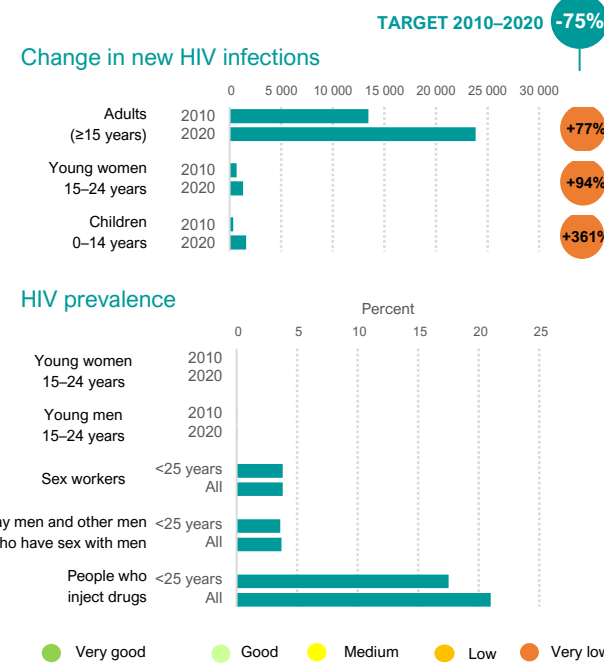
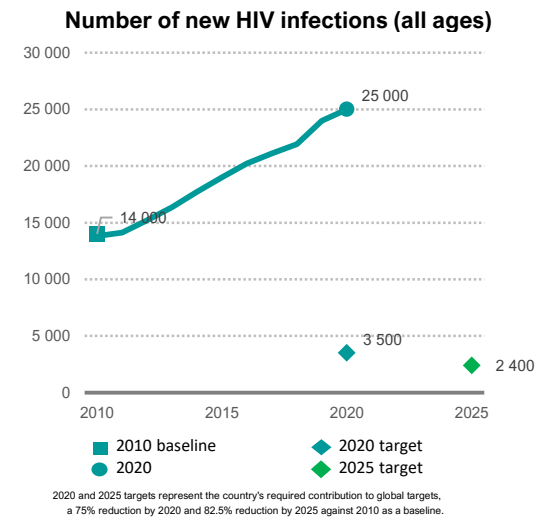


The State of HIV Prevention in Pakistan

2021

The number of people newly infected with HIV increased from 14000 in 2010 to 25000 in 2020, a 84% increase.



Policy and structural barriers

Key populations

	Sex workers	Gay men & other MSM	People who inject drugs	Trans-gender people	Prisoners
Criminalization of the behaviour of key populations	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	na
The national strategy includes critical elements of the programme package for key populations	< Half	< Half	Some	id	None
Avoided health care because of stigma and discrimination	id	id	id	id	na
Population size	228 800	832 200	113 400	52 400	80 500

HIV prevention adaptations during COVID-19

	Safe continuation of outreach	Online counselling
Key populations	Yes	No
Adopted multi-month dispensing	Yes	Expanded alternative access
Condoms	Yes	Yes
PrEP	No	No
HIV treatment	Yes	Yes
Safe injecting equipment	Yes	
Opioid substitution therapy (take home dosages)		No

Note: 'Yes' refers to the adaptation having been introduced (not necessarily it being universally available).

Linkages between HIV and sexual and reproductive health services

HIV testing services integrated within sexual and reproductive health	Partial
Provider-initiated condom promotion integrated into sexual and reproductive health services	No/id

HIV programme coverage and outcomes

KEY POPULATIONS

Sex workers

Condom use at last paid sex (%)

Target 95%

35

Sex workers

Received two prevention interventions in past 3 months (%)

0

Condom use at last paid sex is very low. Coverage of HIV prevention programmes for sex workers is very low.

Gay men and other men who have sex with men

Condom use at last anal sex (%)

Target 90%

22

Gay men and other men who have sex with men

Received two prevention interventions in past 3 months (%)

1

Condom use at last anal sex is very low. Coverage of HIV prevention programmes for gay men and other men who have sex with men is very low.

People who inject drugs

Use of harm reduction services (%)

Target 95%

73

Target 40%

With safe injections

On opioid substitution therapy

Received two prevention interventions in past 3 months (%)

2

Use of safe injecting equipment is low and coverage of opioid substitution therapy is not known. Coverage of prevention programmes for people who inject drugs is very low.

ANTIRETROVIRAL DRUG-BASED PREVENTION

Pre-exposure prophylaxis

Number of people actively taking Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)

2017 2018 2019 2020

Change in use of PrEP (July-December 2020)

No documented PrEP use in 2020

At the end of 2020, there was no use of PrEP reported.

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Antiretroviral treatment

People living with HIV virally suppressed

Target 73%

Percent

Women Men

Levels of suppressed viral loads are not known overall. Based on limited available data, treatment coverage among key populations is very low.

1

Scores (1-10) ● Very good ● Good ● Medium ● Low ● Very low

id ... insufficient data na ... not applicable

Data sources: UNAIDS 2021 epidemiological estimates; Global AIDS Monitoring 2021; and ICF - the DHS Program STATcompiler. Data sources key populations coverage: Global AIDS Monitoring 2021, Global Fund and PEPFAR reports obtained in 2021. Note: the zuzi epidemiological estimates presented are for zuzi. Umer data points may refer to various years when the surveys were conducted.

2020 and 2025 targets represent the country's required contribution to global targets, a 75% reduction by 2020 and 82.5% reduction by 2025 against 2010 as a baseline.