



# 3<sup>rd</sup> MEETING EUROPEAN CYSTICERCOSIS WORKING GROUP

## CYSTICERCOSIS IN PORTUGAL 2005-2009 USING GDH (DRG)

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# ESTABLISHING CONCEPTS

**Grupos de Diagnósticos Homogéneos (GDH)** is the Portuguese version of **Diagnosis-related group (DRG)** a system to classify hospital cases, and its intent is to identify the “services” that a hospital provides.

Based on ICD (International Classification of Diseases) we can obtain diagnoses by age, sex, residence, hospital of reference and this information is usually used to determine how much each hospital spends on each “service”.

**IT WAS NOT CREATED FOR  
EPIDEMIOLOGIC PURPOSES!**

# ESTABLISHING CONCEPTS

SO

There can be more than one record for a single patient!

Each record represents a single admission to the hospital and it is not possible to identify the patient!

There are no “cases”!

We can not determine prevalence!

# HOW WE USED THE DATA

WE COLLECTED ALL RECORDS, REGISTERED AT ALL PORTUGUESE HOSPITALS AS A SINGLE CYSTICERCOSIS ADMISSION

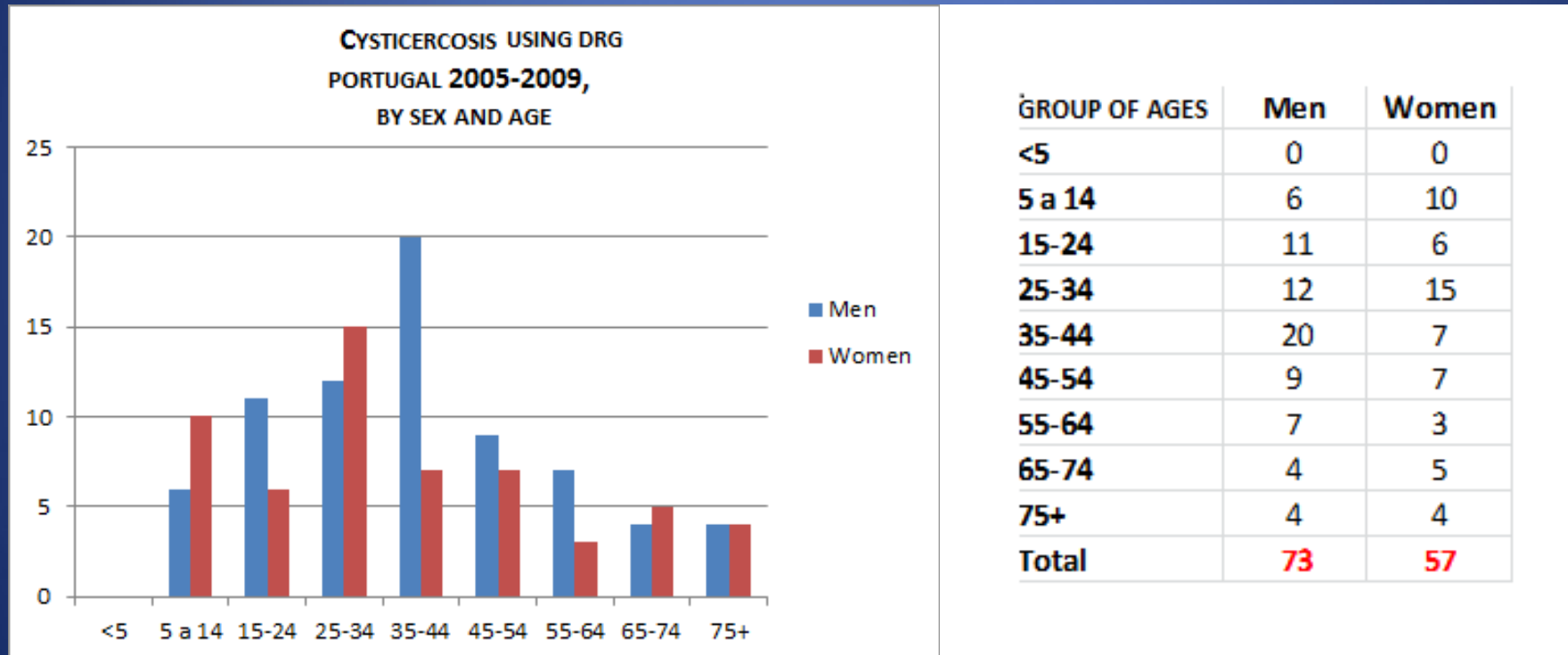
- WE ELIMINATED ALL RECORDS WHERE THE SAME AGE, SEX AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS COULD INDICATE THAT IT MAY BE THE SAME PERSON

