

Women and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic

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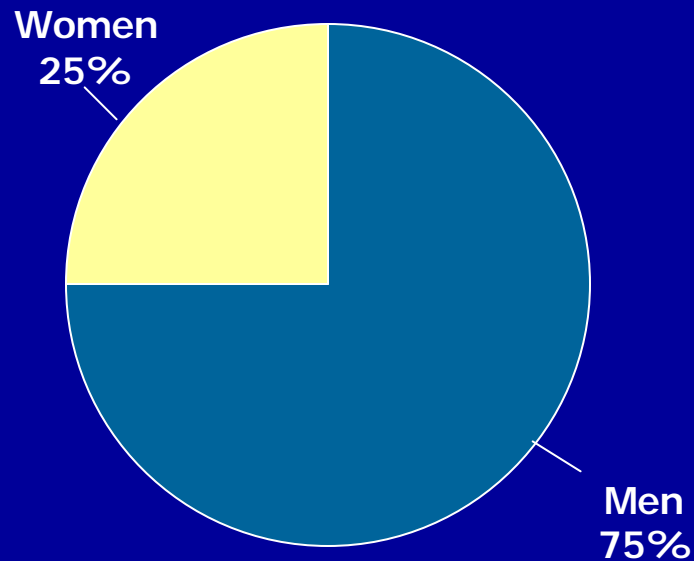
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Figure 1

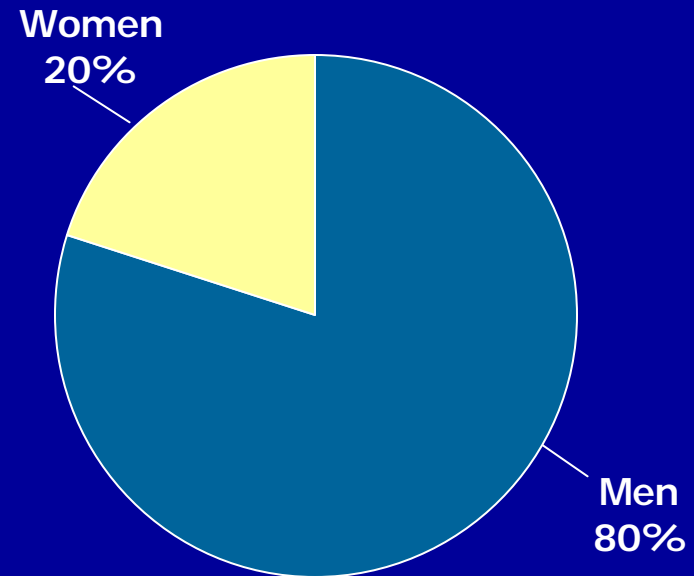
Distribution of People Living with HIV/AIDS by Gender

People with HIV/AIDS, 2000



Estimated Total = 800,000 to 900,000

People with AIDS, 1998



Estimated Total = 290,751

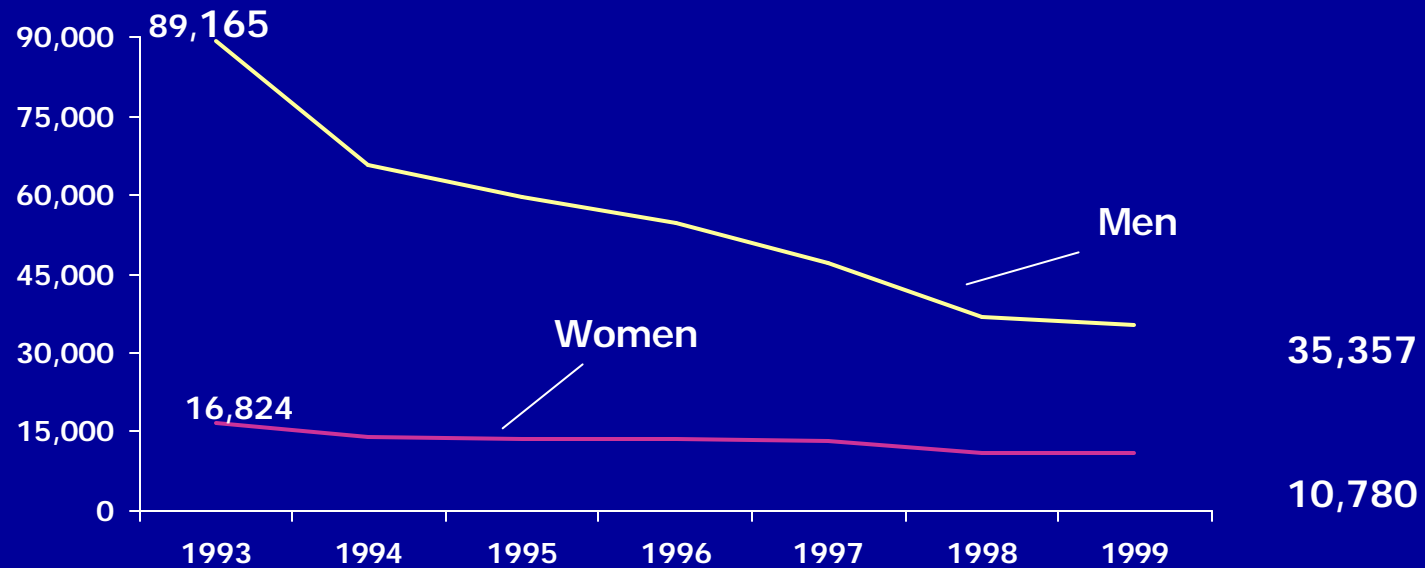
Note: Includes estimated cases among persons 13 years of age and older.

Sources: Personal Communication, Pat Sweeney, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, July 2000; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Edition, Vol. 11, No. 2, 1999.

