

Primary & Secondary (P&S) Syphilis Update 2019 Louisiana

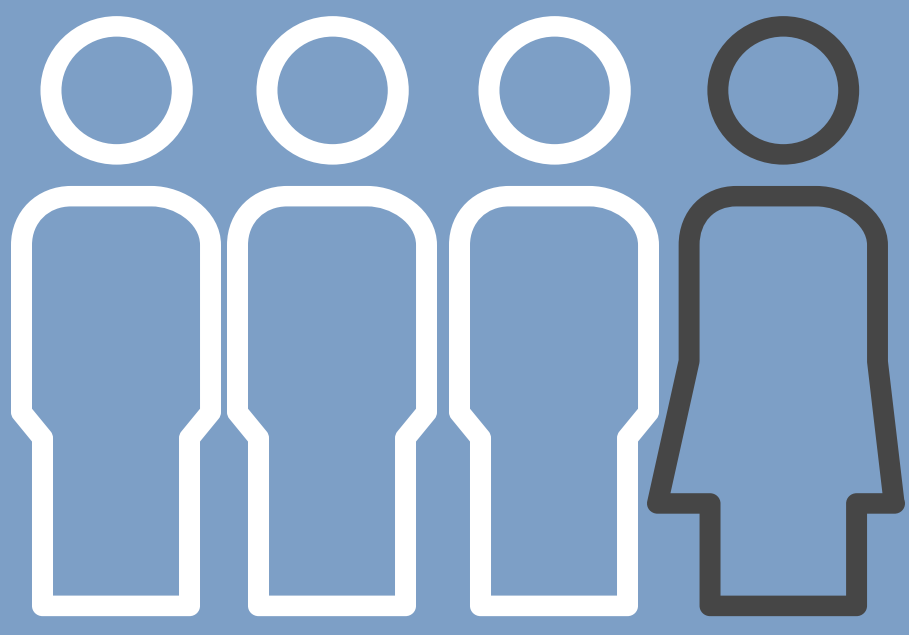
P&S syphilis diagnoses in the United States have **nearly doubled** since 2014.



In 2019, **Louisiana ranked 9th** in the nation for P&S syphilis diagnosis rates.

