



STDs among MSM

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Estimating the Population Sizes of Men Who Have Sex With Men in US States and Counties Using Data From the American Community Survey

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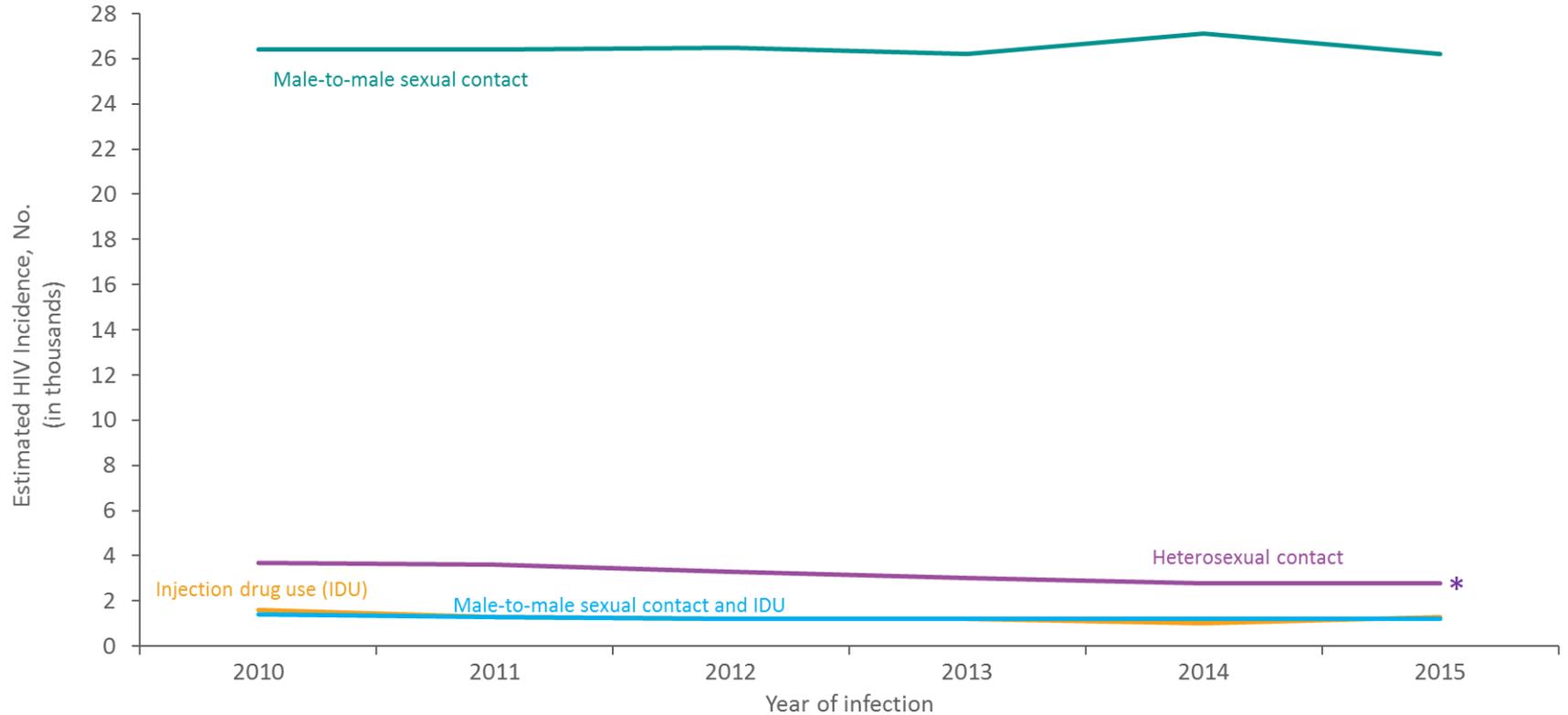
2016

- 4,628,854 Adult MSM in US
- 203,341 Adult MSM in Chicago MSA
- 158,055 Adult MSM in Cook County

- 4.4% of US Adult MSM live in Chicago MSA

- 77.4% of Adult MSM in Chicago MSA live in Cook County

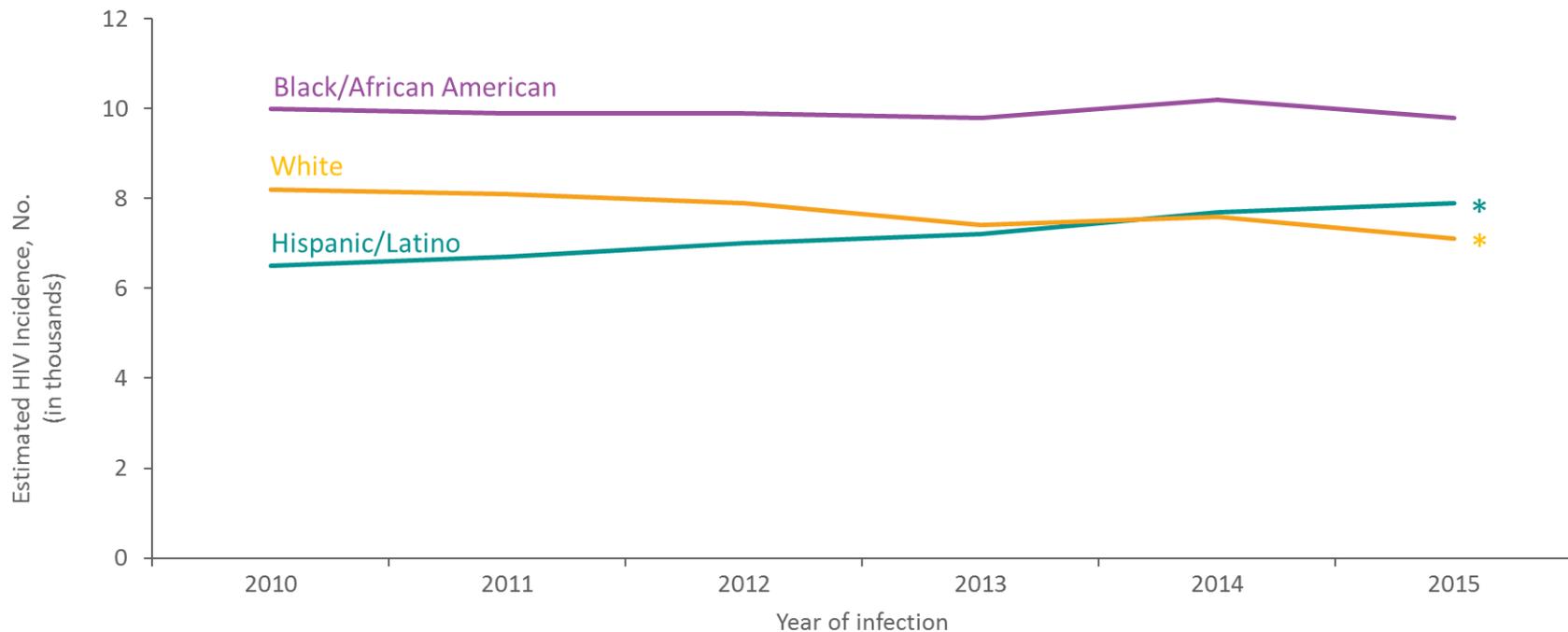
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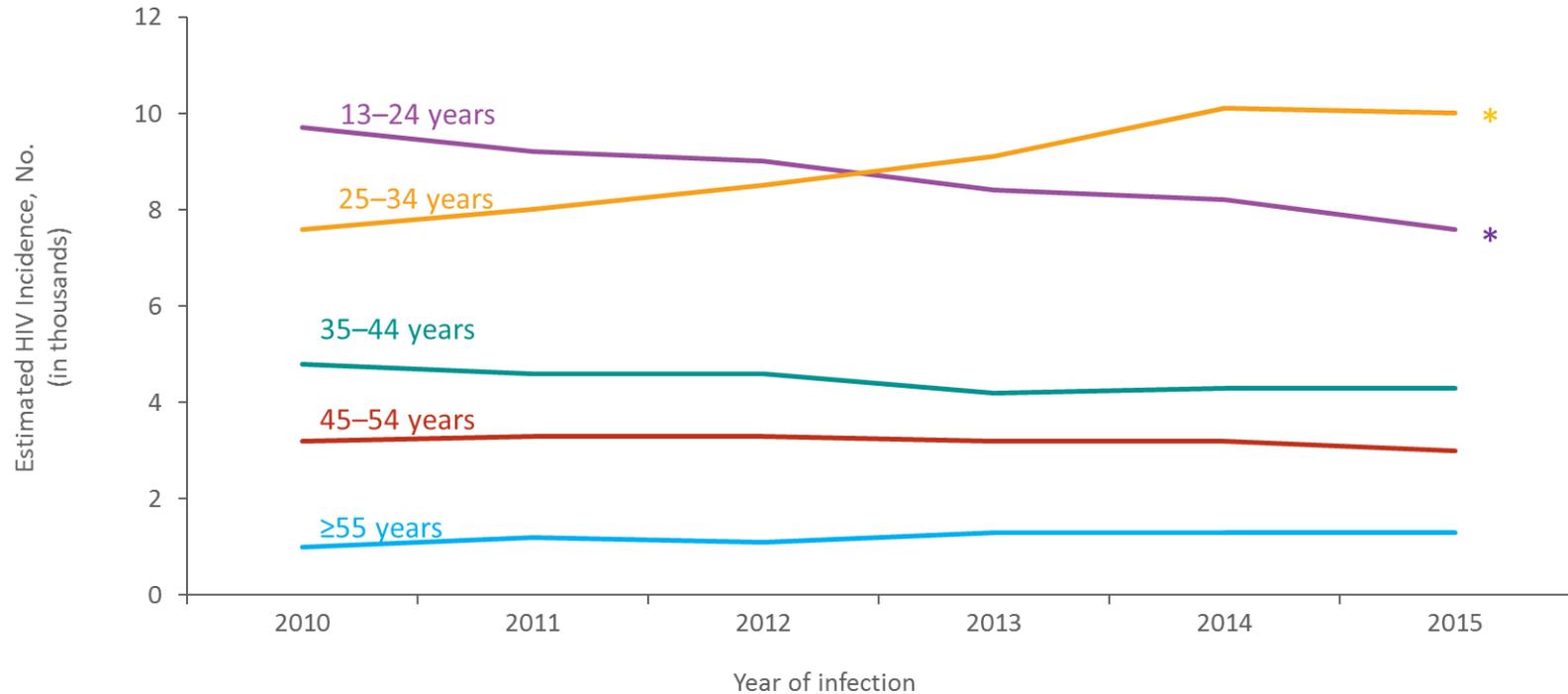
Estimated HIV Incidence among Men Who Have Sex with Men Aged ≥13 Years, by Race/Ethnicity, 2010–2015—United States



