The Dynamics of HIV/AIDS

a few general observations & recent data from Africa April 1999

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Business Exchange on AIDS & Development

Business Members - April 1999

- Anglo American Corporation of South Africa
 - Booker Tate
 - Cargill
 - Commonwealth Development Corporation
 - Glaxo Wellcome
 - Guinness
 - Heineken
 - Standard Chartered Bank
 - Unilever

BEAD - Founded 1992

Mixed membership

academics, consultants, multinationals, NGOs, international organisations

Africa Developing countries in general

HIV/AIDS "Costly diseases"

A business focus

information exchange ++ mutual assistance ++ promote awareness & good practice ++ encourage study & research

BEAD Group Activities & Plans

Case study NGO partners seminars awareness. sharing knowledge education. prevention experience **Policy** cost/benefit **Guidelines** tools of persuasion Mgt Informat'n **Micro-Impact** monitoring health studies of impact & business impact of disease on disease on businesses Who's current ambitions New Who Members Guidelines recommend

Outline of Talk

I. The virus

II. The epidemic

III. The disease

IV. Why should a business bother?

V. Corporate responses

I. The virus

The Virus & Its Survival

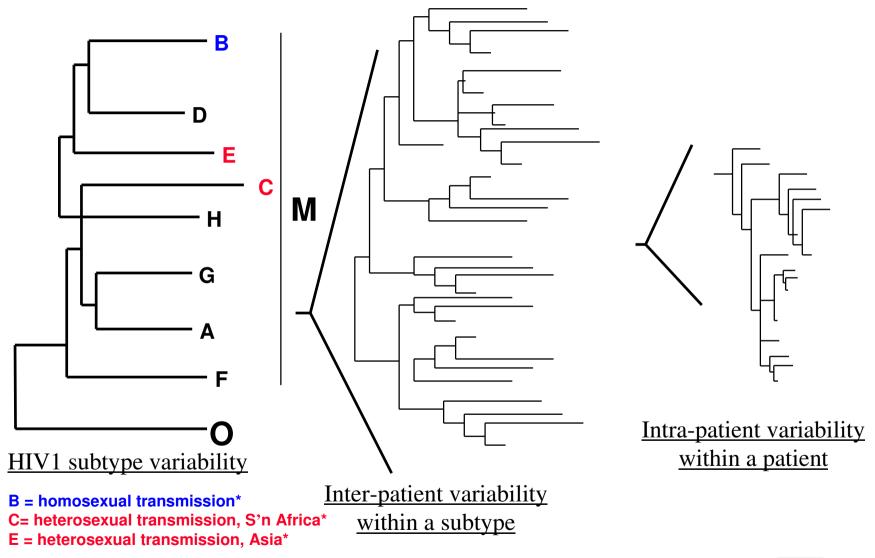
Transmission of the Virus

- Sexual transmission*
- Perinatal transmission & breast-feeding
 - Infected blood & blood products
 - Dirty syringes

The Ecology of Transmission

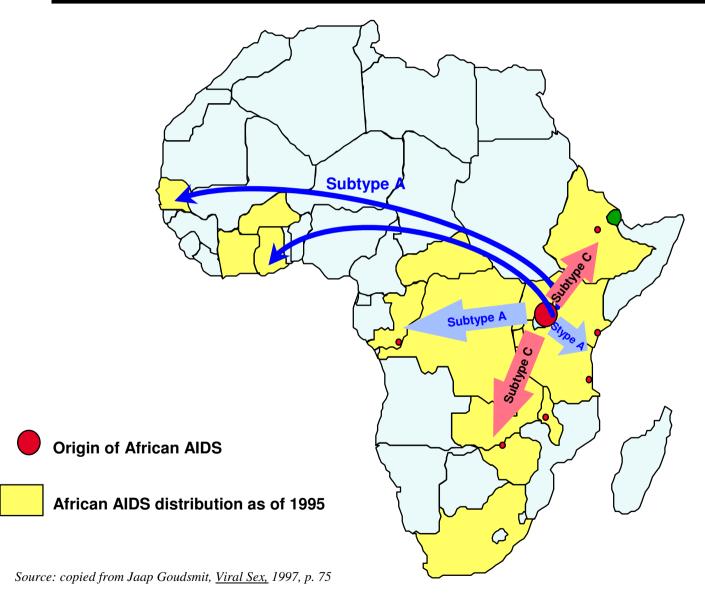
- Rapid evolution of the HIV virus
- More rapid partner change => more virulent variants of HIV
 - Higher risk of transmission of HIV with STD lesions