Figure 2

Trends in New AIDS Cases by Gender, 1993-1999

Number of Cases



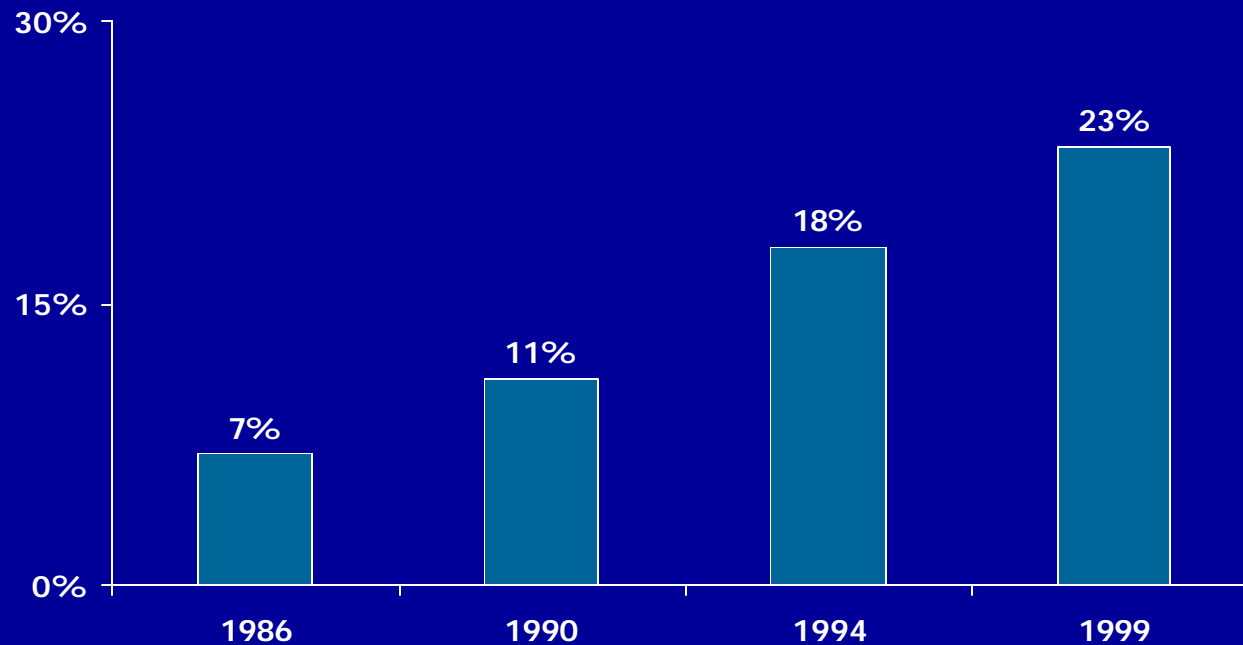
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Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Reports, 1993-1999.

Figure 3

Women as a Proportion of New AIDS Cases, 1986-1999

Percent



Note: Includes reported cases among women 13 years of age and older.

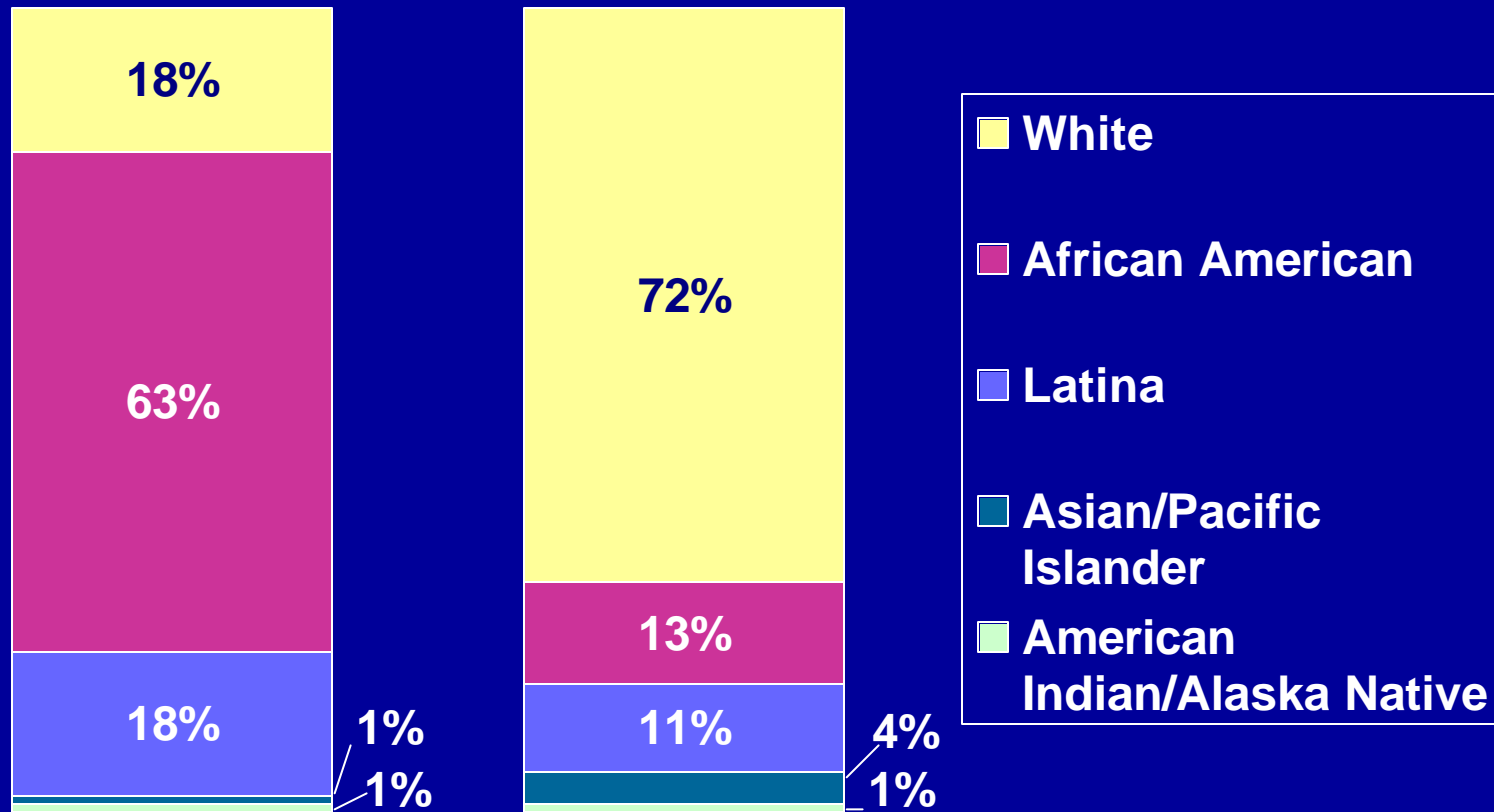
Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Editions, 1986, 1990, 1994, 1999.

