

# Public Health: Global Origins of Modern Health Policy and Management, 1957-1995

*Global Perspectives from the CIA Archives*



## Quick Facts

The only digital collection that offers a global perspective on the evolution of modern public health  
Decades of fully searchable primary source documents related to public health and health policy  
A wealth of information for numerous STEM and humanities disciplines

## Overview

As the world's population ballooned and became increasingly urban in the latter half of the 20th century, the risks of infectious disease and other medical crises also rose. Yet thanks to technology, laws and education, most people lived longer, healthier lives than at any time in human history. Now, prompted in part by the threat of the COVID-19 pandemic, scholars are seeking to better understand how the field of public health evolved and adapted during this pivotal era. *Public Health: Global Origins of Modern Health Policy and Management* is a fully searchable digitized collection that captures international failures and successes, offering valuable insight for students and researchers in a variety of disciplines. Topics addressed include environmental pollution, developing vaccines and birth control, funding the World Health Organization, educating people about food safety and water quality, preparing regions for natural and other disasters, and much more.

### A wide-ranging archive of health care history

Between 1957 and 1995, the Central Intelligence Agency collected media from across the globe and translated it into English, including tens of thousands of journal articles, government publications, newspapers, magazines, and transcribed television and radio broadcasts. Together, these primary source materials offer an unparalleled account of the development of modern public health, as well as the scientific advances that spurred it. When the AIDS epidemic began devastating communities in the early 1980s, for example, rates of infection and death varied between countries, determined in part by policies that promoted testing and treatment while de-stigmatizing the disease. *Public Health: Global Origins of Modern Health Policy and Management* captures how nations around the world handled AIDS and numerous other health crises as they unfolded.

### Applications across STEM and humanities disciplines

Controlling the spread of infectious disease is just one face of public health. *Public Health: Global Origins of Modern Health Policy and Management* chronicles these and other milestones through academic articles, media reports, and government analysis unavailable elsewhere. Students and scholars working in STEM and humanities disciplines will find myriad applications for this material. Additionally, Readex's intuitive online interface enables researchers to easily browse this collection by a broad range of topics, each providing highly relevant results for users at all levels.

### An Origins of Modern Science and Technology collection

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