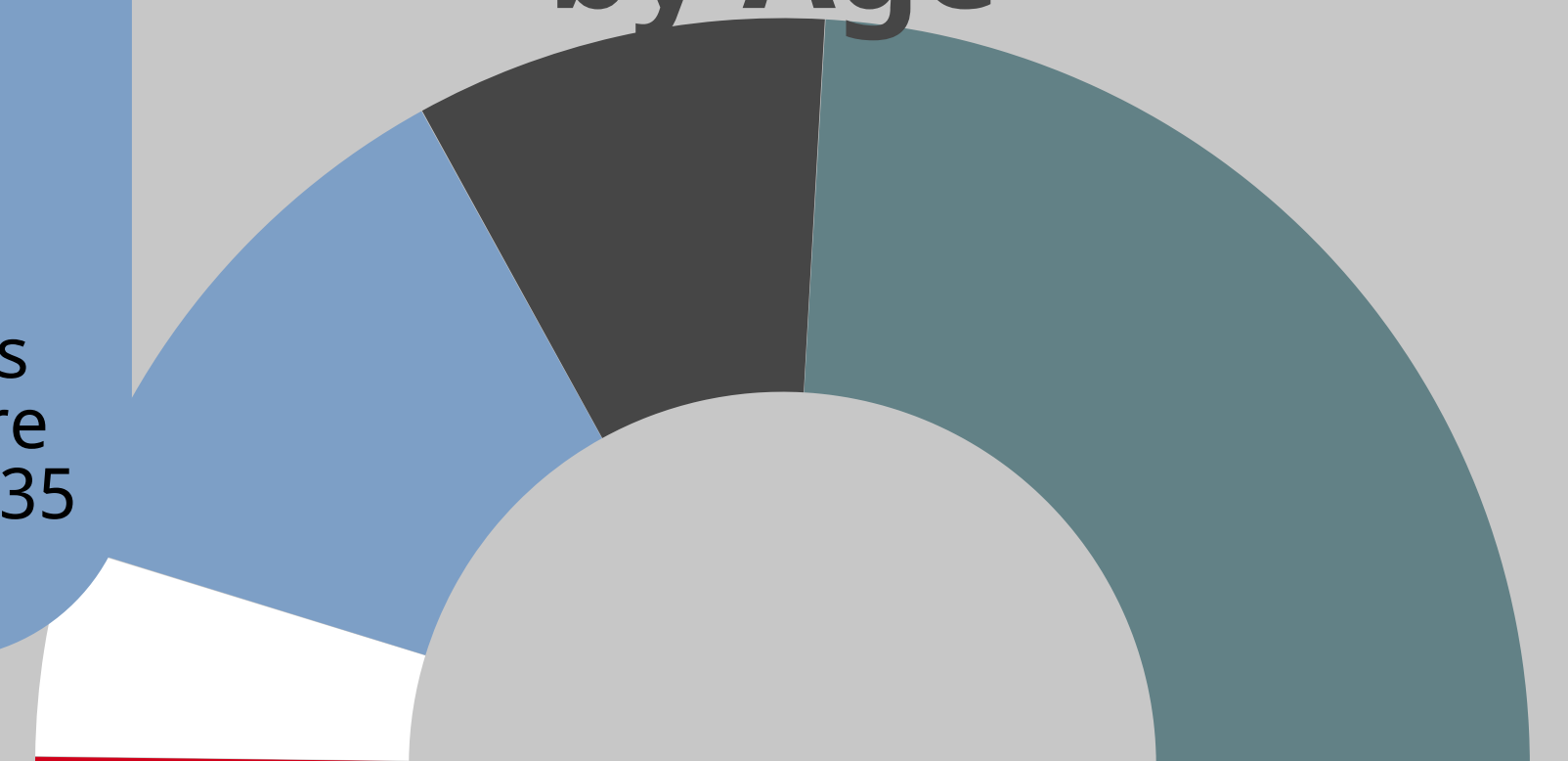
700 people were diagnosed with P&S syphilis in Louisiana in 2019.

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



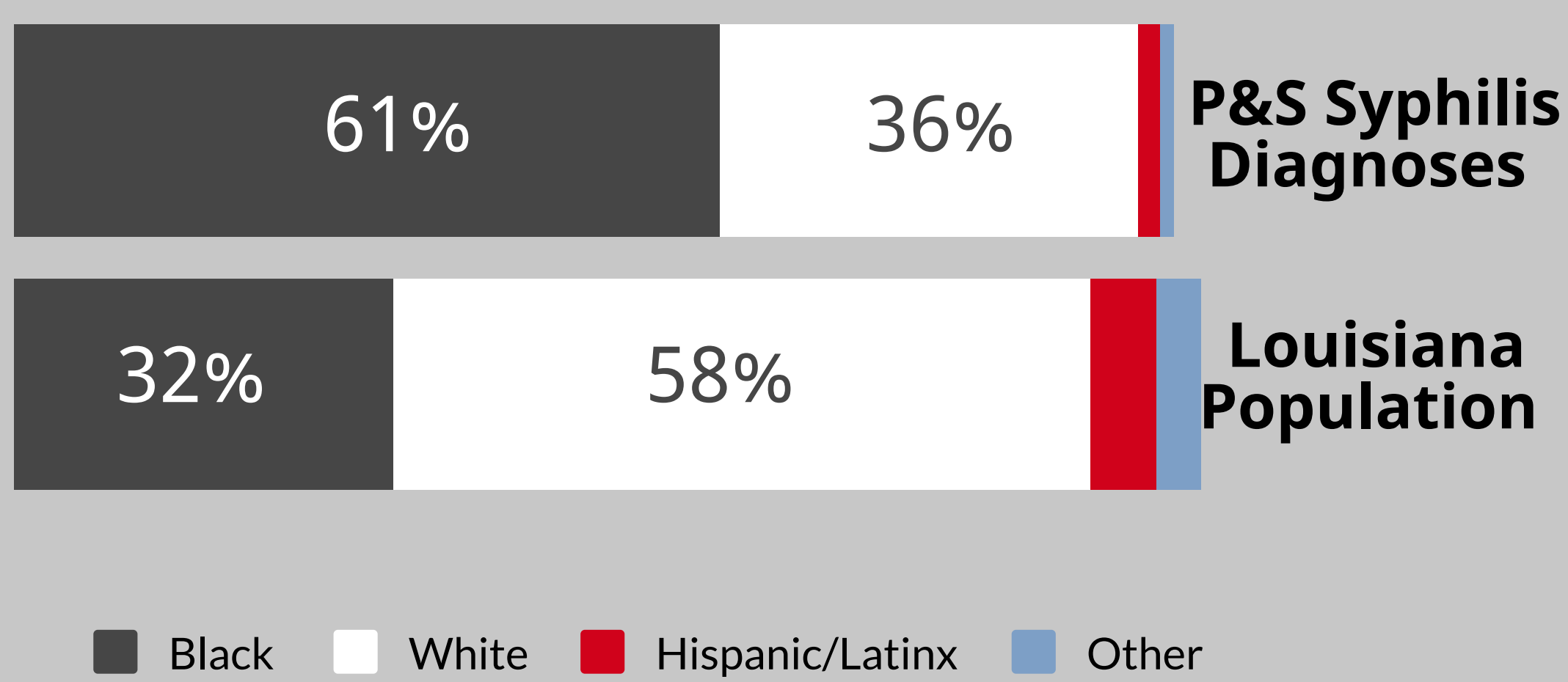
P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by Age

