

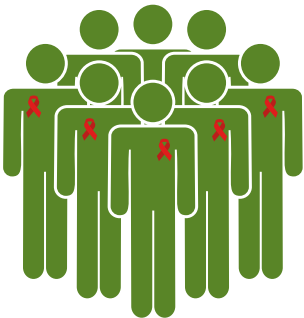
World AIDS Day

December 1

Show your support for people living with HIV
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Global Impact



In 2024, an estimated **40.8 million** people are **living with HIV**.

Since the start of the epidemic, an estimated **44.1 million** people have died from an **AIDS-related illness**.

An estimated **1.3 million** were **diagnosed** with HIV in 2024, a **40% decrease** since 2010.

In the United States

There are over **1.12 million** Americans living with HIV.

In 2023, over **38,000** people were *diagnosed* with **HIV**



over **17,000** people were *diagnosed* with **AIDS**

The HIV epidemic affects some groups more than others, including:

➤ *Black and Hispanic/Latinx people* ➤ *Gay and bisexual men* ➤ *Persons living in the southern U.S.*

Many factors contribute to a person's risk of HIV and their overall health.

Some of these factors include:



- Education
- Access to healthcare
- Stigma and discrimination
- Employment
- Supportive family and community
- Safe and stable housing

Ensuring people can access quality health services is important for the health of all people.

HIV and AIDS in Louisiana

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In 2023, there were 872 new HIV diagnoses in Louisiana.



It is estimated that **1 in 6** people living with HIV in Louisiana are **undiagnosed** and *do not know their status*.

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In 2024, there were **22,718 people living with HIV** in Louisiana.

Almost half (48.6%) of people living with HIV had a *prior AIDS diagnosis*.

Among the persons living with HIV in 2024:



2 in 3 were Black (67.1%)



70% were male

45+

Over half were over 45 years old

People living with HIV who regularly take their medicine and maintain an undetectable viral load have a normal average life expectancy and cannot transmit HIV to their sexual partners

The **science** is there. **U=U.**

Undetectable=Untransmittable

How you can prevent HIV transmission:



If you are **sexually active**, get **screened for HIV annually** and talk to your provider about whether more frequent screening would be beneficial for you



If you are **HIV negative**, ask your doctor about **pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)**, a daily medication to **prevent HIV**.



Regardless of your status, **use a condom** every time you have sex. Condoms *reduce* the chance of contracting **HIV** and other **sexually transmitted infections**.



Know your status. Get tested for HIV.