Rapid Evolution of HIV1



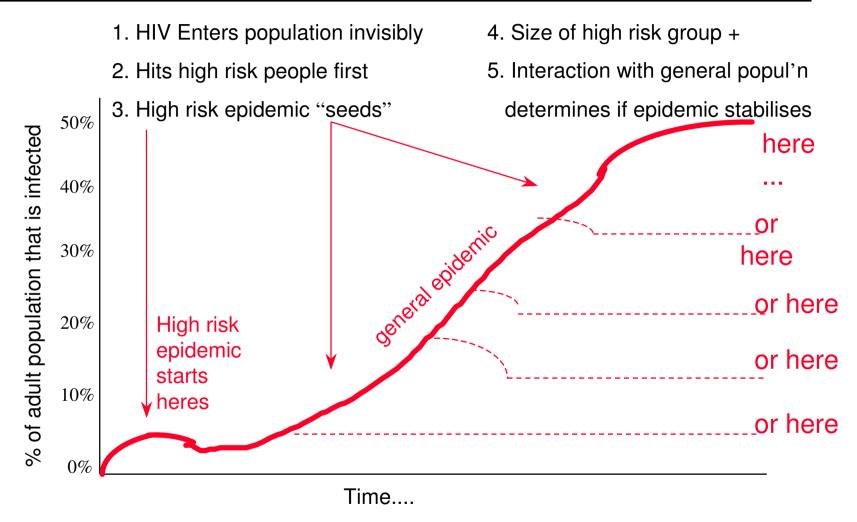
Source: approximately drawn copy from Phillis J. Kanki, et al, "Virology of HIV-1 and HIV-2: implications for Africa" <u>AIDS 1997</u>, 11 (supplB: S33-S42) * Jaap Goudsmit, <u>Viral Sex</u>, 1997, p. 52 & 56

Spread of HIV Sub-types, as of 1995*



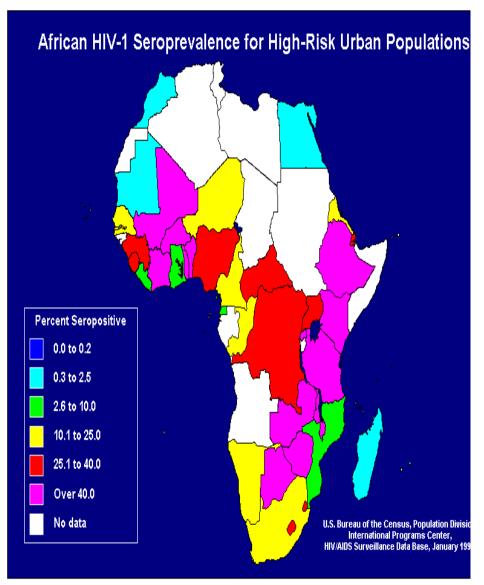
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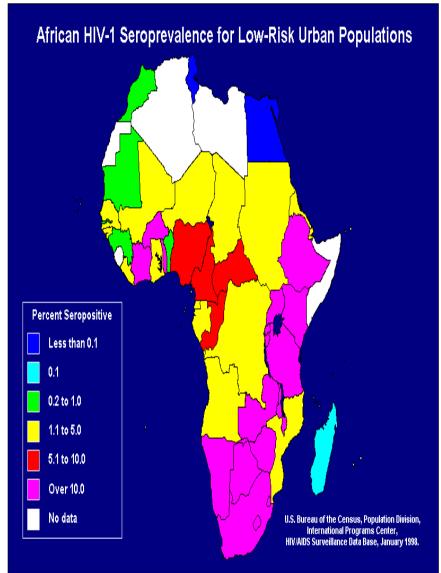
Simple Mechanics of an AIDS Epidemic



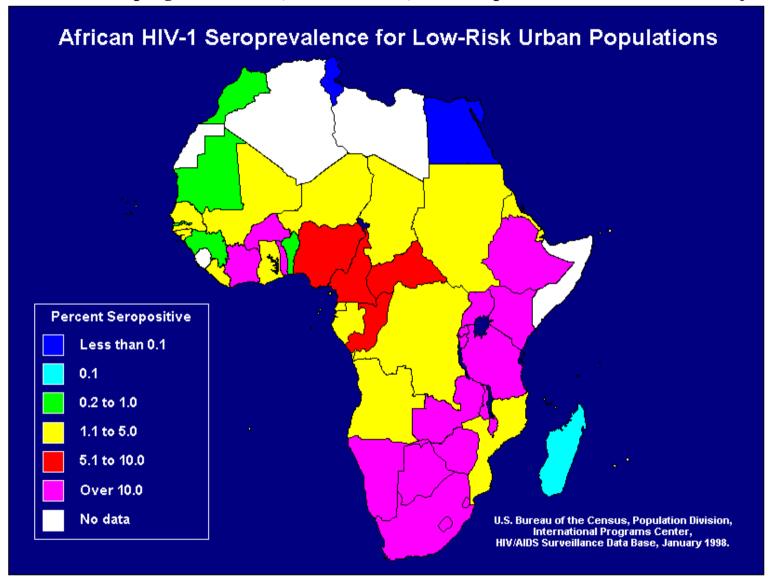
Disruptions of development mean:

- high risk group MAY be large,
- interaction MAY be frequent.

