

# Primary & Secondary (P&S) Syphilis Update 2017 Louisiana

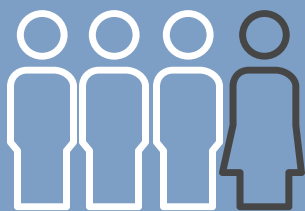
P&S syphilis diagnoses in the United States have **nearly doubled** since 2013



In 2017, **Louisiana ranked 3rd** in the nation for P&S syphilis diagnosis rates

**679** people were diagnosed with P&S syphilis in Louisiana in 2017

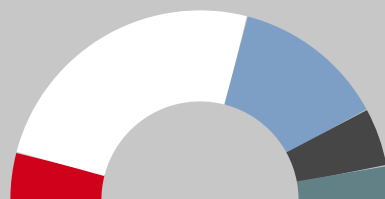
**Men** accounted for **3 out of 4** P&S syphilis diagnoses in Louisiana



## P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by Age

**Half**

of P&S syphilis diagnoses were among persons 20-29 years old



19 & under (8%) 20-29 (50%) 30-39 (26%)  
40-49 (10%) 50+ (6%)

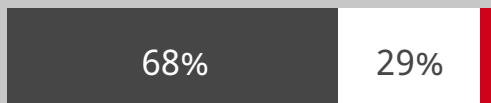
## P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by Race

**68%**

of P&S syphilis diagnoses were among Blacks, but only 32% of Louisiana's population is Black



**Louisiana Population**

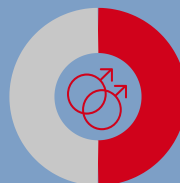


**P&S Syphilis Diagnoses**

Black White Other

## P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by P&S Risk Factors

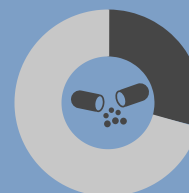
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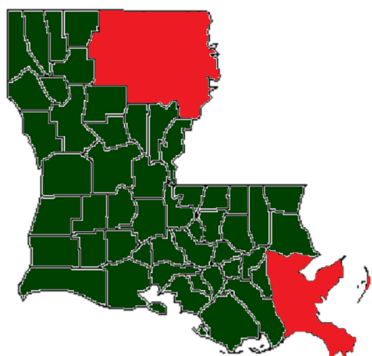
**50%** of new diagnoses were among gay, bisexual & other men who have sex with men



**58%** of new diagnoses engaged in heterosexual contact



**29%** of new diagnoses reported illegal drug use, of whom 1.5% were injection drug users



**Nearly half**

of all P&S syphilis diagnoses were in the **New Orleans** and **Monroe** Public Health Regions

For more information on syphilis and testing locations in Louisiana, visit: