About 4.9 million young people were living with HIV in developing countries in 2008: 3.23 million young women and 1.64 million young men

Estimated number and percentage of young people 15–24 years old living with HIV, by region, 2008

- Latin America and the Caribbean: 300,000
  - Young women: 57%
  - Young men: 43%
- Sub-Saharan Africa: 4,000,000
  - Young women: 52%
  - Young men: 48%
- Middle East and North Africa: 89,000
  - Young women: 49%
  - Young men: 51%
- South Asia: 250,000
  - Young women: 44%
  - Young men: 56%
- CEE/CIS: 70,000
  - Young women: 41%
  - Young men: 59%
- East Asia and the Pacific: 210,000
  - Young women: 57%
  - Young men: 43%

Note: The size of the pie charts indicates approximately the number of young people living with HIV.

• Out of 4.9 million young people living with HIV, 80% are in sub-Saharan Africa, 60% of them (2.9 million) are in eastern and southern Africa.

• Fifty-five per cent of all young people living with HIV are female. In sub-Saharan Africa and in eastern and southern Africa specifically, 70% of young people living with HIV are female.

• An estimated 60% of all young women living with HIV globally (2 million out of 3.23 million) are in eastern and southern Africa.

• South Africa, Kenya, Mozambique and Zambia are among the 10 countries with the largest number of young people living with HIV.
### Countries with highest HIV Prevalence

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In 9 countries, all in southern Africa, at least one in 20 young people is living with HIV. In Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland, more than 1 in 10 young people live with HIV.

In contrast, in the next 10 countries with the highest prevalence in young people, between 2 to 3 out of every 100 young people is living with HIV.