Figure 4

New AIDS Cases and Estimated Population Among Women by Race/Ethnicity, 1999

AIDS Cases Among Women 13 Years and Older

Female Population 13 Years and Older



Total= 10,780

Total= 114.5 million

Note: White and African American groups do not include those of Hispanic origin.

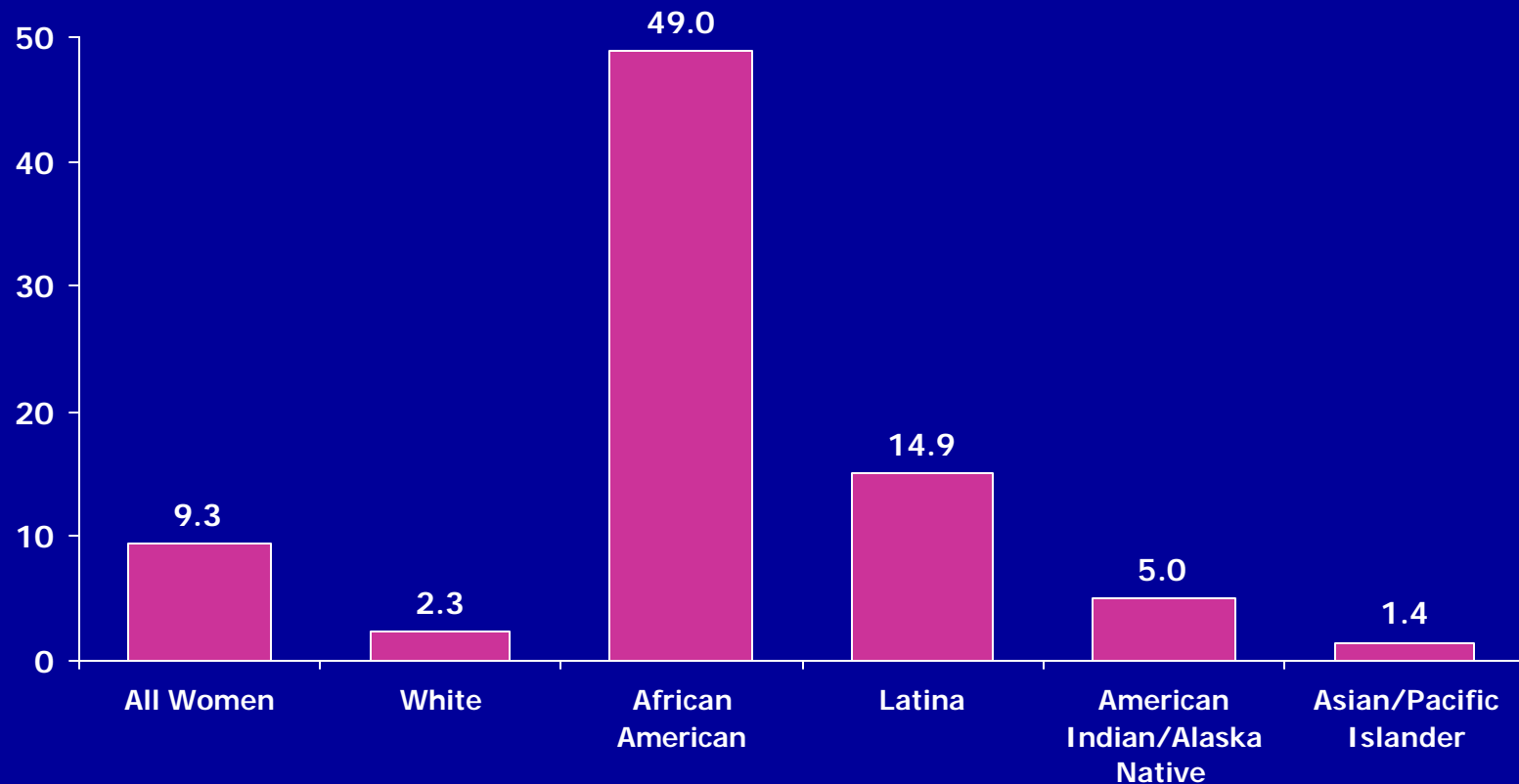
Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Edition, Vol. 11, No. 2, 1999; Urban Institute estimates of the March 2000 Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of the Census, for the Kaiser Family Foundation.