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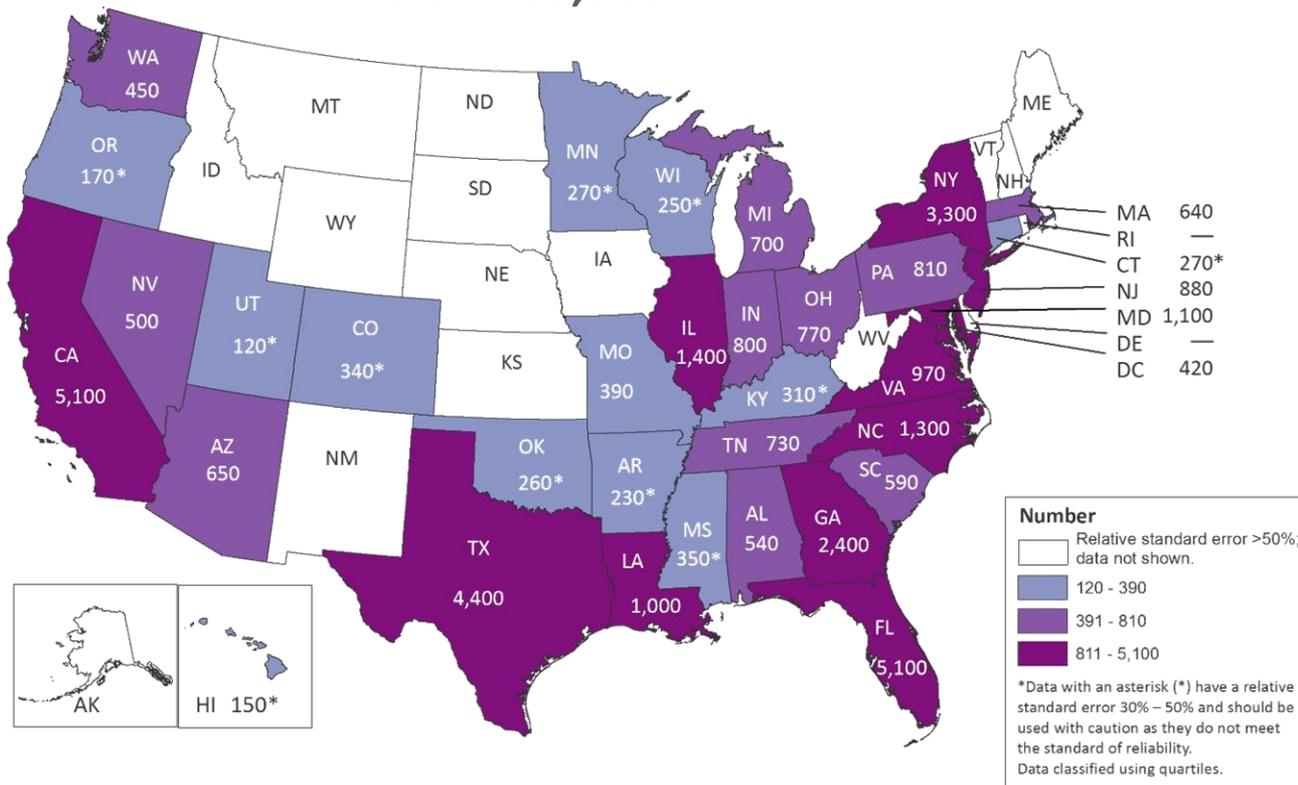


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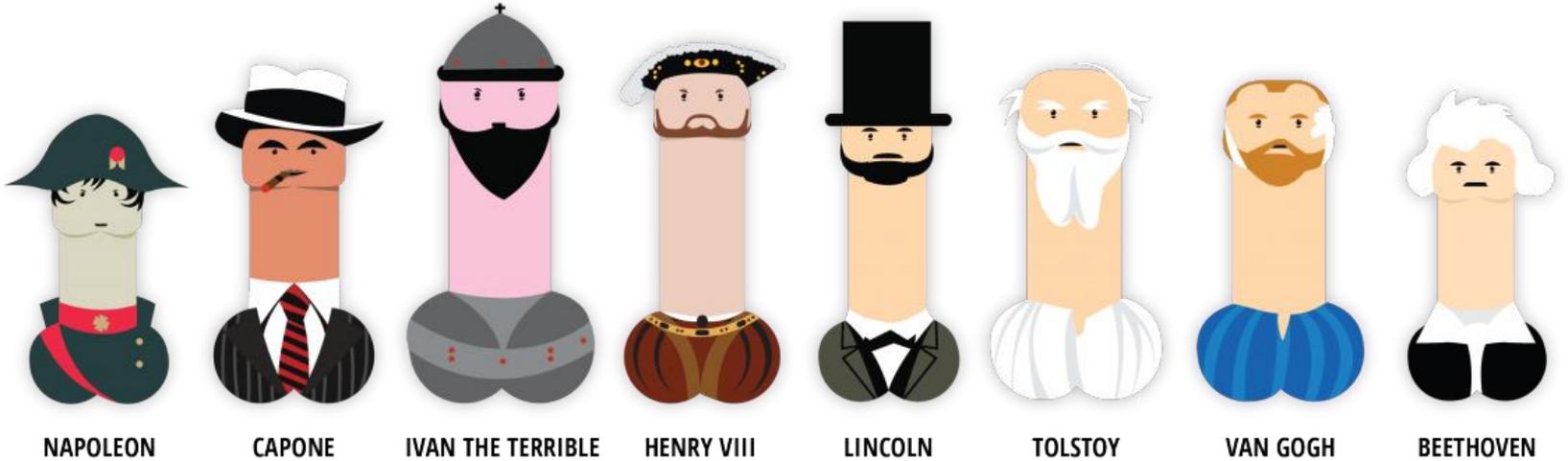
Estimated HIV Incidence among Persons Aged ≥13 Years, by Area of Residence, 2015—United States

Total = 38,500



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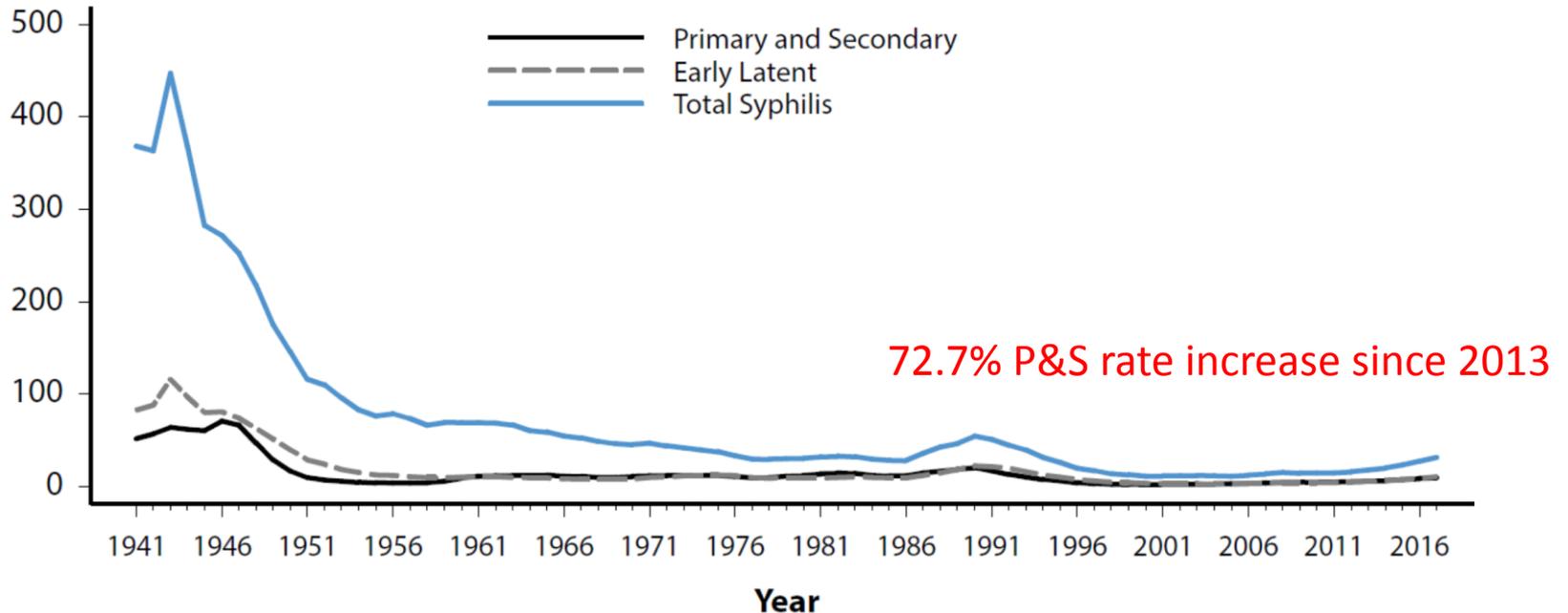
Syphilis



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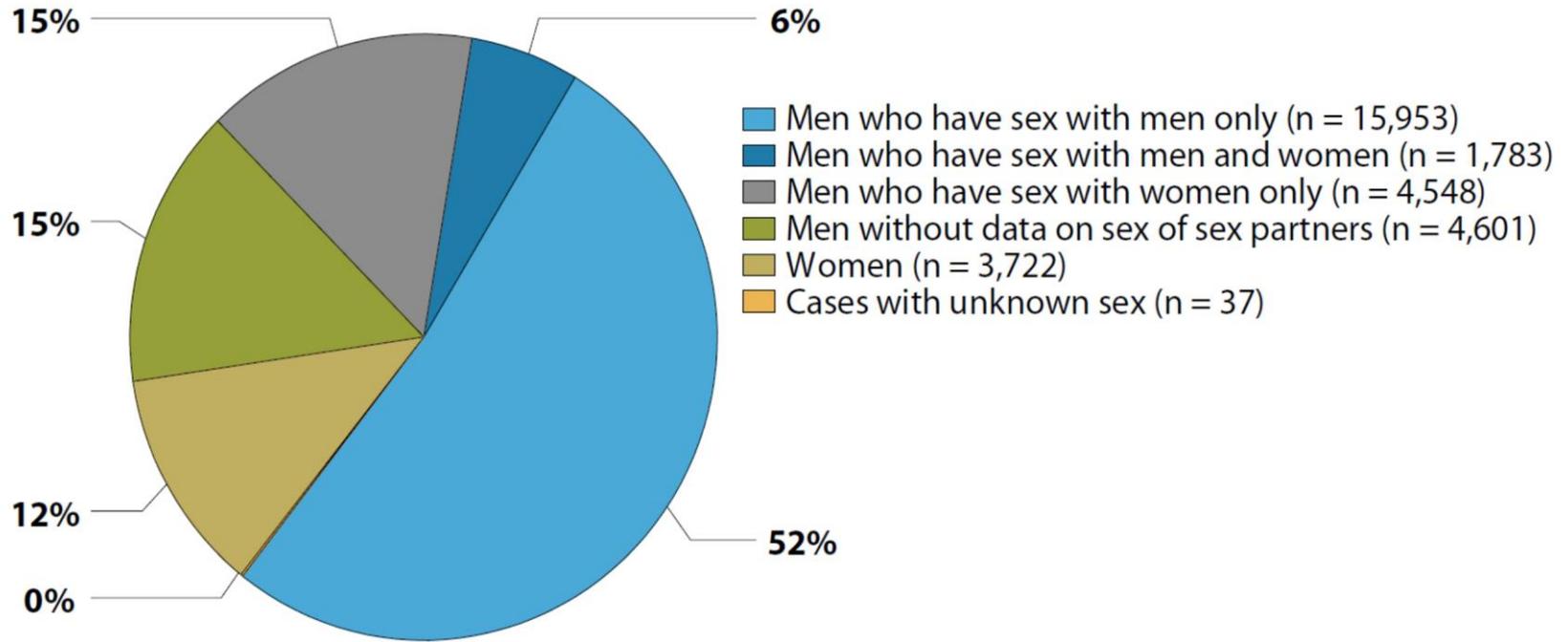
Syphilis — Rates of Reported Cases by Stage of Infection, United States, 1941–2017

Rate (per 100,000 population)

