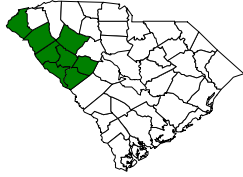




Fact Sheet

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2009 HIV/AIDS summary: DHEC Public Health Region 1



New HIV infections (including AIDS cases), 2007-2008

Region 1 includes eight counties: Abbeville, Anderson, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Oconee and Saluda.

HIV infected people are the #1 priority population for HIV prevention services in S.C. For the two-year period 2007-2008, 76 people were newly diagnosed with HIV in the counties comprising Region 1. This represents five percent of the total cases diagnosed in South Carolina. The number of new cases diagnosed and reported in Region 1 during 2007-2008 decreased by 16 percent compared to the 2001-2002 period.

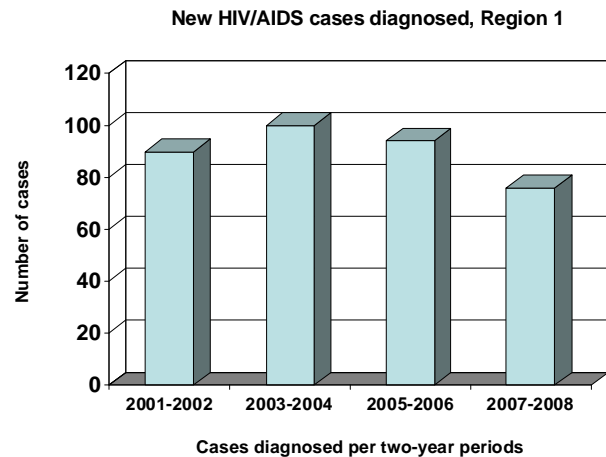
By gender, 66 percent of new HIV/AIDS cases occur among men; 34 percent are among women.

By risk, among the 58 people who report risk in Region 1, men who have sex with men (MSM) represent the largest proportion of recent infections (55 percent), followed by men who have sex with women (MSW) and women who have sex with men (WSM) (32 percent). Nine percent were infected through injecting drug use (IDU).

By race/ethnicity, among people diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in Region 1, 58 percent are African-American; 38 percent are white. African-Americans have a case rate about five times greater than whites in Region 1.

Among women recently diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in Region 1, most are African-American (65 percent); 35 percent are white. Of the 15 women reporting risk, all indicated heterosexual sex as their exposure to HIV.

Among men recently diagnosed in Region 1, 54 percent are African-American; 40 percent are white. Of the 30 men reporting risk, all are men who have sex with men.



Region 1 (continued)

Total people living with HIV/AIDS through December 2008*

As of December 2008, 951 people have been reported living with HIV infection (including AIDS) who are residents of Public Health Region 1. This represents six percent of the S.C. total. Of these, 699 are men and 252 are women. Most people (613) are between 25-49 years of age; 11 are children and teenagers under 20 years of age.

As with new infections, African-Americans are disproportionately impacted. Most (51 percent) of the people living with HIV in Region 1 are African-American men, 21 percent are African-American women, 18 percent are white men and five percent are white women. Four percent of people living with HIV are Hispanic/Latino.

Most (52 percent) people living with HIV who reported risks are men who have sex with men; 23 percent are men and women exposed through heterosexual sex; 18 percent are injecting drug users.

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Among remaining priority populations for HIV prevention services:

2010-2014 S.C. HIV prevention plan priority populations ^(1,2)	2007/2008 diagnosed HIV/AIDS cases by population % of total cases w/risks identified (58 Total) **	People living with HIV/AIDS, 2008 by population % of total cases w/risks identified (731 Total)
2. African-American MSM	29%	34%
3. African-American WSM	14%	15%
4. African-American MSW	***	9%
5. White MSM	22%	15%
6. IDU	9%	18%
7. Hispanic/Latino	♦see note below ³	

**Caution: Due to small numbers, must interpret recent case proportions with caution.

***Cells with 3 or fewer cases are set to missing.

NOTES:

1. Populations: MSM = Men who have Sex with Men; IDU = Injecting Drug User (includes MSM and Injecting Drug Users); WSM = Women who have Sex with Men; MSW = Men who have Sex with Women.
2. Epi Profile Data: Based on number of people with known risk; excludes number of "No Risk Reported".
3. In 2007, Hispanics/Latinos made up 3.2 percent of the population of DHEC Public Health Region 1. Four percent of people living with HIV in the health region are Hispanic/Latino.

*Prevalence data is provisional; death updates not available.