

Racial Disparities in HIV/STI in the United States

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Presentation Objectives

1. Understand the current status or racial/ethnic HIV/STI disparities in the US
2. Understand the role of structural issues in contributing to and remedying infection disparities
3. Identify successes in combatting HIV/STI disparities

HIV Diagnoses Trends 2005-2014

By Race/Ethnicity

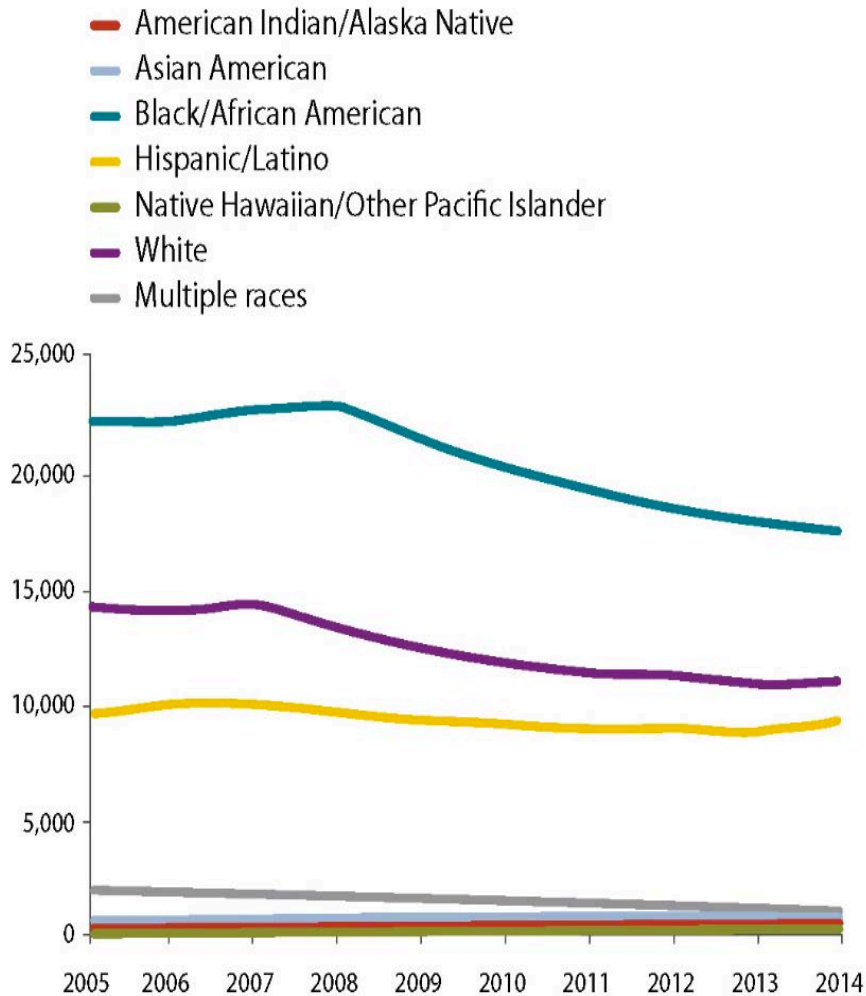
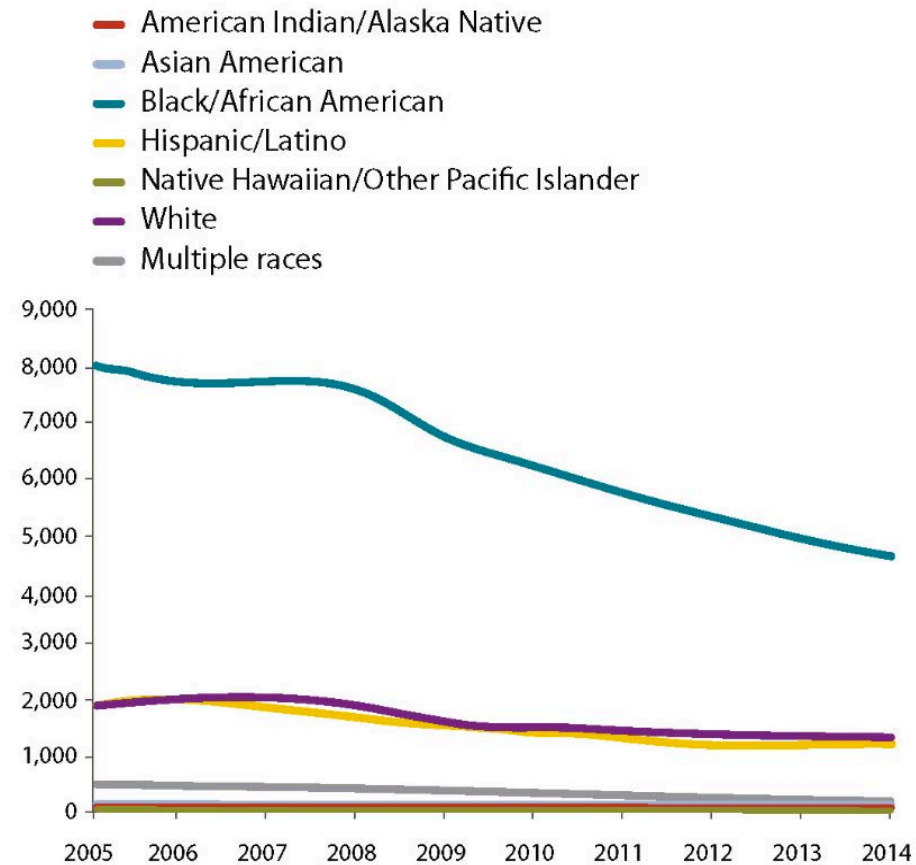


Figure 2. HIV Diagnoses among Women by Race/Ethnicity, 2005-2014



PrEP in the US: Good News

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The US Food and Drug Administration (PrEP) for adolescents, which will likely with a disproportionately high risk of infection.

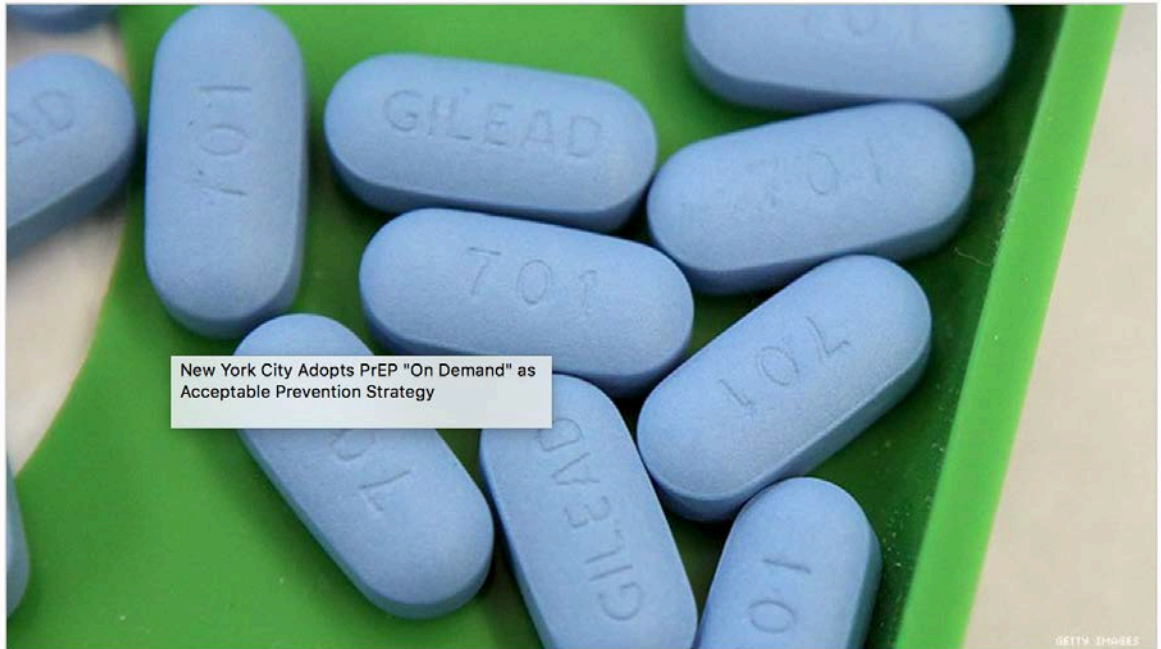
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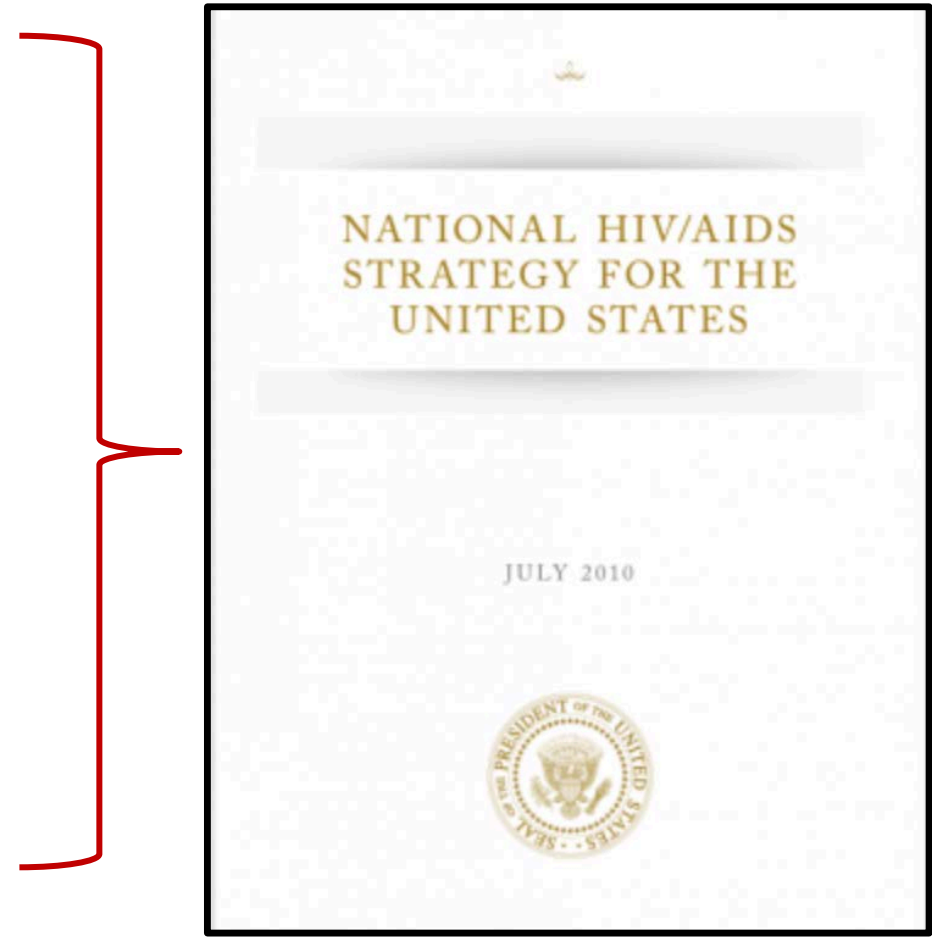
HIV treatment advances

Four days on, three days off HIV treatment just as effective as continuous therapy

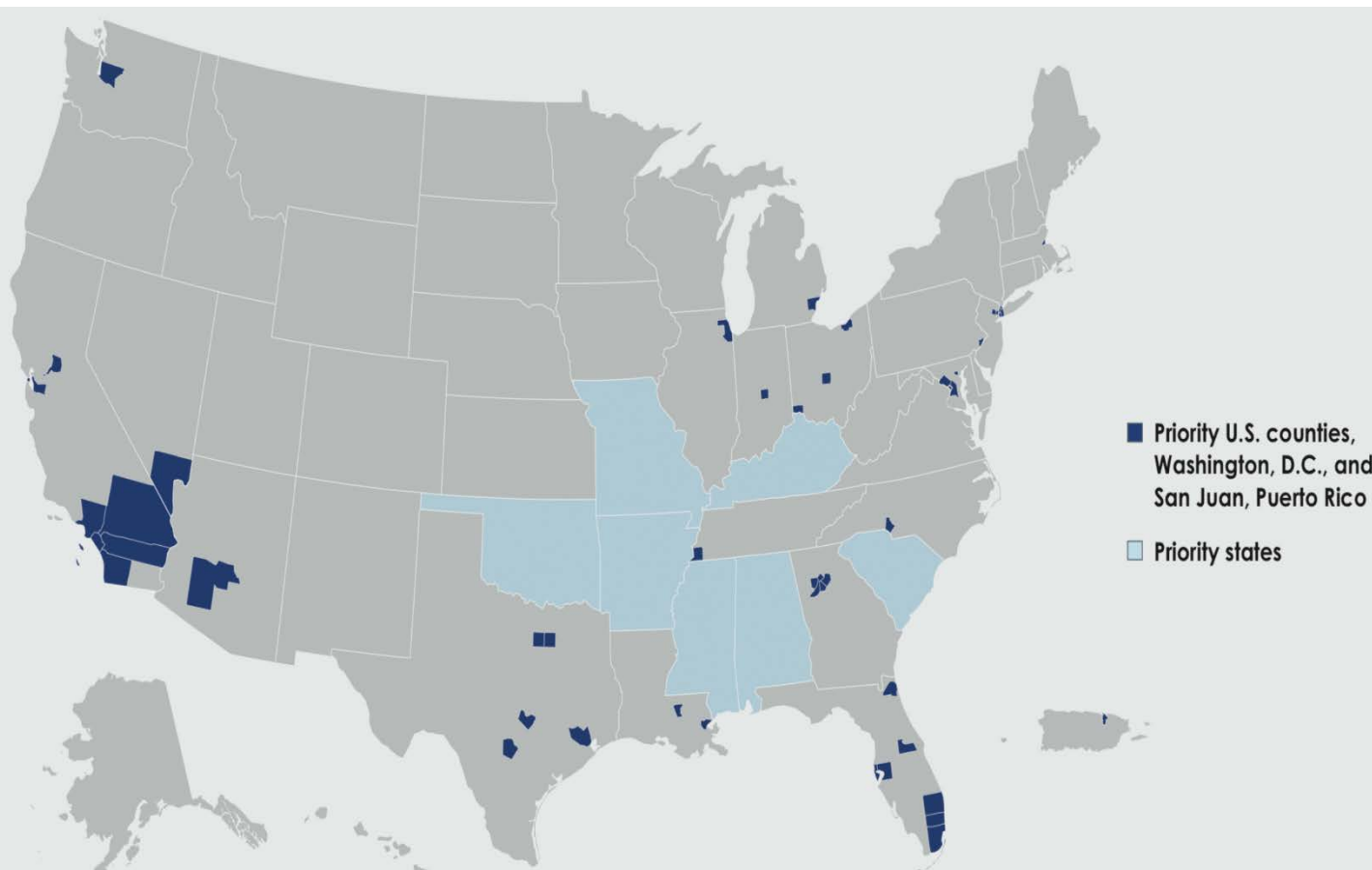
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Getting to Zero Efforts are Accelerating



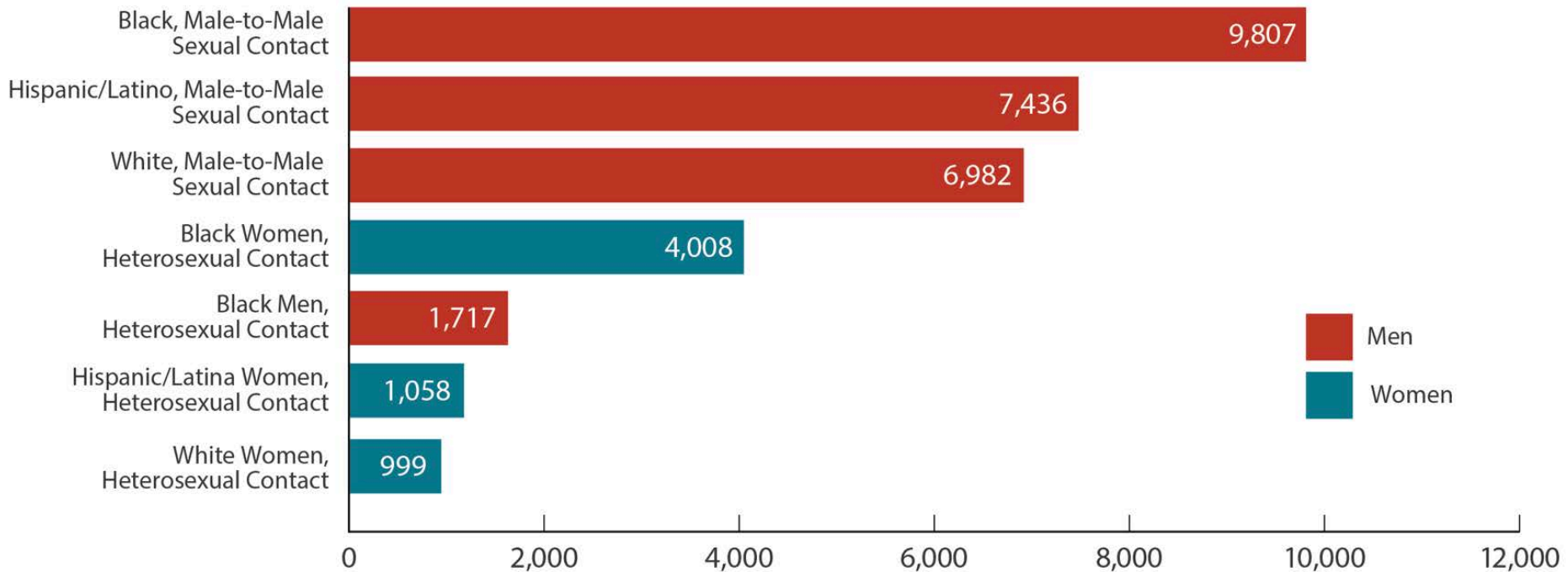
Ending the HIV Epidemic Plan



- Scale up
 - HIV testing
 - Needle exchange programs
 - PrEP
 - Treatment linkage
- Focus on priority populations

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New HIV Diagnoses in the US and Dependent Areas for the Most-Affected Subpopulations, 2017



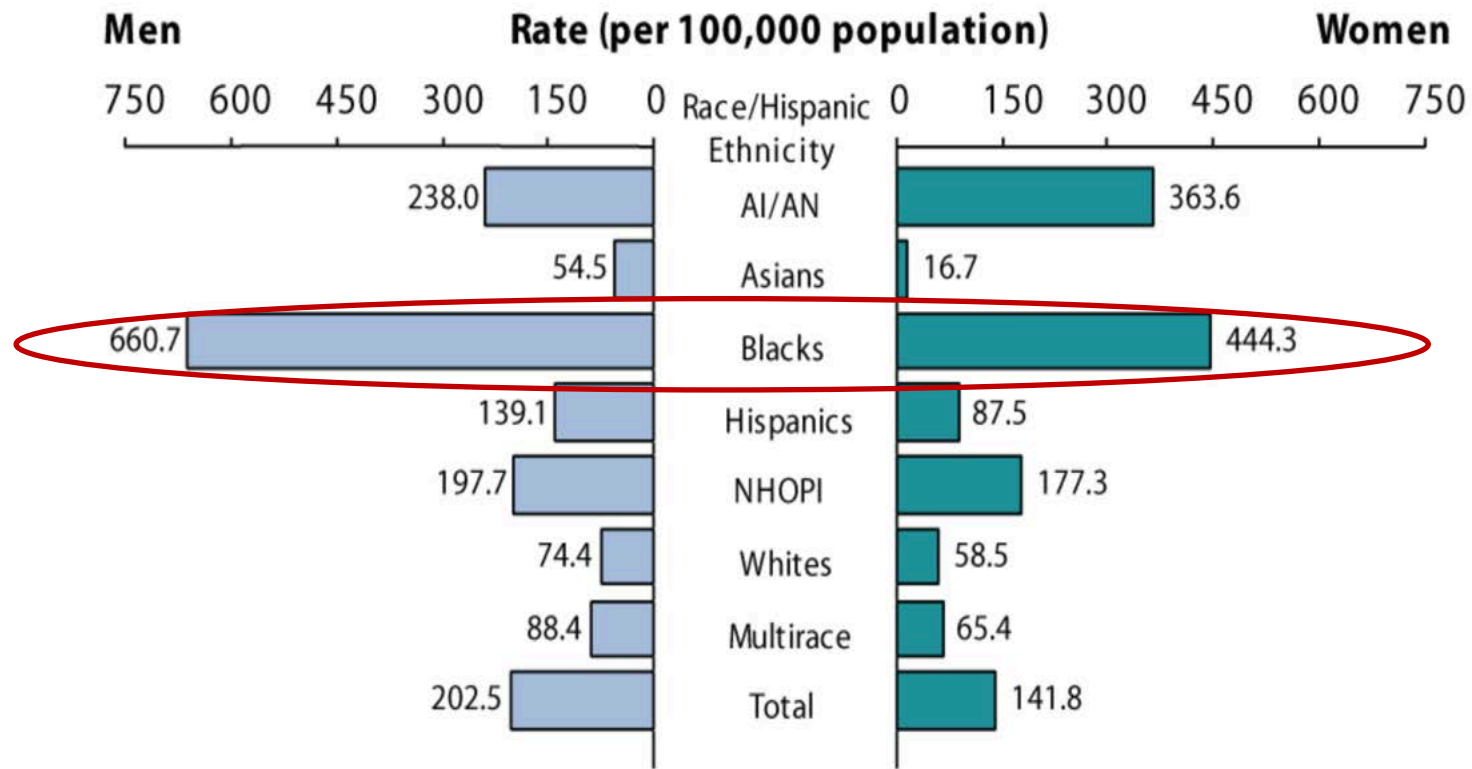
In 2017, 38,739 people received an HIV diagnosis in the US. The annual number of new HIV diagnoses remained stable between 2012 and 2016.