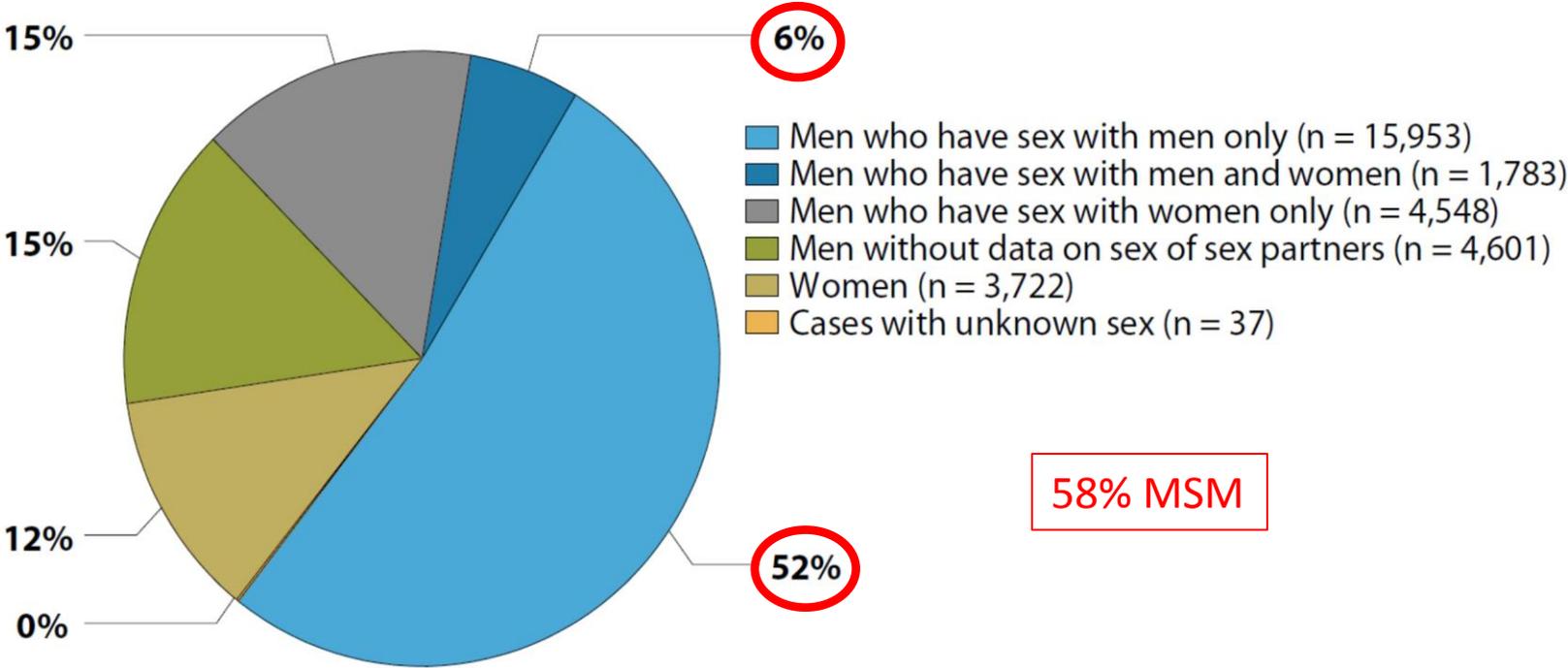


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Primary and Secondary Syphilis — Distribution of Cases by Sex and Sexual Behavior, United States, 2017

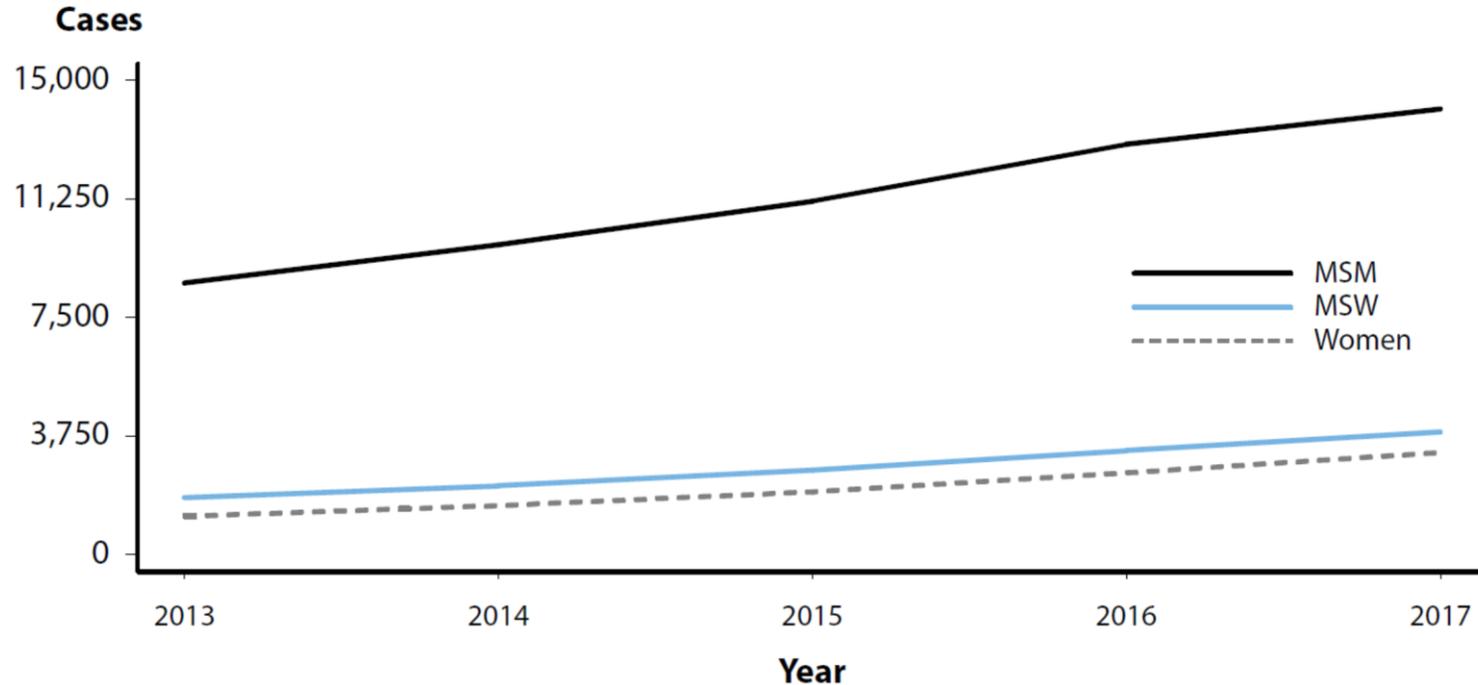


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58% MSM

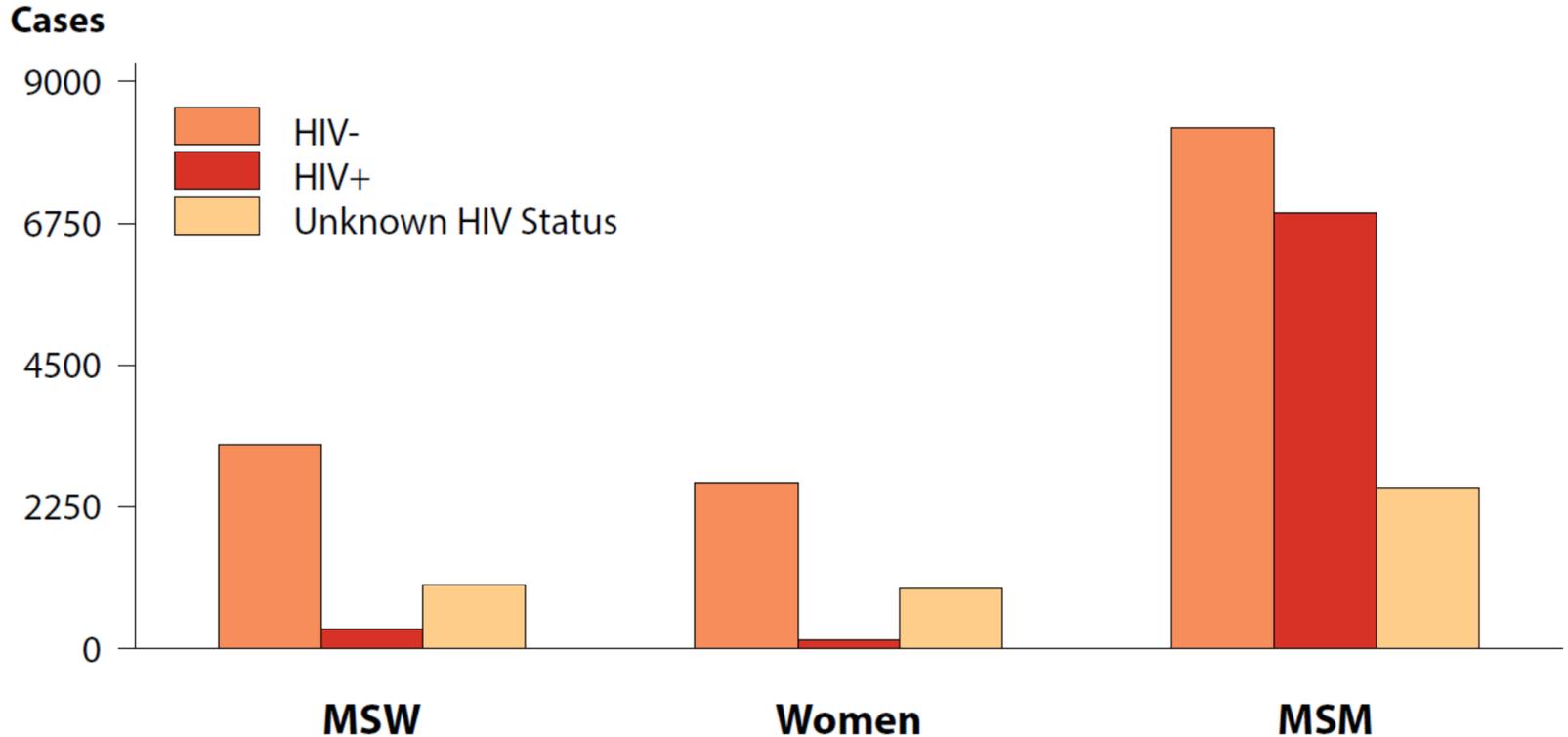
Primary and Secondary Syphilis — Reported Cases by Sex and Sexual Behavior, 37 States*, 2013–2017



* 37 states were able to classify $\geq 70\%$ of reported cases of primary and secondary syphilis as either MSM, MSW, or women for each year during 2013–2017.

