

TABLE 1. Criteria used to rate estimates of incidence and prevalence of STDs

Rating level	Criteria
I (good)	Representative national surveys Complete national reporting
II (fair)	Consistent and widespread prevalence data from convenience samples Consistent and widespread, although incomplete, national reporting Extrapolations and assumptions based on representative national surveys
III (poor)	Inconsistent, nonrepresentative prevalence data Estimates based on rough extrapolations

Source: reference 1.