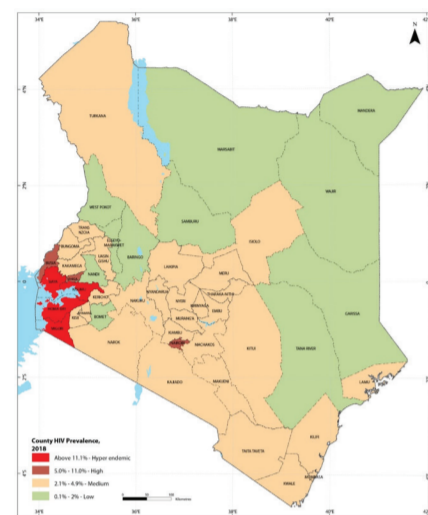


## FAITH LEADERS BUILDING BRIDGES IN THE HIV RESPONSE IN KENYA

Religious leaders have been instrumental in strengthening advocacy on HIV prevention, Care and Support, and eliminating Stigma and Discrimination. This fact sheet provides information on HIV data, and feedback on a questionnaire administered to religious leaders on basic facts about HIV. The data will guide the religious leaders in their advocacy role in the HIV response in Kenya.



Overall HIV prevalence has declined from **5.9% IN 2015** to **4.8% IN 2017**

- 4 counties with prevalence rate >10%
- 3 counties with prevalence rate between 5-10%
- 30 counties with prevalence rate between 2-4.9%
- 10 counties with prevalence rate <2%