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- *n. pl.* **dis·par·i·ties**

- **1.** The condition or fact of being unequal, as in age, rank, or degree; difference

Gonorrhea — Rates of Reported Cases by Race/Ethnicity and Sex, United States, 2017

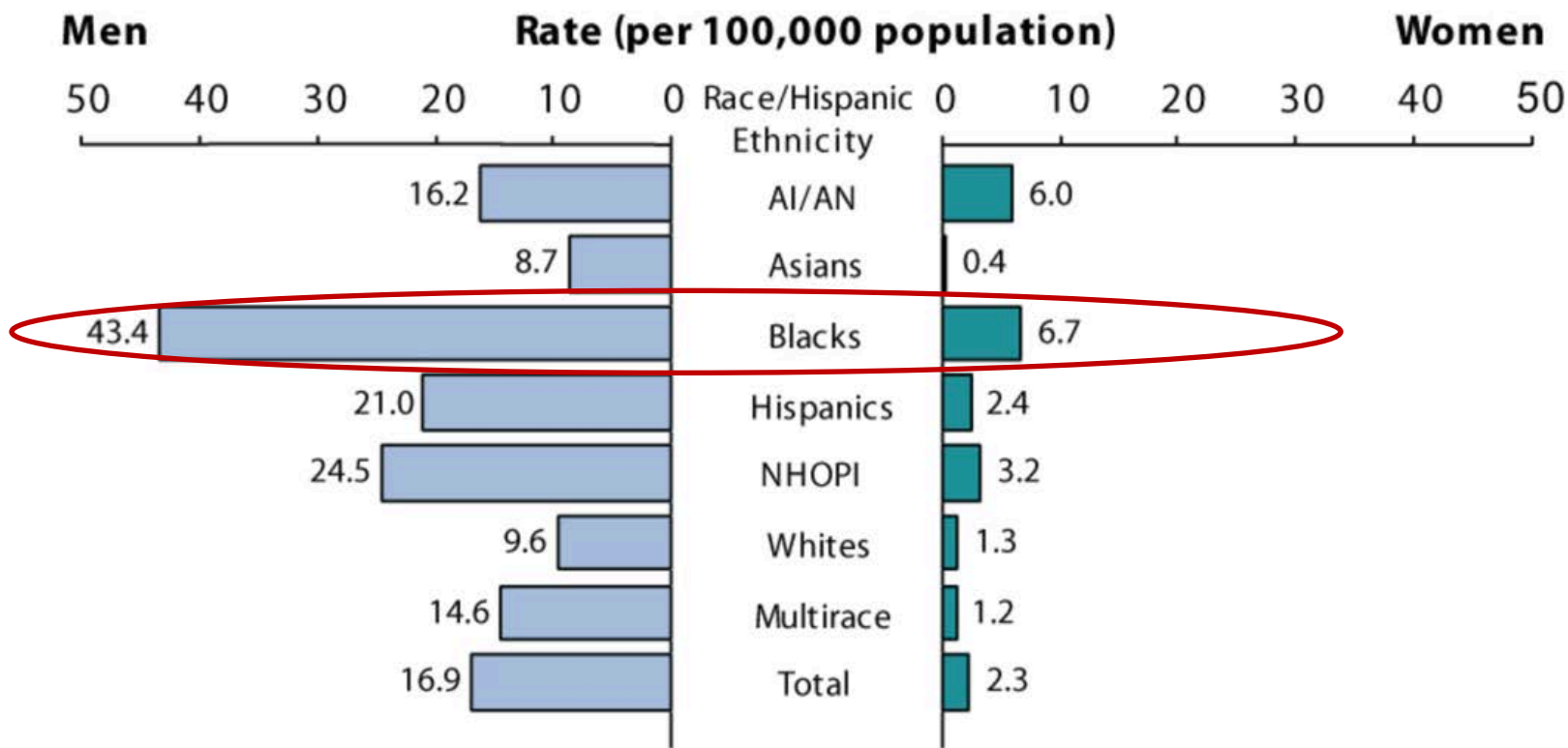


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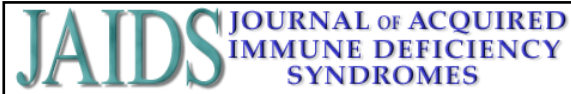


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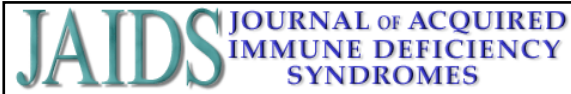
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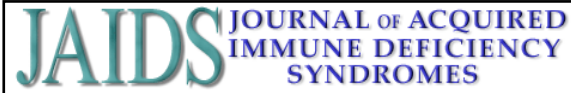
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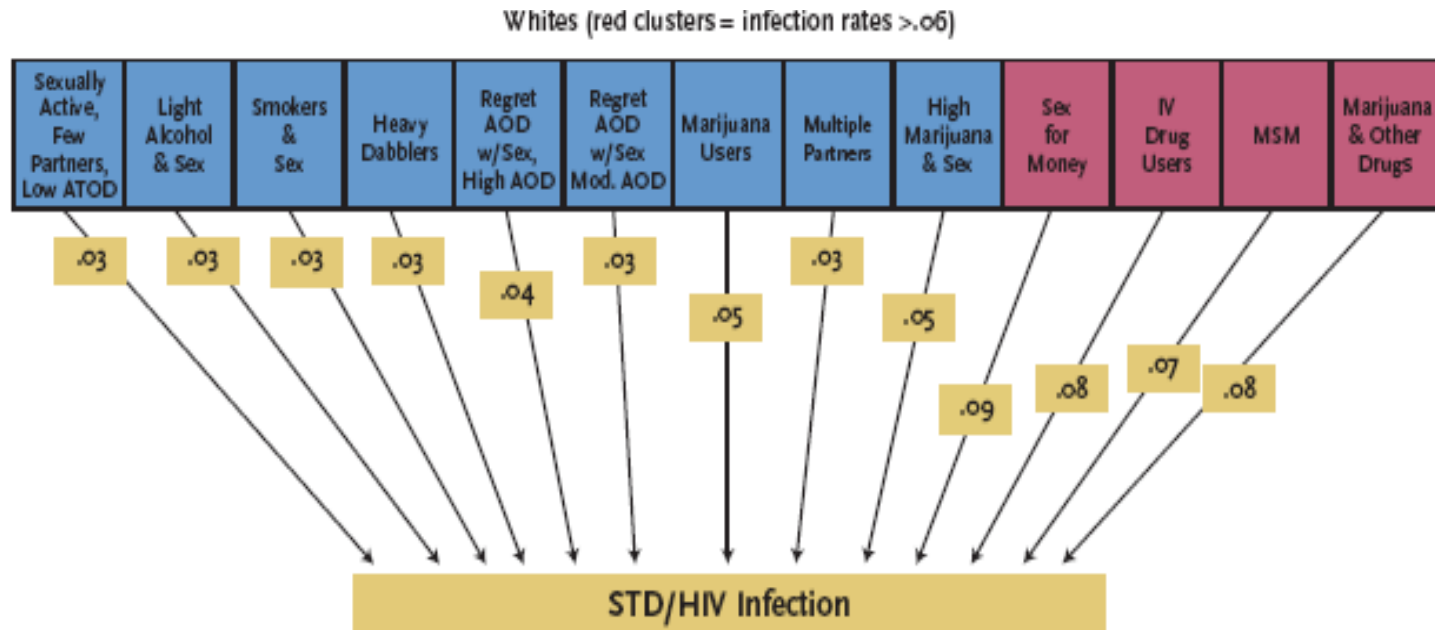
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Robert Rayford challenged the narrative about the epidemic



Risk Behavior & HIV/STI Racial Disparities

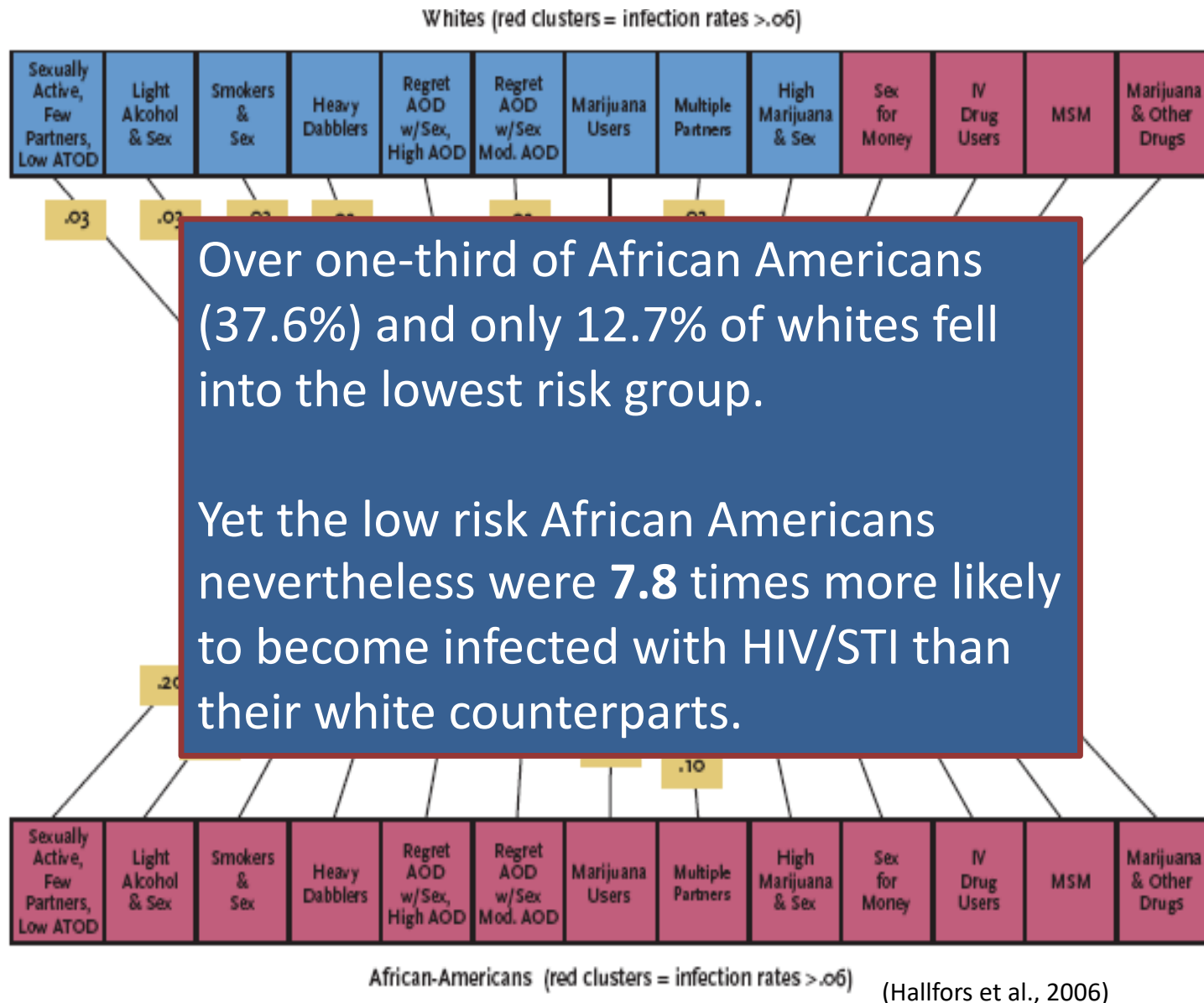
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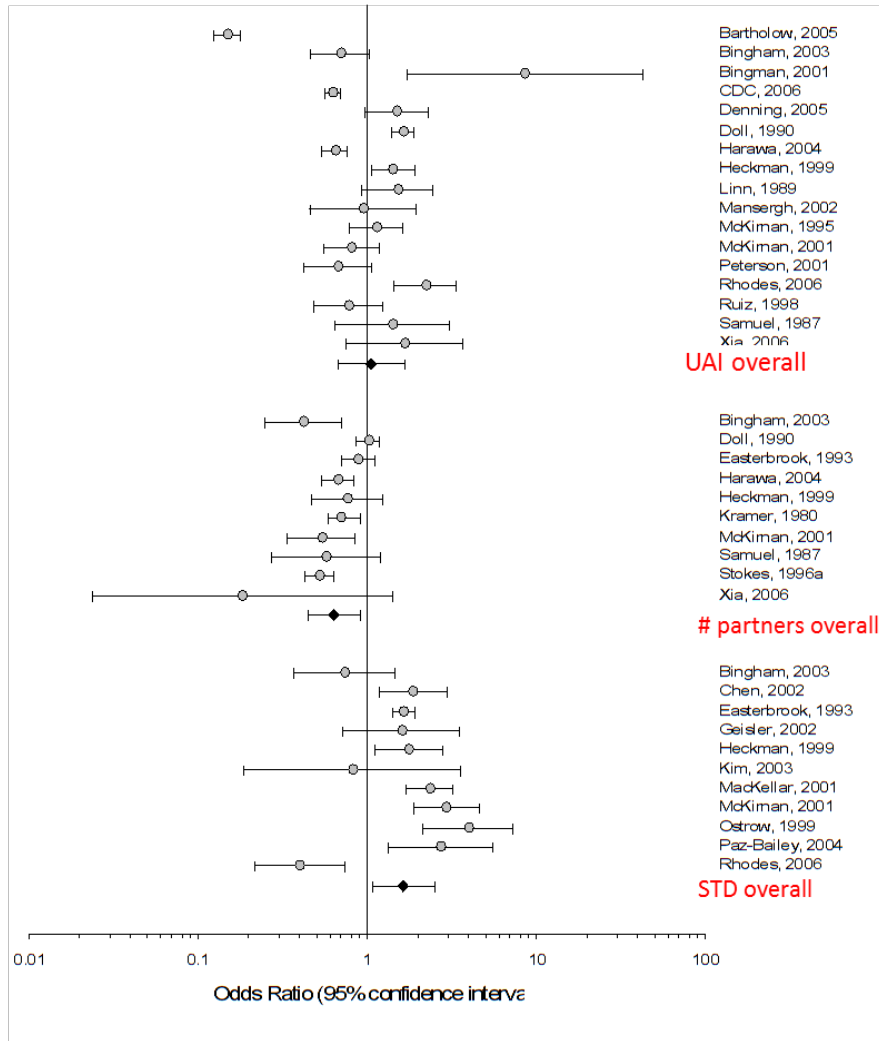
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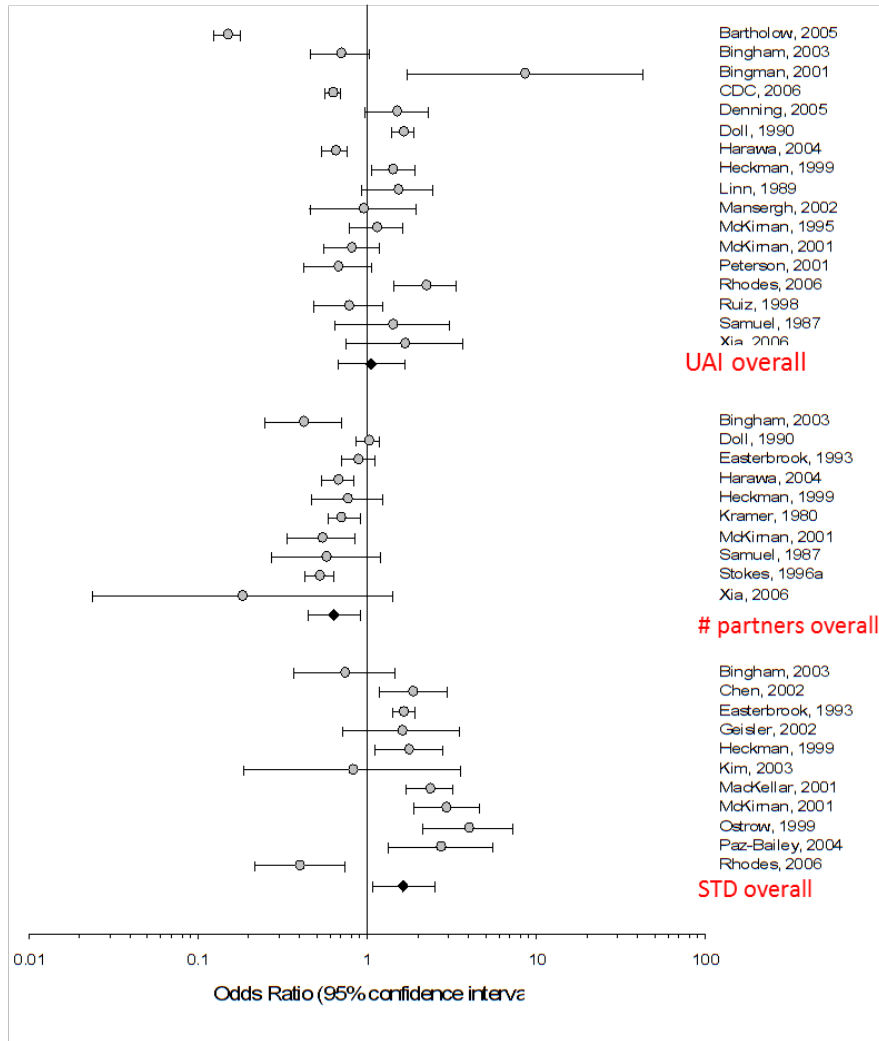
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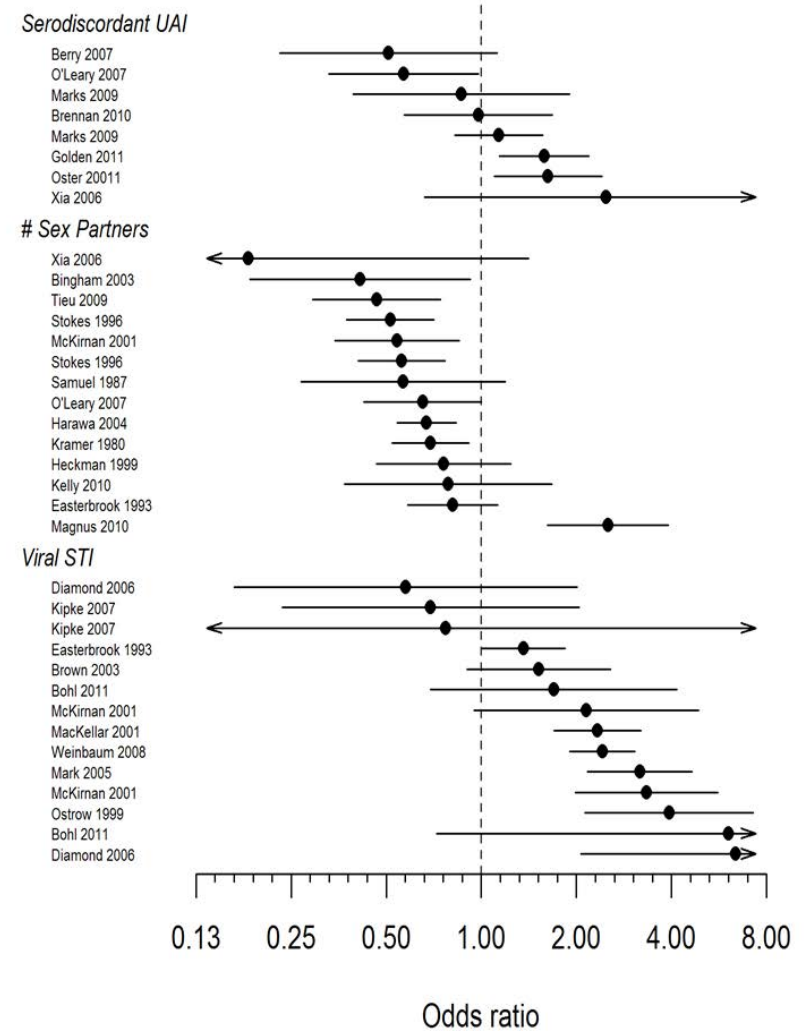


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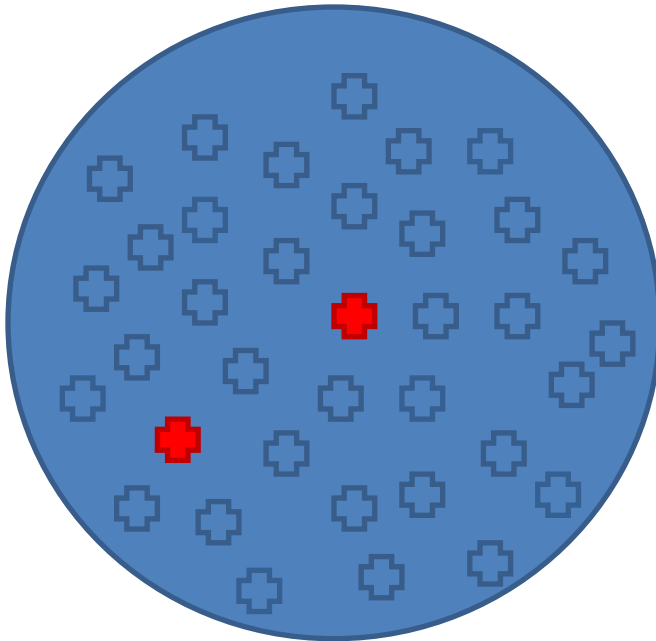


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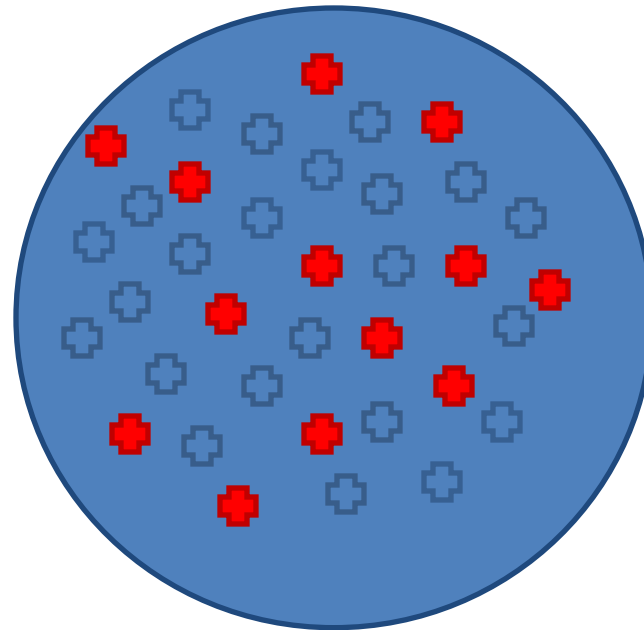
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General Public



U.S. MSM

U.S. Black community



Factors Associated with Disparities

Geography and Racial Disparities

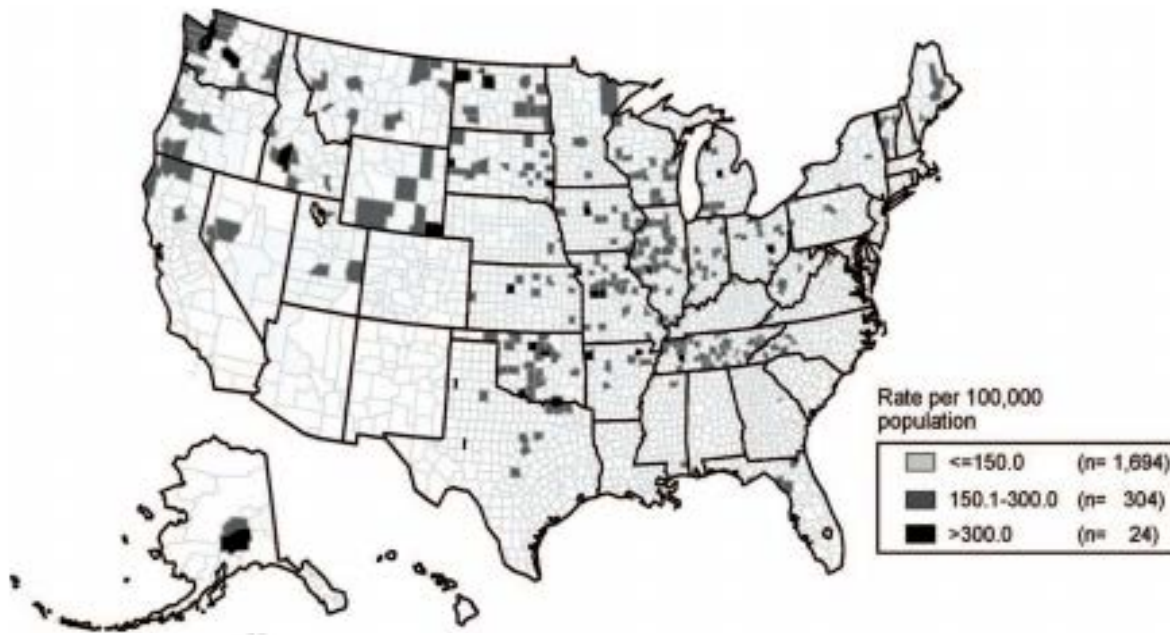
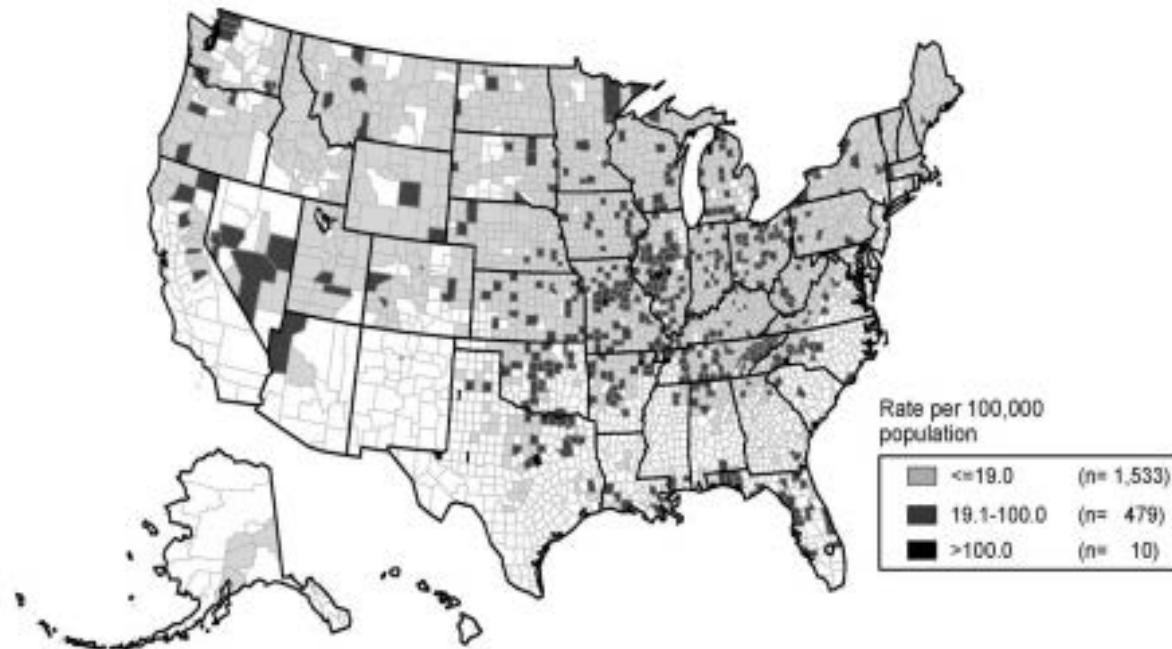


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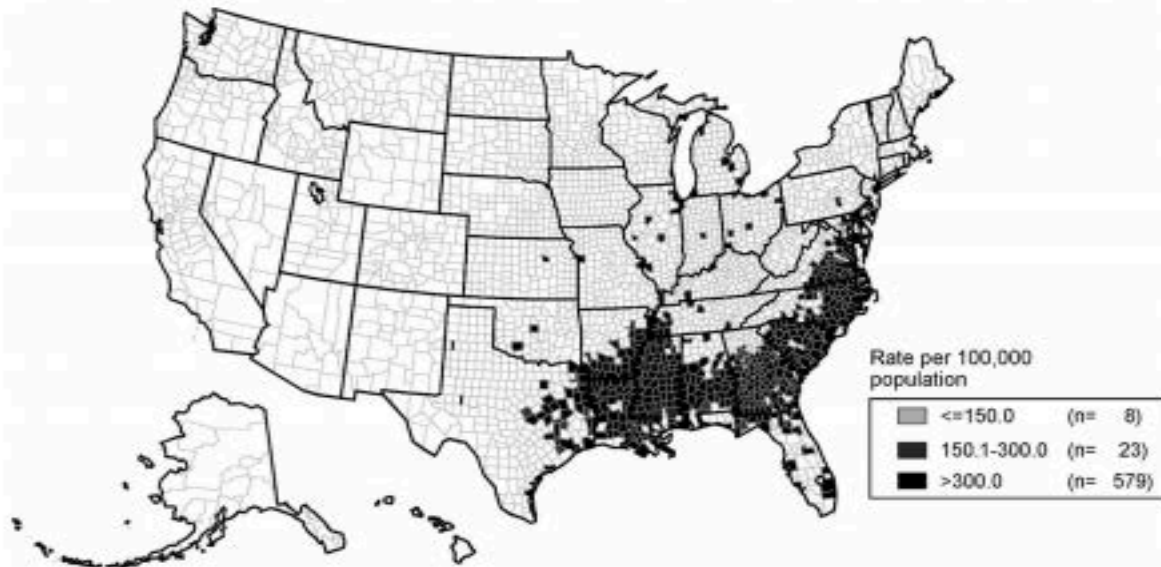
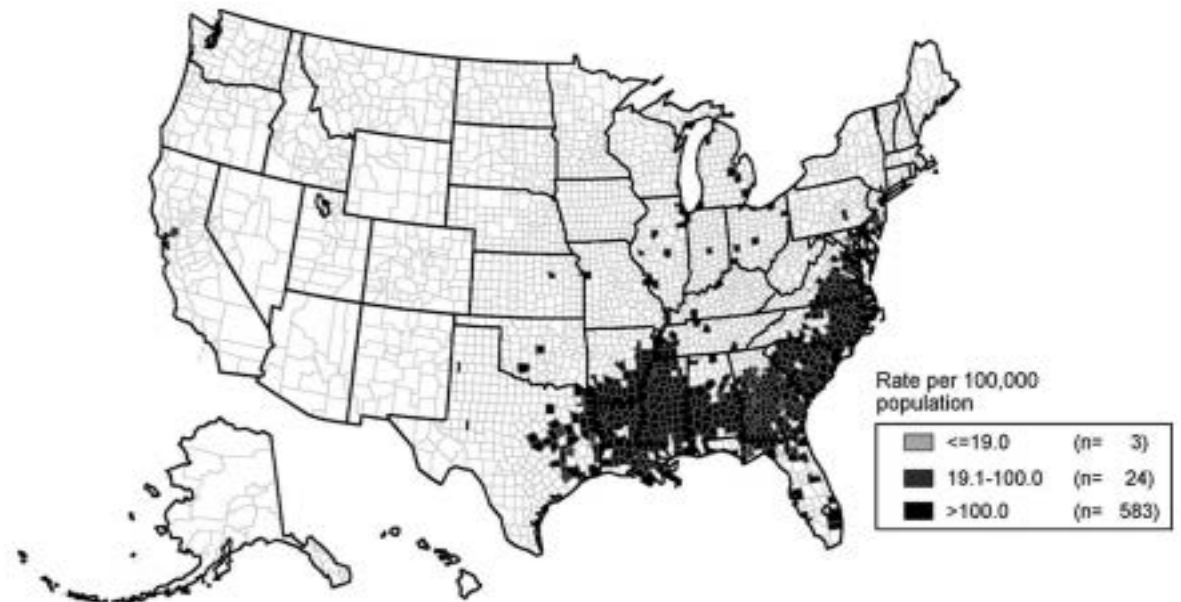


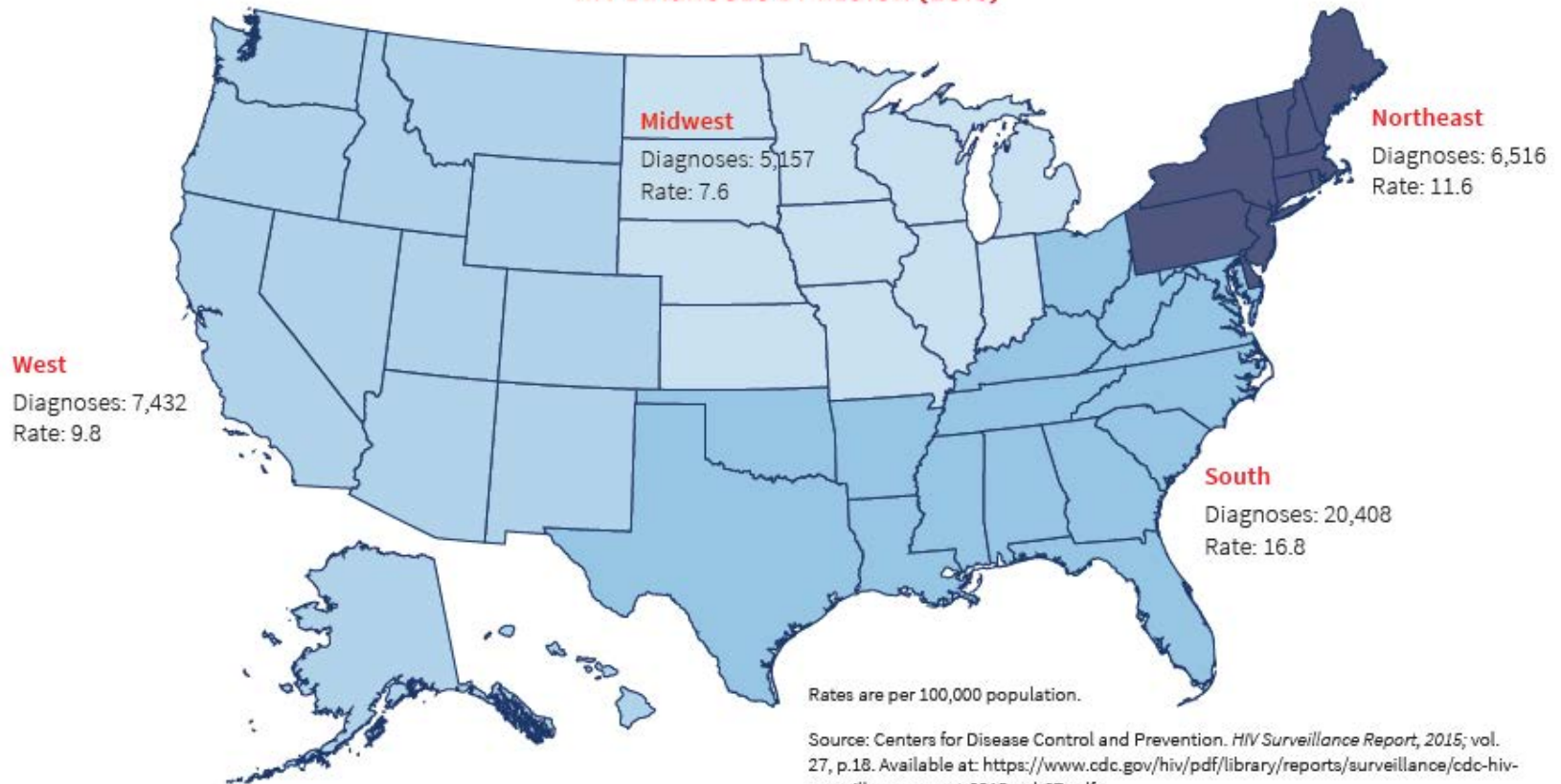
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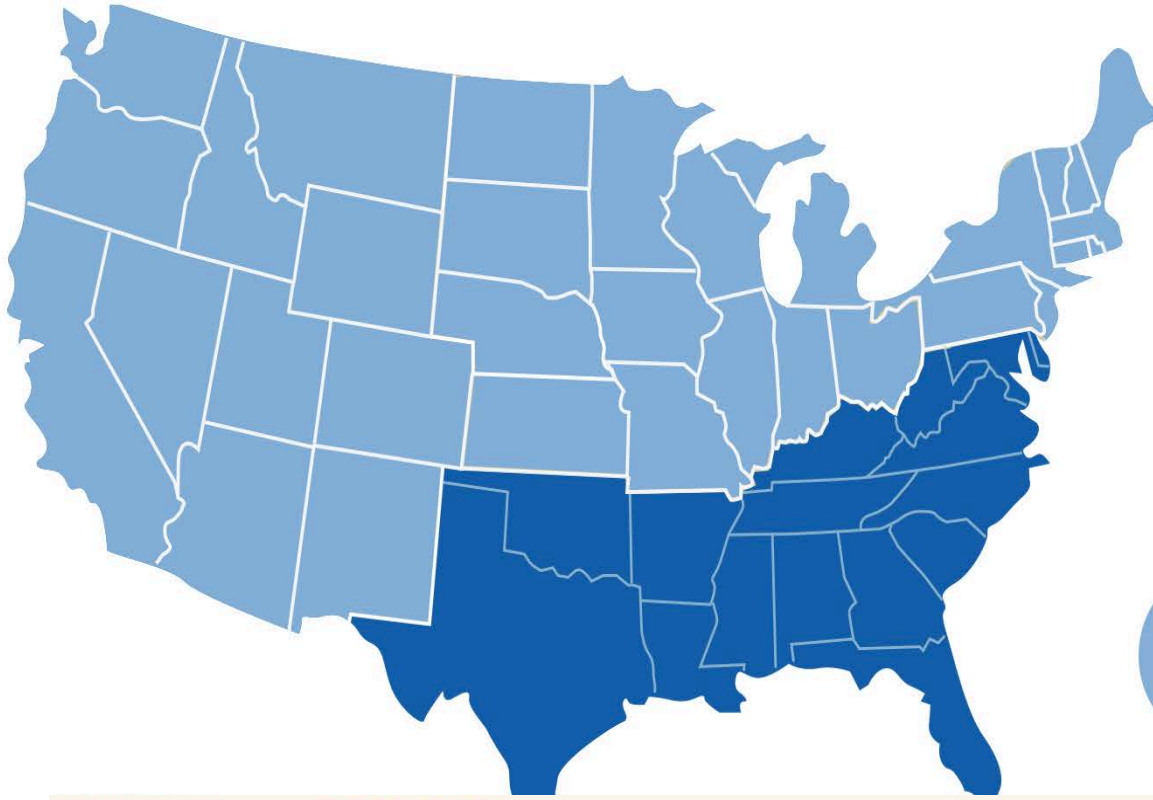


HIV Diagnoses, 2015 By Region

HIV DIAGNOSES BY REGION (2015)



Southern states account for **38%** of the US population but bear the highest burden of HIV infection.



51% of **annual** HIV infections

46% of **persons living with HIV** infections

51% of **undiagnosed** HIV infections

In 2017, **82%** of all new HIV diagnoses in the South were among:

Black/African American MSM*

Black/African American Heterosexuals

Hispanic/Latino MSM

White MSM

31%

19%

16%

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Geography and HIV Transmission Risk

Geography Should Not Be Destiny: Focusing HIV/AIDS Implementation Research and Programs on Microepidemics in US Neighborhoods

African Americans and Hispanics are disproportionately affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Within the most heavily affected cities, a few neighborhoods account for a large share of new HIV infections.

Addressing racial and economic disparities in HIV infection requires an implementation program and research agenda that assess the impact of HIV prevention interventions focused on increasing HIV testing, treatment, and retention in care in the most heavily affected neighborhoods in urban areas of the United States.

Neighborhood-based implementation research should evaluate programs that focus on community mobilization, media campaigns, routine testing, linkage to and retention in care, and block-by-block outreach strategies. (*Am J Public Health*. 2014; 104:775-780. doi:10.2105/AJPH.2013.301864)

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ALTHOUGH HIV INCIDENCE in the United States has remained relatively stable since the mid-1990s, rates among African Americans and Hispanics are 8 and 3 times those among Whites, respectively.¹ Approximately 65% of new HIV infections in the United States occur in non-White populations. Individual behavioral risk factors, including unprotected sex and substance use, do not fully explain racial disparities in HIV infection; minority populations do not engage in higher rates of HIV risk behaviors than individuals of other races.²

GEOGRAPHIC AND RACIAL DISPARITIES IN HIV INFECTION

New research underscores the pivotal role that sexual networks, structural factors, and geography play in potentiating HIV risks; a recent study published in *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* revealed strong associations between HIV and poverty, low socioeconomic status (SES), unemployment, and lower educational attainment in 24 US cities.³ A subsequent article published in the same journal showed that AIDS prevalence was 2.3% overall in urban census tracts

with high poverty rates.⁴ Similarly, new mapping tools (for examples, see www.aidsvu.org) help visualize associations between low SES, race, and geographic clustering of HIV infections in these same heavily affected communities. HIV prevalence rates in certain urban neighborhoods rival those of some sub-Saharan African countries. Within the most highly affected US cities, a discrete number of specific neighborhoods account for a large share of HIV infections and AIDS-related mortality.

For example, in Washington, DC, 2.7% of the general population is infected with HIV, but the epidemic is most heavily concentrated in wards 5, 6, 7, and 8, where residents are predominantly African American and of low SES, and where the HIV prevalence rate is as high as 3.1%. This is a stark contrast with ward 3, where residents are predominantly White and of higher SES, and the HIV prevalence rate is 0.4%.⁵

Similarly, although New York City has an overall HIV prevalence rate of 1.4%, the predominantly African American and Hispanic neighborhoods of East Harlem, Central Harlem, High-Bridge Morrisania, and Hunts

Point-Mott Haven, as well as predominantly White Chelsea, have rates ranging from 2.4% to 4.5% (Figure 1). However, AIDS-related mortality rates in the predominantly White neighborhood of Chelsea, which has a large gay population, are far lower than those in other predominantly African American and Hispanic neighborhoods with high infection rates.

Finally, Philadelphia's HIV infection rate of 114 per 100 000 is five times the national average. Although HIV prevalence in Philadelphia is high among residents of Center City, an affluent, predominantly White neighborhood with a large gay community, AIDS-related mortality in Center City is far lower than that in predominantly African American neighborhoods with high rates of infection (Figure 2).⁶ These higher rates of HIV infection and AIDS-related mortality in inner-city communities exemplify many of the public health challenges our nation faces in addressing domestic HIV/AIDS microepidemics.

