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On Aug. 18, Lair Guerra, director of the Health Ministry's Division of Sexually Transmitted Diseases, reported that 425,000 Brazilians have contracted the Human Immuno-deficiency Virus (HIV). Guerra said the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) will cause the death of about 85,000 Brazilians between 1993 and 1995. At present, 29,644 cases of AIDS have been confirmed in Brazil and 13,242 of these have died. The large majority of the cases, 23,546, were reported in the southeastern region of the country. A total of 17,823 cases have been registered in the state of Sao Paulo. Guerra expressed concern regarding the rate at which AIDS is spreading. Between July 10 and Aug. 10, 1,189 new cases were confirmed. (Source: Agence France-Presse, 08/18/92)

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