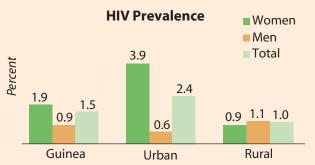
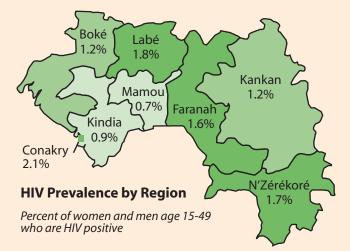


HIV/AIDS in the 2005 Guinea Demographic and Health Survey

The 2005 Guinea Demographic and Health Survey included HIV testing of 6,836 people. According to the survey, 1.5 percent of Guineans age 15-49 are infected by HIV.



Women are twice as likely as men to be HIV positive. Among women, HIV prevalence is much higher in urban areas than in rural areas.

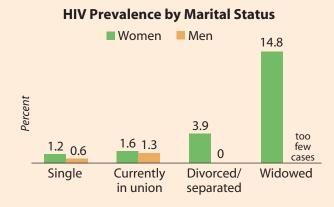


HIV prevalence is highest in Conakry, Labé, N'Zérékoré and Faranah. Prevalence is lowest in Mamou and Kindia.

HIV Prevalence by Education



Women with the highest level of education also have the highest level of HIV infection. The opposite pattern is present among men.



The divorced/separated women, and particularly the widows are more often infected than the married or single women. More than one in seven widows is HIV positive.

HIV Prevalence by Economic Status of the Household (wealth quintiles)



For women, HIV prevalence is highest in the wealthiest households. Men's prevalence does not follow the same pattern.



HIV Prevalence by Age



Prevalence increases with age until it reaches 2.8% at 30-34 years among women and 3.1% at 40-44 years among men. At all ages, women's prevalence is higher than men's, except between 40 and 44 years.



HIV Prevalence and Higher-Risk Sex in past 12 months 5.3 Women Men Percent 1.6 1.6 1.1 1.1 0.4 No sexual relations Sex, but not Higher risk higher risk in past 12 months sex sex

HIV prevalence is highest among women who had higher risk sex in the past 12 months.

HIV Prevalence by Lifetime Number of Sexual Partners



HIV prevalence increases with the number of sexual partners, especially among women.

Methodology and response rates:

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 2005 Guinea survey. Of the 7,549 eligible subjects, 91% provided blood spots. Response rates were higher in rural areas than urban areas (94% vs. 84%). For additional information about the results of the 2005 Guinea Demographic and Health Survey, contact:

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