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Inequity in the HIV Response

Breaking Down Structural Barriers Highlighted by COVID-19

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A few HIV related inequalities

Inequality in services for children: Only half (52%) of children living with HIV have access to life-saving medicine, and the inequality in HIV treatment coverage between children and adults is increasing rather than narrowing.

Racial inequality: In the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States, declines in new HIV diagnoses have been smaller among black people than among white populations. In Australia, Canada and the United States, HIV acquisition rates are higher in indigenous communities than in non-indigenous communities.

Gender-based inequality: In sub-Saharan Africa, adolescent girls and young women are three times as likely to acquire HIV as adolescent boys and young men.

Others

Demographic: age, religious affiliation

Geographic: city, community

Socioeconomic: education, income/wealth



The early days

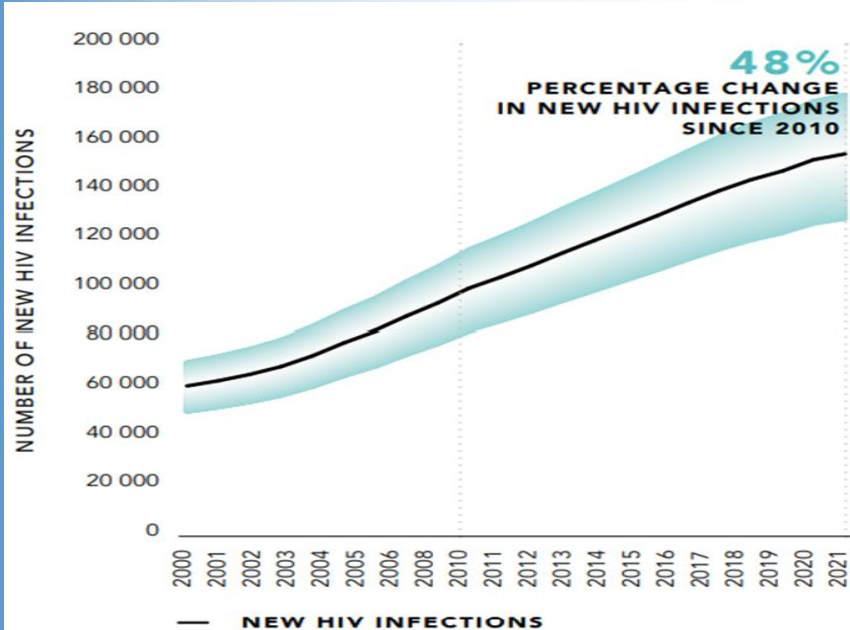


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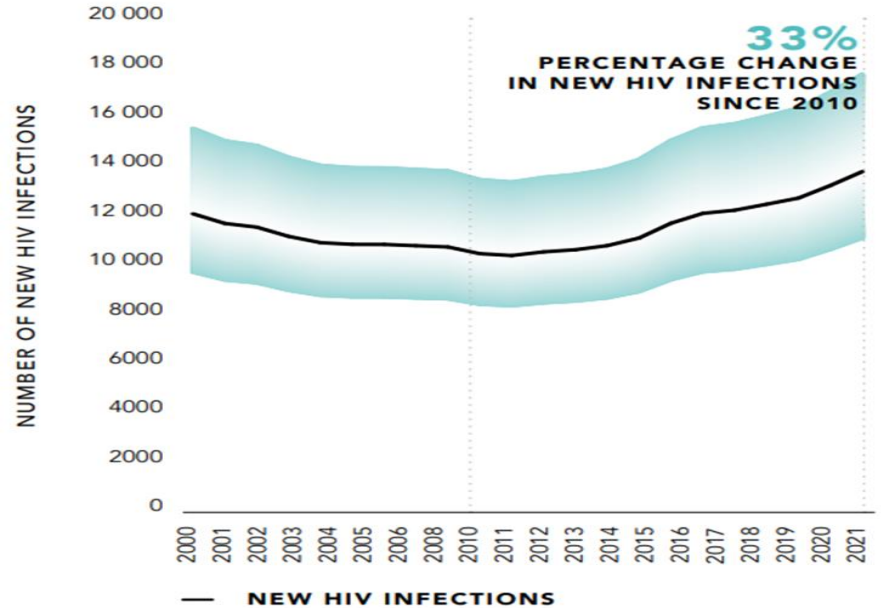
- PLHIV are at increased risk (38%) for development of severe illness and death due to COVID-19 (WHO – global data analysis)
- In 2020 TB deaths increased among PLHIV for the first time in 13 years from 209,000 in 2019 to 214,000 in 2020 (WHO, 2021 global TB report)
- In many countries, due to weaker healthcare systems, informal settlements, over-crowded cities and public transportation and lack of clean water and sanitation, approaches to self protection, social distancing and containment was not viable

