

# HIV in Wyoming

2015

HIV, or Human Immunodeficiency Virus, is the virus that leads to AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome) - now called HIV Stage 3. HIV is transmitted through unprotected sex, blood to blood contact, and mother to child through birth and breastfeeding.

Risks factors for HIV include unprotected oral, anal, or vaginal sex; injection drug use; a blood transfusion or organ transplant prior to 1992; a history of sexual transmitted diseases; and infants born or breastfed by HIV-positive mothers.

Symptoms of HIV infection include fever, chills, night sweats, and weight loss. However, many people do not experience any symptoms. The only way to know your status is to get tested. To find out how to get low- or no-cost testing, visit [www.knowyo.org](http://www.knowyo.org)

HIV case rate per 100,000 people, Wyoming, 2011-2015



○ HIV rate/100,000 people

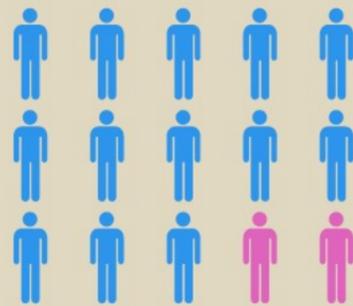
A total of 15 newly diagnosed HIV cases were reported in 2015. The rate of newly reported HIV infection increased from 2014 to 2015. Most cases were reported among those age 15-34 years (66%). From 2011-2015, Wyoming averaged 13 cases per year.

 **2,733**

The number of HIV tests conducted state-wide using Communicable Disease Unit Prevention Program funds. The Program provides low- or no-cost testing at 43 sites across Wyoming through the [www.knowyo.org](http://www.knowyo.org) campaign. Approximately 52% of those tested were female and 76% were White. Risk factors of those tested included injection drug use (IDU), unprotected sex, sex with an IDU, men who have sex with other men, and sex with an HIV+ person.

 **\$125,000**

The approximate monthly dollar amount spent by the Communicable Disease Treatment Program to support medication, doctor's visits, laboratory testing, housing, and transportation for individuals infected with HIV.



87% of new diagnoses were among men

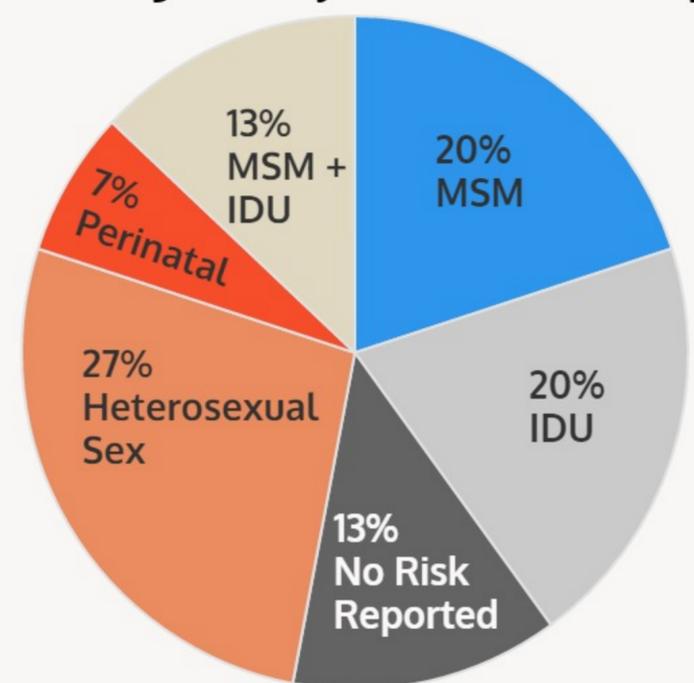
**33%**

of newly reported infections were diagnosed as AIDS

**60%**

of newly reported cases were among non-Hispanic Whites. Hispanics of any race and non-Hispanic Blacks each accounted for an additional 20%

New HIV diagnoses by transmission category



Men who have sex with men and injection drug users accounted for the highest percentage of cases in 2015 (53%). Heterosexual sex made up an additional 27% of transmission. No risks were identified for 13% of cases.