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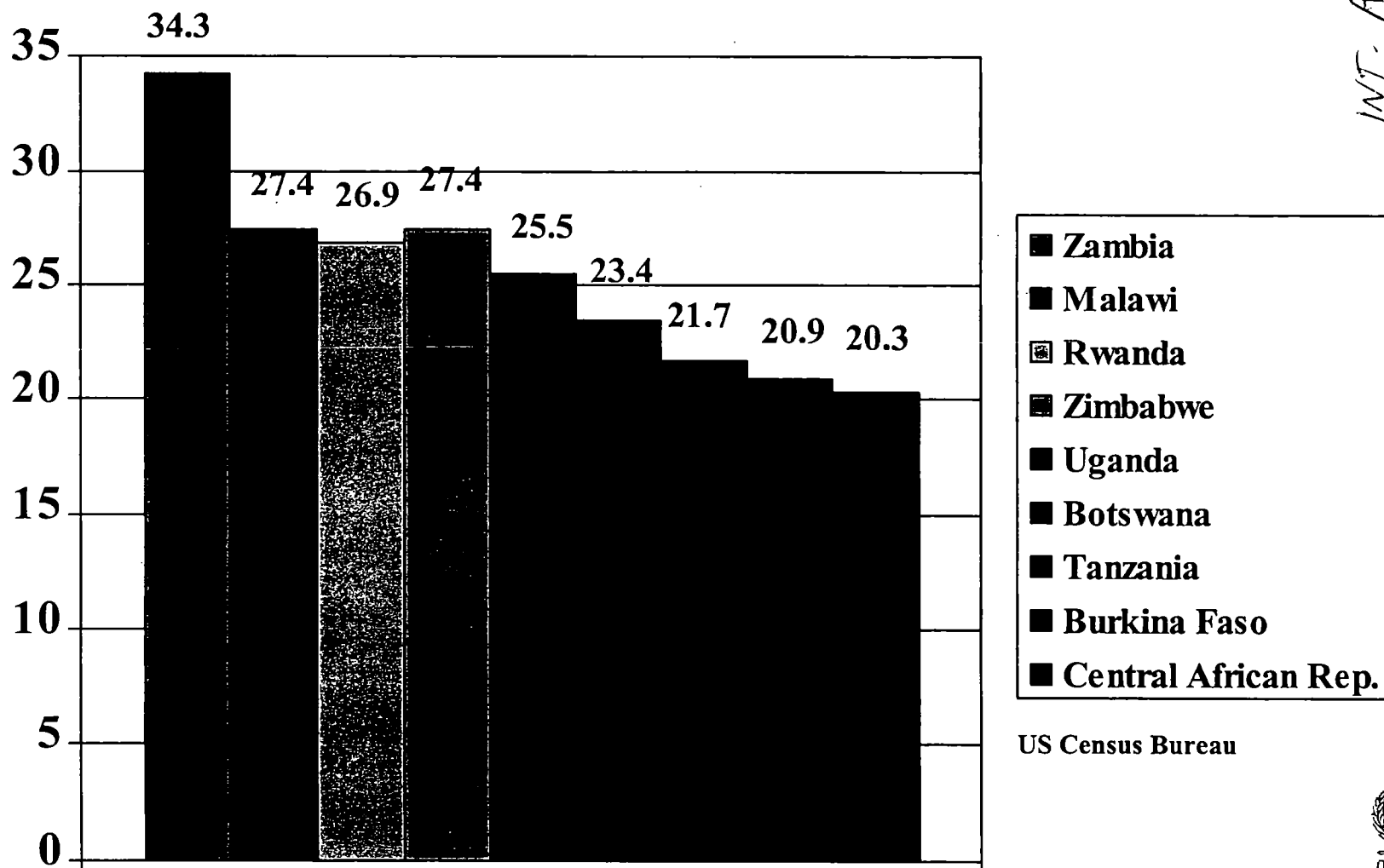
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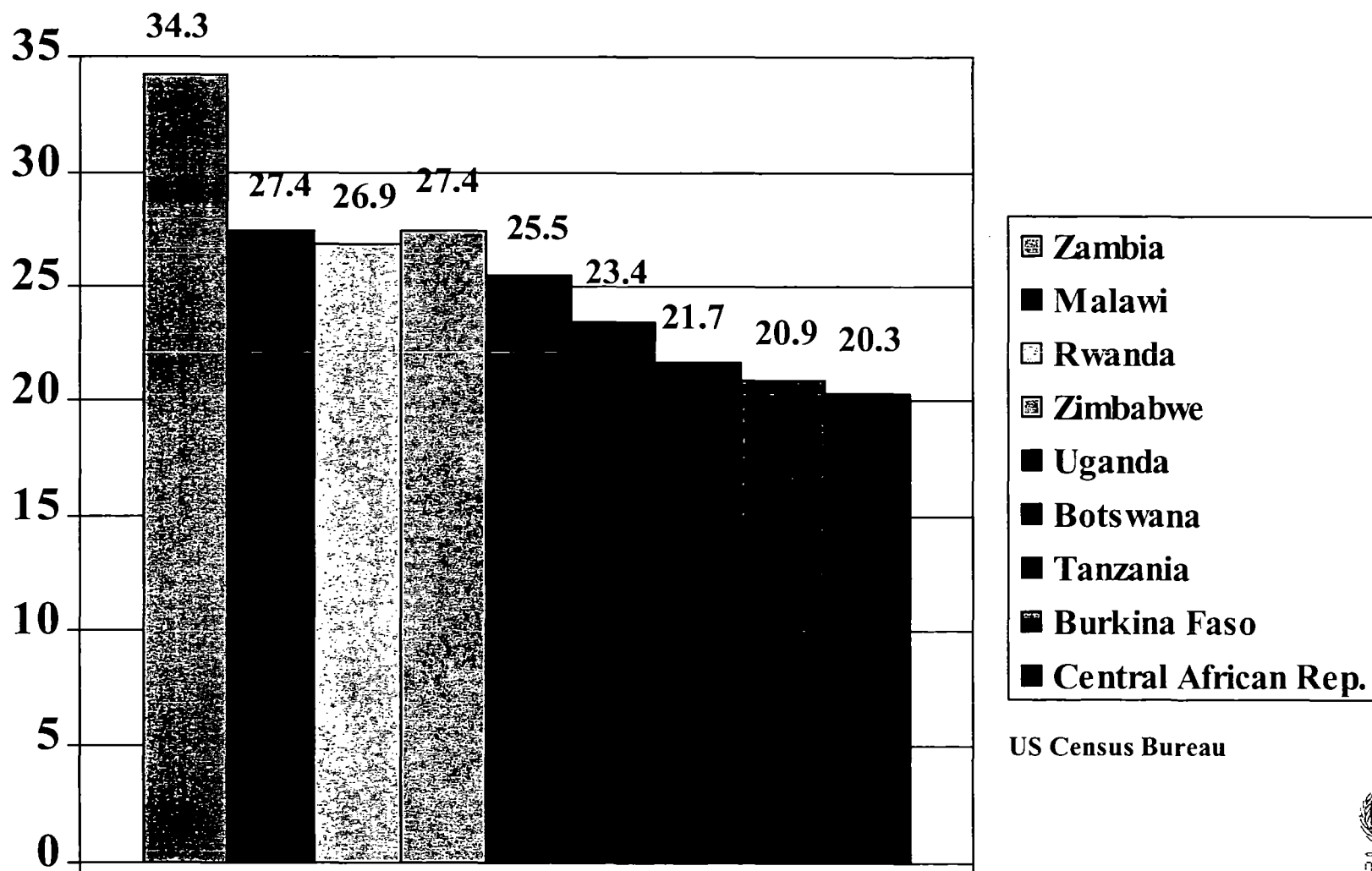
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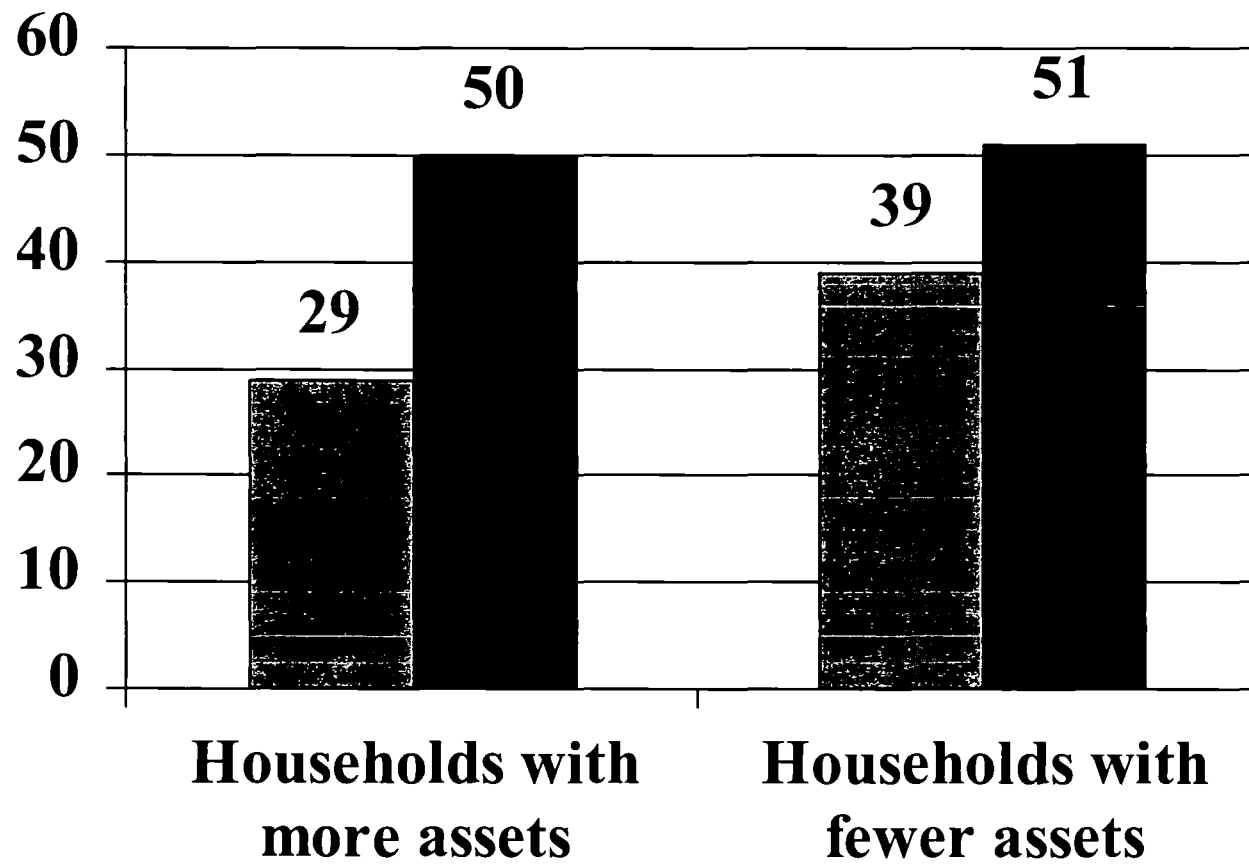
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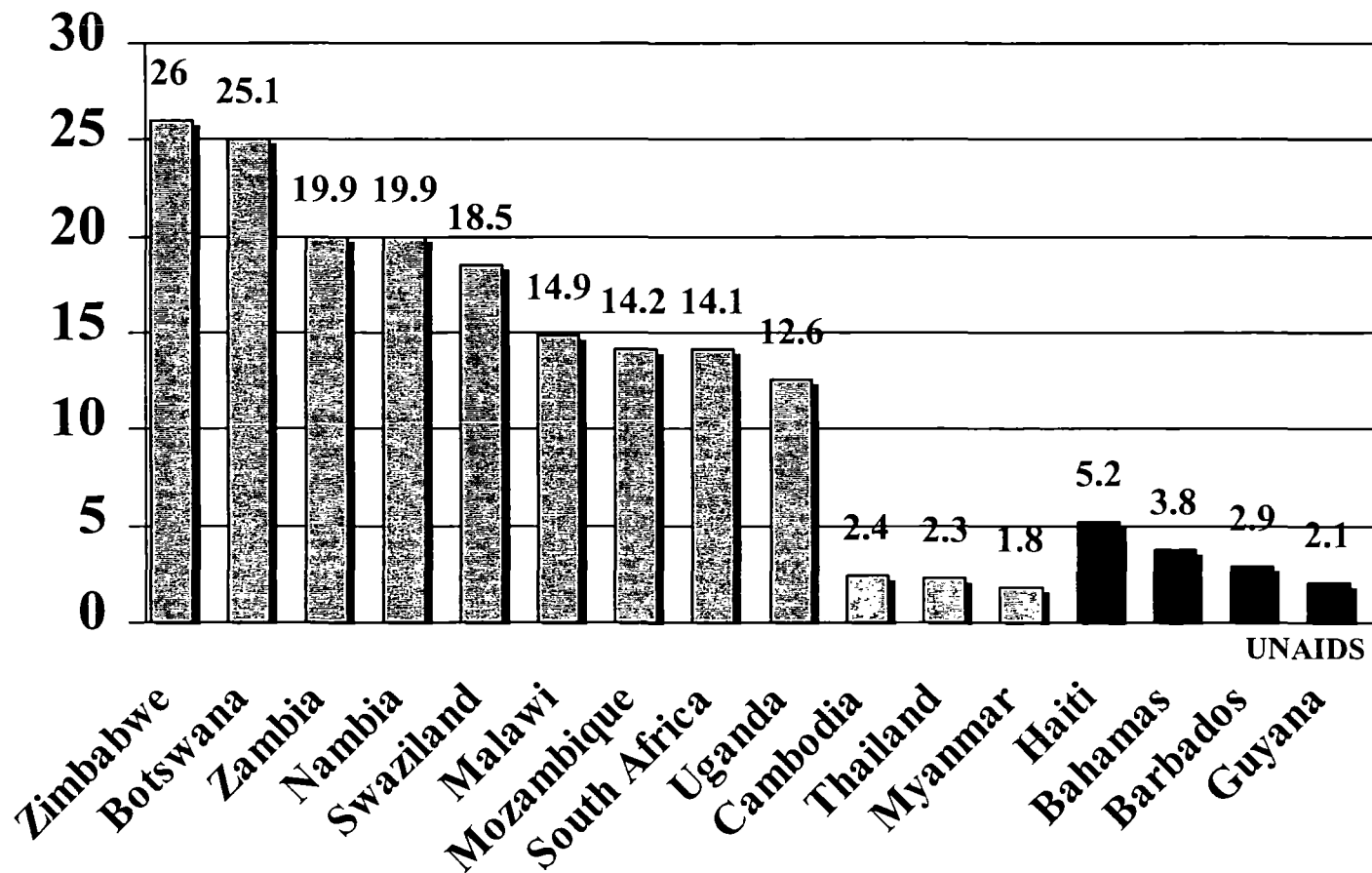