Figure 5

Annual AIDS Case Rates Among Women by Race/Ethnicity, 1999

Rate per
100,000 Women



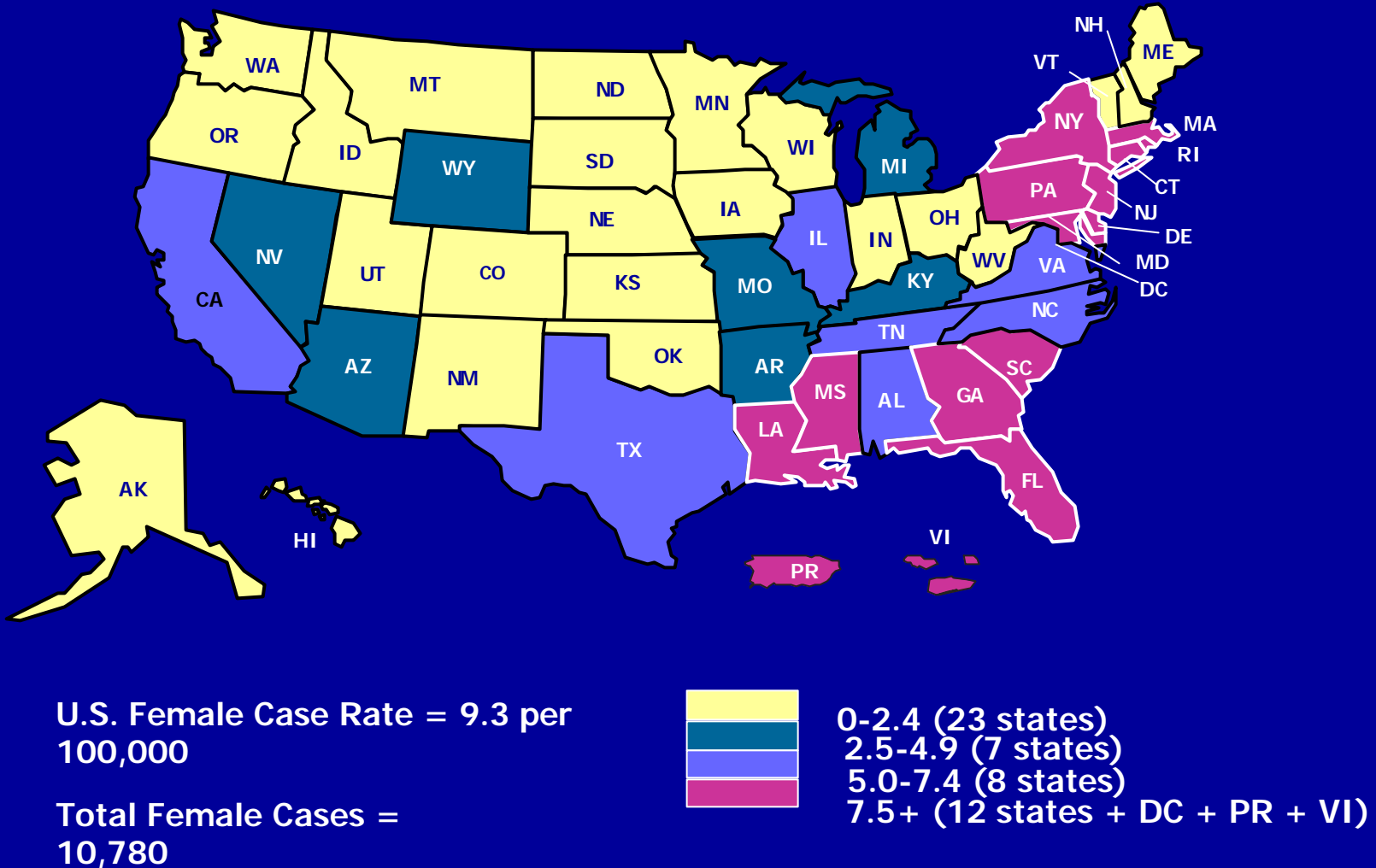
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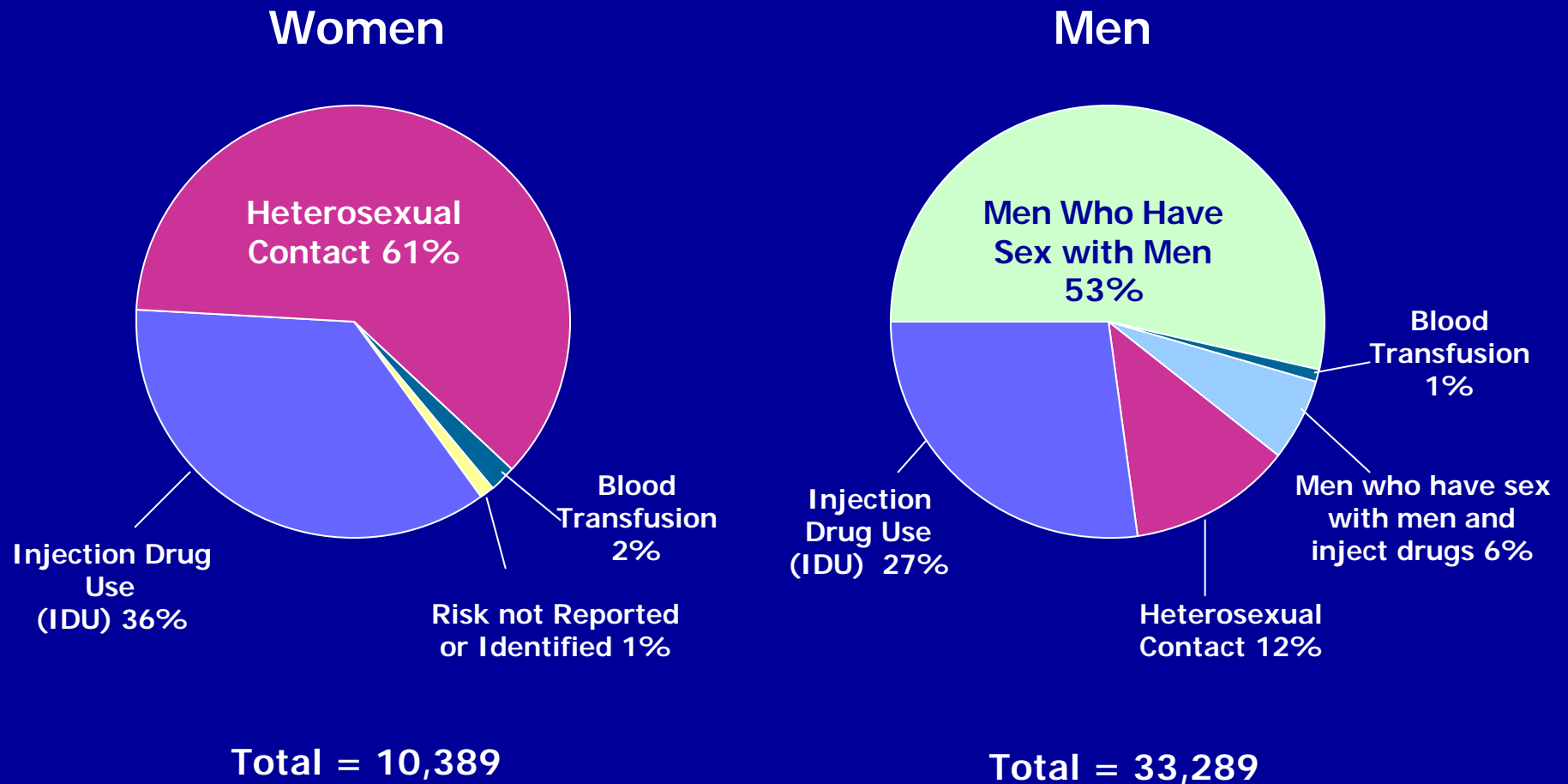
Annual AIDS Case Rates Among Women, 1999



Note: Rates per 100,000 women. Includes reported cases among women 13 years of age and older.
Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Edition, Vol. 11, No. 2, 1999.

