

Tanzania Country Updates

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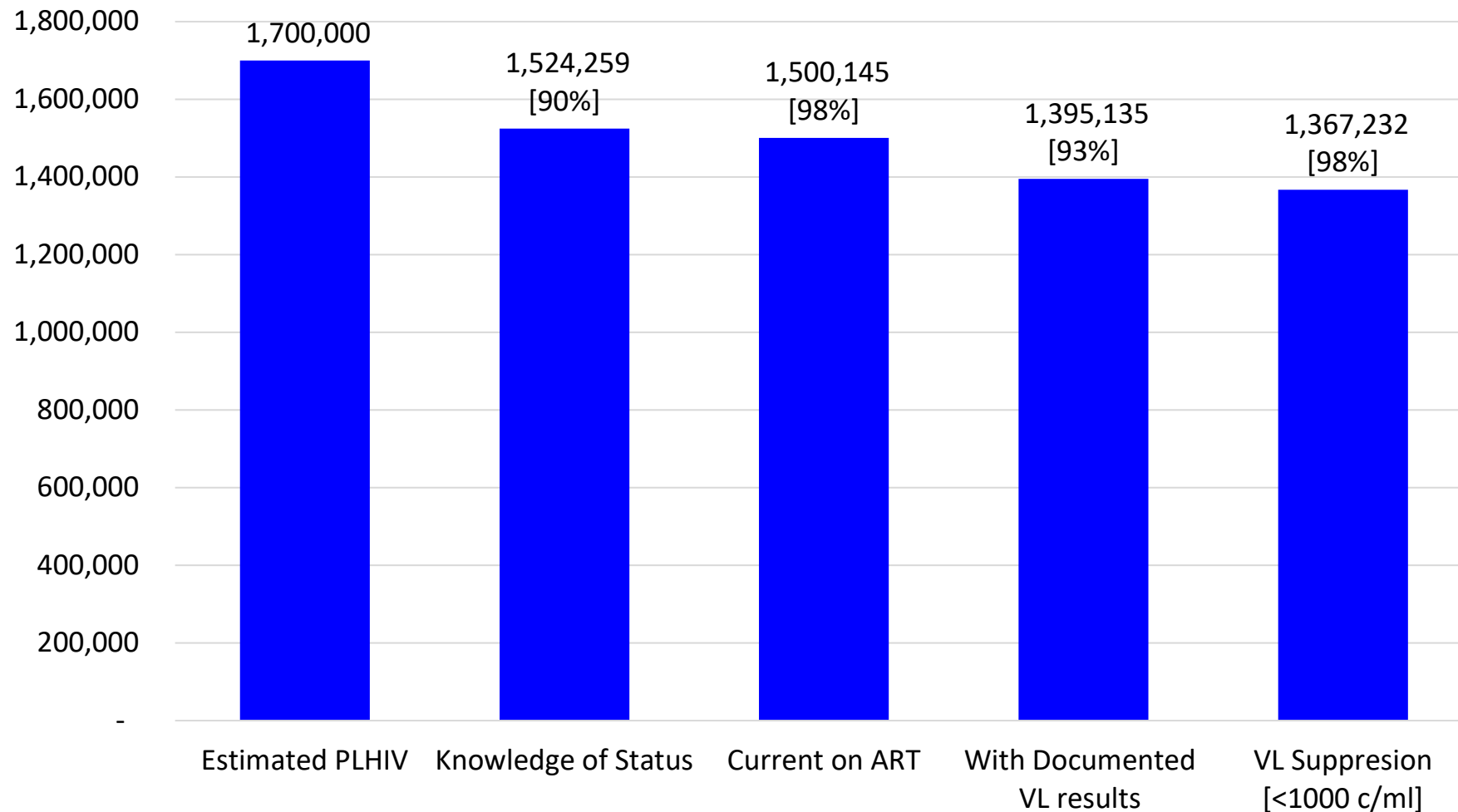