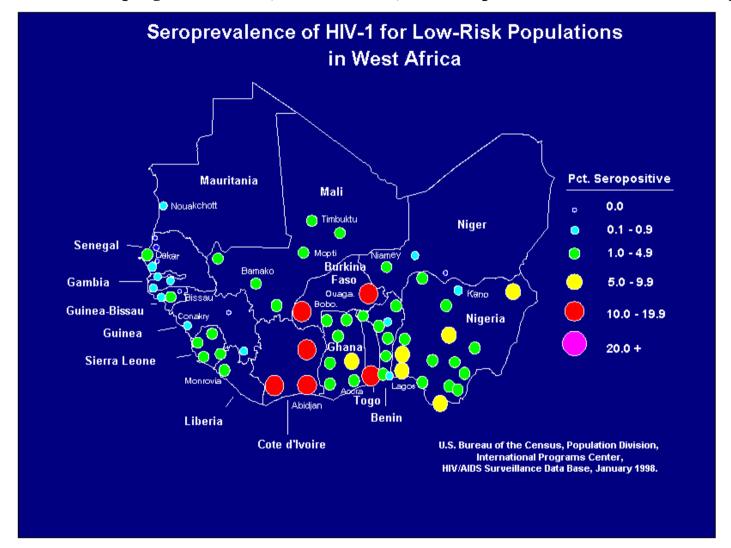




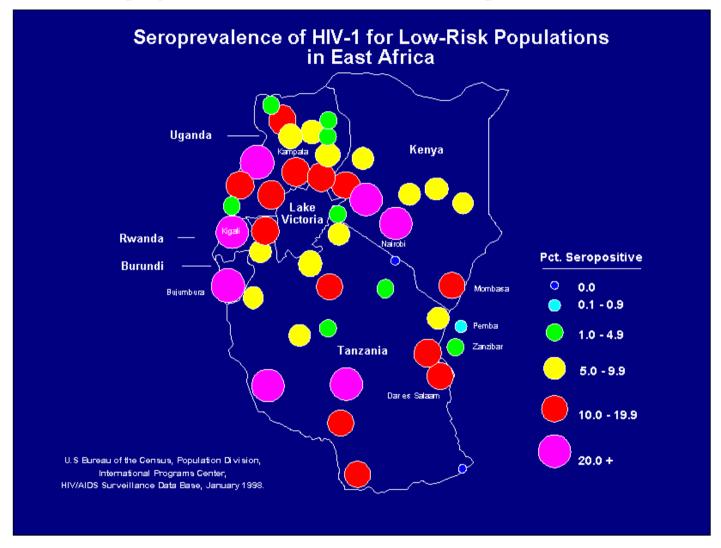
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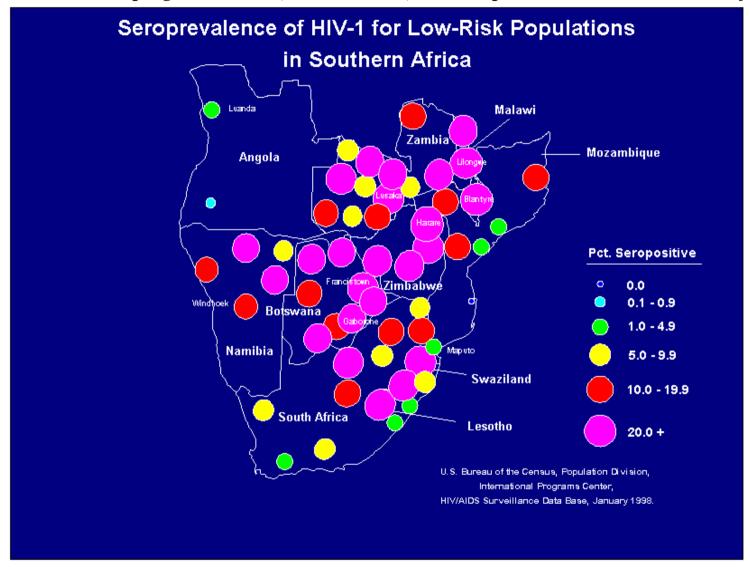
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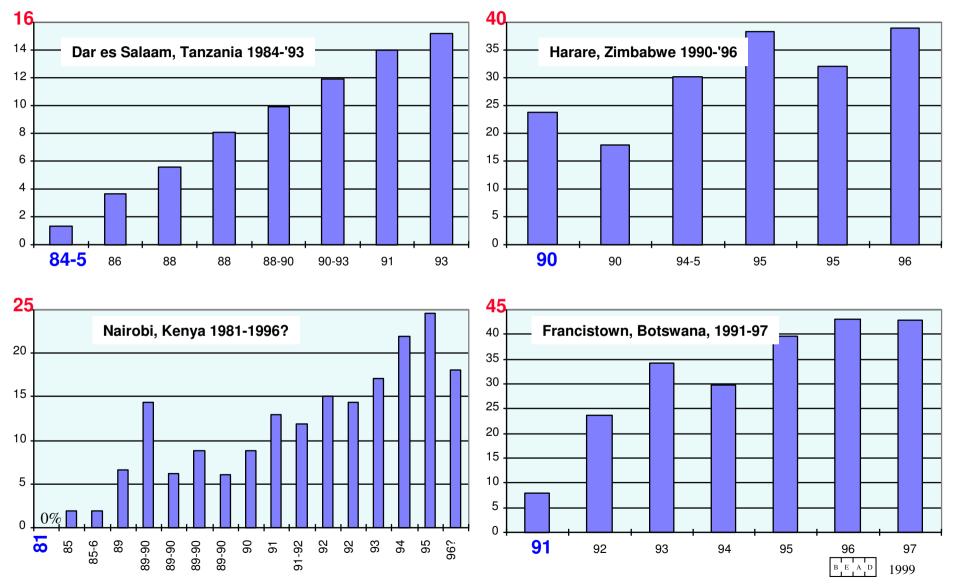
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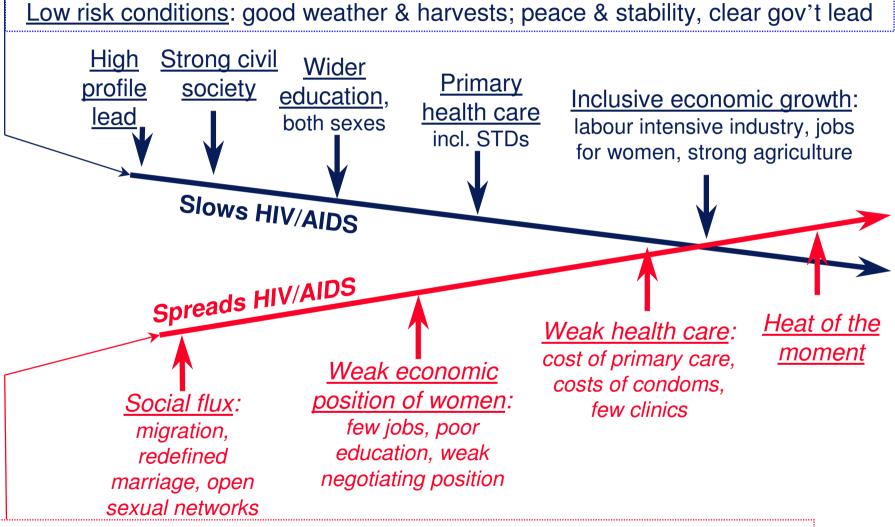
Pregnant Women in Africa: % HIV+



Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Data Base, Jan. 1998

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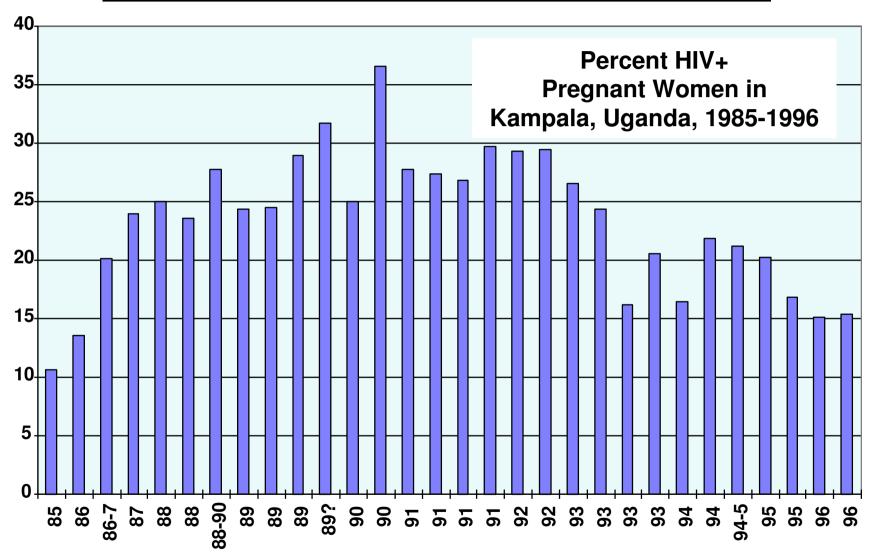
Balance of Driving Forces - Africa



High risk conditions: wars, natural disasters; econ'c stagnation; better



The Achievements of Uganda



III. The disease

WHO Stages of the Disease

Stage 1
Asymptomati
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Stage 2 Minor symptoms

Stage 3 More severe symptoms Stage 4
Other AIDSdefining
conditions

(USA: before combination therapies)

10 years to serious illness

2 years to death

Africa: lack of reliable data, but experience suggests:

7 years to serious illness 5 years with HIV 1-C in Southern Africa 1 year to death

Early Manifestations of the Disease

Little information is available, but

in Tanzania & Botswana:

* Herpes zoster

("A lot of my workers have been getting a rash...")