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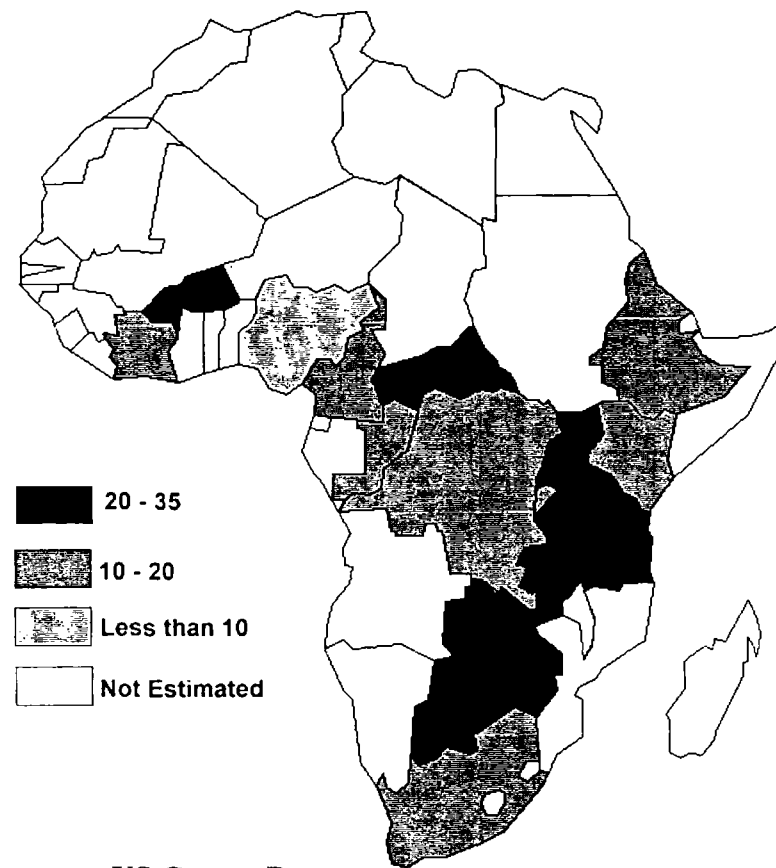
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**More than 90% of the world's orphans estimated
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in 19 Sub-Saharan African countries**