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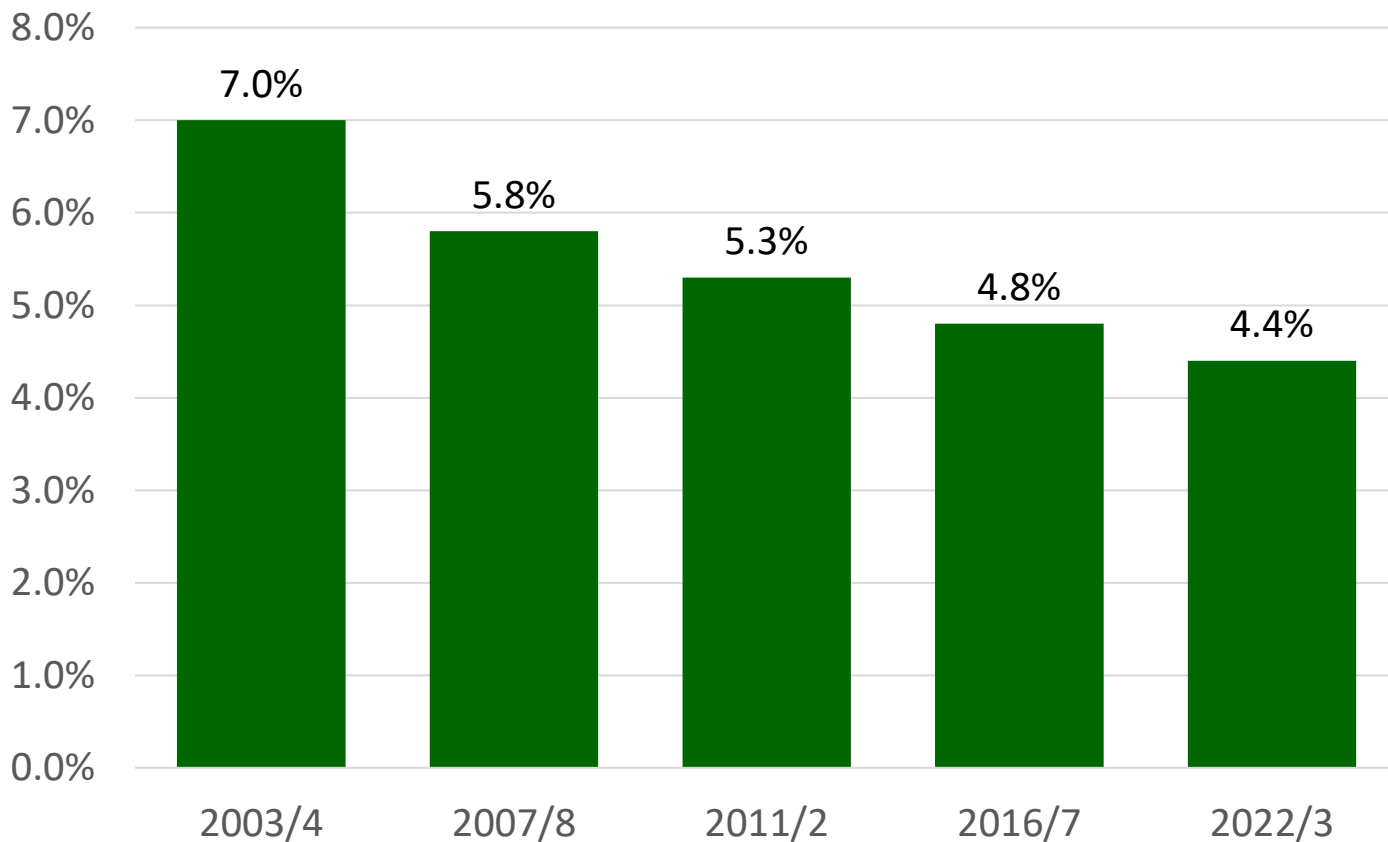
Country Background: Progress Towards the 95:95:95