Figure 7

Estimated AIDS Cases by Gender and Exposure Category, 1998

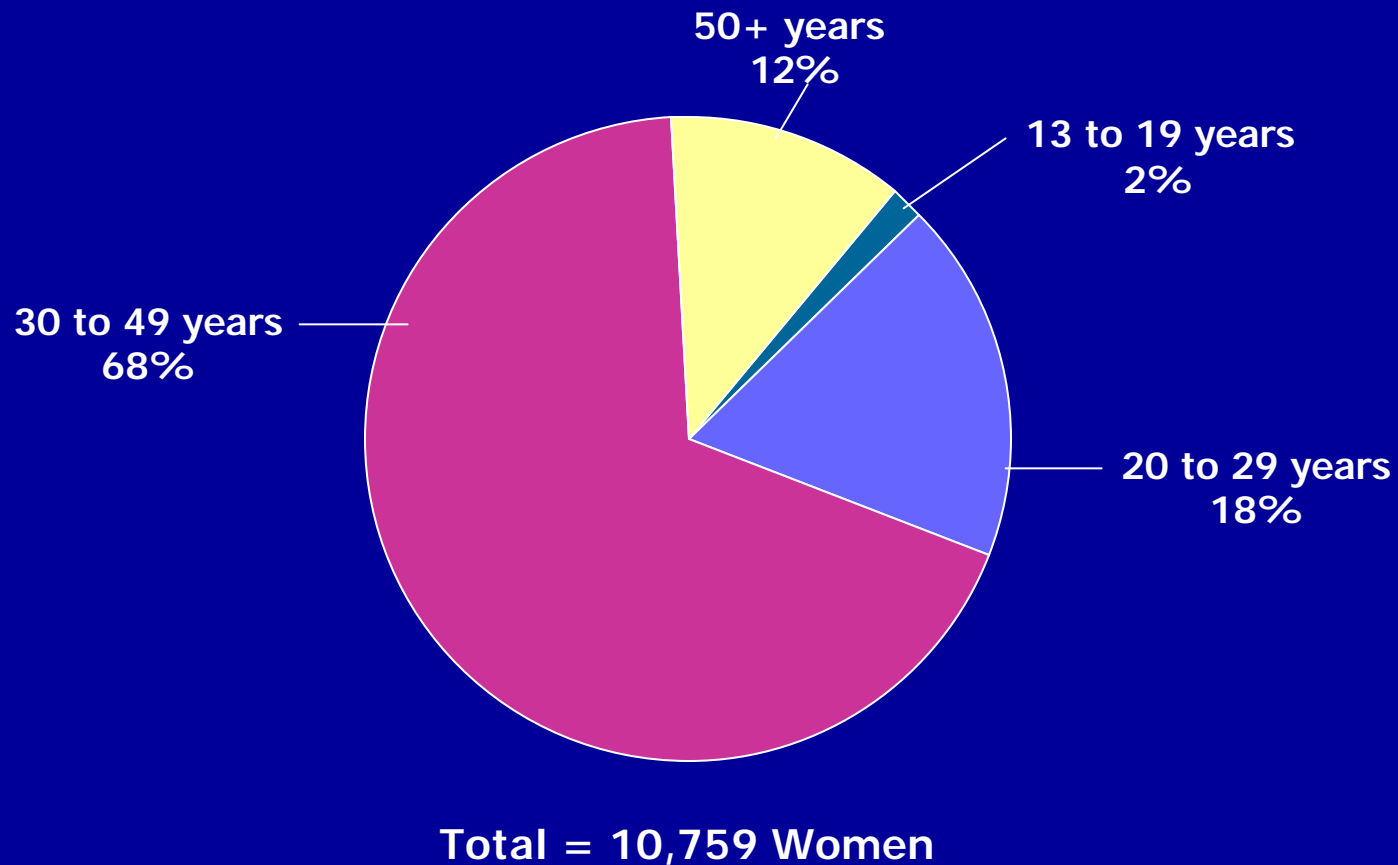


Note: Includes estimated cases diagnosed among women and men 13 years of age and older, after the reclassification of those whose cause for exposure was not reported or identified.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Edition, Vol.11, No.2, 1999.