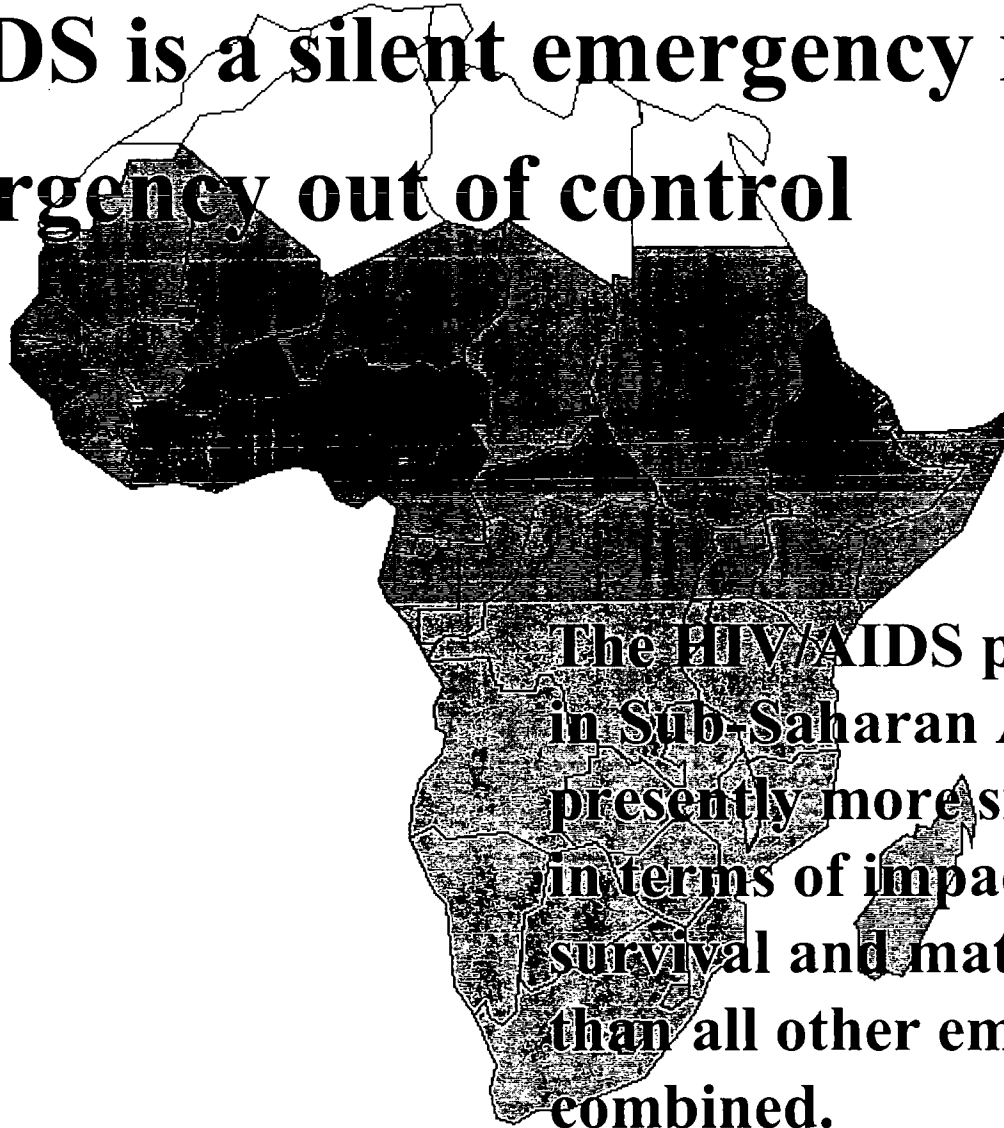


US Census Bureau



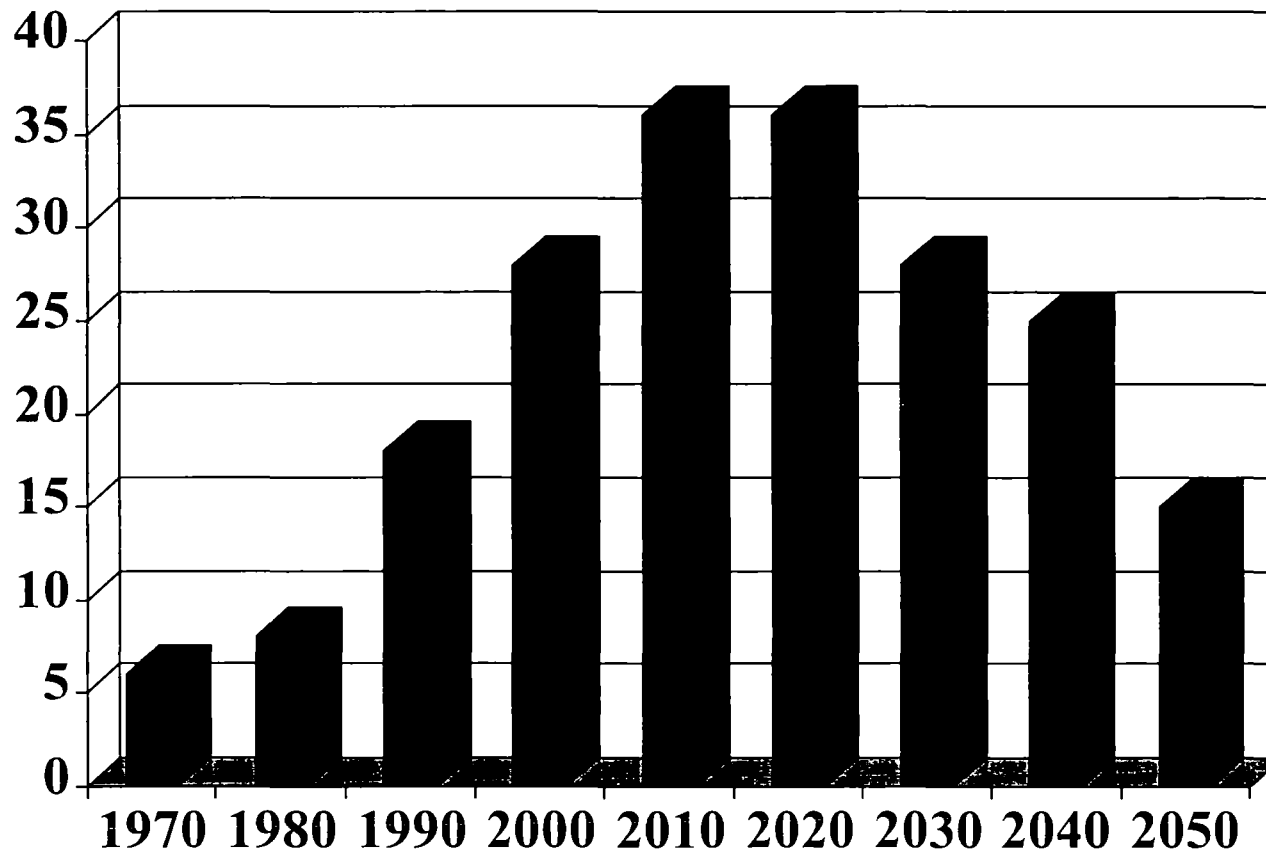
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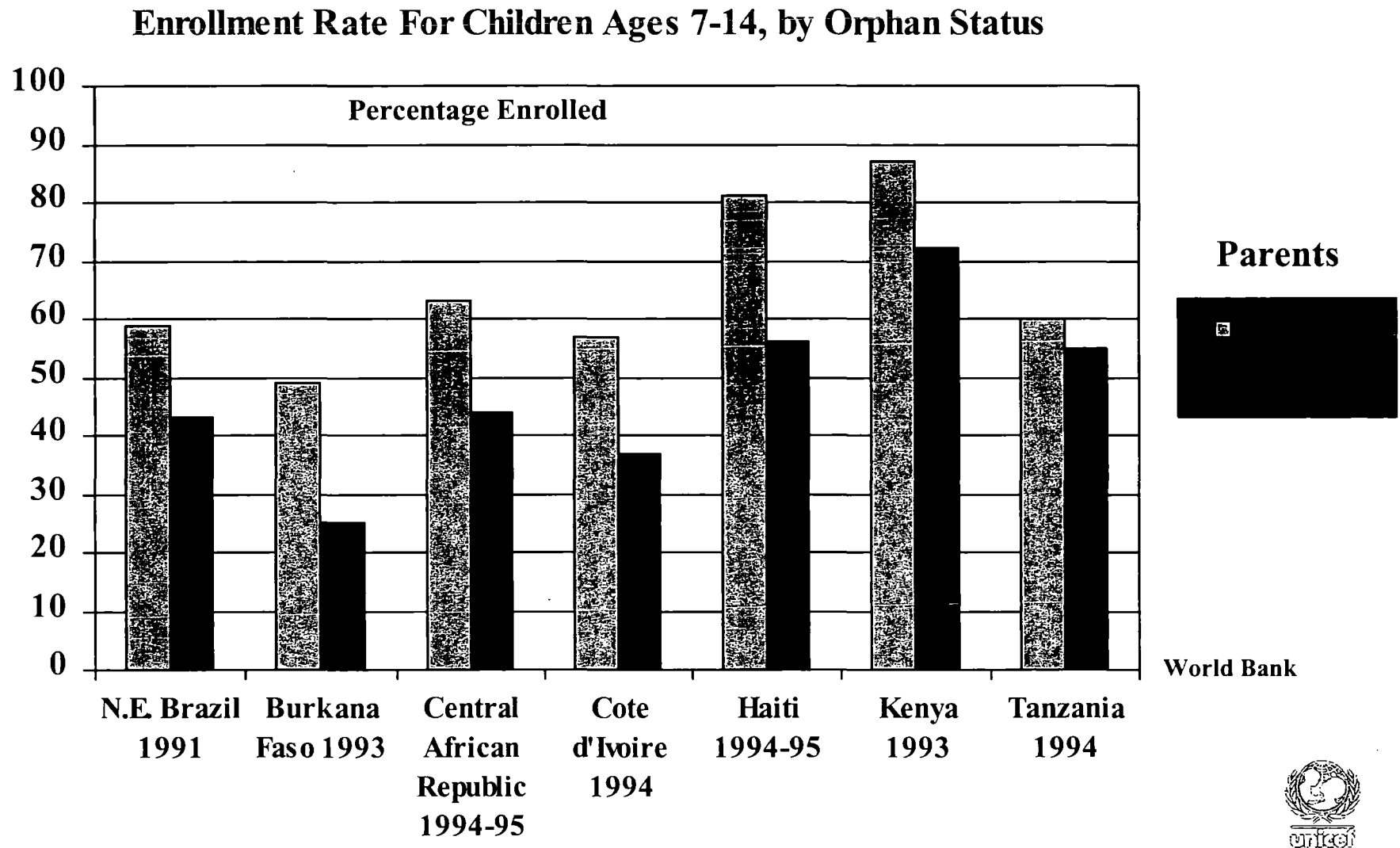
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North America 860 000	Western Europe 530 000	Eastern Europe & Central Asia 150 000
	North Africa & Middle East 210 000	East Asia & Pacific 440 000
Caribbean 1.3 million	sub-Saharan Africa 20.8 million	South & South-East Asia 6.0 million
Latin America 310 000		Australia & New Zealand 12 000

