



HIV AMONG FOREIGN-BORN PERSONS IN MARYLAND, 2021

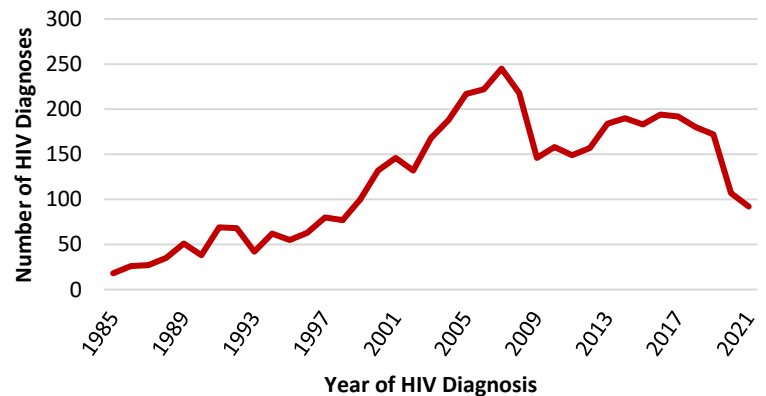
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New HIV Diagnoses in Maryland

In 2021, there were 92 reported HIV diagnoses among foreign-born persons in Maryland.

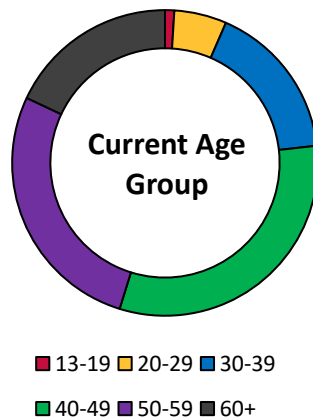
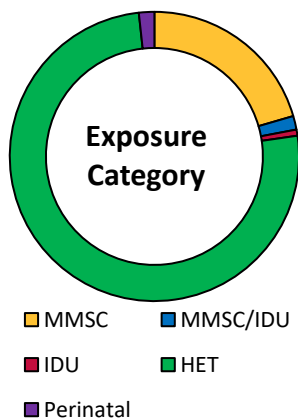
- Of the 773 total reported HIV diagnoses in Maryland, 92 (11.9%) were born in a foreign country. Persons born in Africa accounted for 6.3% of the total newly reported HIV diagnoses and 53.3% of the foreign-born diagnoses.
- Of the 92 diagnoses born in a foreign country, 47.8% were female, and 52.2% were male.
- 41.3% were diagnosed with AIDS within 3 months, indicating they were likely infected for years.

Trends in HIV Diagnoses Among Foreign-Born Residents



Characteristics of Foreign-Born Marylanders Living with HIV

At the end of 2021, there were 4,164 foreign-born persons living with diagnosed HIV.



- Of the 4,164 foreign-born persons living with diagnosed HIV, (62.4%) were African-born and (17.0%) were Central American-born.
- The most common birth countries among foreign-born persons living with diagnosed HIV were Cameroon (17.1%), Ethiopia (9.5%), Nigeria (7.9%), El Salvador and Kenya (3.6%).
- 67.0% of the 4,164 foreign-born persons living with diagnosed HIV had a recent viral load test result reported in 2021. Of these, 92.6% had a suppressed viral load.

HET: Heterosexual Contact | **IDU:** Injection Drug Use | **MMSC:** Male-to-male Sexual Contact

Note: The completeness of reporting a person’s country of birth is variable in surveillance data. Not all agencies collect or have complete data on nativity. In addition, some individuals may immigrate to the U.S. with HIV. HIV testing data from other countries is often unavailable for these people; therefore, they are counted as a new diagnosis following their first HIV related lab test in the United States, even if they were first diagnosed elsewhere.