WE GROUPED THE REMAINING RECORDS BY AGE AND SEX

- WE LOCALIZED EACH RECORD WHERE RESIDENCE ADDRESS WAS AVAILABLE ON A MAP BY YEAR OF OCCURRENCE

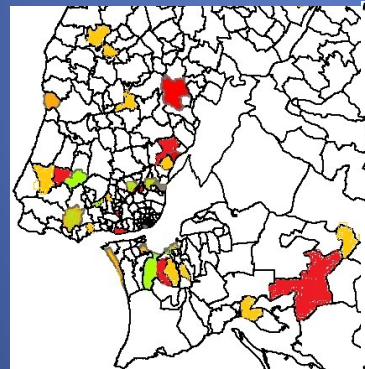
# WHAT WE FOUND

A TOTAL OF 130 RECORDS: **57** WOMEN AND 73 MEN  
With a mean age of **36** for women and 40 for men.

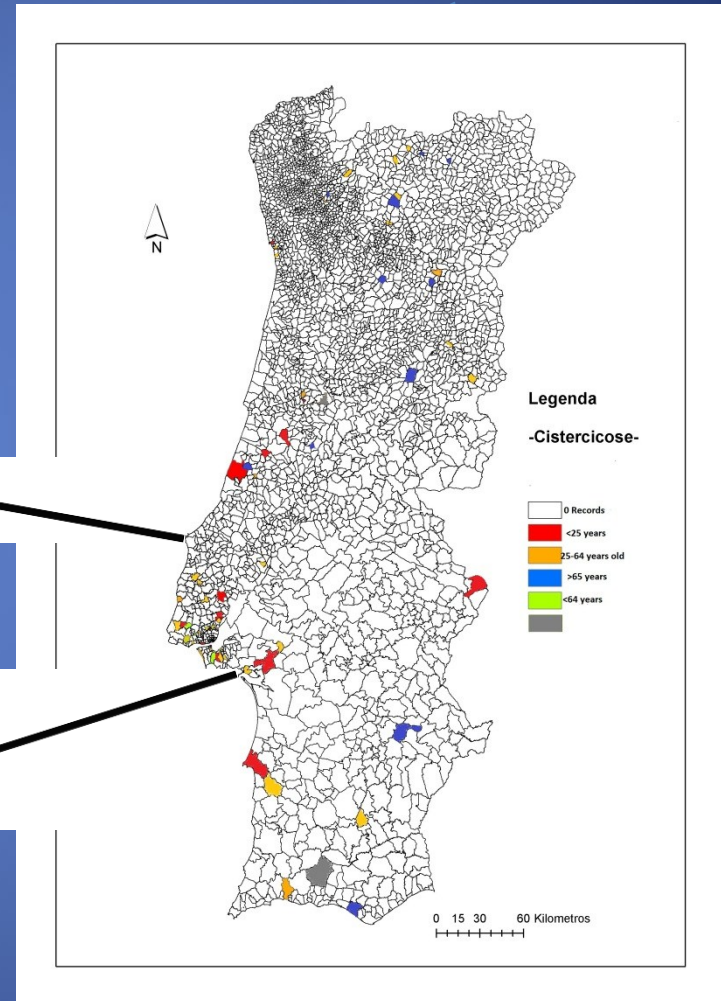