Nearly Half of P&S syphilis diagnoses were among people 35 and older.



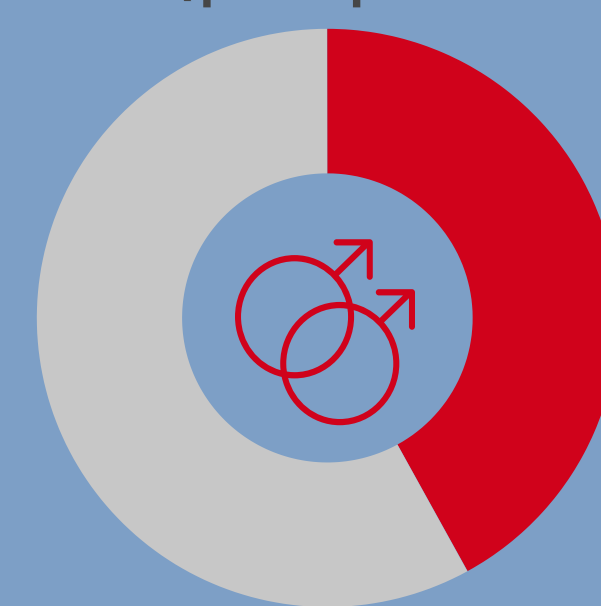
P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by Race

61% of P&S syphilis diagnoses were among Black people, but **only 32%** of Louisiana's population is Black.



P&S Syphilis Diagnoses by Risk Factors

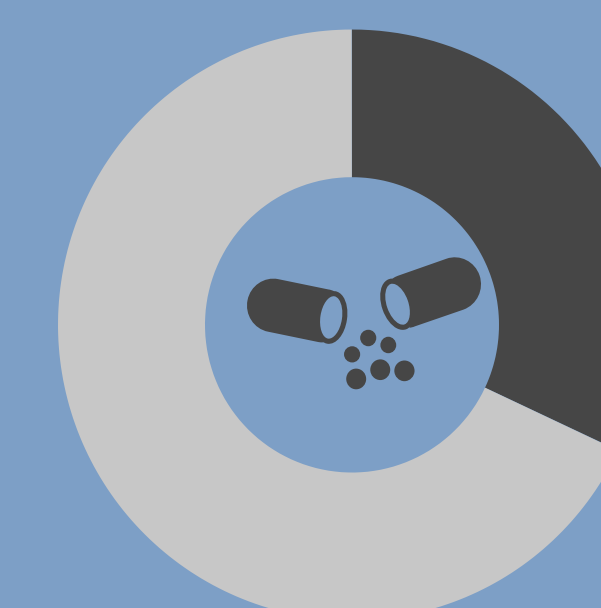
(people may report more than one risk)



