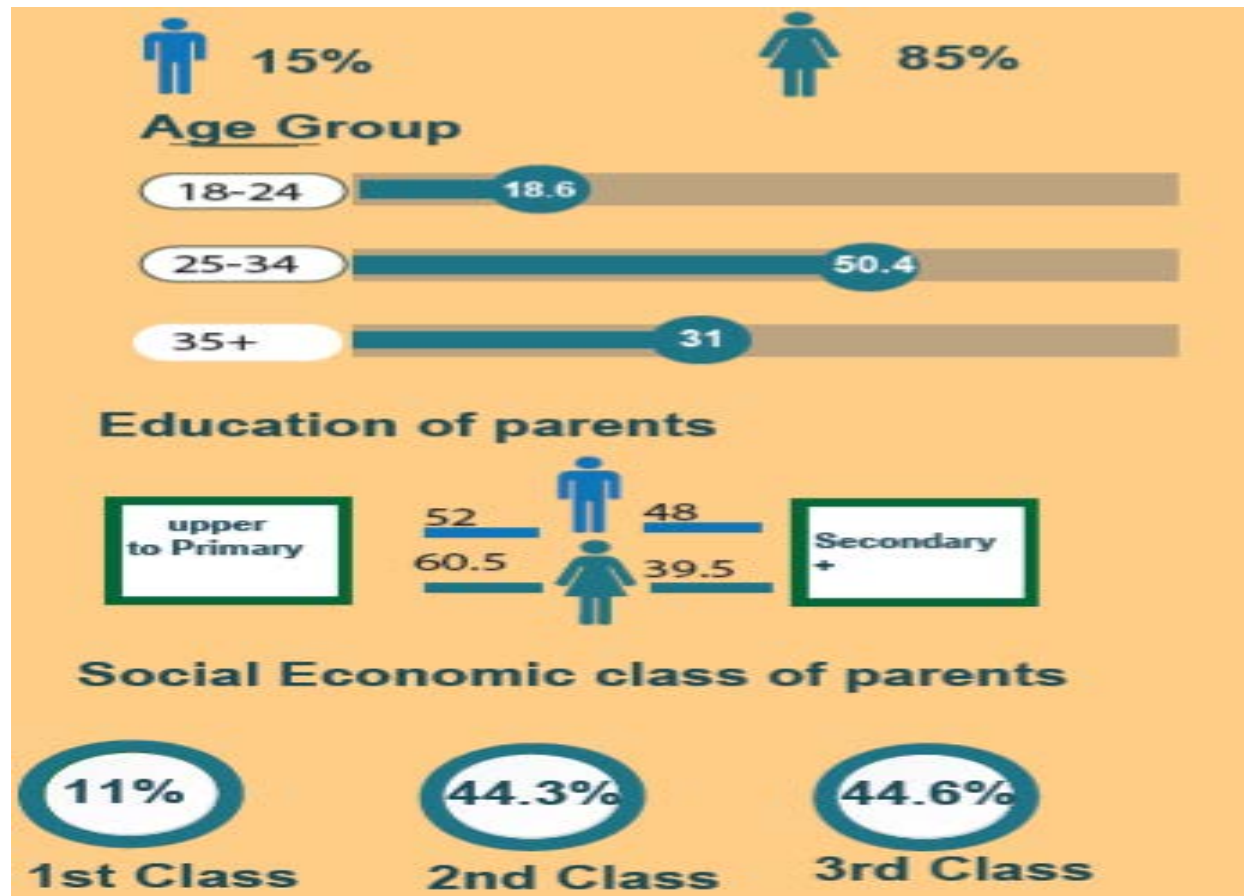
## **Methodology:**

A mixed approach combining quantitative and qualitative were used on 397 parents and caregivers aged 18 years and 3 focus group.

The study participants must at least have a children aged 5 years and less.