Figure 1: HIV prevalence per County

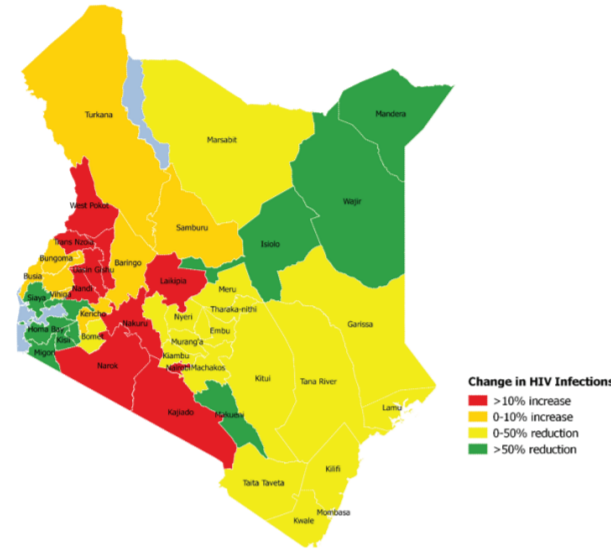


Figure 2: Change in new HIV infections

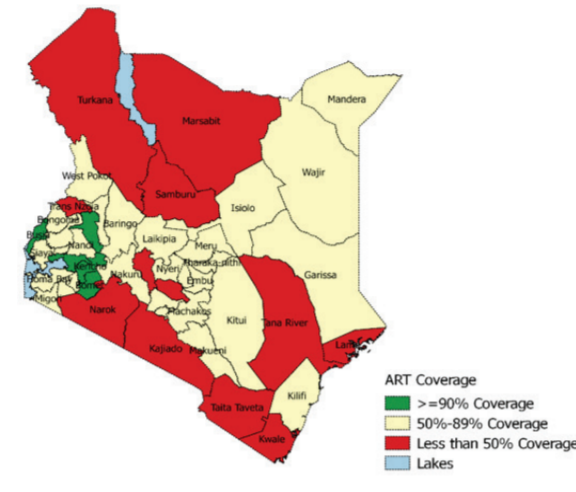


Figure 3: ART coverage

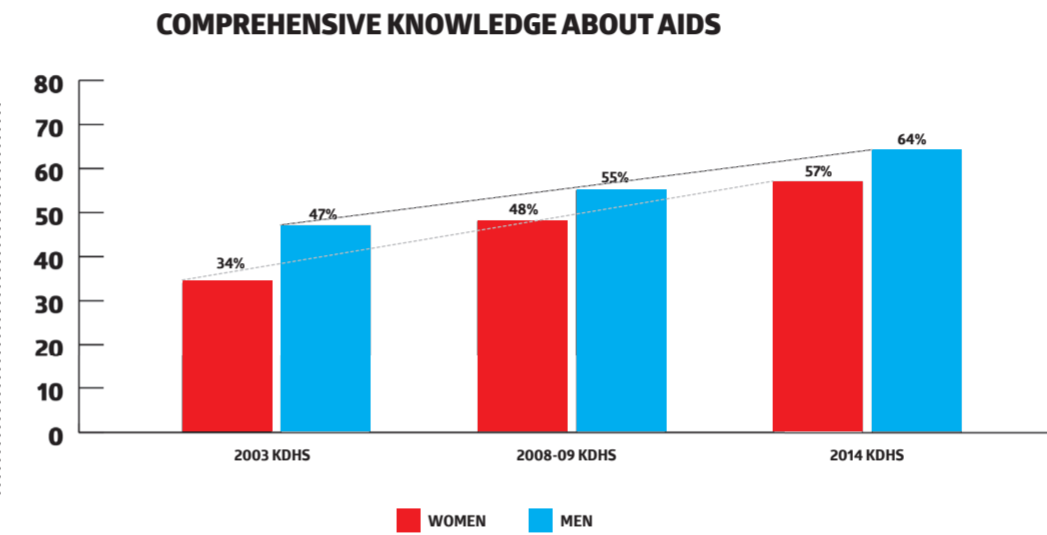


Figure 10: Comprehensive knowledge among 15 – 24 year olds

### PERCENTAGE OF AYP WHO HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE BEFORE AGE 15 YEARS (2017)

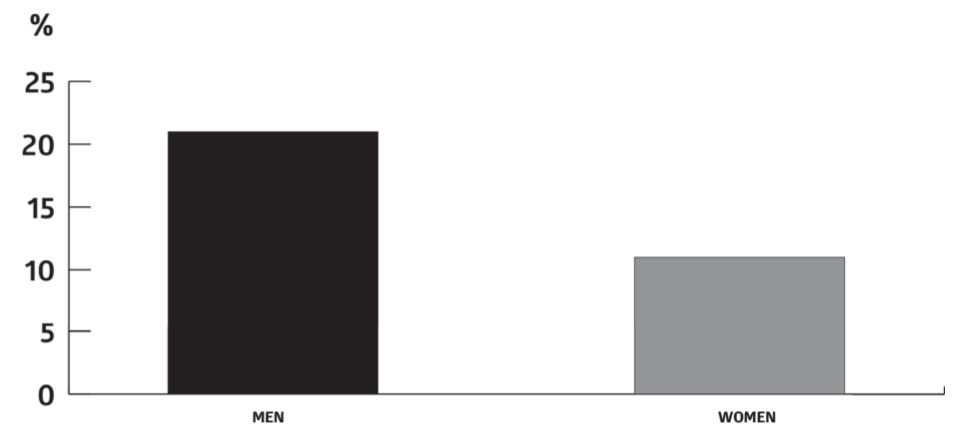


Figure 11: Percentage of person's aged 15-24 who had sexual intercourse before age 15 years

