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The HIV Epidemic Among Black Communities

Despite making up only 12% of the U.S. population, the HIV epidemic has a disproportionate impact on Black individuals in the United States. Black people experience significant barriers in seeking and receiving HIV testing, prevention, care, and treatment, including challenges stemming from differential access to healthcare and a range of social and economic benefits.

Black Persons



Hispanic/Latino Persons



White Persons



Rates of Persons Newly Diagnosed with HIV per 100k, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

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In 2023, Black Americans represented 14% of PrEP users, despite accounting for 38% of new HIV diagnoses in 2022.

HIV prevention and treatment strategies focused on improving **access to healthcare coverage** and **reducing health-related social and economic barriers** for **Black individuals** may help to eliminate these inequities.

Percentage of PrEP Users by Race/Ethnicity, 2023



Percentage of New HIV Diagnoses, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022



Black ● Hispanic/Latino ● White ● Other

Source: AIDSVu, CDC, U.S. Census Bureau

Black Americans accounted for half of all new HIV diagnoses among youth (ages 13-24) in 2022.

Percentage of New HIV Diagnoses among Youth (Ages 13-24) by Race/Ethnicity, 2022



Source: AIDSVu, CDC

Black men and women had the highest rate of new HIV diagnoses among men and women of all races/ethnicities in 2022.

Rates of Males Newly Diagnosed with HIV per 100k, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

Black Males: 66

Hispanic Males: 42

White Males: 9

Rates of Females Newly Diagnosed with HIV per 100k, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

Black Females: 19

Hispanic Females: 6

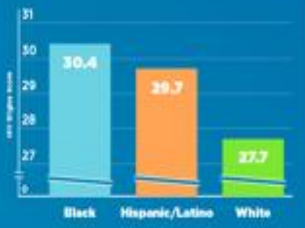
White Females: 2

Source: AIDSVu, CDC

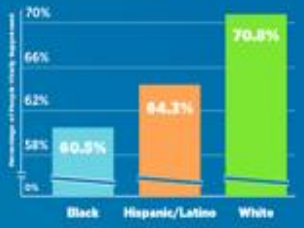
Black people living with HIV (PLWH) experience higher levels of stigma and lower levels of viral suppression compared to other racial/ethnic groups.

This may indicate that experiences of discrimination based on race/ethnicity and/or HIV status may delay or prevent adequate HIV treatment.

HIV-Related Stigma Scores*, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022



Percent of Persons Virally Suppressed, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022



*HIV stigma score ranges from 0 to 100 and measures 4 dimensions of HIV stigma. A higher score indicates more experienced stigma.

Source: AIDSVu, CDC, MMP