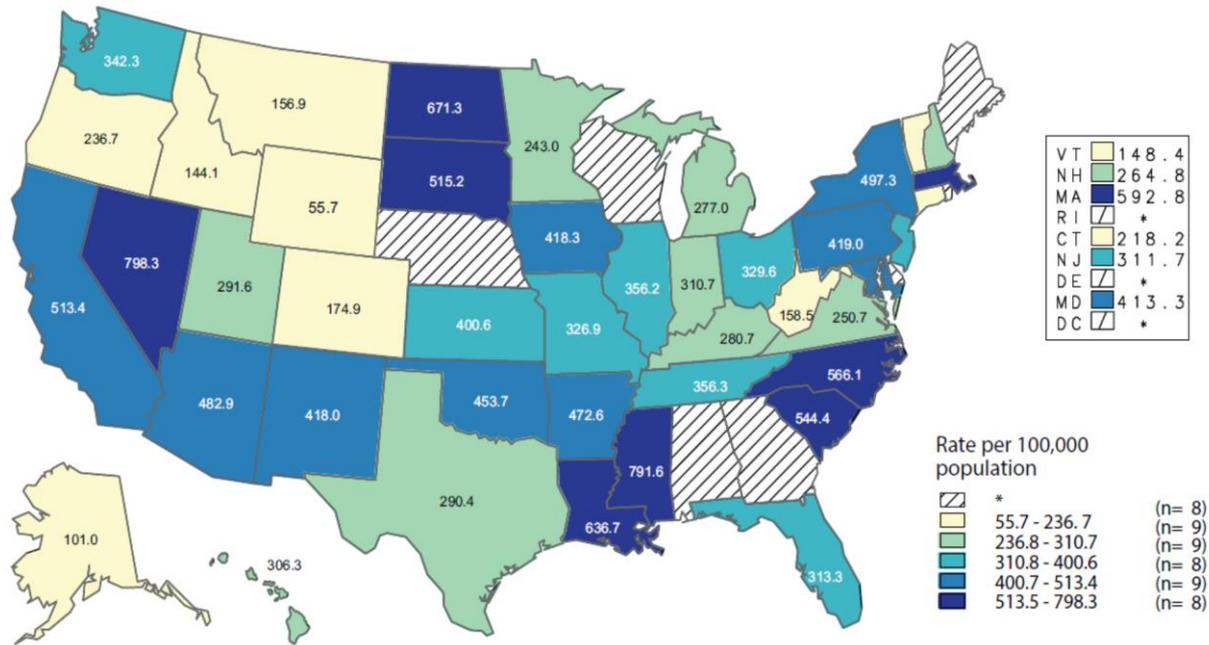
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Primary and Secondary Syphilis — Estimated Rates of Reported Cases Among MSM by State, United States, 2017

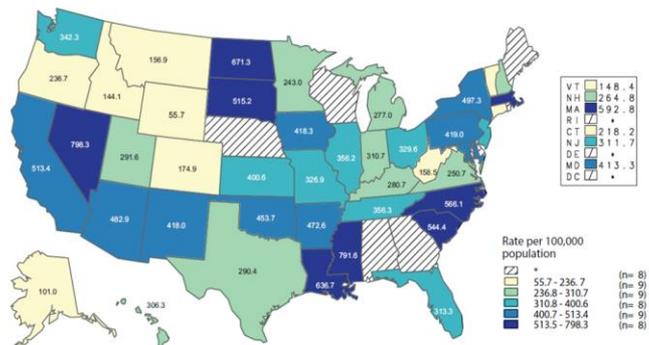


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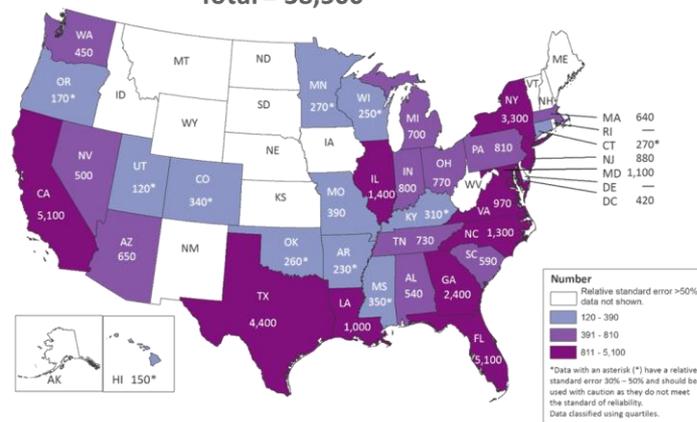


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Gonorrhea

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ABOUT STDs IS
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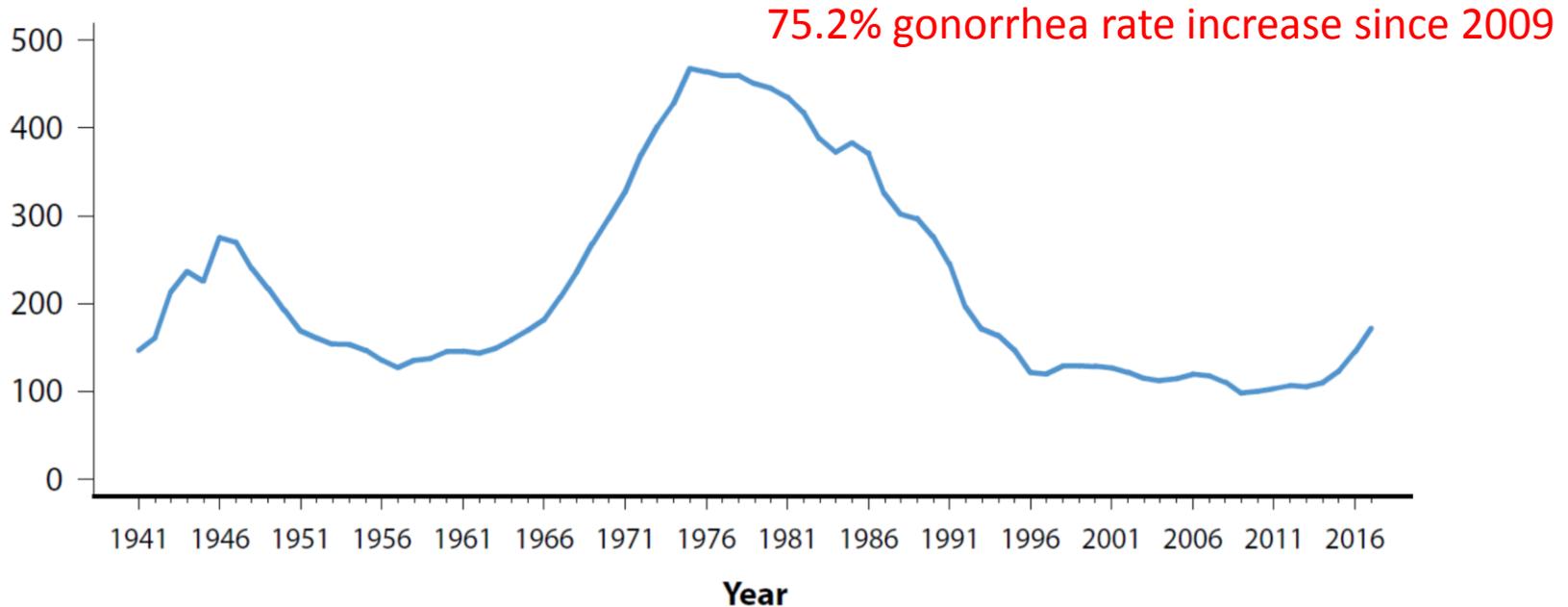
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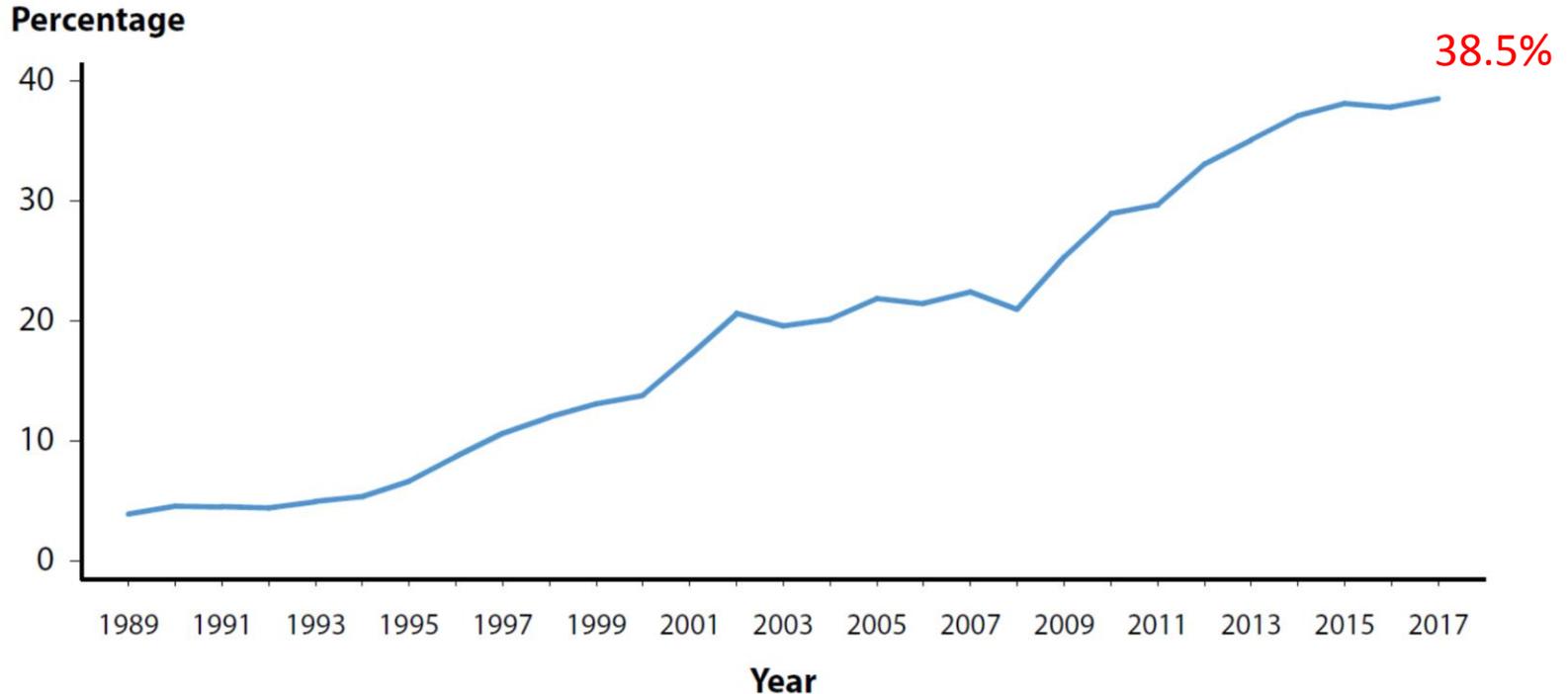
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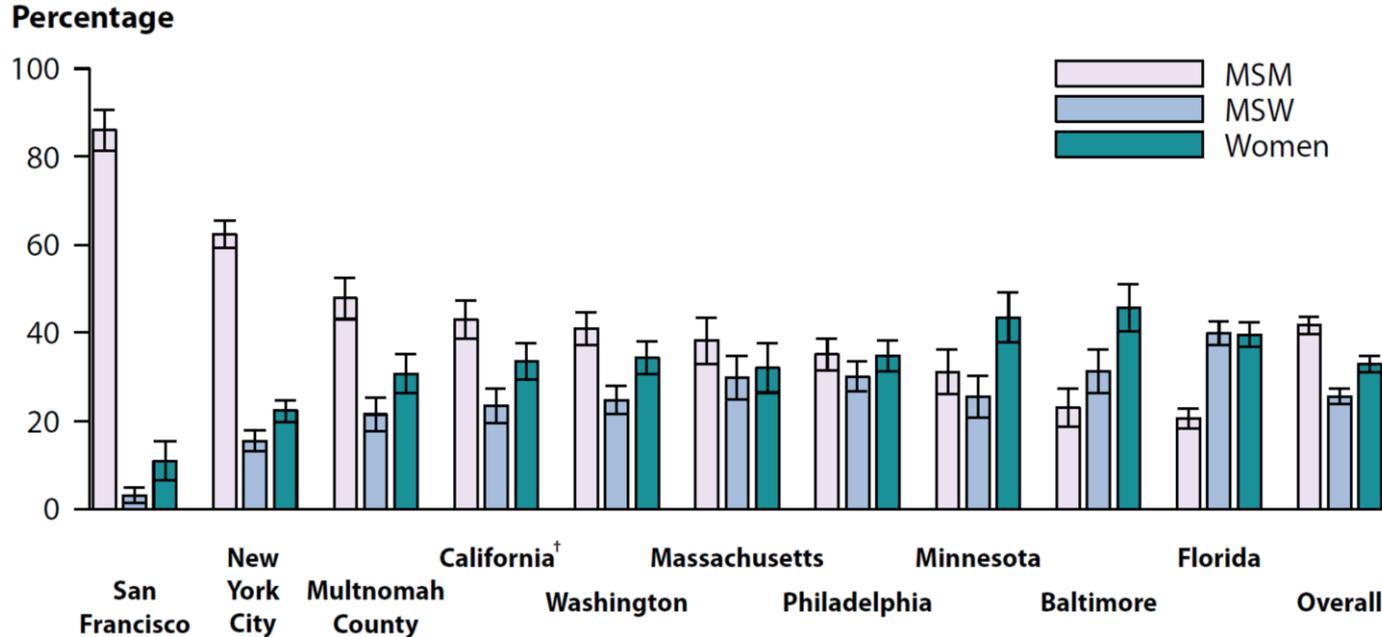
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Neisseria gonorrhoeae — Percentage of Urethral Isolates Obtained from MSM Attending STD Clinics, Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), 1989–2017



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Estimated Proportion* of MSM, MSW, and Women Among Gonorrhea Cases by Jurisdiction, STD Surveillance Network (SSuN), 2017



* Estimate based on weighted analysis of data obtained from interviews (n=6,409) conducted among a random sample of reported gonorrhea cases during January to December 2017.