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- Washington, DC
 - General HIV prevalence 2.7%
 - White neighborhoods (0.3%)
 - Black neighborhoods (3.1%)
- New York City
 - General HIV prevalence 1.7%
 - Upper East Side (0.2%-0.5%)
 - Harlem/ Bronx (1.8%-4.3%)

Geography and HIV Transmission Risk

Using census tract data, researchers found segregation by neighborhood of residence and sex

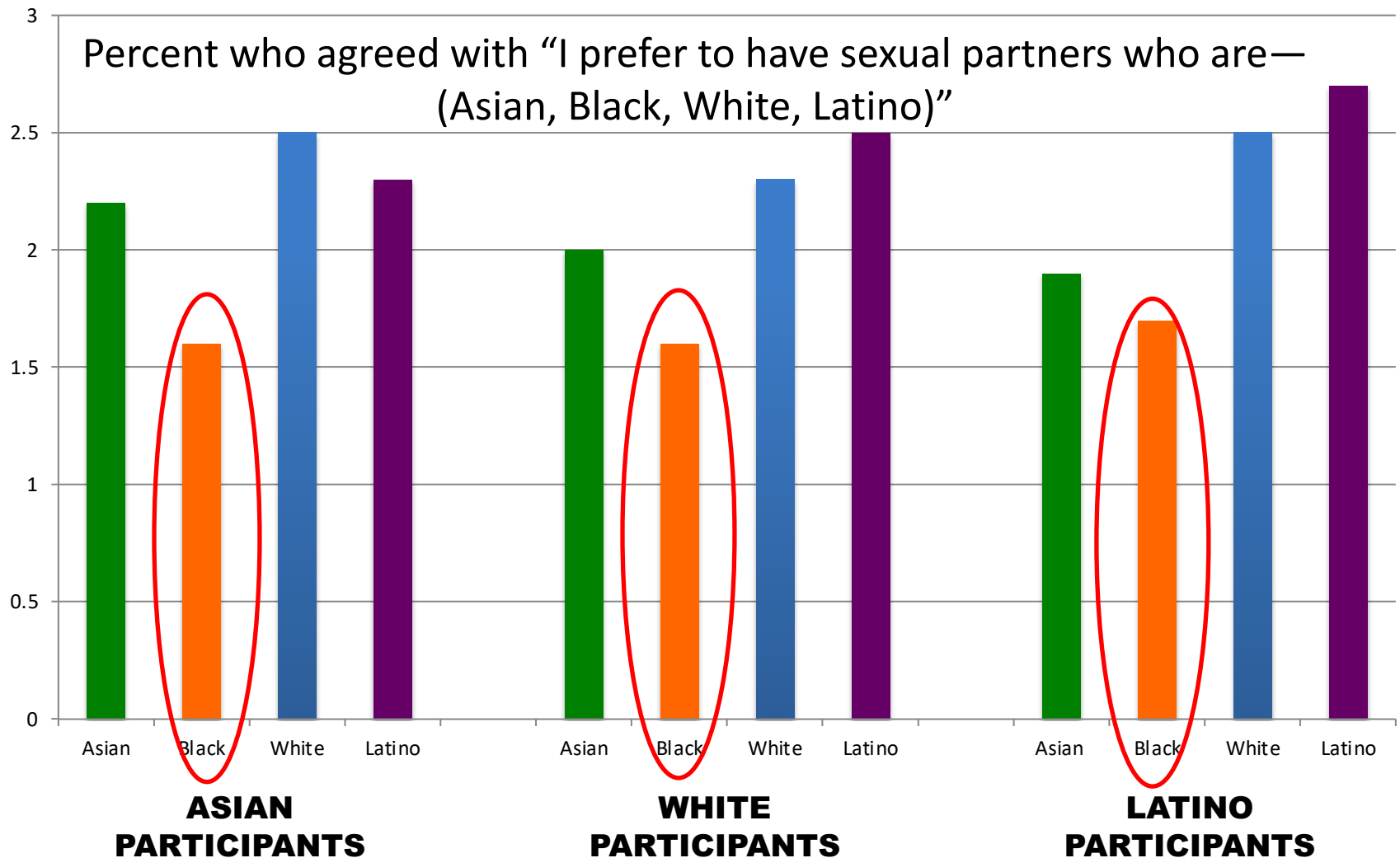
- Most Black MSM lived in Brooklyn (42%) and the Bronx (21%)
- Most white MSM lived in Manhattan (54%)

Most neighborhoods where MSM had sex did not overlap

MSM across races in NYC socialize in the same places, but live and have sex in different neighborhoods



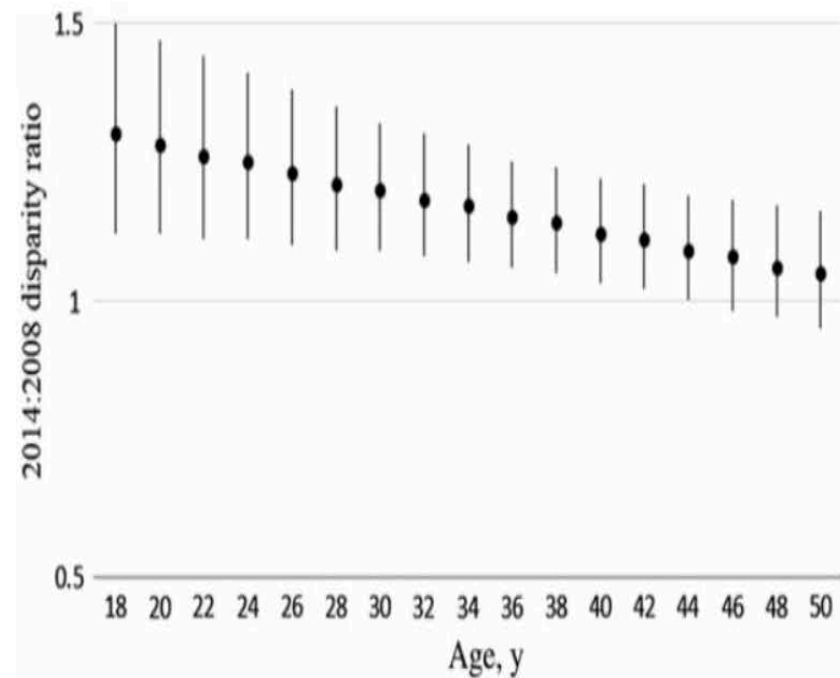
Partner Preference by Race: Marginalization and HIV Risk



Healthcare Access and Disparities

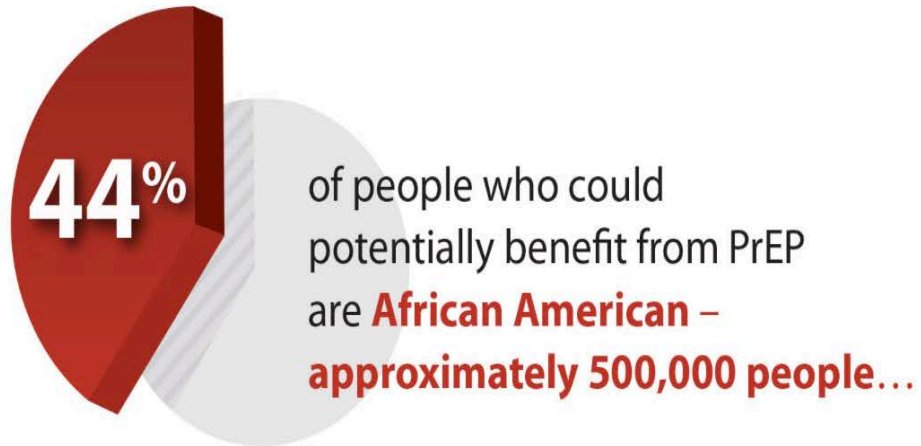
Racial disparities are increasing

- **NHBS: Disparity in HIV prevalence between black and white MSM increased from 2008 to 2014, especially among young MSM**

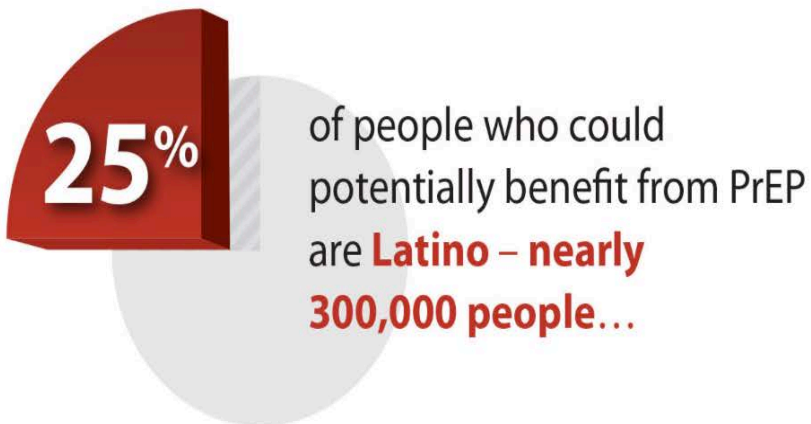


Change in disparity in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevalence from 2008 to 2014 between black and white men who have sex with men (MSM), by age, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance, 20 US cities.

PrEP Access— Innovation & Disparities



...but only **1%** of those – **7,000 African Americans** – were prescribed PrEP*



...but only **3%** of those – **7,600 Latinos** – were prescribed PrEP*



PrEP Access Is Increasing, BUT So Are Disparities



Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)

Changes in HIV Preexposure Prophylaxis Awareness and Use Among Men Who Have Sex with Men — 20 Urban Areas, 2014 and 2017

Weekly / July 12, 2019 / 68(27);597-603

Summary

What is already known about this topic?

Men who have sex with men (MSM) can reduce their risk for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection by using preexposure prophylaxis (PrEP) consistently. Increasing PrEP use is a principal strategy of the Ending the HIV Epidemic initiative.

What is added by this report?

From 2014 to 2017, PrEP awareness among MSM in 20 urban areas increased from 60% to 90%, and PrEP use increased from 6% to 35%. PrEP use increased in almost all demographic subgroups but remains lower among black and Hispanic MSM.

- PrEP use 2014
 - White MSM (8.3%)
 - Black MSM (3.8%)
- PrEP use 2017
 - White MSM (42.4%)
 - Black MSM (26.2%)

PrEP use difference black /white MSM controlling for income, health insurance and region

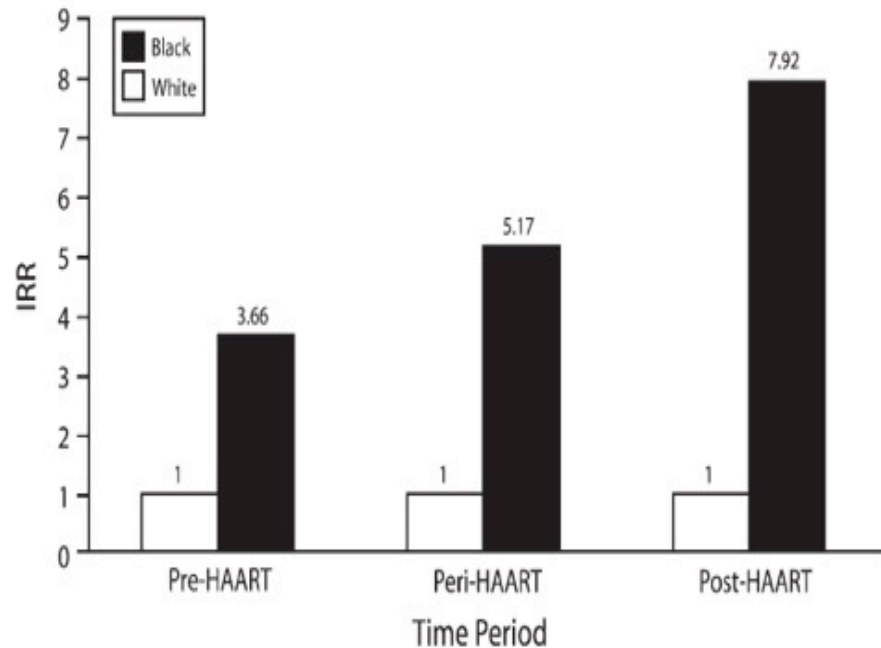
aPR = 0.78; 95% CI = 0.66–0.92

AIDS Mortality Disparities

- AIDS deaths have declined least in the ART era
 - Among black and Latino MSM relative to white MSM
 - Among black women compared to white men
 - Among Latinos compared to blacks or whites

Mortality incident rate-ratios between blacks and whites have **increased** since availability of ART

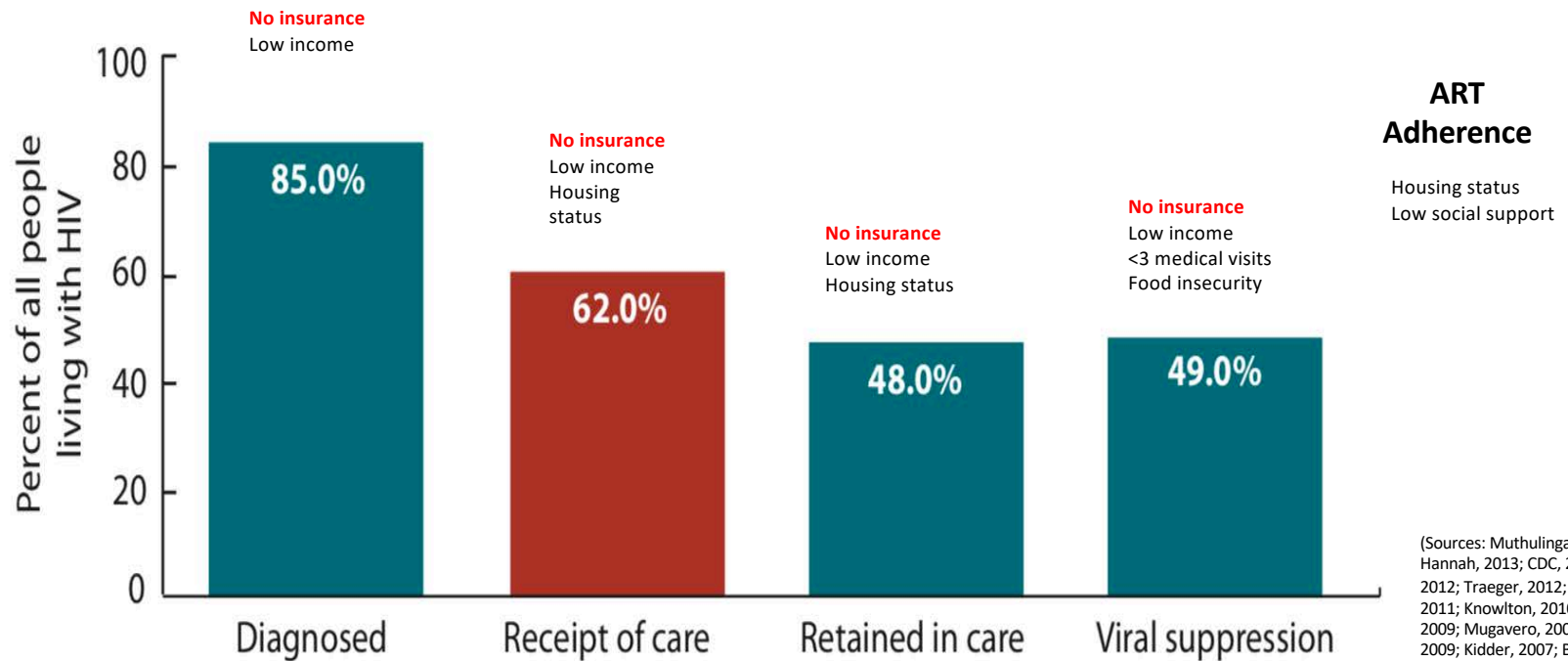
- Reason: Less access to healthcare in racial minority communities



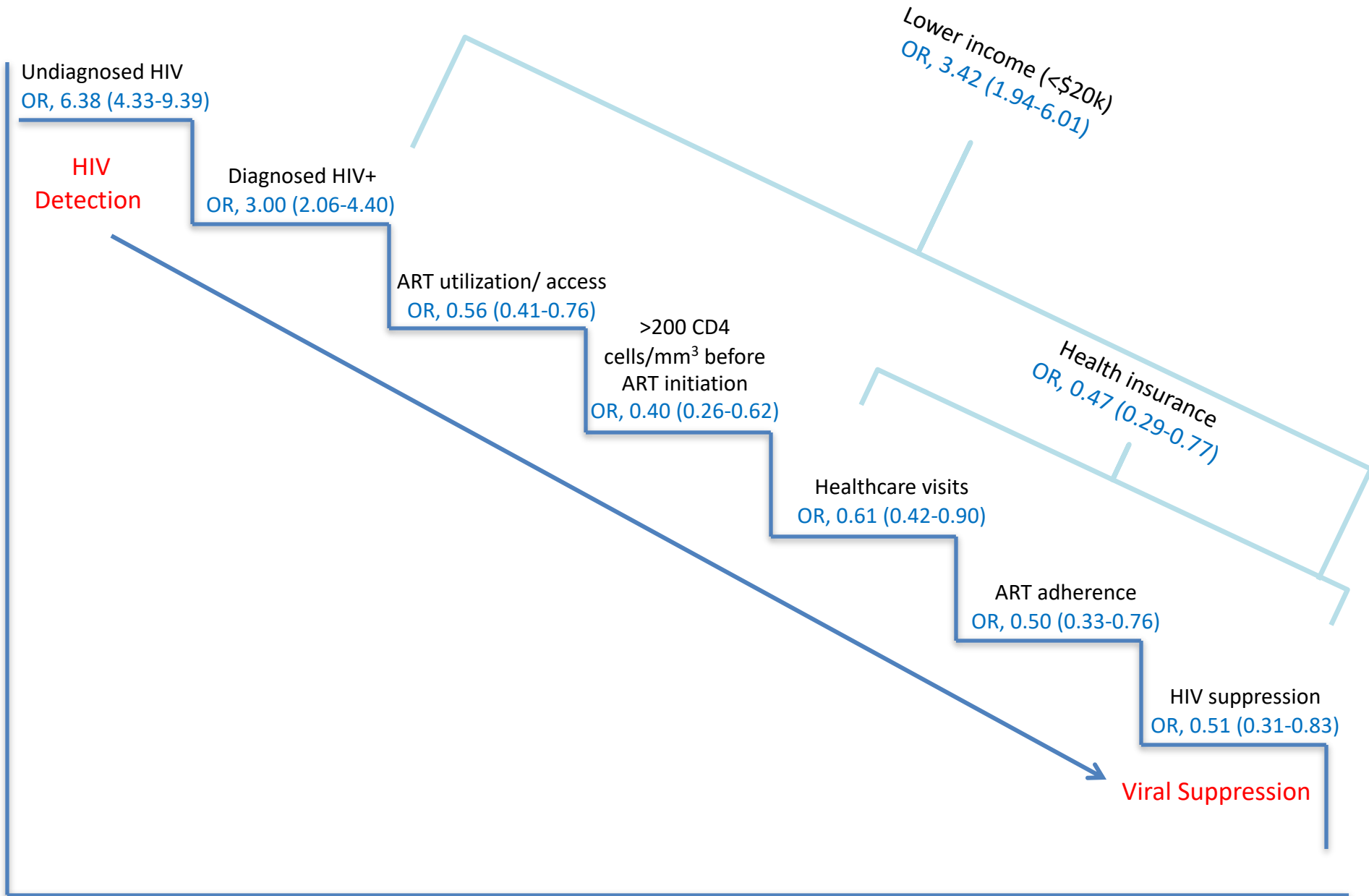
Note. HAART = highly active antiretroviral therapy; IRR = incident rate ratio. For each period, the results from the model were adjusted for age, gender, and urbanicity. Whites were the reference group.

(Levine, 2007)

Structural Factors and Poor Treatment Cascade Outcomes



Disparities persist between black and other MSM throughout treatment cascade (24 comparative studies)



Physician Expertise and HIV+ Patients of Color

Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Access to Physicians with HIV-related Expertise Findings from a Nationally Representative Study

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- Prospective cohort study: 2,207 HIV+ persons linked with cross-sectional survey of 404 attending physicians.
- Multivariate analysis estimated the association of patient race/ethnicity with the experience and training of their physicians
- Compared with white patients
 - African Americans less likely to have an infectious diseases specialist as a regular source of care (OR, 0.60; 95% confidence interval CI, 0.37 to 0.95).
 - Persons of Alaskan Native, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, or mixed racial background also less likely than whites to have an infectious diseases specialist (OR, 0.44; 95% CI, 0.23 to 0.83).
- Importance of these data: Greater provider expertise is associated with lower risk risk of death for patients living with HIV.

