# Gender Dividends in Southern Africa

Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, Swaziland and South Africa

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# The Five Countries

Indicator	BWA	MUS	NAM	SWZ	ZAF
GDP p.c. (constant 2011 PPP \$)	15 807	20 293	9 542	7 739	12 295
Female LFPR, ages 15+ (%)	65.6	45.1	58.5	42.7	47.8
Male LFPR, ages 15+ (%)	78.4	72.7	65.2	67.2	62.0
Urbanisation rate (%)	58.0	39.4	48.6	21.3	65.8
Access to electricity (%)	60.7	98.8	51.8	65.8	84.2
Population (millions)	2.29	1.26	2.53	1.37	56.72
Population growth (annual %)	1.8	0.1	2.2	1.8	1.2
Total fertility rate	2.73	1.40	3.42	3.08	2.46
Youth dep. ratio (% of WAP)	48.6	26.0	61.4	62.3	44.1
Elderly dep. ratio (% of WAP)	6.1	15.5	5.9	5.3	8.1
Poverty rate, \$1.90/day PPP (%)	18.2	0.5	22.6	42.0	18.9
Poverty rate, \$3.20/day PPP (%)	37.1	3.2	47.0	64.4	37.6
Gini coefficient	60.5	35.8	61.0	51.5	63.0

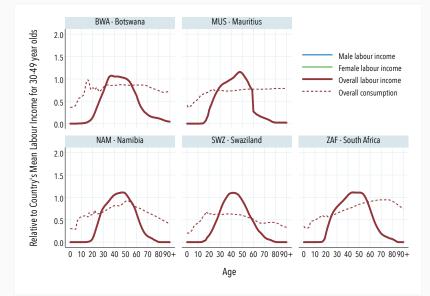
# METHODOLOGY AND DATA

- Follow standard NTTA methodology
- Third-party criterion to identify productive activities, 15 major groups
- Production: from time spent by each respondent on each activity, calculate mean time for each sex at each age for each activity (incl. zeros)
- Consumption: Allocate 'production' of non-market services to 'consumers' within and outside the household
- Specialist replacement wage to value time

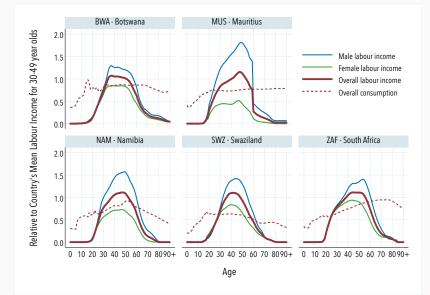
	BWA	MUS	NAM	SWZ	ZAF
Data year NTA by sex	2010 Yes	2003 Yes	2012 Yes	2011 Yes	2010 Yes
NTTA by sex	-	Yes	-	-	Yes
24 Hour Diary	-	Yes	-	-	Yes
Respondent age	-	10+	-	-	10+
Respondents per HH	-	All	-	-	<=2
Specialist wages	-	Yes	-	-	Yes
Primary/secondary	-	No	-	-	No

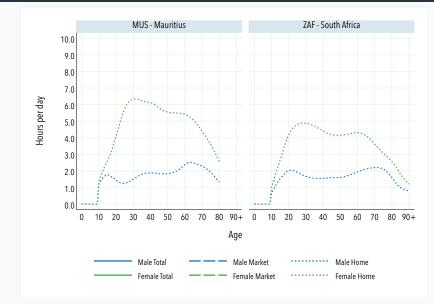
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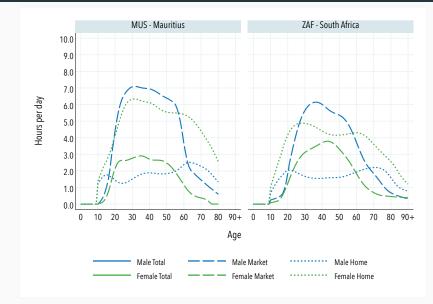
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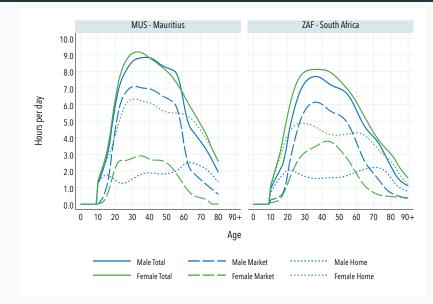


