

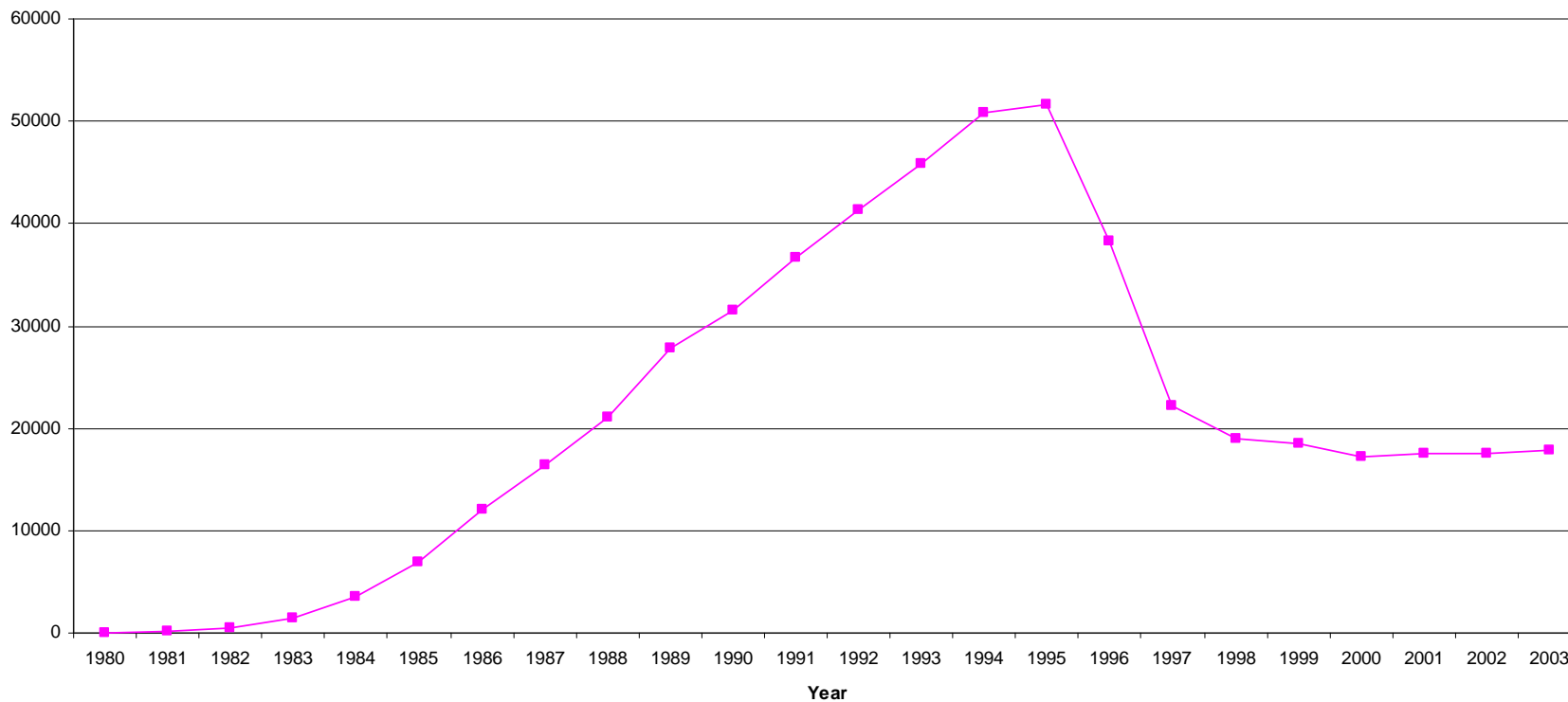








**Number of Deaths among U.S. Residents with AIDS: 1980-2003**









## Defining the Sample

- Select the 12,932 (out of 4.03 million) individuals with:
  - 2+ claims with primary or secondary diagnosis of HIV b/w 1/93 - 12/03
  - Consistent demographic data across years
  - Valid social security number (8 percent do not)
- Drop the 1063 who live in one of 8 COHS counties
- Drop the 1802 with 1+ Medicaid managed care months
- Final sample of 10,067 HIV/AIDS patients
- Individual enters sample in quarter of first HIV claim





