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Sex								
Male	500,057 (76.7)	246,950 (49.4)	175,170 (66.5)	70,398 (40.2)	118,621 (79.5)	59,235 (49.9)	175,690 (88.0)	100,820 (57.4)
Female	151,754 (23.3)	68,440 (45.1)	88,418 (33.5)	37,040 (41.9)	30,496 (20.5)	15,486 (50.8)	24,010 (12.0)	11,593 (48.3)
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25–34	95,460 (14.6)	38,714 (40.6)	45,207 (17.2)	15,297 (33.8)	24,744 (16.6)	11,022 (44.5)	19,058 (9.5)	9,389 (49.3)
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Heterosexual contact	43,859 (6.7)	19,313 (44.0)	26,749 (10.1)	10,886 (40.7)	9,674 (6.5)	4,566 (47.2)	5,156 (2.6)	2,687 (52.1)
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Foreign-Born Latinos & HIV Diagnosis

Factors in the Delayed HIV Presentation of Immigrants in Northern California: Implications for Voluntary Counseling and Testing Programs

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Table 1 Demographic characteristics, CD4+ count at entry into AIDS program and prevalence of opportunistic infections (OIs) at HIV diagnosis among immigrant and U.S.-born patients in the San Mateo County AIDS program, Northern California 2000–2002 (*n* = 391)

Variable	Immigrants (<i>n</i> = 94) <i>N</i> (%) or median (IQR)	U.S.-Born ^a (<i>n</i> = 297) <i>N</i> (%) or median (IQR)	<i>p</i> -value
Male ^b	71 (75.5%)	219 (73.7%)	0.649
Median age	31 (27–38)	35 (29–41)	0.001
Hispanic ethnicity	74 (78.7%)	20 (6.7%)	<.001
Monolingual (non-English) ^c	66 (70.2%)	1 (0.34%)	<.001
Country of birth			
Mexico	57 (61.3%)		
Central America	13 (14.0%)		
Asia	12 (12.9%)		
Other	11 (11.8%)		
Mean initial CD4 + count	287 cells/mm ³	333 cells/mm ³	0.143
Prevalence of OIs	28 (29.8%)	51 (17.2%)	0.009
Hospitalizations (<i>n</i> = 59)	19 (20.2%)	37 (12.5%)	0.064

Table 2 Independent associations with opportunistic infection (OI) at first HIV diagnosis (multivariate analysis) for 391 patients entering San Mateo County AIDS Program, California 2000–2002

	Adjusted OR (95% CI)
Immigrants	2.98 (1.21–7.38) ←
Monolingual status	1.17 (0.40–3.43)
Hispanic	0.51 (0.19–1.34)

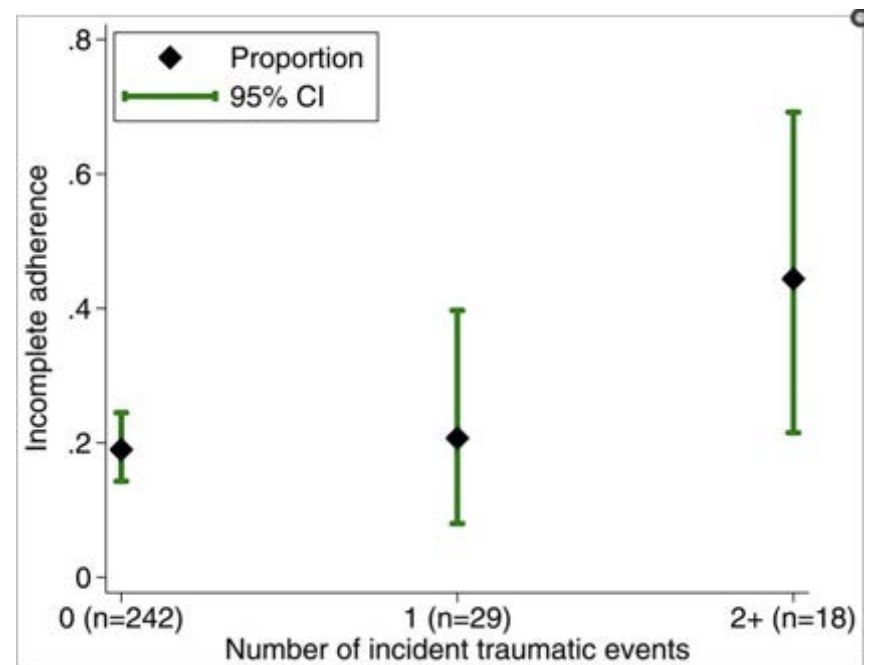
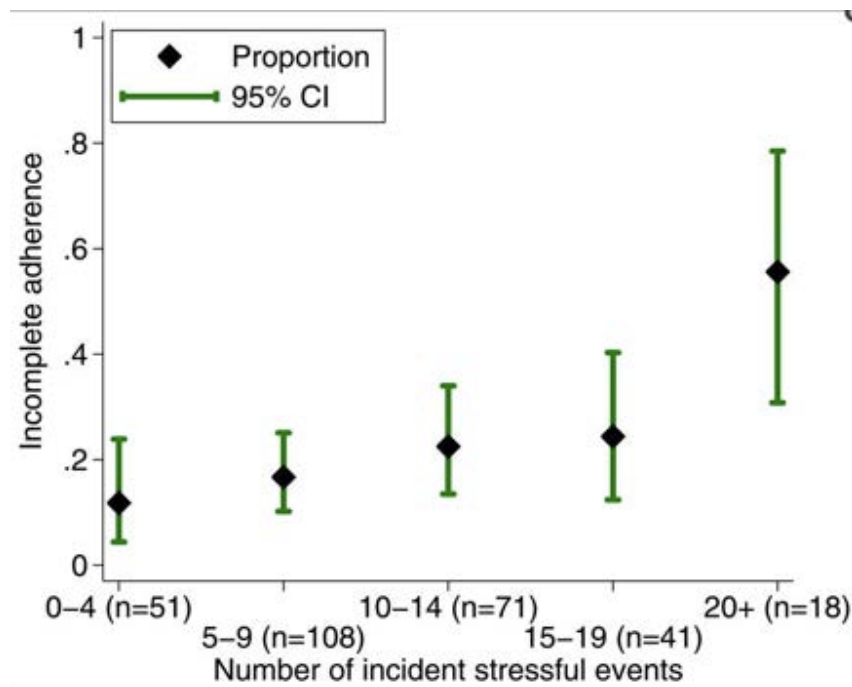
US-Mexico border: 46% Latinos dx late vs. 37% Whites (Espinoza, 2009)

- higher proportion of late diagnoses among foreign-born compared to US-born Latinos (51% vs. 39%)
- increased risk of delayed diagnosis among foreign-born vs. US-born males (AOR 1.7, 95% CI 1.4–2.2)

LA County Spanish-speaking Latinos 3x more likely to present late compared to English-speaking Latinos (Wohl, 2009)

Overload: The Impact of Incident Stressful Events on Antiretroviral Medication Adherence and Virologic Failure in a Longitudinal, Multi-site HIV Cohort Study

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Trump Administration Expands Fast-Tracked Deportations for Undocumented Immigrants

The Trump administration is making legal immigration harder, too

Delays at U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services are getting worse.



DACA 'DREAMER' MURDERED IN MEXICO THREE WEEKS AFTER HE WAS SENT BACK BY ICE

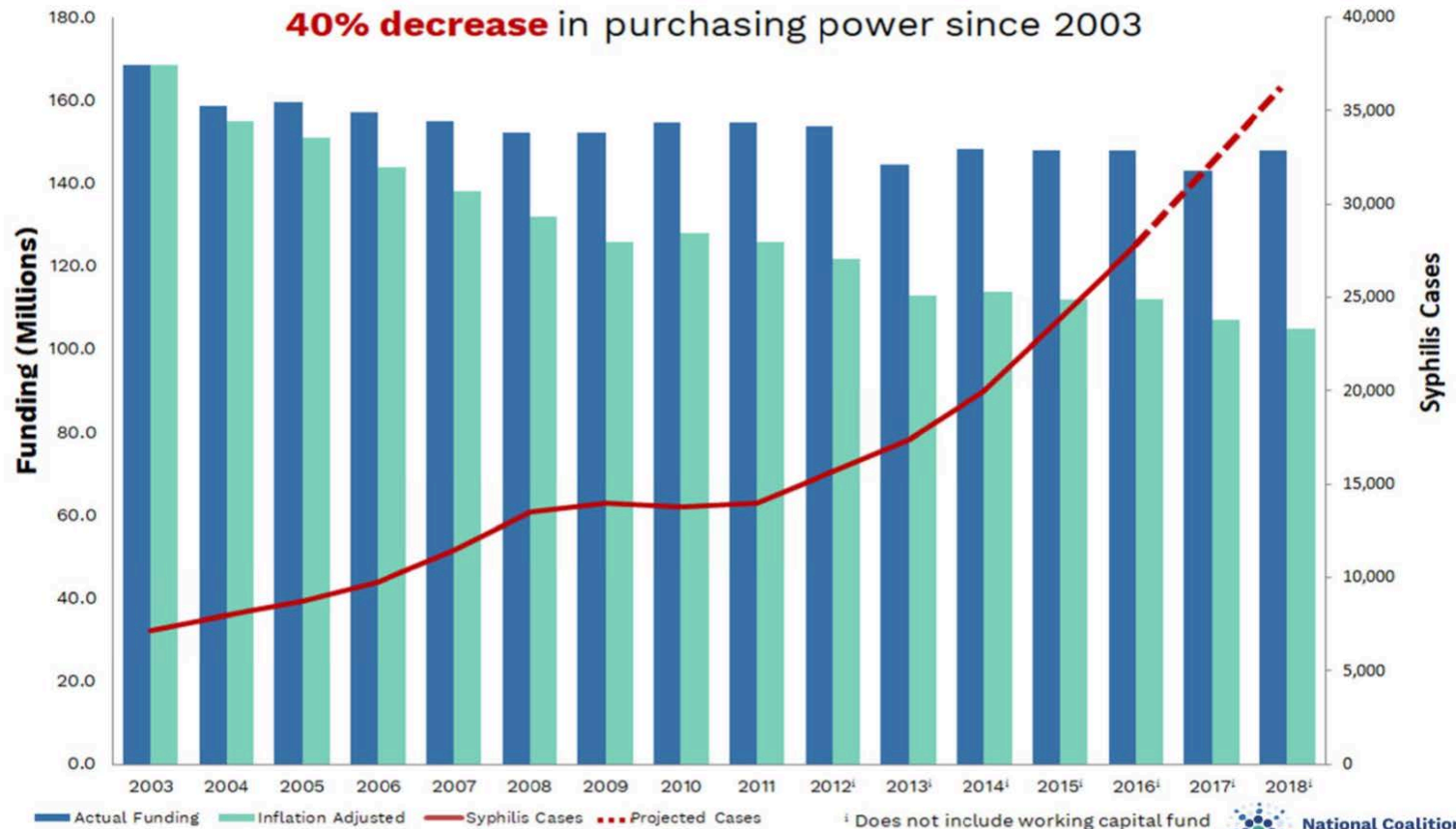
He Delivered Pizza to an Army Base in Brooklyn. Now He Faces Deportation.

Veteran who served two tours in Afghanistan is deported to Mexico

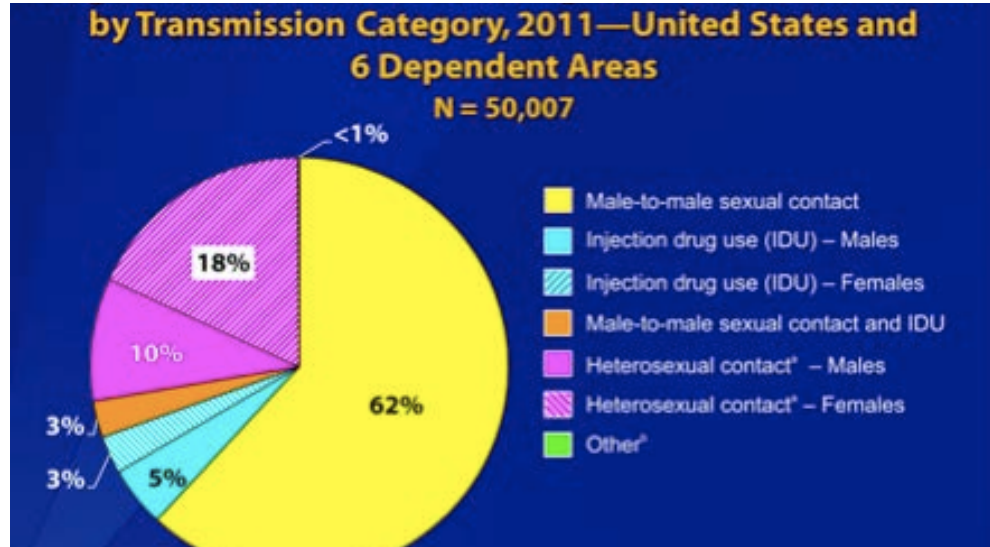
Funding and Disparities

STD Prevention Funding is Declining Despite Rise in STIs

Annual CDC - STD Prevention Budget FY 2003 – FY 2018



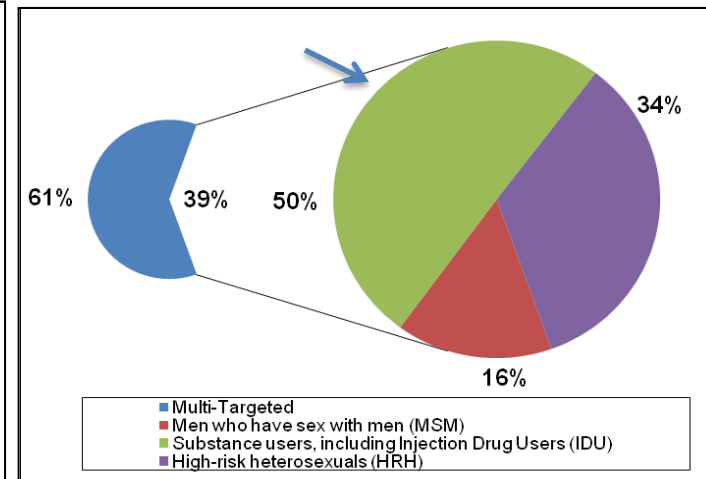
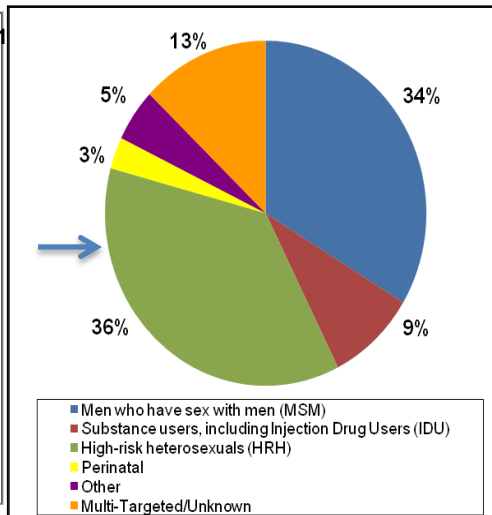
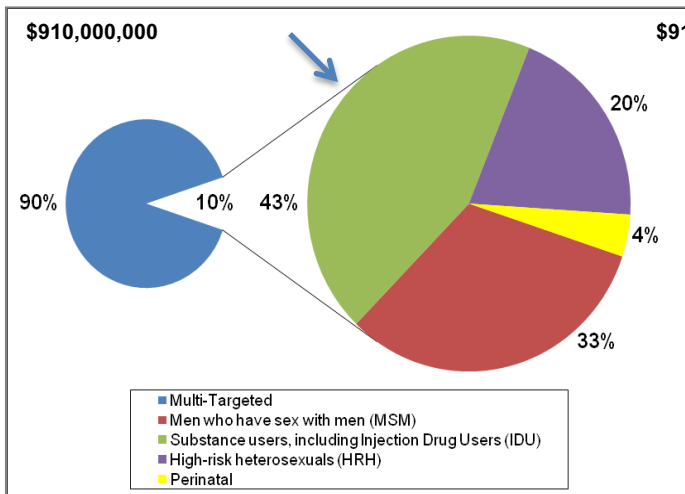
Are Federal and State Dollars Aligned with the Epidemic?



CDC, SAMHSA, IHS, OS

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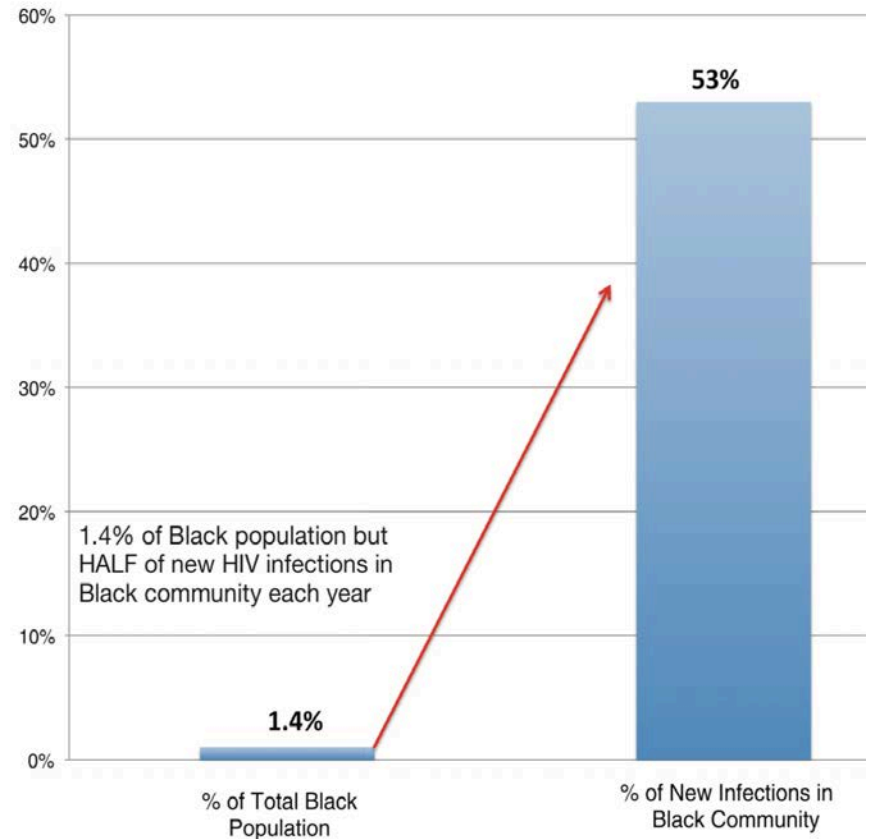
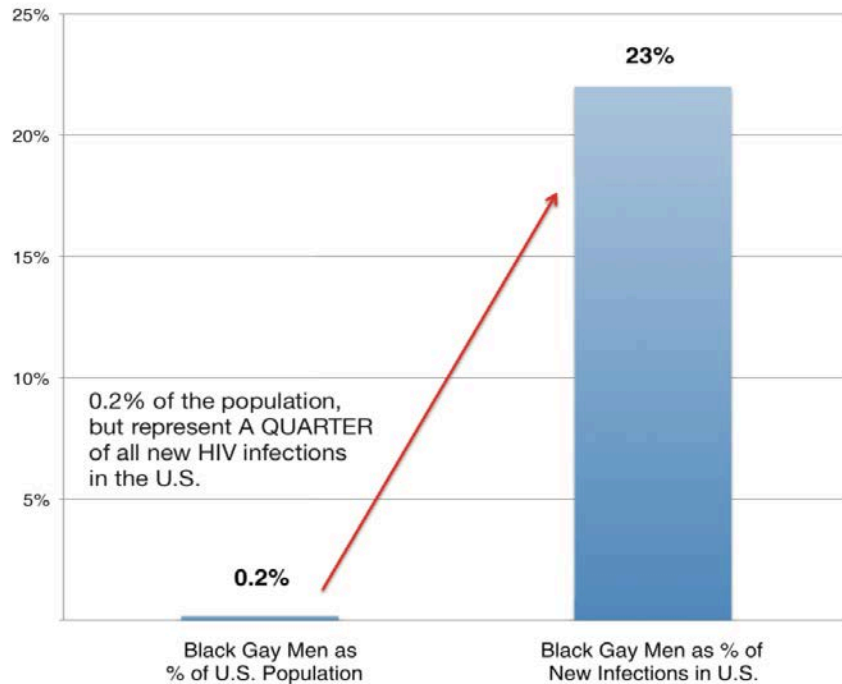
NIH



(HHS Operational Plan, 2011)

Black MSM: A Small Population at Very High Risk

The proportion of new HIV infections nationally among Black gay men in the U.S. is **100 times larger** than their relative population size.



Source: http://www.amfar.org/uploadedFiles/amfarorg/Articles/On_The_Hill/2016/Black-Gay-Men-and-HIV.pdf

A Black man with a shaved head, wearing a bright blue t-shirt and dark jeans, stands on a cracked asphalt path. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The path leads into the distance, flanked by grass and trees. In the background, there are houses and utility poles. The lighting suggests late afternoon or early evening.

America's Hidden H.I.V. Epidemic

Why do America's black gay and bisexual men have a higher H.I.V. rate than any country in the world?

By LINDA VILLAROSA JUNE 6, 2017

Mismatch Between Targeted HIV Tests and Diagnoses

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

HIV Testing, Linkage to HIV Medical Care, and Interviews for Partner Services Among Black Men Who Have Sex with Men — Non-Health Care Facilities, 20 Southern U.S. Jurisdictions, 2016

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Identifying HIV-infected persons who are unaware of their human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection status, linking

information on linkage of persons with newly or previously identified HIV infection to medical care within 90 days,[†] and

Black MSM 36% of HIV diagnoses in these localities, but only 6% of HIV tests

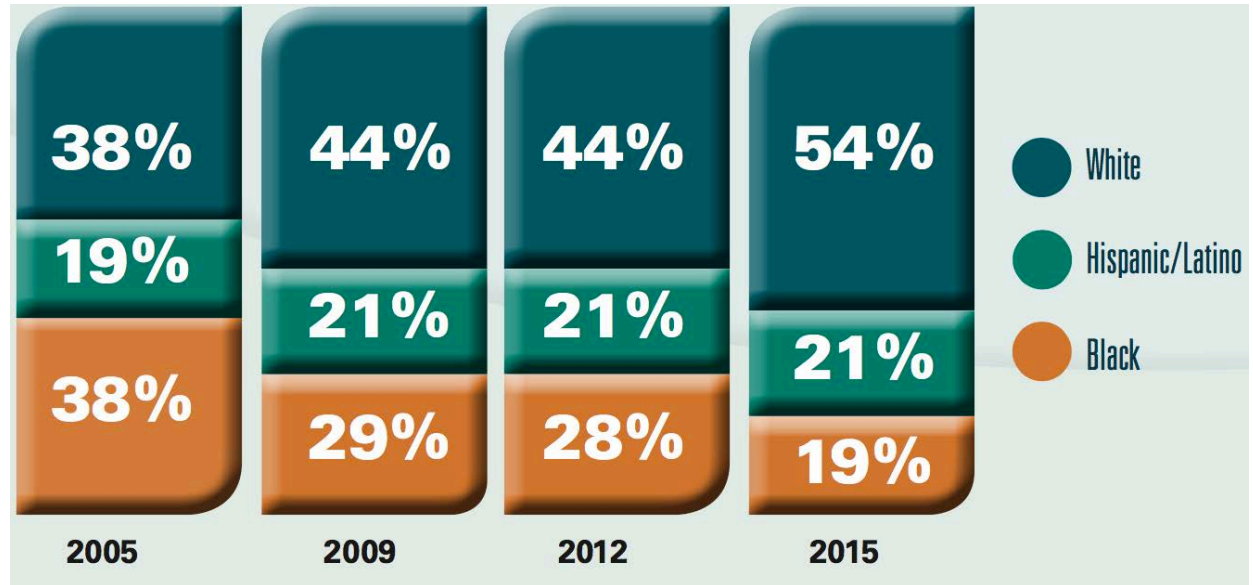
(2,5). African American or black (black) MSM accounted for 38% of all new diagnoses of HIV infection among MSM (2). Nearly two thirds (63%) of all U.S. black MSM with diagnosed HIV infection reside in the southern United States (2), making targeted HIV prevention activities for black MSM in this region critical. Analysis of CDC-funded HIV testing

care facilities routinely collect HIV-related risk information from all clients, whereas health care facilities are only required to collect HIV risk information from HIV-positive clients. Data were stratified by the following characteristics: age group, first-time tested, and urbanicity. Urbanicity was based on the 2013 Urban-Rural Classification Scheme for Counties of the National

Are Disparities Static?

