

DJIBOUTI 2022

Summary of the Joint Programme's support to the national HIV response in 2022



In Djibouti, all eligible people living with HIV were transitioned to Dolutegravir-based first line antiretroviral treatment (ART) and guaranteed free access to HIV health services enabling them to achieve viral suppression and better health outcomes (UNDP, WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat). In addition, people living with HIV continued to access their treatment through a four-month multi-month dispensing of ART and home-delivery services to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 epidemic. Mobile applications, such as WhatsApp facilitated monitoring and follow-up of people living with HIV, and procurement of antiretroviral medicines avoided stockout during the pandemic (UNDP).

Community-led programmes strengthened access to HIV prevention, testing, and treatment information and services, especially among key populations in Djibouti, thanks to sustained technical and financial support from the Joint Team (UNDP, WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat). Mapping of civil society organizations and key populations in Djibouti City strengthened strategic information for the implementation of tailored programmes and the overall HIV response (UNDP, UNAIDS Secretariat).

In 2022, an estimated 25 574 people, including key populations, received HIV testing, of whom 280 people tested positive (UNDP).

A total of 1619 healthcare workers and 738 men who have sex with men improved their knowledge on HIV prevention measures and services. Key populations (sex workers and men who have sex with men) received 25 113 male and 78 female condoms, and 7711 lubricating gels during community-led orientation sessions (UNDP, UNFPA).

Financial support to *Autre Regard*, a community health organization working with key populations, increased access to combination HIV prevention among sex workers and men who have sex with men in Djibouti. Community-led monitoring and programme implementation were strengthened through capacity building to improve retention and adherence among people living with HIV enrolled on treatment; collection and analysis of data on human rights and gender equality to inform programmes; and technical support to improve multisectoral coordination (UNDP, UNAIDS Secretariat).

KEY RESULTS

- All eligible people living with HIV transitioned to Dolutegravir-based first line ART and guaranteed free access to HIV services.
- Over 25 000 condoms were distributed to key populations (sex workers and men who have sex with men).
- Over 25 000 people, including key populations, received HIV testing.

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Contributing to [United Nations Development Assistance Framework in Djibouti \(2018-2022\)](#)



2022 Joint Programme
Expenditure
Total US\$ 550 644

2022 expenditure data
available at the time of
the update (August 2023)