# WHAT WE FOUND

## MAPPING OF DATA:

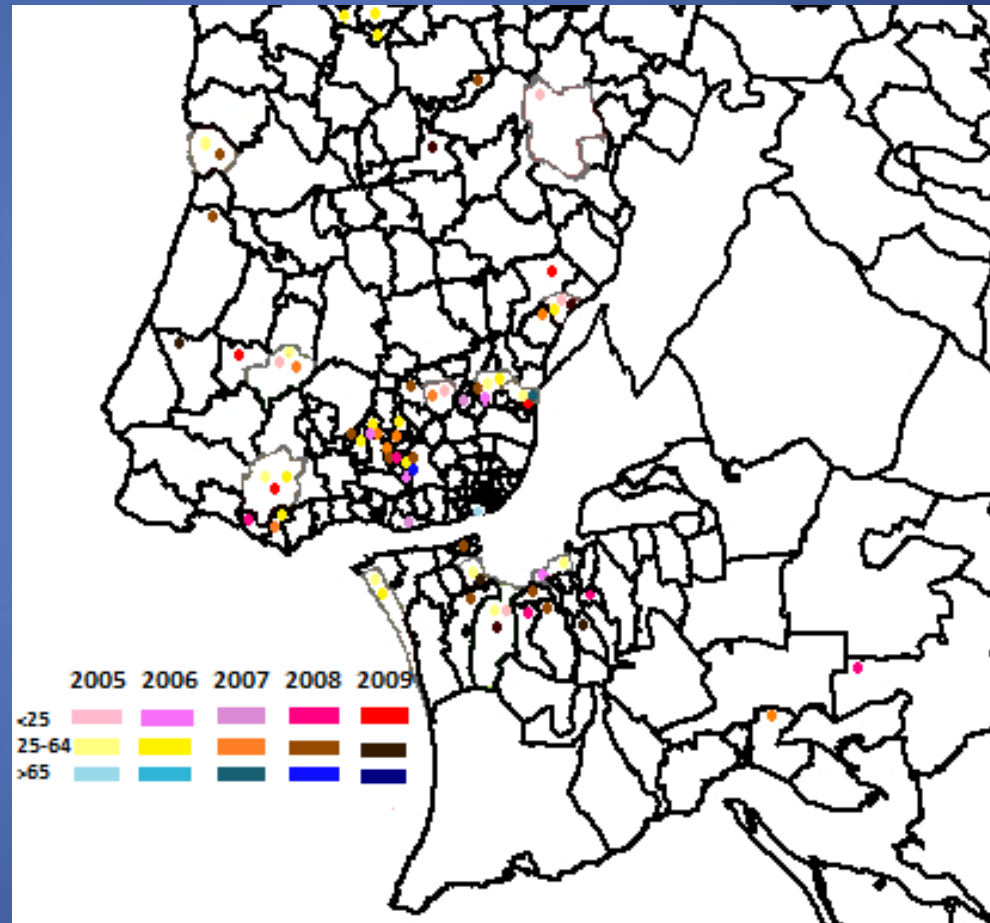


Lisbon and the Tejo Valley (LVT)



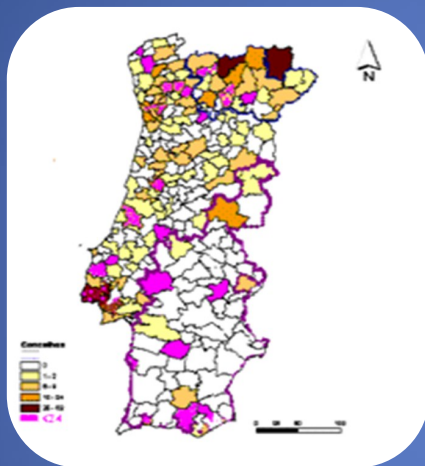
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LOOKING CLOSER

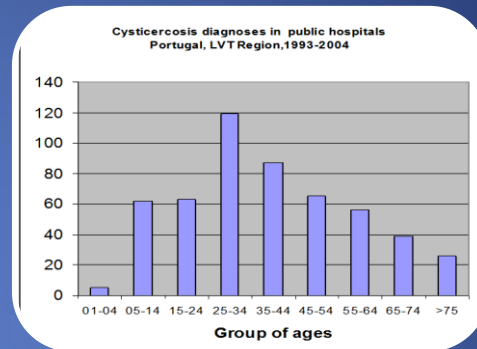


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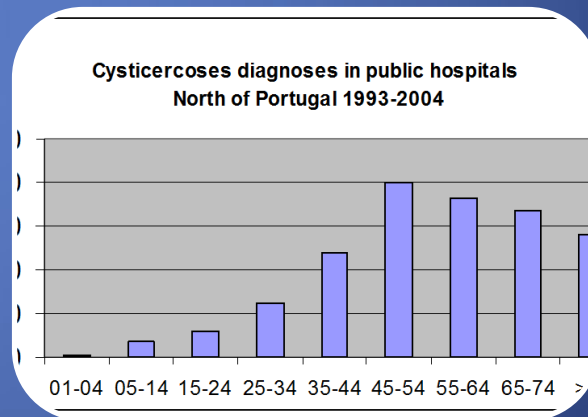
# TRENDS



