HIV around the world

HIV has reached every corner of the globe although some regions are more heavily affected than others. The vast majority of people living with HIV live in sub-Saharan Africa.

The scale of the epidemic has demanded substantial political and financial commitment from international organisations, donor countries and domestic governments.

Here, we give you the latest global statistics, an overview of the global HIV response to date, and identify the major trends in the different regions and countries.

Global response to HIV and AIDS

In recent years, the international community has made huge efforts to provide universal access to HIV prevention and treatment.

History of HIV and AIDS

The history of HIV spans almost 100 years, since its origin in the 1920s.

Global HIV and AIDS statistics

Nearly 37 million people are living with HIV but only around 75% of them know they have the virus. Get up to date with the latest figures.

East and Southern Africa

- 19 million people living with HIV
- 960,000 new HIV infections
- 470,000 AIDS-related deaths
- 56% know their status
- 54% on antiretroviral treatment
- 45% virally suppressed

West and Central Africa

- 6.5 million people living with HIV
- 410,000 new HIV infections
- 330,000 AIDS-related deaths
- 36% know their status
- 28% on antiretroviral treatment
- 12% virally suppressed

Asia and the Pacific

- 5.1 million people living with HIV
- 10,000 new HIV infections
- 10,000 AIDS-related deaths
- 64% know their status
- 41% on antiretroviral treatment
- 34% virally suppressed
Access information and statistics about the HIV epidemic across East and Southern Africa and within individual countries.

Middle East & North Africa (MENA)

In the past decade, AIDS-related deaths have increased in the MENA region compared with a worldwide fall.

Latin America & the Caribbean

Access information and statistics about the HIV epidemic across Latin America and the Caribbean.

Eastern Europe & Central Asia

The HIV epidemic in this region continues to grow with low treatment access and threats to HIV funding undermining progress.

Western Europe, Central Europe and North America

Access information and statistics about the HIV epidemic across this region and within individual countries.