UNAIDS

**Today, An Estimated 30.6 Million
Adults and Children Are Living With HIV/AIDS,
Most in Developing Countries**



Sub-Saharan Africa

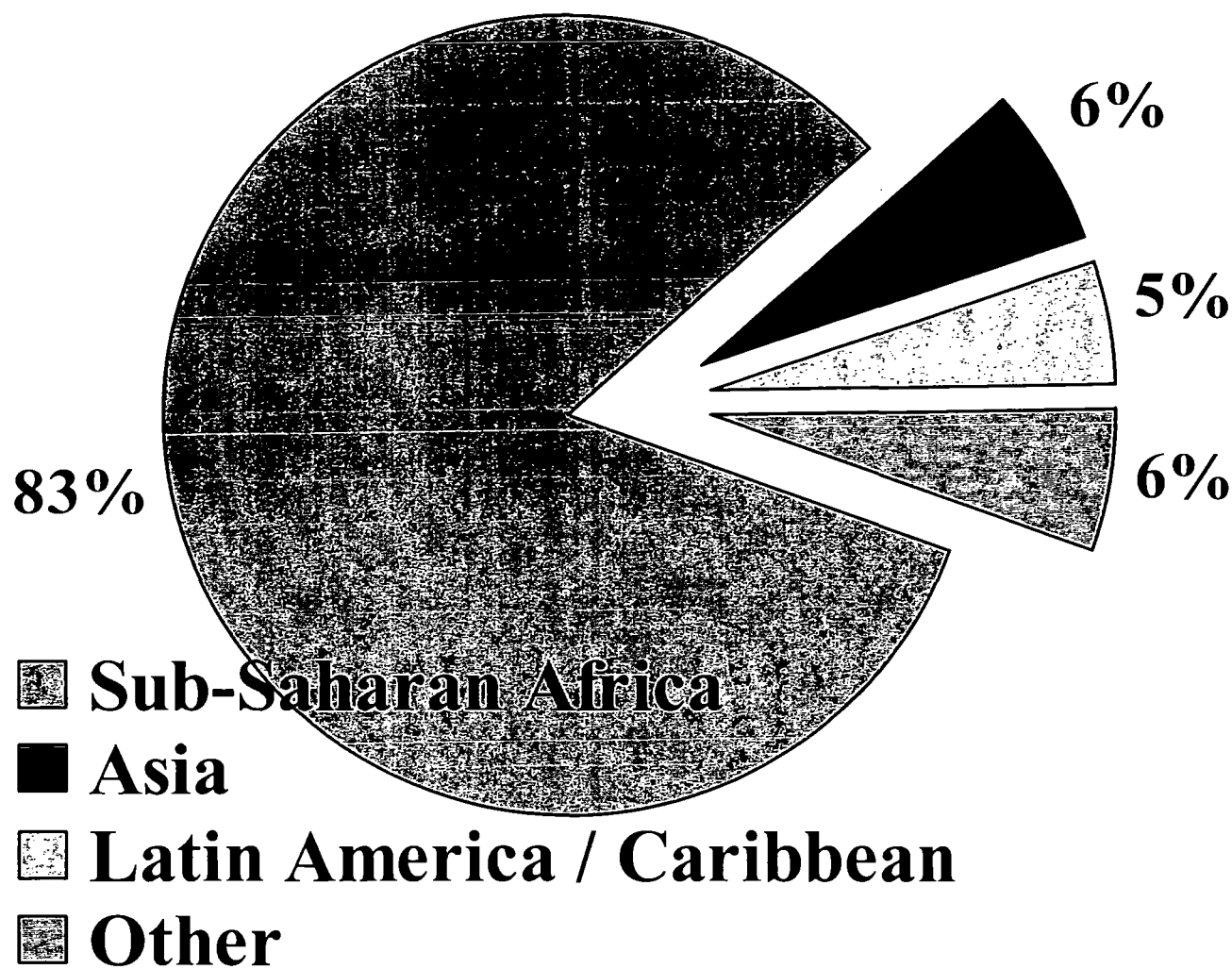
9.7 Million Adult and Child AIDS Deaths
83% of the World's Total

21 Million Adults and Children are Living With HIV/AIDS
69% of the World's Total

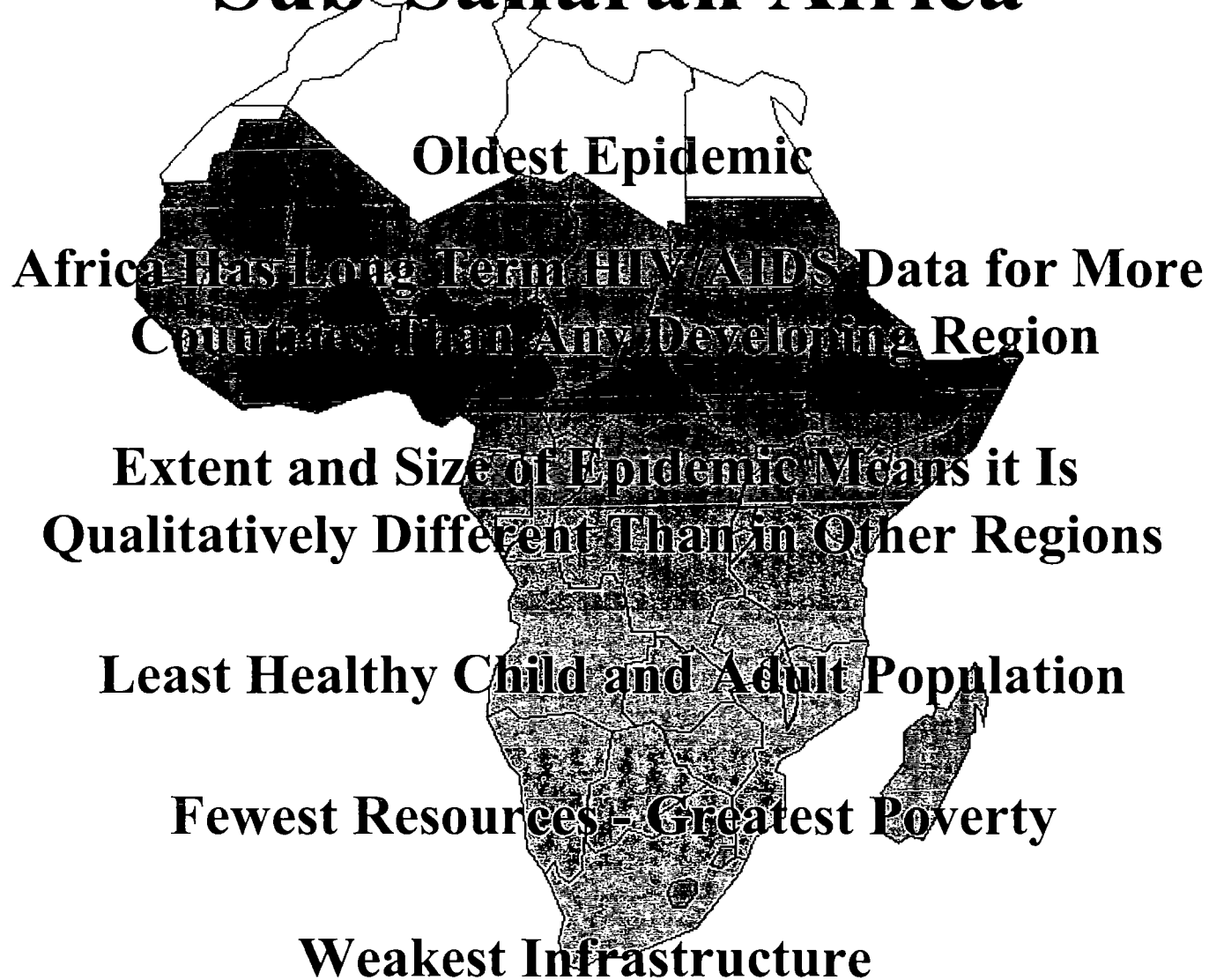
960,000 Children are Living With HIV/AIDS
88% of the World's Total

Close to 4 Million People are Becoming Infected Yearly

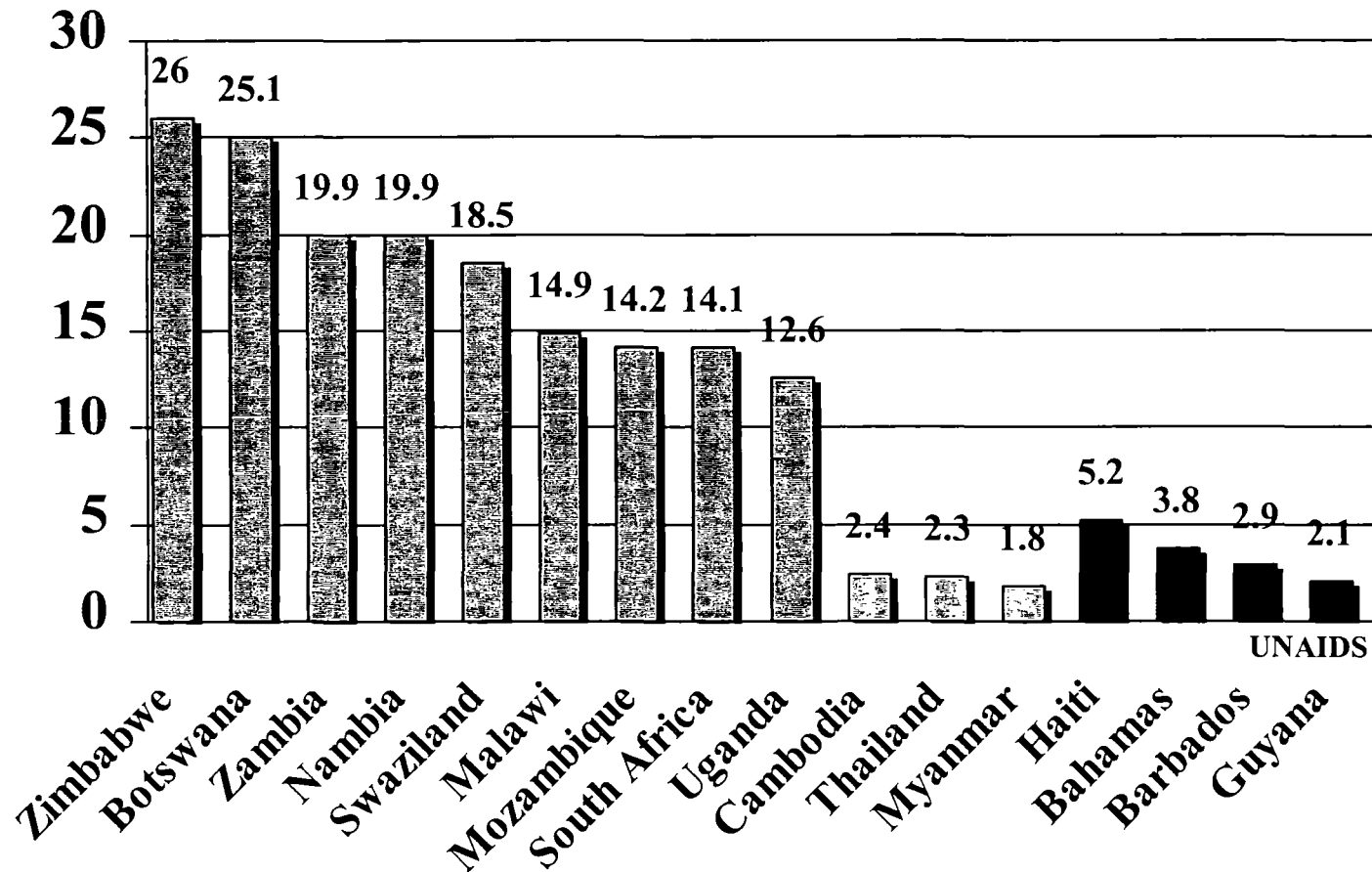
Since the Beginning of the Pandemic, 83% of All Deaths Have Been in Sub Saharan Africa