1993-2004



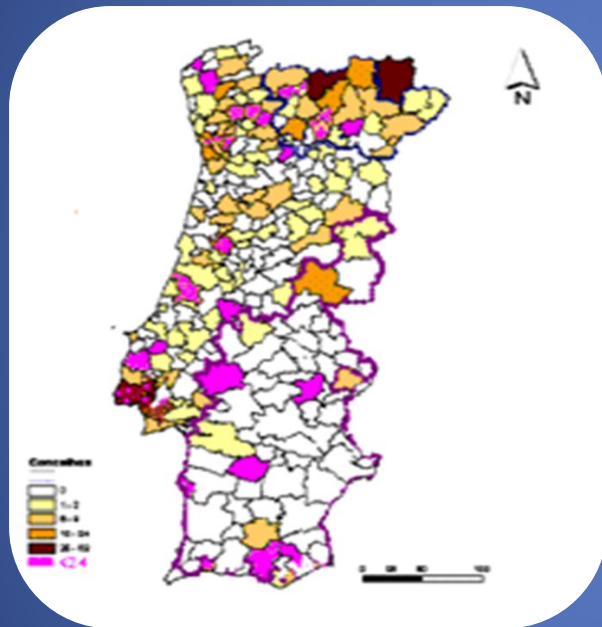
1993 -2004 LVT



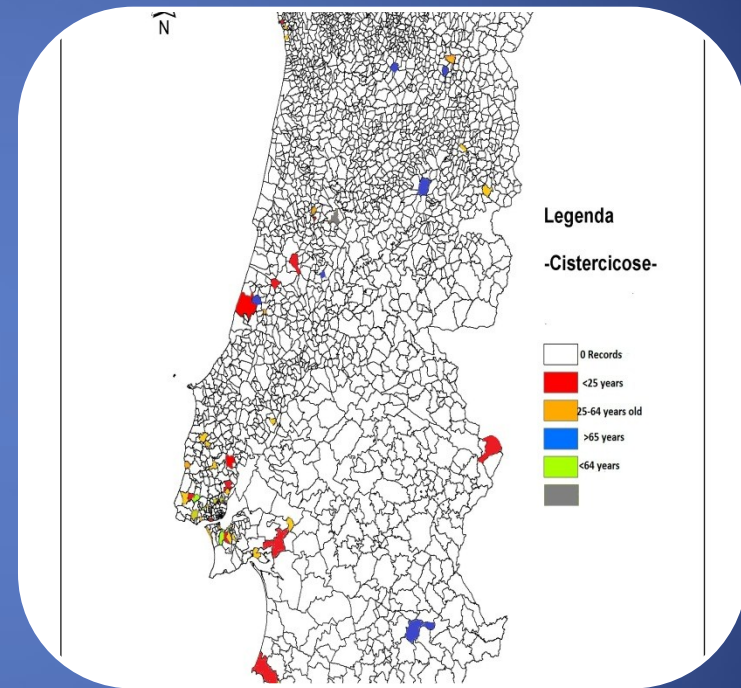
1993-2004 NORTH



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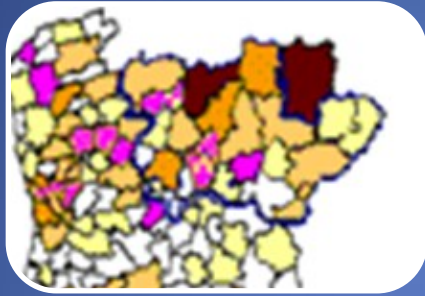


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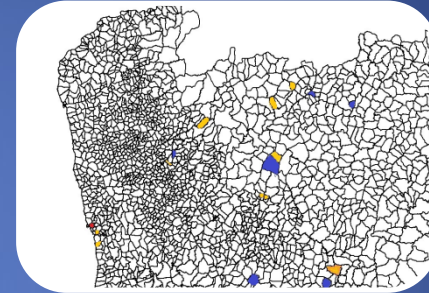


2005 -2009

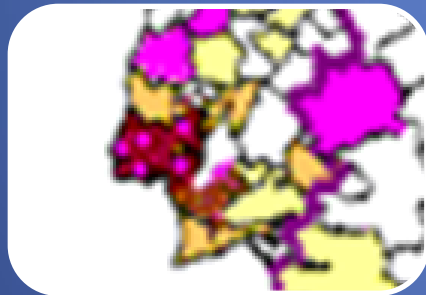
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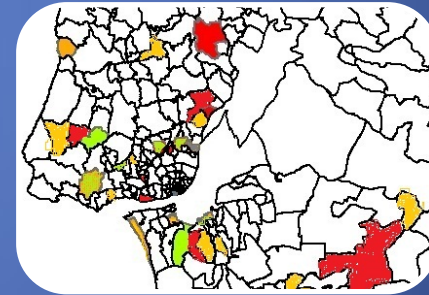
North 1993-  
2004



