Inter-agency Global Evaluation of RH Services for Refugees and IDPs

Component 2: Evaluation of Coverage of RH Services for Refugees and IDPs

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Purpose

- Determine current situation regarding availability of RH services to conflict-affected populations
- Identify the gaps in service provision

Methodology

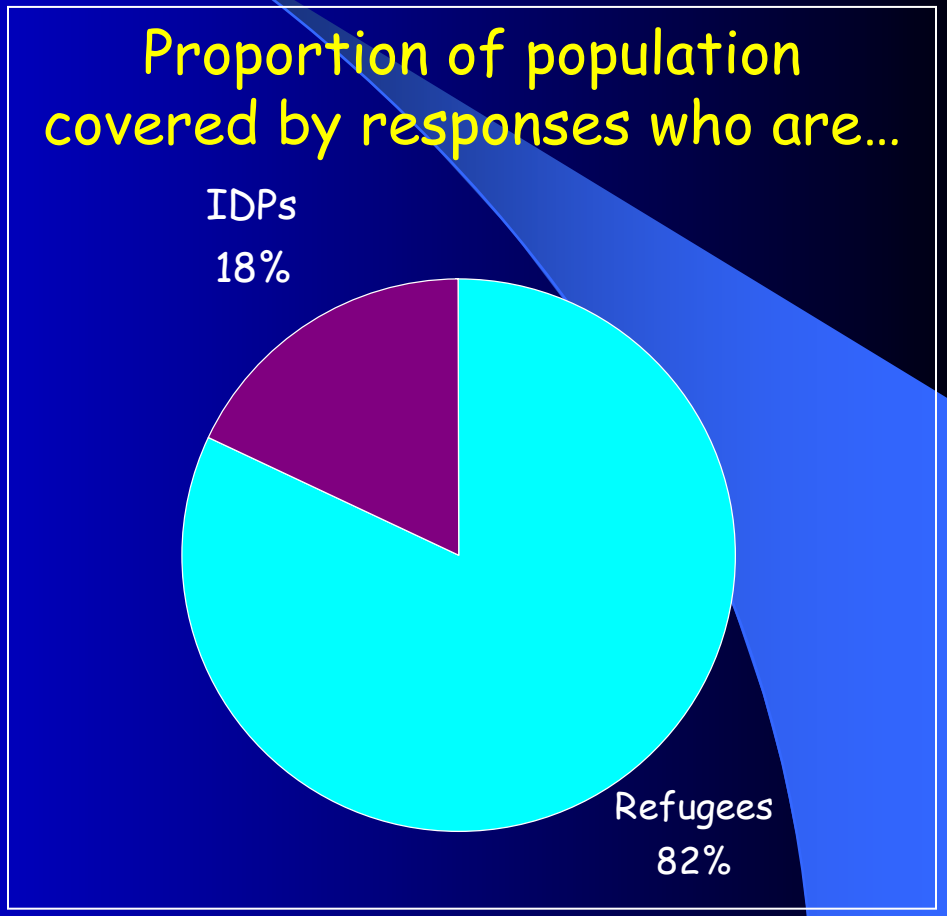
- List of countries and displaced populations compiled
- Countries with a minimum of 10,000 refugees or IDPs included
- OECD countries excluded
- Key informants identified in each country
- Data collection March – May 2003
- Data analysis with EpiInfo 2002