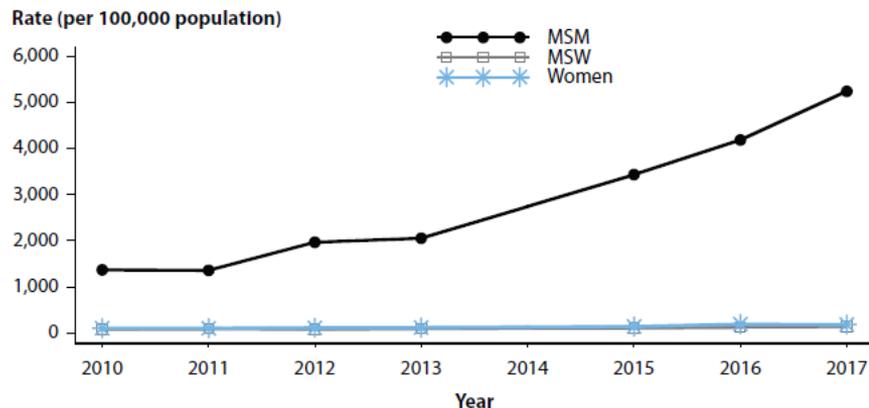
† California data exclude San Francisco (shown separately).

NOTE: See section A2.2 in the Appendix for SSuN methods.

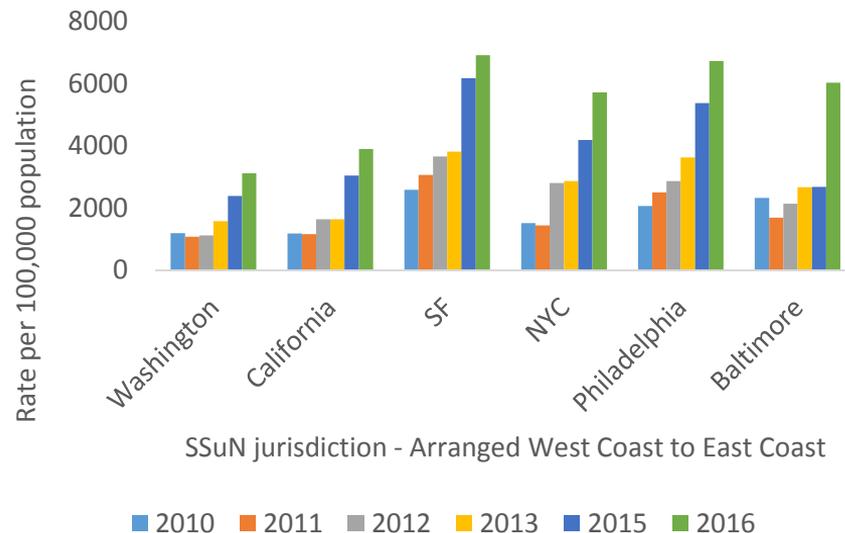
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Since 2010, the rate of reported GC among MSM increased 151% compared to a 40% increase among females; additionally, the rate of reported GC among MSM has increased in all SSuN jurisdictions

Figure 26. Gonorrhea — Estimated* Rates of Reported Gonorrhea Cases by MSM, MSW, and Women, STD Surveillance Network (SSuN)[†], 2010–2017



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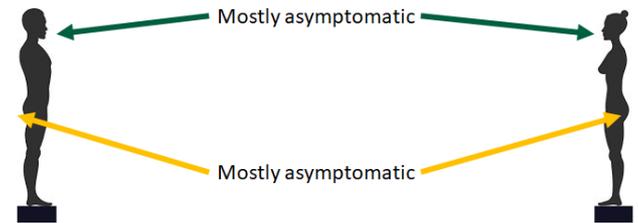
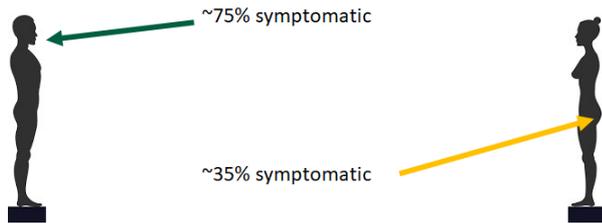


*Estimates based on interviews among a random sample of reported cases of gonorrhea; cases weighted for analysis.

Note: Data not available for 2014; 2013-2015 trend interpolated shown in dashed line in figure on the left; trend lines overlap for MSW and women in this figure

Measuring Prevalence of MSM Gonorrhea and Chlamydia

- Population estimates of MSM population needed for denominators
- Multiple Sites of Infection
- Rectal and pharyngeal GC/CT infections largely asymptomatic
- Positivity estimates may be biased by screening coverage



Prevalence of Rectal Chlamydial and Gonococcal Infections: A Systematic Review

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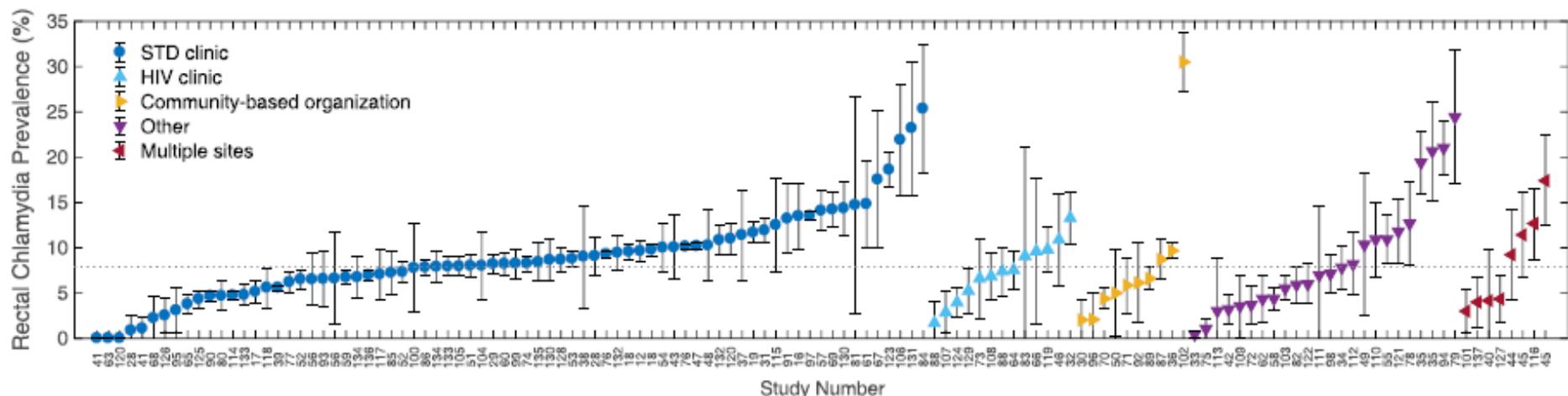


Figure 2. Rectal chlamydia prevalence by study site; dashed line depicts unweighted median prevalence (7.9%).

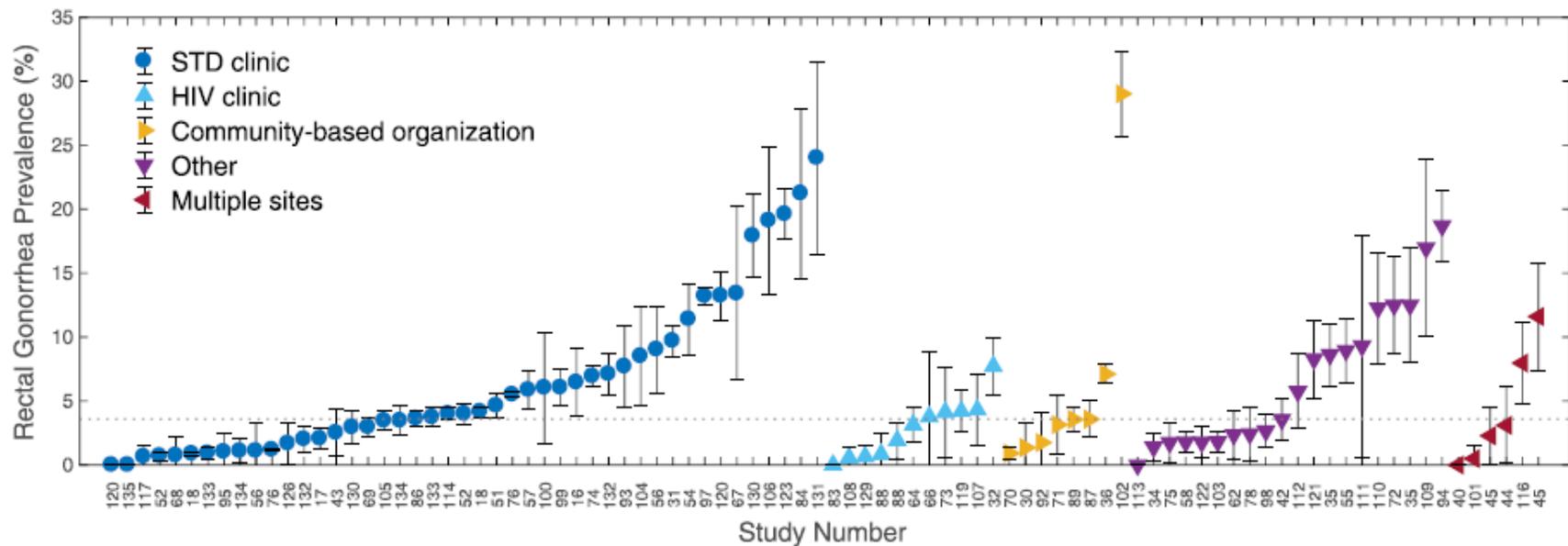
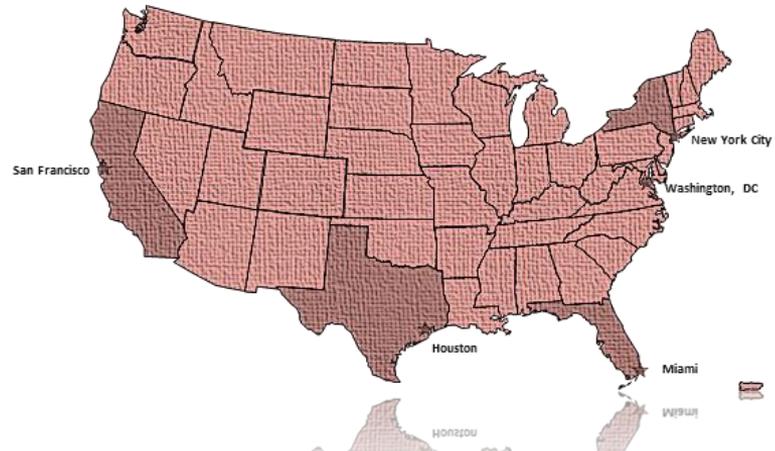