Sub-Saharan Africa



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In many areas, pregnant women have high rates of infection

Botswana

43% of pregnant women in Francistown are HIV+

Haiti

8% of pregnant women

Zimbabwe

32% of pregnant women in Harare are infected

59% of pregnant women in Beit Bridge are infected

In many Latin American and Asian capitals, rates among pregnant women are already 2%, similar to rates in African capitals 10 years ago





Extent of the Problem

2 Million HIV+ women pregnant each year

600,000 HIV+ infants born annually

67% in Africa

30% in South and South East Asia

**Growing proportionately each year with the
annual growth in infections**





Extent of the Problem

2.6 million young people (10-24) are infected each year

**In some African countries, as many as 6 girls
are infected for every one boy 15-19**

100 million young people become sexually active each year

**The average age of first sexual activity is 13 in Brazil,
14 in Malawi, and 11 in Papua New Guinea**

Half of all new STD cases each year are in young people

**In Eastern Europe, HIV/AIDS cases among young people
increased six fold between 1994 and 1997**



**1 in 4 Adult Zimbabweans and Botswanans and
1 in 5 Namibians, Swazis, and Zambians are
Infected and Will Die Within the Next 7 to 10 Years**



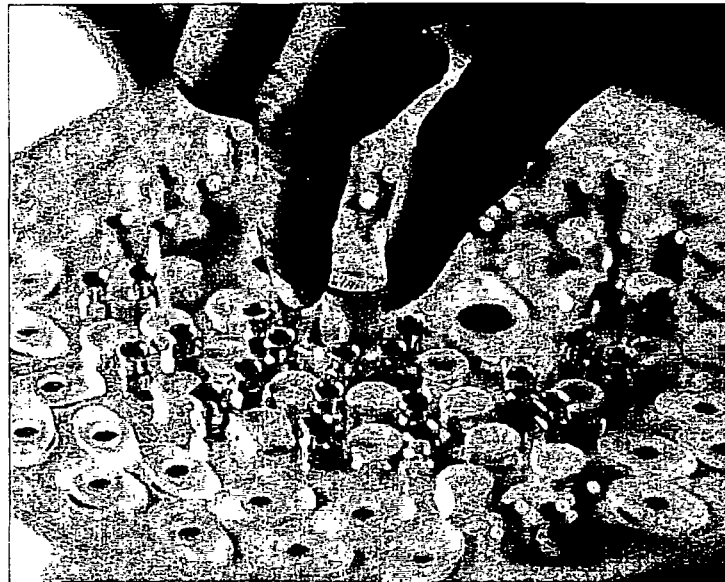
Over 90% of people living in the developing world do not know their HIV status

Treat HIV/AIDS as a communicable disease

Need for access to testing and counseling

Right to information

Right to skills to make healthy choices

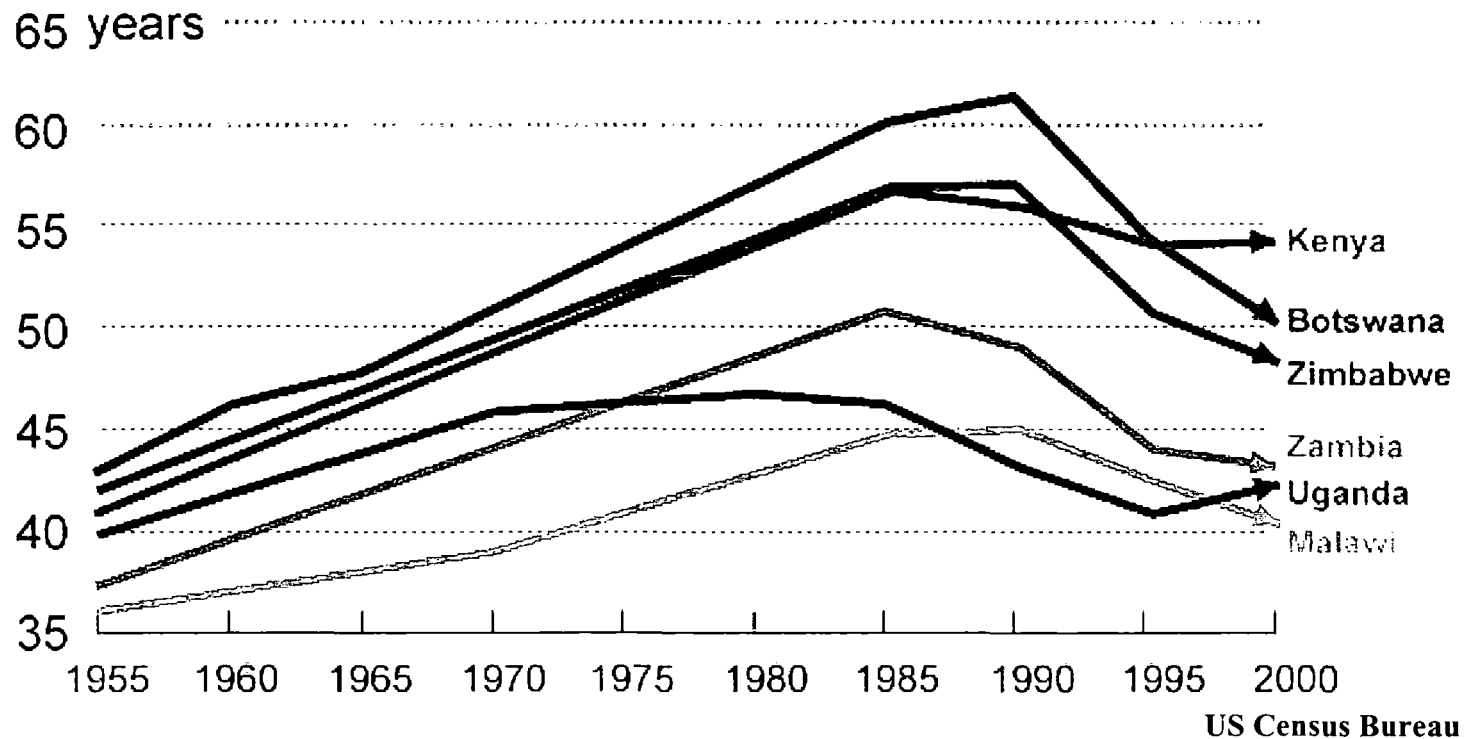


Prevention



Most women and girls who are HIV positive were exposed involuntarily through the activities of their husbands and male relatives

In heavily infected countries in Sub Saharan Africa, life expectancy continues to decline sharply





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HIV/AIDS Threatens Respect, Protection, and Fulfillment of Children's Rights



**Violation or neglect
of children's rights
increases their
vulnerability
to HIV infection**

The ability to protect children's rights is directly linked to protection of women's rights



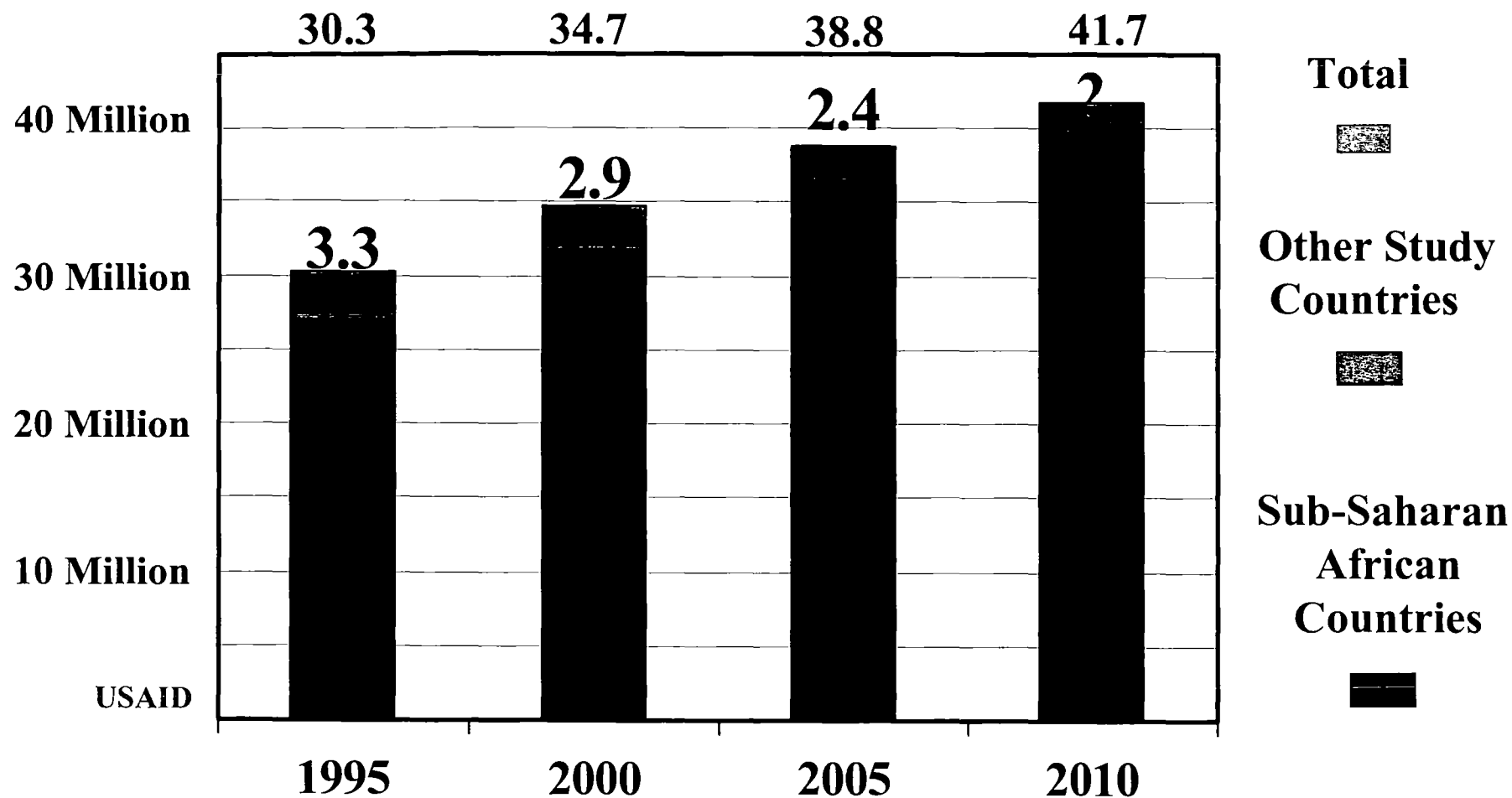
Lack of protection effects prevention and care