& among female sex workers in Kenya:

** Pneumonia

Most common manifestation in Africa is tuberculocous

IV. Why should a business bother?

Impact on Operations - Bananas 1982

Pilots & aircraft

Ŕesearch & field trials.

Capital invest't **Field**

•Disease treat't •Planting

•Soil Fertility

•Irritation

Pruning

Propping

•Weeding

•Fertilizing

Spraying

Timely supplies

Supervision & quality

Harvest & packing

Co-ordination and Timing

•Estimate harvest, order ships

• Cutting instructions to planters

•Inspect, select, disinfect, pack

<u> Transport & loading</u>

 Co-ordination and Timing

•Lorries

•Railroad

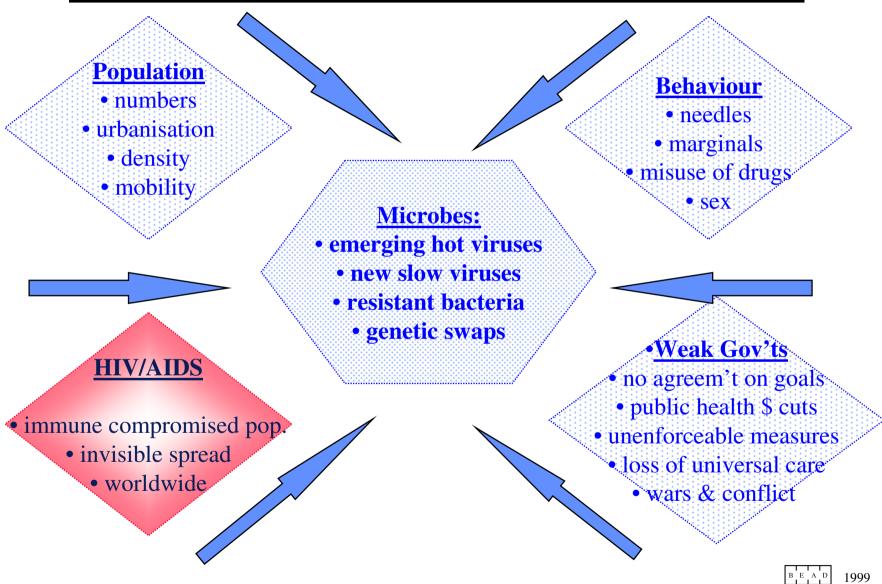
•Loading at dockside

Timely transport

Wider competitive position

Country's quota = 13% of market Must be maintained to compete with Dollar-zone fruit

The Rising Potential for Plagues



How Countries Grow

personalities

Micro-economic activity



Macro-economic policies

seopolitics &

accidents

Hard infrastructure: roads, rails, ports, post & telecoms moving goods, people & information

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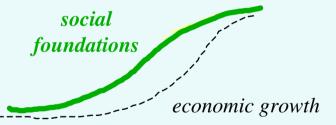
Soft infrastructure:

financial systems, intellectual property rules, contracts, basic research

Weather

Improved personal capacity: in <u>most</u> of population, esp. health & education

Life expectation as proxy indicator

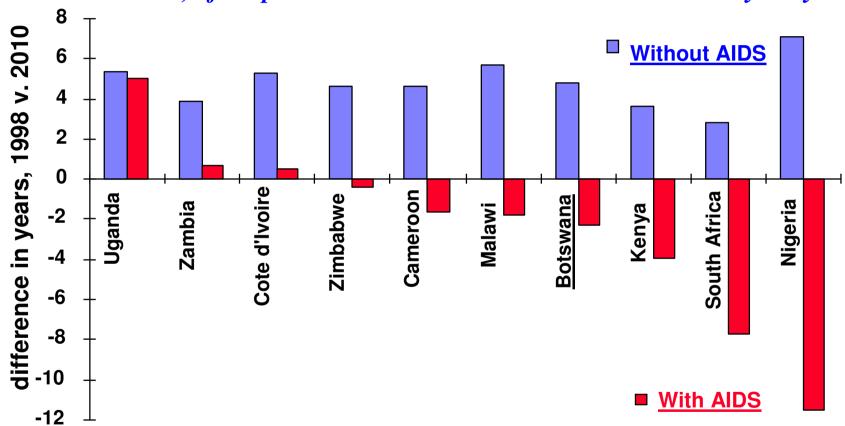


Capacity for political agreement & action:

-- think in terms of the whole population
- think long term
- create effective institutions

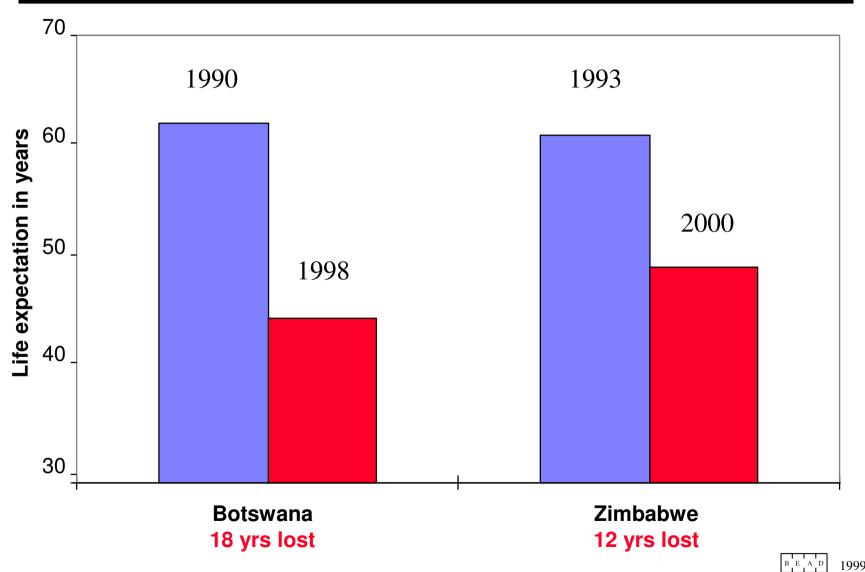
Projected Changes in Life Expectation

"Without AIDS, life expectation in Botswana would have RISEN by 4.8 yrs."



"With AIDS, life expectation in Botswana is expected to FALL by 2.3 yrs."

Changes in Life Expectation in the 1990s



Broadest Development Impacts

Countries who learn to handle the HIV epidemic strengthen their ability to develop politically & economically

Countries who fail to meet the HIV challenge risk wider failures

V. Corporate responses

Business Coalitions

Thailand

Malaysia

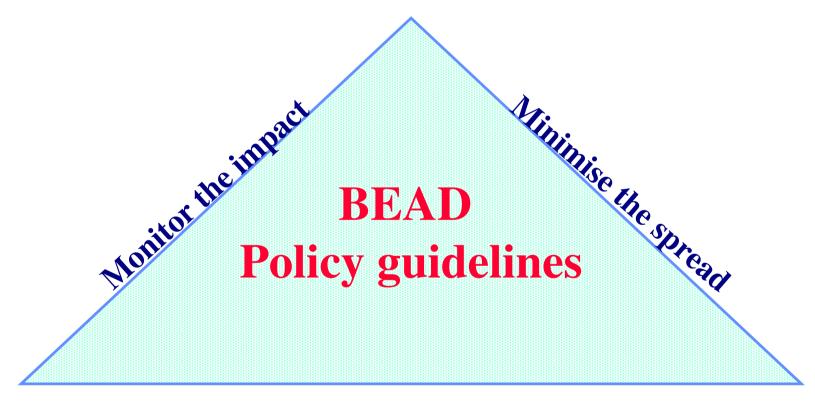
Botswana

South Africa

United States

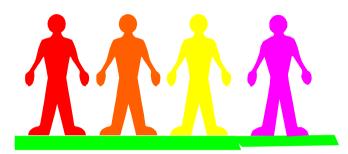
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"Costly Diseases in Developing Countries"



Manage the consequences

Monitor: "Inform Yourself"



Profile of the work force: age, sex, health, availability

Employment costs & benefits

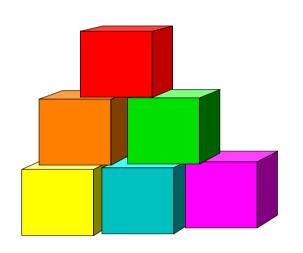




Profile of community health

Sources of help and information

Minimise the Spread



Simple Measures

- free/cheap condoms
- clean/disposable needles
- clean water for bathing
 - treat STDs
- general education on hygiene