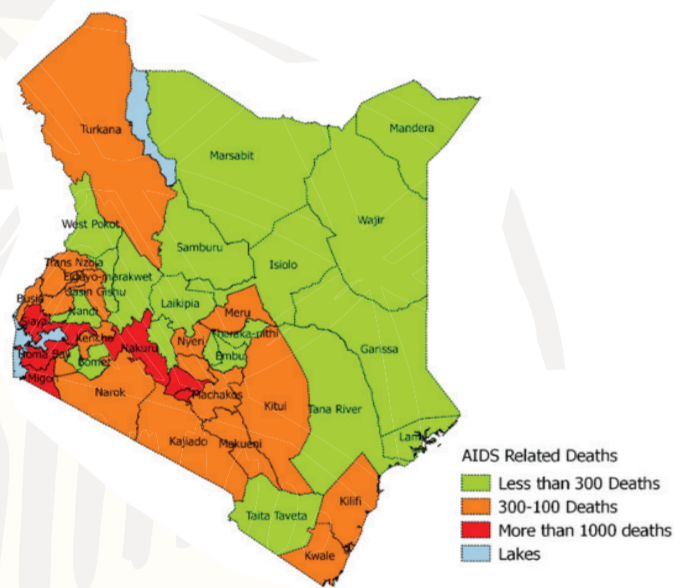


Figure 4: AIDS related deaths

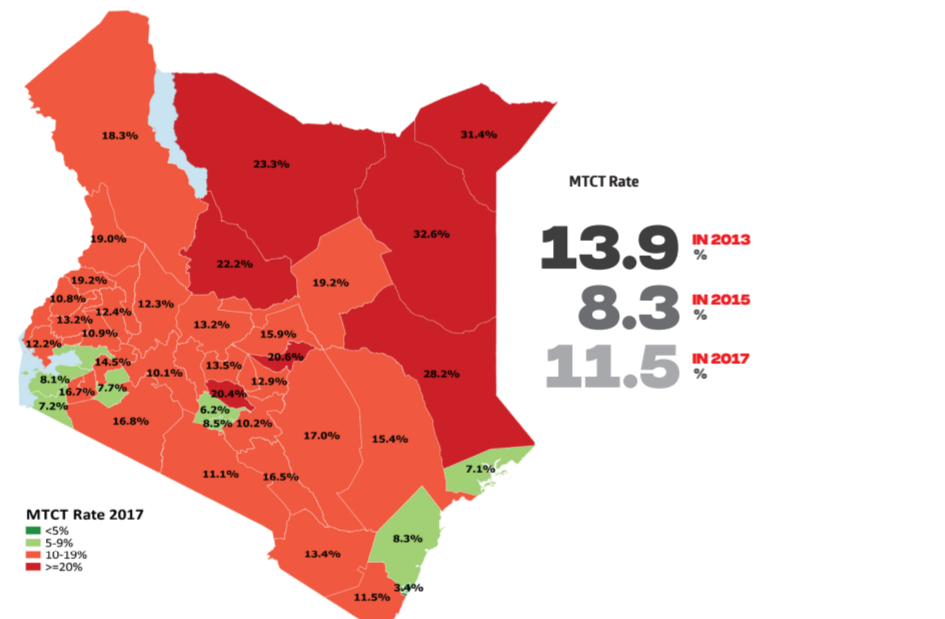


Figure 5: EMTCT rate per County

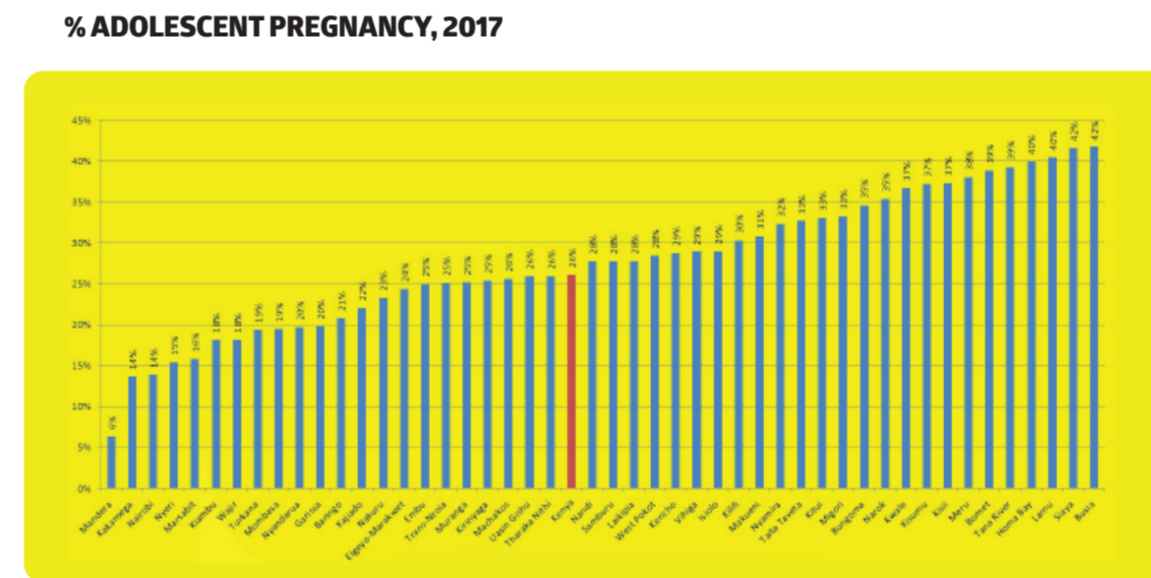


Figure 12: Teenage pregnancy per county

### FEEDBACK FROM THE COUNTY QUESTIONNAIRE

A questionnaire was administered in 9 counties, with 488 religious leaders filling the questionnaire. The following was the received responses.