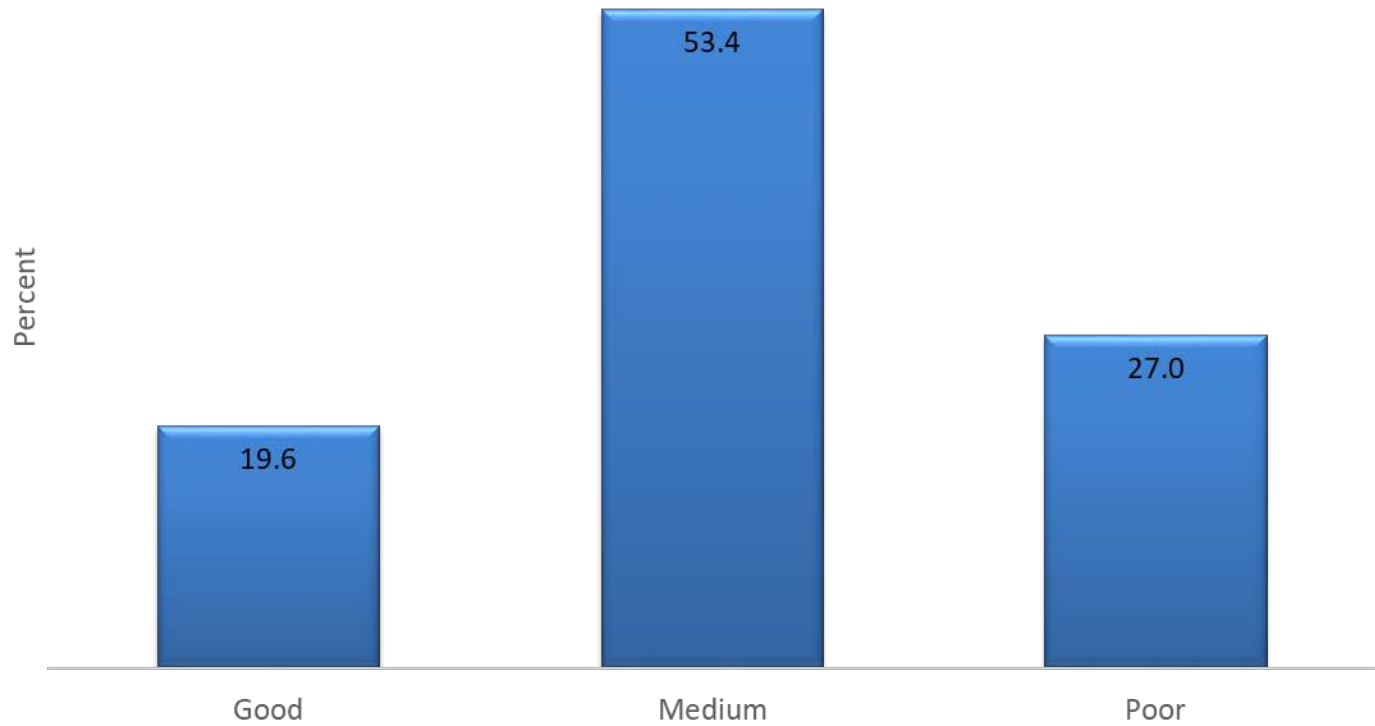
# Study findings

Social demographics factors were found associated with birth registration practice.