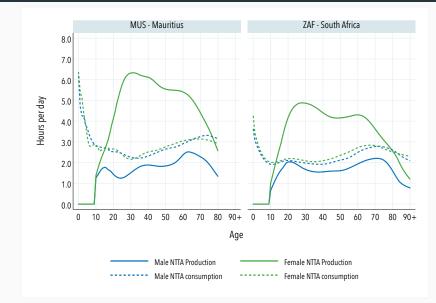
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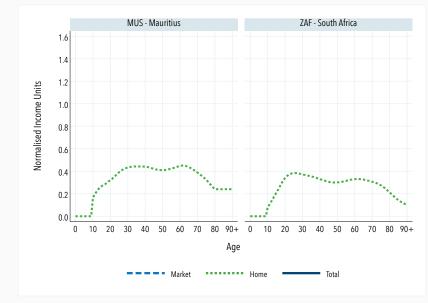




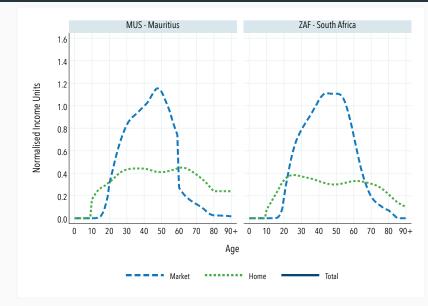




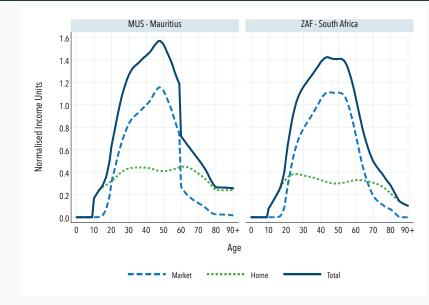
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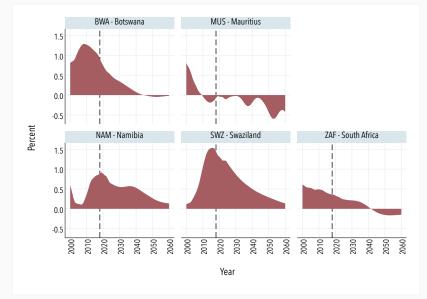
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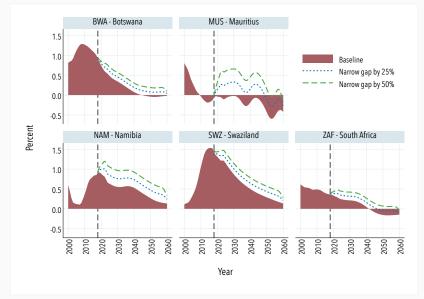
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- Three questions:
  - 1. What is the impact of convergence in gender-specific labour income?
  - 2. What does the non-market demographic dividend look like?
  - 3. How might non-market demographic dividend impact on the market demographic dividend?

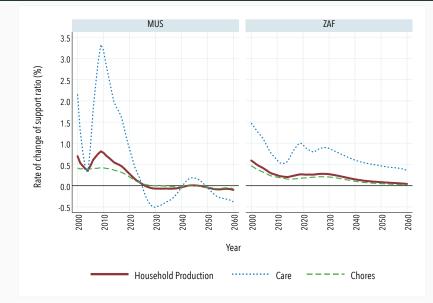
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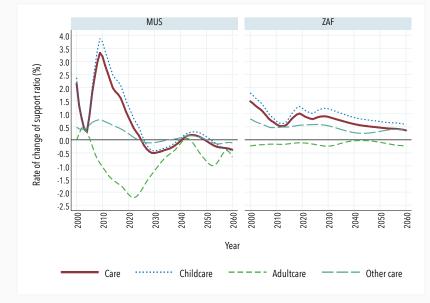
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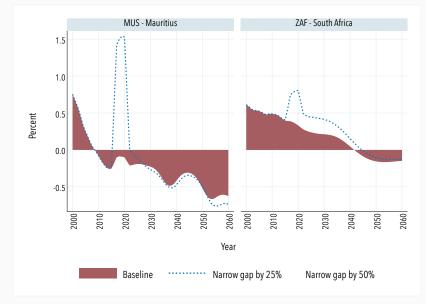
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### III. INTERACTION BETWEEN MARKET AND NON-MARKET DIVIDENDS



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- There are significant gender differences in labour income in all five countries, but particularly in Mauritius and Namibia
  - In Mauritius and SA, this is reflected in gender specialisation in productive activities
  - Women spend more time in productive activities than men at all ages in SA, and at most ages in Mauritius
- Narrowing the gap between male and female labour income profiles significantly boosts the dividend in all five countries. In Mauritius, the negative dividend is turned positive
- Mauritius has experienced a strong time dividend over the past 20 years, as due to falling 'demand' for childcare. This will turn negative, though, as the 'demand' for adultcare surges. In SA, the time dividend is positive but much more muted due to a more slowly changing population structure

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