Questionnaires

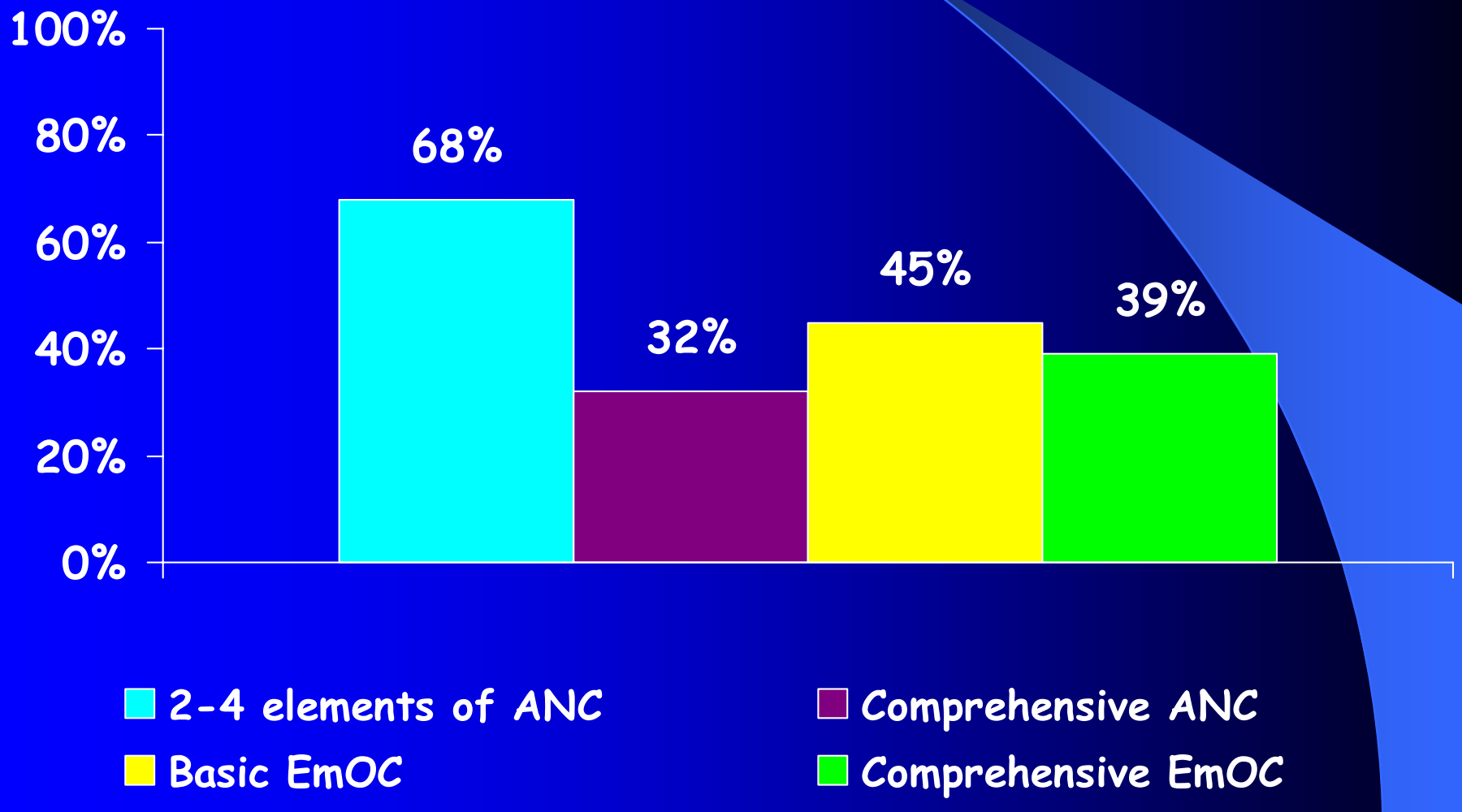
- Form A:
  - List of displaced settlements / camps
- Form B:
  - List of all RH services that may be available to the population
  - Quality or usage not assessed
  - Pre-tested and translated from English into French and Spanish