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Eastern Europe and Central Asia



Middle East and North Africa

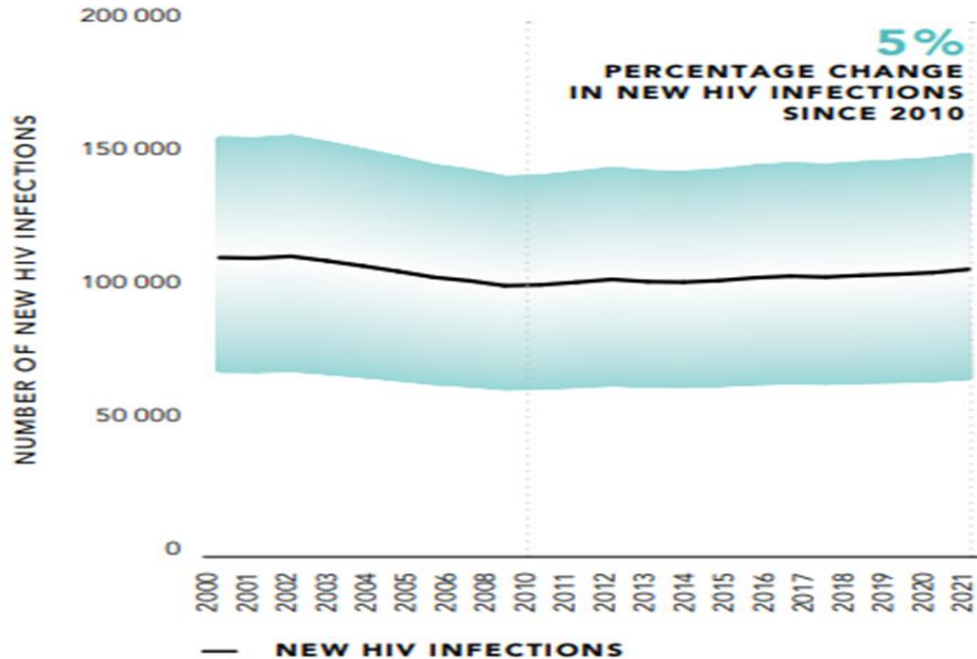


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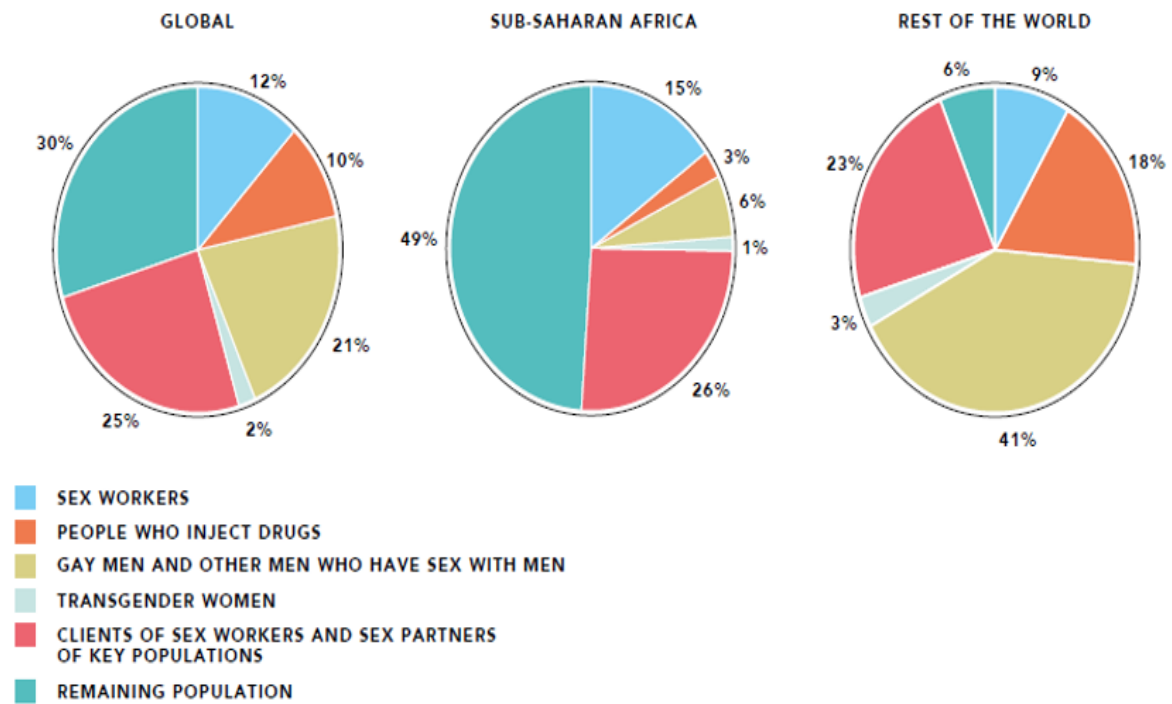
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Latin America