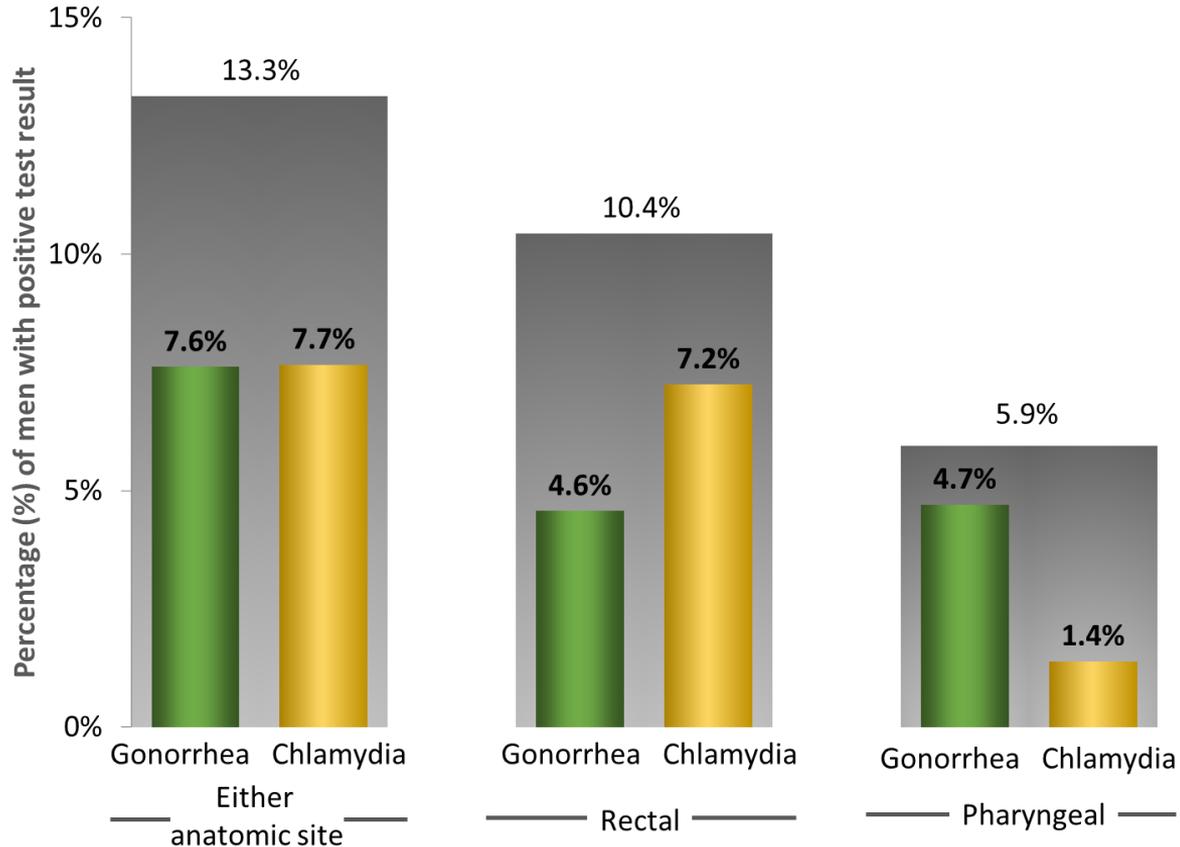
Figure 4. Rectal gonorrhea prevalence by study site; dashed line depicts unweighted median prevalence (3.6%).

STI testing in NHBS-MSM5 (2017)

- Inaugural addition of STI testing to NHBS
- 5 cities: Houston, Miami, New York City, San Francisco, Washington, D.C.
- Self-collected rectal and pharyngeal specimens for gonorrhea and chlamydia testing
- Testing performed at CDC and San Francisco public health laboratories
- Results returned and treatment referrals made



Prevalence of extragenital gonorrhea (GC) and chlamydia (CT) among venue-attending MSM by anatomic site, NHBS, 2017



Note: Participants may have >1 positive result

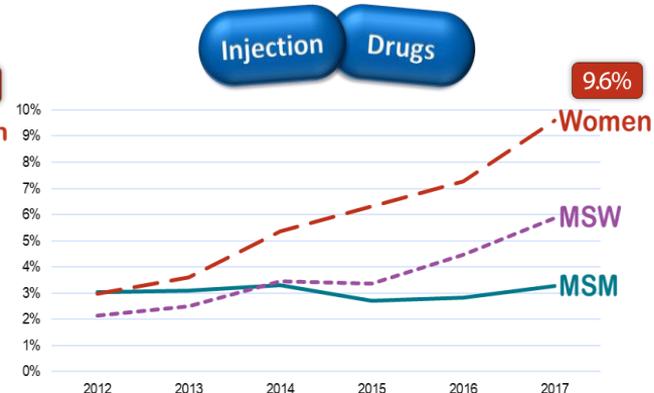
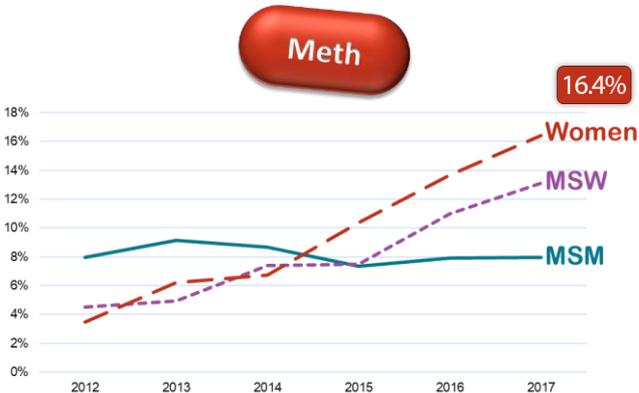
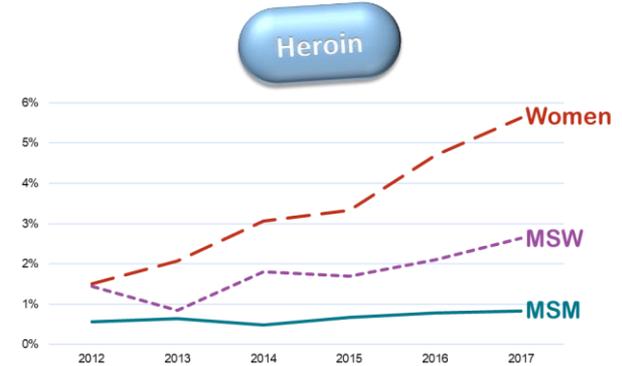
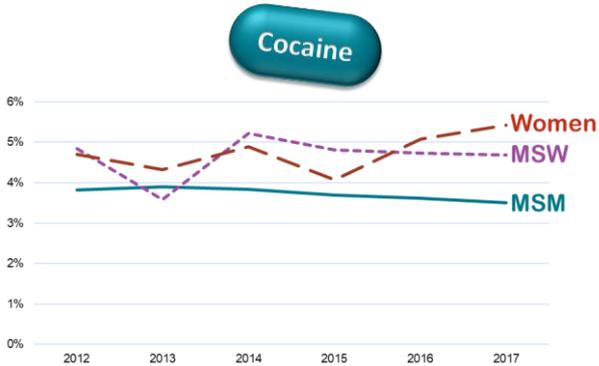
Prevalence of Extragenital GC/CT among MSM

	Rectal Gonorrhea	Rectal Chlamydia	Pharyngeal Gonorrhea	Pharyngeal Chlamydia
Chan et al 2016	0.20% - 24.0%	2.1% - 23.0%	0 - 16.5%	0 – 3.6%
Dewart et al 2018	6.1% (weighted average)	9.0% (weighted average)		
NHBS MSM 2017	3.6%	7.9%	4.6%	1.4%

MSM Sexual Behavior



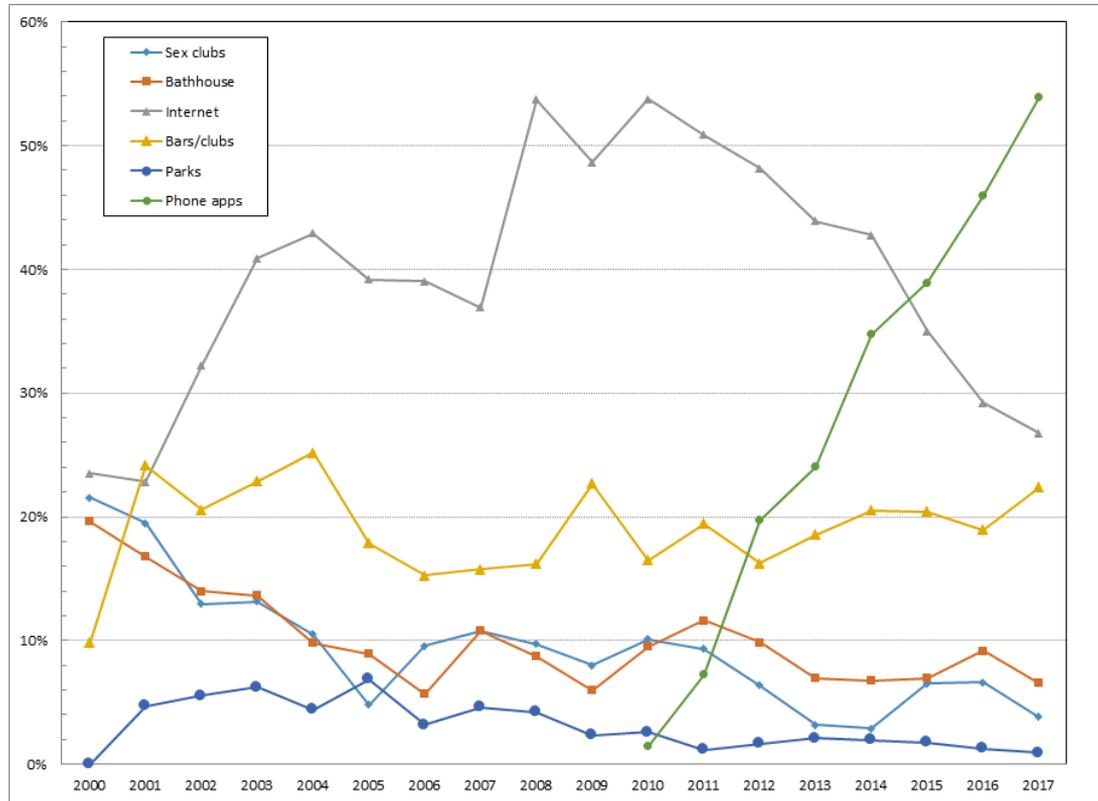
Self-Reported Drug Use Among P&S Syphilis Cases* in the US, by Sex and Sexual Behavior, 2012-2017*



- % MSM reporting each substance stable
- Women with greatest % increase reporting meth, heroin, IDU
- % increase reporting meth use similar among MSW and women