Results

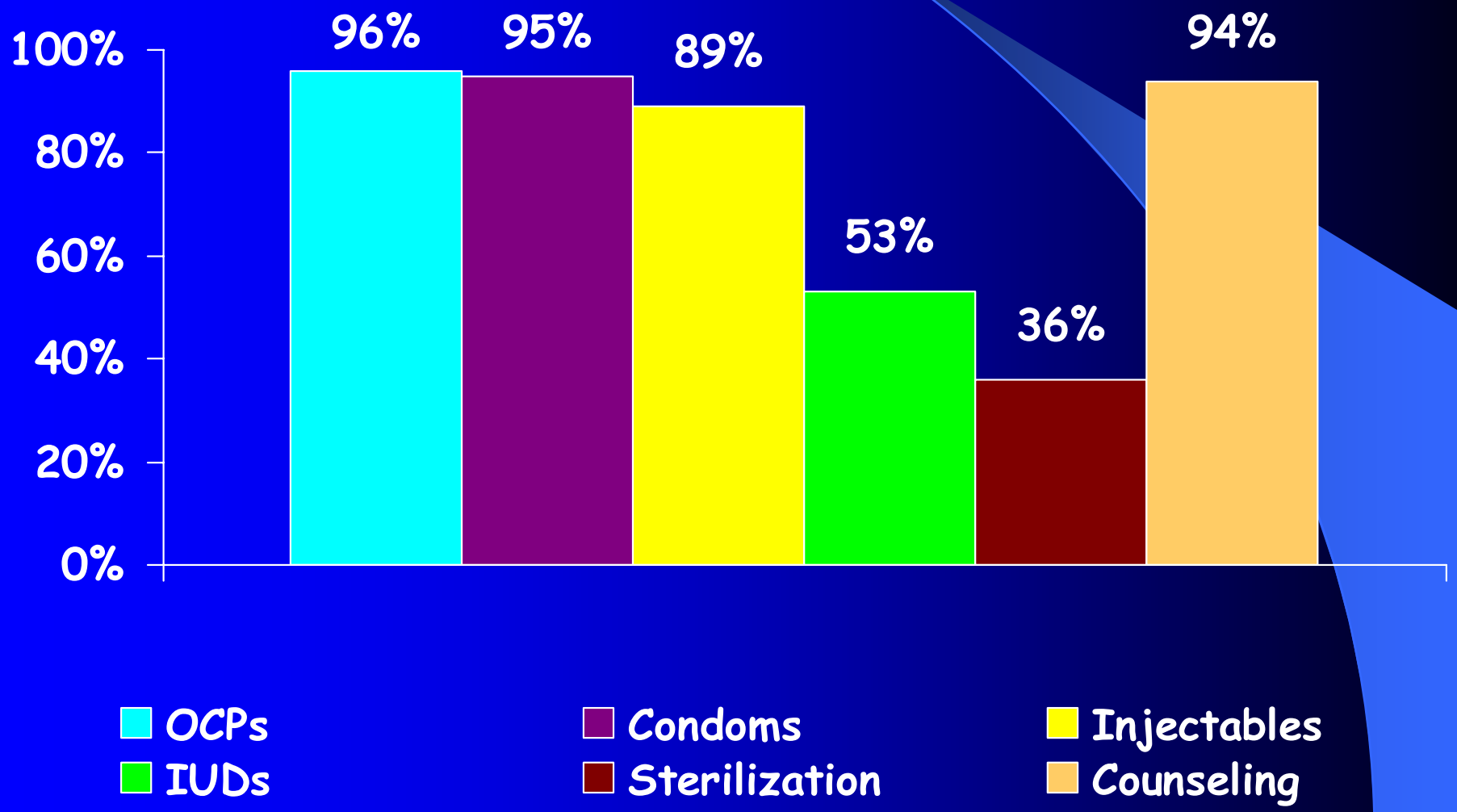
- Distributed in 73 countries
- 188 questionnaires from 33 countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America received
- Represents 8.5 million people



