

# AUSTRALIAN HIV SURVEILLANCE UPDATE

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### National Centre in HIV Epidemiology and Clinical Research

#### FROM 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 1993:

- 253 people were newly diagnosed with HIV infection.
- 102 people were newly diagnosed with AIDS.
- 121 people died following AIDS.

#### TO 30 JUNE 1993 THERE HAVE BEEN:

- 17,475 diagnoses of HIV infection.
- 4,258 diagnoses of AIDS.
- 2,786 deaths following AIDS.

#### FROM 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 1992:

- 309 people were newly diagnosed with HIV infection.
- 179 people were newly diagnosed with AIDS.
- 143 people died following AIDS.

#### TO 30 JUNE 1992 THERE WERE:

- 16,298 diagnoses of HIV infection.
- 3,690 diagnoses of AIDS.
- 2,314 deaths following AIDS.

### HIV DIAGNOSES

People diagnosed with HIV infection in the year to 30 June 1993 had an average age of 34 years, and less than 2% were aged under 13 years. 91% were male, 8% were female, and 3 people were reported as transsexual.

Of the people diagnosed with HIV infection in the year to 30 June 1993 whose exposure to HIV was recorded, 82% were men who reported homosexual contact, a further 3% reported injecting drug use, and 14% reported heterosexual contact.

### NEW HIV INFECTIONS

During the second quarter of 1993, 42 people (39 male, 3 female) were reported as having newly acquired HIV infection, identified by a negative test within the 12 months prior to diagnosis or the diagnosis of HIV seroconversion illness.

### SEXUAL HEALTH CLINICS

Six sexual health clinics in Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney tested 6390 people in the period 1 April to 30 June 1993 who were not previously known to have HIV infection.

- 2967 were tested for the first time, and 6 (0.2%) were found to be HIV antibody positive.
- 2424 were retested following a previous negative test, and of these 13 (0.5%) were found to be HIV antibody positive.
- Of those tested, 386 were female sex workers, none of whom were found to have HIV infection.

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