



Fact Sheet

World AIDS Campaign 2001 *I care... Do you?*

- Globally, over half of all people living with HIV/AIDS are men (53%).
- In most regions of the world, two-thirds or more of the people living with HIV/AIDS are men: *
 - Australia, New Zealand and Eastern Pacific = 92% (MSM);
 - South and Southeast Asia = 65% (Hetero, IDU);
 - East Asia and Western Pacific = 87% (MSM, Hetero, IDU);
 - Latin America = 75% (MSM, IDU, Hetero);
 - North America = 80% (MSM, IDU, Hetero);
 - Western Europe = 75% (MSM, IDU);
 - Caribbean = 60% (MSM, Hetero);
 - North Africa and the Middle East = 80% (Hetero, IDU);
 - Eastern Europe and Central Asia = 77% (IDU);
 - Sub-Saharan Africa = 45% (Hetero).
- Since the beginning of the epidemic, AIDS has been responsible for more than 9 million deaths among men.
- All over the world, men tend to have more extramarital partners, thereby increasing their own and their primary partners' risk of contracting HIV.
- Over 70% of HIV infections worldwide occur through sex between men and women.
- 5-10% of HIV infections worldwide occur through sex between men.
- 5% or so of HIV infections worldwide occur among people who inject drugs, four-fifths of whom are men.

* Modes of transmission: Hetero (heterosexual transmission), IDU (transmission through injecting drug use), MSM (sexual transmission among men who have sex with men).