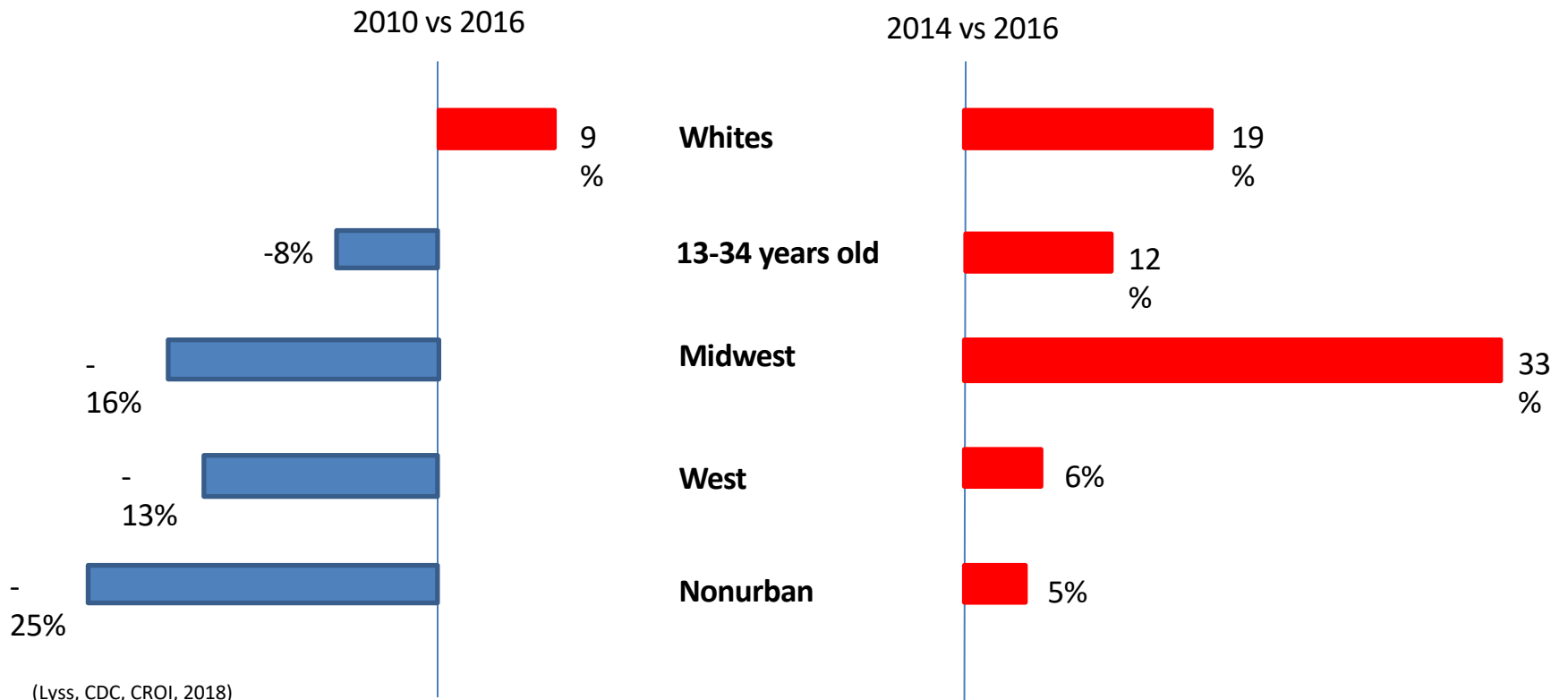
Demographics of New Injectors in the U.S.

Fewer Blacks and more Whites are starting to inject drugs

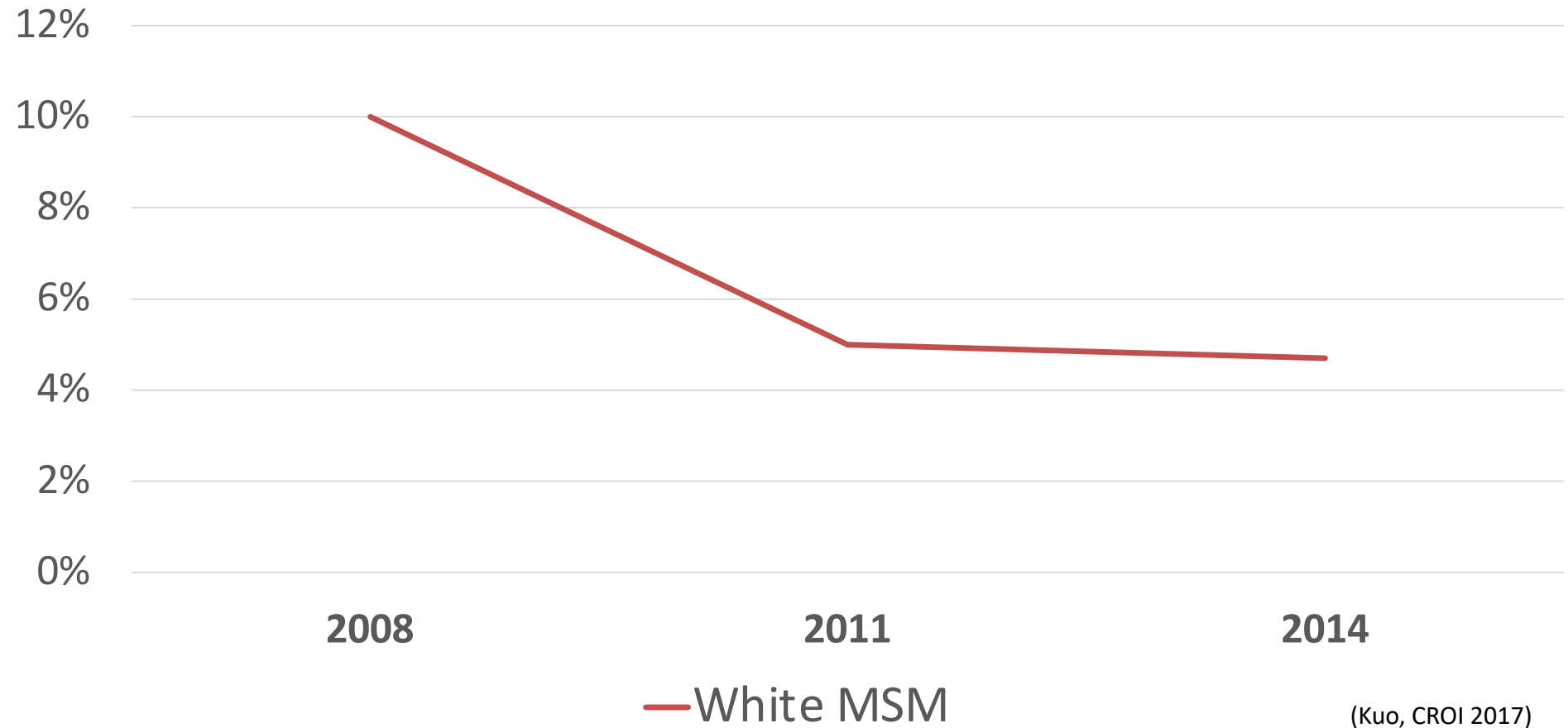


HIV and PWID, National Trends

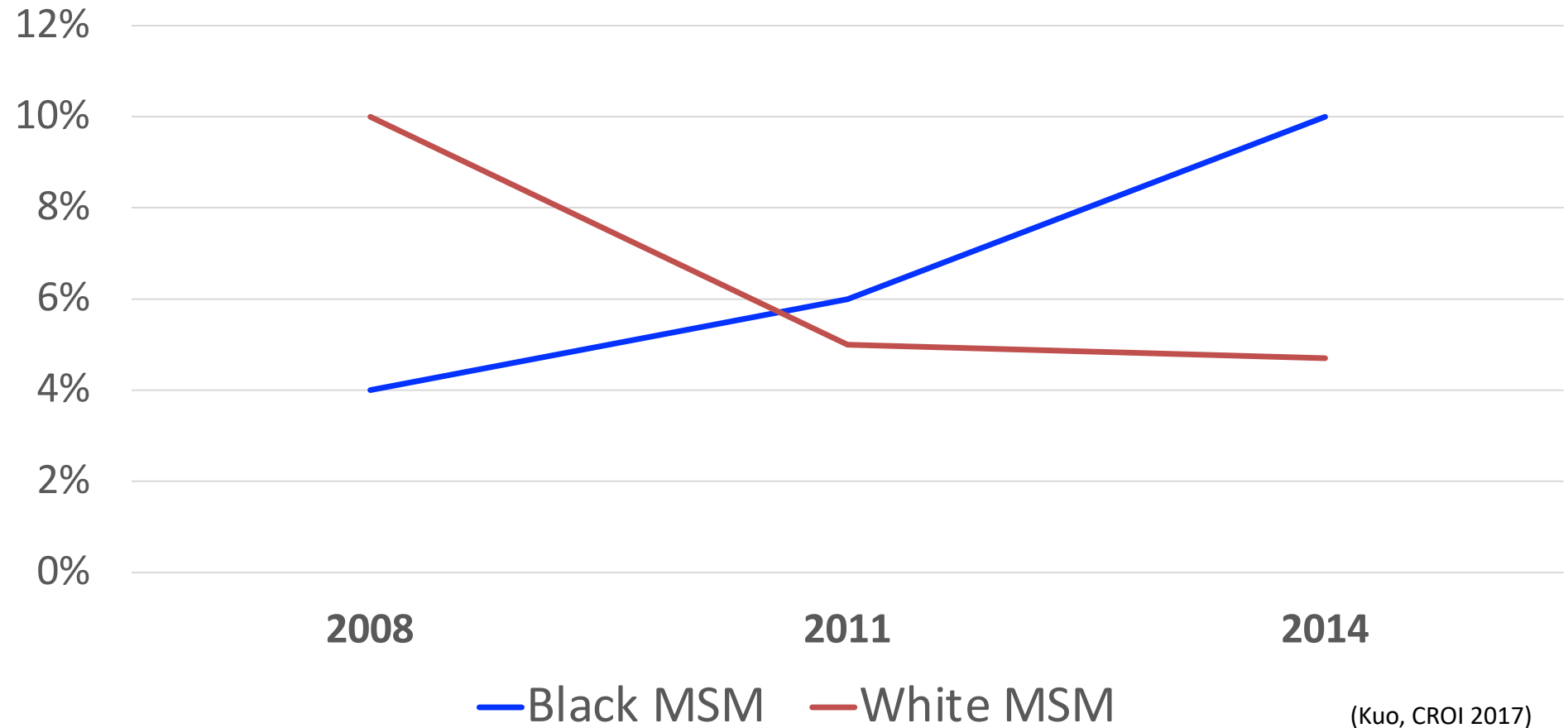
Differential Changes



Crystal Meth Use- DC NHBS, 2008-2014

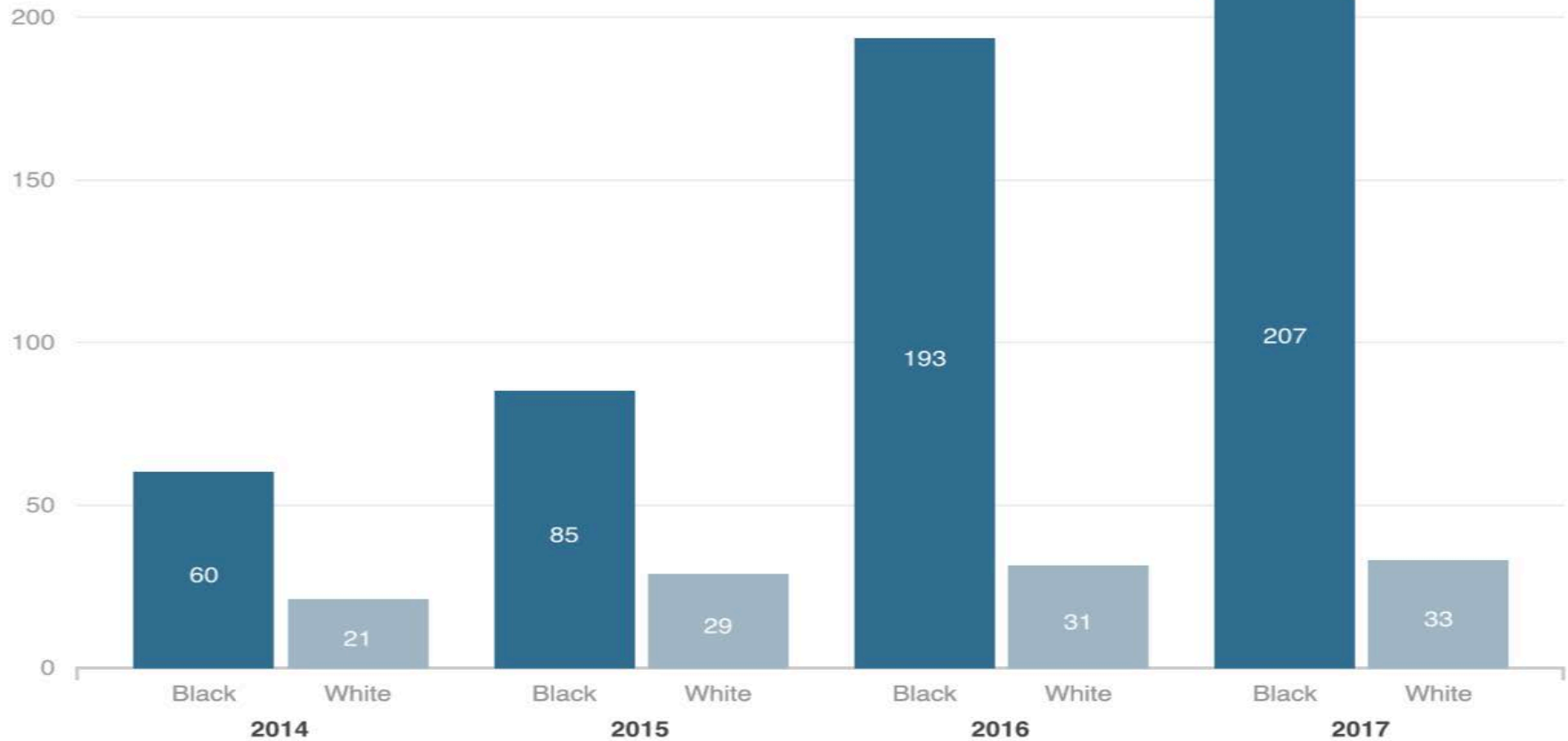


Crystal Meth Use- DC NHBS, 2008-2014



More Than 80 Percent Of D.C. Opioid Deaths Are Among Blacks

The number of opioid overdose deaths among blacks in D.C. more than tripled between 2014 and 2017.

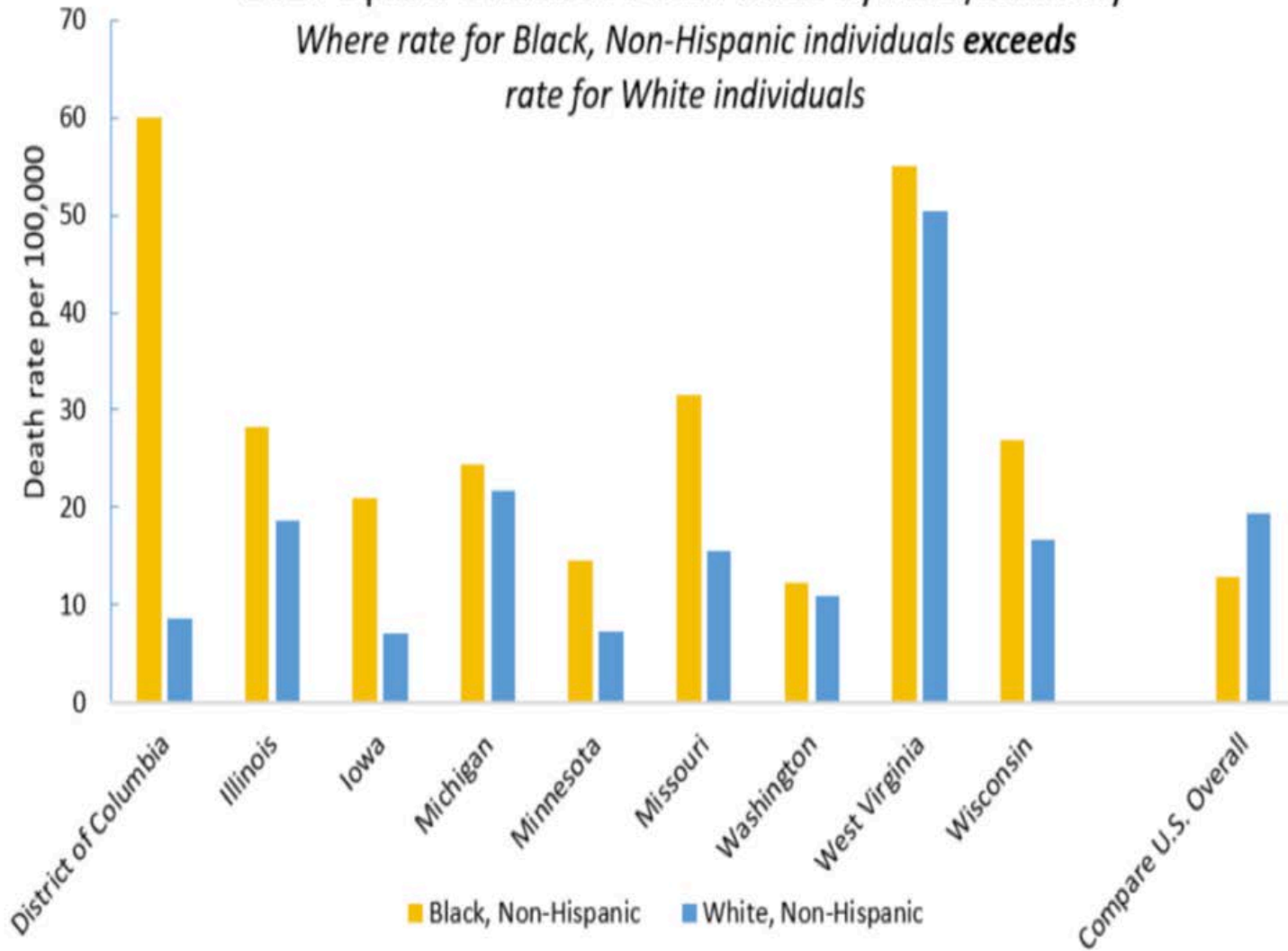


Source: District of Columbia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

Credit: Katie Park/NPR

2017 Opioid Overdose Death Rates by Race/Ethnicity

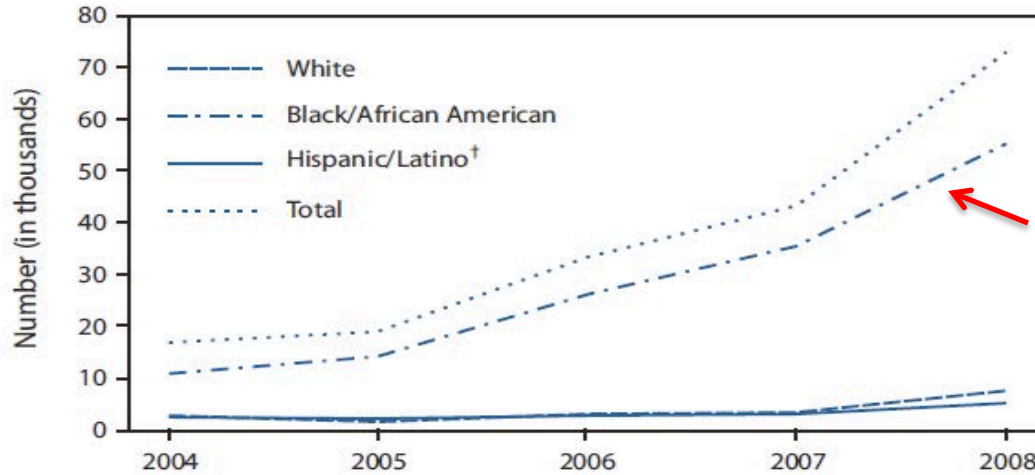
Where rate for Black, Non-Hispanic individuals **exceeds**
rate for White individuals



Are Racial Disparities a *fait accompli*?

