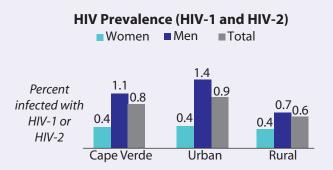
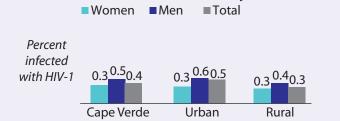
HIV Prevalence, Knowledge, and Behavior Results from the Cape Verde 2005 Demographic and Health Survey (IDSR-II)

The 2005 Cape Verde Demographic and Health Survey (IDSR-II) included HIV testing of over 5,500 women and men. The IDSR-II shows that 0.8 percent of Cape Verdians age 15-49 are infected by HIV-1 or HIV-2. Prevalence of HIV-1 only is 0.4 percent.

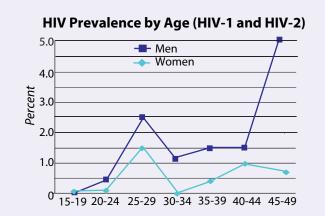


HIV prevalence is higher among men than among women (1.1% versus 0.4%). Prevalence is slightly higher in urban areas than in rural areas (0.9% versus 0.6%).

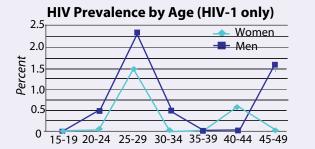


HIV Prevalence (HIV-1 only)

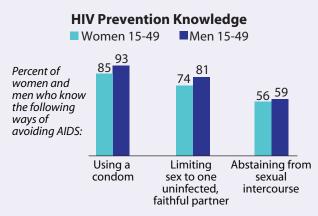
Prevalence of HIV-1 is only 0.4%. HIV-1 is more common among men than women and more common in urban areas than in rural areas.



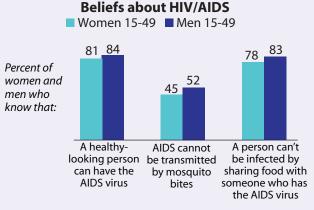
Men have higher rates of HIV at all ages. For women, prevalence hits its peak at age 25-29, while prevalence among men is at its highest (5%) at age 45-49.



Men have higher rates of HIV-1 at almost all ages. For both men and women, prevalence of HIV-1 hits its peak at age 25-29.

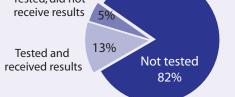


Almost all women and men know that using a condom reduces the risk of HIV transmission. Three-quarters know that limiting sex to one uninfected, faithful partner reduces risk, while less than 60% know that abstaining from sexual intercourse reduces risk.

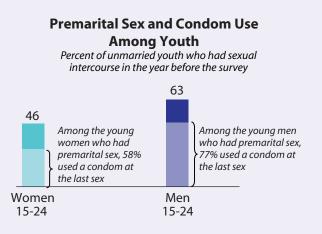


While most people know that a healthy-looking person can have HIV and that a person cannot be infected by sharing food with someone who has the AIDS virus, only about half know that HIV cannot be transmitted by mosquito bites.





Only 13% of women who gave birth in the two years before the survey took an HIV test during antenatal care and received the results.



Almost half of young women and more than six in ten young men had premarital sex in the year before the survey. More than half of these young people used a condom the last time they had sex.

Methodology and Response Rate:

HIV prevalence data were obtained from fingerstick dried blood spots voluntarily provided by women age 15-49 and men age 15-59 who were interviewed in the IDSR-II. Of the 6,699 eligible subjects who were interviewed during the survey (3,351 women age 15-49 and 3,348 men age 15-59), 88 percent of women and 79 percent of men provided blood spots.

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