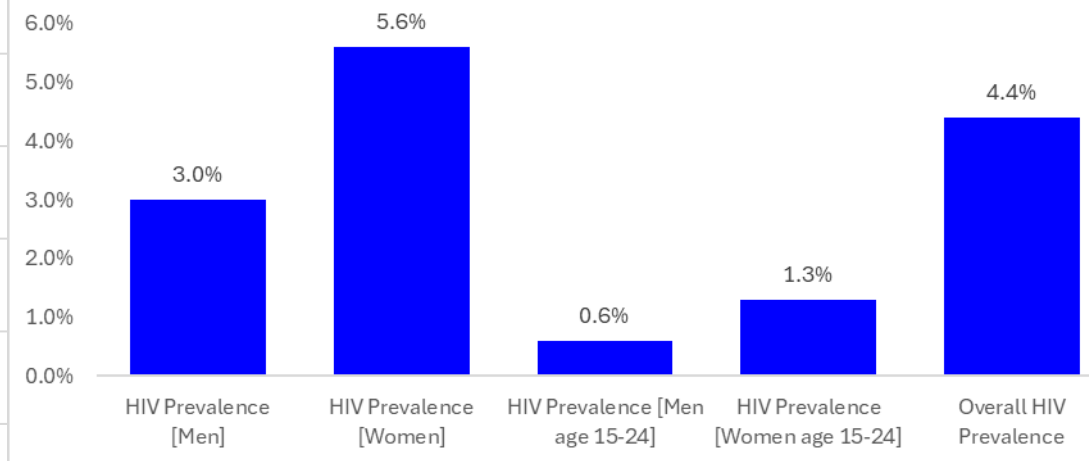
Data Source: Tanzania HIS, Dec. 2023

Country Background: HIV Prevalence Trends and Disaggregated by Sex and Age

HIV Prevalence Trends



HIV Prevalence by Sex and Age



- Tanzania has a HIV prevalence of 4.4%, higher among women (5.6%) compared to men (3.0%)
- HIV prevalence across regions ranges between 1.7% (Kigoma) to 12.7% (Njombe)

Data Source: Tanzania HIS

Country Background: Testing Model Mix and Prioritized Populations

[Reporting Period: Jan-Dec. 2023]

Country Testing Model Mix		
Testing Approach	Testing Volume	%
PITC	4,078,822	48%
CITC	2,379,313	28%
Index Testing	2,039,411	24%
Total	8,497,546	100%

Priority Sub-populations		
Sub-population	Testing Volume	%
FSW	375,874	40%
AGYW	204,784	22%
Others	189,267	20%
PWID	84,782	9%
MSM	78,572	8%
Total	933,279	100%

- 'Others' include: Long distance truck drivers, miners, fisher folk etc.
- There is no transgender, as a KP typology, in Tanzania
- Jan-Dec 2023 data was utilized since April-June 2024 data is unripe for consumption

Progress on Implementing 2023 Action Plans

Activities where Implementation was Achieved

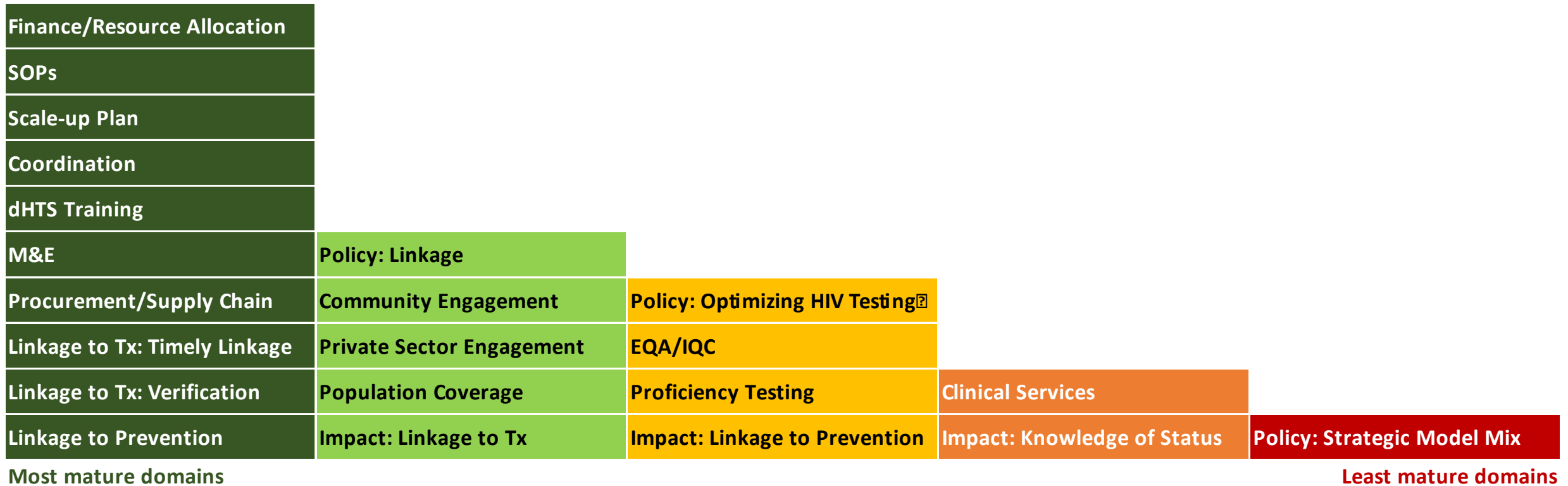
Domain	Activity	Progress (March 31, 2024)
Policies 2. Optimizing HIV Testing	To hold SNS/Status Neutral Testing refresher trainings for counselors and health care workers via ECHO and other platforms	Completed
M&E	To update the M&E to accommodate the prevention indicators	Completed
Population coverage	To introduce the linkage to prevention indicators by sub-population as part of the indicator matrix	Completed