Expanded HIV Testing and Trends in Diagnoses of HIV Infection --- District of Columbia, 2004--2008

FIGURE. Number of publicly funded HIV tests among adults and adolescents,* by race/ethnicity --- District of Columbia, 2004--2008



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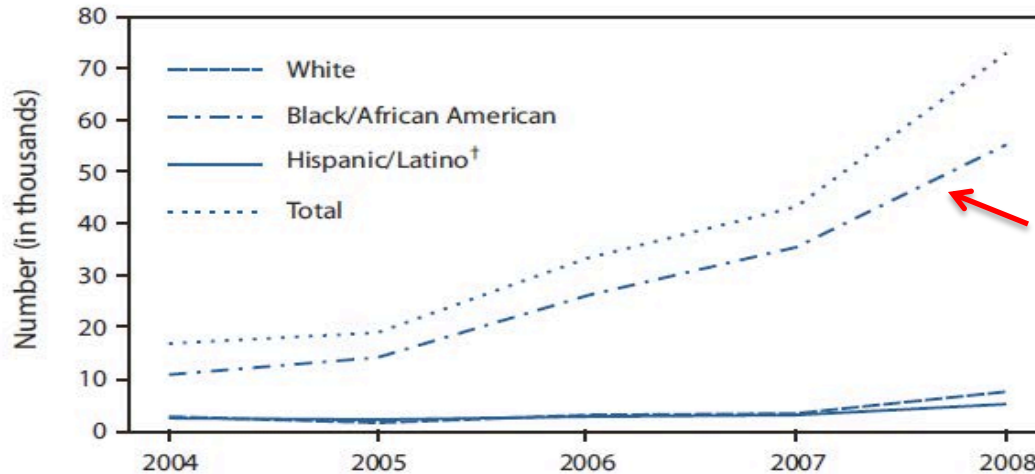
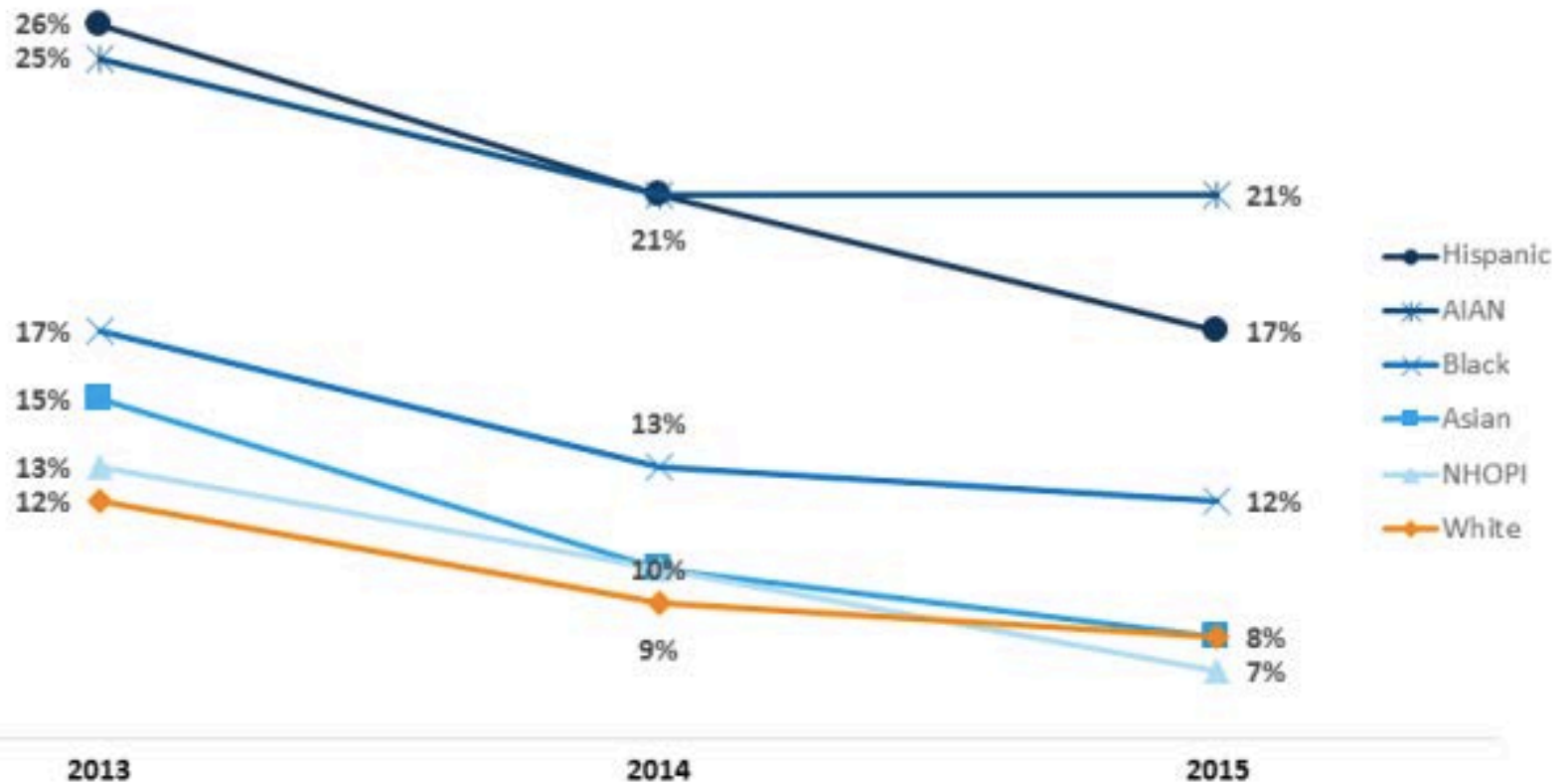


TABLE 1. Number and rate* of adults and adolescents† newly diagnosed with AIDS, by race/ethnicity and sex --- District of Columbia, 2004--2008

Characteristic	Total no.	%	2004		2005		2006		2007		2008§		2004--2008 EAPC†	p-value**
			No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate		
Black/African American	2,836	86.0	657	240	563	207	604	223	573	213	439	164	-7.1	0.002
Males	1,857	56.0	448	373	364	305	389	328	371	315	285	244	-7.8	<0.001
Females	979	30.0	209	136	199	130	215	142	202	134	154	102	-5.3	0.050
Hispanic/Latino††	175	5.0	48	122	43	109	28	71	35	88	21	51	-17.8	<0.001
Males	129	4.0	37	178	27	130	22	106	27	129	16	74	-15.4	<0.001
Females	46	1.0	11	59	16	86	6	32	8	42	5	25	-21.6	0.004

Uninsured Rate Among Nonelderly Individuals by Race/Ethnicity, 2013-2015



Note: Includes nonelderly individuals 0-64 years of age.

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation analysis of March 2014-2016 Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

New HIV cases in Louisiana hit decade low in 2018; health officials hopeful for epidemic's end

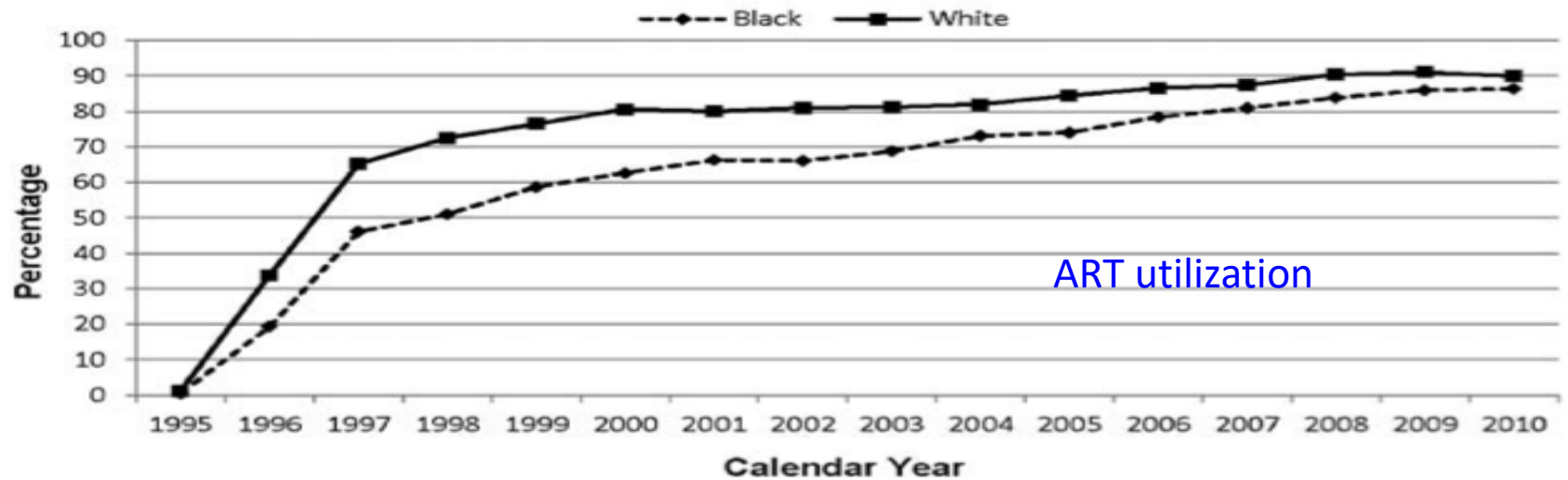
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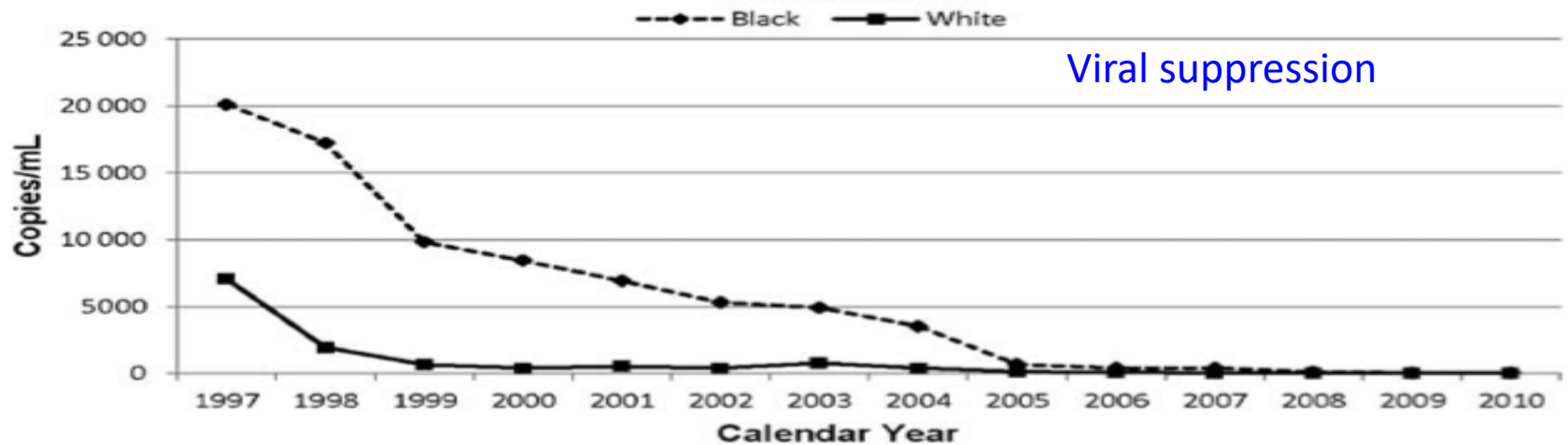
Improvement in the Health of HIV-Infected Persons in Care: Reducing Disparities

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ART utilization



Viral suppression

New Technologies and Unknown Questions

1. What effects will the EtE initiative have on HIV disparities?
 - Will some localities outstrip others or will the initiative help the southern US catch up?
 - Will various policies exacerbate racial/ ethnic HIV disparities?
 - How will HIV disparities be affected if EtE funding recedes/ ceases?
2. Will the approval of F/TAF for MSM and transwomen, but not women have implications for HIV disparities among women?
 - Will long-acting injectables amplify HIV infection disparities by race?

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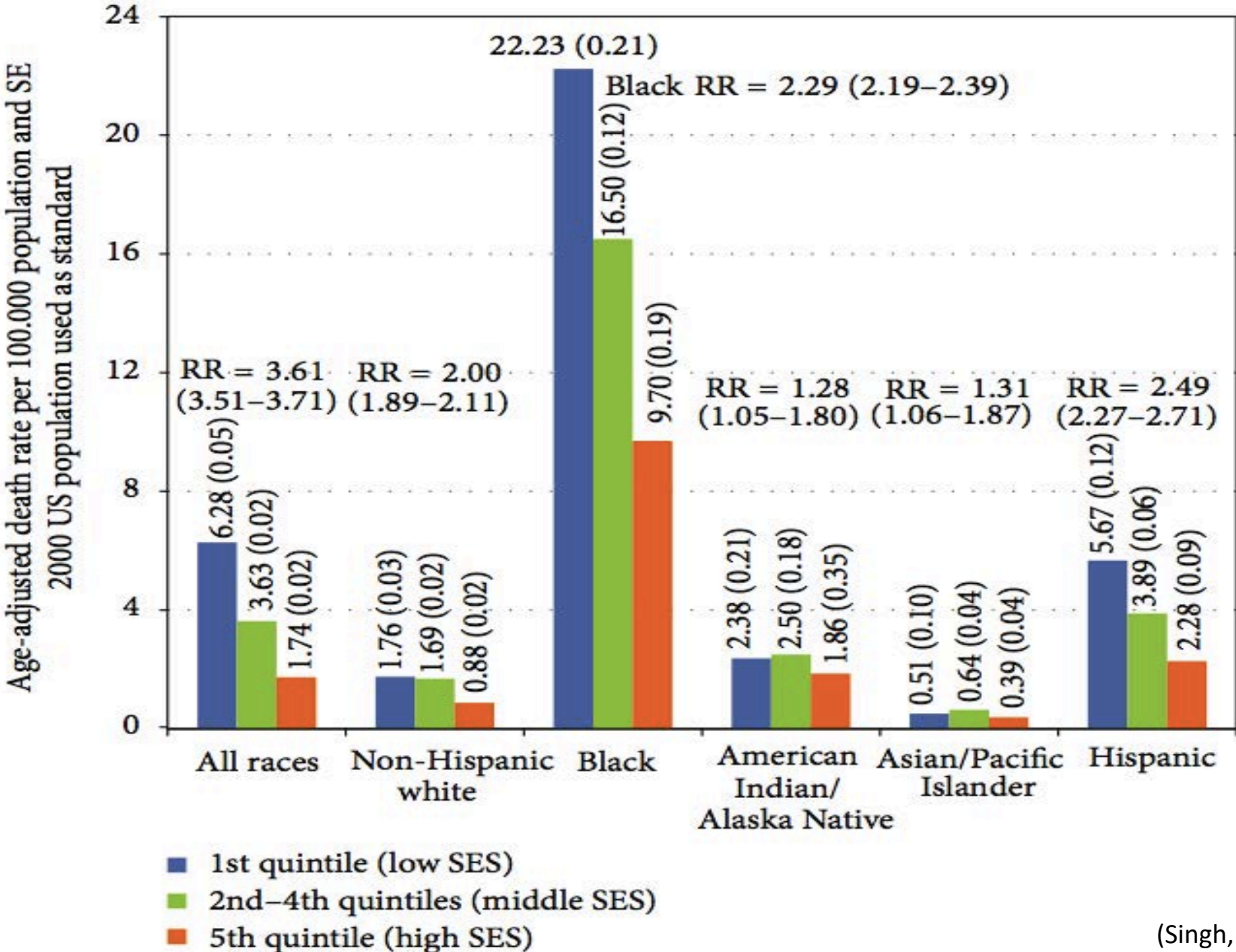
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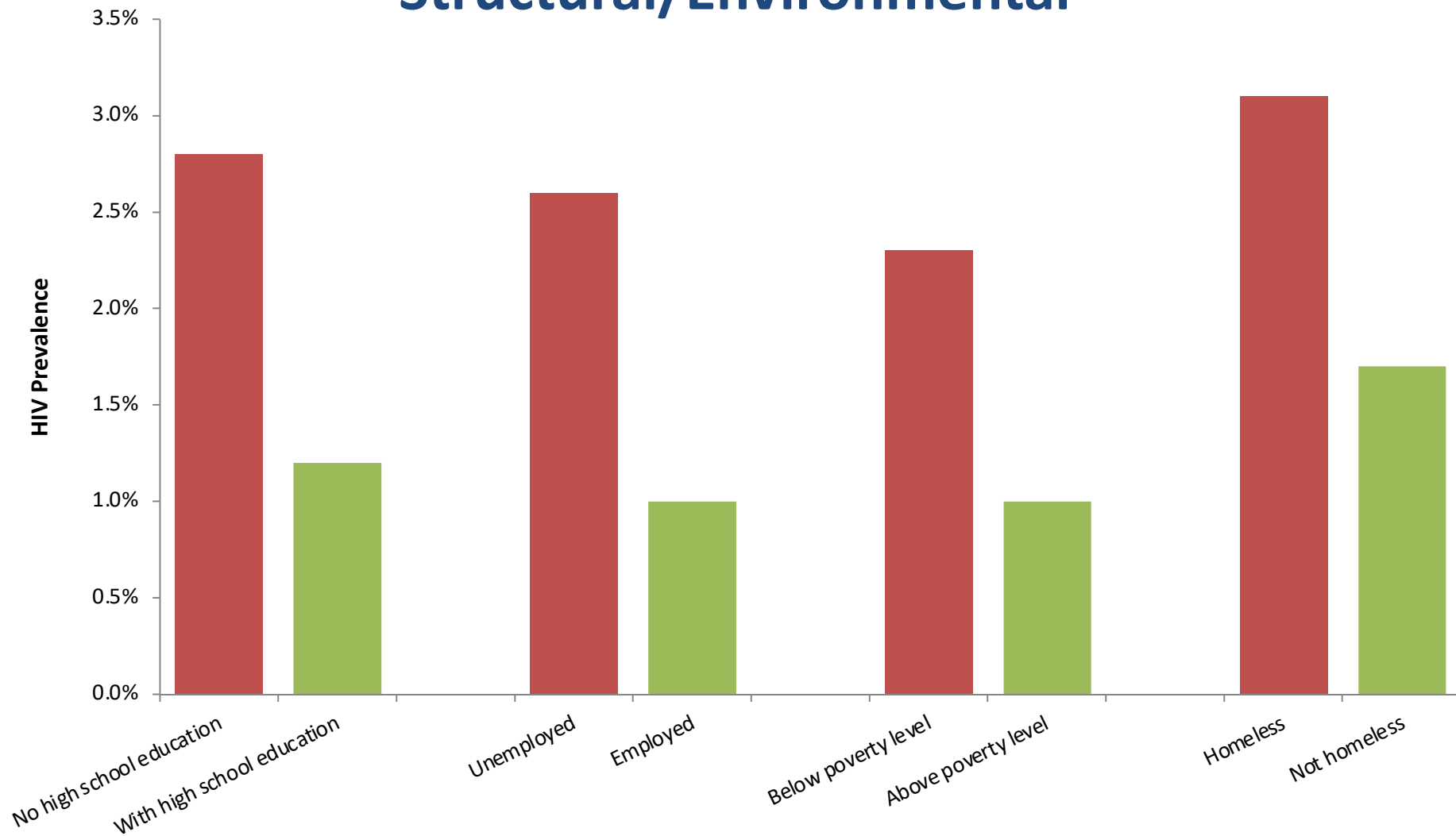
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OVERFLOW!!!

AIDS Mortality by Race and Income, 1987-2011

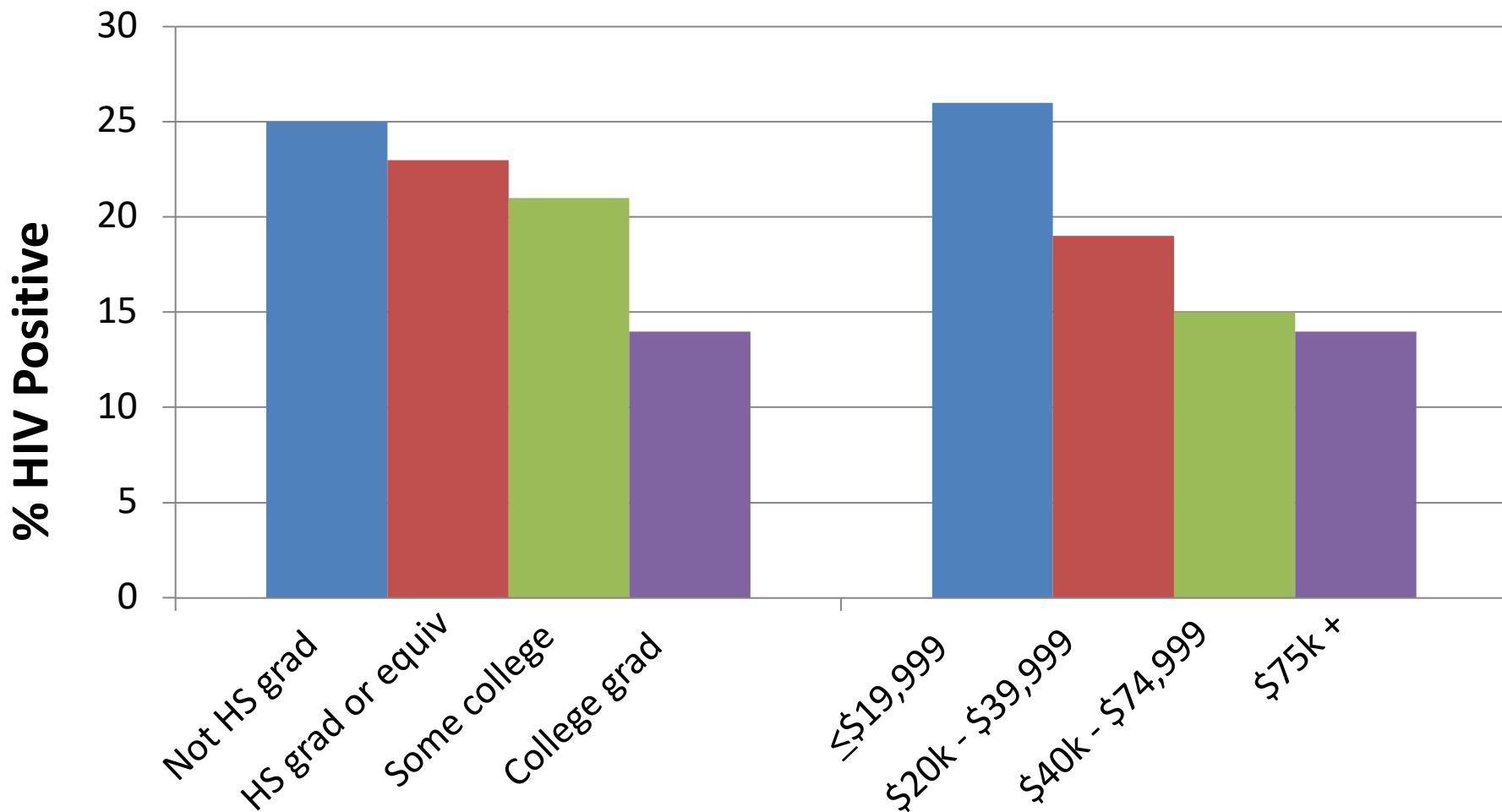


HIV Infection Among Heterosexuals in Urban Areas, by Socio-Economic Indicators, 2006-2007, N=14,837- Structural/Environmental



*CDC. Characteristics Associated with HIV Infection Among Heterosexuals in Urban Areas with High AIDS Prevalence --- 24 Cities, United States, 2006--2007. MMWR 2011;60:1045-1049.

Marginalization and HIV Infection among MSM, 21 US Cities (N = 8,153)



Biology and Risk: African Americans

- CCR5 base 32 allele
 - Protective against HIV infection (Marmor, 2001; Stephenson, 2001)
 - Slower disease progression (Huang, 1996; Michael, 1997)
 - <.1% of non-Whites (Martinson, 2000)
- Duffy Antigen
 - Genetic mutation protects against malaria
 - 40% greater risk of acquiring HIV
 - Prevalence: 90% of Black West Africans; 60% of African-Americans



HIV Prevention Interventions for Adolescents and Young Adults: What About the Needs of Gay and Bisexual Males?

