Regional Data: South

In 2021, there were 492,922 people living with HIV in the South. In 2021, 18,703 people were newly diagnosed with HIV.

HIV Prevalence

Number of people living with HIV, 2021

492,922

Rate of people living with HIV per 100,000 population, 2021

461

Percent of people living with HIV, by Sex, 2021

74.7% Male

25.3% Female

Percent of people living with HIV, by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

51.8% Black

18.2% Hispanic/Latinx

24.1% White

Percent of people living with HIV, by Age, 2021

3.1% Aged 13-24

16.9% Aged 25-34

20.1% Aged 35-44

22.8% Aged 45-54

37.2% Aged 55+
New HIV Diagnoses

Number of new HIV diagnoses, 2021
18,703

Rate of new HIV diagnoses per 100,000 population, 2021
17

Percent of people newly diagnosed with HIV, by Sex, 2021

% Male: 80.2%
% Female: 19.8%

Percent of people newly diagnosed with HIV, by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

% Black: 49.4%
% Hispanic/Latinx: 23.6%
% White: 22.6%

Percent of people newly diagnosed with HIV, by Age, 2021

% Aged 13-24: 20.9%
% Aged 25-34: 36.7%
% Aged 35-44: 20.6%
% Aged 45-54: 11.7%
% Aged 55+: 10.1%

Number of New HIV Diagnoses, 2008-2021
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, data from 2020 and 2021 should be interpreted with caution.
PrEP (Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis)

Number of PrEP users, 2022
165,115

Rate of PrEP users per 100,000 population, 2022
157

Percent of PrEP users, by Sex, 2022

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Percent of PrEP users, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

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Number of PrEP Users, 2012-2022
The 2022 PrEP-to-Need Ratio (PNR) is the ratio of the number of PrEP users in 2022 to the number of people newly diagnosed with HIV in 2021. PNR serves as a measurement for whether PrEP use appropriately reflects the need for HIV prevention. A lower PNR indicates more unmet need.

PNR, 2022
8.83

PNR, by Sex, 2022
Male: 9.93
Female: 4.34

PNR, by Race/Ethnicity, 2022
Black: 3.77
Hispanic/Latinx: 6.87
White: 22.51

PNR, by Age, 2022
Aged 13-24: 5.69
Aged 25-34: 9.09
Aged 35-44: 10.38
Aged 45-54: 9.80
Aged 55+: 10.06
Late HIV Diagnoses

A late HIV diagnosis is defined as having an AIDS diagnosis within three months of initial HIV diagnosis.

Number of new HIV diagnoses that were diagnosed late, 2021

3,961

Proportion of people with a late HIV diagnoses, by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

Black: 20.1%
Hispanic/Latinx: 22.5%
White: 21.8%

Percent of new HIV diagnoses that were diagnosed late, 2021

21.2%
# HIV Mortality

Number of deaths of people with HIV, 2021

9,539

Rate of deaths of people with HIV per 100,000 population, 2021

9

### Percent of deaths of people with HIV, by Sex, 2021

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### Percent of deaths of people with HIV, by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

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### Percent of deaths of people with HIV, by Age, 2021

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Demographics, 2021

Total Population
127,225,329

Regional Population by Race/Ethnicity

- American Indian / Alaska Native (0.6%)
- Asian (3.8%)
- Black (19.2%)
- Hispanic / Latinx (18.8%)
- Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander (0.1%)
- White (55.5%)
- Multiple Race (2.1%)
The rate of **Black males** living with an HIV diagnosis is 5.4 times that of **White males**.

The rate of **Hispanic/Latino males** living with an HIV diagnosis is 2.3 times that of **White males**.

The rate of **Black females** living with an HIV diagnosis is 13.9 times that of **White females**.

The rate of **Hispanic/Latina females** living with an HIV diagnosis is 2.8 times that of **White females**.
Late HIV Diagnoses, 2021

A late HIV diagnosis is defined as having an AIDS diagnosis within three months of initial HIV diagnosis.

### Region

- 21.2% Diagnosed with AIDS
- 78.8% Diagnosed with HIV

### United States

- 21.1% Diagnosed with AIDS
- 78.9% Diagnosed with HIV
People Living with HIV, by Transmission Category, 2021

Percent of People Living with HIV, by Transmission Category, 2021

Male Transmission Categories

- Injection Drug Use (6.3%)
- Heterosexual Contact (12.2%)
- Male-to-Male Sexual Contact (74.6%)
- Male-to-Male Sexual Contact & Injection Drug Use (6.1%)
- Other* (0.8%)

Female Transmission Categories
Injection Drug Use (15.4%)
Heterosexual Contact (82.0%)
Other* (2.6%)

*Includes risk factor not reported or identified, along with hemophilia, blood transfusion, perinatal exposure, or missing/suppressed data.
People Newly Diagnosed with HIV, by Transmission Category, 2021

Percent of People Newly Diagnosed with HIV, by Transmission Category, 2021

Male Transmission Categories

- Injection Drug Use (4.1%)
- Heterosexual Contact (10.2%)
- Male-to-Male Sexual Contact (81.9%)
- Male-to-Male Sexual Contact & Injection Drug Use (3.7%)
- Other* (0.1%)

Female Transmission Categories
Injection Drug Use (13.4%)
Heterosexual Contact (86.1%)
Other* (0.5%)

*Includes risk factor not reported or identified, along with hemophilia, blood transfusion, perinatal exposure, or missing/suppressed data.

HIV Mortality Rates, 2019-2021

Mortality Rates of Persons Diagnosed with HIV per 100,000 population, 2019-2021
Social Determinants of Health, 2021

- **Percent of Population with a High School Education, 2021**
  - Region: 87.9%
  - United States: 88.9%

- **Income Inequality (Gini Coefficient), 2021**
  - Region: 0.482
  - United States: 0.482

- **Percent of Population Living in Poverty, 2021**
  - Region: 13.9%
  - United States: 12.6%

- **Median Household Income, 2021**
  - Region: $63,524
  - United States: $69,021
14.1%

Percent of Population (<65) Lacking Health Insurance, 2021

4.8%

Percent of Population Unemployed, 2021

11.4%

Percent of Population Living with Food Insecurity, 2016-2021

13.6%

Percent of Population Living in Unstable Housing, 2021
9 out of 17 states in the region have adopted and implemented Medicaid expansion.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases, 2021

Rates of Sexually Transmitted Diseases per 100,000 Population, 2021
States with HIV-Specific Criminal Laws/Statutes
States with HIV-specific criminal laws and/or sentence enhancements applicable to people living with HIV.

12 of 17 states

States That Have Prosecuted PLWH
States that have prosecuted people living with HIV under non-HIV-specific, general criminal laws.

11 of 17 states

Status of state criminalization laws are as of June 28, 2022. Source: CHLP.

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