






WHAT CAN YOU DO IN YOUR COMMUNITY TO LET YOUR ACTION COUNT?


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Take care of yourself and your family and reduce your risk of getting HIV, TB and STIs
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Protect young women and girls from getting HIV
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Pay special attention to youth, orphans and vulnerable children and people with disabilities
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Act against gender based violence and alcohol abuse
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Check your HIV status regularly so that you can stay negative or get care to remain healthy
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If you have HIV do everything you can to stay on your treatment for always and join a group of other people living with HIV
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Get screened for TB if you have a cough that is not going away or if you know someone who has TB and
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If you have TB make sure you finish your treatment so that you can be cured
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Help to reduce stigma and discrimination against people with HIV or TB and protect their human rights
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Join community organisations working to overcome HIV, TB and STIs and that reach and empower people who have higher risk behaviours and/or legal and social issues that increase their vulnerability
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Encourage your community to participate in prevention activities and help others to access health and social development services

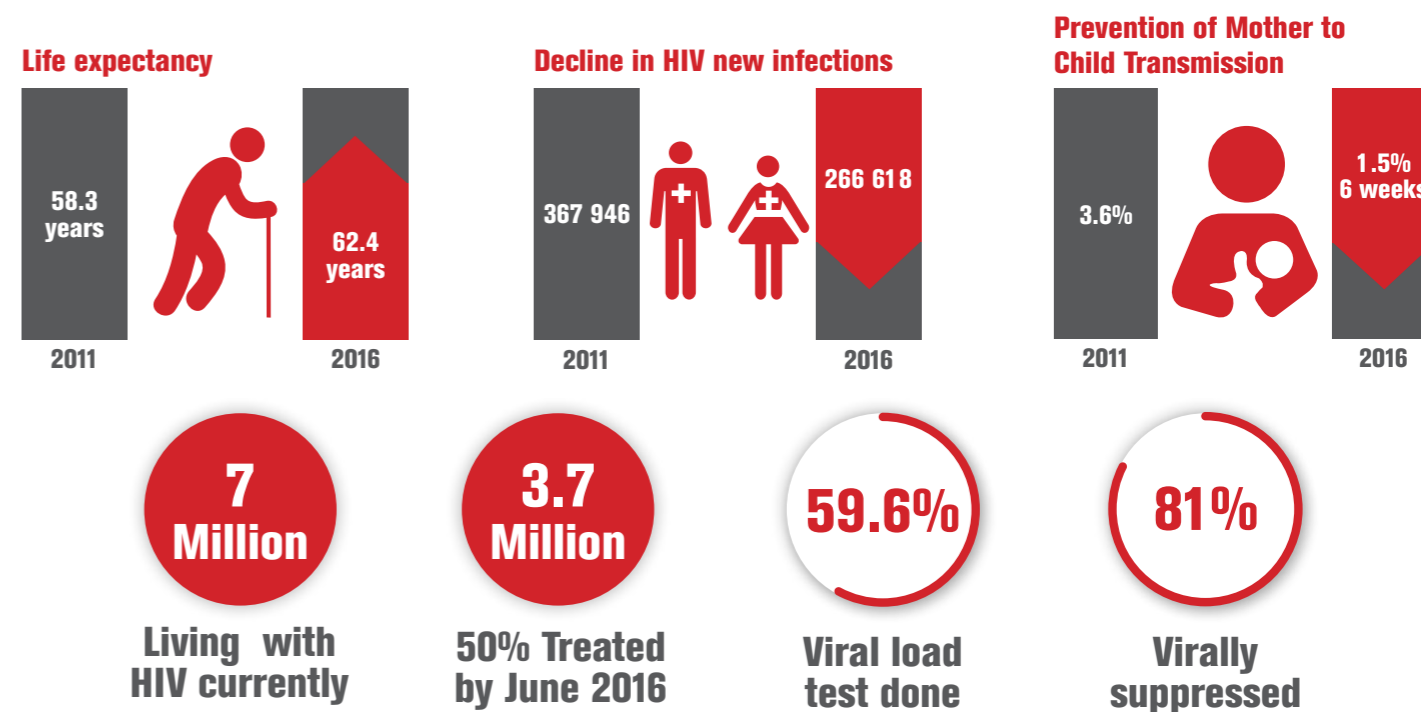
LET OUR ACTIONS COUNT on HIV, TB and STIs



