

# 2015 Illinois HIV Epidemiology Highlights

While more than 63,000 HIV cases have been diagnosed in Illinois, this marks the lowest number of annual new cases reported in nearly 30 years. In 2015, there were 1,539 new cases.



HIV disease diagnoses in Illinois are **down 28%** since 2006.

There were 46% fewer cases diagnosed among heterosexuals and 87% fewer cases diagnosed among people who inject drugs (PWID).

Since 2006, 48% fewer HIV cases have been diagnosed among women (compared to 22% fewer cases among men). In 2015, black women accounted for 74% of new infections diagnosed among women.

The number of cases diagnosed among 20-24 year-olds **increased** 39% between 2006 and 2015. The number of cases diagnosed among 13-19 year-olds decreased 23%.

Hispanic MSM saw a **26% increase** in the number of new HIV cases over the past decade. Hispanic MSM ages 13-24 saw a **120 percent increase** in the number of new cases. Diagnoses among white and black MSM ages 13-24 **increased 47%** and **45%**, respectively.

MSM refers to gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men.

\*Note: There were 29 cases diagnosed in 2006 and 64 cases diagnosed in 2015.