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35 million children have been orphaned in 23 countries included in *Children on the Brink*



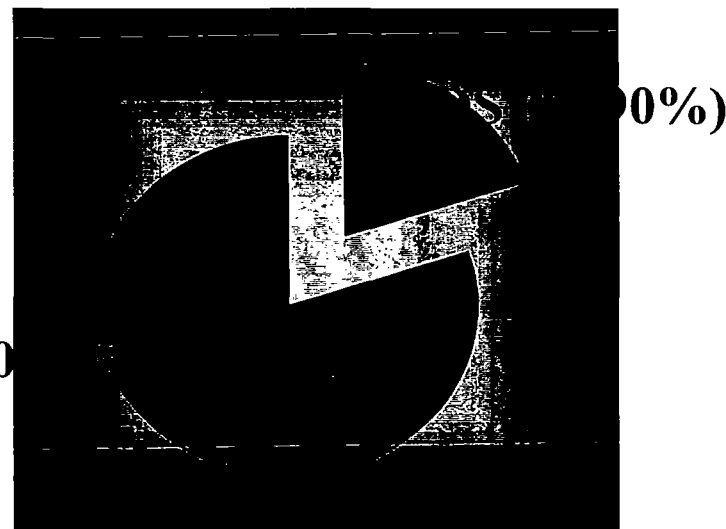
This number will increase to at least 42 million over the next 10 years



Increases in AIDS Mortality Are Responsible for the Large Increases in Orphaning

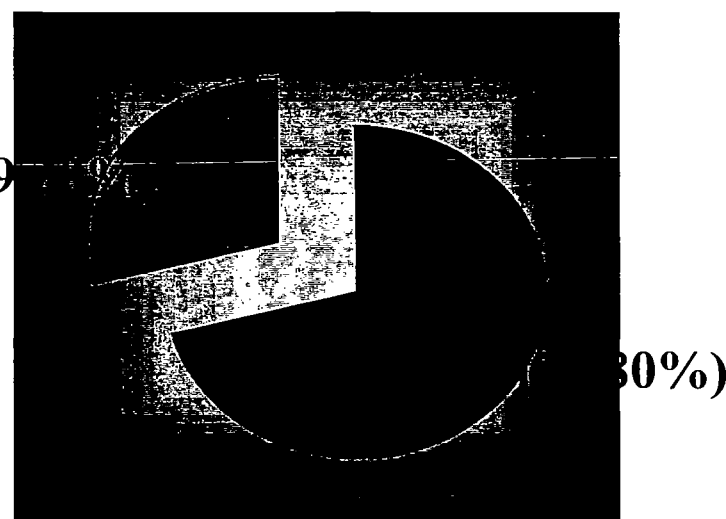
Orphans by Cause, 1990

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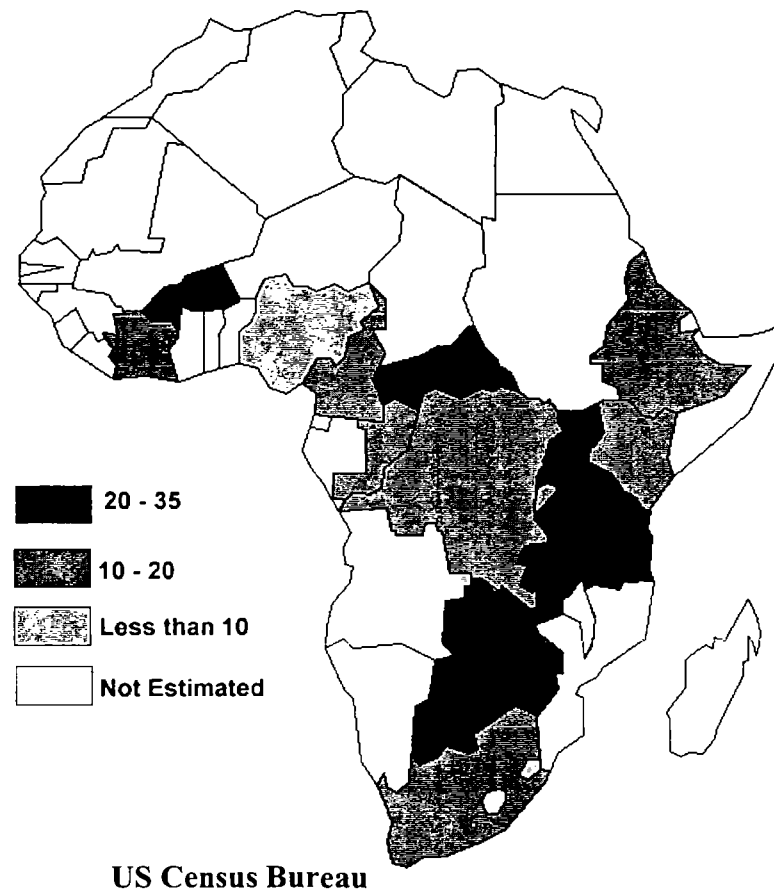


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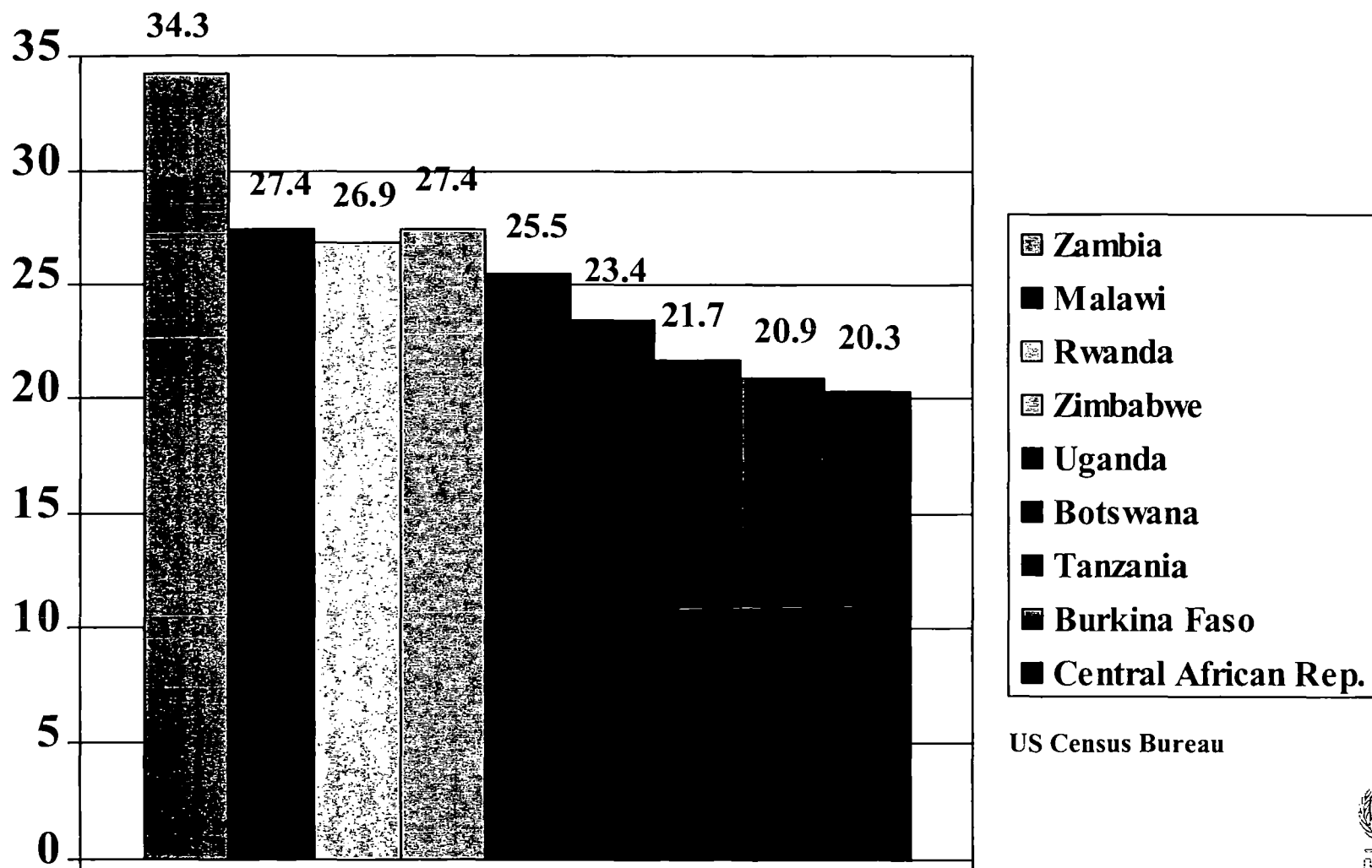
Other Causes (29%)



