

More than five years ago, epidemiologists and modelers helped set a target of 20 million VMMCs in 14 key countries in sub-Saharan Africa (shaded above) by 2015. WHO's official tally is 11.7 million cumulative procedures through the end of 2015.* That's 60 percent of the original target—and will avert 335,000 new HIV infections by 2020.

Source: WHO. 2016. WHO Progress Brief: Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision for HIV Prevention in 14 Priority Countries in East and Southern Africa. www.who.int/hiv/pub/ malecircumcision/brief2016/en/.

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