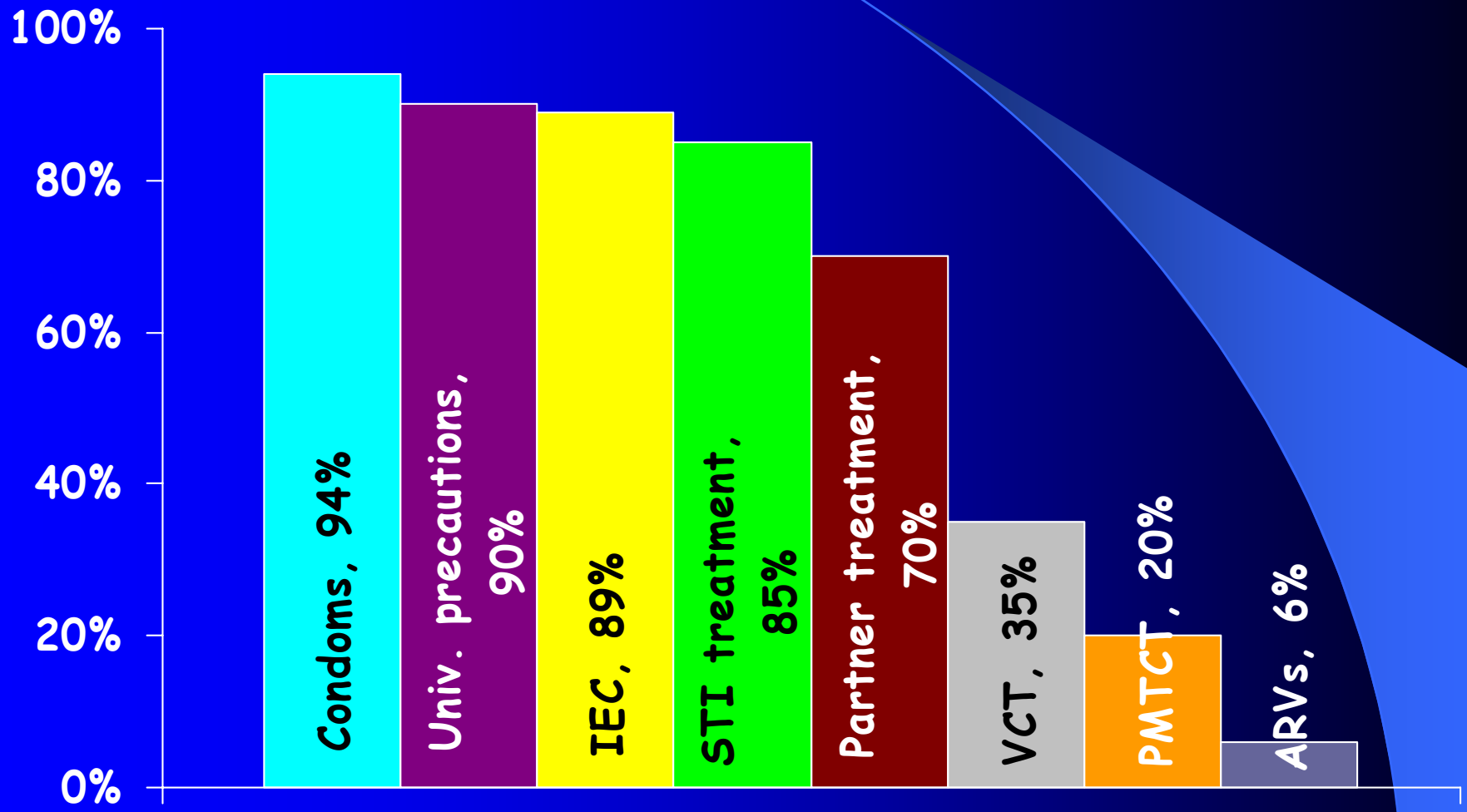
Proportion of sites where Safe Motherhood is available



