



Persons Living with Diagnosed HIV Who Are Out of Care in Florida, 2018

Persons living with diagnosed HIV (PLWH) in Florida, year-end 2018

119,661 PLWH

89,925 In Care

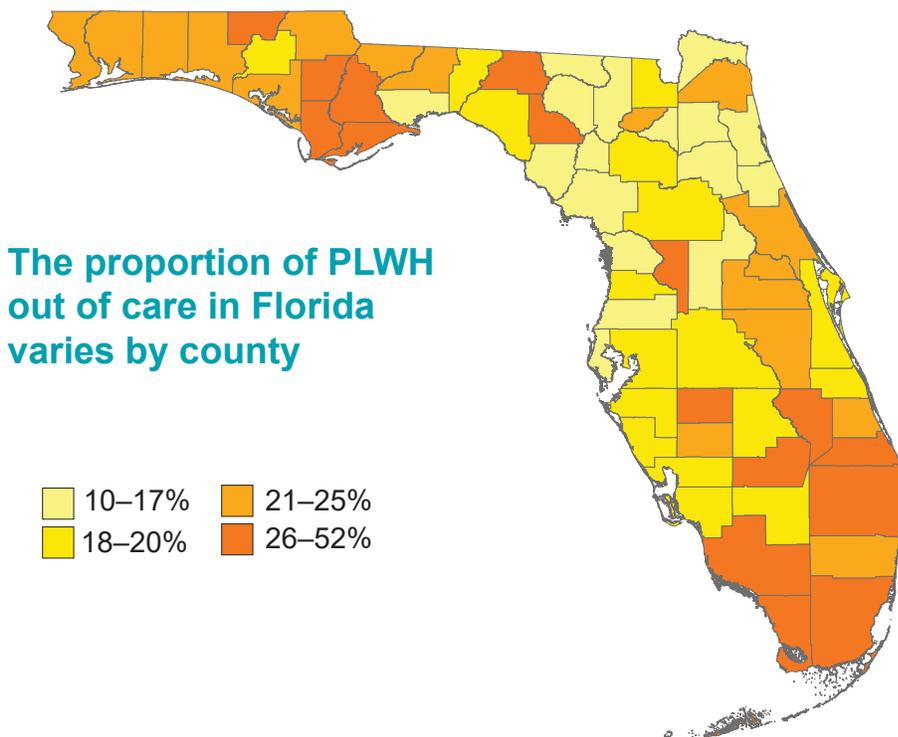
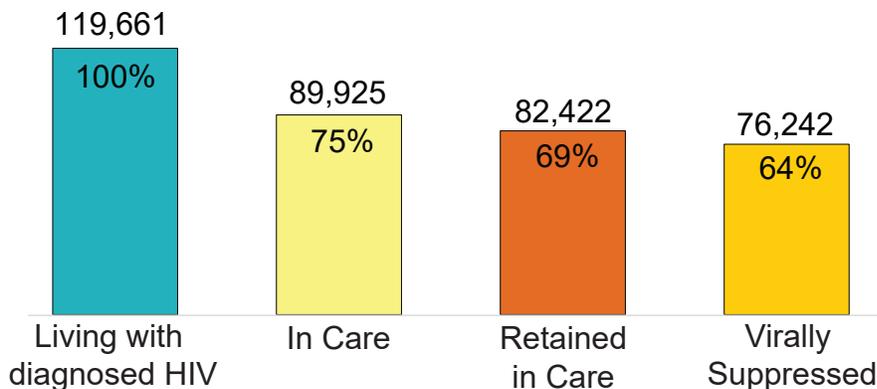
82,422 Retained in Care

76,242 Virally Suppressed

In Care: Documented care ≥ 1 time in 2018.

Retained in Care: Documented care ≥ 2 times, ≥ 3 months apart in 2018. **Virally Suppressed:** Viral load < 200 copies/mL

Florida's 2018 HIV Care Continuum



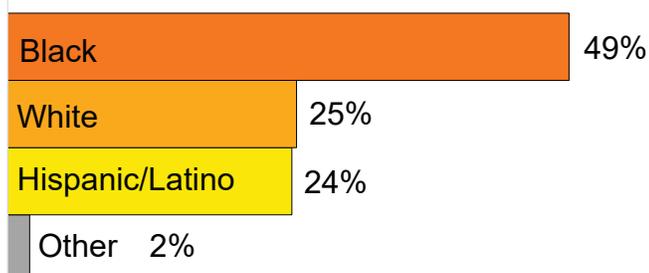
29,736

out of 119,661 (25%) PLWH did not receive HIV care (were out of care) in Florida in 2018

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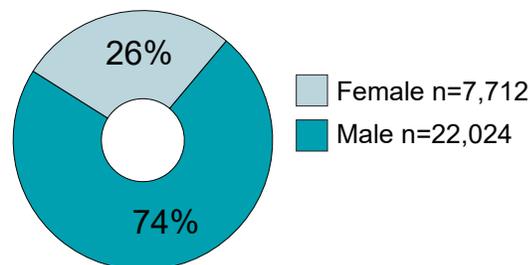
out of 29,736 (44%) PLWH who were out of care were living with AIDS