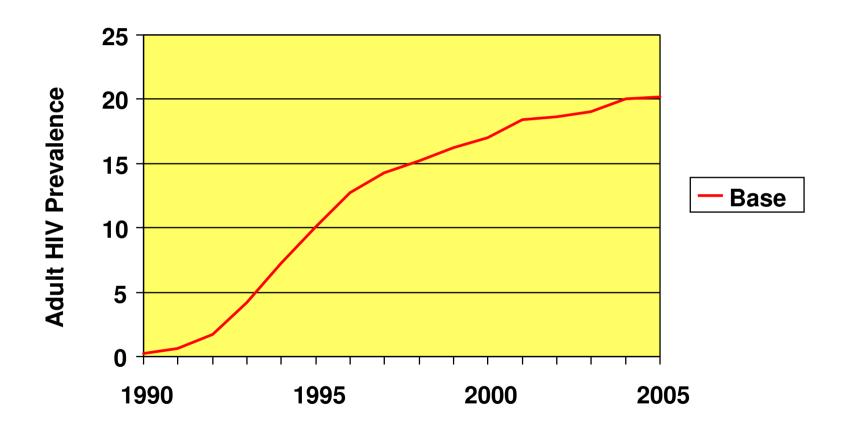
Education in Work Force & Community

- management committment
- work force participation
 - continuity
 - appropriate messages
 - peer education

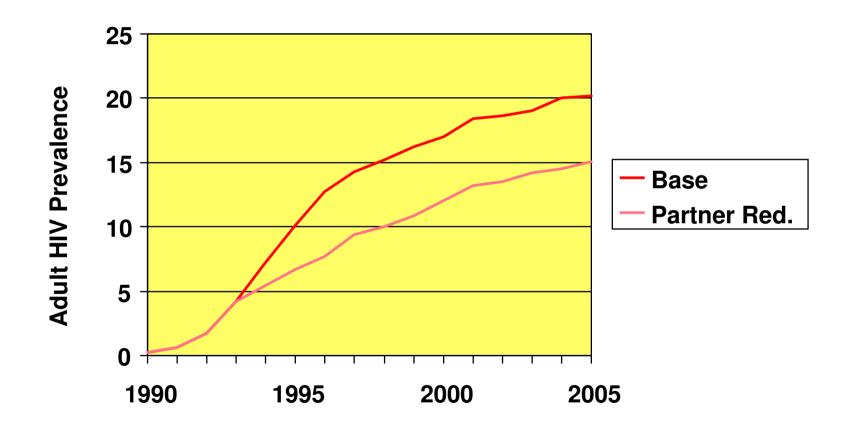


Work with others

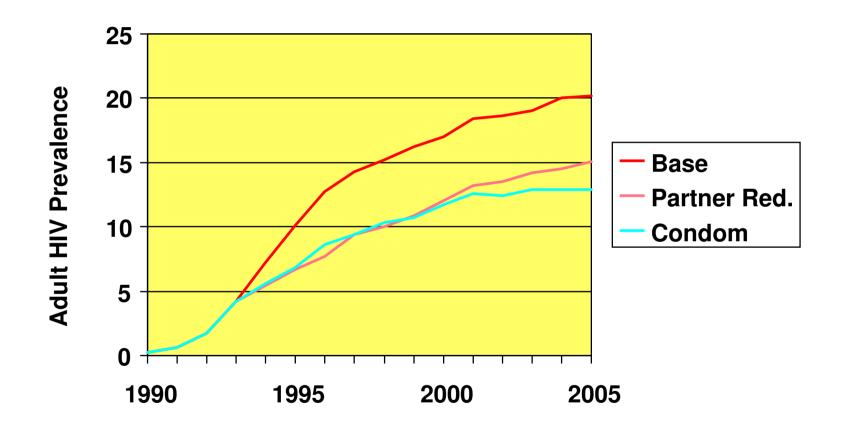




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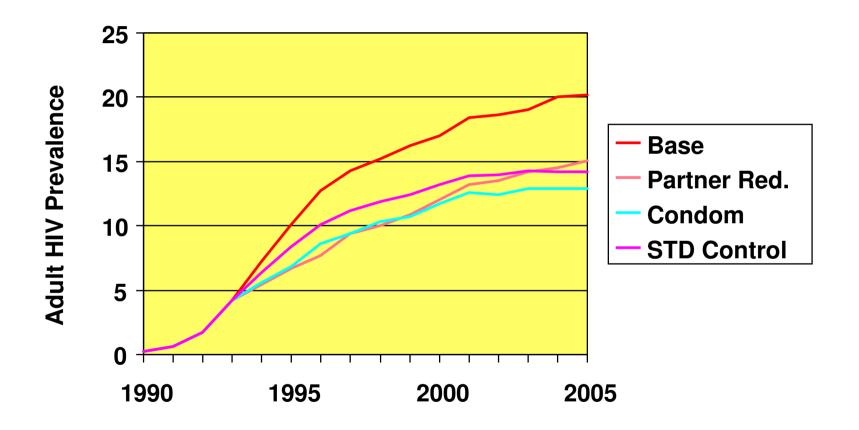