Figure 8

New AIDS Cases Among Women by Age, 1999

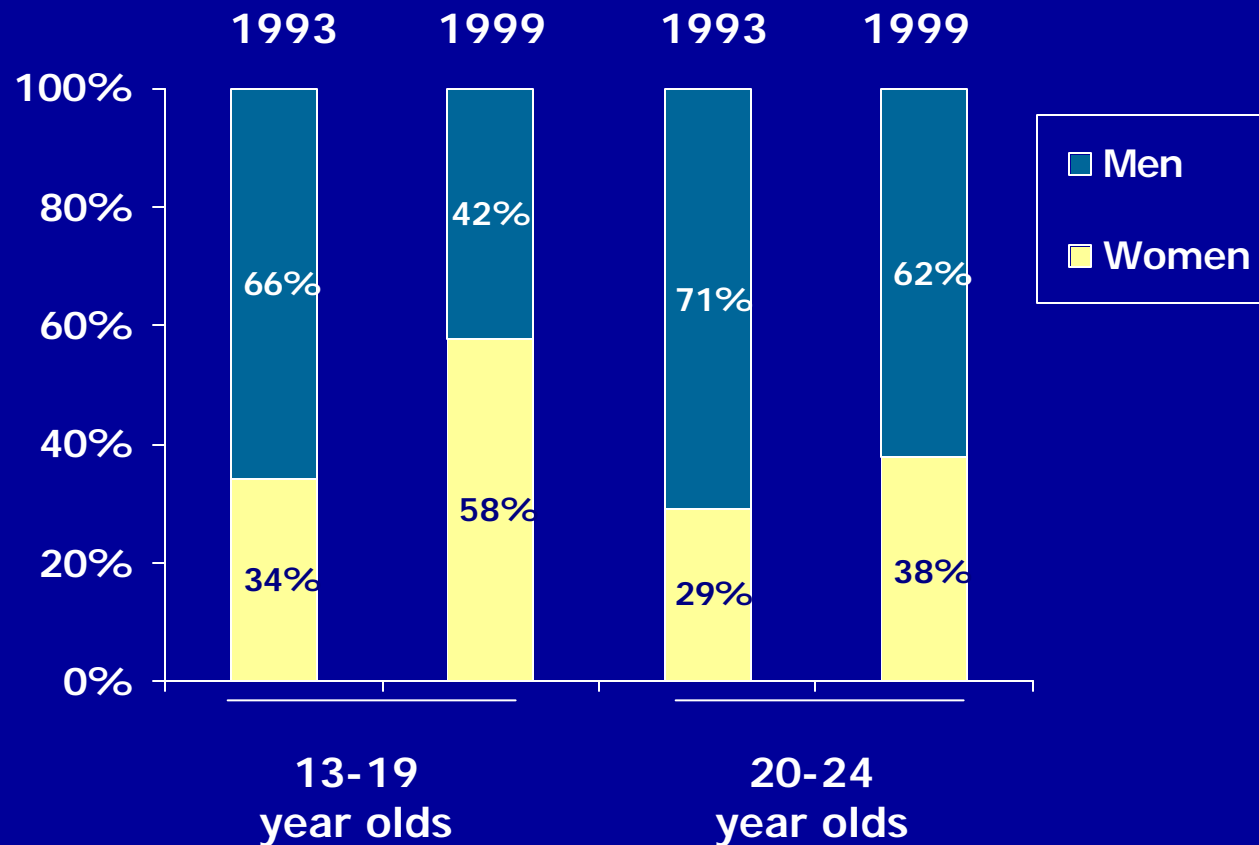


Note: Includes reported cases among women 13 years of age and older.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance in Women, L264 Slide Series, 1999.

Figure 9

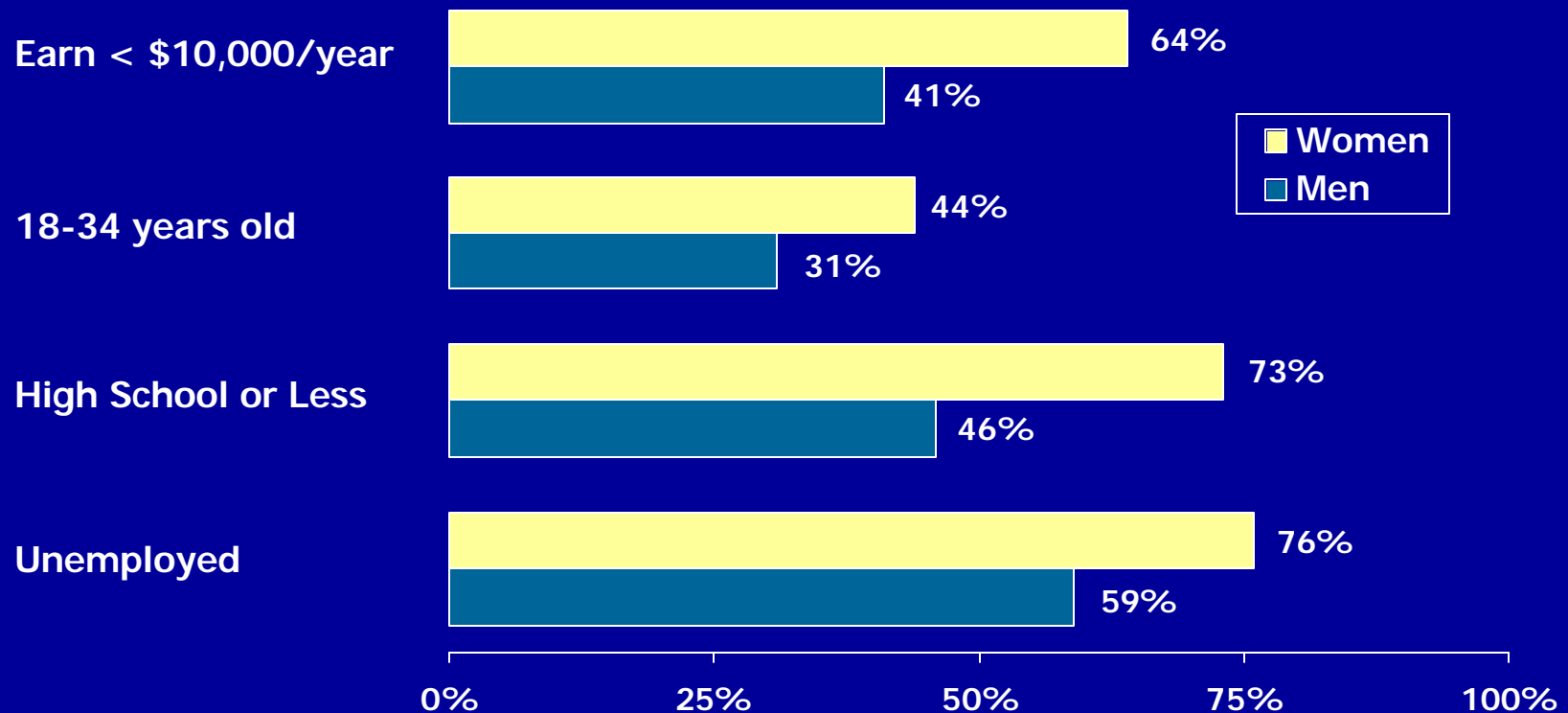
Young Women as a Proportion of AIDS Cases Among All Young People, 1993 and 1999



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, Year-End Editions, 1993 and 1999.