*With substance use data; 2017 data are preliminary

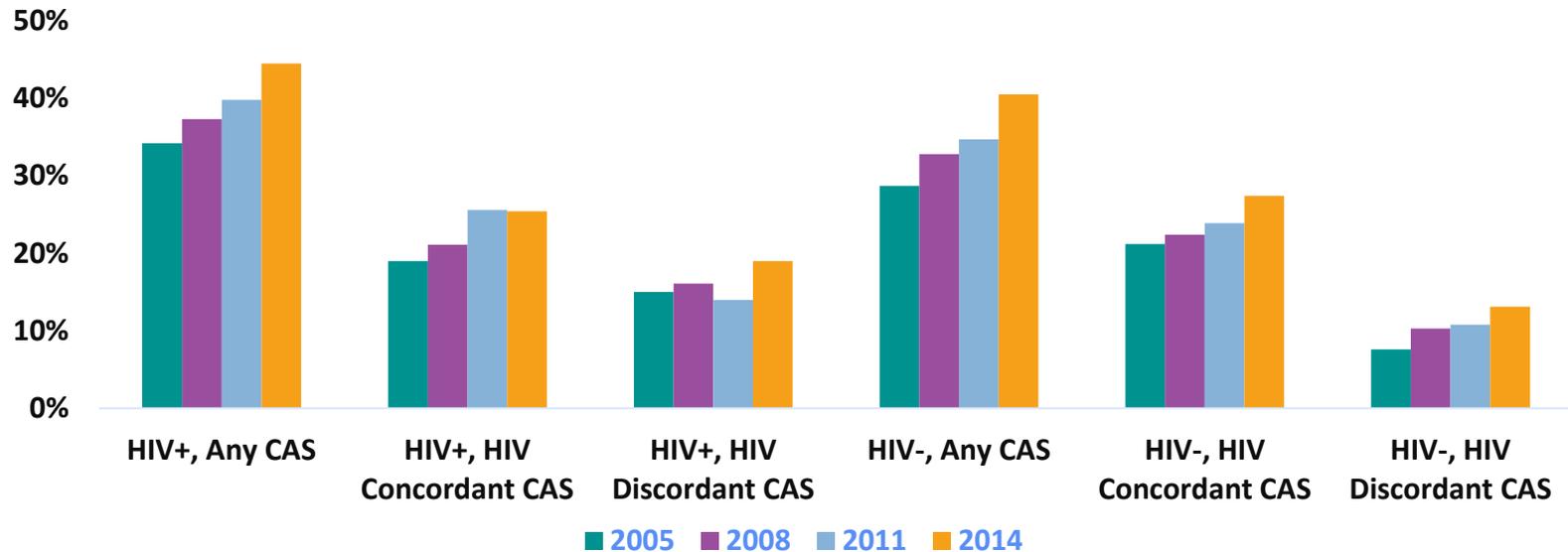
Venues for meeting sexual partners reported by interviewed early syphilis cases among men who have sex with men, San Francisco, 2000 to 2017



Nguyen TQ, Kohn RP, Ng RC, Philip SS, Cohen SE. Historical and current trends in the epidemiology of syphilis in San Francisco, 1955-2016.

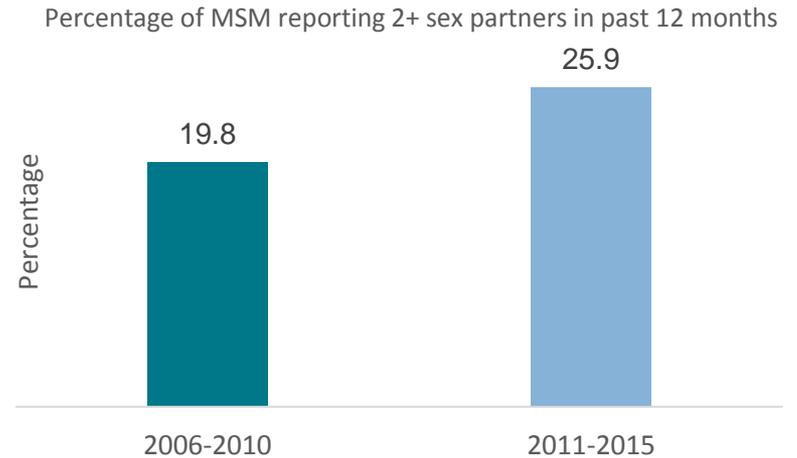
Condomless anal sex (CAS) increased among all MSM groups regardless of HIV infection status

Sexual Behaviors at Last Sex among Sexually Active **MSM** by Self-Reported HIV Status, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance, US, 2005-2014



Adapted from: Paz-Bailey G, Mendoza M, Finlayson T, Wejnert C, Le B, Rose C, Raymond HF, and Prejean J for the NHBS Study Group; Trends in Condom Use among Men Who Have Sex with Men in the United States: the Role of Antiretroviral Therapy and Sero-Adaptive Strategies; *AIDS*; 2016 .

The number of sex partners has increased among MSM from 2006-2010* to 2011-2015*



Note. NSFG data includes respondents aged 15-44 years

*Data collection for 2006-2010: June 2006 – June 2010; Data collection for 2011-2015: September 2011 to September 2015

† The number of sex partners in the past 12 months for heterosexual intercourse was top-coded at 20 (i.e. any response higher than 20 was set at 20 by NCHS). In 2006-2010, the number of sex partners was top-coded at 6 for MSM and NOT top-coded for MSM in 2011-15.

Estimates of adults with indications for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis by jurisdiction, transmission risk group, and race/ethnicity, United States, 2015

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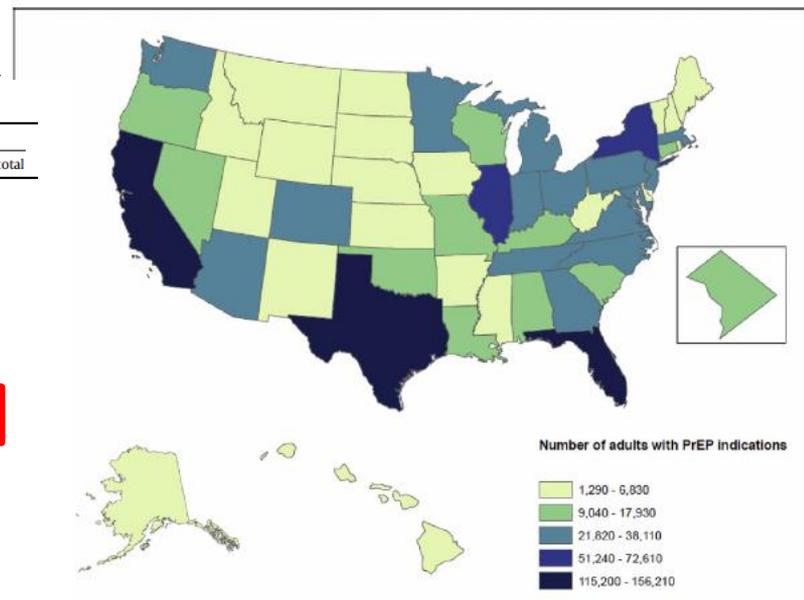
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Table 2

Estimated number of adults with PrEP indications in 50 states and the District of Columbia, by transmission risk group, 2015

States	Total*		MSM		HET		PWID	
	Number	% Of total	Number	% Of total	Number	% Of total	Number	% Of total
Alabama	11,840		7680	64.9	3640	30.7	520	4.4
Alaska	2360		1470	62.3	880	37.3	0	0.0
Arizona	25,350		18,920	74.6	4240	16.7	2190	8.6
Arkansas	4610		3350	72.7	970	21.0	290	6.3
California	156,210		129,820	83.1	18,640	11.9	7750	5.0
Colorado	24,310		20,110	82.7	3340	13.7	850	3.5
Connecticut	9640		5830	60.5	3090	32.1	710	7.4
Delaware	4010		2390	59.6	1470	36.7	150	3.7
Florida	115,200		73,570	63.9	36,670	31.8	4970	4.3
Georgia	35,700		25,330	71.0	8930	25.0	1440	4.0
Hawaii	4890		3700	75.7	720	14.7	470	9.6
Idaho	2220		1310	59.0	640	28.8	270	12.2
Illinois	51,240		39,600	77.3	9770	19.1	1870	3.6
Indiana	23,480		12,320	52.5	4430	18.9	6740	28.7
Iowa	4180		2840	68.0	840	20.1	490	11.8
Kansas	4400		3410	77.5	840	19.1	150	3.4
Kentucky	12,190		9100	74.7	2440	20.0	660	5.4
Louisiana	13,390		8380	62.6	3960	29.6	1050	7.8
Maine	3250		2220	68.3	660	20.3	370	11.4
Maryland	27,390		15,700	57.3	10,130	37.0	1550	5.7
Massachusetts	21,890		12,670	57.9	6430	29.4	2790	12.7
Michigan	27,540		20,700	75.2	5230	19.0	1600	5.8
Minnesota	21,820		15,180	69.6	5720	26.2	920	4.2
Mississippi	5010		3480	69.5	1330	26.5	200	4.0
Missouri	17,930		13,220	73.7	3740	20.9	960	5.4
Montana	2500		1880	75.2	380	15.2	250	10.0
Nebraska	2470		1930	78.1	480	19.4	60	2.4
Nevada	9710		7770	80.0	1400	14.4	540	5.6
New Hampshire	2650		1890	71.3	380	14.3	380	14.3
New Jersey	26,610		15,380	57.8	8350	31.4	2870	10.8
New Mexico	5600		4560	81.4	500	8.9	540	9.6
New York	72,610		48,740	67.1	18,120	25.0	5750	7.9
North Carolina	29,820		21,160	71.0	7430	24.9	1230	4.1
North Dakota	1320		630	47.7	510	38.6	170	12.9



Summary of Guidance for PrEP Use

	Men Who Have Sex With Men	Heterosexual Women and Men	Injection Drug Users
Detecting substantial risk of acquiring HIV infection:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexual partner with HIV Recent bacterial STD High number of sex partners History of inconsistent or no condom use Commercial sex work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexual partner with HIV Recent bacterial STD High number of sex partners History of inconsistent or no condom use Commercial sex work Lives in high-prevalence area or network 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HIV-positive injecting partner Sharing injection equipment Recent drug treatment (but currently injecting)
Clinically eligible:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documented negative HIV test before prescribing PrEP No signs/symptoms of acute HIV infection Normal renal function, no contraindicated medications Documented hepatitis B virus infection and vaccination status 		
Prescription	Daily, continuing, oral doses of TDF/FTC (Truvada), ≤90 day supply		
Other services:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up visits at least every 3 months to provide: HIV test, medication adherence counseling, behavioral risk reduction support, side effect assessment, STD symptom assessment At 3 months and every 6 months after, assess renal function Every 6 months test for bacterial STDs 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do oral/rectal STD testing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess pregnancy intent Pregnancy test every 3 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to clean needles/syringes and drug treatment services

Source: US Public Health Service. Preexposure prophylaxis for the prevention of HIV infection in the United States —2014: a clinical practice guideline.