North 2005-  
2009



LVT 1993-2004



LVT 2005-2009

# WHAT IS OCURRING?

Revolution of 25 April 1974

- Creation of the NHS, 1979

Joined the European Union 1986

IMPROVEMENT OF  
**LIVING CONDITIONS** OF  
THE GENERAL  
POPULATION

# WHAT IS OCURRING?

## Generalization of basic sanitation

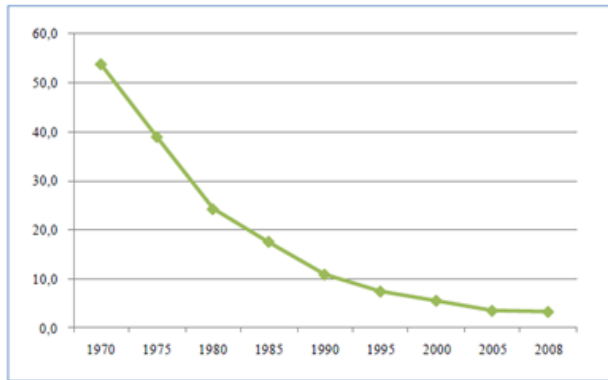
- Supply of drinking water to homes

Better environmental and health conditions

IMPROVEMENT OF **LIVING CONDITIONS** OF THE GENERAL POPULATION

# WHAT IS HAPPENING?

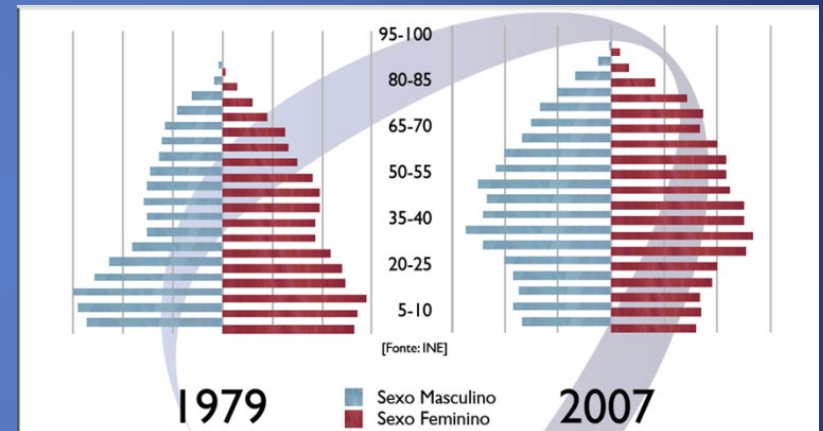
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Ana de Almeida Eira .

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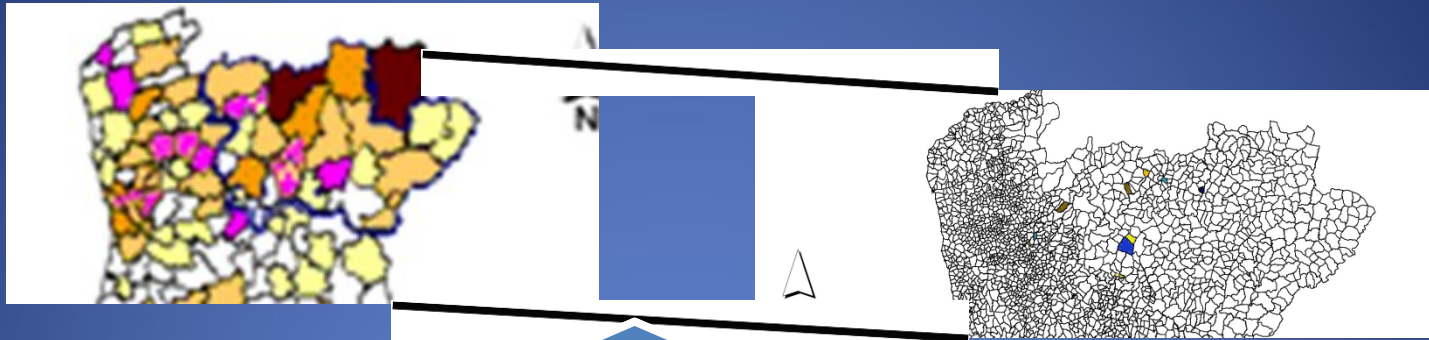
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## HDI

1975 1980 1985 1990 1995 2000 2005 2011  
0.793 0.807 0.829 0.855 0.885 0.904 0.897 **0.809**

# CONCLUDING



WE HAVE SOLVED MANY  
DEVELOPEMENT  
PROBLEMS, AND AS A  
CONSEQUENCE  
CYSTICERCOSIS TOO

# CONCLUDING

ARE WE NEGLECTING THE  
EXISTING SOCIAL PROBLEMS  
AND CREATING NEW  
OPORTUNITIES FOR THIS  
PARASITE?

AND OTHERS....?