HIV is spread by sharing utensils with an infected person

**TRUE 8%**  
**FALSE 91%**  
**NO ANSWER 1%**

### HIV RESPONSE FOR AYP

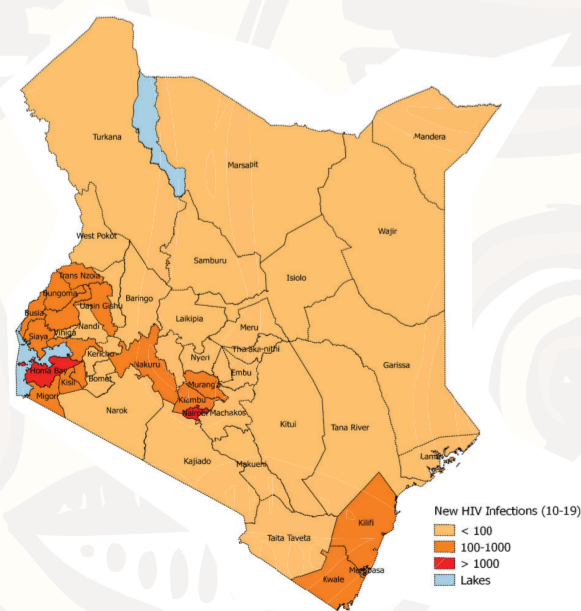


Figure 6: New infections among Adolescents 10-19yrs

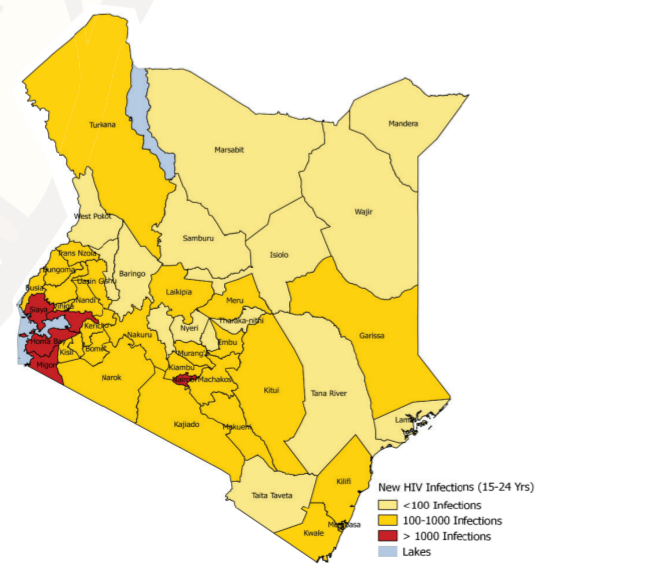


Figure 7: New infections among Adolescents and young people 15-24yrs

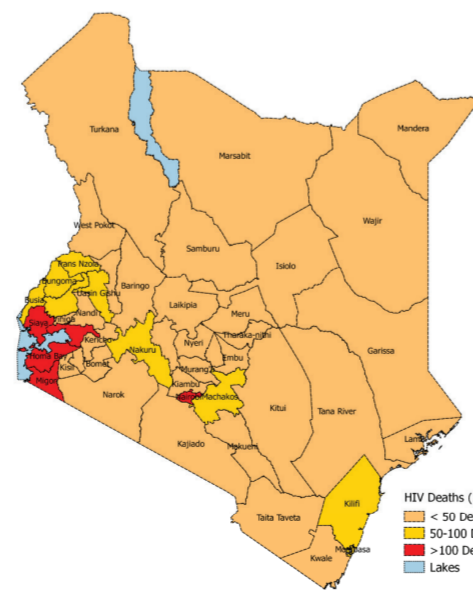


Figure 8: HIV related deaths among adolescents 10 –19yrs

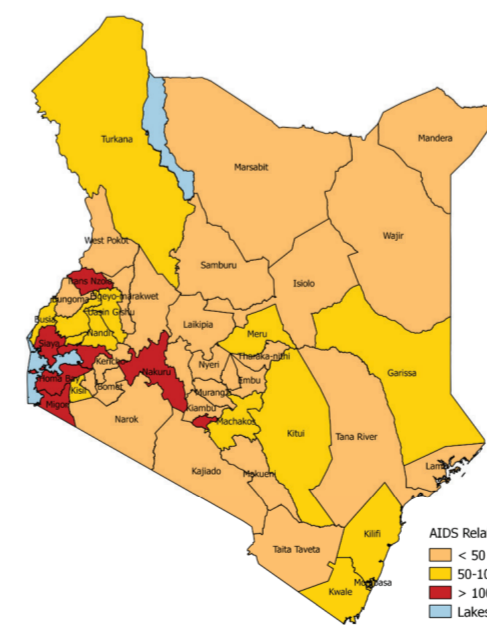
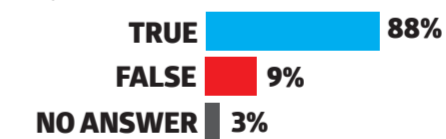
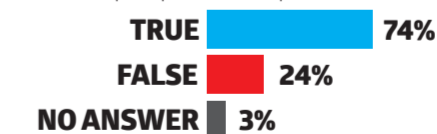


Figure 9: HIV related deaths 15-24yrs

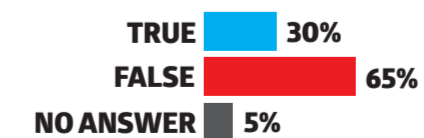
A mother who is living with HIV can infect her baby if there is no intervention



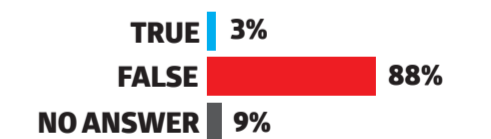
HIV status should not affect consideration for leadership in a place of worship



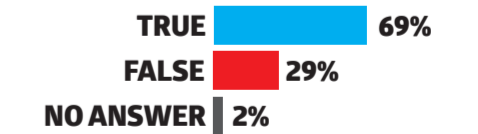
A battered husband/wife should not leave his/her home



HIV is a curse from God



HIV testing is a requirement before wedding and the religious leader should get the results before solemnizing



Sexual assault should be dealt with at the family level