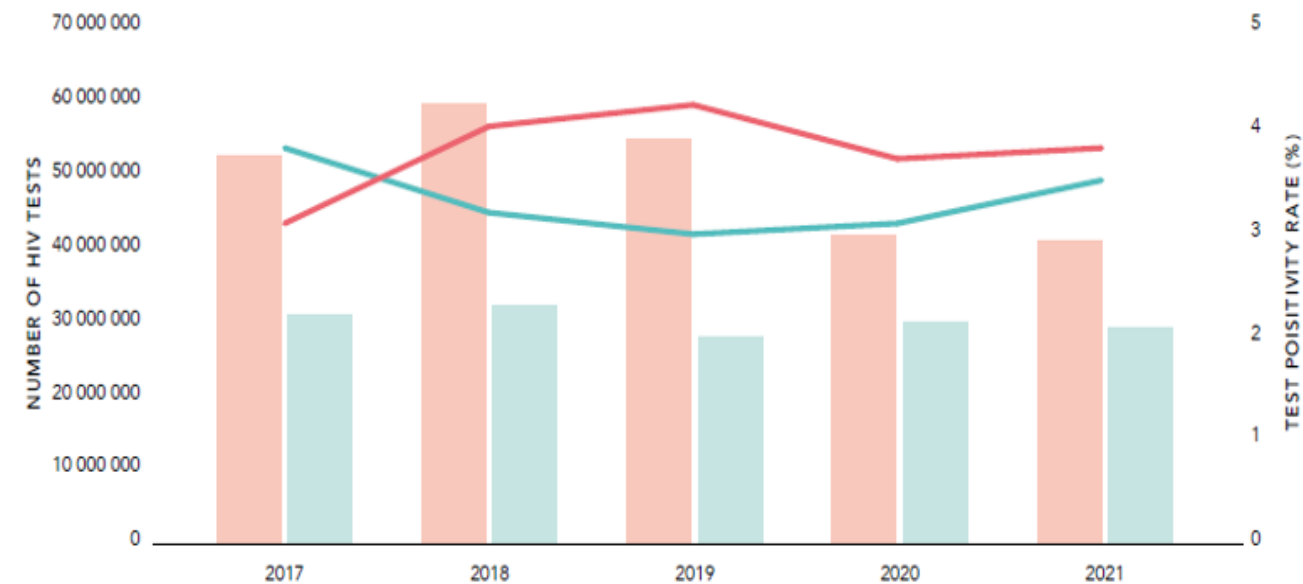
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Distribution of acquisition of new HIV infections by population, global, sub-Saharan Africa and rest of the world, 2021



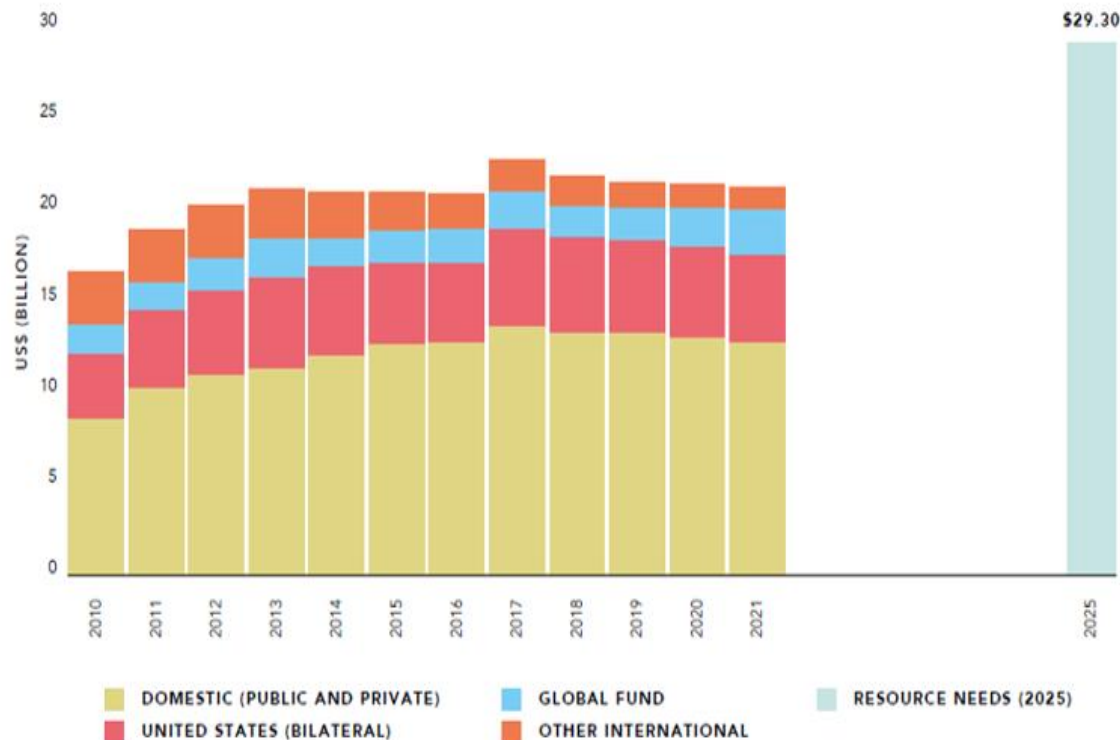
Source: UNAIDS special analysis, 2022 (see Annex on Methods).

