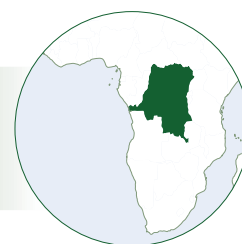


# DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



**63 000**  
**[49 000–78 000]**

**CHILDREN (0–14 YEARS) WERE LIVING WITH HIV IN 2021**

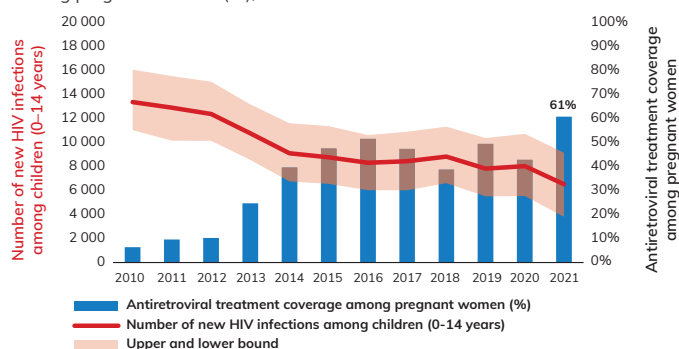
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**CHILDREN (0–14 YEARS) BECAME NEWLY INFECTED WITH HIV IN 2021**

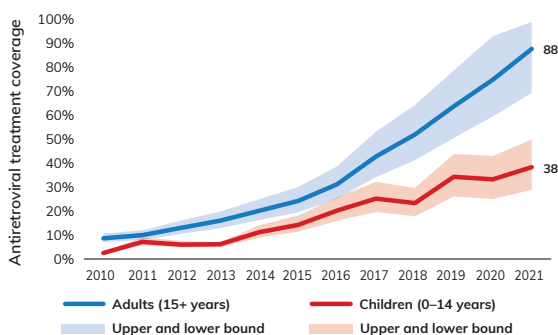
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**CHILDREN (0–14 YEARS) DIED FROM AIDS-RELATED ILLNESSES IN 2021**

**Figure 1.**  
New HIV infections among children (0–14 years) and antiretroviral coverage among pregnant women (%), 2010–2021

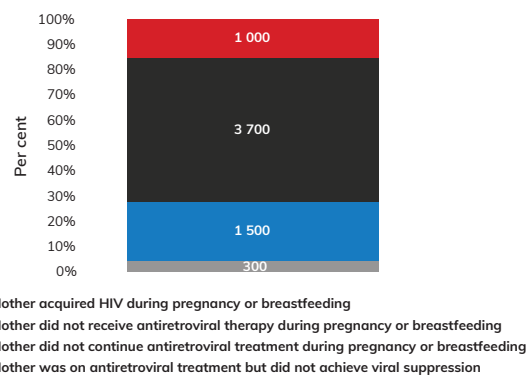


**Figure 2.**  
Antiretroviral treatment coverage (%) among children (0–14 years) and adults (15+ years), 2010–2021



Source: UNAIDS epidemiological estimates, 2022 (<https://aidsinfo.unaids.org/>).

**Figure 3.**  
Percentage and number of new vertical HIV infections by cause of transmission, 2021



## Highlights from Global Alliance action plan:

- Expand coverage of screening, ART and optimized care for children and adolescents based on dolutegravir.
- Extend PMTCT coverage in all provinces (focus on the nine provinces with support stoppage) in the HIV/Syphilis/Hepatitis Triple Elimination approach.
- Promote community-based approaches to identifying male partners (index-testing, self-testing) in supportive environments and adapted antenatal care schedules.
- Advocate for the amendment of the law in favour of access to adolescent testing and free access to care for victims of sexual violence; integrate/reinvigorate differentiated approaches to community mobilization and testing.
- Mobilise additional funds for the implementation/extension of all targeted activities.

“The Government of the Democratic Republic of Congo remains committed to the Global Alliance to End Paediatric AIDS by 2030. Indeed, with the increase in the share of health in the State Budget for the 2023 financial year, the Government will allocate substantial resources for the implementation of the Consolidated Action Plan here in Dar-es-Salaam and clearly identified priorities.”

— Excellency Dr Jean-Jacques Mbugani, Minister of Public Health, Hygiene and Prevention