IF AIDS ONLY AFFECTS 0.002% OF THE POPULATION

WHY IS THIS ADVERTISEMENT APPEARING IN EVERY NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER?

The number of people with AIDS, although still quite small, is growing all the time.

Not only among homosexuals and drug misusers but throughout the whole community.

Over 1,000 people have died of AIDS in the UK. Almost another 1,000 have it now. However, for every person with AIDS it is estimated that there are thirry with HIV, the virus that leads to AIDS.

It is possible for a person to be infected with HIV

for several years before any signs or symptoms develop.

During this time they may look and feel perfectly healthy.

But, through sexual intercourse, they can pass on this virus to other people. (Who, in turn, can infect others.)

Obviously the more people you sleep with the more chance you have of becoming infected.

But safer sex doesn't just mean fewer sexual

partners. It also means using a condom, or even having sex that avoids penetration.

There is no core for HIV. (As with other viruses it is quite possible that there never will be.)

AIDS therefore has the potential to be the greatest epidemic the world has known.

And while it may still only affect a few people, its spread is something that now concerns us all



AIDS. YOU'RE AS SAFE AS YOU WANT TO BE.