We have made exceptional progress in our response to HIV, TB and STIs

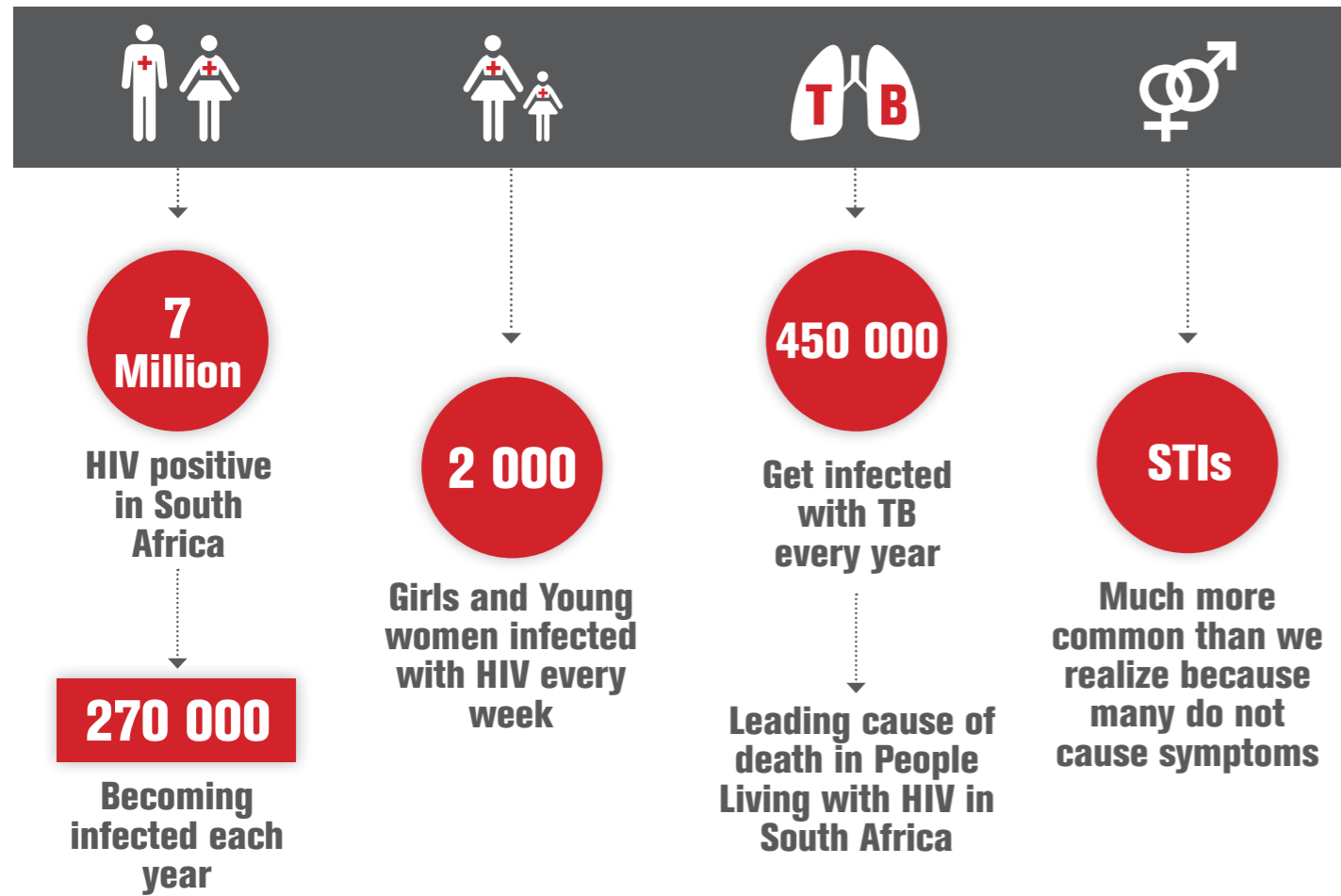
While we did not achieve everything we set out in our National Strategic Plan (NSP) for HIV, TB and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) 2012-2016, South Africa has made exceptional progress in responding to these challenges as a result of the contributions of government, civil society, the private sector and development partners.

