



HIV Infections Released by Public Health England for 2015

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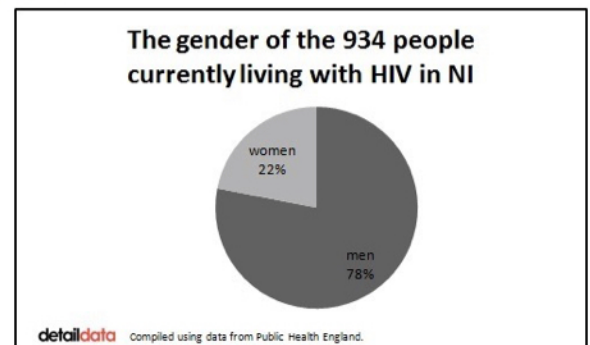
Stats (All As of 2015 Public Health England Report)

- How many people are living with HIV in Northern Ireland

- 934

- How many people were diagnosed in 2015?

- 103
 - 22 Women
 - 81 Men



- A rise of nearly 15% compared with the previous year.

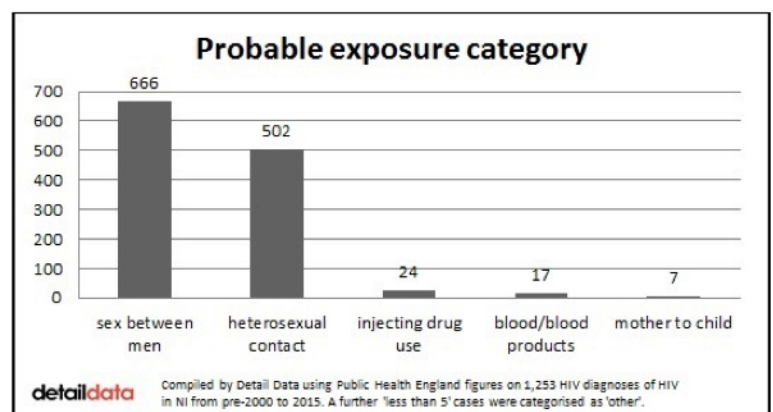
- How many women live with HIV in Northern Ireland?

- We can only know this by who is receiving treatment:
 - 729 men receiving treatment
 - 205 women receiving treatment

- From 1985 or earlier, a total of 1,253 HIV diagnoses have been recorded in Northern Ireland

- 51% of HIV diagnoses in Northern Ireland are considered “late-diagnoses”

- 114 pregnancies were affected by HIV in the 10 years 2005-2016



FAQ/Definitions (Most Info from AIDS.gov)

- Where do I go for testing?
 - I would advise you to contact your local sexual health clinic. If you don't know where that is, visit positivehugs.io/clinics to find out.
- How can HIV be transmitted?
 - HIV can be transmitted via blood-to-blood contact, breastmilk, pre-seminal fluid, semen, rectal fluids, and vaginal fluids. This list does not include saliva because HIV is not found in enough quantities to be transmitted via saliva.
- What is CD4?
 - CD4 cells (often called T-cells or T-helper cells) are a type of white blood cells that play a major role in protecting your body from infection. They send signals to activate your body's immune response when they detect "intruders," like viruses or bacteria.
- What is a Viral Load?
 - A measure of the number of viral particles present in an organism or environment, especially the number of HIV viruses in the bloodstream.
- What is Undetectable?
 - When the amount of HIV in the blood is too low to be detected with a viral load (HIV RNA) test. Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) may reduce a person's viral load to an undetectable level; however, that does not mean the person is cured. It has been recently discovered that someone who is undetectable is uninfected and cannot pass the virus onto an HIV- person.