

## General Terms

- **Population Subgroups:**

Children:	Includes all children except for those who are patients with tuberculosis or transfusion recipients.
Homosexuals:	Includes people with known homosexual contacts such as "Men Who Have Sex With Men."
Intravenous Drug Users/Needle Sharers:	Includes drug addicts.
Military/Armed Forces:	Includes police forces.
Other Non-Representative:	Includes those such as high risk individuals and clients of sex workers, who do not fall into any of the other subpopulations.
Other Patients:	Includes all other patients except for pediatric patients, STI patients, TB patients, and Transfused patients.
Sex workers:	Includes other highly sexually active women such as bar workers.
Two Known Mixed Groups:	Includes those who fall into two different subpopulations but are reported as one. An example is pregnant women and sexually transmitted infected clinic patients who are reported as one group.

- **Data Type**

HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) - non-specified probably HIV-1
HIV-1	HIV-1 (or HTLV III) - so specified
HIV-2	HIV-2 (or HTLV IV) - so specified
HIV-1 & 2	Co-infection of HIV-1 and HIV-2
HIV-1, 2	Overall combined of HIV-1 and HIV-2
AIDS	Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome

- **Test Type (These are based on an article from AIDS Volume 7, Number 1, January 1993 by Neil T. Constantine.**

ELISA	Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay or EIA
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ELISA*2, 3, ...	More than one ELISA test
IFA	Indirect immunofluorescent assay or IF
LIA	Line immunoassay
PCR	Polymerase chain reaction
RAPID	Rapid and simple assay
RAPID*2, 3, ...	More than one rapid assay
RIA	Radioimmuno assay
RIPA	Radioimmunoprecipitation assay
UNK	Unknown
WB	Western blot assay or IB

- **Specimen Type: Refers to what is collected and how it is collected from the donor.**

BW	Whole blood
BS	Blood spots
B	Blood (unspecified)
O	Oral/Saliva
U	Urine

- **Comments:** Common acronyms used in the “Comments for selected record” section

ANC	Antenatal clinic
AIS	AIDS Indicator Survey
ART	Antiretroviral therapy
BAIS	Botswana AIDS Impact Survey
CSW	Commercial sex worker
DHS	Demographic and Health Survey
FBO	Faith-based organization
FSW	Female sex workers
FP	Family planning
IBBS	Integrated bio-behavioral survey
MCH	Maternal and child health
MSM	Men who have sex with men
NGO	Non-governmental organization
PHIA	Population-Based HIV Impact Assessment
PMTCT	Prevention of mother-to-child transmission
RDS	Respondent-driven sampling
SS	Sentinel Surveillance
STI	Sexually transmitted infections
VCT	Voluntary counseling and testing