- People are living longer as life expectancy has increased from 58.3 years in 2011 to 62.4 years in 2016
- New HIV infections each year decreased from about 370 000 in 2011 to about 270 000 in 2016
- We now have the largest antiretroviral treatment programme in the world, with more than 3.7 million people on treatment
- We have drastically reduced HIV infection from mothers to newborn children to only one in 67



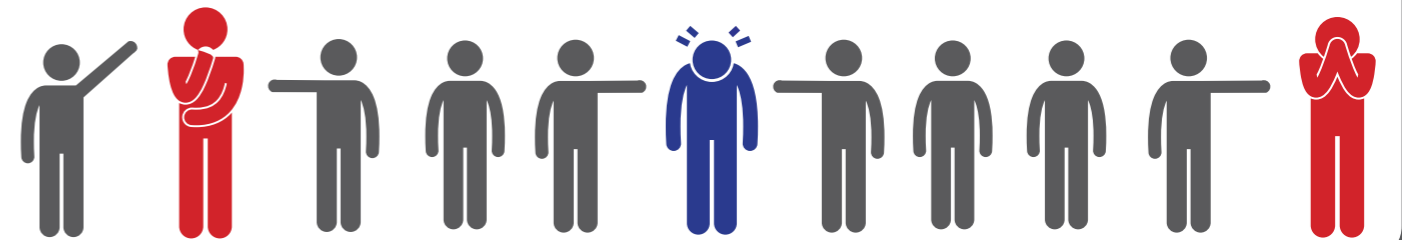
But there is more to do as HIV, TB and STIs still present major challenges

- There are 7 million HIV positive people in South Africa today and 270 000 more are becoming infected each year
- 2 000 adolescent girls and young women are infected with HIV every week
- 450 000 people get infected with TB every year
- TB is the leading cause of death in People Living with HIV in South Africa
- STIs are much more common than we realize because many do not cause symptoms



IF WE WANT TO SUCCEED, WE HAVE TO MAKE OUR ACTIONS COUNT TO REACH THE GOALS OF OUR NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN (NSP) FOR HIV, TB AND STIS

- Let our actions count to prevent new infections, especially amongst young women and girls and youth and amongst those key and vulnerable populations who are at greater risk.
- Let our actions count to address the poverty, inequity and unemployment that drive the transmission of HIV, TB and STIs and impedes access to care.
- Let our actions count in treating and caring for those infected and helping everyone to stay on their treatment.
- Let our actions count in making sure no one who is more vulnerable to infection is left behind in prevention or care.
- Let our actions count as we overcome any stigma or discrimination and protect the human rights of all.
- Let our actions count by the way we lead and work together as local, provincial and national government, civil society, the private sector and development partners
- Let our actions count by building up our social delivery systems so that we can deliver on our goals



But we want an AIDS free generation by 2030 and dramatic reductions in TB and STIs, so have set ambitious goals in our National Strategic Plan (NSP) for the next five years

We want to reduce NEW INFECTIONS OF HIV

from **270 000** per year to less than **100 000**

We want 

90% of all people living with HIV to know their HIV status.

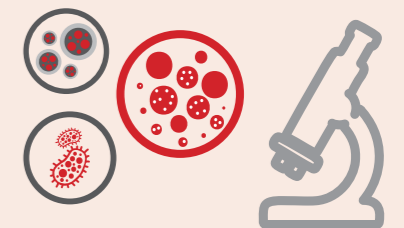
90% diagnosed with HIV infection getting their antiretroviral treatment and

90% of them having the virus suppressed

We want to reduce new TB infections by

30% 

We want to find 90% of all people with TB



treat at least **90%** and ensure a **90%** treatment success rate for drug-sensitive TB.

We want to significantly reduce gonorrhoea, syphilis, and chlamydia infections.