Number of HIV tests and test positivity rate by region, sub-Saharan Africa, 2017–2021



- NUMBER OF HIV TESTS (EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA)
- NUMBER OF HIV TESTS (WESTERN AND CENTRAL AFRICA)
- TEST POSITIVITY RATE (EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA)
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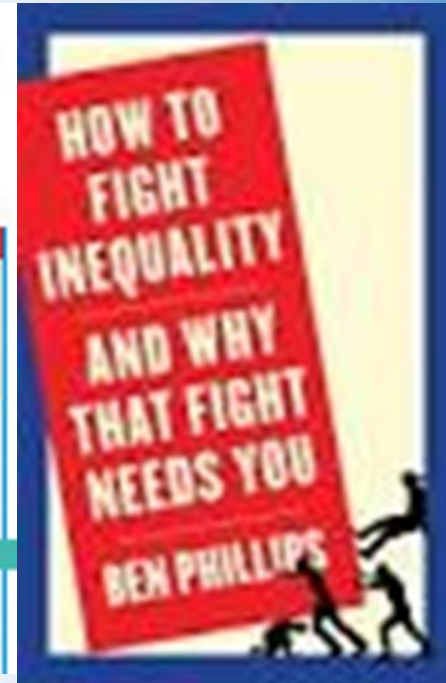
Resource availability for HIV in low- and middle-income countries, 2010–2021 and 2025 target



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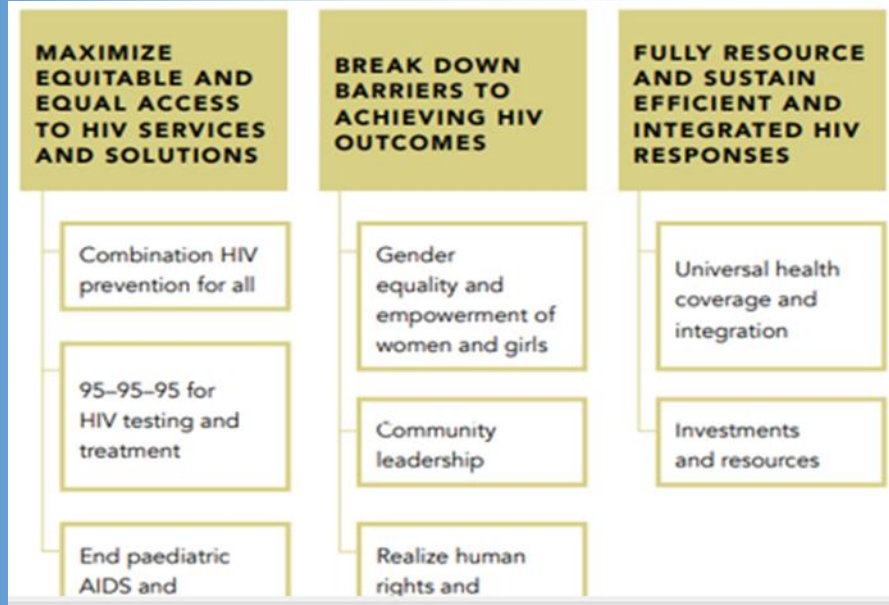


What can we do



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Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026



- Focus on addressing inequalities
- Strong advocacy for community leadership in programmes
- New targets for addressing structural barriers

What else can we do?

Services

- Treatment continuity (eg multi month dispensing of HIV treatment)
- Continuous access to targeted services/interventions

Legal and policy interventions

- Countries with smallest gaps in inequalities correlate to good policies and decriminalization
- Appropriate policies in health care settings

Advocacy to ensure rapid and affordable health technologies

Working with communities

Respect for human rights



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Thank you

