

HIV/AIDS Profile: Martinique

Demographic Indicators

Population (1,000s)	415	Growth Rate (%)	1.0
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000)		Life Expectancy	
Both Sexes	8	Both Sexes	78
Male	5	Male	79
Female	11	Female	77
Crude Birth Rate (per 1,000)	16	Crude Death Rate (per 1,000)	6
Percent Urban	81	Total Fertility Rate	1.8
Note: Above indicators are for 2000.			

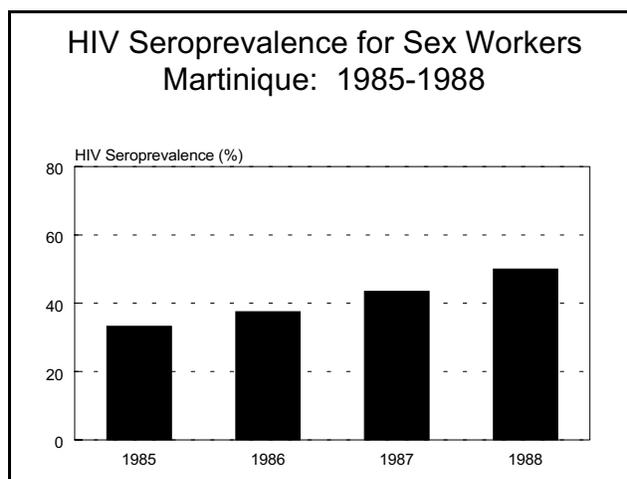
Estimated % of adults living with HIV/AIDS, end 1999	N/A		
Cumulative AIDS rate (per 1,000) as of 12/31/97	1.08		
Cumulative AIDS cases as of 12/31/97	436		
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Reference Bureau, UNAIDS, World Health Organization.			

Epidemiological Data

Epidemic State: Concentrated

It is impossible to know the current state of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Martinique as available data cover the mid to late 1980s. By the late 1980s, 50 percent of sex workers tested were HIV positive. Almost 1 percent of pregnant women tested were HIV positive in 1988.

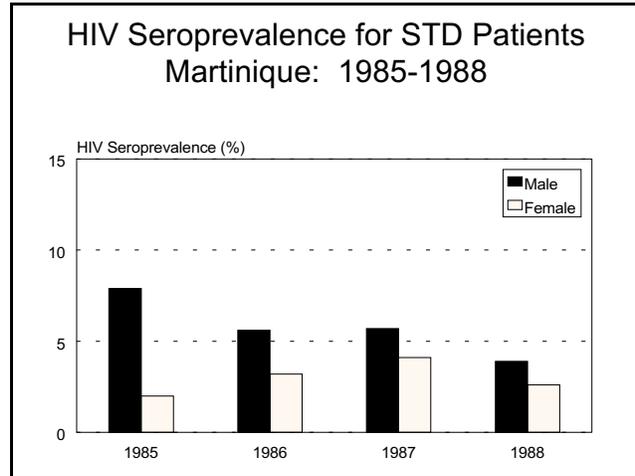
- HIV infection among sex workers tested in Martinique increased steadily from 1985 to 1988. The level of infection went from 33 percent in 1985 to 50 percent in 1988.



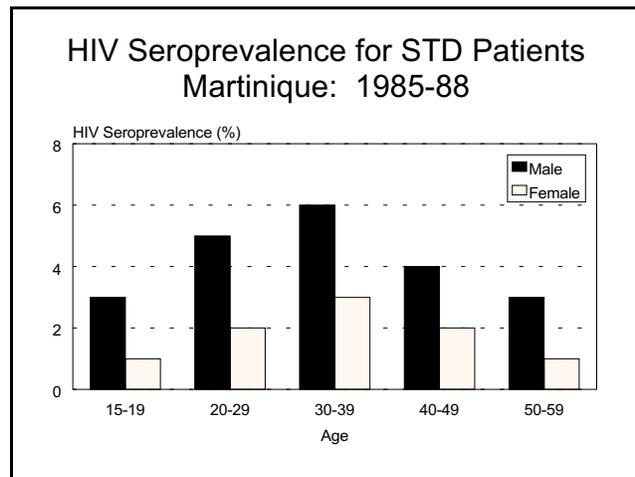
Source: International Programs Center, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Data Base, June 2000.