Blacks represented the highest proportion of PLWH who were out of care in 2018

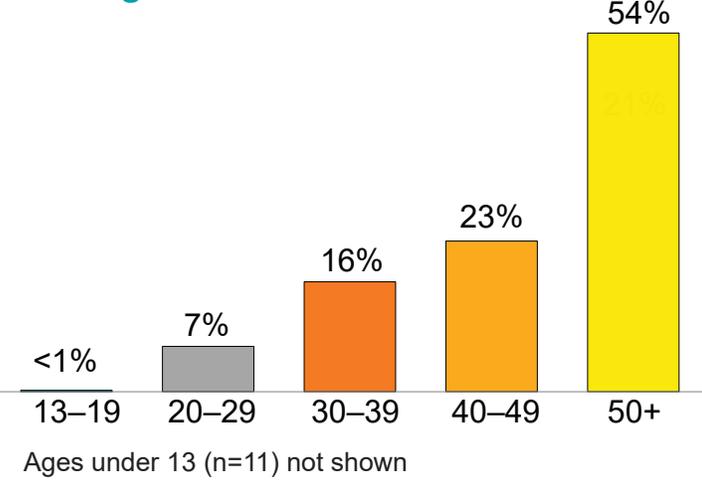


Other includes Asian/Pacific Islanders, American Indians/Native Alaskans, and mixed races.

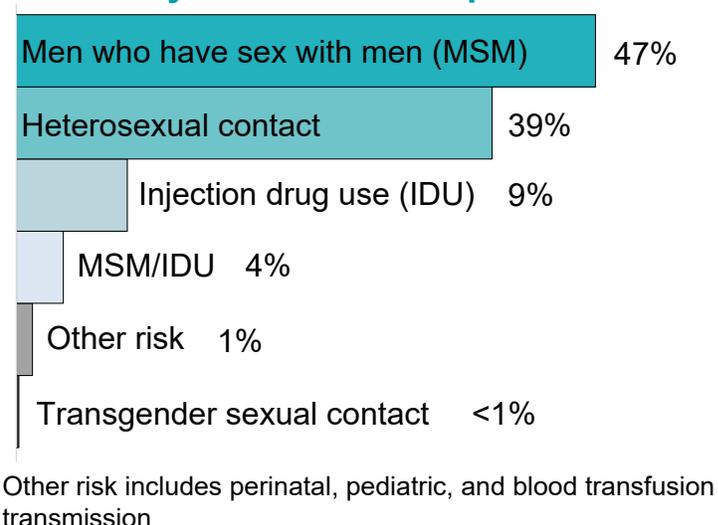
Male PLWH were more likely to be out of care than female PLWH in 2018



The highest proportion of PLWH who were out of care (n=29,736) in 2018 were age 50 and older



PLWH who were out of care (n=29,736) in 2018 by mode of HIV exposure



Florida’s HIV Re-Engagement in Care Efforts

The Florida Department of Health HIV/AIDS Section currently employs the following programs to address linkage to and re-engagement in HIV medical care:

Linkage to Care Program

Florida’s Linkage to Care Program assists any PLWH in need of HIV care by connecting them with a medical practitioner, regardless of ability to pay. The program goals are to increase the number of PLWH who are linked to care, are retained in care on antiretroviral therapy (ART), and have a suppressed viral load.

Data to Care Program

Florida’s Data to Care (D2C) Program is a high-impact prevention strategy that relies on the use of HIV surveillance data and other care indicators to identify PLWH who are not in care. Linkage services are offered to those PLWH identified by D2C as not receiving HIV treatment by connecting them with the HIV care they need. Florida has implemented a statewide D2C program since 2015 and is using D2C outcomes to determine potential barriers to care.

Test and Treat Program

For PLWH, starting antiretroviral therapy (ART) as soon as possible improves health outcomes by reducing the risk of disease progression and reducing viral load. Test and Treat (T&T) is a clinical program providing immediate access to HIV care and initiation of ART at the time of HIV diagnosis or at the time a patient lost to follow-up re-engages in care, regardless of ability to pay. The program provides linkage to ongoing care and case management services to assist PLWH in gaining access to additional resources within their communities.

Florida HIV/AIDS Hotline

1-800-FLA-AIDS (352-2437) English
 1-800-545-SIDA (545-7432) Spanish
 1-800-AIDS-101 (243-7101) Haitian Creole
 1-800-503-7118 Hearing/Speech Impaired
www.211bigbend.org/flhivaidshotline
 Text ‘FLHIV’ or ‘flhiv’ to 898211
 For more information:
DiseaseControl@flhealth.gov
 To find a care provider or to learn more about the resources available to PLWH, visit:
www.floridaaids.org

Data Sources

For more Florida data, www.floridaaids.org