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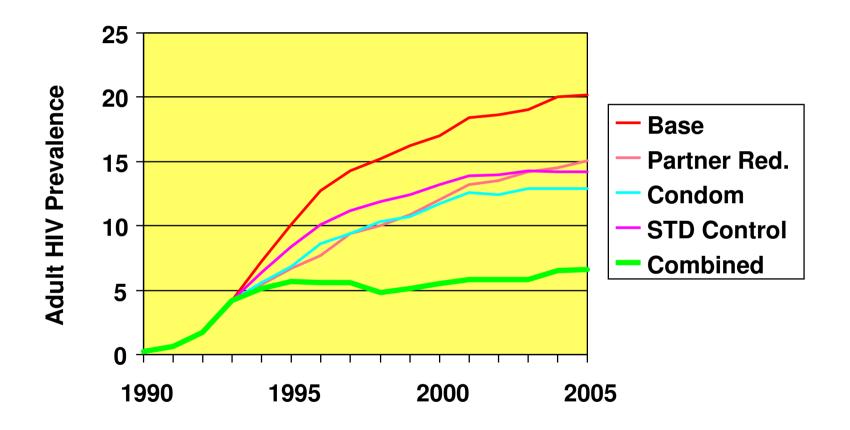
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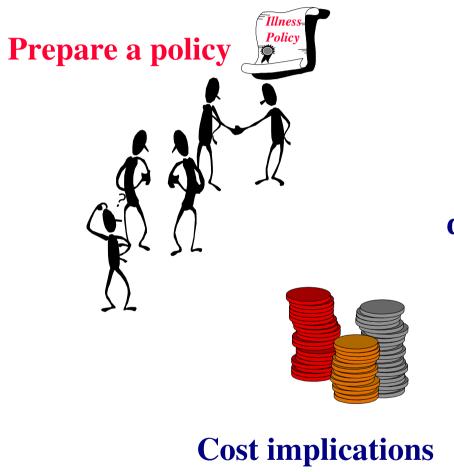
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Manage the Consequences





Sickness & disability at work



Recurrent dilemmas

Managing the Consequences

Prepare a policy on serious illness

- Who is responsible?
- Who should be consulted?
- Work force involvement
- What are the financial limits?
- What are the time limits?

Cost implications

- The need for monitoring
- Medical
- Insurance
- Provident funds
- Pension funds
- Recruitment, training & productivity
- Education

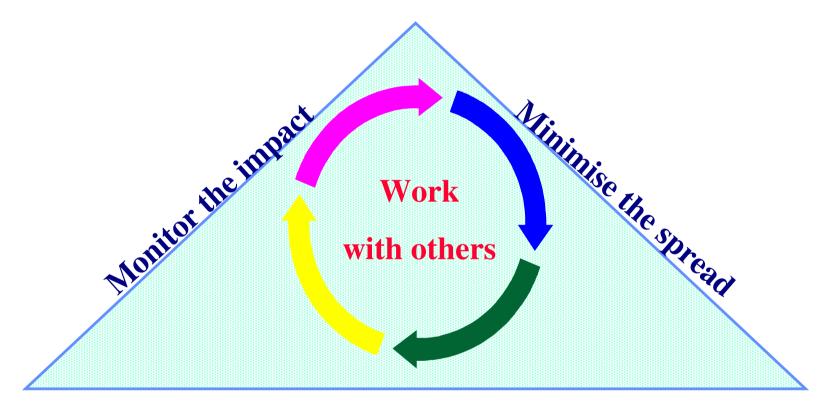
Sickness & disability at work

- Confidentiality
- Absence due to chronic illness
- Medical treatment
- Other entitlements

Recurrent dilemmas

- Pre-employment medicals
- Special risks
- Victimisation
- Strategic Review

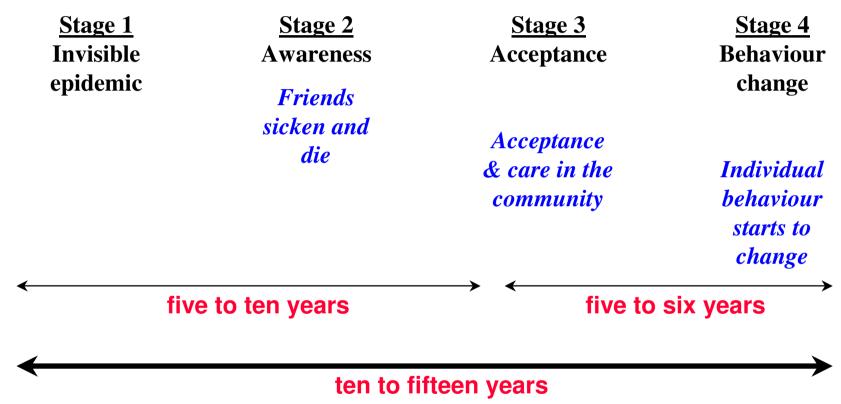
We CAN Reduce the Potential for Disease



Manage the consequences

The Lesson of AIDS

Time needed to change behaviour



The Paradox of AIDS:

No sign of disease -- no sign of success

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