

# FACTS AND FIGURES

The facts and figures here will give you a brief overview of the dimension of the AIDS epidemic in the world and in your region. They were mostly taken from the 2003 Report on the global HIV/AIDS epidemic by UNAIDS. Please note that these figures are estimates and may be significantly higher in reality.

## Worldwide

Over 8,000 AIDS deaths per day | Almost 14,000 new infections per day

**40 million people** were living with HIV/AIDS by the end of 2003

**5 million people** were infected in 2003

More than **3 million children** (0-14) are living with HIV/AIDS

**31 million** have died from AIDS

**3 million** died in 2003

**14 million children** (0-14) have lost their mother or both parents due to AIDS

**Women** account for more than **half of all new infections**

The economic loss is estimated to account for more than **20 per cent of GDP** in the worst affected countries by 2020.

## In Asia and the Pacific

Almost 1,500 AIDS deaths per day | Almost 3,000 new infections per day

The Asia-Pacific region has 60 per cent of the world's population but so far only 20 per cent of the estimated global HIV infections. However...

**7.4 million people** were living with HIV/AIDS by the end of 2003

Over **1 million adults** and children were newly infected in 2003

**225,000 children** (0-14) are living with HIV/AIDS

Almost **500,000 people** died from AIDS in 2003

**1.9 million children** are orphaned by AIDS

Projected new infections in South and Southeast Asia by 2010 if prevention is not scaled up: 18.5 million