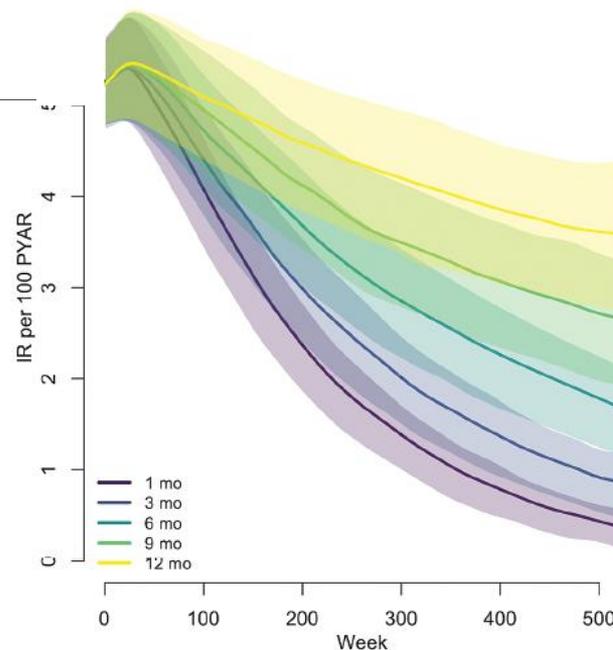
Incidence of Gonorrhea and Chlamydia Following Human Immunodeficiency Virus Preexposure Prophylaxis Among Men Who Have Sex With Men: A Modeling Study

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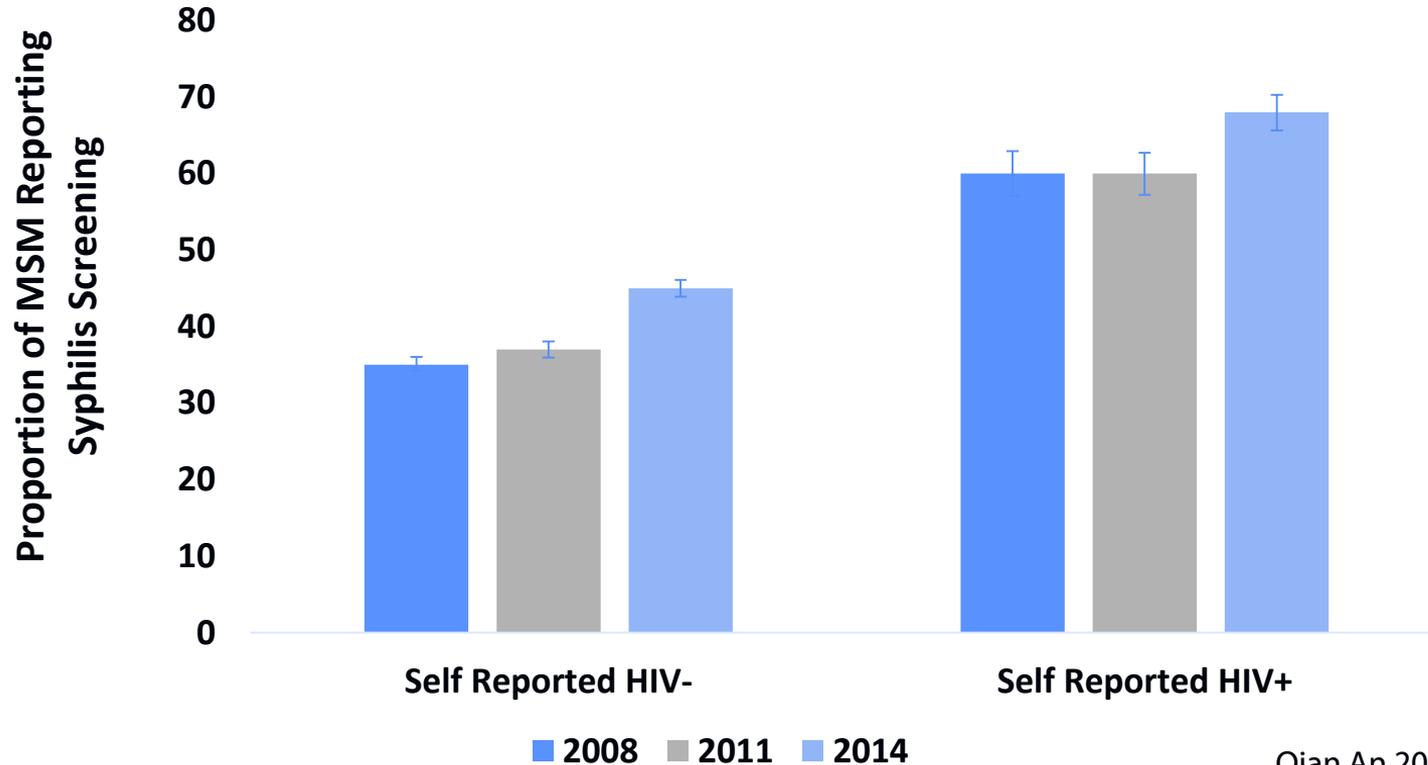
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Over 10 year periods, PrEP associated with a ~40% in chlamydia and gonorrhea prevalence among MSM

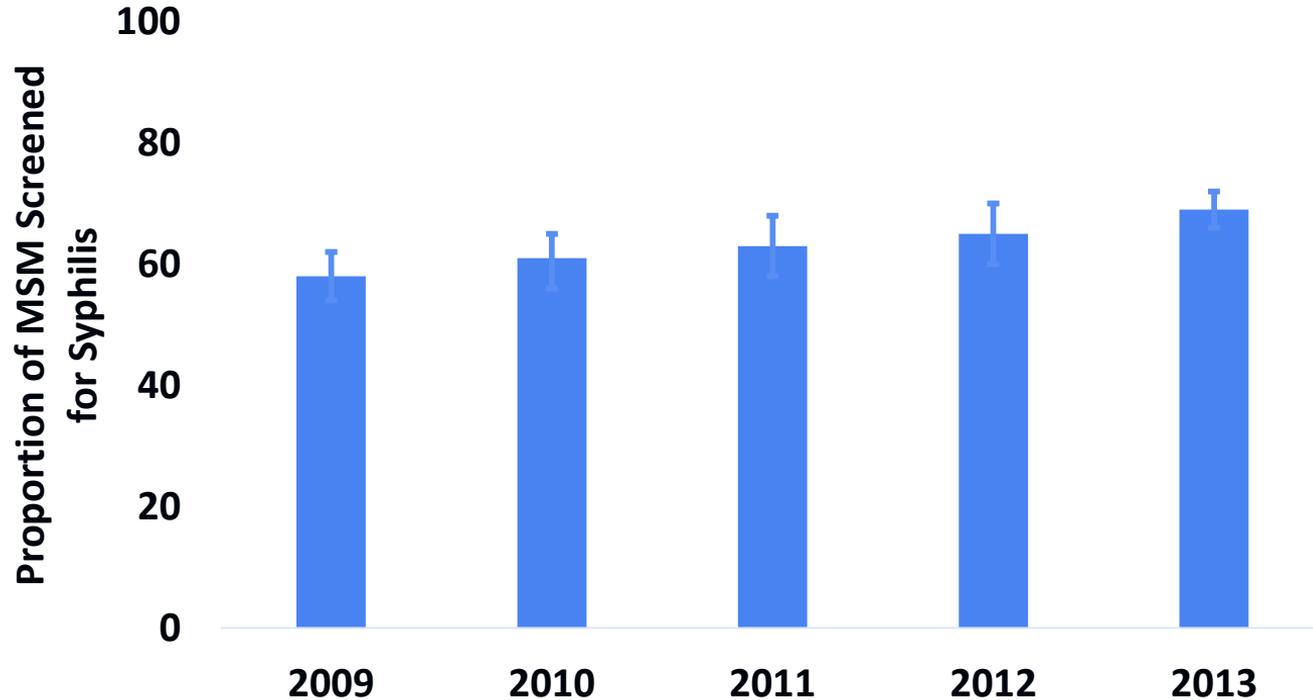
STI Incidence by PrEP STI Screening Interval



Proportion of Sexually Active MSM Who Report Being Screened for Syphilis in the Prior 12 Months, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance

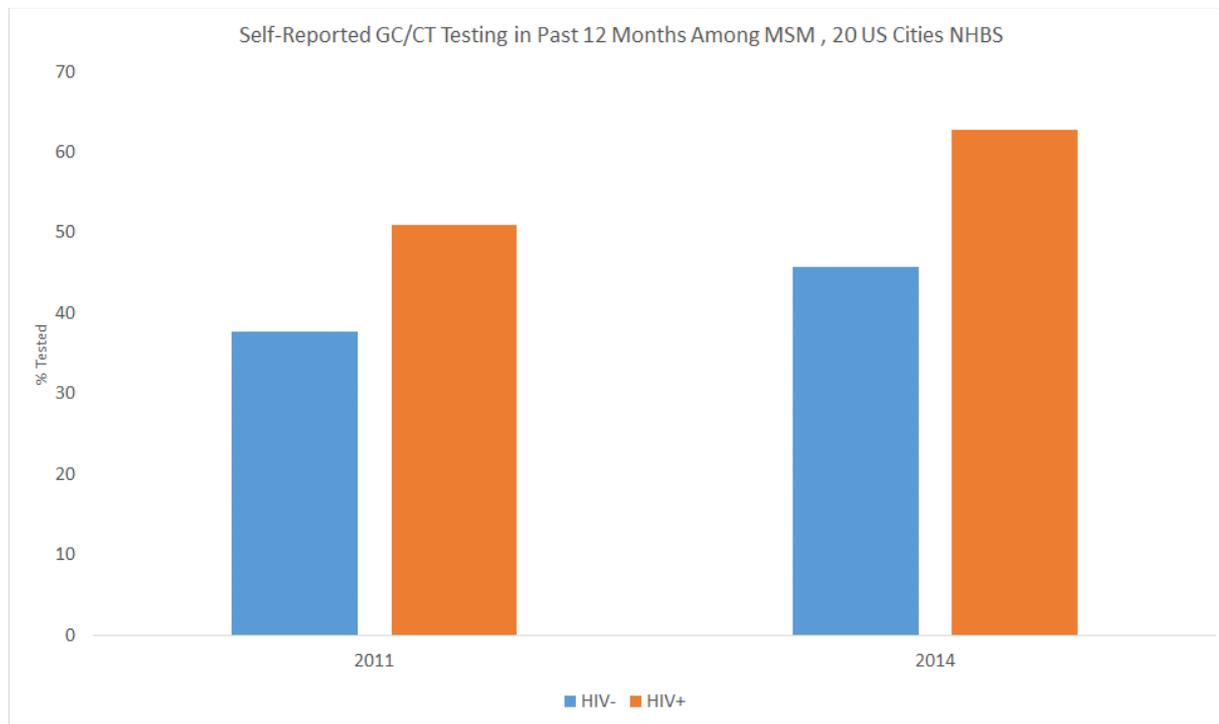


Proportion of Sexually Active HIV-positive MSM in Medical Care Screened for Syphilis in the Prior 12 Months, Medical Monitoring Project, 2009–2013



Self-Reported Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Testing and Diagnosis Among Men Who Have Sex With Men—20 US Cities, 2011 and 2014

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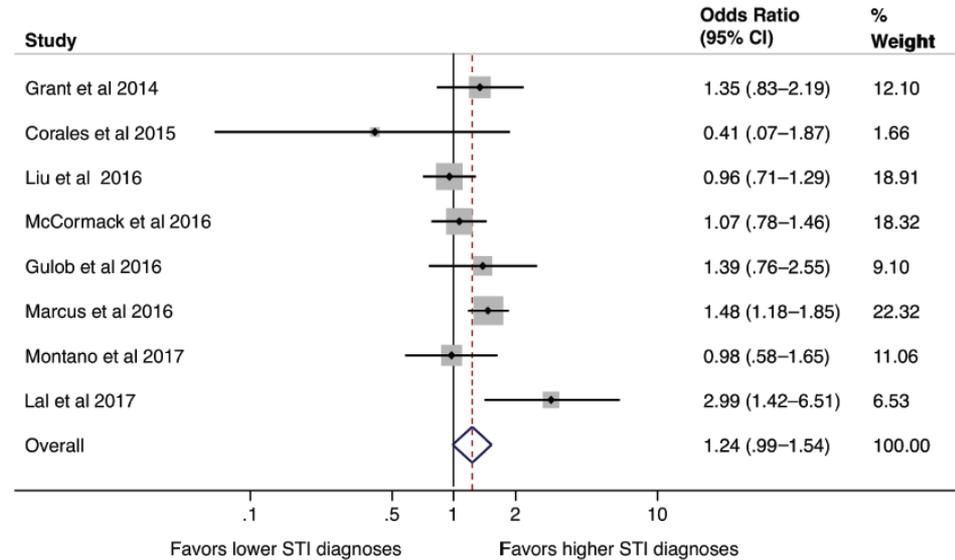


Figure 2. Random effects meta-analysis of effects of pre-exposure prophylaxis on sexually transmitted infection diagnosis. Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; STI, sexually transmitted infection.

Summary

- MSM disproportionately affected by bacterial STDs
- Reported MSM STD morbidity appears to be increasing
- MSM risk behaviors may be changing at a population level
- HIV PrEP poses both challenges and opportunities to reduce STD morbidity among MSM

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