HIV in Latin American and the Caribbean (LAC)

Estimated 2 million people living with HIV (2015)
- 1.7 million in Latin America
- 300 thousand in the Caribbean

Over 100,000 new HIV infections (2015)
- Latin American
  - 29% female, 71% male
  - 23% new HIV infections from 2000 to 2015 (LAC)
- The Caribbean
  - 36% female, 64% male
  - Adult men: 17% in Latin America and 3% in the Caribbean 2010 to 2015
  - Adult women: stable in Latin America and in the Caribbean 2010 to 2015

HIV concentrated in key populations
- Gay men and other men who have sex with men (MSM)
- Sex workers (SW)
- Transgender women
- Clients of sex workers and other sexual partners of key populations
- People who inject drugs
- Rest of population
- 64% Key populations
- 36% Rest of population

STIs are associated with higher HIV transmission
- Chlamydia
  - The most common bacterial STI
  - 18,805 female and 4,451 thousand estimated infections in 2012 (the Americas)
- Gonorrhea
  - High risk of antibiotic resistance
  - 1,936 female and 1,584 thousand estimated infections in 2012 (the Americas)
- Syphilis
  - 1,003 female and 992 thousand estimated infections in 2012 (the Americas)
  - Syphilis prevalence (2015)
    - Median MSM: 9.8%
    - Median SW: 2.8%
    - Median pregnant women: 0.7%

83,200 estimated new cases of cervical cancer in 2012 (the Americas)
35,700 estimated cervical-cancer-related deaths in 2012 (the Americas)

50,000 estimated HIV deaths/year (2015)
- 25% from 2000 to 2015 (LAC)
- 44% in the Caribbean
- 16% in Latin America
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**HIV Prevention**
- Combination Prevention Framework:
  - Biomedical (e.g., ART, prophylaxis)
  - Behavioral (e.g., condoms, behavioral change)
  - Structural (e.g., legal changes, policy)

**HIV Testing**
- 2015:
  - 25% of all persons with HIV do not know about their infection
  - 27% are diagnosed very late (CD4<200)
  - 72% of pregnant women are tested for HIV

**Antiretroviral therapy (ART)**
- 2015:
  - 55% Adults accessing ART
  - 88% Pregnant women accessing ART to prevent mother-to-child transmission
  - 64% Children accessing ART (aged 0-14)
  - 74% of people on ART had suppressed viral load and are unlikely to transmit HIV to others

**Investment for HIV**
- 2013:
  - Sources of funding for HIV:
    - LAC: 6%, 11%, 12%
    - Latin America: 7%, 11%, 82%
    - Caribbean: 33%, 1%, 66%
  - Use of funds for HIV response:
    - LAC: 62%, 23%, 7%
    - Latin America: 62%, 22%, 7%
    - Caribbean: 40%, 6%, 34%

**Additional Information**
- Take the Challenge End AIDS
- Pan American Health Organization
- World Health Organization Americas