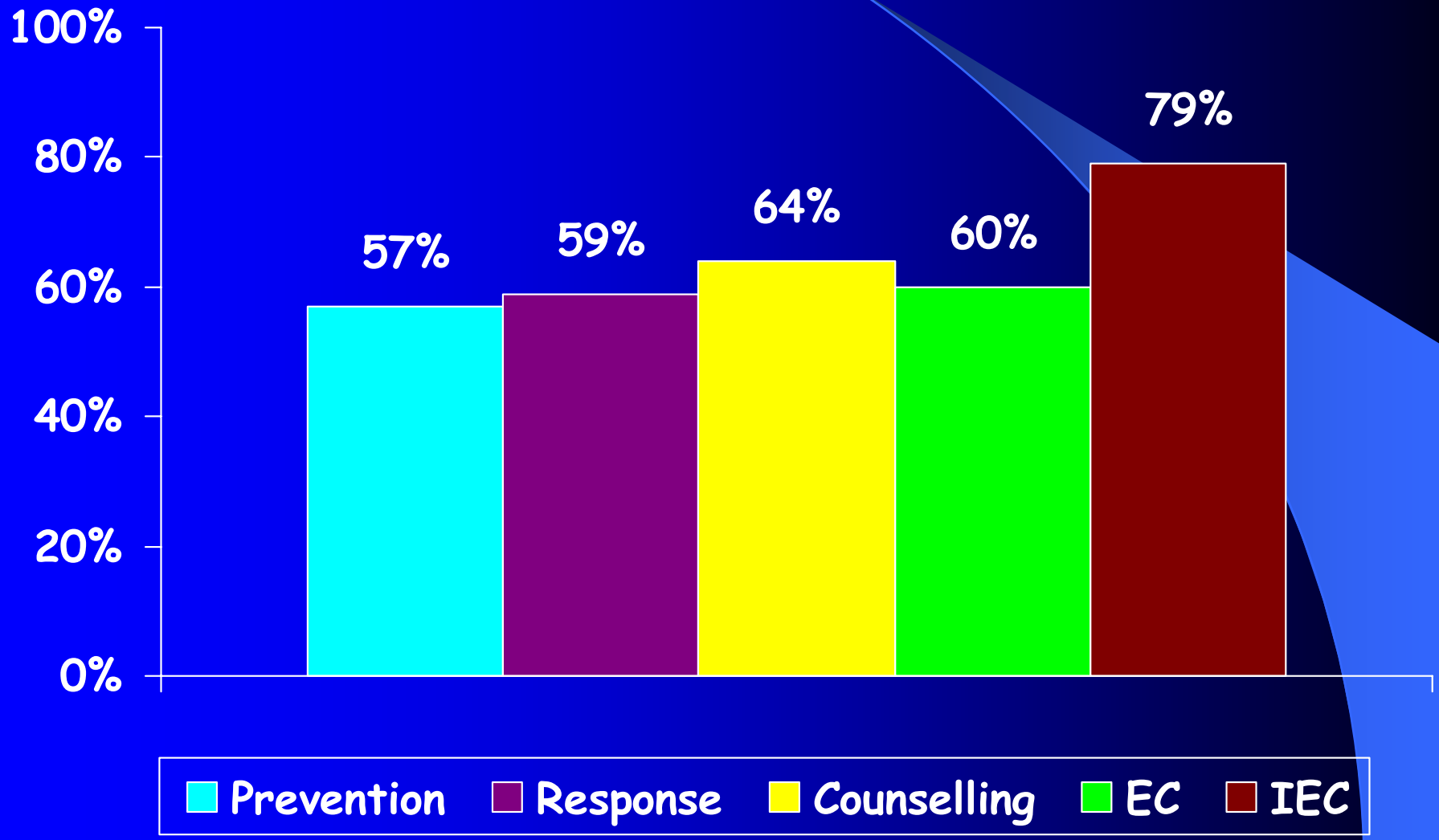
Proportion of sites where FP is available



Proportion of sites where STI/HIV/AIDS services are available



Proportion of sites where GBV services are available



Limitations

- Limited to sites where key informant took time to respond
- Primarily refugees (82%) in camps (76%)
- Assessed only availability, not quality, detailed accessibility or usage
- Yes/No questions could have been interpreted differently
- Info on IDPs more difficult to get
- Population numbers differed between reported and key informants on the ground

Discussion

- Coverage of RH appears fairly good
- Coverage decreases with the newness of the technical area
  - GBV: newest, least familiar, lowest coverage
  - ANC: most standard, highest coverage
- HIV/AIDS, EmOC could (and should) be better

Conclusion

- Given RHR in 1993, results are promising
- Even if overestimation, wide range and meaningful number of sites provide RH services

BUT

- Experience shows that attention must be maintained
- Recommend updating this database regularly