The 19 Sub-Saharan African countries *included in Children on the Brink*

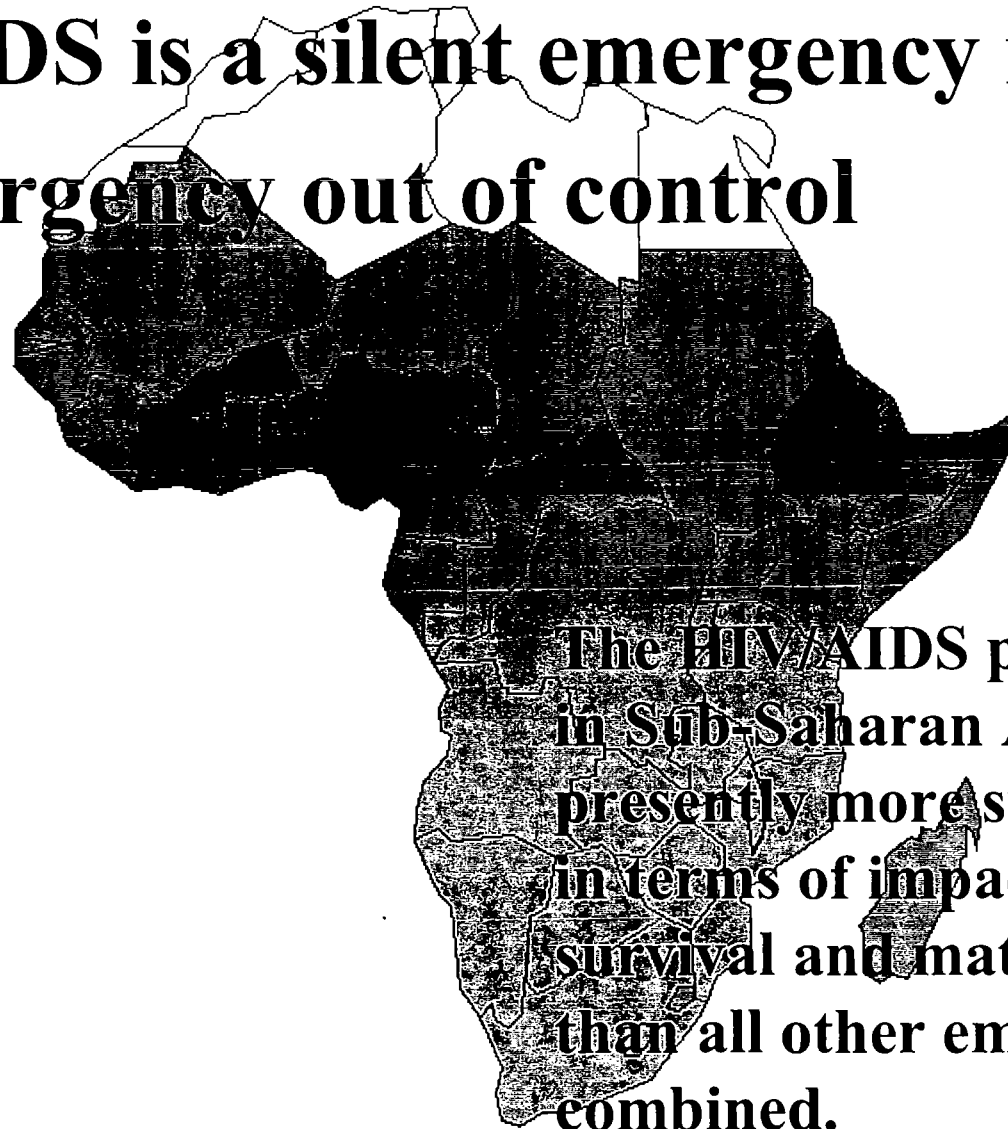


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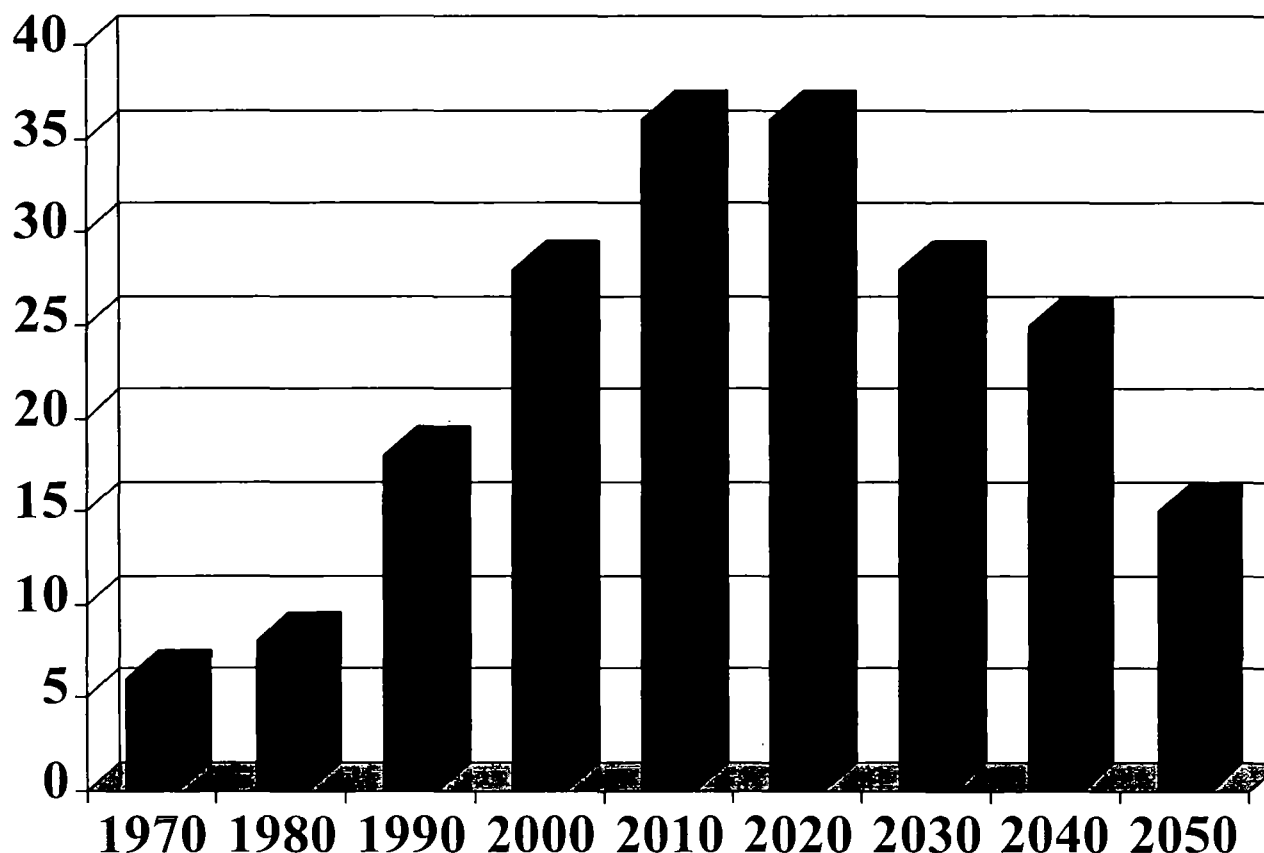
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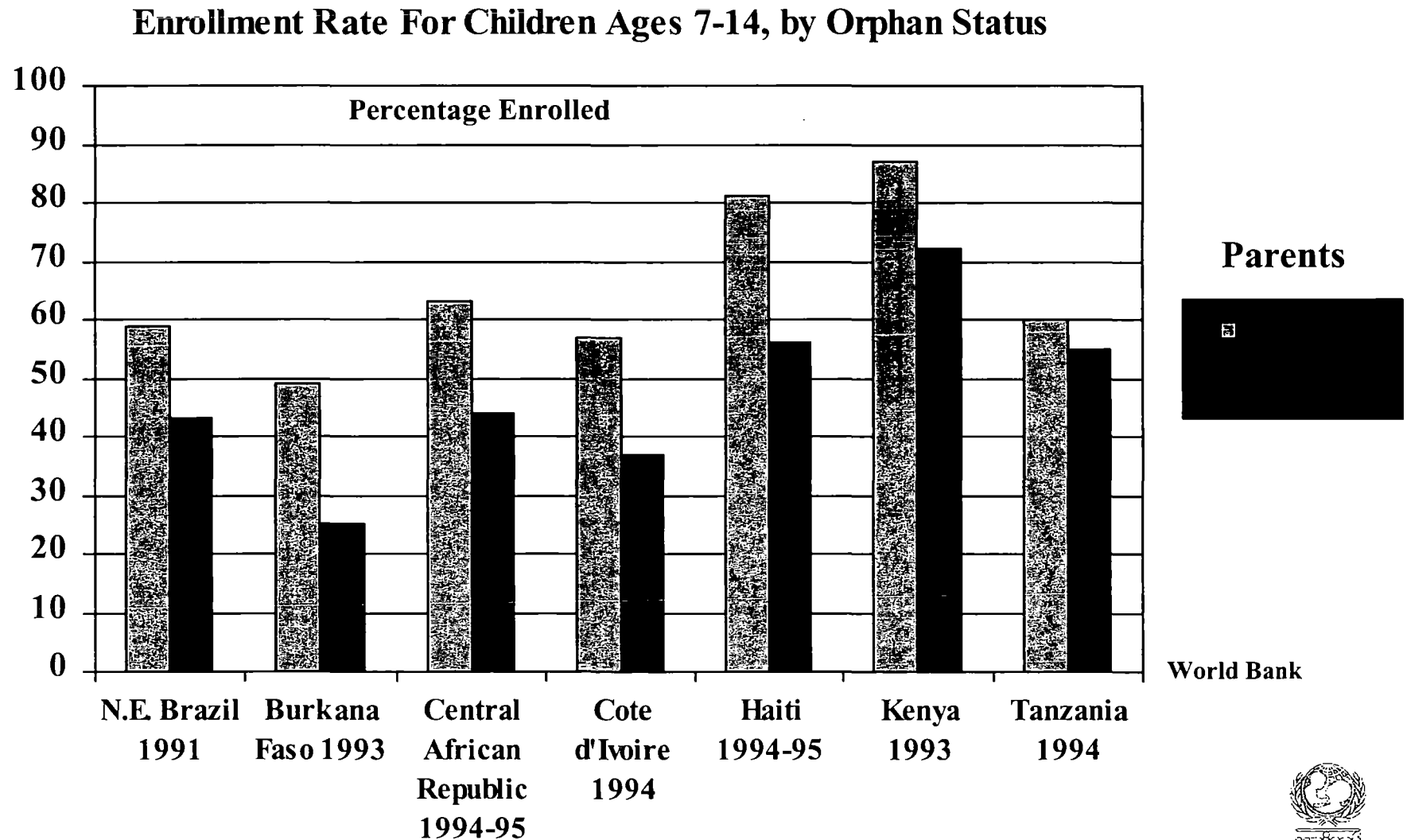
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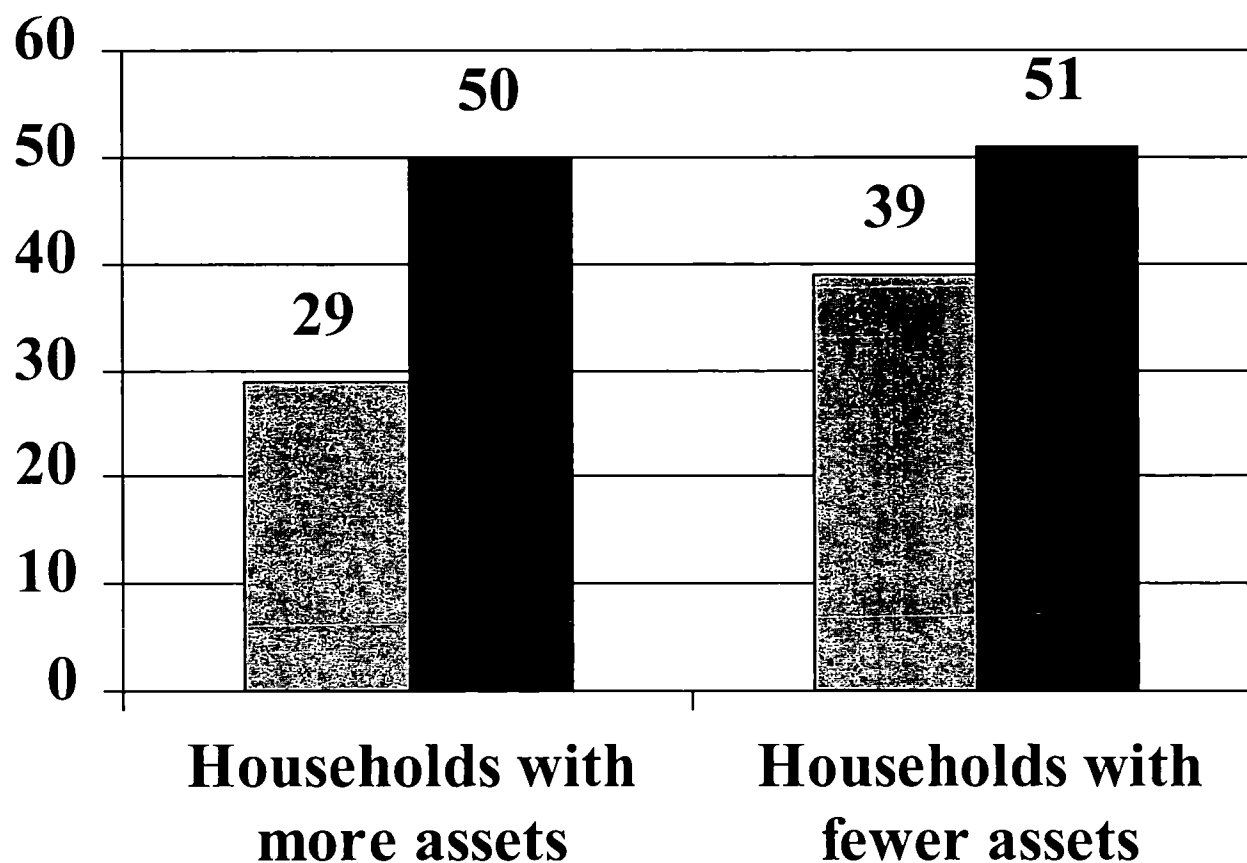