# Levels of knowledge

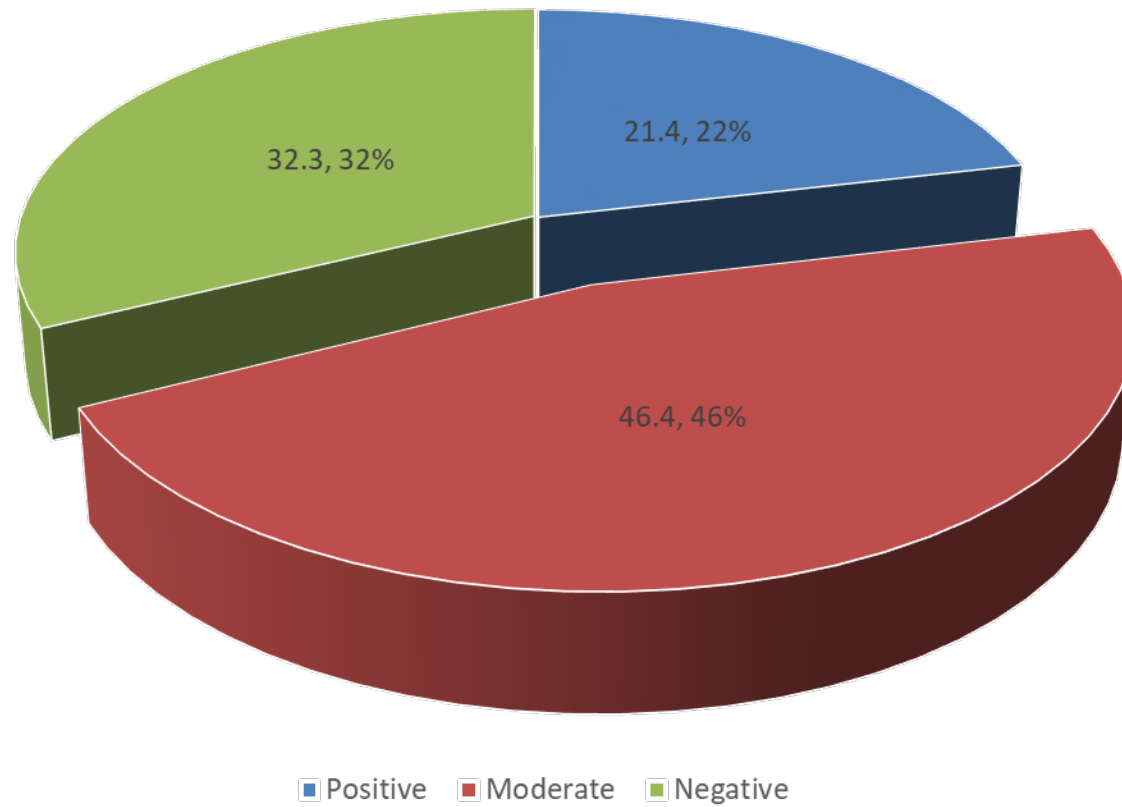
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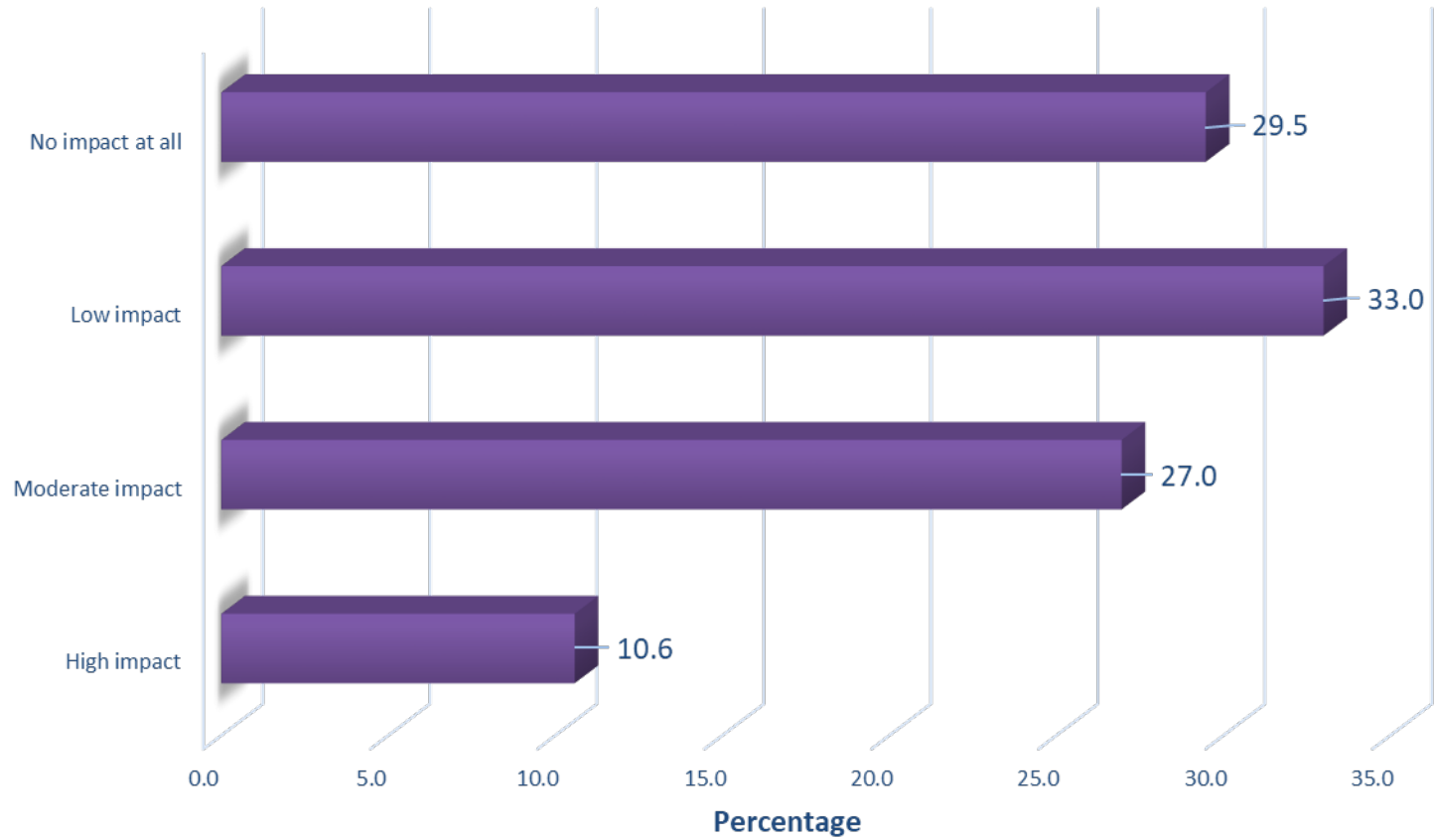


