

## **The 2005 Zambia HIV/AIDS Service Provision Assessment Survey**

The 2005 Zambia HIV/AIDS Service Provision Assessment Survey provides a comprehensive picture of the availability and quality of health services nationwide for people living with HIV/AIDS. The survey looked closely at the strengths and weaknesses of facility-based services related to HIV/AIDS, such as Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT), Preventing Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) and Care and Support Services (CSS). The primary objectives of the survey were to:

- Provide baseline information on the availability of specific HIV/AIDS services and the extent to which these services are offered;
- Describe how HIV/AIDS services are provided and the quality of standards followed;
- Allow for comparisons at provincial and national level, and among different types of facilities;
- Identify gaps in support services, resources, or service provision that may impact the ability of facilities to provide quality services; and
- Provide a baseline measurement of certain international HIV/AIDS indicators for the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

Health care facilities are found throughout Zambia, with heavy concentration along the "line of rail". These facilities include health posts, health centres, district and first-level referral hospitals, general hospitals, and central hospitals. There are also mine hospitals and clinics in Copperbelt province. Mission hospitals and clinics are commonly located in rural and poorer districts. Ministry of Defense facilities offer services to their staff and relatives, and the private clinics and for profit hospitals are located primarily in urban areas.

Overall, HIV/AIDS-related services are more available in hospitals and urban health centres than in rural ones. Basic care and support services (CSS) are widely available. Post-exposure prophylaxis and anti-retroviral therapy are among the least available services.

**Overview of HIV-Related Health Care Services in Zambia:  
Percent of Facilities Offering Services**

	<b>Voluntary Counselling and Testing (VCT)</b>	<b>Care and Support Services (CSS)</b>	<b>Anti- Retroviral Therapy (ART)</b>	<b>Preventing Mother-to- Child Transmission (PMTCT)</b>	<b>Post- Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)</b>	<b>Youth-Friendly VCT/PMTCT Services (YFS)</b>
Central	58	90	9	27	2	14
Copperbelt	60	99	9	23	15	24
Eastern	34	100	5	18	3	8
Luapula	20	96	6	8	5	9
Lusaka	52	93	32	16	27	16
Northern	46	100	3	8	1	32
NorthWestern	24	95	3	13	2	0
Southern	31	97	5	14	5	7
Western	43	96	4	41	4	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>