Figure 10

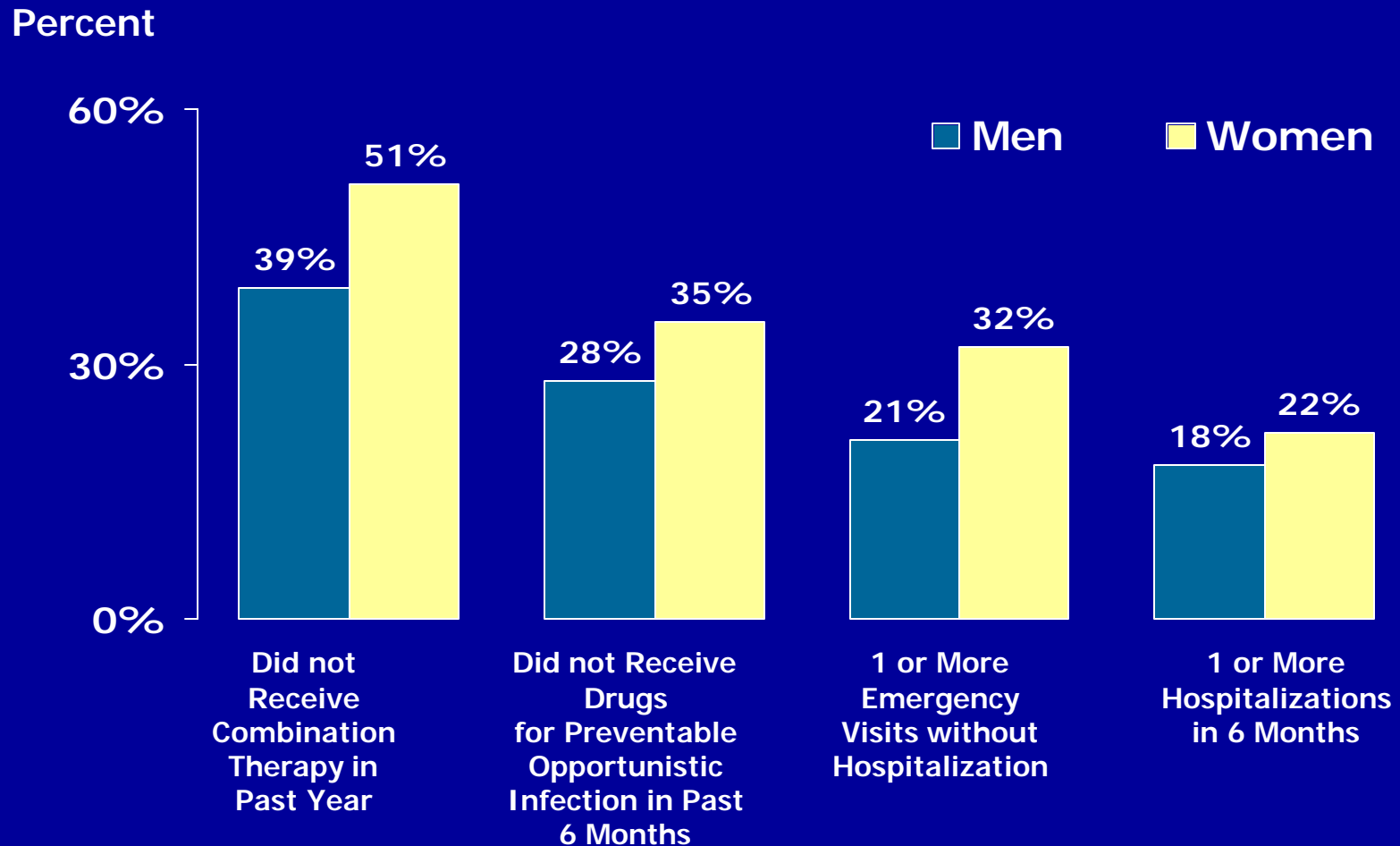
Selected Characteristics of Persons with HIV/AIDS in Care by Gender, 1996



Note: Includes persons 18 years and older who received medical care during a 6 month period in 1996.
Source: Bozzette, et al. (1998). "The Care of HIV-Infected Adults in the United States" *New England Journal of Medicine*, Vol. 339, No. 26.