# Levels of attitudes

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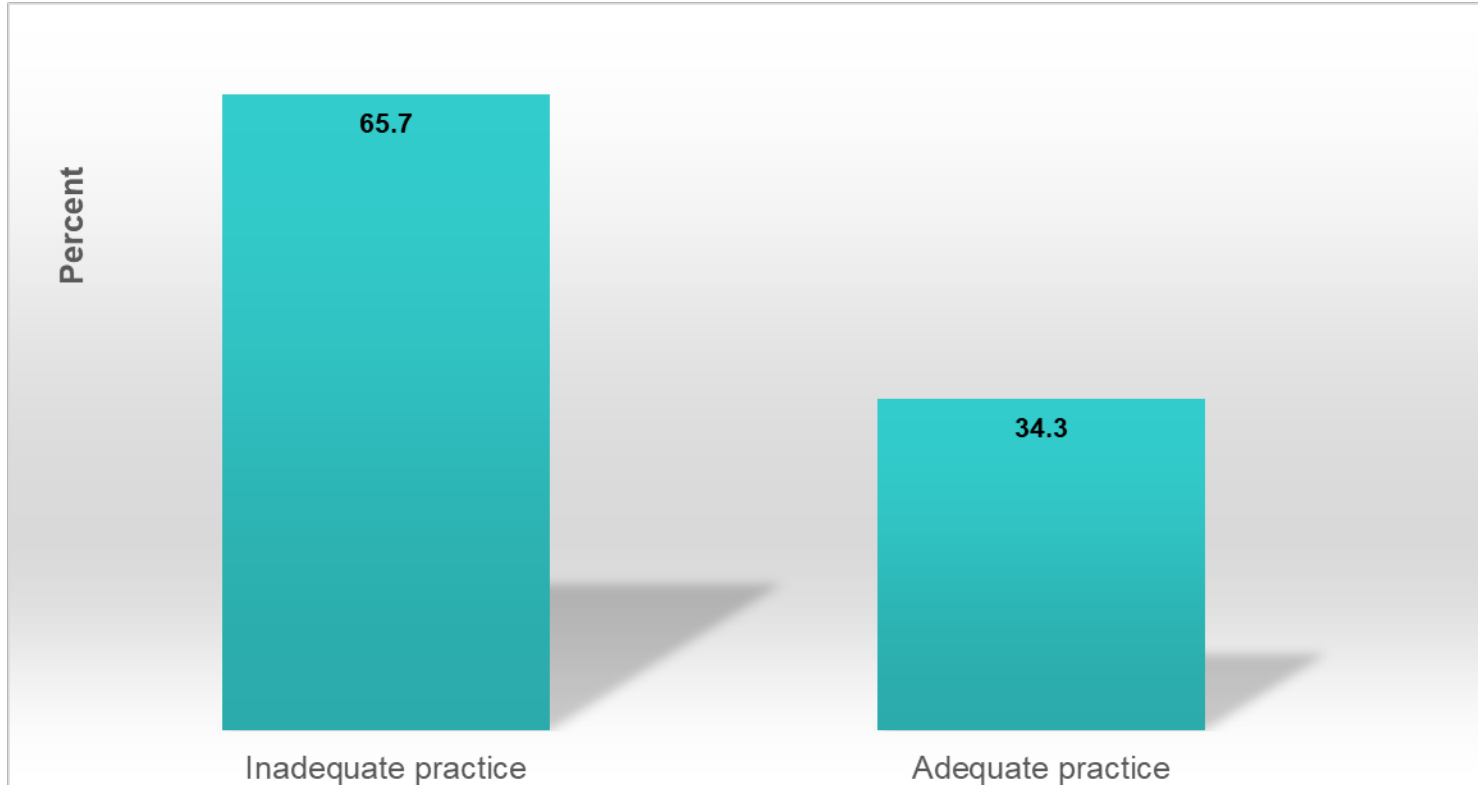


# Awareness levels



# Practice levels

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The adequate practice of birth registration in Rwanda is passed through the process of notification, verification and then registration and certification.



# Conclusion & Recommendation

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- ❑ Social demographics factors such as age of parents, sex, education were impacted on birth registration practice.
- ❑ The study has revealed a strong association between practice of birth registration and levels of parents attitudes.
- ❑ It has revealed also the negative association with parents knowledge while it shows that the current awareness does not impact much.
- ❑ the accessibility focus on hospital delivery registration to re-balance parents decision.



# Thank You

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