Progress on Implementing 2023 Action Plans

Activities where Implementation is Ongoing or Delayed

Domain	Activity	Progress (March 31, 2024)
Linkage to Rx 1: Timely Linkage	Review regional data to identify geographies, facilities, and sub-populations that need remediation	Ongoing
Quality 1: EQA/IQC	To conduct the refresher trainings on quality of HTS to non-laboratory testers via ECHO and other platforms	Ongoing
Implementation and scale up plan	To develop and revise the national dHTS implementation and scale-up plan	Not started
Quality 3: Clinical services	To conduct joint supportive supervision and quality assurance (i.e. SIMS)	Not started

Tanzania dHTS 2024 CMM Results



- 15 out of 22 domains (68%) are in the Mature stage- Light Green and Dark Green categories
- Only 3 out of 22 domains (9%) are in the least mature stage- Red and Orange
- The country is currently updating its HTS guidelines and expects an improvement in the next staging cycle

Tanzania dHTS CMM Results – 2023 vs 2024

	Tanzania	
	2023	2024
Policy: Strategic Model Mix	Dark Green	Red
Policy: Optimizing HIV Testing	Orange	Yellow
Policy: Linkage	Light Green	Light Green
Finance/Resource Allocation	Dark Green	Dark Green
SOPs	Light Green	Dark Green
Scale-up Plan	Orange	Dark Green
Community Engagement	Dark Green	Light Green
Private Sector Engagement	Light Green	Light Green
Coordination	Dark Green	Dark Green
dHTS Training	Light Green	Dark Green
M&E	Orange	Dark Green
Procurement/Supply Chain	Light Green	Dark Green
Population Coverage	Light Green	Light Green
Linkage to Tx: Timely Linkage	Dark Green	Dark Green
Linkage to Tx: Verification	Dark Green	Dark Green
Linkage to Prevention	Light Green	Dark Green
EQA/IQC	Yellow	Yellow
Proficiency Testing	Yellow	Yellow
Clinical Services	Red	Orange
Impact: Knowledge of Status	Red	Orange
Impact: Linkage to Tx	Red	Light Green
Impact: Linkage to Prevention	Red	Yellow

- Improvement in 11/22 [50%] of the domains, most of which are enabling domains:
 - Better understanding of the staging criteria and the CMM
 - Availability of resources to implement prioritized post-staging action plans
- Regression happened in 2/22 [9%] domains:
 - Strategic model mix: The national HTS guidelines have not been updated in the last five years
 - Community engagement: More rigor introduced in the staging criteria
- Most mature staging [light and dark green] was maintained in 7/22 [32%] domains
- Less mature staging [yellow] was maintained in 2/22 [9%] domains

Key Lessons Learned Over the Past Year – Facilitators and Barriers

Barriers/Challenges

- Sub-optimal understanding of some domains
- Sub-optimal engagement and participation of other stakeholders
- Interruption in guideline review timeline

Facilitators

- MoH Coordination
- Support from development and implementing partners
- Stable supply chain
- Effective follow up by CQUIN team

Engagement with CQUIN and Other Stakeholders on dHTS

- Ongoing dHTS technical assistance from the CQUIN team
- Meetings attended: dHTS meeting, participation in COP calls, webinars, annual meeting and the tools lab
- Tools shared – Tanzania Linkage to prevention tools shared with CQUIN
- Two DSD Performance Reviews [DPR] have been conducted to-date [i.e. in Year 2022 and 2024]
 - ❖ Some of the dHTS-related indicators covered in the 2024 DPR include:
 - Time from HIV diagnosis to ART linkage
 - HIV testing approach, model and entry point
 - HIV verification testing prior to ART initiation

2025 dHTS CMM Priority Activities and Projected Scores

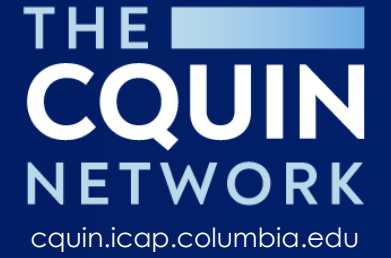
Domain	2024 score	2025 Aspirational score	Planned Actions
Policies 1. Strategic model mix and decentralization			Review and update the National HTS guideline
Quality 1: EQA/IQC			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct mentorship in HIV testing sites for improving the EQA performance • Have this as a key agenda during HTS TWG meetings • C2C visits to learn some of the best practices
Impact 3: Linkage to prevention			Conduct supportive supervision and mentorship

Cross-Learning Topics of Interest in 2024

- EQA/IQC
- Linkage to prevention - Learn M&E of linkage to combination prevention including use of the Kenya EMR
- Key population - Addressing gaps in the target setting for KP
- Quality of testing services on clinical services

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