

## **References for updated information in 2015 edition of Progress Can Kill** (for other references please see the full report)

### **Life expectancy**

Two times more likely to die as a child<sup>i</sup>

Three times more likely to die of avoidable causes<sup>ii</sup>

Seven times more likely to die of diabetes<sup>iii</sup>

Nineteen times more likely to die from rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease<sup>iv</sup>

Their life expectancy at birth is ten to fifteen years less than other Australians.<sup>v</sup>

Life expectancy Graph<sup>vi</sup>

### **HIV/AIDS**

In 2015, 11 cases of HIV were confirmed in Matsigenka communities. Health officials say the outsiders are responsible for the rise in prostitution.<sup>vii</sup>

Indonesian occupation is disastrous for Papuan tribespeople, who suffer 15 times the national rate of HIV/AIDS.<sup>viii</sup>

Official cases of AIDS in West Papua Graph<sup>ix</sup>

### **Starvation**

Malnutrition is rife. From 2005 to 2015 at least 86 Guarani children died as a result.<sup>x</sup>

Agribusiness has destroyed the forest which used to provide Guarani with their food, but when the Indians take back their land, malnutrition drops.<sup>xi</sup>

Ethiopia's Kwegu tribe hunt, fish and grow crops alongside the Omo River. For centuries, this self-sufficient people thrived in a country renowned for famines. But now they are starving: their land has been stolen to make way for development projects, such as vast agricultural plantations.<sup>xii</sup>

### **Obesity**

In Australia, 37% of urban Aboriginal children are obese or overweight by 24 months old.<sup>xiii</sup>

Indigenous children in some parts of Canada are 15 times more likely to suffer from type 2 diabetes than other Canadians.<sup>xiv</sup>

### **Suicide**

Brazil's Guarani tribe has a suicide rate 34 times the national average. <sup>xv</sup>

In Canada, some indigenous groups who have lost their connection to their land have suicide rates 11 times the national average; those with strong links often see no suicides at all.<sup>xvi</sup>

In Brazil, at least 72 Guarani-Kaiowá Indians killed themselves in 2013 – the highest suicide rate in the world.<sup>xvii</sup>

Suicide rates for men aged 15-24 years graph.<sup>xviii</sup>

Baka from Cameroon, illegally evicted in the name of conservation, often end up receiving alcohol as wages.<sup>xix</sup>

## **Land is life**

The Dongria Kondh grow over 100 crops and harvest 200 wild foods, providing a highly nutritious diet even in times of drought.<sup>xx</sup>

India's Jarawa tribe have only had friendly contact with their neighbors since 1998. Experts described their nutrition as "optimum"<sup>xxi</sup> and said they "enjoy a life of opulence."<sup>xxii</sup>

When uncontacted Mashco-Piro Indians came out of the forest in Peru, they appeared robust and healthy and were filmed laughing and joking with local Yine Indians.<sup>xxiii</sup>

## **Health and freedom**

Some peoples, particularly in Australia and North America, are now trying to rekindle in their youngsters a connection to, and appreciation for, their lands and traditions, links which had been obliterated over recent generations. Such links have been shown to reduce addictions and help prevent suicides.<sup>xxiv</sup>

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