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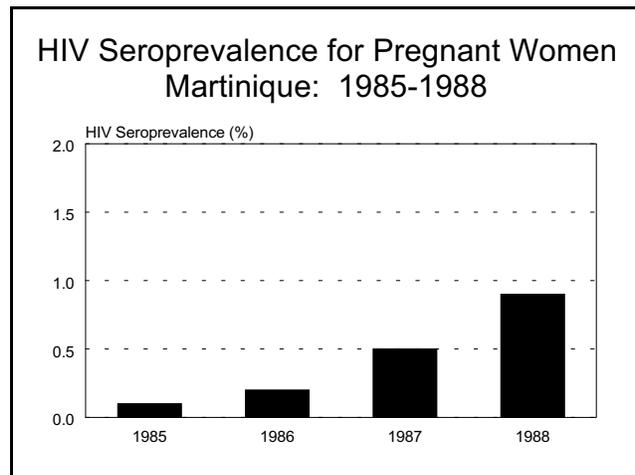
- In Martinique, a study conducted over the 1985-88 period reported that male patients visiting STD clinics had higher HIV prevalence rates than female patients. Rates for both sexes fluctuated over time. Among males, prevalence declined from 8 percent in 1985 to 4 percent in 1988. Among females, rates ranged from 2 percent in 1985 to 4 percent in 1987.



- Results from the same study conducted among STD patients reported that the highest infection levels were found among 30-39 year olds of both sexes.

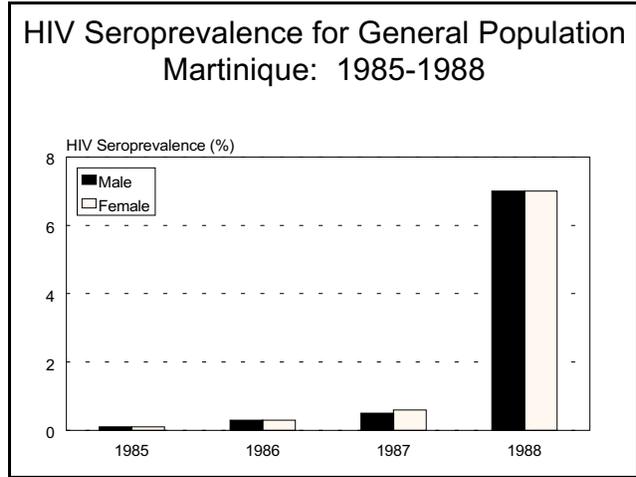


- Between 1985 and 1988, HIV infection among pregnant women tested in Martinique increased from almost no evidence of infection in 1985 to nearly 1 percent in 1988.

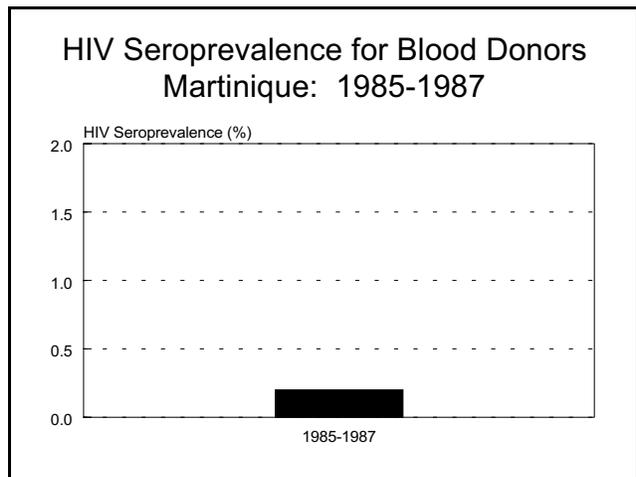


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- HIV seroprevalence among healthy individuals in the general population of Martinique was similar by sex. Prevalence increased modestly between 1985 and 1987. However, within a one year period, there was an increase in infection levels. Seven percent of individuals tested were HIV positive in 1988, up from 1 percent the previous year.



- Between 1985-1987, 0.2 percent of blood donors were found to be HIV positive in Martinique.



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