Figure 11

Health Services Use Among Persons with HIV/AIDS in Care by Gender, 1996

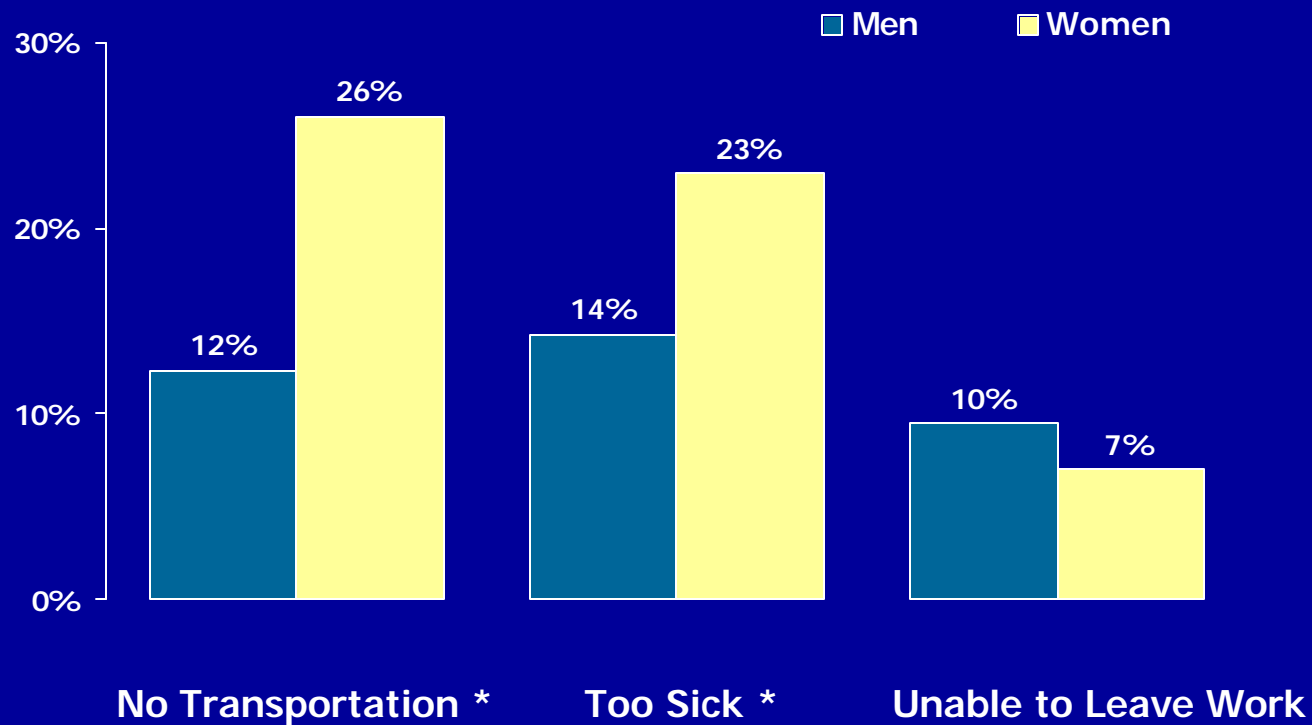


Note: Includes persons 18 years and older. Results significantly different at $p < .05$ after adjusting for CD4 count.
Source: Shapiro, et al. (1999). "Variations in the Care of HIV-Infected Adults in the United States." *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Vol. 281, No. 24.

Figure 12

Reasons for Postponing Care Among Persons with HIV/AIDS by Gender, 1996

Percent Reporting



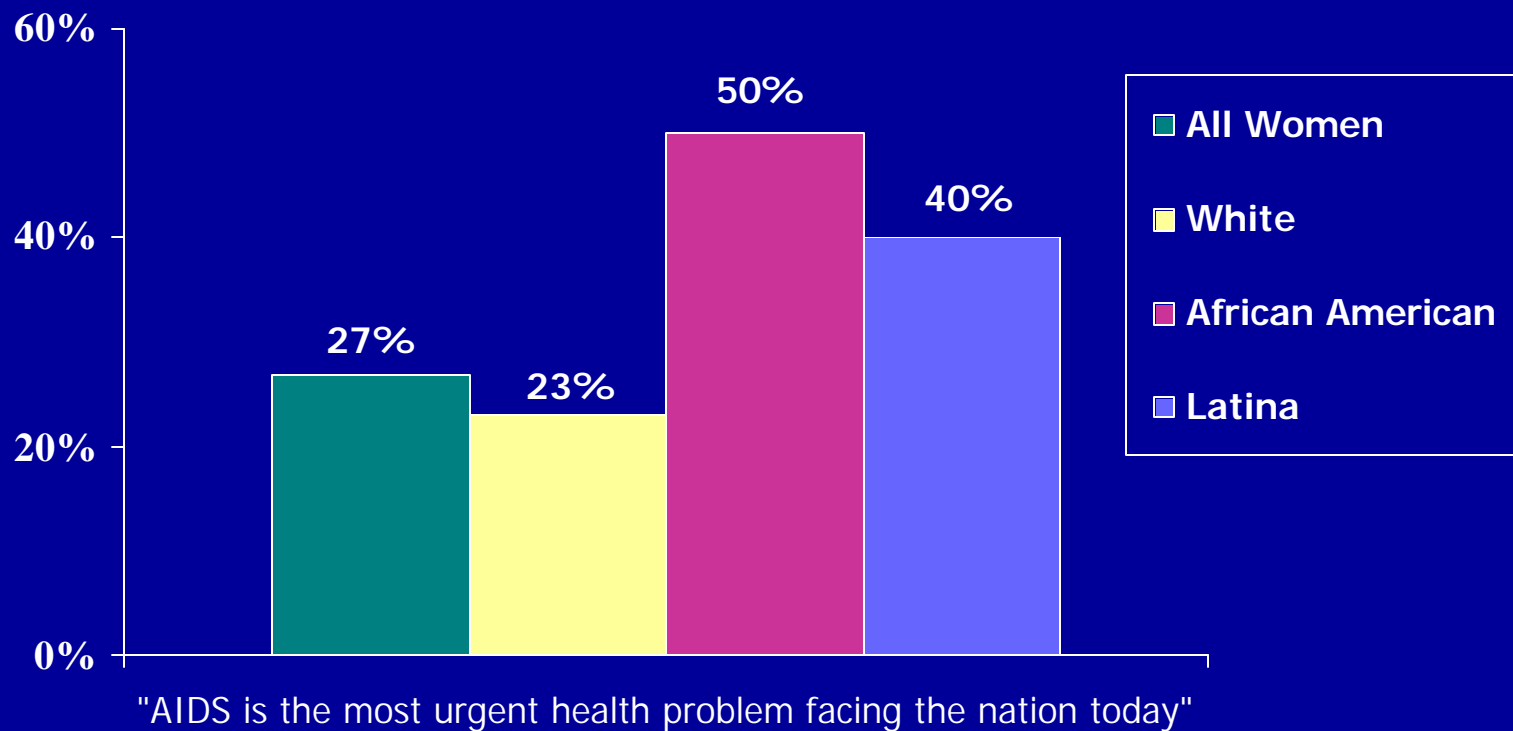
Note: Includes persons 18 years and older. * Results significantly different at $p < .01$.

Source: Cunningham, et al. (1999). "The Impact of Competing Subsistence Needs and Barriers on Access to Medical Care for Persons with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Receiving Care in the United States." *Medical Care*, Vol. 37, No. 12.

Figure 13

Women's Perception of AIDS as an Urgent Problem by Race/Ethnicity, 2000

Percent Who Say...



Source: Kaiser Family Foundation, National Survey of Americans on HIV/AIDS, conducted August 14 - October 26, 2000.