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**In Sub Saharan Africa,
up to one - quarter of
all children are living in
a family where a parent
is HIV positive and in
need of care**



Care



**Once positive, many women cannot protect their property
or children from theft or expropriation**





Extent of the Problem

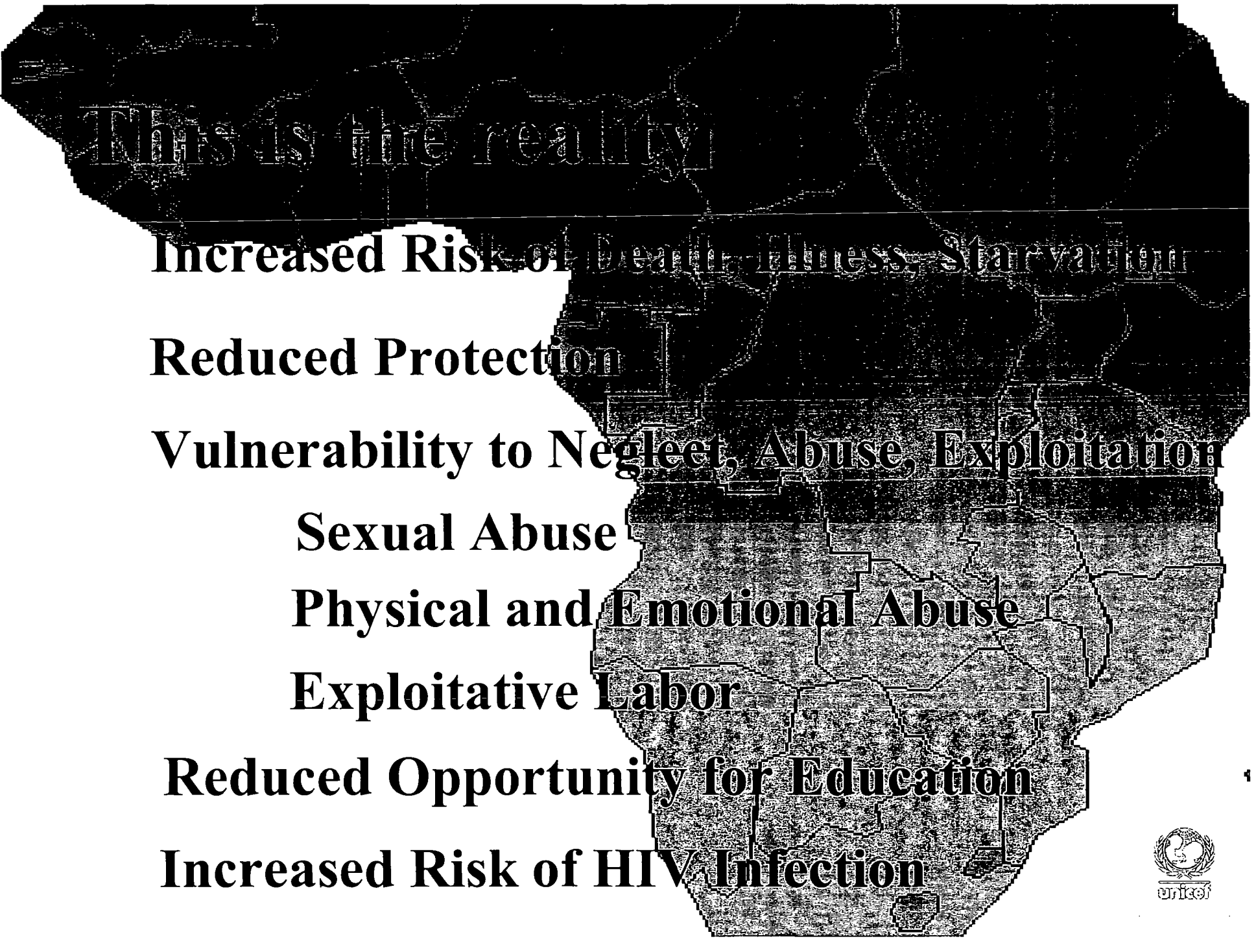
**Worldwide, at least 40 million children have
one or both parents dead**

90% of the orphans are in Sub-Saharan Africa

**In at least 8 Sub-Saharan African countries, 20%
or more of all children are orphans**

**The problem is long term. Heavily infected countries
will have abnormally high orphan populations
through 2030 or longer**





This is the reality

Increased Risk of Death, Illness, Starvation

Reduced Protection

Vulnerability to Neglect, Abuse, Exploitation

Sexual Abuse

Physical and Emotional Abuse

Exploitative Labor

Reduced Opportunity for Education

Increased Risk of HIV Infection



Children Affected by HIV/AIDS

Worsening Mortality

Increasing Morbidity

Live in Families Weakened by HIV/AIDS

In Weakened Communities

With Diminished Social Support

Increasing Impoverisation

Declining Access to Health

Education

Social Services

Paid Employment



