

# HIV IN WISCONSIN

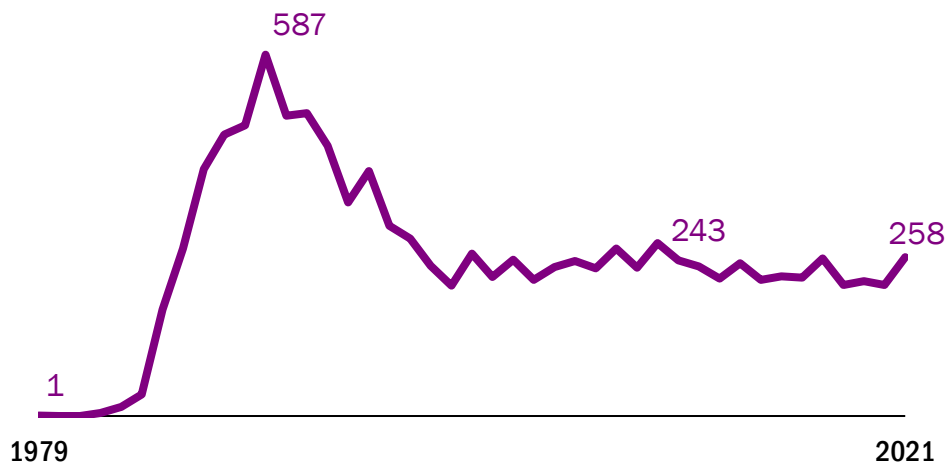
## 2021 Summary

HIV surveillance data provide important information for planning HIV prevention and care services. The data show trends and priority populations in order to focus resources. During 2021, 258 people were newly diagnosed with HIV and a total of 7,162 people were living with HIV in Wisconsin. For more information, visit the full [HIV Surveillance Annual Report](#).

## Diagnosis Trends

Over the past 10 years, the number of **new HIV diagnoses** reported each year in Wisconsin has **slowly declined**.

Number of new HIV diagnoses, Wisconsin 1979–2021



Although trends do not show a significant increase over time, these populations are emerging priorities:

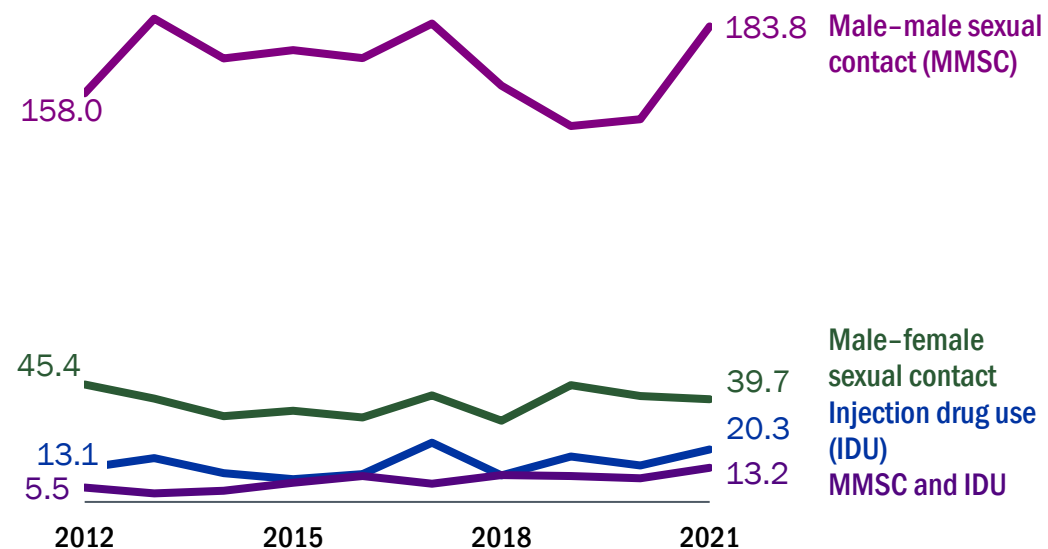
People who inject drugs

Young Hispanic MSM

Young transgender women of color

**Male–male sexual contact is the most common HIV transmission risk.**

New HIV diagnoses by estimated transmission category\*, Wisconsin, 2012–2021

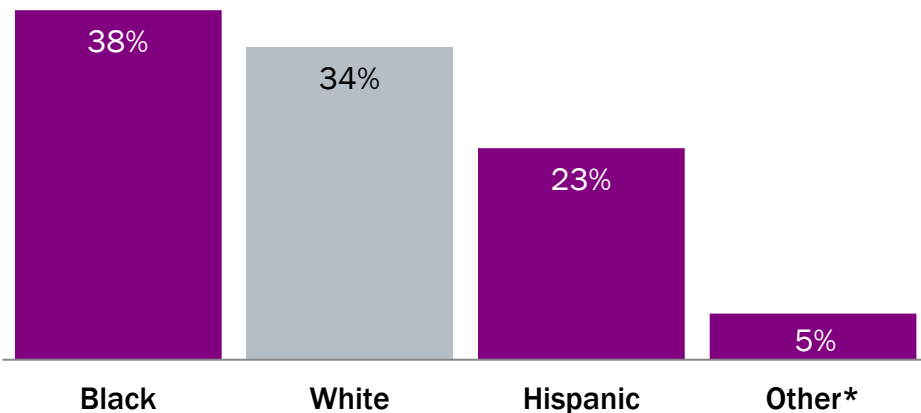


\*Data have been statistically adjusted to account for those with unknown transmission category.

# HIV in 2021 in Wisconsin

Racial and ethnic minorities made up just **19% of Wisconsin's population** but accounted for **66% of new HIV diagnoses**.

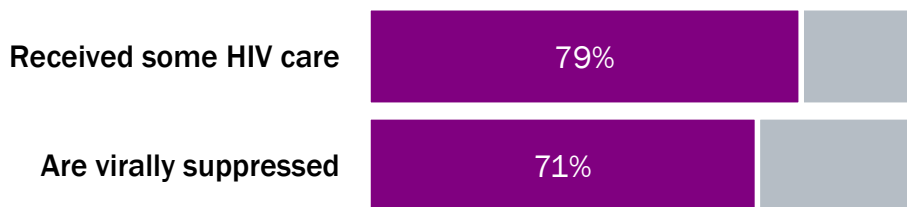
Percentage of new HIV diagnoses by race and ethnicity, Wisconsin, 2021



\*Other includes Asian, Native American, and multiracial.

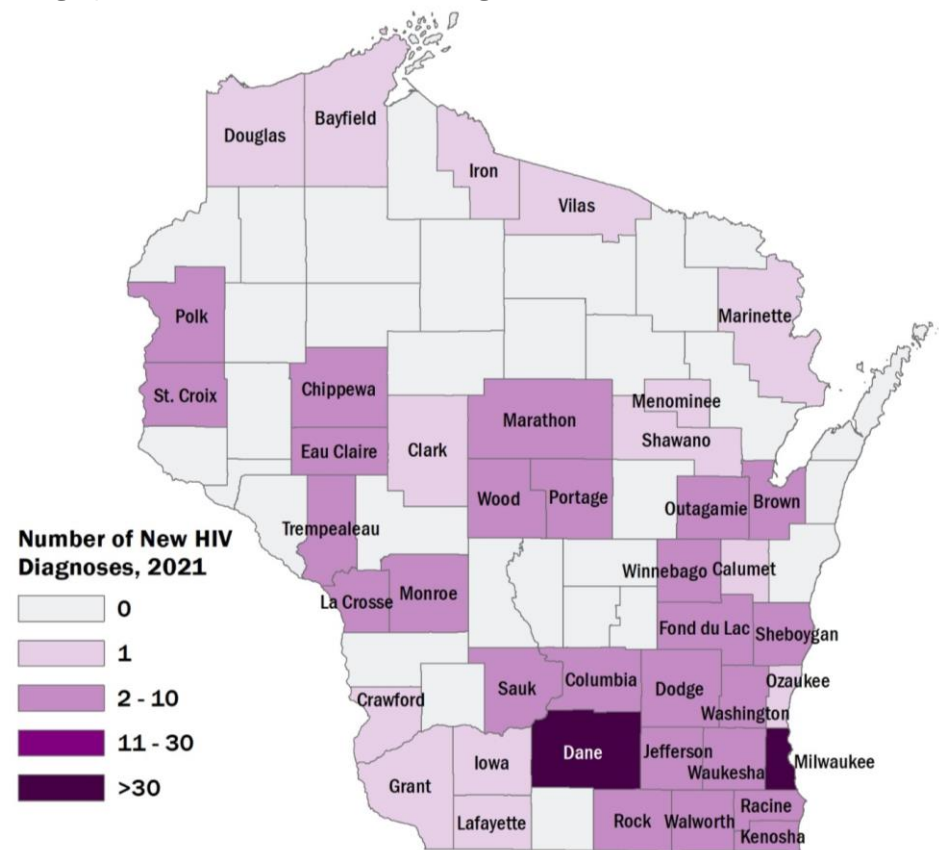
Most people living with HIV received some HIV care and over half were virally suppressed.

People living with HIV, Wisconsin, 2021



The majority of new HIV diagnoses were identified in **Milwaukee and Dane counties**.

Geographic distribution of new HIV diagnoses, Wisconsin, 2021



Among the 258 newly diagnosed HIV cases in 2021:

**32 years**  
Median age

**77%**  
Male

**66%**  
People of color