Gary W. Harper · Andrew J. Riplinger

96 intervention studies

Selection criteria

- (1) been published between 1991 and 2010 (inclusive)
- (2) Interventions for HIV-negative youth (13-24 yrs)

- **MSM overwhelming majority new HIV infections among youth**
- **MSM only group where HIV rates increasing**

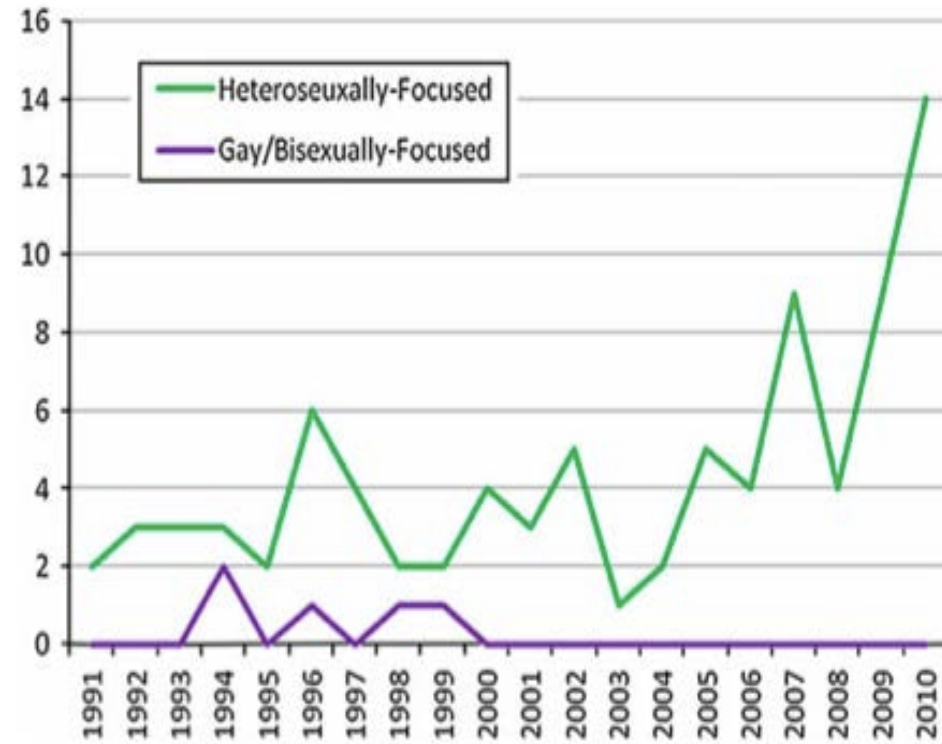


Fig. 1 HIV prevention intervention articles focused on heterosexual adolescents and young adults versus gay/bisexual male adolescents and young adults (1991–2010)

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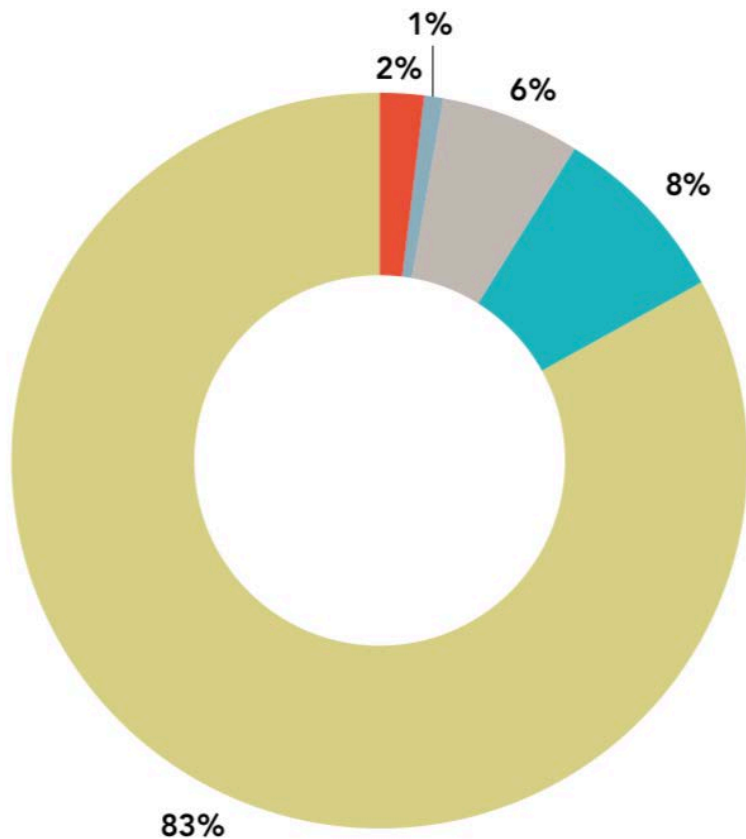
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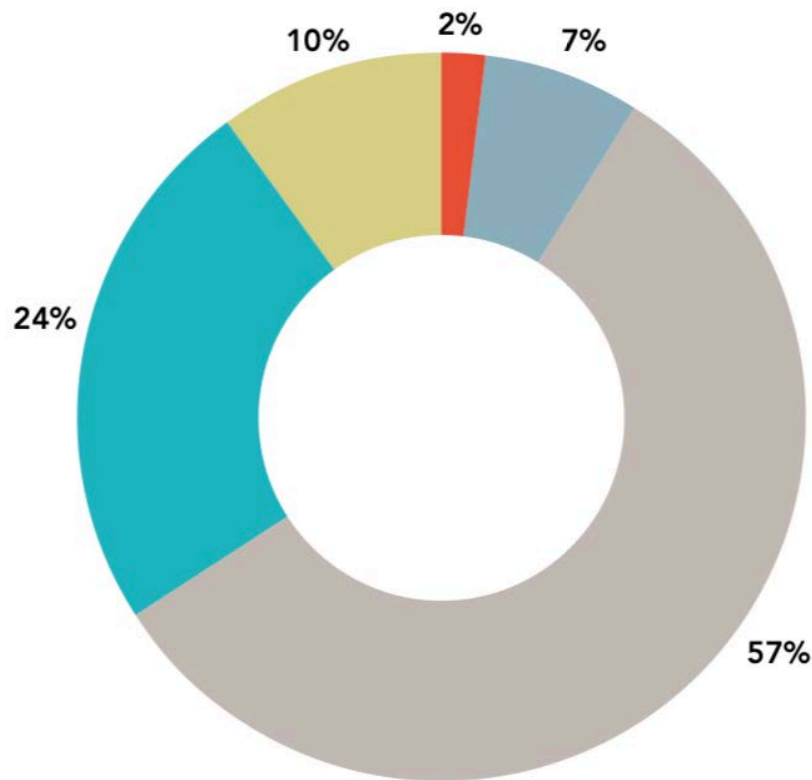
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PrEP Acceptance Based upon Perceived Costs	
Acceptance if free	61%
Acceptance if \$100/month	19%
Acceptance if \$500/month	17%
Acceptance if \$1000/month	14%

EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

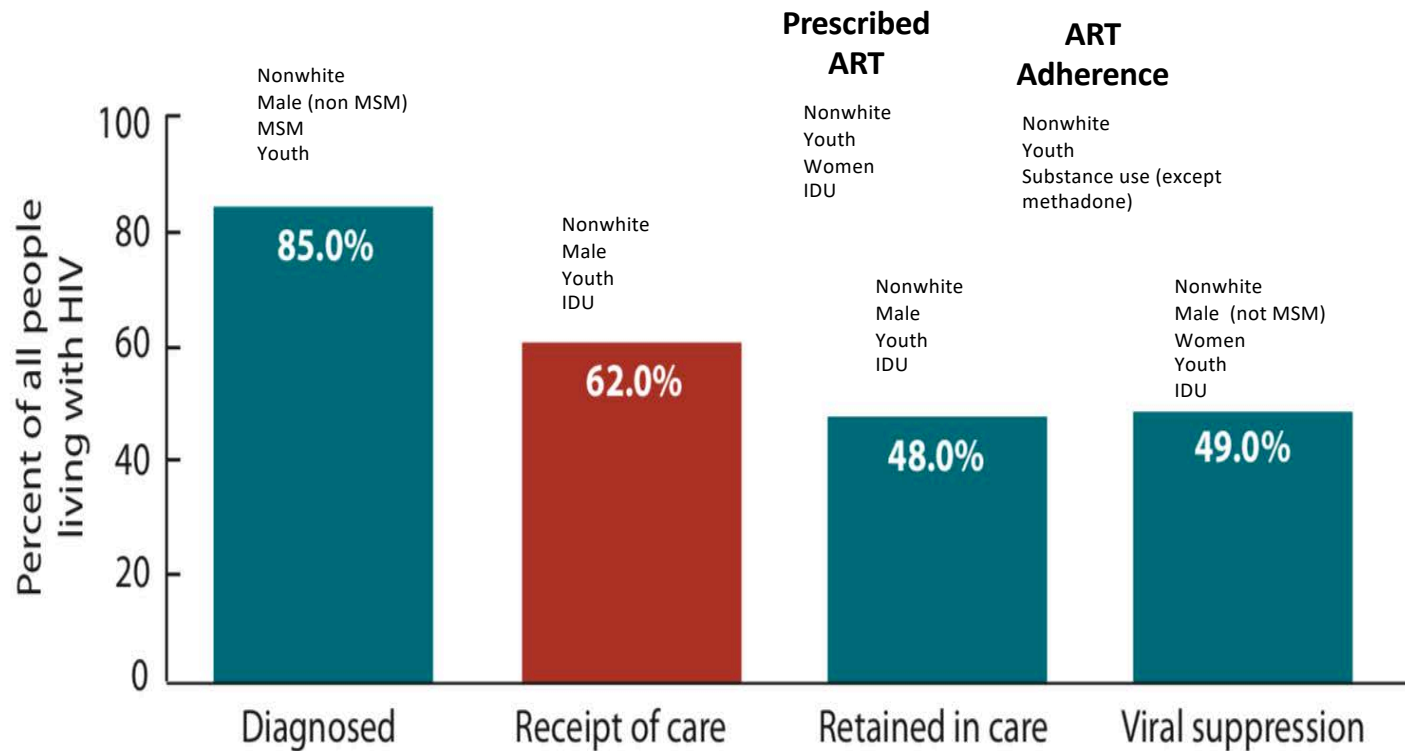


WESTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA



- Sex workers
- People who inject drugs
- Gay men and other men who have sex with men
- Transgender women*
- Clients of sex workers and other sexual partners of key populations
- Rest of population†

Demographic Disparities Across the Cascade



(Sources: Rebeiro, 2013; Muthulingam, 2013; Hannah, 2013; CDC, 2012; Hall, 2012; Traeger, 2012; Dennis, 2011; Hartzell, 2011; Torian, 2011; Tripathi, 2011; Campsmith, 2010; Giordano, 2010; Knowlton, 2010; Geetanjali, 2009; Lemly, 2009; Mugavero, 2009; Weintrop, 2009; Anaston, 2005; Giordano, 2005; Klein, 2003)

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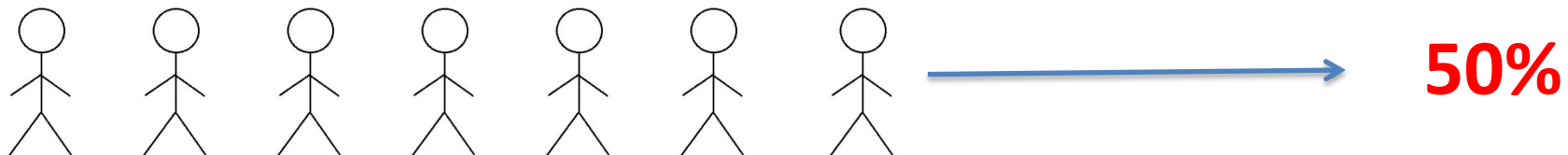


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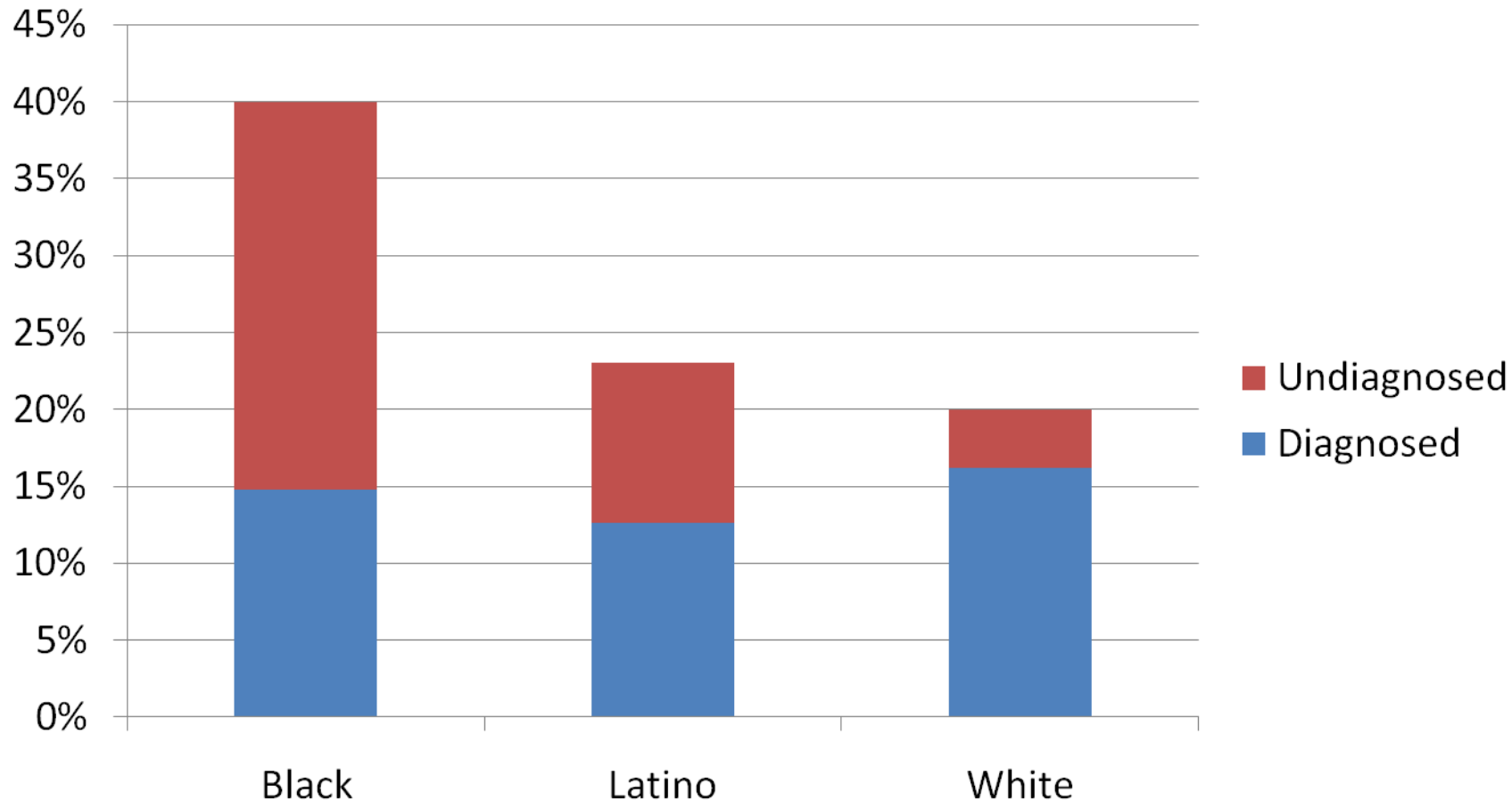
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White MSM



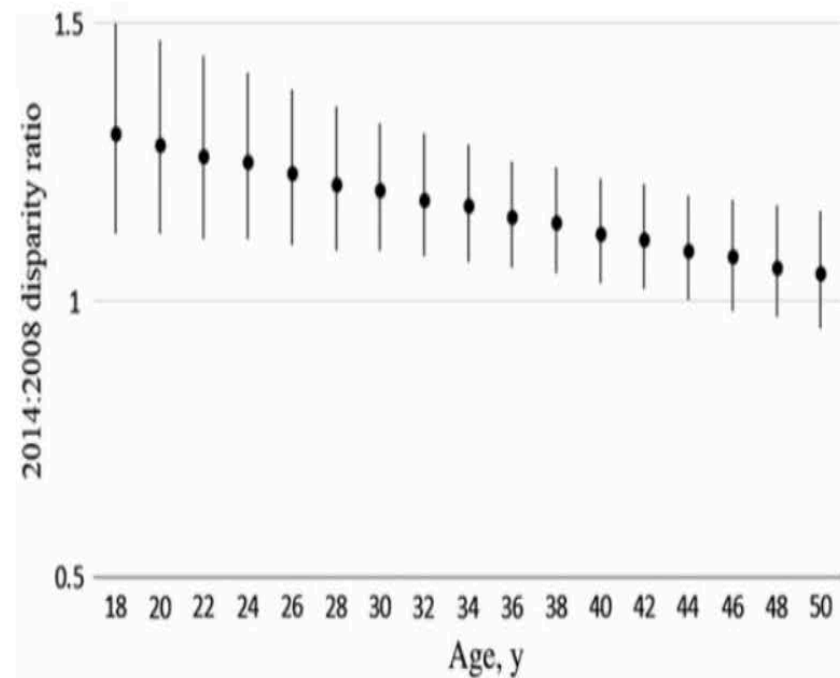
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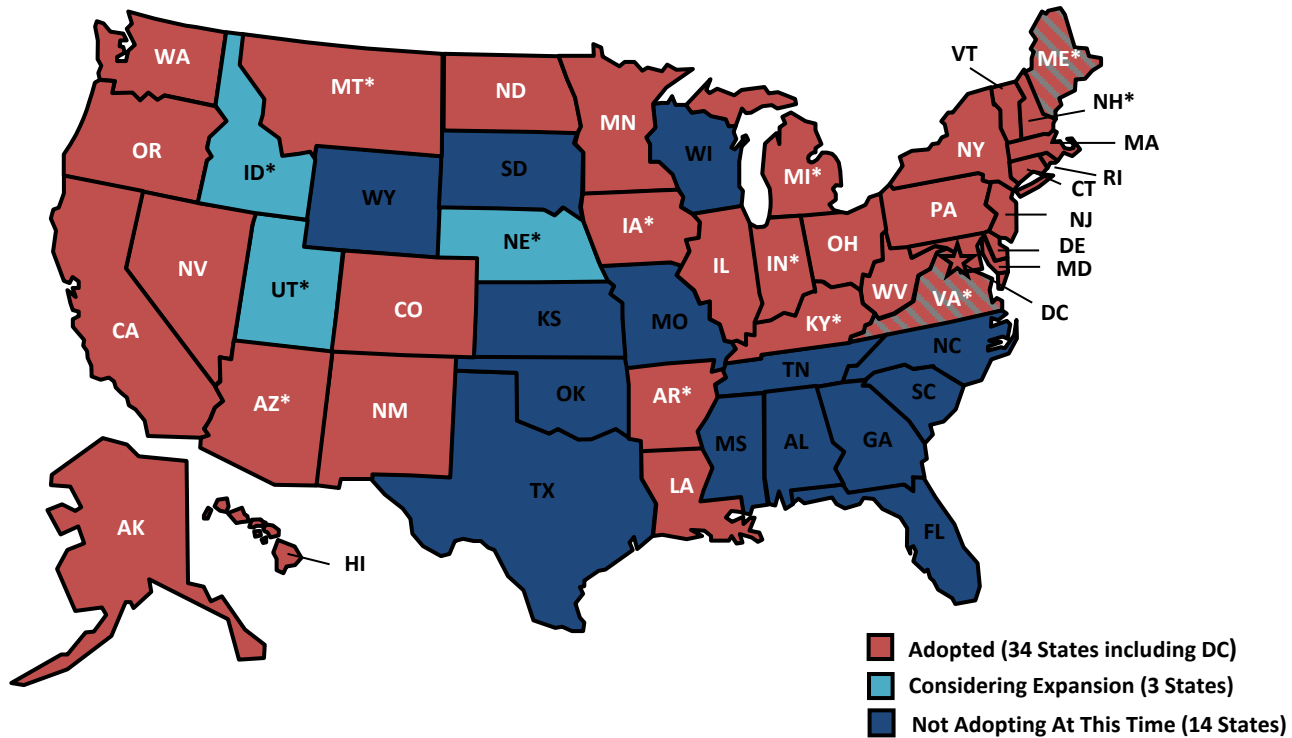
Racial disparities are increasing

- **NHBS: Disparity in HIV prevalence between black and white MSM increased from 2008 to 2014, especially among young MSM**



Change in disparity in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevalence from 2008 to 2014 between black and white men who have sex with men (MSM), by age, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance, 20 US cities.

Status of State Medicaid Expansion Decisions



NOTES: Current status for each state is based on KFF tracking and analysis of state activity. *AR, AZ, IA, IN, KY, MI, MT, and NH have approved Section 1115 expansion waivers. CMS approved the Kentucky HEALTH expansion waiver on January 12, 2018; implementation of some provisions was scheduled to begin in April 2018. UT passed a law directing the state to seek CMS approval to partially expand Medicaid to 100% FPL using the ACA enhanced match, and UT also has a measure on the ballot in November to fully expand to 138% FPL. Initiatives to place expansion on November ballots are also underway in ID and NE. Expansion is adopted but not yet implemented in VA and ME. (See the link below for more detailed state-specific notes.)
 SOURCE: "Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision," KFF State Health Facts, updated June 7, 2018.
<https://www.kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-under-the-affordable-care-act/>

ACA Implementation, PLWAs and Medicaid Expansion

Medicaid Status	2012		2014	
	Exp	Non	Exp	Non
Uninsured	13%	26%	7%	26%
Ryan White services	42%	42%	42%	55%
Viral suppression	77%	77%	83%	81%

The Affordable Care Act and MSM

- National HIV Behavioral Surveillance MSM, 2003-2005, 21 cities
 - 66% had private insurance
 - 4% had public insurance
 - 25% had no insurance
- National HIV Behavioral Surveillance MSM 2008, 2011 & 2014, 20 U.S. cities.
 - MSM with health insurance rose 16 % from 68 % 2008 to 79 % in 2014
- MMP: HIV+ MSM and ART use
 - Rose from 69% in 2008 to 88% in 2013



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