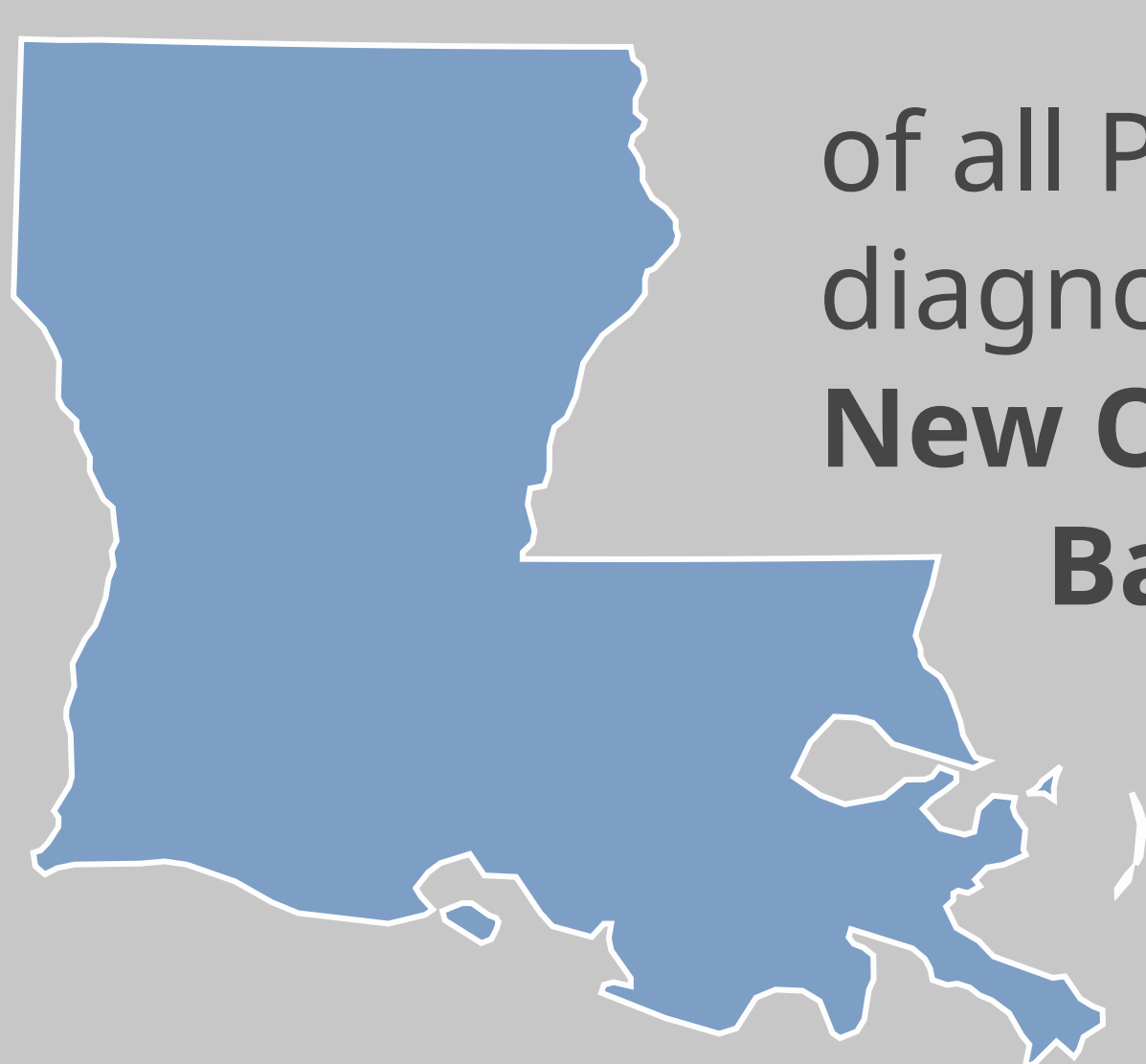
42% of new diagnoses were among gay, bisexual & other men who have sex with men



52% of new diagnoses engaged in heterosexual sex



32% of new diagnoses reported drug use; 18% were injection drug users



41% of all P&S syphilis diagnoses were in the **New Orleans** and **Baton Rouge** Public Health Regions.

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